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Round the oper Table

SOME TIME we have been pondering a question propounded in a brochure issued a few weeks ago by one of the distilling corporations. Ordinarily we do not read a great deal of the literature distributed by the distilleries on account of we are not in the market for any of their products, but the question asked by the concern under examination is interesting. It is: "Can you drink and still be a gentleman?"

Much of the drinking now being done in America is by women, who make no pretenses to recognition as gentlemen. Maybe they are ladies, however, if any, and for the purpose of this argument they may as well be left out of consideration as wholly irrelevant and immaterial so far as the issues before the court are concerned. In our day and time we were taught that there was a difference between ladies and women. But that was a long time ago.

THE word "gentleman" is defined by our faithful dictionary as "a well bred man of fine feelings, good education and social position; a man of refined manners." Personally, we prefer to think of a gentleman as a gentle man; because to be a man, in the fullest sense of the word, is an achievement worthy of note, and to be a gentle man is to add a touch of gentleness to the whole.

A gentleman, as he is rated in the species homo sapiens, is the equivalent of the thoroughbred in the world of cows and horses. He is the product of both good breeding and good training, and the test of his gentleness comes when he encounters the difficult situations of life and finds himself confronted by the insidious lions of living.

Can a gentleman drink liquor and still be a man? Can a plough horse loco weed and still be a good plough horse? Liquor does not contribute to gentleness. To the contrary, it paralyzes portions of the brain, destroys one's control over his own body, and makes him wholly irresponsible in his conduct among others. Liquor does things no gentleman would think of doing; it jeopardizes life in speeding automobiles, it trespasses upon the rights of the weak and helpless, it robs widows and orphans; it fills the insane asylums and the penitentiaries, it breaks up marriages, it corrupts politics and government, it wastes more money than all the combined agencies of the government's spending program.

The answer to the question seems rather obvious, in view of these facts. Maybe we are prejudiced on the subject. We grew up in old-time printing offices, in which printers were bums and booze was their only friend—a perfidious friend, that robbed them of their earnings, denied them the right to have homes and made them tramps and castaways. If we are prejudiced, it is because we saw plenty of evidence.

THE OTHER day as we were riding along the street in our little car—we have nicknamed it WPA because it costs a lot of money to keep it going, and it doesn't seem to get anywhere—we saw a good Samaritan in action. He was driving a short race ahead, and suddenly he got out of his car and up a board thru which a number of sharp-pointed nails protruded. His idea apparently was to make the way safe for other motorists.

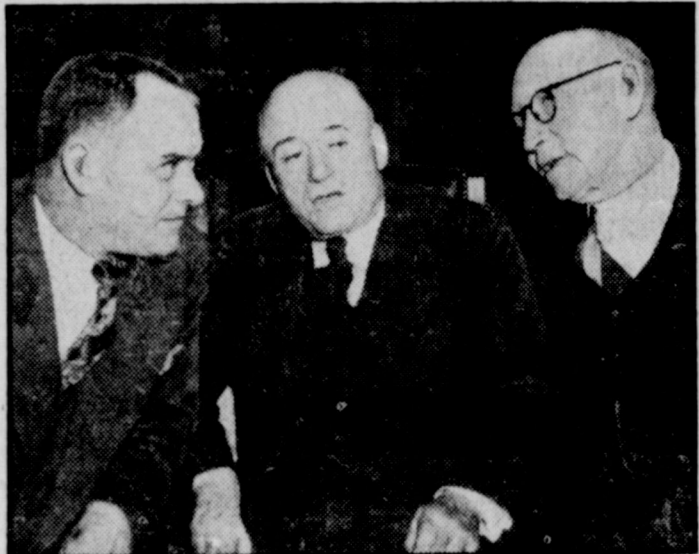
It was a nice thing for him to do, and particularly gratifying to us because it gave us something about which to complain a week. Why is it, when peach old lumber and such are around town, they seem to take pride in spilling fragrances in all the streets they use? Hans and Gretchen in the streets, these litter-uppers can be nailed by the nail-infested they leave behind them.

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WITH GUN IN HAND —

Lone Bandit Robs Western Union

Getting Signals Straight



A Democratic huddle as Congress got under way. Representative Jere Cooper of Tennessee, House Majority Leader Sam Rayburn of Texas, and Representative Robert L. Doughton of North Carolina.

14 "HOT CHECKERS" CHARGED

With the completion of his first week in office, J. Piner Powell, county attorney, announced Saturday that he had filed fourteen "hot check" charges during the week, representing every worthless check brought to his office. Sheriff's and constable's departments were cooperating with the new county attorney to the fullest extent and were serving arrest warrants as rapidly as possible. "I'm going to continue filing charges as rapidly as checks are brought to my attention," the county attorney said. Every Brownwood merchant and business firm has been asked to cooperate in this drive to ban excessive "hot checkers" from the city.

BROWN COUNTY PIONEER—

Mrs. Ellen Elizabeth Yantis Dies Here After Long Illness

Family Long Identified In Business, Cultural Life Brown County

Mrs. Ellen Elizabeth Yantis, wife of Thomas C. Yantis, deceased, a pioneer of Brown county, died Sunday at her home on Main avenue where she had been ill for the past five years. The funeral service was conducted at the home Tuesday morning by the Rev. Karl H. Moore, pastor of First Baptist church, and interment was made in Greenleaf Cemetery.

Active pallbearers were Messrs. Millard Romines, Dean Rippetoe, Norman Locks, W. O. Kemp, J. W. Fisher, J. P. Coffey, Jesse Turner, Ray Pol, C. W. Carter and Loyd Dyer, all of whom are members of the staff of First National Bank. The bank was closed all of Tuesday morning. White and London Funeral home had charge of the arrangements.

Mrs. Yantis was a pioneer of Brown county, having come here in 1873 when her father, Lewis C. Mallow, moved to the Clio neighborhood twelve miles north of Brownwood and there erected a residence. She was born March 4, 1857, near McKinney, where her father had settled when he came to Texas from Arkansas following the close of the War of the Confederacy. Her mother had died during the war, and some time later her father married Mrs. Sarah C. Hampton, whose husband had lost his life in the war. The family came to this county a few years afterward, to establish their permanent home here.

Marries T. C. Yantis

July 22, 1875, the marriage of Ellen Elizabeth Mallow and Thomas Caldwell Yantis occurred. Mrs. Yantis was also a native of Collin county, and came to this section at about the time the Mallow family moved here. He established the first mill in Brown county, and brought the first steam boiler to the county, hauling it overland from Fort Worth. For several years the family lived at Sipe Springs, in Comanche county, and in 1893 returned to this county when Mr. Yantis entered the banking business, taking over what is now the First National Bank, which at that time was only eleven months old. He continued as head of the bank until his death December 11, 1922, and was succeeded by his son, John T. Yantis, now president of the institution.

Mr. and Mrs. Yantis throughout their life here were actively interested in Howard Payne College, and gave to that institution much financial assistance especially in the earlier years of its work. He served as president of the Board of trustees almost continuously until his death, and gave much of his time to the management of its affairs. Mr. and Mrs. Yantis were

ardently interested in the program of the Baptist church here and in this section of the state, and both devoted much of their time and energy to its work.

Surviving Mrs. Yantis are five children: Mrs. V. Y. Robnett, Mrs. A. H. Bell and John T. Yantis of Brownwood; Mrs. William Bunyan Cross of Austin, and Mrs. Davis G. Stribling of Waco. Grandchildren are Ellen Yantis and Thomas Yantis of Brownwood, Ellender Stribling and Thomas Stribling of Waco, F. Yantis Robnett of Brownwood and James P. Robnett of Nashville, Tenn. Great-grandchildren are Gloria Robnett and John Robnett, of Brownwood. A brother, John Mallow of Melissa, a half-brother, L. L. Mallow of Brownwood, and a half-sister, Mrs. W. J. Bowden of Abilene, also survive.

For the past five years or more Mrs. Yantis had been confined to her home by illness, but her declining years were devoted to active interest in the welfare of her family and friends and of the community in which she had lived for so long a time. Her passing is sincerely mourned throughout Brown county, and her memory will be cherished by all those who knew her and were grateful for her long period of fine service as neighbor and friend.

Three Persons Injured In Three-Way Accident

Three persons were injured, none seriously, in a three-way collision Saturday night at 11 o'clock on the Brownwood-Bangs road two miles east of Bangs, Constable W. O. Weems reported.

Lee Bonds, 1410 Waco, Brownwood, and Tom Stenbridge, Brownwood, received bruises and lacerations, one having a gash on the head, it was reported. L. O. Davis, Brownwood, driver of a third car, was said to have been bruised about the head.

RED CROSS OFFERS TRAINING IN CASE WORK

An introductory course in relief casework will be offered to anyone interested in knowing how to give the best service to those in need of relief or to those who are in need of a special type of assistance.

This course will be offered by the Brown county chapter of the American Red Cross, according to Rev. A. W. Anderson, county chairman, and will be taught by J. T. Fleider, head of the extension department of Howard Payne College. It is in line with the home assistance project of the Brown county chapter. There is no Community Chest or other charitable

Loses Self in Theatre Crowd After Holdup Around 6:45 p.m.

"This is a holdup. Give me the cash and keep quiet. I'm just out of prison and I'm desperate," read the note handed Miss Elsie Johnson as a lone bandit of small stature pointed a gun toward the Western Union employe about 6:45 Wednesday afternoon and escaped into a theatre crowd with the loot, amounting to \$95.

The man was wearing a light colored trench coat and black hat. He entered, went to the desk as if to write a telegram. He gave a note, written on a Western Union Telegraph blank, to Miss Johnson. Thinking it was a message she took it, read it and gave him the money.

The only other occupant of the office was a messenger boy. The bandit took the money, put it in his pocket and was soon lost in the crowd. The local sheriff and police department is working on the case. Former Mayor W. H. Thompson said a man answering that description came to him during the afternoon and tried to sell him a .32 calibre Colt automatic. He was driving a dark-colored Buick car and said he needed money to get to Austin. Mr. Thompson declined to buy the gun.

Last Year's Polls To Be Used For City Election

By ruling of George H. Sheppard, state comptroller, those who paid their 1937 poll taxes are entitled to vote in the Brownwood city charter election to be held January 17. The ruling was made to Winston Palmer, Brown county tax assessor-collector, in reply to a query from Palmer.

"It is the construction of this department," Sheppard wrote, "that your 1937 polls will be eligible for voting in January election. The 1938 polls will not become eligible until February 1."

This ruling, Palmer said, means that persons paying their poll taxes for 1938 but who failed to pay their 1937 polls will not become eligible to vote in the election. Those who obtained exemptions last year and who are citizens of Brownwood also will be eligible to vote in the election.

Poll taxes may be paid up to February 1 but will not entitle the poll tax-payer to vote in the forthcoming city election.

DBC Play Set For Friday

Tomorrow night, January 13, with the curtain call set for 8 o'clock, members of the Daniel Baker College Footlight Players, dramatic organization, will present their version of the three-act comedy "Here Comes the Prince."

The production is under the student direction of Miss Zona Miller, assisted by Miss Ruby Wilson.

Interesting musical numbers and other entertaining features will be provided for the audience between acts.

The cast will be composed of C. G. Logan, Stella Easley, Jessie Byrd, Chisholm, Betty Jo Sanderson, Raas Rhodes, Percy Owen, Julia McClellan, Alice Rawlings, Maybelle Fitzgerald, J. N. Taylor and Jan Owen.

The directors have been working with members of the cast for more than a month in their efforts to produce a play that will be enjoyed by everyone. Admission charges will be ten and twenty cents.

IN BROWNWOOD AND COUNTY—

General Rainfall Totals 1.87 Inches

Here Are President's Selections

Hopkins Hops To New Job



Harry Hopkins, above, former WPA administrator, was boosted into the job of secretary of commerce to succeed Daniel Roper.

President Names Him New Justice



Prof. Felix Frankfurter of Harvard University is President Roosevelt's nominee for the Supreme Court vacancy.

Murphy Gets Cabinet Job



Picked by the President to succeed Homer Cummings as U. S. attorney general was Frank Murphy, above, former governor of Michigan.

Brings January Total To 2.59 Inches and Prospects for More

Rain, falling in an almost incessant drizzle, and at times reaching the downpour stage, fell over Brownwood and Brown county late Tuesday night, Wednesday and Thursday to bring continued moisture to the farms and ranches of Central West Texas.

Precipitation totalled 1.87 inches up to this morning. A slow drizzle fell at times during Thursday as the rain clouds continued to hang over the city.

During the past weekend, rainfall totalled .72 inches, bringing the total rainfall for January, 1939, to 2.59 inches.

Farmers reported the rain general throughout the county, and a rain report from Southwestern States Telephone Company stated the rain was general throughout this section of the state.

The rainfall will materially aid farmers and ranchers in preparing the soil for spring planting and storing much-needed stock water.

Coming at the heels of several warm sunny days that in turn, followed drought-breaking rains, new precipitation was viewed as just about right.

OFFICIALS BAN GAMING DEVICES IN COUNTY

All was quiet on the gambling front this week.

Monday, slot machines and punch boards, which have lured many a spare nickel and penny from pockets in Brownwood, were banned in an order issued jointly by County Attorney J. Piner Powell, Sheriff W. E. (Jack) Hallmark and Constable W. O. Weems.

Monday, members of the Brownwood Ministerial Association in their regular monthly session, passed a resolution condemning all forms of gambling and appointed a committee to, council with the

county attorney and other officers, in an effort to curb gambling in the city.

Tuesday, Brown county peace officers spent the late evening in making a survey to determine if the order against using slot machines, punch boards and other gaming devices banned Monday, was complied with. No outlawed devices were found.

Officers said merchants are apparently cooperating 100 per cent with authorities on the gaming device order. Vigilance will be maintained, however, it was indicated.

Commissioners Vote On Same Pay For Deputies

Holley Installed As New Kiwanis Club President

In their first meeting of the year, the Brownwood Kiwanis Club observed its annual Ladies' Night Banquet and installed officers for the forthcoming year at a session held in the Hotel Brownwood gold room Thursday night.

Principal speaker on the program was Rev. Robert Jones of Coleman, Presbyterian minister and president of the Coleman Kiwanis Club. "Ideals" was the subject of Mr. Jones' talk.

Bob Holley, automobile company official, was installed as the new president of the Brownwood Kiwanis Club. He succeeds L. V. Ford. Installation services, in the form of a radio broadcast, were announced by Charles Russell Bond, head of the Howard Payne College music department.

T. C. Wilkinson Jr., Brownwood attorney, took office as the new vice-president. W. A. Roussel was re-elected secretary-treasurer of the club.

The new Kiwanis club board of directors include Dr. Homer B. Allen, J. M. Rinlon, Rev. Leslie A. Boone, J. Edward Johnson, Dave Knobler, Charles Lockwood and Rufus Standley.

The court reappointed W. E. Alexander as courthouse janitor, when County A. E. Nabors broke a tie vote of the commissioners divided on the appointment.

The appointment of D. V. Bourn, Winchell, as deputy sheriff was approved and the bond of Mark E. Ragsdale passed upon by the court.

The court adopted the same reductions rate as last year on livestock, including \$1.50 per head for goats, \$2 for sheep, \$10 for common cows and \$25 for registered cows, with other livestock in accordance.

S. Y. Newsom and Tax Assessor-Collector Winston Palmer presented the matter of a survey showing Mr. Newsom's farm property contained 39 fewer acres than he had been paying taxes on for the last twelve years. Newsom asked an adjustment, and was given a \$310 cut in valuation for 1939.

State Senator Penrose B. Metcalfe of San Angelo, upon leaving for Austin during the past weekend, announced that he will introduce two proposed amendments to the Texas constitution and reiterated his plan to seek an appropriation for an experiment station for the Cross-Timbers section of Central West Texas.

Metcalfe was quoted as saying he would introduce a solution seeking an election for constitutional amendment to allow women to serve on juries.

31.29 Inches Of Rain Recorded Here Last Year

July Rains Responsible As 10.97 Inches Fall In Summer Month

July was the wettest month of the year 1938 as exceptionally heavy rains during the mid-summer month brought the total rainfall in Brownwood for the past year to 31.29 inches, according to Mrs. Wilbur Smith, local observer for the United States Department of Agriculture's weather bureau. In July, 10.97 inches of rain fell here.

Heavy rains all over this section of the state at that time flooded the Colorado, San Saba and Llano rivers and Brady creek and did thousands of dollars of damage to crops and property in towns. The business sections of Brady and Menard were inundated by the floods.

The 31.29 inches of moisture represents an increase of 1.56 inches over the 1937 rainfall of 29.73 inches. The average rainfall in Brownwood, compiled by the district office of the weather bureau in Houston, is 26.02 inches. The 1938 figure is 4.27 inches above the normal average.

The mid-summer rains abruptly halted in July, and August was the driest month in the year, with only a trace of rain recorded. May and June were fairly wet months with 3.56 inches in May and 2.44 inches in June.

