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LOCAL SCHOOLS OBSERVE PUBLIC SCHOOL WEEK FEB. 29-MARCH 4

The need for the public school never changes, but times and conditions may change or require methods changed in public education. Next week, Feb. 29-March 4, will be recognized as Public School Week in Texas. Texas public schools were created 106 years ago, as it was in 1854 the first law was passed establishing public schools.

Object of Public School Week is to acquaint all the people with programs and accomplishments of our public education system, to carry out the slogan, "Texas Public School - Democracy in Action."

Today the importance of education is not a debatable subject. The main job is to see that children get the best possible education that can be given them. By

visiting the schools and familiarizing ourselves with the problems of teachers and students, we become more competent to safeguard and advance the institution that is so American—the public school.

A free program and open house will be held on Thursday evening, March 3 at the school beginning at 6 o'clock. A panel discussion will be held with both parents and teachers taking part.

Stage Band will render several selections, and refreshments will follow in the school cafeteria.

This meeting will also include the March meeting of Talco Parent-Teachers Association. It is a fine program and everyone who can possibly do so should attend. An ad in this edition extends a special invitation to everyone.

Rain, Sleet, Snow Follow Cold Wave In This Area

Weatherman hung up a record for low temperatures and snow on Wednesday and Thursday that goes back to 1918. Temperatures ranged from a high of 29 Wednesday to a low of 20.

Schools at Talco, Hagansport and Wilkison were closed Thursday, due to frozen streets and the intense cold.

Talco school will be closed until Monday on account of ice and snow.

A cold wave Tuesday sent the mercury skidding downward to the low 20's Wednesday morning. Along with the cold front was rain Tuesday that turned to sleet and snow by Wednesday.

Rainfall at Deport the past week measured .91 of an inch, to bring the total precipitation to two inches during February. Breakdown figures show .21 of an inch of rain on Thursday, .36 on Saturday and .32 of an inch Tuesday.

Precipitation this year is above that of 1959. Records show 5.45 inches this year compared to 3.89 inches to the same date in 1959.

Snow mixed with some sleet that began falling Tuesday night, continued Wednesday, and a light coat covered most of the ground by Wednesday noon.

The rainy, cold weather which has retarded growth of small grains, grasses and clovers has

Principals Talco Elementary and High Schools Named

H. L. Shoffner, Elementary principal of Talco school for the past six years, has been named High School principal to succeed A. C. Newsome, who was recently elected superintendent. He was given a contract by the School Board for the balance of this school term and for next year.

Robert Giddens of Winnsboro, was elected Elementary principal to succeed Shoffner and will begin his new work next Monday.

Shoffner is 35 years old, married and he and Mrs. Shoffner have a daughter, Diana, a third grader. He holds a Master's degree from ETSC.

Giddens is not a stranger to Talco folk. For five years he taught shop work at THS, but for the past six years he has been an instructor in science in Winnsboro Junior High School. He holds a Master's degree from ETSC, is married and has two children, Sandra, 9, a third grader and Terry, aged 4. He is 36 years old and will move his family to Talco as soon as they can find a house.

produced another adverse effect on agriculture.

It has hindered the taking of soil samples in a soil fertility program now under way.

Under the program, farmers are being urged to have their

A. C. Newsome New Sup't Talco Public Schools

A. C. Newsome, Talco High School principal, who was elected superintendent of the school and given a contract until July 3, 1961, begins his new duties on March 1. He succeeds W. R. Young, resigned.

Mr. Newsome is now serving his eighth year with Talco school. He taught science for six years and was then named High School principal. He is a native of Mount Vernon, 33 years old, and received his BS and Master's degrees at Sam Houston State Teachers College.

He married a Mount Vernon girl, Jean Cowan, and they have two children, Steven and Phil.

W. R. Young, superintendent of Talco school, tendered his resignation to the School Board on February 9, effective February 27, has accepted employment with the transportation division of Texas Education Agency and will make his home in Austin.

Mrs. Young and their daughter, Judy, who is a member of this year's graduating class, will continue to make their home in Talco until the end of the school term, when they will join Mr. Young at Austin.

Young came to Talco as superintendent from Hudson ISD near Lufkin on July 1, 1958. He has had 17 years of teaching experience, 12 of those as superintendent.

Talco Lions Club Meets Tuesday

Talco Lions Club held its regular meeting Tuesday night with 15 members and three visitors present. Visitors were A. C. Newsome, H. L. Shoffner and Sheriff Bob Crumbles. Mr. Newsome became a member.

Guy P. Walker reported on the Scout exposition held in Mt. Pleasant. The Talco Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts each had a booth at the exposition and both troops won blue ribbons. Picture of Troop 205, Talco, displaying Scout work in telegraphy and electronics, appeared in the Mt. Pleasant paper, featuring three of its members, Butch Walker,

soils tested to get maximum benefit from soil nutrients. Wood, Smith, Hopkins, Red River and Smith counties are in the lead in the taking of soil samples.

More dry, warm weather is needed for oats and clovers to grow. Cattle are requiring heavy feeding, but are holding their own as pasture grazing so far has been of little value.

SNOWFLAKES

Out of the bosom of the air,
Out of the cloud-folds of her
garments shaken,
Over the woodlands brown and
bare,
Over the harvest fields forsaken
Silent and soft and slow
Descends the snow.
—Longfellow.

Snow is such a rare thing in this area we thought our readers would enjoy, again, what Longfellow said about it.

F. E. McGee Killed Auto-Truck Crash South of Talco

F. E. McGee, a 25-year-old resident of the Wilkerson community, east of Talco, was killed instantly near Talco Thursday night in an auto-truck smashup.

McGee was killed when his 1955 Ford collided with a 1955 Dodge truck - trailer about 10 o'clock Thursday night approximately two miles south of Talco on U. S. Highway 271.

Harvey L. Henson of Glade-water, driver of the truck, was unhurt. The Ford was demolished and the impact of the crash knocked the front wheels off the truck and a gaping hole in the cab of the truck.

Funeral services for McGee were held Saturday afternoon at Maple Springs Baptist Church and burial in Belcher Cemetery. Conducting services were Rev. Alvin Blalock and Rev. Hull Horton.

McGee is survived by his parents, F. E. McGee of Mount Pleasant and Mrs. Ethel Mays of Talco; a son, F. E. McGee Jr., of Talco; five sisters, Mrs. Alvis Hazel Tompkins of Dallas, Mrs. Wanda Lee Embrey of Clarksville, Faye Gentry of Mount Pleasant, Donna Kay McGee and Mary Joe McGee of Mount Pleasant; two brothers, Alvin Rex McGee and Robert McGee; and a half-sister, Dollie Tompkins.

