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TWENTY-FOURTH YEAR

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Shell Oil Moves In For Deep Test Near Hagansport

Shell Oil Company has announced a Smackover lime venture in Northeast Hopkins County near the Franklin County line. The test will be four miles southeast of Sulphur Bluff and on the north side of the Mitchell Creek Paluxy field. The 10-700-foot project will be No. 1 C. M. Mayes, 457 from the southerly north line and 467 from the easterly east line of a 200-acre tract in Jasper CSL survey, A-509. Site is 3 1/2 miles east of Greling Estate No. 1 Bassham, a Smackover gas-condensate completion in the Sulphur Bluff field.

The Mayes location is east and slightly north of Greling Estate's No. 1 Bassham which was brought in in March of 1958 and tested from 9,290 feet to 9,321 feet. Casing was perforated at 9,324-29 feet and Railroad Commission tests for 24 hours placed production at 13 million cu. ft. of gas as daily potential with distillate averaging 80 barrels per million cu. ft. of gas.

In May and June of 1958 Greling was allowed to flare 150 million cubic feet of gas at the Bassham after distillate had been removed. After this was done test has been shut down as no facilities are available for processing the gas.

Completion — Trix-Liz (Woodbine A) Field. Jones-O'Brien, Inc., operators; A Belcher, et al. Well No. 9-UT, 83.08 barrels in 24 hour test; gor 80-1, gravity 23, 4% water. Total depth 3,374 feet.

Plug and abandon—Wildcat in Bowie County. Bert Fields, operator; Breckenridge Estate Well No. 1. Total depth 8,877 feet.

School Officials At SAAC Meet

Annual School Administrators Advisory Conference on Education is in session in Austin this week. The meeting, which got underway Wednesday and will continue thru Friday, is sponsored by the Texas Education Agency.

Talco School Supt. W. R. Young is attending the meeting.

Widespread Snow Blankets This Area Tuesday

Winter's most widespread snows in Texas swept through a large part of the state Tuesday and Wednesday. The white flakes poured down Tuesday, bringing the largest snow to this area in some time. Some sleet and rain fell also, but by mid-afternoon, temperatures had risen on a few degrees and the snow began melting.

The snow, estimated between two and three inches, caused hazardous driving conditions. Traffic slowed down and no accidents were reported in this immediate area Tuesday.

Skies were still overcast Wednesday and flurries of snow fell at intervals during the day. The mercury was slightly above the freezing mark, as the snow continued to melt slowly.

Weatherman A. C. Nixon at Deport reports rainfall this week 1.54 inches, with .58 of an inch recorded on Tuesday morning and .96 Wednesday. These readings are up until 7 o'clock on the respective days.

Rain, sleet and snow brought 3.3 inches of moisture to Bogata, the past week. Texas Power and Light Company's Rivercrest plant reported 1.93 inches for the same period of time.

Temperature registered 26 degrees Thursday morning and the high Wednesday was 38. icy highways made travel hazardous. Warmer weather was predicted for Friday.

A light snow ushered out 1959 Thursday, but melted within a few hours. At Cox Field rainfall for 1959 was 46.36 and in 1958 a total of 51.19 inches was recorded. According to Nixon, Deport had 48.18 inches of rain in 1959 compared to 49.24 in 1958.

Farmers and stockmen are having to do extra feeding during the rainy cold weather. Some roads in this area are getting in bad condition, especially those that are not hard surfaced or oiled. This is caused by the continued wet weather.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Hooks visited Friday till Sunday with her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Randy Hardy of San Augustine.

Two Wilkerson Men Die Sunday From Gas Fumes

Johnny Allen, 19, and his brother, Travis Allen, 25 of Wilkerson, were found dead in their car Sunday about 12 o'clock by Paul Griffin of Wilkerson, near the Wilkerson school east of Talco.

The boys were sleeping in their car with one of their boots propped against the accelerator to keep the car running. Auto windows were closed, and the car doors were locked and had to be pried open to remove the bodies.

Both were apparent victims of carbon monoxide poisoning. They were sons of John Allen of Wilkerson.

According to Titus County Sheriff L. A. Redfearn, the men apparently slept in their car throughout the night and died sometime Sunday morning. The car did not have a muffler.

A passerby, Paul Griffin of Wilkerson, found the two men dead in their 1953 Chevrolet hoveed in blankets at 11:30 a. m. Sunday.

They had been to a movie in Mt. Pleasant Saturday night with two friends.

Sheriff Redfearn said Monday that the car was not running at the time they found the men, although the heater was on and a boot had been propped against the accelerator to keep the motor running.

Justice of the Peace R. D. Thomas ruled accidental death due to carbon monoxide poisoning.

Although the motor was not running at the time the bodies were discovered, an investigation revealed that a passerby noticed the motor running in the car at 5 a. m. Sunday and that the boys' father talked to one of the boys at 9 a. m.