According to the average May is the wettest month. Average rainfall for that month is 3.82 inches. April is the next average with 3.12 inches. February is the driest month with an average rainfall of 1.25 inches.

Rainfall during 1938 by months follow: January, 3.77 inches; February, .56; March, 2.75; April, 1.71; May, 3.56; June, 10.97; August, trace; September, 1.20; October, .10; November, 1.32, and December 1.81.

16,398 Goats Dipped In Fifteen Demonstrations

Fifteen demonstrators in dipping goats with wettable sulphur were conducted under supervision of the county agent in Brown county during 1938.

A total of 16,398 head of goats were dipped in the fifteen demonstrations, ten days apart in each demonstration.

Campaign Office Building Erected on Library Site

On the site of the proposed McClelland Memorial Library, in the block of the girls' dormitory and facing Austin avenue, construction has been completed for an office to be used by Rev. Ben H. Moore, recently appointed executive secretary of Daniel Baker College, in connection with the college's Golden Anniversary Expansion Program.

Atop the building will be placed a sign reading "Site of Proposed McClelland Memorial Library." In addition to its serving as an office for Dr. Moore, the building will be used to advertise the building program which is a part of the Golden Anniversary Expansion Program.

The library, the first in the building program, will honor Dr. B. T. McClelland, who founded the institution in 1889.

Following the building of the library, tentative plans call for the erection of a science hall on the southeast corner of the campus proper, the space now being occupied by tennis courts.

The name of every graduate and ex-student has been filed according to class, by towns and by up-to-date addresses. These will be used for contact purposes. During the past month, many of the Golden Anniversary Bulletins have been sent to former students and in time Dr. Moore expects to have one in the hands of every student who ever attended Daniel Baker College. Beginning with the present Senior Class and going backward, each class will be challenged to make contribution pledges toward the building program.

Tax Receipts in December Show Gain of \$2824

According to report at city council meeting Monday night, by City Tax Collector H. H. Gresham, Brownwood city tax collections for last month exceeded those for December, 1937, by \$2,824.07.

Collections totalled \$21,781.43 for December, 1938, as compared with \$18,957.36 for December, 1937. Delinquent collections last month were \$4,280.75, while current property tax collections amounted to \$17,203.14, interest \$294.04 and occupation tax \$35.50.

City Secretary F. E. Scott's report listed other city earnings at \$8,994.22, and total expenditures for the month at \$18,065.58.

Wichita Falls Company Drills on Tract Here

Petroleum Producers Company of Wichita Falls is drilling on the D. W. Davis place, about six miles west of Brownwood on a 220-acre lease obtained from L. L. Evans and L. L. Shead. Contract depth is for 900 feet.

Location is 1,484 feet from the south line and 1,159 feet from the west line of the tract, in the Sarah Trull survey. It is two miles south of the Childers pool.

BY SPECIAL CORRESPONDENTS OF THE BANNER

The Week's News of Brown County Rural Communities

SALT CREEK

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Dunsworth moved into the house vacated by Harold Price and family on Mr. Horton's place last week.

Mrs. Willie Melchinger and mother, Mrs. Langley, were Brown-wood visitors Saturday.

Velma Townsend helped us hunt new subscribers last Thursday. We enjoyed lunch at Mrs. Sed Adams.

T. L. Henderson has been out of school a few days on account of a bad throat, but is better.

Little Myrtle Price had a narrow escape from serious injury when she fell under a car wheel last week.

Mrs. Carl Stewart's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Neely Dabney of Blanket visited her one day last week.

Pauline Adams is spending a few days at home.

Mrs. Cull Karp spent Saturday night in the Horton home.

Several letters from subscribers to the Banner express much pleasure derived from the paper. One from New Mexico contained a wish that Mr. White would pay them a visit and assist them in securing some badly needed moisture.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Dunsworth visited the Hortons Sunday night.

Mrs. May Dunn was a Brown-wood visitor Saturday.

Mrs. Doug Scott's brother, Mr. Langley from Dallas is visiting her.

Our quest took us south of town toward the little one-room school where our first efforts at being a teacher were made. How pitifully incompetent we were for the great task we are only now realizing. The Mast Teacher must have looked down with compassion and led us through those difficult days, for in addition to our own perplexing problems with which we are always over-supplied, there was the added weight of war, influenza ridden world on our thin shoulders.

Floyd Henderson and Kitty Sue McHain visited Mrs. Luther Henderson Tuesday.

Another fine rain has brightened hopes of farmers. Winter weeds are already making their appearance. Saw the first onion and cabbage plants in stores today. And it's time to plant English peas. Here's informing the world in general and the circulation department in particular, this is our final week at securing subscriptions. Farm work can't be neglected any longer. Besides, we've spent all we can afford for safety pins to pinch hit for buttons and, furthermore, fifty per cent of our wardrobe just up and did like the "wonderful one-horse stail" last week right in the middle of a strenuous day. Fortunately coats, like awartry, cover a lot of things. Mrs. Opal Curb and little son of Post have returned home after visiting her mother, Mrs. Mandie Rodgers.

My eye examination different. Try Dr. R. A. Ellis, Optometrist.

EARLY HIGH

Mr. and Mrs. Overton Ribble and daughter, Wanda Jo of Lubbock have recently visited here with relatives.

Mrs. M. J. Teel and Clabe Reagan spent Friday with their mother, Mrs. Ida Reagan, who has been sick a few days but is lots better at this writing I am glad to report.

Mrs. Gertrude Benton and Mrs. Dally Rambo of San Angelo visited here last week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Faulkner.

Mrs. Maxwell of Wichita Falls has returned home after an extended visit here with her sister, Mrs. M. E. Malone, who now runs the Pumpkin Center Store and filling station formerly operated by the Gobers.

I wish to announce through this column that Louie Mauer is now operating the Early High cafe and service station and would appreciate his friends giving him at least part of their trade.

Reports from Charlie Faulkner of Brownwood who was reported last week to be critically ill are that is quite a lot better.

Homer Byrd of San Angelo was here last week looking after business interests and visiting with his brother, Dee Teel, and family. Mr. and Mrs. Clabe Gilly of San Angelo have moved back here and bought them a place five miles below Zephyr.

Mr. and Mrs. George Griegs and children have moved to the Forehand place near Zephyr.

Burman McLaughlin happened to the misfortune on Thursday of last week of getting kicked by a horse and almost broke his knee. He was rushed to Dr. Allen in Brownwood. Reports are he is doing nicely but will be laid up for some time.

Our Happy Hour Sewing Club met on Thursday afternoon of last week at the home of Mrs. Jini Alexander. We met to draw names with each other. Mrs. Alexander treated the crowd to pop corn and candy. The next meeting will be with Mrs. John Anderson on Thursday, January 19, and is to be an all-day meeting and quilting. There will be a covered-dish luncheon and anyone having a quilt ready to quilt please bring it on

Two Lonely Nazi Refugees in England



Two of more than 500 refugees from Germany who are now sheltered at Harwich, England.

January 18 and put it up.

Mrs. Garyl Black has recently visited with her sister, Mrs. Ira Hawkins, and family at Hendrix, Oklahoma.

Mrs. Margie Kikacy and small son, Corkey, of Brownwood, spent the weekend here with her father, J. W. Wyatt.

Worth Lea and Florence Webb were visitors to the Karp home Sunday night until bed time and enjoyed some good forty-two game.

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EBONY

On account of threatening weather, only a few were present for church Sunday. Bro. Green was with us, and we had a most enjoyable service.

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Mrs. Duckworth and her son-in-law, Marshall Pierce, of Dallas arrived at the Wilmett home Sunday in time for dinner. In the afternoon Mrs. Ralph Wilmett and Lucy Gale left with Mr. Pierce for Dallas to visit her sister, Mrs. Pierce.

Mrs. Duckworth accompanied them as far as Brownwood where they took the bus for her home at Mason.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Crowder and baby, Betty Lou, of Brownwood were visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Singleton Sunday.

J. R. Reeves has been breaking land for Mrs. Nellie Malone this past week.

Mrs. Raymond Allen and baby who have been visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Haynes, returned to their home at Sonora Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Josh Pihen and baby of Indian Creek visited Mrs.

The "dust bowl" has been equally prompt as Santa Claus if not more so by sending us soil ahead of time.

Nevertheless, stock farmers are wearing another broad smile since the heavy downpour of rain that fell Sunday which settled the dust. Mrs. Charles Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Lee were to see Mr. and Mrs. John Newbury and grandmother Perkins Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rankin and daughter of Hobbs, New Mexico, were with them for a few days visit.

Erma Egger returned to her work in Brownwood Thursday. Mrs. Mae Williams has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Loyt Roberts the past week. Mrs. Bonner Thompson and children of Brownwood were to see them Wednesday.

Mrs. W. H. Rowlett and Merle Daner accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Ben Steel of Brownwood home last week for an extended visit with them and other relatives near Woodland Heights.

Mr. and Mrs. Lena Egger spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fry.

Merle Daner, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Reid called to see Mr. and Mrs. Charles Roberts and Wayne Sunday afternoon.

I am glad to state that Mrs. Arle Egger who has pneumonia is much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Roberts called to see Mrs. C. R. Ashton and daughter, Mrs. Bazel Lindsey, Tuesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Egger and baby Ueili were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Loyt Roberts Sunday night.

Comfort and Satisfaction in glasses fitted by Dr. R. A. Ellis.

GROSVENOR

This past week ended the first semester of the school term. The following had a perfect attendance record: Birdie Mae Robinson, Ruby Nations, Mineola Lewis, Louise Lewis, Kenneth Hill, Irene Horton, James Edwin Lewis, Carmeleta Barnes, Dorothy Starnes, Wanda Moore, Frances Sikes, Vyrone Ray Strawn, June Chastain, Patsy Hallford, Lorene Marr, Theresa Mae Goss, Evelyn Early, Billie Christine Blise, Ferrell Jean Hill, Alyne Horton, Geneva Sinclair, Howell Furry, Ida Williams, Martin James Byrd, Ruth Furry, Betty Jo Chastain, Lydia Nations and Roger Mauldin. A Honor roll: Be-ginners, Jay Mitchell, Starnes, Frank Pearson, Louis Lewis; Beginners B. Marlon Glenn, Asberaft, Chester Dempsey, Kenneth Hill, Eldon Ray Morris, Edna Carroll, Ruby Nations, Second Grade A: Elmer Wilson, Allene Chastain, Lou Hellen Hallford, Third Grade A: Billie Christine Blise, Theresa Mae Goss, Ferrell Jean Hill, Doris Morris, Billie Joe Strawn, Lorene Wyatt, Martin James Byrd, Howell Furry, Elmar Ray Dempsey, Fourth Grade A: Wanda Faye Goss, Ida Williams, Fifth Grade A: Patsy Hallford, Lorene Marr, Sixth Grade

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The home demonstration club will meet Friday, Jan. 20, at 2 o'clock at the home of Mrs. J. R. Boley. Miss Scott will be with us at that time, and all the women and girls of the community are urged to be present. The two projects for this year are clothes and food.

It was not until late last week that this writer discovered that her name had been mentioned, and that she had even been quoted in that interesting column, "Around the Supper Table." It was no small thrill to one who has always had literary ambitions. This is also to acknowledge gladly the honor of having attended school with the author of that column in the long ago.

Your eyes should have the best. See Dr. R. A. Ellis, Optometrist.

Turning the sod and caring for livestock has been the leading occupation here since the holidays are over.

Statement of the Condition of

Citizens National Bank at Brownwood

BROWNWOOD, TEXAS

At the Close of Business December 31, 1938

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts	\$315,281.67
Real Estate, Furniture and Fixtures	13,350.00
Other Assets	1,115.92
CASH and Exchange	\$468,876.50
Bills of Exchange	11,513.39
Cotton & Wool Loans	3,620.00
Stocks, Bond and State and County Warrants	46,684.85
U. S. Bonds	105,880.03
TOTAL	\$966,322.27

LIABILITIES

CAPITAL—Common	\$100,000.00
Preferred	45,000.00
Reserved for Retirement of Preferred Stock	5,000.00
Reserved for Dividends Payable in Common Stock	5,000.00
SURPLUS and Undivided Profits	48,042.12
DEPOSITS	763,280.15
TOTAL	\$966,322.27

A: Wanda Moore, Francis Sikes, Jeannette Hutchinson, Jure Chastain, Ada Moore Seventh Grade A: Lela Nations, Dwaine Williams, Eighth Grade A: Rowena Wells, Lydia Nations, J. D. Chastain, Tenth Grade A: Dorothy Jo Hallford, Eleonora Chastain, Roger Mauldin.

B Honor Roll: First grade: A: Jimmie Moore, (B) Wayne Hill, R. J. Bell, B. Second Grade: Wanda Lee Townsend, Windell Gutherie, Alko Oliver Robertson, Carmeleta Barnes, Jaunita Perceil, Irene Horton, Dorothy Fay Moore Third B: Alyne Horton, Rena Morris, Geneva Sinclair, Lonnie Moore, L. K. Wright, Fourth B: Winnie Mae Field, Earnest Wright, Fifth B: Evelyn Early, Colleen Moore, Billie Jean Williams, Christine Wright, Sixth B: Claudian Furry, Alice Pearson, Johnnie Pirkle, Marion Wells, Dorothy Starnes, Vyrone Ray Strawn, Dorothy Parsons, Milton Hounshell Seventh B: Lenard Coffee, Helen Strawn, Billie June Davis, Charles Pearson, Joe Dan Weeden, Helen Sinclair, Wayne Furry, Juanita Robertson, J. Floyd Williams, Eighth B: Estelle Martin, Billie Hallford, Julia Mae George, Dorothy Mae Furry, Betty Jo Chastain, Vern Starnes, Ninth B: Pauline Williams, Dorothy Lee Purcell, Tenth B: Myrl Furry, H. P. Vaughan, Eleventh B: Lloyd Hill.

Room 4 won the loving cup awarded for the room having the highest attendance record. Their percent was 85.

Little Betha Nelda Hill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hill was painfully, but not seriously, burned Tuesday about the face and mouth when through mistake she

picked up some lye and put it in her mouth.

Mrs. Johnnie Suttles is visiting her sister at San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. John Thompson, and Johnnie Rowe visited in the home of Mrs. J. T. Furry.

J. Floyd Williams Sr. has just returned from visiting his parents at Tahoka.

For your next change in glasses see Dr. R. A. Ellis, Optometrist.

UNION GROVE

We have had another light rain for which we are grateful. The farmers are now able to plow.

J. W. Newton of Abilene visited relatives here last week.

Mrs. R. H. Edwards and little daughter, Bobbie Sue and Miss Mary Howell of Baird were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Howell recently.

E. R. Patterson returned last week from a visit with relatives and friends in South Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Hardy of Colorado returned home Tuesday after a visit with the families of J. A. Waldrip and S. H. Hardy.

Mr. and Mrs. Marian West have moved to their home recently built on the land purchased from Mrs. Edna Hancock.

E. B. Hull, J. M. Davis and Miss Bette Davis of Sweetwater were here New Year's Day where Mr. Hull was looking over business interests. E. B. was born here and moved with his parents west some twenty years ago.

Mrs. Alice I. Graves will arrive home today (Tuesday) from a visit to a daughter Mrs. Gardner Miles of Annapolis, Maryland.

Mrs. Howell received a message

that her son, Alton Howel, had been seriously injured December 16 at Carlsbad, New Mexico, where he was employed. He was improving at a late date.

Messrs. A. M. Gosa and Ray Ernst of Denver, Colorado, W. M. Thomas and J. Deen of Utah were here recently investigating the oil production interest of some leases. They will return in the near future for negotiations.

Miss Sibyl Lee Allen went to Gorman last week where she accepted employment.

J. A. Hancock has employment at Rising Star rebuilding a residence for Dr. Payne.

Mrs. Mildred Martin of Cross Plains is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Ellen Newton.

Clem Weaver made a business trip to Cisco Monday.

Glasses correctly made give service. Dr. R. A. Ellis, Optometrist.

WILLOW SPRINGS

The farmers are proud of the fine rains they have had, but now would like for pretty weather to be

ahead so they can catch up with their work.

Mrs. Winnie Stovall and Frank Lappe and son church at Union Sunda.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie daughter spent Sunday, Heppinstall and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos F. Sunday with Mr. and Smith and daughters.

Miss Bessie Blackmon of Brownwood spent the weekend with homefolks.

Miss Elaine Harms is staying with Mrs. Oscar Sides.

Miss Allene Stanley has returned to San Angelo after spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Stanley. She is attending school in San Angelo.

Miss Oleta Heppinstall of Brownwood spent the weekend with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Denis Williams and son of Thrifty spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Blackmon.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Horner of Bethel spent one day last week with Mr. and Mrs. Omer Horner.