Richard Shaw and David Hill. Other short talks were made by Dr. E. L. Miller, A. C. Newsome and Bob Crumbles. The club is sponsoring a donkey ball game on April 12, and they are challenging the Mt. Pleasant Lions Club for a game that night. E. W. Smith hung the new wall plaque to indicate the place and time of meeting, and Frank Sloan received the door prize.

Intermittent sleet and snow at Talco Wednesday made traveling dangerous. The big sign at Miller's cafe at the intersection of Highways 71 and 271 was knocked down by a large truck Wednesday morning making a turn going south.



A. C. NEWSOME, Talco High School principal, on March 1, will assume the duties of school superintendent, succeeding W. R. Young, who resigned to take a state education department position.

The school board gave Mr. Newsome a contract to July 3, 1961. He is now in his eighth year with the Talco schools, having taught science six years before being named principal.

Mr. Young is leaving the end of this month for Austin to join the transportation division of the Texas Educational Agency, his wife and daughter, Judy, a high school senior, to remain here until school closes.

The above information appeared in The Talco Times, two weeks ago, along with a "pedigree" of the new superintendent. But we didn't have an engraving of him then, and we want readers living at a distance, who don't know him to see. An engraving of the retiring superintendent was in our files, but he "borrowed it" for use by another publisher.

New and Renewed Times Subscribers

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

W. A. Thurman
Melvin Easley
Eugene Mankins
R. L. Prestidge
Cecil Loftin
W. H. Cogburn
D. E. Howard
J. L. Romine
Dorothy Blalock
F. J. Stephens

Army Pvt. Harold D. Lewis, 23, whose wife, Arretha, lives in Lone Star, completed eight weeks of advanced individual training Feb. 15 with the 2nd Armored Division at Fort Hood. He entered the Army last September. Lewis, son of George Lewis, Talco, is a 1954 graduate of Talco High School. His mother, Mrs. Gertie Lewis, lives on Route 2, Mount Pleasant.

ANNUAL BANQUET OF TALCO CHAMBER COMMERCE SATURDAY

Second annual banquet of Talco Chamber of Commerce will be held on Saturday evening, Feb. 27, at Talco school cafeteria, beginning at 7:45 o'clock.

Walter Blaney, a professional entertainer, will be the speaker. He is a native Texan who grew up in Dallas, was a magic enthusiast since he was 12 years old. He used his hobby to work his way through college, where he studied chemical engineering at Texas University. Switching majors to drama, he graduated there in 1951 and began a career in show business.

Adopting the unusual name of Zaney Blaney, he spent the inevitable first hard years knocking about the country trying to entertain everywhere—fairs, carnivals, schools, nightclubs, and even with his own full evening stage show. All this provided an early background of experiences necessary to know what makes people laugh, and also how important good wholesome entertainment can be.

Soon convention appearances became his forte, and Blaney evolved the fast paced novelty act which has carried him all over the country again, this time as featured performer at hundreds of national and state conventions.

Blaney, who is 31, lives in Houston now, with his wife and two young daughters. He is one of the few entertainers operating out of the Southwest who flies a national circuit of appearances.

Banquet menu will consist of chicken and dressing, roast beef, baked potato, butter, sour cream, chives, green beans, cheese sauce, combination salad, cranberry sauce, giblet gravy, tea or coffee, strawberry shortcake with

whip cream, hot rolls and butter, served buffet style.

Chamber President Dr. E. L. Miller will preside, and low price for and sale of banquet tickets to date indicates a good attendance.

Officers and members of Talco Chamber of Commerce are —

Dr. E. L. Miller, President
Buck Stansell, Vice President
Elwood Jones, Treasurer
Jerry Stansell, Manager
A. L. Sikes, Director
L. R. Miller, Director
Jack Winn, Director
Jerry Jones, Director
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Arkansas Louisiana Gas Co.
Winn's Appliance
City Drug Store
Norwood's Superette
R. R. Kelley's Hardware
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City of Talco
Talco Water Department
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R. E. Moore, Oil Operator
John D. Wright, Contractor
K. I. M. P. Radio Station
J. C. Whitten, Sawmill
Jones & Bonham Dry Goods
Felix Jones, Insurance
Swaim Grocery & Market
J. B. Pump & Supply
Whitten Lumber Company
Jean's Gift Shop
Talco Magneto Service
Eugene Mankins
Rev. W. L. Zimmerman, Honorary
Earl Smith, Honorary
Rev. James Schaefer, Honorary
Rev. J. A. Haley, Honorary

Titus Co. Hires Wolf Trapper

Because of the alarming growth rate of Titus County wolves and their increasing destruction to livestock, a trapper has been hired to cope with the problem.

Titus County Commissioners court hired Waco Brown of Naples as a wolf trapper to begin his duties for a three-month period. Brown also serves Morris County in the same capacity.

Brown will work in co-operation with the Titus County agricultural agent's office, says Gene Neal, county agent. Landowners with wolf damage complaints should contact the county agent's office, he said.

The normal \$5 bounty on wolves has been dropped, because of the hiring of a full-time trapper, Neal added.

Thad Hall Sr. Dies at Omaha

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Coker attended the funeral of Mrs. Coker's cousin, Thad Hall Sr., at Omaha Tuesday. He was 57 years old and died of a heart ailment. He is survived by his wife, three children, Patricia of Texarkana college, Betty and Thad Jr. of Omaha. Service was at First Methodist Church with Rev. Al-dous Smith, pastor, and Rev. Clifford Loggins of the First Baptist Church of Omaha, officiating, with burial in Omaha Cemetery.

Ale and Mrs. Carl E. Smith of Ft. Worth, Mrs. Zonetta Graf, Jimmie Dean and Rhonda Kay, Mr. and Mrs. Frankie Stephenson of Talco and Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Temples and Donna of Mt. Pleasant, visited Mrs. Virgia Graf, Lavonne and Nancy during the week end.

BE SURE TO VISIT . . .

TALCO SCHOOL

Thursday Evening, March 3

From 6 to 7:45 p. m.

OPEN HOUSE

In observance of Public School Week, February 29 - March 4.

Then at 7:45 p. m. we will have the March meeting of Talco Parent - Teachers Association. A good program is being planned for this meeting.

We Urge You to Be Present

Annual Banquet

TALCO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Saturday Evening, Feb. 27th

SCHOOL CAFETERIA

7:45 p. m.