The father said he aroused the younger Allen and asked them what they were doing there. The boy didn't answer him, although he was awake. According to the sheriff, the father left not knowing that anything was wrong since one of the boys was awake.

The auto's gas tank was half full when the sheriff's department arrived.

Both men were loggers and worked in the Talco and Wilkerson area, Justice Thomas said. Double funeral services were held Tuesday at Harris Chapel Baptist Church. E. L. Carver officiated at the services with burial in Deshields Cemetery.

Travis Allen was born Dec. 2, 1934 in Talco. Johnnie Leo Allen was born April 6, 1940.

They are survived by their father, John Allen of Talco, four sisters, Mrs. Ethel Lutt of Talco, Mrs. Katherine Penny of DeKalb, Mary Allen of Talco, Fay Belle Allen of Dallas; four brothers, A. L. Allen and William Glenn Allen of Gladewater, and James Edward Allen and Edward Franklin Allen of Talco.

Travis Allen also is survived by his wife, Mrs. Bickie Allen and a daughter, Barbara Mae Allen of Gladewater.

At Talco Hospital

Admitted—Dismissed	
Jackie Black	12-30-1-1
Nelda Alexander	1-2
Smiley Hinson	1-2
George Keeling	1-2
Mrs. J. T. Goodroe	1-4

Mrs. Elizabeth Tapp returned to Edcouch, where she is teaching school after spending the holidays with her son, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Tapp and son, Mel of Ft. Worth, and her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Paxton of Henderson and Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzo Reed and Mrs. Nora Williams of Talco.

S. A. Mason Dies At Clarksville

Samuel Augustus Mason, retired farmer of Clarksville, died Saturday in Red River County Hospital.

Services were held Sunday by Rev. Jess Watson and Rev. Augustus Downing and interment made in Fairview Cemetery, grandsons being bearers. They were Teddy Paxton, John Paxton, J. C. Pomroy, Lawrence Wood, Lowell Francis and John Parker.

Besides his wife, Jessie, Mr. Mason leaves these children: M. W. Mason, Sherman; Mrs. Tom Benningfield, Rosalie; Mrs. Jim Pollock, Clarksville; Mrs. Ollie Mobley, Houston, and Mrs. Carance Taylor, Daingerfield; 89 other descendants, and these step-children: Charles Wilson, Deport; Mrs. Earl Clark, Clarksville; E. M. Wilson, Blossom; Mrs. Frank Tull, Seminole, and James Wilson, in West Virginia.

Mr. Mason, 86, was a member of the Friendship Baptist church in Clarksville, was a retired farmer and stockman, and had been very active until he became suddenly ill recently.

Deceased was born July 10, 1873 and spent most of his life in Lamar and Red River counties. He was married to Emmer Rawls in 1890 and she preceded him in death five years ago. He later married Mrs. Jessie (Gray) Wilson.

Relatives and friends attending the funeral were from Fort Worth, Dallas, Kilgore, Paris, Deport, Bogata, Daingerfield, Longview, Lubbock, and other surrounding communities.

Mrs. Stephens Dies At Home Sunday

Funeral services were held Monday for Mrs. Sarah Jane Stephens, who lived on Route 1, Bogata.

Widow of G. A. Stephens, she died Sunday after suffering a stroke at her home, where she had lived for 20 years. Mrs. Stephens was born in Red River County September 30, 1874, and lived in this state all her life.

Survivors are her daughter, Miss Agnes Stephens, with whom she made her home and a son, Alex Stephens of Arcadia, Calif., four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Rev. Stanley Nelson of Bogata, had charge of the rites held in Bogata Funeral Home Chapel. Burial was made in Bogata Cemetery. Pallbearers were J. V. Kunkel, Colbert Vaughan, Coy Aldridge, Johnny Topping, Henry Reynolds, Leonard Kisner.

Johntown Man is Injured in Crash

A 1955 Nash car driven by Dean Smith of Johntown, and a 1950 pickup driven by William Arthur Martin of Como, Rt. 2, collided at the intersection near B. M. Walding Humble Station at Talco Monday evening.

Smith was going south on Highway 271 and Martin was traveling east on FM 71. Mr. Martin was seriously hurt with a fractured skull and is in Talco Clinic. Smith received cuts on knee and mouth. He was not hospitalized. Highway Patrolman J. investigating off-icer.

Cemetery Fence Fund Contributions

Contributions to Talco Cemetery fence fund since last report are Tom Cunningham, \$5.00; Mrs. Buck Thomas, \$5.00; Mrs. Cynthia Henson, \$7.50; Ernest Brown, \$10.00; Book Lovers Club from sale of flower stands, \$20.58; Christmas float, less expenses, \$19.00. Total, \$67.08.

Bank Resources And Deposits Up At Talco State

Talco State Bank shared the prosperity of this community last year, according to its condensed statement which appears in this edition of The Talco Times.

When compared to the statement published at year's end in 1958, the new statement for year's end in 1959 shows deposits, loans, undivided profits and resources are all higher.