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60c size Alka Seltzer **49c**

Reg. \$1.25 Absorbine, Jr. **98c**

Reg. \$1.00 CARDUI **79c**

60c SYRUP of PEPSIN **39c**

25c BLACK DRAUGHT **19c**

75c size LISTERINE **59c**

35c Vicks Salver **27c**

Kords Rub. Alcohol Pint **14c**

Reg. Milk Magnesia Quart **49c**

Reg. 60c MURINE **47c**

30c VICKS NOSE DROPS **27c**

50c L. O. HAIR OIL **39c**

\$1 Hinds Honey and Almond Cream **87c**

\$1 TANGEE LIPSTICK **89c**

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Reg. 75c Balm Bengue **88c**

1 lb. Price Epsom Salts **9c**

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BY SPECIAL CORRESPONDENTS OF THE BANNER
The Week's News Of Brown County Rural Communities

BANGS

P.-T.A. will meet at the cotillion on January 19. The following will be given: Prayer, Manley Sikes; program by grade, Mrs. A. C. Smith, teacher; subject, story books, magazines, newspapers, Miss Rosella Barnd and short business session.

The regular monthly meeting of the T.E.L. Class of the Baptist Church met Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. John Stephens with Mesdames Frank Schulze, Curtis Stacy and Z. Y. Stevens, assisting hostesses. After a business session, Mrs. John Allison, the president, presiding, games were enjoyed and refreshments of hot chocolate and cake were served to Mesdames Claud Howard, C. W. Adair, Rufus Pierce, Curtis Stacy, Frank Schulze, Neal Greer, Hardy Browder, Chester Wilson, Clyde Langley, L. A. Bagley, John Stephens, Luther Bruton, Jeff Davis and John Allison. Mrs. Browder and Mrs. Bagley were visitors.

Henry H. Speck, 56, passed away at his home in Bangs at 9 p.m. January 6, after several months illness, though he was seriously ill about a week. Funeral services were held at the Baptist Church Saturday afternoon with his pastor, Rev. Hester, Presbyterian minister of San Angelo, conducting the services, assisted by Rev. Greer and Rev. Dunson. He leaves his wife, Mrs. Ellen Speck; a sister, Mrs. Vernon George of Blanket; a brother, John Speck of Joplin, Mo.; several nieces and nephews and a host of other relatives and friends to mourn his passing. Interment was made in the Bangs cemetery with H. L. Alcorn Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

John Speck of Joplin, Mo., and Mrs. Vernon George of Blanket were called here because of the serious illness of their brother, Mr. Henry Speck.

Mr. and Mrs. Miles Schulze of Fort Worth, Spencer and Floyd George and Miss Winnie George of Blanket attended the funeral of their uncle, Mr. Henry Speck Saturday.

Payton Dick, proprietor of the Modern Way Grocery, which burned several weeks ago, has purchased the stock and fixtures of the H.H. Food Store at Brownwood. Mr. Dick took possession of the new store Monday and is now opening it.

One appreciated the good which fell Sunday.

Mrs. Dick Ford and children, Concord spent Sunday with Mrs. Otho Bruton and family.

ZEPHYR

Edward Alexander, formerly of Zephyr, visited friends here Wednesday.

Sherwood Grogan is now agent for Pictorial Review and other magazines.

Mrs. Luther Mosier visited in Brownwood Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Driskill of San Angelo have moved to the Bill Kilgore place.

Mr. and Mrs. Hill, from the Blanket Springs community have moved into the Phinney home.

Mr. and Mrs. Moore have bought the Lacy place and will move soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kyzar were transacting business in Brownwood Thursday.

The Zephyr Boys basketball team played Brownwood High School B team Wednesday night. Zephyr winning 21 to 30.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Lee and daughter of Los Angeles, Calif., arrived Monday night. They will live on the Tom Lee place.

Miss Lou Willie Hollandhead of Mullin spent Thursday with Vivian Lange.

Leslie Griffin and J. P. Guillion spent Friday in Austin.

Mrs. Solie Baker attended the mother-daughter banquet at Brookesmith Friday night as guest of her daughter, Miss Dorothy Nell Baker, who is a teacher there.

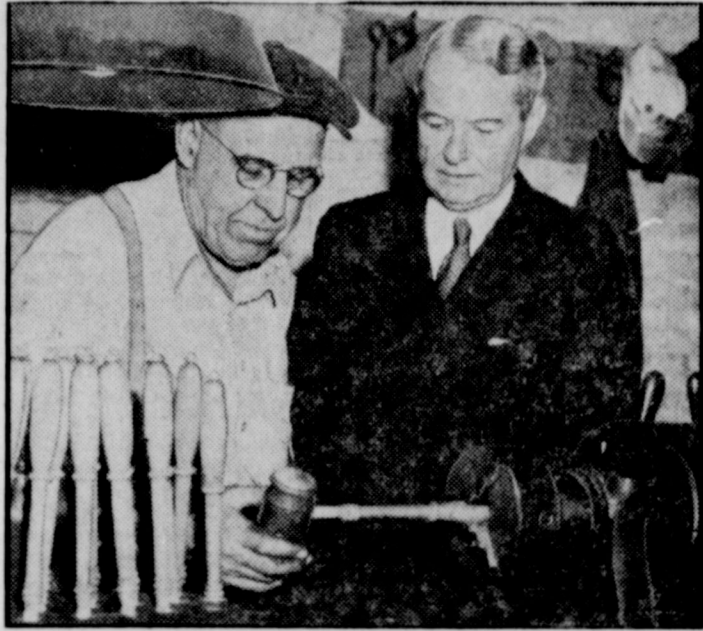
The basketball boys played Indian Creek at Blanket Thursday night. Zephyr won by the score of 21 to 30.

Mr. and Mrs. George and children of the Early High community moved to the Forehand place here Tuesday. May we extend them a cordial welcome to our little town.

The Ladies Home Demonstration Club met at the home of the president, Mrs. W. F. Timmins, Wednesday, January 4. Old and new business was discussed, and names were drawn for "forget-me-nots." Members present were: Mesdames W. F. Timmins, G. P. Matson, D. F. Petty, M. N. Cobb, W. M. Reasoner, Carl Belvin, J. A. Cunningham, Sr., C. E. Belvin, C. W. Jones, Earl Reasoner Sr., H. L. Ronch, A. B. Dabney, M. N. McBurney, and Miss Lula Cunningham. New members were: Mesdames Clarence Petty, Vivian Lange, Dick Jones, Earl Reasoner Jr. One visitor, Mrs. Server of Brookesmith, was also present.

Next meeting will be at 2 o'clock January 18, at the home of Mrs. Leslie Griffin. Miss Malone will be here and give a yard demonstra-

Good Gavels for 76th Congress



Machinist E. S. Kenyon of the capitol makes a few gavels for use in the new session of Congress as David Lynn, right, capitol architect, looks on.

to attend.

Mrs. A. R. Buckmaster of Sidney and Mrs. Art Simpson visited their sister, Mrs. W. L. Lee, Wednesday morning.

Mrs. M. N. Cobb spent Monday in Brownwood visiting with Mrs. Charlie Scott.

Mrs. Sam Wilson of Brownwood spent Friday night with her mother, Mrs. Thorpe.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Woods and children of Comanche visited with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Cough Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Mae Williams of Brownwood spent Saturday night with her sister, Opal Couch.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Clayton had as their guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. James Timmins, Mrs. J. A. Cunningham and Miss Lula Cunningham.

Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Cobb visited in the Early community Sunday.

Franklin Timmins transacted business in Brownwood Tuesday morning.

Darwin Cornelius is working in Brownwood.

To compliment Mrs. Earl Reasoner Jr., a recent bride who was formerly Miss Doris Williams, Mrs. Vivian Lange and Mrs. Pearl Roach entertained Tuesday afternoon from 2 until 4 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Ellie McDaniel in Zephyr.

The color scheme of green and white was used. A delightful social hour was enjoyed and was concluded with the presentation of a collection of useful gifts. Hot chocolate and cake were served. Those attending or sending gifts were: Mesdames Earl Reasoner Jr., Earl Reasoner Sr., W. L. (Bud) Lee, C. W. Jones, Dick Jones, Opal Couch, M. N. McBurney, N. L. Reasoner, Ernest Skipping, W. F. Timmins, Cecil Rider, R. H. Scott, A. J. Baker, M. P. Braddock, A. R. Sikes, R. B. Cole, M. Newman, T. J. Harrington, Harold Gist, G. W. Adams, Hubert Locks Jr., G. P. Matson, Joe Kyzar, Carl Belvin, M. N. Cobb, D. F. Petty, Clarence Petty, W. M. Reasoner, L. C. Ratliff, A. B. Dabney, Luther Mosier, C. R. Boase, Ethel McKinney, R. A. Scott, Horace Langley, J. N. Quiri, Nettie Chesser, Ossie Couch; Misses Emogene Couch, Virginia Barnes, Lula Cunningham and Maxine Boase.

WOLF VALLEY

According to Gus Bowden's rain gauge, we had .71 rain the past weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Hass Bagley of Owens were in our community on business Tuesday.

Mrs. Ruby Cowan and Mrs. Ed Curry of Pioneer and Mrs. Sam Atkins of Rising Star visited Mrs. Cecil Courtwright Tuesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Kelley and son, Dwain, of May spent the day Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hardy.

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Ray and family are moving from the Frank Robertson farm here to Mrs. Sullivan's farm near May, to farm this year. We regret to lose these good neighbors from our community.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Lester were here on business Tuesday.

Glenn Sprawlin, who is now at home here with his brother-in-law, Wilburne Melton, killed a large wildcat one night last week.

Mrs. Roy Blackmon and children of Blanket came up New Year's day and spent the day and

The many friends in this community regret to learn of the serious illness of Frank P. Abney of Richland Springs, who is in the Central Texas Hospital at Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Macon Richmond entertained as their guests last Saturday the following relatives: Mr. and Mrs. James Carlisle of Longview, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Wilson of Abilene, Mrs. Buster Warren and daughter, Barbara Ann, Miss Jewell Carlisle and Mrs. J. L. Carlisle, all of Mullin.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Hickman and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Heison spent last Sunday in Baird visiting with friends. They were accompanied home by Mrs. Hickman's sister, Mrs. Lucas.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Routh very delightfully entertained nine members of the I.O.O.F. lodge last Thursday evening with an oyster supper.

Word has been received of the death of Mr. Paul Pinkard which occurred Monday night at Blackwell Brothers Sanitarium in Gorman. Funeral services will be held in Comanche this afternoon (Tuesday), and burial will be at Indian Creek Cemetery, with Rev. C. A. Wilkerson of our city, officiating.

BROOKESMITH

Bro. P. D. Fullington preached at the Baptist Church Sunday with very good attendance considering the weather.

We are having good rains in this community.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Stearns and Miss Ina V. Rodgers who visited Mrs. Bill Brock in Abilene Sunday reported Mr. Brock improving.

Mrs. Carr and daughter went to Brownwood Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Avinger attended the funeral of John Weedon in Brownwood Tuesday.

Quite a number from here went to the ball game played in Brownwood Tuesday night.

Some people from here are attending the Nazarene revival in Brownwood.

Joyce Mathews visited Faye Lowe Sunday.

The Mother-Daughter banquet given by F.H.T. was enjoyed by all who attended. The program was: Invocation, Miss Nell Baker; welcome to mothers, Leota Jones; response to welcome, Mrs. Storm; toast to mothers, Oma Lee Storm; toast to F.H.T., Mrs. Vernon Carr; main address, Mrs. Irene Trapp.

BOY SCOUT NEWS

ANNUAL MEETING

The date for the Annual Meeting of the Comanche Trail Council has been changed to Friday, January 27. The afternoon session will start at 3:30 p.m. at Hotel Brownwood, and the banquet to be held on the roof garden will begin at 6:00 p.m. All plans have been worked out for the meeting, and a record attendance is expected. This week each Scout in the Council will receive a direct communication

Charter No. 4695 Reserve District No. 11

Report of the Condition of the

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

of Brownwood, in the State of Texas, at the close of business on December 31, 1938, published in response to call made by Comptroller of the Currency, under Section 5211, U. S. Revised Statutes.

ASSETS	
1. Loans and discounts (including \$214.88 overdrafts) and guaranteed	\$ 320,157.90
2. United States Government obligations, direct	1,177,750.00
3. Obligations of States and political subdivisions	82,016.97
5. Corporate stocks, including stock of Federal Reserve bank	6,090.00
6. Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection	714,769.94
7. Bank premises owned \$77,760.00, furniture and fixtures \$1.00	77,761.00
8. Real estate owned other than bank premises	20,309.90
TOTAL ASSETS	\$2,398,755.81
LIABILITIES	
13. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$1,622,849.80
14. Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	650.32
16. Deposits of States and political subdivisions	207,987.05
17. Deposits of banks	32,649.06
18. Other deposits (certified and cashier's checks, etc.)	124,164.31
TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$1,988,343.54
23. Other liabilities	4,412.27
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$1,992,755.81
CAPITAL ACCOUNT	
25. Capital stock:	
(c) Common, \$100,000.00	100,000.00
26. Surplus	100,000.00
27. Undivided profits	208,000.00
TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNT	408,000.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNT	\$2,398,755.81
MEMORANDA	
31. Pledged assets (and securities loaned) (book values):	
(a) United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed, pledged to secure deposits and other liabilities	250,000.00
TOTAL	250,000.00
32. Secured liabilities:	
(a) Deposits secured by pledged assets pursuant to requirements of law	207,987.05
TOTAL	207,987.05

State of Texas, County of Brownwood:

I, Millard Romines, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

MILLARD ROMINES, Cashier.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 7th day of January, 1939.

(Seal) C. W. CARTER, Notary Public.

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Landmark Destined To Fall As Room Is Made For A New Building

Charles Mathis of Santa Anna; One-Act Play, Miss Hazel Page of Richland Springs, and Junior Declamation, Mrs. Will Isaacs of Lohm.

Another old landmark, probably one of the few left in this territory, has been destined to fall before the hammers of carpenters.

Recently Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Mayes sold their residence at 804 Center avenue to the First Baptist Church of Brownwood to be used as a parsonage. On the rear of this lot, probably known to a few only, stood the old frame barn which for so many years housed the famous mascot of Brownwood's nationally famous "Old Gray Mare Band," and was called the "Old Gray Mare Barn."

It is being torn down in favor of a new frame construction to be known as the Junior building. The former parsonage at 110 Austin will be converted into a Sunday School annex, housing the adult women's and cradle roll departments of the church Sunday School.

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cipa' of May Grammar school will assist Mr. and Mrs. J. Fred McGaughy with the debate.

Schools which have been invited are Erady, Lohm, Richland Springs, San Saba, Santa Anna, Hamilton, Brookesmith, Zephyr, May, Hamlet, Bangs, Comanche, Goldthwaite, Mullin, Eastland, Baird, Putnam, Coleman, Brownwood Senior and Junior High Schools, Indian Creek, Central Texas School of Oratory National Forensic League teams and other pupils will also take part.

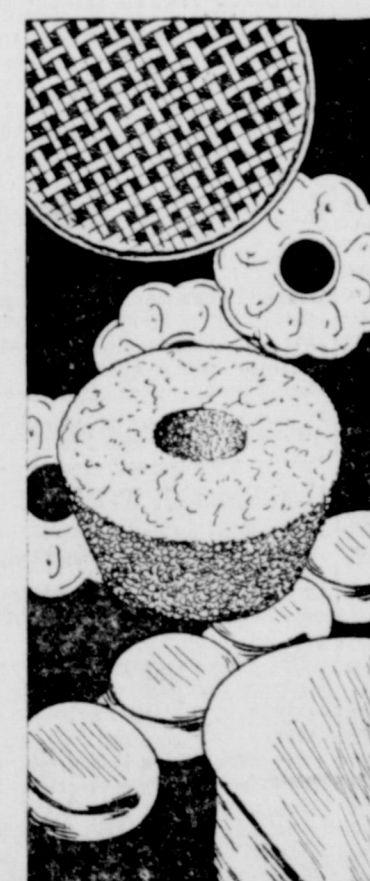
The Central Texas Speech Teachers' Association will have charge of the opening exercises at 9 a.m. at which time the following program will be carried out. Song, "America" by the group; welcome, Harley Black; debate, Tolbert Patterson of Mullin; extempore speech, Albert McChristy of Indian Creek; Senior Declamation, Miss Stella Mae Dunn of Brookesmith; Story-telling, Mrs. J. Fred McGaughy of Central Texas School of Oratory; Judging Contests, Mr.

Oratory School To Be Host At Speech Meet Here February 18

Central Texas School of Oratory will be host to the Heart of Texas Speech Tournament in Brownwood, February 18 beginning at 9 a.m.

Tex practice tournament includes all branches of declamation, story-telling, debate and extempore speech as carried out in the Interscholastic League. The invited schools may bring as many declaimers and story-teller entries as they like, but are asked to limit their entries in debate to one girl and one boy.