Walter (Zany) Blaney, of Houston

Humorist — Magician

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INVARIABLY IN ADVANCE

CONGRATULATIONS to our
neighbor, the Pittsburg Gazette.
It observed its 76th birthday Feb.
13 and has been under the own-
ership of one family for 73 years.
Burt Lockhart, dean of Texas
newspaper men, has been at its
helm most of those years. He
wrote a birthday story about the
newspaper that was a gem.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS WEEK is
here again. For nine years, pub-
lic spirited citizens of Texas have
sponsored this week. Its purpose
is to bring to the attention of
everyone the fact that the Public
School is "Democracy in Action."
All the schools are holding open
house. Take advantage of this
opportunity to see just what the
schools are doing. They are
teaching Democracy. Visit the
school this week and see Demo-
cracy in Action.

PARTY IN HONOR EIGHTH BIRTHDAY

Billy Miller, son of Mr. and
Mrs. Paul Miller, celebrated his
8th birthday Monday with a party
at Humble recreation hall.
Favors of bubble gum and whis-
tles and refreshments of cake
and punch were served to Bobby
Sam Davis, Jeanie Cook, Janice
Hall, Steven Gage, David Hobbs,
Jackie Verble, Gordon and Dor-
othy Lorraine, Gary Dyke, Ray-
mond Carson, Mike Henley, Mrs.
Hobbs, Mrs. Verble and Mrs.
Funderburk. Games were play-
ed with prizes going to Gordon
Lorraine and Billy Miller. Billy
received many nice gifts.

FIDELIS CLASS HOLDS MEETING

Fidelis Class of the Calvary
Baptist Church met at the home
of Mrs. Mary Fay McConnell and
Mrs. Lorene Cole assisting. The
meeting was opened and closed
with prayer. Secret Pal gifts
were exchanged and games were
played. Refreshments were serv-
ed to Mrs. Janette Haley, Mrs.
Oma Prestidge, Beth Arnold,
Loulee Flanagan, Lucille Whit-
ney, Billy Harton, Jo McAfee.
Gene Newsome, Eva Weisinger,
Elsa Weatherall and Betty Davis.

KENNETH SIMMONS WRITES A BOOK

Kenneth Simmons, unsuccess-
ful candidate for congress from
the First District against Wright
Patman, has written a book he
calls "Kriegle." It is an account
of happenings when he and his
crew were shot down over Meinz,
Germany, on their tenth mission
in October, 1944; life in prison
camps and release when Patton
moved in. Simmons is now an
insurance executive in Texark-
ana.

"GREW THE TABLE-CLOTH"

Out of Cudiosity, a farmer had
grown a crop of flax and had a
tablecloth made out of the linen.
Sometime later, he bragged about
it to a woman guest at dinner.
"I grew this tablecloth myself."
"Did you really?" she exclam-
ed. "How did you manage it?"
It was plain that she had no idea
as to how tablecloths came into
being.
The farmer lowered his voice,
mysteriously. "If you promise to
keep the secret, I'll tell you."
The guest promised.
"Well," proceeded the farmer,
"I planted a napkin."

EXTRA! EXTRA!

A college weekly carried the
following item:
"Found, a roll of five-dollar
bills. Will the owner please
form a line at the north entrance
of the newspaper office."

EDITORIALLY SPEAKING

BURT LOCKHART
in Pittsburg Gazette

Time will tell, but the newspa-
pers tell it first.

If Asia wants anything we've
got, we could hand them back
their Asiatic flu.

Before the week end was in-
vented no one had better sense
than to spend it working.

Living may cost more than it
did in the old days, but you are
getting more for your money
now.

In the old days everybody was
urged to travel the narrow path,
but today we demand four-lane
highways.

Grandma would be astonished
if she were alive today and could
see how the evils of her day have
been dolled up.

Oldsters rave about the "good
old days," but we haven't heard
of them swapping the present for
a large hunk of the past.

The rich don't enjoy any more
contentment than we poor folks,
but their discontent doesn't keep
them awake at night like ours.

The popularity of an entertain-
er is measured by the price the
Las Vegas hotels are willing to
pay for a few songs and dances.

Half a dozen big political chiefs
insist they are not running for
the Presidency. But nothing in-
dicates they are running from it.

Cemeteries are full of people
who might have been alive today
if they had had all those flowers
while living that they got at the
grave.

Youth's hopes and ambitions
look toward the sunrise, but by
the time they are realized Old
Age is taking a look at the sun-
set.

People who try to bury the
corpse of a dead memory in li-
quor discover that the corpse has
as many lives as the proverbial
cat.

It is the eternal search for the
end of the rainbow that keeps the
world moving. If it was at our
feet the incentive to progress
would be gone.

Those were the "good old days"
when Grandma provided her own
air cooling system when she at-
tended church—a palmetta fan
or a turkey wing.

We are spending billions trying
to beat Russia to the moon,
as if there was something up
there that would be worth more
than a pewter nickel in a hot war.

Castro wants American money
to flow back into Cuba. In con-
fiscating some \$6,000,000 worth
of American property, he shows
a lack of appreciation for our
money.

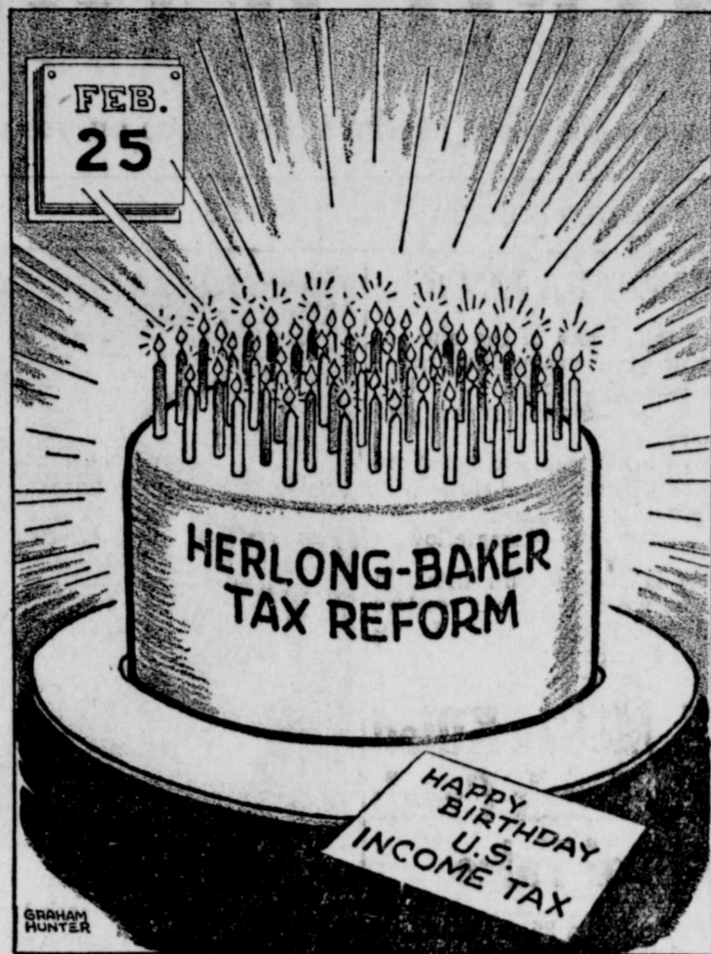
With all the labor-saving de-
vices invented by man, no one
has time to do anything. Our
grandparents did not live in a
push-button age, but they did
find time to live.