Deposits are up \$37,909.23 over those of a year ago, being \$738,320.64 now, and \$700,411.41 on Dec. 31, 1958.

Loans are up \$16,157.67 over figures of a year ago, being \$392,674.64 now against \$376,716.97 Dec. 31, 1958.

Undivided profits account increased \$5,374.26 for the year—\$36,174.26 now compared to \$30,800.00 a year ago. The bank also charged off \$900 in depreciating the value of its banking house \$1,000 on its furniture and fixtures, paid its stockholders a dividend and its officers and employees a nice Christmas bonus.

Financial condition of the Talco area is definitely much better than it was a year ago. Comparison of a bank's statement is the best barometer we have.

New and Renewed Times Subscribers

The Times thanks those whose names appear below for their subscription patronage:

W. R. Sanders
Ralph Smith
Mrs. H. J. Hill
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R. L. Leake
Leon Wright
Oscar Fuhr
Tommy Thompson
V. R. Blalock
Odell Belcher
A. G. Norwood

Tax Receipts Over Half Million At Collector's Office

During December, 1959, the County Tax Office issued 409 poll tax receipts, bringing the total since October 1st to 1296. This compares with 732 for the same 1958 period and 928 for the same 1957 period. This indicates an increase in interest for the 1960 elections.

During December the taxpayers of Titus County paid in \$8,620.76, bringing the total gross tax collections for the 1959 tax year to \$200,302.82, 86% of the total 1959 roll. This is about average for the past several years.

Seventy-seven sets of license plates were issued during December, bringing the 1959 registration year total to 8458 sets, compared with 8203 sets for the same period in 1958.

The total funds handled by the County Tax Office for December was \$13,689.29, making a total 1959 collection of \$527,587.18. "I believe this marks the first time this office has passed the one-half million dollar mark and reflects the continued growth of 'Titus County,'" said Collector Wallace R. Fields.

Nine Indictments Returned Monday

Nine indictments were returned by a 76th District Court grand jury Monday, which adjourned until Feb. 4.

Five indictments were returned on forgery counts, three for child desertion and one for swindling. District Clerk Allen LaPrade said names were being withheld pending arrests of those indicted.

LaPrade said a special 85-member venire of jurors has been called next Monday for the trials of Rufus McGill and Richard Kin, Negroes. Both are charged with murder.

Anderson County Will Tax Mineral At \$4 An Acre

Palestine. — The Anderson County Commissioners Court has moved to place all several mineral interests in the county on the 1960 tax roll at \$4 per acre.

This is a departure from past procedure under which mineral interests owned by others than surface owners have been taxed, when voluntarily rendered, at \$1 per acre.

Jesse Ramsey, Anderson County tax evaluation engineer, told the court that less than half of minerals outside of proven oil and gas fields in the county currently are on tax rolls. He added that of the mineral taxes now being paid, nearly all comes from major companies.

Placing of the mineral interests on tax rolls is expected to require three years for completion since in many cases ownership is broken down into fractions of acres, an outgrowth of more than 30 years of oil play in Anderson County.

Big Fire Damage At Clarksville

An \$85,000 blaze destroyed PBS Motor Co. at Clarksville early Wednesday. Four new cars and six used ones burned, as well as the entire brick building which housed the company.

Walls of the building, two blocks from the square, remained standing.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Beasley and Mrs. Beasley's father, R. D. Brewer, visited in McNeil, Ark., Saturday till Monday. They also visited Mr. Beasley's father, Jno. Beasley, who has been in ill health for several months. Mr. Brewer went to Shreveport to visit his son, Lewis Brewer, before returning home.

Condensed Statement of

The Talco State Bank

TALCO, TEXAS

At Close of Business December 31, 1959

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts	\$392,674.64
Banking House	9,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	2,800.00
Other Real Estate	3.00
Customers Bonds for Safekeeping	87,014.76
Other Assets	817.31
U. S. Securities	\$124,000.00
Other Bonds and Warrants	112,970.44
CASH	190,923.92
TOTAL	\$920,204.07

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	\$ 25,000.00
Surplus	25,000.00
Undivided Profits	36,174.26
Customers Bonds for Safekeeping	87,014.76
Unearned Interest Collected	7,194.41
Dividends Payable 1-1-60	1,500.00
DEPOSITS	738,320.64
TOTAL	\$920,204.07



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INVARIABLELY IN ADVANCE

Just Reflecting

With his first edition in the New Year a country editor is inclined to reflect upon the past and speculate about the future. While his advertising and job printing receipts figures and expenses will not be available for two or three weeks, his subscription figures are. They show an increase of 9.31 per cent over those of 1958.

We have always considered our subscribers our greatest asset. When we lose even one, we often wonder why and if there was anything we could have done to prevent it.