Alfred C. Smith, teacher of Bangs will have charge of declamation; Mr. Lamb, teacher in Brownwood Senior High school will have charge of extempore speaking, and Harley Black, prin-



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Review of the Past Week's

Social Activities and Club Affairs

Breakfast at Hotel Brownwood to Honor Miss Adelaide Lake, Whose Marriage is Announced for Sunday

Mrs. J. R. Stone and Mrs. Wesley Hall honored Miss Adelaide Lake, a bride-elect, with a breakfast Thursday morning at Hotel Brownwood.

A three course breakfast was served. A shower of dainty handkerchiefs was presented the honor guest.

Recent Bride and Husband Honored Guests at Party

Mrs. Sue Austin and Miss Pauline Glass entertained with a "Chin Choo" party Wednesday night at 415 Park avenue, to honor Mr. and Mrs. Truman Covey, who were recently married.

Christian Church Fellowship Dinner Tuesday Evening

Members of the Martha Circle of the First Christian church were hostesses at the regular monthly all-church fellowship dinner at the church Tuesday night.

Mrs. Thompson Hostess Tuesday at Bridge Party

Mrs. J. W. Thompson was hostess at bridge Tuesday afternoon at her home, 1512 Sixth Street.

Bridwell Class of Baptist Church in Business Meeting

The Bridwell Bible class of the First Baptist church held a business and social meeting Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Winston Palmer.

Parties Planned Honoring Miss Adelaide Lake

Mrs. Alice Craig and Mrs. Ben Ludlow will entertain with a buffet supper Saturday night at 8 to honor Miss Adelaide Lake a bride elect, at the home of Mrs. Craig, 1103 Center Avenue.

Marriage of Miss Maurine Thomason at Abilene Jan. 4

Announcement is made of the marriage of Miss Maurine Thomason to Mr. Curtis Lovelady, January 4 at the home of the Rev. Mr. Ashburn in Abilene.

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Mrs. Boyett Hostess to Wednesday Bridge Club Regular Meet

Mrs. C. E. Boyett was hostess to the Wednesday Bridge Club at their meeting this week.

Little Boy Badly Burned While Attempting to Extinguish Fire

Jerry Gorman, five year old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Gorman, 2501 Austin Avenue, was badly burned Sunday when his clothing caught while he was endeavoring to extinguish a grass fire.

Schubert Music Club to Sponsor Program February 7

The Schubert Music Club at their regular meeting Wednesday voted to sponsor a program by the "A Capella" choir from Baylor University in Brownwood February 7.

Mrs. Bucy Attends Celebration Parents' Wedding Anniversary

Mrs. W. Frank Bucy, son Bill and daughter Frances Ann, 1505 Eleventh Street, have returned from Monroe, La., where they spent the Christmas holidays.

Modern \$10,000 Court For Tourists To Be Begun Here Soon

"The finest in West Texas" will be the building guide on a \$10,000 tourist court on which work here is to start immediately.

Here's Your Chance 1938 Fordor Sedan Brand New 1938 Chevrolet DeLuxe Town Sedan—Used Very Little 1937 Chevrolets, all models, must go. See them now. Holley-Langford Chevrolet Co.

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Miss Lake and Mr. Shoup to Marry Sunday Morning

The wedding of Miss Adelaide Lake to Mr. Verner Reed Shoup will be held Sunday morning, January 15, at 10 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Lake, 1512 Vincent street, Reverend C. P. Owen will officiate.

Chic Chapeau



This hat from Paris is a pink silk crepe pill box with a matching bow on top. The frothy floating veil is the same color as hat.

First Methodist Choir Entertained at Busby Home

Members of the First Methodist church choir were entertained Friday at the home of Mrs. L. M. Busby with Mrs. R. M. Ramsey, Miss Betty Murli Stagg, choir director, and Miss Elizabeth Mallow, hostesses.

South Ward P-TA to Buy Bicycle Racks for Use of School

The South Ward Parent-Teachers Association met Wednesday, January 11, to discuss the purchase of bicycle racks for the school.

Officers Elected at Meeting 20th Century Group

The Twentieth Century Club met Tuesday afternoon, Mrs. E. J. Miller gave an instructive talk on parliamentary laws.

Bo Williams Is Married Tuesday to Fort Worth Girl

Brownwood friends of Hugh (Bo) Williams will be interested to learn of his marriage to Miss Jean Vanderville in Dallas, Tuesday.

Brookesmith P-TA Met January 5th

The Brookesmith Parent-Teachers Association met Thursday night, January 5, in their January meeting.

Coterie Club Met Tuesday Afternoon in Mathews Home

Mrs. Ralph Mathews was hostess to the Coterie Club Tuesday afternoon.

First National Bank Reelects Officers And Directors

All officers of the First National Bank were reelected Tuesday afternoon in the annual stockholders meeting.

The usual annual dividend was ordered paid as of December 31, 1938.

Walker-Smith to Hold Semi-Annual Meeting

Branch house managers and some of the sixteen West Texas and New Mexico branches of the Walker-Smith company are gathering in Brownwood for their semi-annual sales meeting Friday and Saturday.

BIRTHS DURING WEEK

Births reported in Brownwood the past week follows: Mr. and Mrs. Ted Sherrod, 1111 West Baker street, son, Charles Jo Robert; Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Schooke, city, daughter, Vera Lee; Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Pitts, 1500 Fisk avenue, daughter, Novella Nadine; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hunsucker, Jr., Denton, daughter, Barbara Ganelle.

News Briefs

A. C. Bratton is suffering with fractured ribs sustained from a fall in the bath tub at his home a few days ago.

Police of Brownwood made 71 arrests during the past month, according to a report of Chief J. L. Sandlin to the city council.

A small freak twister struck at Moline, six miles south of Star, Mills county, Sunday morning, blowing the roof off Hector Great-house's tin, nearly destroying the seed house.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hunsucker Jr. of Denton announce the arrival of a daughter, Barbara Genell, born January 6. Mrs. Hunsucker will be remembered as Miss Dorothy Lane, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lane of Brownwood.

The Brownwood Fire Department Tuesday received a letter and a check for \$20 from Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bury expressing appreciation for the department's work at a fire last week at the Bury place near Zephyr.

Little Mollie Jo Canatella, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Canatella, who has been critically ill with pneumonia in Central Texas Hospital, is much improved and was able to be removed to her home, 1507 Durham street today.

Brownwood city council voted Monday night to donate \$40 a month, instead of \$20 a month, toward expenses of the WPA sewing room for the months of January, February and March, but declined to pay the extra \$10 for December as requested.

January 19 is the final day for filing civil suits in district court for trial during the term of court

opening Monday, January 30, Miss Mattie Kilgore, deputy district clerk, announced. To date, filings have been very light.

F. F. Abney of Richland Springs, who has been seriously ill in Central Texas Hospital is reported much improved. If his condition continues to improve he will probably return to his home within a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Cloud of Abilene have arrived to make Brownwood their home. They are located in the Weatherby Apartments. Mr. Cloud represents the Adjustment Bureau Incorporated, Southern Department. He has an office in the Citizens National Bank building.

A burglar knocked a hole with a piece of brick in the show window of the Curry Jewelry Company, East Broadway, early Tuesday morning, and took jewelry valued at more than \$150 from the show window, officers reported. Police, sheriff's and constable's officers were all working on the case.

An estimated damage of \$200 was done to the home of Mrs. Myrtle Lane, 1508 Durham about 8 o'clock Wednesday night when a fire, originating in a closet, burned out the partition into the bathroom. The house was furnished but vacant at the time of the fire.

Charlie and Jack Lamkin of Lamkin Brothers, H. J. Logan of Logan Feed & Hatchery, Brownwood, have been invited to attend the Universal Mills second annual dealers convention and seventeenth birthday party which will be held in Port Worth Monday and Tues in Port Worth Monday and Tuesday.

Members of the Brownwood Lions Club at their Tuesday noon luncheon meeting at Hotel Brownwood discussed the proposed amendments to the city charter. R. R. Holloway, club president, led the discussion. Sandy M. King gave a report on the district meeting of Lions clubs held last week in Hamilton.

Crude oil production in the West Central Texas oil fields for the week ending December 31, 1938, was estimated at 30,000 barrels by the American Petroleum Institute. This figure represents a decrease of 1,550 barrels from the previous week. Production for the corresponding week one year ago was 32,706 barrels.

State and county tax collections by Brown county for December were nearly \$10,000 less than for December, 1937, according to figures announced Tuesday by Miss Estelle Duren, deputy tax assessor-collector. The difference is largely explained by reason of payment in December, 1937, of accumulated intangible assets taxes by pipe lines which amounted to \$8,455.72.

J. W. Sumpter and family and T. E. Sumpter of Brownwood returned home Thursday night after attending the funeral of their father, W. S. Sumpter, held Thursday at Hewitt Funeral Home, Temple. Burial was in the Temple cemetery. Mr. Sumpter, 82, died at the home of a son, W. R. Sumpter, in Merkel Wednesday after an illness of two months. He formerly operated a grocery store at Bangs and was engaged in ranching.

The city council ruled Monday night that state law should govern motorists on recently paved South Side streets where there are no right-of-way designations. State law provides that at intersections where neither intersecting thoroughfare is given right-of-way, the driver of the car approaching from the right of another driver shall have the right-of-way.

Brownwood and Brown county property owners have less than three weeks from today in which to pay their property taxes, within the legal time prescribed by law, city and county tax collectors said. The legal taxpaying periods end January 31. City split tax payments will continue until the end of this month. County taxpayers

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were allowed to make first half split up to the first of December. Those who failed to do this must pay all current assessments on or before January 31.

A number from Brownwood Baptist churches attended the Quarterly County W.M.U. meeting in Blanket Thursday. Among those attending were: Mesdames Karl Moore, C. G. Sivells, Herman Bettis, T. L. Tate, L. L. Evans, A. E. Nabors, G. W. Bourland, L. D. Galaway, Clyde McIntosh, J. R. Stalcup, I. A. Hicks, Medcalf, Guy Self, Mrs. Neel Greer of Bangs is the president; Mrs. Medcalf, secretary and Mrs. T. L. Tate, treasurer.

Officials of the Brown county sewing room project attending an institute for area 40 in Coleman last Thursday were Mrs. Jim L. Garnett, superintendent, Brownwood; Mrs. Cora Hardin, supervisor, Bangs; Mrs. Lois Malone, Mrs. Ruth Smith and Mrs. Elizabeth Knox, supervisors, and Miss Estelle Grew, timekeeper, all of Brownwood. From the Brown county housekeeping aide were Miss Gertrude Johnson, superintendent, and Mrs. Ethel Miller, clerk, of Brownwood.

Albert Minica, 16, was released to his mother after juvenile delinquency charges had been filed against him, officers announced. He and Bud Minica were arrested by police early last Wednesday and were charged with chicken theft. Albert Minica was paroled to his mother on good behavior but Bud Minica had not been arraigned. Officers said chickens were stolen from four flocks in Brown and Mills counties and were sold early Wednesday to a Brownwood firm for \$4.85.

A total of 4,036 Brownwood voters are qualified to cast ballots in the municipal election to be held next Tuesday, January 17, according to figures obtained from the office of Tax Assessor-Collector Winston Palmer. This figure includes the total of poll taxes paid last year and the total exemptions issued for the four wards. George H. Sheppard, state comptroller, has ruled that 1937 polls and exemptions will qualify voters for the forthcoming election.

sustained a broken leg when hit by a car while crossing Center avenue near Howard Payne College. Both were taken to Medical Arts Hospital for treatment.

The Brown county commission court, at the request of Daisy McDonald, worker in care of the Brown County Board of Public Welfare, Monday set aside \$2,000 for the purchase and quilting of two county WPA rooms. Mrs. McDonald's sewing rooms had made quilts for 500 quilts but that no quilting was available for completing the quilts, which are badly needed by the poor people.

That a water drain from the vicinity of Brownwood High School to conduits on the Santa Fe railroad property be straightened and given rock bottom and retaining walls, was proposed by City Alderman Ed Henley at city council meeting Monday night. During heavy rains, the present drain fails to function and causes water to back up into the high school basement. He also suggested that the city limits be marked with concrete posts.

Two Brownwood people were injured Saturday night in separate accidents when they were struck by automobiles while crossing local streets. D. R. Bailey, about 60, was hit at Brady and Fourth streets about 7:20 p.m. and suffered a broken arm. Mrs. Ruby Gilley

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WRESTLING Friday, January 13 Do not miss this event. A ROUND ROBIN with 7 men wrestling 6 matches. Count Antonio Marino will appear in this event. Between 900 and 1000 viewed this event last time. Memorial Hall Brownwood

FROM CENTRAL TEXAS NEWSPAPERS— NEWS OF NEIGHBORING COUNTIES

ROBERTSON: Hearne building activities, which reached a high peak in 1938, are continuing proportionately, according to local lumber dealers and contractors who report many new homes under construction and others ready for early completion.

GILLESPIE: Gillespie County's courthouse, being erected at intersection of South Adams and West Main streets in Fredricksburg, was taking form last week as workmen on the structure were building the framework and setting the reinforcements, preparatory to pouring concrete on the structure this week.

GILLESPIE: The interests of Gillespie county farmers and ranchmen are greatly diversified, according to the annual report of County Agent Henry Grote, who last week gave his annual review of his activities during the past year which included running terraces, 4-H Club work, insect control in farm, orchard and garden, better seed, livestock improvement and parasite control, as well as other problems connected with the agriculture of the county.

HAMILTON: Plans are under way to hold a weekly auction sale of livestock in Hamilton. Col. Ben K. Green of Greenville, a licensed livestock auctioneer has agreed to conduct the sales, provided a barn can be secured and he is given the cooperation of the people of the city. Local business men will be associated with the enterprise.

HAMILTON: Wilmer Ray, age 28, dropped dead from heart failure while fighting a grass fire in his pasture near his home between Aleman and Ireland Sunday afternoon, January 1. Mr. Ray left the house with his 3-year-old son for a walk about his farm, and it is supposed that when he noticed some grass along the fence row, that he struck a match and lighted it. As the fire reached his pasture land and he attempted to extinguish it, and becoming ill ran from the fire and fell on his face.

NACOGDOCHES: Fire of undetermined origin early Sunday, January 1, destroyed five brick stores and damaged another in Chireno, nineteen miles southeast of Nacogdoches, causing losses estimated at approximately \$35,000.

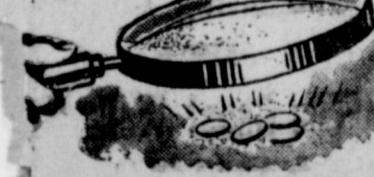
NACOGDOCHES: Lacy Hunt, Nacogdoches business man and civic leader, Tuesday afternoon was elected president of the Nacogdoches Chamber of Commerce for 1939, C. Chamberlain, out-going president, announced.

HELBLY: Completion of a movement that was started some two months ago resulted in the forwarding to the Secretary of State this week an application for the State Charter of a \$25,000 Cooperative Marketing Association for the

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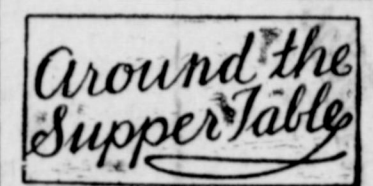
Firestone Auto Supply & Service Store, B. L. Griffith, Mgr., 116 Center, Phone 148

The Great American Home



farmers of Shelby county. County Agent Moosberg has been working on matter for some time.

ERATH: Brewer Bunyan Manley, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Manley of Rock Church community, died Saturday night, December 31, in the Stephenville Hospital of injuries received in a car accident near Tolar earlier in the night.



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and the public is compelled to pay for their negligence.

THE DEATH of Mrs. Ellen Yantis is genuinely mourned by the people of Brown county. She was a pioneer here, her family having come here in 1873, and with her husband was one of the builders of the county and its institutions. The First National Bank, one of the strongest financial enterprises in Central-West Texas, is a monument to their industry and ingenuity, and the impress of their benefactions is also left upon Howard Payne College and the Baptist church in this section.

Conclusive evidence that this is a good newspaper came to light the other day. A Scotchman came in and while we were not looking paid a nickel for a copy of this great old home and fireside journal, William Hood is his name, and he is a great old Scotchman, too. He said the way Grand Canyon got there was on account of a Scotchman dropped a dime there one day, and couldn't find it again. In his time he has laid enough bricks to fill the canyon from one end to the other.

OR, figuring it from another angle, enough bricks to build the tower of Babel, and have a couple of pyramids left over. If they were laid end to end they would pave the Rome-Berlin axis, and the surplus would be large enough to provide one brick for each citizen to throw at his favorite editor.

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ised Land. We went to work for the Daily Bulletin the morning of January 10, 1903. For better or for worse.