A candidate whose past, present
and future registers 100 per
cent is too good a man to run for
office. His high reputation may
not look the same after he has
been in office awhile.

Not every man in Texas owns
an oil well, as jokesters try to
make you believe, but every man
has something more valuable—
the privilege of living in the
grandest state in the union.

It is hard to believe that Pitts-
burg once shivered under a cold
spell that registered 11 degrees
below zero. That is exactly what
happened on February 11, 1899.
Even to this day it almost makes
one's teeth chatter to think about
that cold night. Believe it or
not, not a single water pipe froze.
Reason: No water pipes.

LET'S BAKE A CAKE



Toward A Happier Return

The U. S. income tax will be 47 years old Feb. 25. Does anyone want to sing "Happy Birthday" to celebrate the joyous occasion?

When it was born in 1913, few people foresaw how the tax would grow. It started with a nibble of one to six per cent. Now it gobbles 20 to 91 per cent. The result has been to eat up savings and capital and stunt the growth of the national economy.

A way to curb the damage has been suggested by Congressmen Howard Baker of Tennessee and A. S. Herlong of Florida, with the backing of five other Representatives from Indiana, Texas and Tennessee. They are sponsoring legislation to reduce the income tax rate in every bracket. Their proposal would ease the bite on all taxpayers. In addition, they predict the lower rates would spur economic growth which soon would put tax revenues back at their present level or even higher. We wish Congress would observe the 47th birthday of the income tax by adopting the Herlong-Baker bills. It would mark the birth of a better day for taxpayers, and for the economy.

WILKINSON

By MRS. MORRIS BLALOCK

Mrs. Virgle Wilson of Argo, spent a few days with Mrs. Emma Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Remus Burgin of Mt Pleasant, were Friday guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Blalock.

Little Brenda and Jerry Holcomb of Sulphur Springs, spent three days last week with their grandparents, Rev. and Mrs. Alvin Blalock.

Mrs. C. B. Harris has been ill in a Mt. Pleasant hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Moles visited Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Kiddle of Dallas, Tuesday.

Mrs. Jess Jones and Mrs. Kenneth Baxley visited Mr. and Mrs. John Parr of Maple Springs. Mr. Parr is ill at his home.

Rev. and Mrs. Frank Jones and children of Joineville, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Haren.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Price and children of Denton and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hornbuckle of Dallas, visited Mr. and Mrs. Moody Belcher.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Phillips and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Cabell of Talco, visited Mr. and Mrs. John Smith, Sunday.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Baxley and twin boys of Mt. Pleasant, visited Mr. and Mrs. Jess Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Greer, Sunday.

Mrs. Morris Deaton of Mt. Pleasant, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Bragg, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Blalock visited in the John Parr home at Maple Springs, Saturday and on Sunday evening visited Mr. and Mrs. Remus Burgin of Talco.

Visitors in the A. T. Blalock home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Blalock and children of Mt. Pleasant, and Mr. and Mrs. Marion Bell and daughter, Joe Nell.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Blalock and children visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Winkle of Bagwell, Saturday.

Little Lydon Haren has been ill at his home for the past week.

BAPTIST WMA WITH MRS. DON JOHNSON

First Baptist WMA met with Mrs. Don Johnson on Tuesday night for their monthly social gathering. Ten members and one visitor answered roll call. The need to do more for missions was discussed by the group, then a devotional was given by Mrs. Golden Watson. A program entitled "Our Responsibility" was presented by Mrs. Jack Mills, Mrs. Dewey Howard, Mrs. Claud Jasper and Mrs. James Schafer. Games of "It Is I," "Abbrev. of States," and "Proverbs," were played and prizes given to the winners. Refreshments of pie and coffee were served.

GRANDMOTHER BOGATA LADY BURIED TUESDAY

Rites were held at Whitney Tuesday for Mrs. S. A. Hill, aged 93, grandmother of Mrs. Laurel Peaden of Bogata. The Peadens left Monday for Athens, where they visited their son, Spurgeon Peaden and family, before continuing to Whitney to attend the services. Mrs. Hill made her home with her daughter, Miss Beatrice Hill, at Whitney.



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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 District Judge
76th Judicial District—
MORRIS RALSTON**

**For Attorney 76th
Judicial District—
ALFORD H. FLANAGAN
LEMUEL S. GUEST**

TITUS COUNTY

**For Sheriff—
E. R. GRAYSON
LOYD SINCLAIR
JIM PONDER
HARRY J. BROWN
ALVIS REDFEARN**

**For County Attorney—
P. D. THORNTON, JR.
(Re-Election 2nd Term)**

**For Assessor-Collector—
WALLACE R. FIELDS**

**For Commissioner, Precinct 3—
EUGENE MANKINS
(Re-Election)**

**LOYD C. HAREN
ODELL BELCHER
T. O. (Buck) RANEY
FRANK NEWMAN
HUBERT MARTIN**

**For Constable Precinct 3—
G. D. TEMPLES**

Odell Belcher Issues Statement

To the people of Precinct Three: I take this opportunity to announce that I am still a candidate for commissioner of this precinct. Due to my being misinformed, my name will not be on the primary ballot but can be written in. If I get enough votes in this primary election my name will be put on the last primary election ballot. I trust you will see fit to write my name in on the ballot and I want you to know I will do my best for the people of this precinct.
Sincerely yours,
ODELL BELCHER.
(Pol. Adv.)

Trustee Election

In a special meeting of the Talco School Board Wednesday night, Feb. 10, an election for the purpose of electing two (2) trustees was ordered for the first Saturday in April. This will be April 2nd, and the election will be held at the Talco School with George Barber Election Judge, and Mrs. Mary Welch and Mrs. G. L. Gieger as Clerks.