Over 47 years ago when we left the Dallas News to become a country editor, the late Dr. Joe J. Taylor, chief editorial writer on that newspaper and previously a successful publisher of the Clarksville Times, and our friend and financial advisor up to the time of his death, said to us:

"Sam, go out there and publish a good local newspaper. If you do that you will obtain many subscribers, and that is what the advertisers want. With lots of subscribers, you will get plenty of advertising, which is required to be a successful publisher. People respect a man who is honest, honorable and diligent in his work, and such a man usually becomes a financial success."
That advice given by a mature, wise man to a budding country editor nearly half a century ago, is still very true, and the reader can now understand how happy we are over that 9.31 per cent increase in subscription patronage in 1959 over 1958.

PRICE DANIEL has announced for re-election as governor of Texas for a third term. This newspaper supported him in his first two campaigns, and will do so again. Having known him personally for a quarter century we are acquainted with no other Texan as well-qualified to fill the high office as Daniel. Texas is fortunate that he is willing to serve another term.

VETERAN REB BURKS retired Jan. 1st as Lamar's game warden. Reb did a fine job for many years. He tried to do what was fair and just; was never overbearing, but he enforced the game laws and had the respect of sportsmen. He was Lamar's sheriff before becoming a game warden and used the same diligence on that job that made him an outstanding game warden. May your retirement years be happy ones, Reb.

WANTED NAME SHORTENED
An Indian petitioned a judge of an Arizona court to give him a shorter name.

"What is your name now?" asked the judge.

"Chief Screeching Train Whistle," said the Indian.

"And to what do you wish it shortened?" asked the judge.

The Indian folded his arms majestically and grunted, "Toots."

FRUITY?
Gossip is like grapefruit. It has to be juicy to be good.

WANT ADS

Rates: 3 cents per word first insertion; 2 cents per word each additional insertion. No ad accepted for less than 50 cents per issue. Terms cash unless you are a regular advertiser in this newspaper

JOHNSON, Bermuda, Prairiehay. Heavy bales, 30c and up. See Mrs. S. A. Tidwell. t-tfc

FOR SALE—Mrs. W. V. (Bunch) Humphreys home place in Bogata. Six rooms, bath, all conveniences; approximately 8 acres land. See William Rozell or Kyle or Irene Leftwich. dbt

Lawrence Game Warden Replacing Vet. Reb Burks

The new Texas Game and Fish Commission warden assigned to Lamar County upon the retirement January 1 of veteran Warden Reb Burks is Hill Lawrence, formerly stationed on Lake Texoma.

Lawrence has been in Paris since early this fall, working with Burks and becoming acquainted with this area.

The new Lamar warden joined the Game and Fish Commission as a student game warden at Junction in November, 1949. He completed the Game Warden School at Texas A. & M. College in June, 1959, and was temporarily assigned to Nacogdoches for six months. Then he was assigned to Grayson County and the Texas side of Lake Texoma in January, 1951. He had been on Texoma until being transferred to Lamar County.

The Lawrences live at 2211 East Polk St. She is the former Jessie Borah. They have three sons, Tony, 12; Charles, 8, and David, 3.

Lawrence was born in Dallas, attended Mesquite schools and Southern Methodist University. He is a member of the Methodist Church, Knights of Pythias, is a 32nd Degree Mason, member of the VFW and American Legion and various law enforcement and peace officer associations in Texas.

He served overseas for three years during World War II, making the invasions of Saipan and Okinawa as a sergeant with stretcher-bearers. He was in the first occupation troops in Northern Japan in 1944.

Lawrence has worked for 14 years with volunteer firemen, Red Cross emergency groups and civilian defense and disaster relief programs. His hobbies are music and gun collecting.

NERVOUS PATIENT

An elderly man entered the hospital for treatment. One of the first meals served to him included a bowl of quivering gelatin which he refused to eat.

Pressed for an explanation, he replied, "I'm not going to eat anything that's more nervous than I am."

My Neighbors



"What an opportunity! We'll make Mars a state, give them a few grants-in-aid—and tax the living daylight out of them!"

WILKINSON

By MRS. MORRIS BLALOCK

Mrs. Alvin Blalock and Mrs. Morris Blalock visited Mrs. Alvin Blalock's daughter Wednesday at Mt. Pleasant, who is ill in a hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Blalock visited Mr. and Mrs. Leo Blalock and family of Maud, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Devon Floyd and sons of Beaumont, visited his parents and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Berry Floyd and daughter, DeLois, in Dallas.

Mrs. William Bell and children and Mrs. Eral Fumby of Mt. Pleasant, were Thursday guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Blalock.

Visitors in the A. T. Blalock home New Year's were Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Blalock and boys of Mt. Pleasant, and Butch and Margaret Blalock of Maud.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Blalock and Pallie visited his brother, Charlie Blalock of Mt. Pleasant, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Odell Phillips and children visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Phillips, Rev. and Mrs. Frank Jones and girls of Joinerville, were Sunday guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Blalock of Mt. Pleasant, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Phillips, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Burgin and family of Gladewater, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Blalock, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Romus Burgin of Talco, visited in the A. T. Blalock home Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Alston and children of Dallas, visited Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Dyke New Years.