January 11 was the birthday of William D. King, insurance man. Ed B. Henley, Jr., perennial alderman from the Fourth Ward, celebrated his birthday on the 12th, along with S. C. Findley. And we want a Banner in every mail box.

Directors of Citizens National Bank Are Re-elected Tuesday

In their annual meeting in the bank building Tuesday, stockholders of the Citizens National Bank at Brownwood re-elected the directors of the institution but postponed election of officers until all of the directors could be present. Several of the directors were out of town that day.

Directors re-elected are J. F. Renfro, L. E. Dublin, R. N. Beakley, H. L. Cravens, F. S. Abney, J. E. Whiteside and E. E. Kirkpatrick.

At the Dec. 31 call for condition of national banks the Citizens bank showed deposits of \$763,280.15, an increase of \$121,307.06 over the previous call of \$641,973.09. Deposits one year ago were \$617,790.96.

MORTUARY

HILL: Kyle June Hill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hill, 415 Wesley street, died Saturday afternoon in a local hospital after a short illness.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at the First Baptist church with Rev. Karl H. Moore, officiating. The glee club of which she was a member sang at the service.

Kyle June was born June 2, 1924, in Brownwood. She was a popular member of the sophomore class in Brownwood High School, a member of the Glee Club, high school band and pep squad. A member of the First Baptist Church, she took active interest in the Young People's department of the Sunday School.

Survivors include her parents and two brothers, Wayland Hill of San Angelo and Robert Hill of Brownwood.

Interment was made in Greenleaf cemetery with Austin-Morris Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

SPECK: Henry Herman Speck was born July 9, 1881, and passed away at his home in Bangs, Friday. Funeral services were held at the First Baptist Church Saturday with Rev. B. B. Hestir, officiating, assisted by Rev. Neal Greer and Rev. Wallace Dunson.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Ellen D. Speck; one sister, Mrs. Vernon George of Brownwood, and one brother, John Speck of Missouri, also a large number of other relatives and a host of friends.

Mr. Speck was a faithful member of the Bangs Presbyterian church. He had operated the city garage in Bangs for 33 years.

Interment was in the Bangs Cemetery with H. L. Alcorn in charge of arrangements.

WEEDON: John Ferrell Weedon, 82, died at his home, 1309 Austin avenue, Monday night. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at Coggin Avenue Baptist Church with Rev. W. M. Scott officiating.

Mr. Weedon was born September 9, 1856, at Auburn, Tennessee. He moved to Texas in 1870 and lived in Grayson and Wise counties before coming to Brown county where he settled in the Weedon community in 1884.

In 1902 he was married to Miss Maggie Avinger. He was a member of the Macedonia Baptist Church. Survivors include his wife, Mrs.

Maggie Ruth Avinger; brothers, D. F. Weedon and A. M. Weedon. Interment was in the Weedon Cemetery with White & London Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

LYLE: Mrs. Sara Elizabeth Lyle, 72, died Tuesday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. S. L. Driskill, 2205 Avenue C. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at Austin-Morris Funeral chapel with Rev. Karl H. Moore and Rev. D. A. Chisholm, officiating.

Mrs. Lyle was born August 6, 1866, in Caldwell county. Survivors include her three daughters, Mesdames Driskill, L. M. Lykin and O. J. Ratliff; son, Charles Lyle; and one sister, Mrs. Dora Kay of Slaton.

Interment was in Indian Creek Cemetery with Austin-Morris Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

PINKARD: Pauly Pinkard, a former Brown county citizen, died Monday night at DeLeon. Funeral services were held at Indian Creek in Comanche county, Tuesday afternoon. He had lived in Brown and Comanche counties when a young man but had been out of Texas for more than twenty years until his return about a year ago. Brothers and sisters surviving him are: Irving Pinkard, Sweetwater; Mrs. Will Franklin and Mrs. W. B. Starling, Blanket; Mrs. Ray McCorkle, Comanche; Rufus Pinkard, Sidney, and Perry Pinkard, of New Mexico.

Mr. Pinkard was a son of the late Dan P. Pinkard, pioneer Brown county citizen, who died at Blanket a few years ago at the age of 88 years.

KYLE: Albert Edward Kyle died Friday morning at his residence, 203 Edwards street. Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at the Melwood Avenue Baptist church with Rev. J. M. Cooper, Rev. Ben Morrison and Rev. J. M. Bradford, officiating.

Mr. Kyle was born April 1, 1882, in Abbeville, Mississippi. He had been a member of the Baptist church since a boy.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Tennie Kyle; mother, Mrs. Lula Mangrum; children, E. F. Kyle, J. R. Kyle and J. H. Kyle; brothers, Charles Kyle of Big Spring and Newell Kyle of De Leon; sisters, Mrs. Emma Long of Abilene and Mrs. Joe Ballard of Houston, and two grandchildren.

Interment was made in Greenleaf cemetery with White & London Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

CROW: Oma, wife of Sid Crow, died Friday morning at the family residence, 1102 Belle Plain. Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at White & London Funeral Home chapel with Rev. Guy Self officiating.

Advertisement for Adams Cash Grocery & Market, 'Attention Gardeners!', listing various grocery items and prices.

Advertisement for New Empire Furniture Co., 'QUALITY SPEAKS...', featuring illustrations of furniture and text about quality and price.

total for the county, including the remaining unpaid for the county 14 last payment is \$30,270, and total \$102,918.

Advertisement for Armstrong Jewelry Store, 'Buy Silver Now', offering various silver sets at special prices.

Advertisement for 'Why Should Brownwood Be Downhearted?', listing ten reasons why 1939 will be a big year for Brownwood.

Advertisement for 'Attention Gardeners!', listing various garden supplies and services.

Advertisement for Carey Lumber Co., 'Use FHA Now', offering lumber and building materials.

Personals

Mrs. J. W. Tottenham has gone to Chicago for a weeks visit.

Miss Dorris Harris of Coleman spent the weekend in Brownwood.

Mrs. B. H. Bettis of May spent Saturday in Brownwood a guest of Mrs. R. W. Coggia.

Mrs. A. U. Bratton has gone to Fort Worth where she will have medical treatment.

Wallace Bludworth of Flatonia was a guest of his brother, B. Port Bludworth last week.

Miss Edna Ripley has returned from a visit with her father in Abilene.

Dr. J. F. McGee of May was in Brownwood Tuesday to attend the funeral of Mrs. T. C. Yantis.

Mrs. R. D. Schuchard of Pampa is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Gilley.

W. A. Philpot of Dallas was in Brownwood Tuesday to attend the funeral of Mrs. T. C. Yantis.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Little of Austin attended the funeral of Mrs. T. C. Yantis Tuesday.

Mrs. T. F. Jackson of Paint Rock is visiting her sister, Mrs. D. K. Doyle.

Mrs. L. C. Bray of Dallas spent last week in Brownwood a guest of her son, Lew Bray and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Gober and daughter Betty Jo have gone to Austin to visit relatives.

Mrs. T. E. Edwards of New York arrived Sunday to visit her father, J. A. Walker.

Herschell Weedon, student in the Theological Seminary in Ft. Worth attended the funeral of his uncle, Mr. D. F. Weedon Tuesday.

Mrs. Martha Cavin, Mrs. Eva Pendergast of Austin attended the funeral of Mrs. T. C. Yantis, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Julian Moore and Mrs. Walter Dosssett of Waco attended the funeral of Mrs. T. C. Yantis, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Peavy returned today from Abilene where Mr. Peavy has been attending to busi-

ness matters.

Mrs. A. H. Redmon and sons Azile and J. E. have gone to Galveston to visit her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Collins.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Brown of Stephenville spent the weekend with Mr. Brown's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Brown.

Mrs. E. C. Leves of Kansas City is spending several weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jennings.

Mrs. Kate Page, Mrs. Hulon Fletcher and Mrs. Jim Faulkner of Goldthwaite spent Tuesday in Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Tarrant of Harlingen were guests of Mrs. Tarrant's sister, Mrs. W. A. Bell last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Burl Bowden of Refugio spent the week-end with Mr. Bowden's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Weedon.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Evans of the Nohi Bottling Company, are attending the Southwestern States Telephone Convention.

Rev. J. Frank Weedon, pastor of the First Baptist church in Denton attended the funeral of his uncle, Mr. D. F. Weedon, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Dunphy and baby have returned to their home in Evanston Ill. after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Fred S. Abney, Mrs. Dunphy's parents.

Mrs. W. T. Fisher has returned from San Antonio where she attended a meeting of the General Missionary society of the Methodist church.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Scott of Hobbs, New Mexico, have returned to their home after a visit with Mrs. Scott's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Bowden.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Jones and little son, Larry have returned from a vacation visit in California. Mr. Jones is connected with the Government laboratories in Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Lew Bennett were called to San Antonio Sunday on account of the death of Mr. Bennett's mother, Mrs. Gertrude Warren.

Alvin Carlock, an employee in the mechanical department of the San Angelo Standard-Times, spent the weekend in Brownwood with relatives.

Miss Ellen Yantis and Miss E. Lester Stribling have returned to Austin after attending the funeral of their grandmother, Mrs. T. C. Yantis, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis G. Stribling have returned to Waco after attending the funeral of Mrs. Stribling's mother, Mrs. T. C. Yantis.

Mrs. Inez Ward of Corpus Christi, who has been visiting in Brownwood, left Tuesday for a visit in McAllen before returning to her home.

Rev. Noel P. Wilkinson passed through Brownwood today en route from Dallas, where he has been attending a Presbyterian committee conference, to his home in Eldorado.

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Allen are spending several weeks in Brownwood. Mr. Allen is traveling auditor for the Southwestern States Telephone Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hill of Lubbock arrived Thursday to visit Mr. Hill's mother, Mrs. B. E. Hill. Mr. Hill will attend the Walker-Smith Managers meeting in Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben A. Fain and daughter Cora Lee are expected to return tonight from Lubbock where Mr. Fain has been attending to business. While in Lubbock they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Fain.

Messrs. J. Claude Smith and Hugh Latham of the Coca Cola Bottling Company are in Fort Worth to attend the State Bottlers Convention.

Mrs. Paul Haynes has returned to Houston after a visit with her mother, Mrs. M. L. Brown and sister, Mrs. B. Port Bludworth. Mrs. Brown accompanied Mrs. Haynes to Houston for a visit.

Mrs. Ruel Crow returned Saturday from Gilman, Arkansas and Horatio, Arkansas. Mr. Crow's brother, Edward and a niece, Alma Gene returned with Mrs. Crow to make their home in Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stallings and Mrs. Sammie Lee attended the wedding of Miss Norma Sue Tippen to Mr. Gordon J. McCann of Lometa, in Abilene Friday night.

Miss Carrie Reaves has returned to Boulder Colorado after a holiday visit with Miss Estelle Duren. Miss Reaves is hostess at the Kappa Sigma Fraternity House in Boulder.

Mrs. Mary Sullivan and Mrs. Pat Bowman spent the early part of the week in Dallas buying merchandise for the Sullivan's Shoe and Millinery Store.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Timmins of Austin attended the funeral of Mrs. T. C. Yantis on Tuesday. Mr. Timmins has returned to Austin and Mrs. Timmins will remain for a visit with her son, James Timmins and sisters, Mrs. Nealie Prater and Mrs. Lida Parks Dildy.

Mrs. Harman Pender, Mrs. W. J. Yantis, Erwin, Florence and James Yantis of Abilene were in Brownwood Tuesday to attend the funeral of Mrs. T. C. Yantis.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Willie of Dallas have returned to their home after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Lew Bray. Mr. Willie is an executive of the Interstate Theatre Circuit and Texas Consolidated Theatres, Inc.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Bray and B. G. Gibson of Dallas were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lew Bray last week. Mr. Clayton Bray was recently elected state representative from Gregg and Harrison counties.

Mrs. Glenn Brooks is spending the week in San Antonio with her sister, Miss Esther Lee Erwin, who is ill in the Grace Lutheran Sanitarium. Mr. Brooks, who accompanied Mrs. Brooks to San Antonio returned home Sunday night.

Mrs. Mae Hendricke and daughter Evelyn attended the funeral of her nephew, Jimmie Rhea in Cleburne, Sunday. They were accompanied home by Mrs. Rhea and family, who will spend several days in Brownwood.

Mrs. Fred S. Abney left Sunday for San Antonio to join her sister, Mrs. John Harrison, and to be with their uncle, Mr. John Kelley, who has been seriously ill but is now improving. Mrs. Harrison and Mrs. Abney plan to return to Brownwood within a few days.

Dr. Lee M. Hutchins is expected to return this week from Washington, D. C. where he has been attending to business. Dr. Hutchins is located in Brownwood with the U. S. Pecan Field Station.

Mr. and Mrs. James Cecil Nelson of San Antonio are expected to arrive today to visit Mr. and Mrs. J. McWesley Ledbetter. Mrs. J. Arthur Clark of San Antonio, Mrs. Ledbetter's mother, is also visiting in Brownwood.

PUBLIC RECORDS

MARRIAGE LICENSES
Thurston Thomas, Comanche, and Miss Clara Mae Seale, Comanche.
William Loyce Jordan, Sipe Springs, and Miss Gwyneth Sandlin, Sipe Springs.
Marvin Stewart, Winters, and Miss Lois Thomas, Gatesville.
Horace G. Corbin, Brownwood, and Miss Marjorie Elizabeth Strauss, Kankakee, Illinois.

WARRANTY DEEDS
Clyde Sepolen et ux to Mountain View K. of P. Lodge 53, lot 3 in block 4 of Crothers addition to Brownwood, \$1.
Mountain View K. of P. Lodge 53 to R. T. Gipson, lot 3 in block 4 of Crothers addition to Brownwood, \$70.
J. A. Hardy et ux to C. T. Campbell, lot 6 in block 1 off Farmer's addition to Brownwood, \$500.
D. R. Scott to Paul Richardson, part of W. H. Irion survey 52, \$500.
A. C. Bratton to Mrs. Ollie May Bratton, part of lots 3 and 4 in block 29 of Cleveland addition to Brownwood, \$10.
Brownwood Building and Loan Association to Charles J. Klapper et ux, lot 4 in block 7 of Highland View addition to Brownwood, \$1,600.
H. Norman et ux to George P. Burns, 240 acres of Philip Daragan survey 85, \$100.
A. C. Bratton to Mrs. Ollie May Bratton, part of lots 3 and 4 in block 29 of Cleveland's addition to Brownwood, \$10.
T. J. Davis et al to J. P. Brown, 207 8-10 acres of land in Brown county, \$2,200.
C. R. Boase et ux to E. E. Morgan, part of block 14 of Shelton's addition to Brownwood, \$100.
E. E. Holland et ux to H. L. Cravens, 313 19-100 acres of Shelton survey 7, \$7,825.
Mrs. Quaye Brewer to Mrs. G. M. Grooms, part of lot 41 in block 5 of First addition to Greenleaf cemetery, \$40.
S. O. Looper et ux to Amber Reid Palmer, 377.99 acres of Jose Padillo survey 646 and 641 acres of Jose Padillo survey 645, \$778.75.
Michigan Realty Co. to C. W. Trigg, lot 17 in block 1 of Farmer's addition to Brownwood, \$10.

OIL AND GAS LEASES
A. J. Newton et al to C. A. Rogers, 75 acres of lots 12 and 17 of G. P. Mitcham subdivision of Roland Honeycutt survey 623, \$1.
A. J. Newton et al to C. A. Rogers, 75 acres of lots 15 and 16 of G. P. Mitcham subdivision of Roland Honeycutt survey 623, \$1.
James L. White et ux to D. C. Sneller, 40 acres of John S. Thom survey 53, \$10.

OIL AND GAS ASSIGNMENTS
C. Newburn to Clarence Talley, 20 acres of David Cole survey 81, \$1.
C. G. Warren to H. H. Bailey, 10 acres of David Cole survey, \$10.

MINERAL DEEDS
Walker-Smith Company to J. E. Holland, 313 acres of W. B. Shelton survey 7, \$1.
C. D. Stone et ux to Hiram Winston, undivided 1-8 interest in 168.5 acres of land in Brown county, \$10.

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Ralph Scott, Brownwood, GMC truck, Brownwood Motor Co., 224-202.
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THEATRES

The Lyric Theatre starts the week Friday and Saturday with "There's That Woman Again," starring Melvyn Douglas, Virginia Bruce and Margaret Lindsay. You remember, of course, the fun-filled show in which Melvyn Douglas and Joan Blondell were paired as Bill Reardon and his scatter-brained wife, Sally. Titled "There's Always A Woman," it proved an early knockout of 1938. The Reardons return to the Lyric in "There's That Woman Again" but this time it is Virginia Bruce who gets into Mr. Reardon's hair.

Don't miss this thrilling air drama, "Dawn Patrol" starring Errol Flynn, Basil Rathbone, David Niven and many other favorites at the Lyric Saturday midnight and Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

Franciska Gaal returns to the Lyric Wednesday and Thursday starred with Franchot Tone in "The Girl Downstairs." Franciska said, "I've never been kissed by any man." Tone replied, "There's nothing like an expert to start you right." You will say, "one of the greatest love stories I have ever seen."