The terms of J. D. Thompson and D. D. Buchanan are expiring. Mr. Buchanan was appointed about a year ago to finish out the term of T. W. Orr. Mr. Thompson has served for the past three years. Candidates will have until Thursday, March 3 at 5 p. m. to file for a place on the ballot.
W. R. YOUNG.

HER INCOME

"And upon what income do you propose to support my daughter?"
"Five thousand a year."
"Oh, I see. Then with her income of \$5,000 a . . ."
"I've counted that in."

Pleasant Drive-In Theatre

MT. PLEASANT

FRIDAY & SATURDAY
February 26-27

Saddle the Wind

Robert Taylor Julia London
John Cassavetes

Plus Second Feature

That Kind of Woman

Sophia Loren-Tab Hunter

SUNDAY - MONDAY
TUESDAY

February 28-29 - March 1

Steve Reeves in

Goliath and the Barbarians

WEDNESDAY - THURSDAY
March 2-3

Double Feature

Escapade in Japan

Plus

Once Upon a Horse

with the New Comedy Team

TEN AND TWENTY YEARS AGO

Condensed from Back Files of The Talco Times for Dates Indicated

Week of February 24, 1950

According to report made by W. F. Turner, contract auditor, Titus County was in better financial condition than at any time during past six years.

Two oil tests were planned for Pewitt Ranch Paluxy by A. O. Phillips, Dallas, and others.

Mrs. Chas. Collins of Fine Arts Club had been appointed to chairmanship of War Veterans Committee.

Band Boosters Club presented a tape recorder to Talco High School and Junior Band.

Cecil Franklin announced his candidacy for office of County Treasurer.

Mrs. Aubrey Harris entertained her husband and her sister, Dorothy Reidout, with a birthday dinner.

L. B. Gage, Humble Pipeline employee, had been transferred to Cisco.

Talco High School Band would take part in Regional Completion Musical Festival at ETSC, according to director, Alton Wilms.

Misses Katie Trimble, Bette Smith, Lora Pearl and Patty Reed had been pledged to Mar- pessa Club at ETSC.

Two Hopkins County men paid \$690.90 in fines for killing three deer on a state game preserve out of season.

Guests at a party honoring Jas. Paul Clark on his ninth birthday were Carrie and Tommie Easley, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Burleson and Cindy, Sue Easley, Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Gaunt.
Births: a son to the Odus Aubreys; daughter to the Roy Lilleys of Talco.

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to thank every- one for their help and kindness while our family was sick. May God bless each one of you, is our prayer. Roy Ottinger Family.

Week of February 23, 1940

Merchants of Talco had held a mass meeting in an effort to se- cure rooms and apartments for oil field workers.

J. E. Allison had been injured when he fell from a pumping unit while at work.

Mrs. Anna J. Young, 82, pioneer Titus County lady, had died.

Work was progressing nicely on the new home of Felix Jones, three miles southeast of Talco, on the new highway.

William D. Roerson, 73, of Clarksville, father of Mrs. R. L. Lefteller of Talco, had died.

At a meeting of the Book Lov- ers Club at the home of Mrs. B. L. Gieger, Mrs. Louis Cato was named president to succeed Mrs. Cynthia Barber. Mrs. Ernest Smith was a new member.

Professional announcements listed Dr. L. G. Shaw, Thos. E. Hunt, M. D., Dr. S. R. Lawrence, Dr. J. B. Ferrell, J. B. Rowland, Insurance, Romine's Pharmacy, Phillips, Williamson and Smith, lawyers.

W. F. Sale, 79, brother of J. T. Sale of Johntown, had died.

Talco school trustees were hav- ing the school's books audited for the period July 1, 1936 to Feb. 15, 1940.

IT WAS HER CHILD

The wife, on meeting a psycho- logist at a party, made a pitch for some free personal advice. "What kind of toy would you sug- gest giving a little boy on his third birthday?" she asked.
"First, I'd like to know more about the child," the psycholo- gist hedged.

The wife took a deep breath. "He's very bright and quick-wit- ted and exceptionally advanced for his age," she said. "He has good coordination, expresses him- self very well . . ."

"Oh, I see," the psychologist said, "It's YOUR child!"



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LOCAL NEWS

MRS. NORA WILLIAMS
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Mrs. O. E. Jones entered a Mt. Pleasant hospital Tuesday.

O. E. Jones entered a Mt. Pleasant hospital on Sunday.

Miss Barbara Watson spent Monday night with Jo Ann West of Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Beasley of Vidalia, La., spent the week end in Talco.

J. J. Smith spent the week end with his mother, Mrs. Ella Smith, of Fairfield.

Debbie and Stan Jones of Star, spent Wednesday with Mrs. Jerry Jones and Rusty.

Miss Lena Murl Luttrell was dismissed from a Mt. Pleasant hospital Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Lansford of Kilgore, visited Mr. and Mrs. Roy Primm, Saturday.

Floyd Hamilton returned to home in Talco Saturday from the Veterans Hospital.

Mrs. O. R. Blackburn of Mt. Pleasant, spent Monday with Mrs. Ney Blackburn.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Lewis visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hughes of McLeod, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Walding attended a Humble meeting at Tyler, Wednesday and Thursday.

W. T. White of Houston, spent Thursday night with Mrs. White's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Stewart.

Debbie and Stan Jones of Star, spent the week with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Walker.

Mrs. Bessie Reidout and Mrs. Murl Barnett of Mt. Pleasant, visited Mrs. Maud Leftwich, Sunday.

Misses Janet Woodard and Janice Davis of Dallas, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Davis.

Miss Bobby Knight of Dallas, spent the week end with her aunt, Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Taylor, and Johnny.

Mrs. Betty Ann Word, Ricky and Larry of Mt. Pleasant, visited Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Munn, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hearn visited her nephew, Jimmy Crowston, in the Mt. Vernon hospital, Sunday.

Lowell Parsons, Mike and Jan of Mt. Pleasant, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Parsons, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Taylor and Jane of Daingerfield, visited Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Case, Judy and Bruce, Friday.

Misses Barbara Watson and Wanda Williams visited Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Davidson Sr. of Deport, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Teffeller of Maud, spent the week end with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Lewis, Mike and Sylvia.

Tommy Neugent of Commerce, spent the week end with his mother, Mrs. Zela Neugent, and his sisters, Linda and Martha.

Mr. and Mrs. Duane Welch, Patti and Dawn of Daingerfield, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Welch.

Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Munn visited Mr. and Mrs. Alta Seay of Scroggins, Sunday, and Mrs. Ellen Teague of Blodgett, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Felix Jones will be in Abilene this week attending the lectureship and visiting their children, Mr. and Mrs. Cato Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Spruell of Avinger, visited their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lyndon Reed and boys and other friends in Talco, Friday.

Bill Thurman of Whitewright, returned home Friday after spending a few days at the office of Community Public Service Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Gauntt and daughter, Carolyn, will spend Friday till Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Seabaugh of Texas City.

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Worthington visited their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bill D. Williams and Debra Kay of Mt. Pleasant, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Williams, Lawanna, Ricky and Teddy of Arlington, spent Monday night with Mrs. Nora Williams and Wanda.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Nix and Sandy Wright of Daingerfield, visited their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Case, Judy and Bruce, Sunday.

Mrs. Lorene McFerrin has spent a few days with her mother, Mrs. Ella Davis of Cookville, and has been real sick with flu.

Mrs. Nadine Caldwell returned home Thursday from a Mt. Pleasant hospital. Mrs. W. R. Young taught school in the absence of Mrs. Caldwell.

Mrs. Zula McDonald of Newsum and Mrs. McDonald's daughter, Mrs. Ruby Spencer of Houston, spent Monday with Mrs. W. H. Crawford.

L. L. Gieger of Ft. Worth, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Gieger, went Saturday to A&M at Bryan as one of the counselors to speak to the boys there.

Mrs. Paul Miller visited her mother, Mrs. Ida Mae Williams, of Faulk, Ark., Sunday and Mrs. Williams returned home with her daughter for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Walding and daughter spent the week end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Bradberry and Mr. and Mrs. E. Walding of Crosby.

Mrs. Mathis Fussell, Mrs. Addie Rosee, Miss Eva Fussell, Mrs. Gordon Simmons and Mrs. Jerry Simmons visited Mrs. Ellen White at Mt. Pleasant, Friday.

Earl Smith, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Kelley, Mrs. L. B. Kaylor, Mrs. Bob Lewis and Mrs. Troy Lewis left Sunday to attend the lectureship at Abilene till Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Robinson and Mrs. S. A. Patterson of Overton, spent the week end with their daughter and Mrs. Patterson's sister, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Richardson, and Marjorie.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Jones attended the 7th District Bankers convention at Ft. Worth Sunday and Monday. Rusty Jones visited Mr. and Mrs. Gaines Robinson and children of Ft. Worth while there.

Mrs. Sidney Frugia's mother, Mrs. J. W. Williams of Panhandle, passed away Monday morning. Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Frugia left immediately after receiving the message to attend the funeral.

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Jones and family spent the week end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Carlisle of Houston. Mrs. Jones' brother, Johnny Carlisle, of Kilgore, accompanied them to Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Russell, Pam and Debbie of Greggton, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ney Blackburn and her brother, Wayne Blackburn, returned home with them to spend the week.

Pvt. Douglas G. Parker, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Parker, Talco, completed the 11-week basic electronics course Feb. 11 at the Army Signal School, Fort Monmouth, N. J. Parker was trained to help repair and maintain integrated fire-control and guided missile equipment. The 24-year-old soldier entered the Army in August 1959 and completed basic training at Fort Hood. He was graduated from Talco High School in 1953 and from Texas Technological College, Lubbock, in 1959.

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LOCAL NEWS ABOUT BOGATA

Mrs. J. L. Troutt was reported ill with flu Monday.

John Byron of Detroit, was the Sunday visitor of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Smith.

Mrs. E. A. Hale and Mrs. Curtis Glover of Deport, visited Mrs. Levi Chesshir, Monday.

Troy Turner of Longview, visited his brother, Pleas Turner, and Mrs. Turner, Sunday.

Mrs. J. W. Howison spent last week with her daughter, Mrs. Carl Click and Mr. Click in Tyler.

Mrs. Lee Barton, Mrs. Jim Garrett attended a WHD Club meeting at Clarksville, Thursday.

Sandra Ward spent the week end with her sister, Mrs. Johnny Couch and Mr. Couch in Paris.

Kenneth Simmons of Dallas, will speak to the congregation at Bogata Church of Christ, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. McDonald visited their niece, Mrs. L. G. Farris, and family at Gilmer, Sunday.

Mrs. O. W. Hudson orders The Bogata News sent to the Charles Kings at 5129 1/2 Columbia, Dallas 14.

Lewis C. Black and son of Alamosa, Colo., were recently guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Black.

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Hudson visited their daughter, Mrs. Charles King and family in Dallas during the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Norman and son, Mark of Grand Prairie, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Rossion.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lewis of Howe, Okla., spent Friday night with his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Lewis. They were enroute to Dallas to visit their son.

L. L. Gieger of Ft. Worth, accompanied his aunt, Miss Blanche Gieger, home Friday. She had spent several days with relatives there and Mr. Gieger visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Gieger.

Mrs. J. L. Cato and her daughter, Christelle, were in Dallas Monday and were informed by Mrs. R. C. Owens that her mother, Mrs. Hattie Morris, underwent surgery Monday and was doing well.

S-Sgt. Richard Swarts, who returned home from Germany a few days ago, went to Lawton, Okla., in the interest of a location for his mother, Mrs. Minnie Swarts. Richard will be stationed at Ft. Sill.

Mr. and Mrs. George Burleson, Cindy, Cathy and Clark of Grand Prairie, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Buck Clark, and Mr. Burleson's sister, Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Gauntt and Carolyn, Sunday and Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lon Jones, Debbie and Stan of Star, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Guy Walker and other relatives from Thursday until Saturday. They left for Cisco, where Lon preached on Sunday for the Church of Christ there. They will go on to Abilene to the ACC lectureship, which will be in progress this week. Debbie and Stan remained here to be with their grandparents, the Walkers.

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Mrs. Carlos Vaughan and Mrs. Britt Lassiter were in Clarksville Sunday to attend the J. P. Goodman rites.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Owen, Mrs. W. H. Johnson of Reno, were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Johnson.

Mrs. T. T. Kinsey and Mrs. Stella Davidson visited Mr. and Mrs. Lee Talley in Sulphur Springs, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Gill of Grand Prairie, returned home Saturday after spending several days with Mrs. Joe Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Louie Evans and Mrs. May Burns were Sunday evening supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Lewis and sons.

Miss Jodie Craddock visited her brothers, J. C. Craddock in Van, and Jack Craddock in Grand Saline, during the week end.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Ward Sr. recently were their sons, Billy, John, and Dean Ward of Grand Prairie, and their families.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Porterfield visited his brother, Ernest Porterfield and other relatives at Nashville, Ark., during the week end.