Mr. and Mrs. George Holt and family visited their son, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Dee Holt, in Mt. Pleasant, Sunday.

Visitors in the C. B. Harris home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Riddle and girls, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Ship and son and Mr. and Mrs. Dean Brownlee and boys of Mt. Pleasant, Mrs. Harris' sister, Mrs. John Parr, of Maple Springs spent Tuesday and her grandchildren, Vicki and Keely of Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Helen Mercer and Virgil Wilson of Mt. Pleasant, visited in the Jess Jones home Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyel Price and girls of Denton and Mr. and Mrs. Hornbuckle of Dalles, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Moody Becher, Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Walter Blalock's sister, Mrs. Varue Hood, and little daughter, Jennifer of Dallas, spent Tuesday night with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Blalock, and the other Hood girls, Linda, Karen and Janice, all returned home with their mother and sister after several days' visit with their aunt. Also visiting the Walter Blalocks Sunday were Mrs. Blalock's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Leland Bell of Mt. Pleasant.

Odell Belcher for Co. Commissioner

To the People of Precinct Three: I take this opportunity to announce my candidacy for commissioner of this precinct.

This is the first time I have asked for a public office and I feel like the people of Precinct 3 know me well. I was born in Titus County and have resided here ever since. I feel like I am qualified to fill the office of commissioner. If I am elected, I will do my best for the people of this precinct.

I will endeavor to see each of you personally before election day. I will appreciate your help in every way.

Respectfully yours,
ODELL BELCHER
(Pol. Adv.)

GRANDMA'S TROUBLE

A worried young girl came down the mountainside to tell the doctor, "We gotta do somethin' about grandma's smokin'. She inhales."

"Nothing terrible about that, Amy," soothed the doctor. "Plenty of women inhale nowadays." "You don't understand," persisted Amy. "Grandma don't exhale!"

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Political Announcement

The following announcements for public office are made subject to the action of voters at the Democratic Primaries.

For Attorney 76th Judicial District—
ALFORD H. FLANAGAN

TITUS COUNTY

For Sheriff—
E. R. GRAYSON

For Assessor-Collector—
WALLACE R. FIELDS

For Commissioner, Precinct 3—
EUGENE MANKINS
(Re-Election)
LOYD C. HAREN
ODELL BELCHER

Haren Candidate For Commissioner

To the Voters of Precinct 3:

After a great deal of consideration, I have decided to be a candidate for Commissioner of Precinct 3. Many know me, but in case there are some who do not, I will tell something of myself. I have lived in this precinct all of my life, am married and have children in school. I belong to the Baptist Church.

As for qualifications, I have had experience in all kinds of dirt moving and road building. I have been doing the work for the last ten years. I realize that the office of commissioner is an important office, and if elected I will devote all of my time to it.

My life is open and wish you would check it from all angles. Will try to see all before election day. But if I miss anybody I am using this method of asking you for your support.

Everything done for me will be highly appreciated.
Respectfully submitted,
LOYD C. HAREN.
(Pol. Adv.)

Fields Announces For Second Term

In announcing as a candidate for re-election to a second term as your County Tax Assessor-Collector, I want to thank you, the people of Titus County, for the support given me since I assumed this office. I have tried to operate the office as it should be and as I believe you would want it. I have enjoyed serving you and am looking forward to serving you a second term.

Believing that you appreciate knowing what goes on in your county tax office I have tried to keep you informed through the newspapers, and many of you have told me that you appreciate this.

I earnestly solicit your vote and support for a second term as your County Tax Assessor-Collector.
Respectfully,
WALLACE R. FIELDS.
(Pol. Adv.)

SPECIAL DELIVERY?

New York City. — Delivering babies has become routine for Policeman Robert Dezendorf Jr., 53; he has delivered 40 babies in 21 years on the force. He carries a special surgical kit to be ready for these frequent emergencies.

Pleasant Drive-In Theatre

MT. PLEASANT

FRIDAY & SATURDAY
January 8-9

Keith Calvert in

'Smiley Gets a Gun'

First Run

Plus

Michael Landon

Jo Morrow in

'The Legend of Tom Dooley'

SUNDAY - MONDAY

TUESDAY

January 10-11-12

Robert Mitchum

Julie London in

'The Wonderful Country'

WEDNESDAY - THURSDAY

January 13-14

Burt Lancaster

Kirk Douglas

Laurence Oliver in

'The Devil's Disciple'

New Year's Party At Shaw Home

Linda Shaw and Joe Riley entertained friends with a New Year's eve party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Shaw. Attending were Judy Young, Bobby Jack Brown, Martha Lewis, Mickey Via, Diana Cook, Dale Funderburk, Janie Caudle, Ottis Harris, Nila Smith, Jere Parrish, Nancy Horton, Jimmy Presley, Jerry Rothwell, James Via, Rita Shaw, Barbara Davis, Virginia Johnson, Maye Kaylor, Sylvia Lewis, Linda Neugent, Patsy Presley, Shirley Whitney, Terita Hill, Susan Ryan, Bonnie Wilson, Becky Lewis;