At the Queen
A shivery and hilarious film play is booked for the Queen Theatre midnight Saturday show. It is called "The Ghost Walks" and sets a new high in triple threat pictures, according to the advance notices. It is a story of an arrogant film producer and a mystery drama writer, and the latter wins the argument in a weird sort of way.

"The Living Dead" is a strange story of a doctor with a warped mind, and the development of a tense theme provides one of the greatest thrillers the films have had in a long time. The possibilities of protracting life, or starving off death, are fully explored in this unusual picture. It is on the same bill Saturday midnight.

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DANIEL BAKER COLLEGE NOTES

Arrangements are being made for a concert to be presented by the music department of Daniel Baker College during the early part of February. "Pat" Howard, director will have charge of the band. A chorus has been organized for the event.

Rev. John T. Morris, who is conducting a series of lectures on Bible Archaeology this week at the First Presbyterian Church, spoke to members of the Daniel Baker College student body Tuesday morning at chapel on "Civilization of Mesopotamia."

Members of the Home Economics Department Tuesday enjoyed a picnic.

Plans are now being made by members of the Tau Kappa Delta organization for a picnic to be held Saturday.

S.A.S. Club members Wednesday evening entertained with a skating party.

Coggin Society is planning to sponsor a special bus to the All-College Basketball Tournament to be held at El Paso February 26.

Large Crowds Hear Archaeology Lectures By Rev. J. T. Morris

A large and enthusiastic audience greeted the Rev. John T. Morris Sunday night at the First Presbyterian Church when he began his series of illustrated lectures on Bible Archaeology. Dr.

Morris is associate member with the American Schools of Oriental Research and is said to be bringing to this city the very latest pronouncements of science and most recent discoveries made by the archaeologists of the leading universities of the world.

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Conservation Practices Make It Possible To Increase Crop Yields and To Gain Economic Benefit From Each Acre

One hundred forty-seven cooperators who own or operate 47,947 acres of land in the Brownwood camp area of the Soil Conservation Service have installed or are now in the process of establishing complete and coordinated erosion control programs on their farms, Fred P. Mika, camp conservationist, announced today in connection with the issuance of his progress report for the year just ended.

Mr. Mika said that the farmers who are following conservation farming systems on their lands have retired some 792 acres of land, formerly in cultivation, to grass to control erosion and to make possible a more profitable utilization of the land. Some of this land was located on slopes too steep for safe or profitable cultivation, some was composed of soils too easily eroded to be left in open row crops, and some was already so badly eroded that crop production was no longer profitable.

The 147 farmers have built 262 miles of specification terraces. Base widths of these terraces range from 24 to 42 feet, with effective heights of from 18 to 24 inches, and control erosion on 5,287 acres of cropland. Terraces are being used in conjunction with strip crops and contour cultivation. About 2899 acres of comparatively level land in crops is protected from soil erosion by contour tillage and strip crops alone.

Mr. Mika pointed out that several practices must be coordinated to bring about the most effective erosion control on cultivated lands. Contour rows and strip crops may be sufficient to prevent soil losses on some slopes but on steeper slopes these two practices must be backed up by terraces so that most of the water that falls on the land can be held until it has time to soak into the soil and the excess drained from the field in an orderly manner. Strip crops, bands of close-growing, fibrous-rooted crops planted on the contour between the intervals of clean-tilled crops, serves to slow down the rate of rainfall run-off. When the water on the clean-tilled intervals enters the strips, it is spread out, as the water passes into the strips the close-growing plants enter out and hold the silt. When the silt load is held back on the land the danger of filling terrace channels is minimized and a greater volume of water can be held in check by the terraces.

More than 14,683 square yards of sod have been placed at terrace outlet ends on the 147 farms to prevent erosion damage by water passing from the terrace channels. Approximately 99,296 linear feet or almost 19 miles of terrace outlet channels have been sodded. Every effort is made to outlet terraces on protected areas such as pastures, meadows, or into natural drains, but on some farms these facilities are not adjacent to the terraced field, hence it is necessary to construct sodded channels to carry the water to protected areas where it can be safely outletted, Mr. Mika explained.

All the farmers who have conservation practices in use on their lands are following crop rotation systems. 5,556 acres of cultivated land were planted to small grain, which served as a winter cover crop, during the past season to protect the soil from the erosive action of heavy winter and early

spring rains. Pasture acreage on the conservation treated farms has been increased from 31,602 acres to 32,315 acres, since the inception of the local camp. More than 410 acres of his land retired to pasture have been sodded, mostly to Bermuda grass which is, in most cases, doing well. 5,859 acres have been given the benefit of contour ridges or furrows, built to retain most of the rain that falls and permit more water to penetrate into the soil and there be stored to aid grass growth.

Meadow acreage on the cooperating farms has been increased from 43 to 93 acres, giving the farmers additional sources of grazing and in many cases serving as a protected waterway on which terrace waters are emptied, as in the case on the farm of SCS cooperator E. L. Stewart, located 4 miles north-east of Brownwood. Mr. Stewart says, "I believe I make more money from that meadow strip than I do from an equal acreage of cropland." This strip has an excellent cover of Bermuda sod as well as Italian rye grass, rescue grass, hubam clover and bur clover.

"The farmers with whom we have worked during the past few years tell us that conservation practices make it possible for them to either maintain or to increase crop yields and to gain some economic benefit from each acre of the farm," Mr. Mika concluded.

Home Demonstration Club reporters are: Mrs. Roy Mathews, Bangs; Mrs. Charles Nichols, Byrds; Mrs. Frank Martin, Cottonwood; Mrs. Audrey Parker, Early; Mrs. Alton Mauldin, Grosvenor; Mrs. W. T. Sowell, Indian Creek; Mrs. Lester Hoover, May; Mrs. H. L. Stevens, Owens, and Miss Lula Cunningham, Zephyr.

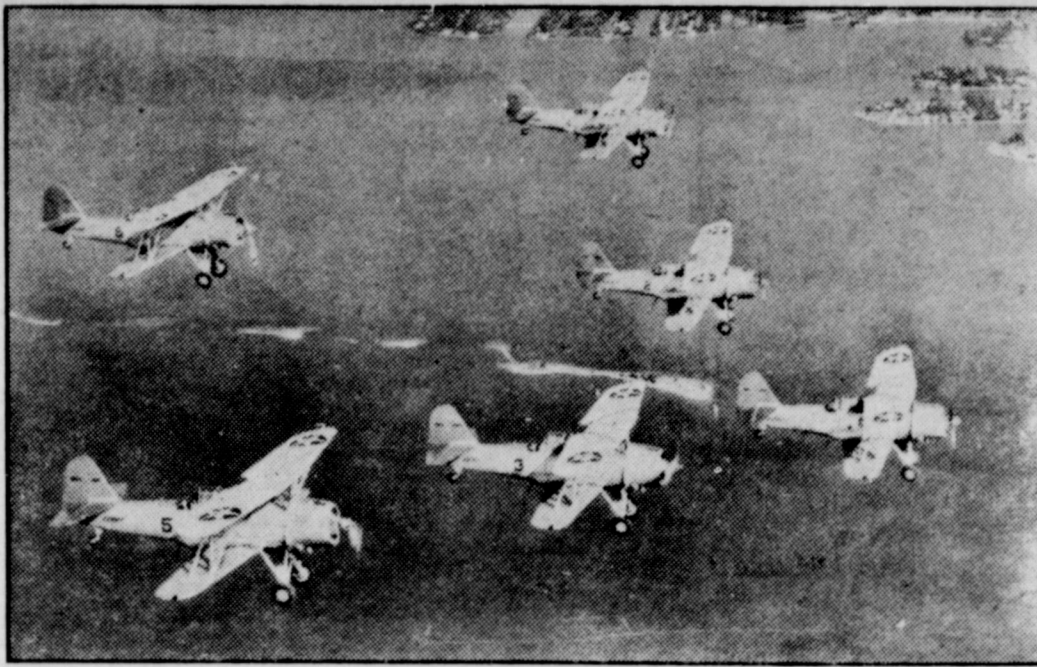
County Club Reporters To Meet Here Saturday

All Home Demonstration Clubs and Girls' 4-H Club reporters in the county will gather in the office of Miss Mayestie Malone, home demonstration agent, Saturday morning at 10 o'clock for a regular meeting. Every club reporter has been urged to attend.

Reporters of Girls' 4-H Clubs over the county are: Mary Helen Stacy, Bangs; Joan McIver, Brooksmith; Betty Ruth Pike, Concord; Bernice Wade, Early; Helen Sinclair, Grosvenor; Jewel Teague, Indian Creek; Joyce Eoff, Mukewater; Gailtha Lee Perry, Zephyr; Alma Nell Hollingsworth, Owens, and Nadine Mood, Woodland Heights.

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Navy planes cruising over Miami in preparation for flights and maneuvers in the south Atlantic Ocean.

Committee Discusses Duties At Meet Here

Duties of the committeemen in the year's conservation program were studied at the first meeting of the new Brown County Agricultural Conservation committee in its all-day session here last Thursday. The 1939 program also was discussed.

C. J. Thompson of Byrds is the only new member of the county committee, all members of which attended the session. He succeeded M. L. Guthrie, Brooksmith, who served last year. L. F. Bird, chairman of the county committee, presided. All of the fifteen community committeemen except one were present for the meeting.

Farmers Urged to Plant More Iron-Building Vegetable Foods

COLLEGE STATION, Jan. 12.—Food experts now believe that young women, especially mothers, should eat at least as much iron-rich food as men do, even though

the women may weigh less. A survey made of health of college students has shown pale blood, or mild chronic anemia, is more common among young women than among men.

In general, according to Camp, specialist in home extension planning of the Texas M. College Extension Service, more readily available iron include all the leafy from kale to turnip and beans, especially peas and lima beans, grain cereals.

Liver and other mealyolk, all lean meats, rate as good blood-builders. Dried fruits are superior in iron than the fresh. Iron alone can not build blood, for protein traces and other materials are needed. A well rounded diet in a healthy condition, exceptional cases, and urged that farm women plant, preservation, preparation of vegetable proper amounts of the iron foods are included where gardens are not

MORE HOMEGROWN FEED FOR IMMEDIATE USE, STORAGE EXPECTED

COLLEGE STATION, Jan. 12.—More home-grown feed for immediate use and storage on farms and ranches of Texas is contemplated in crop classification of the AAA for 1939, according to new rulings clarified here by George Slaughter, chairman of the Texas Agricultural Conservation Committee of the AAA.

Slaughter called special attention to a '39 change which takes sweet sorghums and sudan grass out of the soil-depleting class.

This, he explained, will make more land available for grain sorghums, corn, non-commercial wheat and other general crops for which special allotments are not set up, and should add impetus to efforts of the Texas A. and M. College Extension Service to encourage the use of trench silos in Texas.

Extension reports recently indicated that the number of trench silos filled in 1938 might reach 20,000 in Texas, a figure which would mark the eighth consecutive year in which the number of silos doubled the previous season's total.

Other alterations in AAA crop classifications spelling a greater abundance of feed on Texas farms include:

Provision that wheat on a farm having no wheat allotment is not soil-depleting if used as a nurse crop for legumes or perennial grasses, providing a good stand of the legumes or grasses is obtained and the nurse crop is cut green for hay.

Provision that the fruit of interplanted summer legumes can be harvested or grazed off.

Program on Conservation and Landscaping Billed For Saturday Morning

Of special interest to Brown county farmers and ranchers this week on the Texas Farm and Home broadcasts will be the discussion of Miss Sadie Hatfield, extension specialist in landscape gardening, on "Conservation and Landscaping," to be given Saturday morning. These programs are broadcast daily beginning at 11:30 a.m. over stations WTAW, WFAA, WOAI and KPRC.

The daily schedule of the programs for the week follow:

Friday—"Results of Agricultural Experiments," A. D. Jackson, experiment station; "Low Cost Tenant Houses," C. E. Peach, agricultural engineering department.

Saturday—"Conservation and Landscaping," Miss Sadie Hatfield, extension specialist in landscape gardening; "Book Review," Mrs. F. L. Thomas, College Station.

Monday—"Agricultural Education Notes," J. M. Orchard, agricultural education department; "Rural Education," W. E. Driskill, deputy state superintendent.

Tuesday—"AAA Activities," Geo. Slaughter, chairman state conservation committee; "The Importance of Range and Pastures in Texas," R. C. Potts, department of Agronomy.

Wednesday—"Poultry Notes," D. H. Reid, head of poultry husbandry department; "Agricultural Economics Notes," Dr. G. W. Schlesselman, agricultural economics department.

Thursday—"Agricultural and Homemaking Resources of Central Texas," Miss Zetha McInnis and M. T. Payne, extension district agent; "Just and Unjust Criticisms of Texas Butter," F. E. Hansen, associate in dairy manufacture.

TEXAS LAMB FEEDERS MAY LOOK TO GOOD 1939 PRODUCTION

COLLEGE STATION, Jan. 12.—There are not as many lambs on feed in Texas as in the past feeding season, but those who are feeding lambs may look forward to a profitable operation, W. R. Nisbet, animal husbandman of the Texas A. and M. College Extension Service, said on his return from a swing through the sheep sections of the state.

"Lamb feeders bought their lambs cheap enough to enable them to make a profit on a fat lamb market no better than that of last spring, and it ought to be better," he said.

The 1938 lamb crop was the largest in the history of the country and that fact, together with the unprofitable operations of lamb feeders last season, was responsible for the low feeder prices. Many of the lambs that might have gone to feeders went to the packers, and Nisbet said the large lamb crop has been cut into more than was generally realized.

Most lambs are in the hands of experienced feeders, and the "in and outers" are largely out this season. The sheep and goat specialist thinks that Texas should feed out more lambs as part of a long time program.

"One reason why Texas has not fed a larger volume of lambs is that the forage produced has been of poor quality," he said. "The trench silo should correct that trouble and make lamb feeding possible throughout the state rather than in spots. Texas should feed more lambs for market and do so year in and year out."

LAST CALL

At 7:30 o'clock Saturday night the Brownwood Banner's subscription campaign will come to an end.

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LAND VALUE IN BROWN COUNTY IS INCREASED THROUGH TERRACING

During 1938, a total of 163 farms aggregating 7,436 acres were terraced in Brown county under supervision of the county agent. Terrace lines run during the year on the 7,436 acres totaling 438.2 miles in length.

The added increased value of the 163 farms is \$59,688, figuring the increased value of the properly terraced land at eight dollars per acre as compared with farms of the same soil type and same slopes.

On 53 per cent of the farms terraced, the terraces were built on the dead level and on the remaining 47 per cent of the farms, a variable fall was given, in no case to exceed two inches per hundred feet.

All row crops were planted on the contour, all rows running parallel with the terraces. Outlets were properly constructed to empty surplus water on pasture sod or into natural water courses. On slopes with a fall of less than two per cent, strip cropping was practiced. The total area on which strip cropping to retard the flow of water was used is 4,793 acres.

On 97 farms, 225 dams for earthed tanks and ponds were built. The average amount of dirt in these dams was 890 cubic yards. The average surface covered by the water in the ponds and tanks is 1.3 acres, with an average depth of 5.7 feet. Total amount of dirt moved was 100,000 cubic yards. Figuring cost of moving dirt, and the average value per tank gave an increased value to farms and ranches of \$17,400.

Agricultural Workers Association to Hold Meet at Fort Worth

COLLEGE STATION, Jan. 12.—The Texas Agricultural Workers' Association, the only organization in Texas through which agricultural workers may meet on a common ground to discuss their problems and make their work for the welfare of the state's agriculture more effective, will hold its twelfth annual meeting in Fort Worth January 12 and 14.

With the largest membership the association has ever had, the meeting is expected to draw a large attendance, and more than 50 state and national leaders in agriculture and home economics will appear on the program, according to Maurine Hearn, district agent of the Texas A. and M. College Extension Service and secretary of the organization.

The "New Department of Agriculture" as presented by M. L. Wilson, Under-secretary of Agriculture, and "Southern Handicaps, Agricultural and Industrial," an address by Dr. Walter Prescott Webb, professor of history at Texas University and a native Texan, will feature the first day's program.

Since the material foundation of the home is soil many will be interested in Dr. Helen M. Strong's address on "The Woman's Part in Soil Conservation." Dr. Strong is head of the Educational Relations, Soil Conservation Service, Washington, D. C.

Other featured speakers are Lewis W. Morley, Executive Secretary American Jersey Cattle Club, New York City, who will speak on "Providing Additional Sources of Cash Income for the Farm;" D. M. Clements, Federal Agent Agricultural Education, Washington, D. C., will present "Agricultural Education in Secondary Schools;" "Distribution of the Wholesale Dollar" will be discussed by F. M. Simpson, Head, Bureau Agricultural Research, Swift and Company, Chicago, Ill.