Eogata Fire Department answered an alarm Monday night when grass caught fire at the reed grounds. No damage was reported.

Mrs. Iva Hooker left Tuesday for El Paso, where she will visit her daughter, Mrs. Jack Duncan, Mr. Duncan and family for about two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Durward Bell and sons moved Monday to the house on Highway 271 formerly occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Roy Reep and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Geese and Ben Ed visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Geese at New London during the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hays of Paris, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Mauldin and family at McCrury during the week end.

Hugh Riley Forester of Dallas, visited his parents and sister, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Forester and Miss Billie, during the week end.

Mmes. E. G. Morgan, Billy Ray Dickerson, Raymond Fennell visited Mr. and Mrs. Silas Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Harley Massey at Paris, Sunday.

T. W. Wright was carried to a Paris hospital Tuesday for eye surgery. Mr. and Mrs. Wright had as week end visitors their son, Jimmie Wright and Mrs. Wright of Irving.

Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Branch and children moved Saturday from the Mrs. Iva Hooker property in North Bogata, to the house purchased recently from Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lynn Corbell.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Troutt spent Friday night at their ranch at Bokchito, Ok. Mrs. Troutt was the Monday guest of their daughter, Mrs. Ward Thomas and family at Greenville.

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Mrs. Gieger Hostess Book Lovers Club

The Book Lover's Club met in the home of Mrs. B. L. Gieger, Friday. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. J. L. Cato and prayer offered by Mrs. Ed Nugent. Roll call was answered by "A Leap Year Event." Flower fund was \$1.25. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved and distribution of books was made. A card of thanks was read by Asst. Sec. Mrs. R. W. Sanford from Mrs. Lyndon Reed, resigned, for a gift which had been presented to her for the good work she had done while she was a club member.

The program, "Facts and Fables of Leap Year," was presented by Mrs. Ernest Smith, and Woody Sanford presented the reading, "Baby Where Are You" his "ideal" if she should care to take a special interest in him this leap year. It was all in fun, really, but it could be realistic. A true and false game; also a guessing game was enjoyed in which Mrs. Joe Nelson and Mrs. Cato excelled. Woody was presented a miniature gold knife and chain for his assistance.

A delicious plate was served to twelve members and guest speaker, Mr. Sanford, by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Cato. Door prize was awarded to Mrs. Cato. The next meeting will be Friday, March 4, in the home of Mrs. Cecil Griggs, with a round table discussion of "Eisenhower, Man of the Year."

Titus Co. Students Honored at ETSC

Mrs. Dora Gandy McDonald, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James L. Gandy, Talco; and Sheila Jean Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Haney Davis, Route 1 Cookville, have been initiated into the East Texas State College chapter of Alpha Chi, national scholarship fraternity.

Membership is restricted to the upper 10 per cent of junior and senior students.

MRS. MITCHELL ENTERTAINS FIDELIS CLASS TUESDAY

Mrs. Ruby Mitchell entertained the Fidelis Class of Calvary Baptist Church in her home Tuesday evening. Mrs. Nancy Walding gave the devotional. Peggy Hargrove voiced the prayer. The Sunshine gifts were opened, and refreshments served to Mrs. Ganelle Case, Nancy Walding, Peggy Hargrove, Joyce Martin, Wanda Pittman, Bobbie Schofer, Sallie Belcher, Rosalie Adams and Ruby Mitchell.

Benson Reduces Corn Price Prop To Minimum

Washington.—Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson set the price support Friday for this year's corn crop at a national average of not less than \$1.06 a bushel. This is 6 cents below last year's average.

This rate for corn, the nation's largest single crop, is the minimum permitted by law.

Benson also announced that 1960 support prices for four other feed grain crops, three oil seed crops, and dry beans will be continued at the same dollar-and-cents-rates in effect last year.

But the price supports for peanuts were increased from an average of \$193.59 a ton for last year's crop.

Benson had previously announced reductions in 1960 support for wheat, cotton and rice. But he continued dairy supports at last season's rates.

The feed grain crop rates include:

Barley 77 cents a bushel; sorghum grain \$1.52 per hundred-weight; oats 50 cents a bushel and rye 90 cents a bushel. The oilseed crop supports included: Soybeans \$1.85 a bushel; flaxseed \$2.38 a bushel, and cottonseed \$38 a ton on farm stored cottonseed and \$34 a ton on cottonseed sold the government. The support price for dry beans was continued at last year's rate of \$5.35 per hundred-weight.

Parity is a standard for measuring farm prices declared by law to be fair to farmers in relation to prices charged them.

Miss Wanda Williams and Mrs. Vernon Williams spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. James Cain and children of Greggton, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Woods of Longview.

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.

FOR SALE — House, five-rooms and bath, 3/4-acre lot. See Howard L. Swarts. 3-p

FOR SALE — 15-foot upright freezer. Has guarantee. See G. E. Pinkston, Humble Station, Talco. 3-p

FOR SALE—New ten-foot Admiral electric refrigerator, used one month. Priced \$175.00. Mrs. Jim Morris, Phone DR 9-2531.

GOING-GOING-GONE!
A man bought a parrot at an auction after some spirited bidding. "I suppose the bird talks," he said to the auctioneer. "Talk?" replied the auctioneer. "He's been bidding against you for the last half hour!"

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ALCORN WANTS TO KNOW HOW HIT RECORDS GET TO BE HITS

Editor's note: Achin Alcorn, philosopher on his Johnson grass farm on Sulphur, wants us to clear up something for him this week, but we decline.

Dear Editor: There's a problem that's been worrying me all week and I'd like to have you clear it up for me.

It's about these disc jockeys. As I understand it, Congress has uncovered some odd things about the business of phonograph records, but what has been puzzling me is the fact nobody has mentioned the oddest thing about it.

Up to now, Congress, I guess sort of resting its mind in between investigations of the missile lag, has turned up the fact that certain disc jockeys have been taking side pay from some phonograph record companies to play their records over the air. The way it works is, the record companies make a record, they send it to the disc jockeys, then send them a little cash, and the disc jockeys play these special records oftener than others, thus making a hit out of them.

Congress has said this is outrageous, that it's wrong to give one record special attention over another. Also, radio stations have said it's wrong, and a lot of disc jockeys have been fired.