Donald Ray Gipson, Jimmie Weisinger, Roy Whitney, Charles Lewis, Tommy Neugent, Lefty Hammonds, Richard Rothwell, Jerry Clemmons, Woody Sanford, Vernon Smith, Reggie Thompson, Johnny Gable, Virgil Jones, Freddie Stephenson, Royce Weisinger, Ronny Webb, John Whitten, Truett Bennett, Jimmy Caudle, Jimmy Clemmons, Danny Perdue, and Howard Perry of Carlton, who was visiting Shirley Whitney.

Out-of-Town Guests Kirl-Sinclair Rites

Out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Leach and Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Martin Jr. of Brownwood, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Scott of Odessa, Robert Kyle of Itasca, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hatfield and Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Hatfield of Tyler, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Edmondson of Denton, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Shankle, Peggy and Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Karl Sinclair of Houston, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Price of Electra, Mr. and Mrs. Neil Hanson of Sweeny, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Mayfield of Westlaco, Mrs. O. B. King of Canton, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. McLeod of Beaumont, Mr. and Mrs. James Ward of Grand Prairie and Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Little of El Dorado. Forty attended from Mount Pleasant.

Mrs. Seth Robinson Receives Honor

Ladies Bible Class of the Church of Christ in Talco honored Mrs. Seth Robinson with a morning coffee Tuesday in the home of Mrs. Troy Lewis.

Present were Mrs. J. L. Cato, Mrs. Brady Whitney, Mrs. R. O. Webb, Mrs. L. B. Kaylor, Mrs. Don Clements, Mrs. J. G. Lewis, Mrs. Garland Jagers, Mrs. Lucy Dallas, Mrs. Felix Jones, Mrs. H. J. Hill, Mrs. Bob. Lewis, Mrs.

TEN AND TWENTY YEARS AGO

Condensed from Back Files of The Talco Times for Dates Indicated

Week of January 6, 1950

Gmle R. J. Alsobrook and Barbara Fern Allen were married in Winchester, Va.

New minister at Talco's Church of Christ was C. F. Shirey. From Vivian, La., the Shireys had two small children.

Howard Leftwich, March of Dimes campaign director for Titus County, had announced Jan. 16 as date for start of fund raising.

Candidates announcing for re-election in Titus County included Lynch Harper for tax assessor-collector; Eugene Mankins, commissioner of Precinct 3; Alford H. Flanagan for county attorney; James V. Adams for school superintendent.

A daughter, Tollea Kay, was born to the B. F. Morris of Mt. Pleasant.

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Officers of a Museum Club, organized at Talco High School were Billy Ray Whitney, president; Ben Loving, vice-president; Beth Rosson, secretary-treasurer; Jessie Fave Waldrum reporter; Charles Hawkins history teacher, was sponsor.

Deaths: Mrs. Mary G. Wright in Antioch, Calif.; Mrs. Frank B. Rice in a Paris hospital; Mrs. Mart Talley of RI, Talco; B. P. (Bony) Nations of Blossom; Mrs. H. S. Richardson in Dallas; Mrs. J. G. Smith of Quitman, La.

Kyle Munn, Mrs. Edward Frye, Mrs. Earl Smith and the honoree, Mrs. Robinson and the hostess, Mrs. Troy Lewis. Mrs. Robinson received many lovely gifts.

Week of January 5, 1940

Miss Charlotte Vashli Gieger, 66, had died.

Talco High School band had played, along with many other bands, in the Cotton Bowl at Dallas for the New Year's football game.

Rufus Honeycutt and Miss Rosa Lee Burnett had married.

Two fires had broken out at the E. Unsell home on the same day and both times the Talco fire department had extinguished the blaze before serious damage occurred.

A surprise party had been given for Mrs. Harold Bonham and F. E. Jones at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Spruill.

Marriage of Cecil Johnson and Miss Irene McClung on Dec. 1, had been announced.

Largest fire in Mt. Pleasant in 20 years had destroyed the Main Hotel.

Records kept by County Clerk A. B. Gilpin showed that there were 298 births and 150 deaths in Titus County during 1939.

A son had been born Dec. 28 to the Morris Watts at Jolton, Tex. Floyd Rodgers and Geneva Teague had married on Dec. 23.

Ed Dickson had announced his candidacy for County Judge; Grover Ard had announced for re-election for Sheriff of Titus County.

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RESOURCES	
Cash and Due from Banks	\$2,916,239.20
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Other Stocks and Bonds	470,213.55
Loans and Discounts	3,857,708.90
Building, Furniture and Fixtures	127,621.66
Other Assets	19,726.20
Total	\$10,279,840.45

LIABILITIES	
DEPOSITS	\$9,469,572.31
Capital Stock—Common	250,000.00
Surplus	250,000.00
Undivided Profits and Reserves	310,268.14
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Mrs. W. T. Calloway entered a Mt. Pleasant hospital Tuesday.