A cattleman, Jack Turner, Secretary, Texas Hereford Association, Fort Worth, and a farmer, Reazan McCrary, President, Texas Cooperative Council, Calvert, will each give their analysis of "Present Day Problems."

A broadcast about the Association will be heard over station WBAP on Saturday morning at 9 o'clock. The meeting will be presided over by President Louis P. Merrill, Regional Conservator, Soil Conservation Service, Fort Worth.

FARM DEMONSTRATIONS CONDUCTED IN COUNTY BY FOUR DURING YEAR

With purposes of developing a practical system of management, to provide a substantial income sufficient to insure a comfortable living and lead to economic security, whole farm demonstrations in Brown county during 1938 were conducted by Mr. and Mrs. C. B. McBride, Indian Creek; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Nichols, Early; Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Pierce, Owens; Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Boenicke, Mt. Zion.

The county agent and home demonstration agent visited and discussed with each family their individual problems and offered advice.

Soil improvement by terracing the farms, pasture improvement by contour riding, improving water supply both of the home and the livestock, culling flocks and herds and replacing culls with quality animals, building new barns and repairing old ones, increasing production by use of better seed and crop rotation and strip cropping, getting the boys and girls on these farms to join 4-H clubs, installing modern home equipment, planting home gardens and orchards, marketing home grown food by feeding livestock, dairy cows and poultry were phases of the program on the four farms during 1938.

Miss Mayesie Malone Is Planning Model Frame Garden

Contemplating increased interest in frame gardens during the year, Brown County Home Demonstration Agent Miss Mayesie Malone has begun one of the model vegetable gardens on the county courthouse lawn. During the past few years, through the home demonstration office, many such gardens have been the project of cooperating girls' clubs of the county.

Miss Malone said she had received the approval of the garden project from County Judge A. E. Nabors and that caretaker Alexander had agreed to assist her.

Boy Scouts who are assisting Miss Malone in the project, last Saturday spaded the ground but rain halted further work. The garden will be five feet wide and thirteen feet long. For this work, the Boy Scouts will be given credit in their scouting activities.

The model frame garden is being undertaken by Miss Malone in response to many requests. It will demonstrate the desirability of a frame garden to every yard, both urban and rural.

Sand and cement for the tile was contributed by a tile making firm. Boy Scouts will begin building tile, which is a permanent form of sub-irrigation, this Saturday. Austin Mill & Grain Company donated seed and fertilizer for the garden. William Cameron Company gave lumber for frames and laths.

Two Large Ranch Deals Are Consummated Here During the Past Week

Two large ranch deals were consummated during the past few days, J. W. Taber buying the Graham ranch in the north part of the county, and John T. Yantis buying the Largent & Stevens ranch 17 miles south of Brownwood.

The Graham ranch, purchased by Mr. Taber from R. Niles Graham and sister, Mrs. Paul Cruzemann, of Austin, contains 4,428 acres, and lies three miles north of Byrds. Mr. Taber will improve the place, erecting net wire fence and constructing several tanks, and will use it as a cattle ranch.

The Largent & Stevens ranch contains 2,515 acres, and lies down the Bayon, conveniently near other tracts owned by Mr. Yantis. It is already well improved, and will be used as a cattle ranch. Consideration in the two deals was not announced.

Demonstration Club Installs Officers

At a meeting of the Brown County Home Demonstration Council in the courthouse office of Miss Mayesie Malone, county home demonstration agent, Saturday afternoon, officers for the new year were installed, standing rules read and adopted, reports of outstanding activities given and plans made for the new year.

Mrs. Ruth Gorman, Early, council chairman, was unable to be present for the installation, but Mrs. A. J. Newton, Banas, council vice-chairman, and Mrs. Cora Dempsey, Grosvenor, council secretary-treasurer, took charge following their introduction of office. Every club in the county with the exception of one was represented at this first meeting of the year.

Farmers On 86 Farms Reduce Debts Last Month With FSA

Substantial debt reduction on more than 35,000 acres of Texas farm land in 86 farms was effected last month by the farm debt adjustment section of the Farm Security Administration, according to R. K. French, FSA's supervisor for Brown county, who issued a plea for farmers who face foreclosure or need adjustment of their debts to come to his office in the Citizens National Bank Building.

"Don't wait until your farm home has been foreclosed. Then it is too late," Mr. French said. "Come to us now and we probably can save you from foreclosure in the same manner as we did the 86 farmers last month. The county farm debt adjustment committee will confer with your creditors and see how we can help you."

"This service is available to all farmers, whether they are FSA borrowers or not and to all creditors," he announced. "Tenants who are threatened with loss of livestock and equipment are also invited to use the service."

The FSA lends money to farmers who can make farm and home production plans looking to rehabilitating themselves and their families and also to repaying the loan.

Members of the debt adjustment committee are local men who are experienced in this work and are interested in seeing that both debtor and creditor are fairly represented. Members of the Brown county committee are Charles S. Bynum, Brownwood; S. A. Chambers, May, and James H. Buzbee, May.

Texas Farmers Will Not Get Compensation for Drilling Water Wells

J. H. Shows, secretary of Brown county Agricultural Conservation Association, Friday received the following telegram from E. N. Holmgreen, administrative officer in charge, AAA, College Station, stating that farmers will receive no AAA compensation for drilling water wells on their farms in 1939.

The drilling of wells has been withdrawn from the 1939 range program and will not be a practice in 1939. Notify all county committees and range inspectors. The wire was received Friday from the Washington office.

Mr. Shows said that under the 1938 range program, farmers who put down wells for stock water and cased them with casing of 4-inch size or larger, were paid \$2 per foot for such wells.

Local Forensic Chapter Plans to Enter Meets

The local chapter of the National Forensic League which is sponsored by the Central Texas School of Oratory met in the studio Tuesday night to discuss ways and means of attending trips and practice tournaments this winter and spring. Invitations have been received from the following schools, and the local group will attend a number of these: High School Speech Conference at Abilene Christian College, Abilene, Texas; Cross Plains, Kilgore, San Angelo, Baylor University, North Dallas, Abilene High School, University of Texas and National Forensic League district contest at Sunset High School of Dallas.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE Blanket State Bank

At Blanket, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 31st day of December, 1938, published in the Brownwood Banner, a newspaper printed and published at Brownwood, State of Texas, on the 12th day of January, 1939.

RESOURCES: 1 Loans and discounts, on personal or collateral security \$45,522.29; 2 Overdrafts 127.03; 3 Securities of U. S., any State or political subdivision thereof 2,906.20; 4 Other bonds and stocks owned 200.00; 5 Banking House 701.00; 6 Furniture and Fixtures 600.00; 7 Real Estate owned, other than banking house 1.00; 8 Cash and due from approved reserve agents 29,208.30; TOTAL \$78,364.82

LIABILITIES: 1 Capital Stock \$25,000.00; 2 Surplus Fund 8,500.00; 3 Undivided Profits, net 3,035.50; 4 Individual Deposits subject to check, including time deposits due in 30 days 41,826.32; TOTAL \$78,364.82

State of Texas, County of Brown. We, W. J. Richmond, as President and S. E. Lacy, as Cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

W. J. RICHMOND, President; S. E. LACY, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of January, A. D. 1939.

MACON RICHMOND, Notary Public, Brown County, Tex. CORRECT—ATTEST: JAS. N. BAILEY, M. ALVIN RICHMOND, ERNEST ALLEN, Directors. (Seal)

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE UNDER EXECUTION

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF BROWN. In the Justice Court of Precinct No. 1, Brown County, Texas. WHEREAS, by virtue of an execution issued out of the Justices Court of Precinct No. 1, Brown County, Texas, on the 6th day of January, 1939, on a judgment rendered in said court on the 10th day of May, 1934, in favor of S. W. Hughes and against W. L. McAllister and Ray Coomer, No. 935 on the Docket of said Court, I did, on the 7th day of January, 1939, at 2 o'clock p.m., levy upon the following described land situated in Brown County, Texas, and belonging to the said Ray Coomer, to-wit:

All the right title and interest of said Ray Coomer, same being an undivided 6-22 interest, in and to about 734 acres out of Sarah Ford Survey No. 29 and 1 acre out of Wm. Viser Survey, said land situated about three miles N.E. of Brownwood in Brown County, Texas, and most generally known as the Coomer farm, and being all the land owned by J. B. Coomer and Mrs. S. E. Coomer in said two surveys at the time of their deaths.

Full information may be obtained from C. D. Woods, Secretary of the U. S. Civil Service Board of Examiners, at the post office in this city.

1,357 Are Employed by WPA in Brown County

According to the Coleman area office of Works Progress Administration, 1,357 persons are now employed on WPA projects in Brown county. The total includes 1,087 men and 270 women.

At the same time of the year in 1938, there were 490 men and 177 women employed for a total of 667 persons employed at that time. The increase since last January total 597 men and 93 women.

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House Guest in Dog House Now

MEEOWRRR SPTTT! YIPE! GRRRRR

By BOUGHNER

MEEOWRRR SPTTT! YIPE! GRRRRR

RURAL BROWN COUNTY AND-

Central West Texas Farm and Ranch News

Poultry Group Seeks Change in Its Bylaws

The Pecan Valley Poultry Breeders Association will seek a change of its bylaws at a regular meeting Monday night, February 13, to permit election of officers then so that the new officers will have plenty of time to make arrangements for the association's second annual poultry show.

A decision to seek a change of bylaws was reached at a meeting of the association held Tuesday night at the courthouse with President Steve McHorse presiding.

It will be necessary to have two-thirds of the membership present to effect the change. Under present rules, elections are specified for September, but experience of last year has convinced officials that new officers need more time to plan the poultry show.

All members of the association have sold all of the breeding eggs of their flocks for the season, it was announced. Culling and similar problems were discussed.

Oil.—The general proration law, which is due to expire Sept. 1, 1939, will be extended at least two years. There is a possibility that the Railroad Commission will be given enlarged powers to regulate refinery operations.

Local Markets

A two-cent rise on all wheats, an advance of one cent on chickens with other products remaining stationary, marked the activities of the local grower's market in Brownwood this week. Rains were expected to have effect upon the grain market.

Growers' prices were quoted this afternoon as follows:

Table with columns for Grain, Poultry and Eggs, and Cream. Lists various items like Hard Winter Wheat, Soft Red or Mixed Winter, etc., with their respective prices.

Members of Co-op Get \$1,500 For Last Turkeys

Members of the Southwestern Poultry Association Cooperative were recipients of approximately \$1,500 for the New Year's turkey pool, Mrs. Lila Salyer, manager, said Wednesday.

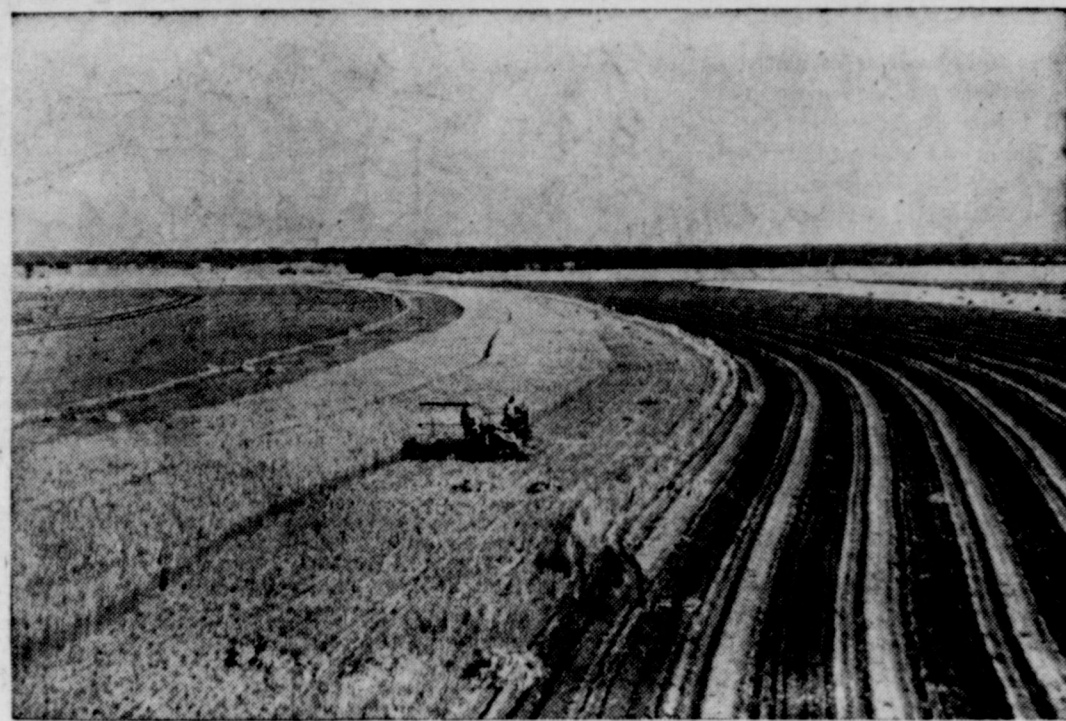
The co-op shipped one carload of turkeys on the post-Christmas market, fifteen cents a pound for No. 1 birds, three cents above the street price of fifteen cents, was paid by the cooperative on the later market.

Mrs. Salyer estimated that the members' turkeys would all be out by the first of February, due to intensified selling on the Thanksgiving and Christmas markets. Ordinarily the co-op dresses some birds in February.

ATTEND PURINA CONVENTION

Mrs. W. C. Brogdon and Harry Forbess of Southwestern Poultry Association were in Fort Worth Monday and Tuesday attending the annual convention of Purina Mills Company. Lecture courses on feeds and displays highlighted the session.

Conservation Practices Change the Texas Farm Pattern...



West and Central Texas farmers who have adopted complete and coordinated conservation farming systems on their lands have cooperated with nature by farming on the contour, substituting the gently curving lines of "streamlined" farming for the angular exactness of square fields and straight up and down hill rows.

This picture made on the farm of E. B. Sikes, near Brownwood, shows how the farming landscape has been changed since the adoption of such conservation practices as contour rows, strip crops and terraces. Farmers find that such practices do more than hold soil and water on the land to maintain or increase crop yields—they make operation of tillage implements easier. The farmers in this photo are harvesting a grain crop from a 100 foot strip—a strip installed to slow down rainfall run-off and hold any silt washed from the clean tilled sections devoted to open row crops.

Mathews Heads Bangs Cotton Association

Charles S. Mathews was elected president of the Bangs One-Variety Cotton association at its meeting last Wednesday night. Other officers elected were V. R. Brooks, vice-president, and J. T. Hall, secretary-treasurer.

Directors named were Newell Bruton, Ed Weems and Tom Ray. An executive committee for the year included Bryan Harris, Mark Boler and Noah McGaughey. The Association's seed committee was named as follows: Mark Boler, J. T. Hall, Ed Weems, J. A. Denney, W. R. Brooks, Lawrence Sanderson, Radford Sanderson, Tom Ray, W. R. Moans, C. H. Wilson, T. O. Hurst, T. C. Fitzerald, W. E. Wallace and Noah McGaughey.

to begin at once taking over Roldo Rowden Certified cotton. The group voted unanimous plant only that var order was placed of 1,500 bushels.

W. E. Wallace, P he will set aside gins exclusively to do Rowden variety cotton pro to the highest bid sale.

More Roldo Rowden ginned this year together, and some Bangers of the variety were 9.40 cents per pound in gov loans. This is the highest bid. The variety met with highest approval of all who ed it according to reports a meeting.

Mark Boler will take order seed at the First State Bar Bangs until January 12.

Ticks can live eight mo without water and three years food, according to scientists.

Advertisement for 'BABY CHICKS NOW ON HAND' with an image of a chick and text: 'Place your booking early in order to get them when you want them.'

Advertisement for 'RED CHAIN EGG NUGGETS!' featuring an image of a product box and text: 'FOR FULL EGG BASKETS... Come in today. We'll show you how to increase your egg production without adding extra expense.'

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Plentiful Supply of Wildlife in County, After Hunters Report Good Season, As Wildlife Increases With Conservation

"A plentiful supply of wildlife is found on Brown County farms this fall although hunters report a successful season," is the observation of technicians of the local Soil Conservation Camp.

has been the belief of staff members of the local camp that life recovery will follow the turn of a more complete cover of live grasses, shrubs, and a wise mending of man's kill of wildlife—that of predators placed by nature over certain species. This has been accomplished through a campaign to destroy wild house cats and to protect game bird nests from various animals and fowls that through deliberate attempt or accident have in the past destroyed and reduced game bird population to a great extent.