Well, up to this point, I guess Congress and the radio stations are right, but what everybody seems to have overlooked is: what sort of colossal insult is this to the teenagers of the United States? You mean to tell me a disc jockey can make a record popular with youngsters just by playing it over and over? You mean to say teenagers don't make up their own minds on these smash hits? You mean to tell me they didn't really and truly love "Hound Dog," they just heard it so often they thought they did? And then went out and bought it by the millions? Or at least kept every juke box in the country roaring out the thing? These are the questions I'd like for you to answer for me.

Personally, I'm not taking sides in this thing, but I'll tell you, either Congress has a lot of tall explaining to do to the rest of the country. Somebody is making these records popular, and I hope Congress gets to the bottom of it, and the quicker the better, although there may be some things that just can't be explained, like why teenagers like certain records and how two Generals of the same rank and degree of patriotism can take exactly opposite views on whether the United States' defenses are adequate.

Have'n't We Met? Well, In a Way

Stillwater, Ok.—Peter Scheck, Oklahoma State University exchange student from Germany, and Abe Hesser, university student union director, were talking at a Rotary Club dinner.

"Where is your home in Germany?" asked Hesser. Scheck replied Stuttgart.

"I have been there — over the place, that is, as a bombardier during the war," Hesser said.

"Quite interesting," answered Scheck. "I was in the anti-aircraft gunnery forces assigned to Stuttgart."

So Nervous In Service?

Washington.—The military apparently uses tranquilizer pills by the barrelful.

The authoritative but unofficial Army-Navy Air Force Journal said that:

"It won't be identified as such, but President Eisenhower's fiscal 1961 military budget will seek funds for purchase of more than one million dollars worth of tranquilizers."

More than 95 per cent of the Egyptians live on a fertile strip of land along the Nile River which makes up about 3 per cent of the country.

Fire Insurance Rates For Local Towns Reported

Key fire insurance rates and fire record percentages have been published for insurance agents. With the thought that key rates of this and nearby towns would be of interest, they are listed below, courtesy of John H. Moore.

A town's key rate depends upon the type of equipment available to fight fires; size of water lines and water pressure; paid or volunteer fire departments and attendance at semi-monthly meetings of volunteers.

Along with the key rates goes a charge or credit for good or bad fire records over a five year period.

Towns may earn up to a maximum credit of 25 per cent or have a maximum charge of 15 per cent.

	Key Rate	Cr.	Chg.
Deport	.49	—	.15
Detroit	.95	—	.05
Bogata	.51	—	.05
Talco	.51	—	.0
Blossom	.90	—	.15
Clarksville	.24	—	.15
Mt. Vernon	.39	—	.05
Mt. Pleasant	.37	—	.10
Paris	.18	—	.0

Deport's key rate of 49 and a 15% charge are the same as last year.

Detroit's .95 rate is the same as last year with a 5% charge added for a bad fire record over five year period.

Bogata's .51 key rate is the same as last year, but a 10% charge becomes 5% for a better fire record.

Talco's .56 key rate dropped to .51, but it lost its 5% credit and is now neutral.

Blossom still has its .90 key rate, but its 10% charge becomes 15%.

Clarksville remains the same as last year with a key rate of .24 and a 15% charge.

Mt. Vernon's key rate remains at the low of .39, but it moved from neutral up to a 5% charge.

Mt. Pleasant's key rate of .37 remains the same, but instead of a 5% charge, it is now 10%.

Paris with an .18 key rate, lost its 5% credit and is now neutral.

JOHNTOWN

By MRS. G. A. VAUGHAN

Relatives planned a surprise dinner Saturday for Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ward of Bogata. The occasion being the 33rd anniversary of their marriage. Those in the party included Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Hood of Lorenzo, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Dryden, Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Stahl and Rebecca of Longview, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ward, Diane, Donna and Denise of Bogata, Mrs. Irene Pew, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Vaughan and Mary Ann of Johtown, Mrs. Avret L. Vaughan joined in the afternoon.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Burl Duffie Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Pope of Talco and Mr. and Mrs. Francis Foster, Johtown.

Rev. and Mrs. Alvin Blalock were guests Sunday of Mrs. Velma Watson and children.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Wicks and Frankie are reported recovering from flu.

Those reported ill with flu include several in the home of Rev. Albert Dufrene, the Tommie Lee Cox family, Mrs. Bill Humphreys and granddaughter, Patricia Parker, Mrs. D. A. Baxter, Mrs. John Hervey, Enoch Black Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Cox, Sr.

Mrs. T. W. Smith and Mrs. Avret Smith of Talco, visited Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Vaughan, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Hall and daughters of Paris, visited her father, J. E. Vaughan, Saturday.

Buddy Stringfellow visited

relatives and friends in Longview the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Dodd and children visited Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hawkins and family of Longview, over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Vaughan of Bogata, visited his sister, Mrs. D. A. Baxter, ill at her home, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Hood of Lorenzo, are spending the week with relatives here, at Bogata and Longview.

Visitors in the G. A. Vaughan home Sunday included Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Hood Lorenzo; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ward and Sammy, Bogata, and Mrs. Irene Pew.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Vaughan and Mrs. Avret L. Vaughan visited the J. E. Thomas family in Hugo, Thursday.

Mrs. Lila Pirtle received announcement of the birth of a great-grandson, born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Edward Pirtle of Scottsville, Va., on Feb. 11.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Taylor Dodd, who have been employed at Scottsville, Va., arrived Monday night at their home here for an indefinite stay.

Misses Virginia and Sue Cox and Mrs. Wendell Hervey spent the week end visiting in west Texas with Mr. and Mrs. James H. Cox and family of Littlefield.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Moore and family of Slaton, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Childress of Lorenzo and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Cox of Wichita Falls, and Monday, Mrs. Wen-

dell Hervey was reported ill with flu.

Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Pirtle and Vance, Mr. and Mrs. Drue Pirtle and Mr. and Mrs. Harvey L. Jean and son of Longview, visited R. L. Smith, Mrs. Lila Pirtle and Mr. and Mrs. John Parker here and Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Roach of Bogata, over the week end.

Kathy Pirtle and Mark Hudson of Bogata, spent Monday with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pirtle.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pirtle were supper guests Friday evening of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Pirtle and Kathy of Bogata.

Sammy Hervey, employed at Parasol, near San Antonio, spent the week end with his family here.

A BOUNTY SET ON THE SKUNK

Boerne.—Hunters in this hill country have a new incentive. The Kendall county commissioners' court has set a bounty of 59 cents on skunks.

The skunk population has increased so greatly that the bounty was set to keep rabies down. Skunks come fourth as the source of rabies infection, County Judge M. A. Scumard, Jr., says.

BASE STEALER

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