Mrs. Fred Coker is a member of the grand jury at Mt. Pleasant this week.

Mt. Vernon comes to Talco Friday night for a conference basketball game.

Mrs. Ethel Whitten of Bogata, spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Maud Leftwich.

Mrs. Gordon Simmons visited her mother, Mrs. Ellen White, at Mt. Pleasant, Sunday.

Mrs. O. S. Goodloe visited Mrs. Leora Stevenson at the Mt. Pleasant hospital, Sunday.

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O. J. Holland underwent a tonsillectomy at a Paris hospital the past week and is recuperating at home.

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Robbie Martin, Jr., of Brownwood, was best man, and ushers were Frankie Marshall, Dallas, Joe Leach, Brownwood; Kendyle Buchanan and Charles Wright, Mt. Pleasant. Jill and Tim Shankle, cousins of the groom,

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. LeMay and sons, Jimmy and Roger of Shreveport, La., spent the week end with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. L. R. LeMay.

Mrs. H. F. Teague and Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Lemay visited Mrs. Robert Stevens, Sunday Mrs. Stevens will be leaving soon for Homer, La., to make her home.

Mrs. Elsie Kelley has returned home after spending the week with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Wilson of Mt. Pleasant. She also renewed her subscription to The Talco Times for the new year.

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Harris and daughter, Barbara, have returned to their home at Jal, N. M., after spending a week's vacation with his father, W. B. Harris, and other relatives at Mt. Pleasant and Talco.

Attending the Brotherhood meeting at New Diana Monday night from Calvary Baptist Church were M. J. Davis, D. J. Smelley, Rev. L. R. Lemay, Omer Cole, Kenneth Davis and Lank Easterling Jr.

Attending funeral services for their uncle, Jimmie Holmes of Talihana, Ok., Monday were Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Easterling and Betty, Mrs. Vira Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Joice, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Stanley of New Boston and Mrs. Ema Sturgeon of Texarkana.

ALCORN NOT INTERESTED IN TEACHING PEOPLE HOW TO LOAF

Editor's note: Achin Alcorn, philosopher on his Johnson grass farm on Sulphur, gets the new year underway about like he left the old one, his letter this week indicates.

Dear Editor: I started the new year off successfully, a business man gave me a 1960 calendar wrapped in a copy of the Mt. Vernon Optic-Herald and since I don't pay much attention to a new calendar, haven't used my old one yet. I layed it aside and tackled the newspaper, as soon as I got home and got my feet propped up.

According to an article in it, a University of Chicago professor has done a lot of research on modern man and has come up with the conclusion that man's goal now is leisure, that the idea that work is the most creative expression of man's daily life is obsolete, and the educational institutions must re-examine their principles and "gear education to the use of leisure time."

I won't go into his ideas on work, that's out of my field, but I'll admit it's news to me that this college professor seems to think you have to be educated to loaf.

When I look back on my "education," I don't seem to recall that it was geared for leisure. What loafing I've managed to do, in school or out, was accomplished on my own. If educators are setting out to teach people how to enjoy their leisure time, I believe I could hire out as a professor right now.

The trouble with college professors when they start theorizing about modern man is that they stomp their toe before they get started. Modern man is no different from old-fashioned man, except he's better organized. His mass production is better organized, his social life is better organized, his wars are better organized, his crime is better organized, his schools are better organized, his games are better organized, but when it

Free Treatment At VA Hospitals May Be Cut

The Veterans Administration's far-flung network—one of the world's largest—is today about the only place where a man's word is his bond by law.

This leads to problems. Congress almost certainly in the next session will be called on to consider legislation to change the present basic requirement for treatment at a VA hospital.

Under present law, no veteran in America with a service-connected disability or disease has to wait more than 24 hours for a bed in a VA hospital. But two-thirds of all VA hospital patients are so-called nonservice-connected cases—they're being treated for ailments with no direct bearing on their military service.

The VA must accept for treatment any veteran who cannot afford to pay for private hospitalization, provided a bed is available. Under law, all the veteran must do is sign a statement that he is unable to pay for hospitalization. His statement cannot be challenged, even if he's the local banker with a savings account in six figures.

UNORDERED ITEMS CAN BE REFUSED

Unordered items received thru the mail need not be accepted by the receiver.

A great number of items are sent through the mail during the holiday season to persons who did not order them and may not want them. When this happens, all that is necessary is to write "REFUSED" across the front of the package and return it to the mail box. The items are then sent back to the sender.

Items often sent to persons without an order include books, greeting cards and a variety of other merchandise. However, merely receiving these items does not obligate the recipient to buy.

comes to loafing, I prefer mine unorganized.

If I've got time to spend studying how to loaf, I believe I'd prefer to us it loafing. Some people just can't be educated.

Yours faithfully, A. A.

There's a lot of dirt that detergents can't touch.

JOHNTOWN

By MRS. G. A. VAUGHAN

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Condra visited her daughter, Mrs. J. D. Wilson, Mr. Wilson and children of Ft. Worth, from Wednesday until Saturday.

Friends here received word of the death of Mrs. Sallie (Francis) Stephens, who passed away Sunday about 10 a. m. at her home near Bogata.

Mrs. W. E. Hawkins, Nona and Cheryl and Preston Combest of Longview, visited relatives here Sunday.

Mrs. Nettie Thomas of Carlsbad, N. M., is here visiting her son, D. C. Thomas and family. She is the eldest daughter of the late G. M. and Maggie Smith, lived here many years and principally reared her family of four children here after the death of her husband, Dave Thomas, who died in 1923.

J. E. Vaughan, who visited his son, Ralph Vaughan in Arizona, during the holidays, returned home Thursday and is reported ill at his home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Pope of Talco, visited Mr. and Mrs. Francis Foster, Sunday.

Preston Combest, his mother and Mrs. W. E. Hawkins, Nona and Cheryl of Longview, visited Mrs. Irene Pew, Sunday, enroute home after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Case and family at Clarksville.

Mrs. W. R. Baxter suffered a light stroke Friday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fail, next door neighbors, where she had gone to spend the night. Monday she was reported suffering another attack.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Vaughan and two children of Tyler, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Vaughan, Friday and Saturday. Other visitors were Mr. and Mrs. James Thomas and three children of Hugo, Ok.

First Sunday singing in the afternoon at the Baptist Church was fairly well attended.

Mrs. N. C. Hinson, ill several weeks at the R. C. Hinson home, is reported unchanged.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Horn of Dallas, were New Year's Day visitors of relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. James A. Hervey and children of Long Beach, Cal., and Mr. and Mrs. Buford Hervey and daughter of Channelview, left Friday for their home after visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hervey.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hervey, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hervey and Mrs. Sammy Hervey, visited Mr. and Mrs. Barney Summers of Paris, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Pirtle moved Monday to Longview, where Mr. Pirtle, Humble Oil Co. employee, was transferred from Talco, beginning Jan. 5.

John Wesley White of Ft. Worth, visited Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Pirtle and R. L. Smith, recently.

Mrs. Irene Pew, visiting the M. H. Drydens of Longview recently, returned to her home Saturday.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bain and Billie Ruth, Friday, were Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Horn and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. John Horn of Dallas, and in the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. James Thomas of Hugo, Sarah Vaughan of Tyler and Mary Ann Vaughan.

Rev. and Mrs. Alvin Blalock visited Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Vaughan and Mary Ann, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Baxter returned Sunday after a week's visit with his sister, Mrs. Henry Hendrix, Mr. Hendrix and other relatives at Hart.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pirtle visited Mr. and Mrs. Claud Kennedy of Cunningham, Sunday. Their mother, Mrs. Emma Askins, visiting in the Kennedy home for the past week, was accompanied to her home in Mt. Pleasant Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bain were

Paris business visitors, Monday. Bob Vaughan of Halesboro, visited his father, J. E. Vaughan, Monday.

Mrs. Fred Whitten Jr. and son, Forrest, were in Bogata Monday for dental attention for Forrest.

Mrs. Thomas Patterson was in Bogata Saturday on business.

Mrs. Audrey Tally and family of Dimmit, visited her uncle, D. A. Baxter and Mrs. Baxter during the holidays. The Baxters accompanied them home and visited there, and at Tulia and Hart until Sunday.

Establish Corn Borer Quarantine

For the first time on record in Texas, the dreaded European corn borer showed up in a Bowie County field and prompted immediate action by the Texas Department of Agriculture to prevent its further spread in the state.

An emergency quarantine against the movement of un-screened or unfumigated corn and related grains from Bowie County or into Texas from all

states having infested areas was ordered into immediate effect.

In 1957, the European pest destroyed almost 181 million bushels of corn valued at \$158,841,000, according to USDA estimates. Corn in Iowa, Nebraska, Missouri, South Dakota and Illinois suffered most from borer damage.

In addition to the quarantine, the Texas Department of Agriculture has initiated other effective steps to bring the corn borer infiltration under immediate firm control in Bowie County.

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Cash and Due from Banks	\$3,525,555.13
U. S. Government Bonds	2,798,216.73
Municipal Bonds and Stocks	1,357,948.42
Loans and Discounts	3,429,941.30
Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures	25,000.00
Other Real Estate	30,750.00
TOTAL	\$11,167,411.58

LIABILITIES

Deposits	\$10,313,085.12
Capital Stock	100,000.00
Surplus	300,000.00
Undivided Profits, Interest, Accrued Expenses, etc.	322,852.57
Reserve for Taxes, F.D.I.C., Other Contingencies	131,473.89
TOTAL	\$11,167,411.58

The above statement is correct.

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