In the clearing of pastures for contour furrowing the haphazard piling of brush has resulted in each brush pile becoming a den or harbor for rodents and not bird covers. It is the policy of the local Soil Conservation Camp in its past work to use this brush as a shelter. This is done at a cost of only a few cents per acre. As the brush is cleared certain branches with forks are selected and cut in such a manner that there will be a point 18 inches below the fork and driven into the ground to form a circle 12 feet in diameter with the forks extending 12 inches above the surface of the ground. Forks are driven in a similar manner at several points within the center and large pieces of brush are laid in the forks on which loose brush is then piled.

Several points to observe in locating these shelters are as follows: (1) Never place a shelter within 100 yards of a road, this has a tendency to keep birds out of gun shot range of hunters passing along the road. (2) Try to place the shelters on a fence line between a stubble field and water. (3) Place them as far as possible from range of domestic turkeys, as they will eat quail eggs and young quail.

(4) Place shelters at wide intervals, 100 yards or more, to cause coveys of birds to feed over a wider area. (5) Be sure that no brush extends below the shelter, this important as brush under the shelter will prevent birds from escaping in all directions.

Another worthwhile practice is to fence small brush lots, or thickets, of 50 to 75 foot diameter with old hog wire, when they are known nesting places of quail. It is felt that turkeys only eat eggs when they find them in their search for insects. This probably applies to all wild animals and the fencing of these places will cause them to look elsewhere for food. This does not apply to house cats as they are looking for birds alone and will go to any lengths to get them. All wild house cats should be destroyed.

One of the farms with bird escape covers now installed where definite use by quail has been observed is the S. E. McClatchey farm lying within the Mukewater Wildlife Demonstration Area. One escape cover is now serving a covey of 21 quail. It has been observed that at the appearance of a hawk all birds run to cover and huddle in the center, well out of sight and reach of the enemy. This covey also uses this cover as a nesting place about noon on hot days.

It has been the policy of the local Soil Conservation Camp Staff to cooperate with the Texas Fish, Oyster and Game Commission and the Texas Extension Service in the extensive wildlife program in this county. A large number of Soil Conservation Service Cooperators' farms are within the Wildlife Demonstration Areas set up by the Texas Extension Service and the Texas Fish, Oyster and Game Commission. It is on these farms that artificial shelters are being built to act as shelter covers for game birds until such time as the native vegetation will serve its purpose again.

EACH FARM ACRE MUST BE USED FOR BEST SUITED CROP

FORT WORTH, Tex., Jan. 10.—

"Texas farmers now realize that each acre of the farm must be used for the crop it is best suited to produce," Paul H. Walsler, College Station, state coordinator for the Soil Conservation Service, said today in announcing the observance of Soil and Water Conservation Week proclaimed in Texas by Governor James V. Alfred for Jan. 8-14, inclusive.

More than 4,645 farmers who own or operate about 780,699 acres of land in Texas outside the High Plains have established, or are installing, complete conservation farming systems on their farms with the assistance of the technicians of the Soil Conservation Service, Mr. Walsler said.

Texas farmers whose lands are situated in the 31 demonstration areas of the Service in Texas section of Region 4 have moved forward rapidly with their conservation farming programs since the inception of the first demonstration project at Temple in December, 1933, the regional conservator pointed out. Region 4 includes Arkansas, Louisiana and Texas (except the Panhandle-Plains).

"The treatment of each acre on the farm in accordance with its needs and adaptabilities is necessary if the land is to be kept permanently productive," Mr. Walsler said. "A farmer may use his land incorrectly for a few years and not realize a satisfactory income from it, but he cannot expect to maintain his land in a continuous productive condition if he fails to adhere to proper land-use principles."

In 1933 a survey of 60 farms in the Duck Creek watershed near Lindale showed that labor income on all of them was about equal.

They were comparable in size and land use, type of farming, crops grown, soil type and degree of erosion.

In 1934 the Soil Conservation Service project was established in the watershed and conservation practices were installed in 1934 and 1935 on 40 of the 60 farms. By the end of 1937 the study revealed that farm income from the 40 farms operated with conservation practices averaged \$571 while it was only \$253 on the 20 farms whose owners had not adopted erosion control practices.

Mr. Walsler pointed out that the installation of some control practices, such as terracing, on the Lindale test farms, brought only temporary decreases in yields. Average cotton yields on the conservation farms were 124 pounds of lint to the acre while they were 132 on the 20 non-conservation farms. By 1936 yields on the 40 farms had jumped to 138 pounds and those on the 20 farms dropped to 123 pounds. In 1937 yields were 213 pounds of lint to the acre on conservation treated farms and only 172 pounds to the acre on the 20 untreated farms.

Conservation practices increase or at least maintain yields, it was pointed out. Cropland on the 4,645 cooperating farms has been reduced from 461,000 to 396,000 acres since the inception of the program in Texas. Some of this land has been too steep for safe or profitable cultivation. Some of it is so badly eroded that the returns for the farmer's labor and materials do not justify its continuance in clean tilled crops. Other land retired has gone into pasture, meadow and woods so that a profitable utilization could be effected.

Pasture acreage has been brought up from 221,000 to 299,500 acres; meadow acreage on cooperating farms now totals 4,344 acres. Some 2,906,000 trees have been planted to control erosion or for reforestation of woods. Conservation practices in effect on 296,000 acres of cultivated land include 9,967 miles of terraces protecting 165,840 acres; contour cultivation of 200,000 acres and strip crops planted between intervals devoted to clean tilled crops on 292,000 acres of cropland.

"Oats sown on the contour as strip crops on my terraced land produced 56 bushels per acre last season as against 26 bushels produced on land sown solid "round and round" from the fence. Last year's growing season was especially dry and water conserved by the strips certainly came in handy," is the observation of W. E. Burns, Brown County farmer.

Winter cover crops are being used on 22,000 acres of cropland to protect the soil from the erosive action of heavy winter and spring rains.

Pasture ridges and furrows designed to catch and hold rainfall permitting more moisture to penetrate into the soil to aid grass growth have been built on 89,000 pasture acres.

All of these practices have made it possible for farmers to stabilize their farming operations and to maintain their soil and water resources on a more nearly permanent basis. "When soil and water is held on the fields to serve a productive purpose the farmer feels encouraged to remain on the land and make a success of his farming operations," Mr. Walsler stated.

"Conservation keeps the soil on the farm and the farmer on the soil." Illustrating the economic advantages of soil and water conservation Mr. Walsler stated that reports from farmers throughout the state showed that yields of cotton, corn and other crops were being increased as a result of contour cultivation, terracing, strip cropping, crop rotations and winter cover crops. In West Texas water conservation brought about through the use of level, closed end terraces in conjunction with contour rows and strip crops has brought exceptionally good increases in yields within a year after installation of conservation practices. He pointed out that sodding, seeding and ridging of pastures coupled with rotated grazing and other pasture management practices had brought livestock carrying capacities up 25 to 50 per cent, and in some cases as high as 100 per cent.

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First Annual West Texas Soil and Water Conservation Contest Close; Winners Will Be Announced After February 1

ABILENE, Jan. 12.—The first annual West Texas Chamber of Commerce Soil and Water Utilization Contest closed December 31. All entries to be done in this contest, which was entered by 10 Texas counties representing 70,000,000 acres of farm and ranch land, is determine the winners.

Survey blanks on which participating counties will report 1938 accomplishments in soil and water conservation and utilization will be mailed soon and are to be received to the WTCC by February 1. Entries previously have been asked for in reports showing conservation work done prior to 1938. The contest will be judged by representatives of the WTCC, Texas Extension Service, Texas agricultural experiment stations, Texas Technological College, the farm and Vocational Agricultural Department, Soil Conservation Service and Texas Federation of Women's Clubs.

First place county will receive \$500, second place county will receive \$300, and third place county will get \$200. Winners will be announced at the WTCC annual convention in May. The prize money will be administered by the local soil and water utilization committees of the winning counties in promoting junior agricultural work.

"The winning counties will have substantial amounts of money with which to aid outstanding farm boys and girls in their work, but the chief benefit of the contest to any county is conservation of its soil and water resources. Many of the participating counties have shown wonderful accomplishments in the past year and every one of the 108 counties have benefitted materially," says Clifford B. Jones, Texas Tech president and chairman of the WTCC agricultural board.

Advertisement for 'ECONOMICAL BURIAL PROTECTION' by Morris 'Burial' Association. Includes text: '40c buys a \$150 Burial Policy for age 39. Yearly cost \$2.40.' and 'A \$250.00 Burial Policy at age 39 for 75c. Yearly estimated cost \$4.50.' Also features a large image of a man's head in profile.

Large advertisement for 'The New 1939 DODGE Luxury Liner'. Includes text: 'COME IN AND SEE IT!', 'The New 1939 DODGE "Luxury Liner"', 'IT'S a thrilling new kind of Dodge! This sparkling new Dodge Luxury Liner! See for yourself its striking new beauty... its new interior roominess... its many new engineering achievements! New easy way to shift gears! New "Safety Light" Speedometer! New Concealed Luggage Compartment, 27% larger! New Individual-Action Front Wheel Springing! And don't forget—the new 1939 Dodge Luxury Liner is a bigger, finer Dodge—at a surprisingly low price!'. Features a large image of a Dodge car and technical diagrams of the suspension system.

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A Better Cotton

Time of year when the producers of the community of Brown county are giving careful thought to the problem of the quality of their cotton and the per acre yield. The slogan a few years ago was "more cotton on fewer acres." Now it should be "more bales of better cotton on the available acres."

Crop restriction, as a means of preventing accumulation of surplus that would be injurious to American producers, puts an entirely different aspect upon the situation than that which existed a decade or two ago, when every farmer judged for himself whether to plant few or many acres. Then it was a matter of interpreting markets without knowing very much about them, and of attempting to take advantage of conditions which more than likely were improperly understood. Now it is a question of getting from the available acreage the largest possible production of the best quality crops.

A great many readers of this newspaper can remember when Brown county produced big crops of long staple cotton, which went into the markets to command the highest available price. All of us now are familiar with the present low production and the uniformly poor staple which penalizes the producers as they market their six or eight thousand bales annually. Neither low production nor poor staple need be continued, for there is a remedy for both. The one-cy cotton communities are providing the answer to the problem of quality, and intensive cultivation of the smaller acreages now made necessary by governmental regulation points the way to a solution of the other problem of production per acre.

Cotton, despite the low estate into which it has fallen in recent years, is still the major cash crop of the South. It need not be abandoned as such, despite the increased production and other factors which have depressed the market for the American crop. But unless Brown county farmers, with practical unanimity, determine that they will produce only a high grade staple, and that they will produce only a high grade staple, and will get the most possible out of the acreage they plant to cotton, they would do well to abandon cotton without further delay. This is the time of year to be thinking of these things.

Open Air Inauguration

THE SHOWMANSHIP which carried W. Lee O'Daniel successfully through last summer's primary campaign is to be continued in the inauguration of the flour salesman as the state's chief executive. Arrangements have been made by the House and Senate joint committee to administer the oath of office to Mr. O'Daniel in the University of Texas stadium, which has seats for 42,000 persons, and the occasion no doubt will also be put on the radio chains for the benefit of those who can not go to Austin for personal participation in the festivities.

There isn't anything wrong with this plan, but that it hasn't been used heretofore, and a new Governor takes the oath of office usually is in the quiet precincts of the capitol building or in front of that historic structure. The University's huge stadium would be an ideal place in which the faithful Democrats of Texas may assemble themselves to witness the oath-taking, and if there is anyone who objects to the plan he need not attend. This is a free country.

The only small bit of uneasiness occasioned by all this is the fear that showmanship will be continued through the entire O'Daniel administration. The spectacular campaign of last summer gave a hint of the infinite possibilities of the Governor-elect, and it is beyond reason to expect that means will be found for exploiting the routine active executive office during the next year. As a suggestion, the new Governor gain a tremendous volume of small measure of popularity by a microphone in his private study word said across his desk to the multitudes, if any, from the outside. A Governor in a football stadium gets his words from the people. The professional savoring of professionalism to the next

These Amendments

THE six proposed amendments to the charter, submitted to the electorate in a special election next Tuesday, are good amendments. They are offered after a long period of study by the present and the preceding municipal administrations, and by a group of citizens whose interest has been unselfishly devoted to the problem. There is no great emergency requiring the adoption of any one of the six, and yet it is earnestly believed that the approval of the entire group will point toward better conditions in the administration of municipal and school affairs, and for this reason it is suggested that all six be ratified in the special election.

Each qualified voter has received a copy of the entire group of six amendments, and it is therefore unnecessary to attempt a detailed discussion of them here except, perhaps, to explain briefly the sixth proposed change affecting the levying of taxes for school and municipal purposes. This amendment, if ratified, will increase the maximum rate which could be levied for both school and municipal purposes from \$2.00 per \$100 to \$2.15, but it would never be possible to levy the higher rate except by express permission of the people in an election to authorize bonds for school purposes. The amendment simply stretches the maximum tax rate which could be levied for school purposes so that if and when needed it would be possible to authorize the issuance of school bonds and to finance them with an adequate sinking fund tax rate. The separation of school and municipal sinking fund rates is provided for, to facilitate this end.

It is hoped that during the next few days every qualified voter will read and reread these amendments, and will think of them from the standpoint of the community's welfare rather than of any preconceived notions he may have, or any prejudiced ideas associated with individuals who are now or heretofore have been connected with either the municipal or school administrations. The election is not involved in any kind of personal campaign, and its issues, therefore, should be decided on their merits.

Texas Pecans the World's Best

TEXAS pecan growers are beginning to take note of the fact that they have let the home markets for their nuts slip away from them. Reports from Houston and Dallas, assembled by the pecan specialists of the State Department of Agriculture, were that during the Christmas holiday season an overwhelming percentage of pecans bought in these large cities were from Georgia and other pecan producing states. Texas pecans, meanwhile, were hunting markets outside the state which should have been available in our own backyard.

The Dallas News, commenting upon this situation, points to the well known success of California fruit and nut growers in the exploitation of their products. California's fruits and nuts, in the News' opinion, are inferior in flavor to those of Texas, and yet they find a ready market at premium prices in this state. The reason is that California has systematically and perseveringly recommended its products to the people of America, and has seen to it that they are available in the markets of every state.

Texas produces pecans that are unquestionably superior in flavor, as well as in food value. The reason this crop is held in comparatively low esteem is that in Texas, with the exception of a few small sections such as the San Saba country and in a part of Brown county, pecans are regarded as an incidental by-product rather than as a major source of revenue. Improvement of the quality of the nuts, and improvement of the marketing methods, should be speeded up. It is a matter of real importance here, because Brownwood is in the center of a vast region in which native pecan trees are producing tons of nuts every year, and this crop can be made to equal in value almost any other that is likely to be produced here.

Opinions and Observations

NEW YEAR LOOKS GOOD

From Stephenville Empire-Tribune: Most every person who stops to think for a few seconds will agree with the statement that we are in fairly good shape and that it is quite possible for the next twelve months to be profitable ones in every way.

MAKING STREETS UNSIGHTLY

From Fredericksburg Standard: Of late we have noticed that side streets and minor roads leading into Fredericksburg have been used as dumping grounds by thoughtless citizens. Such practices should be stopped, not next year, but right now. The city has a dumping ground and its officials should insist that these grounds be used to dump refuse of all kinds. In bringing such refuse to the dumping grounds, particular attention should be paid by those who haul trash so that it is not piled along the streets and road to the

Again



The MARCH OF TIME

A BANNER Feature by the Editors of TIME, The Weekly Newsmagazine

Up Garner . . .

WASHINGTON—In organizing the Senate this year the Administration might have had trouble. For in the new Senate "moderate" (economy-minded) Democrats outnumber New Dealers, and for this reason Mississippi's Pat Harrison might have ousted Kentucky's Barkley, the Majority Leader who beat him out by one vote in 1937 with Franklin Roosevelt's aid. But

Senator Harrison chose last week not to run for Leader, because he did not want to be the Senate's Administration spokesman, and Alben Barkley was re-elected by acclamation.

Of all pre-session maneuverings, however, none was so important as those that went on in the office of the Senate's president, John Nance ("Cactus Jack") Garner. As Vice President of the U. S., Mr. Garner regularly attends Cabinet meetings by special invitation of President Roosevelt. He attended a meeting last week and, though the walls of the Cabinet room are thoroughly sound-proof, newsmen soon learned that there had been hot discussion, that Cactus Jack had taken an adamant position for economy.

John Garner, who served 15 terms, 30 years in the House before he was elected Vice President, is Congress-heated and Congress-minded. The inroads of executive power upon the powers of Congress have irked him sorely. He has fast friends and respectful admirers in both Houses. Since the Republican swing last fall, which weakened the Democratic party in local affairs and made the Administration's majorities in Congress vulnerable to future coalitions of conservative Democrats and Republicans, John Garner is anxious not to have orders from the White House split the Democratic majority in Congress. To avoid this, Democrats in Congress will have to provide their own leadership. If they need a leader, John Garner stood ready to lead.

As though to prove the old Texan's new power, Capitol Hill last week beheld an unusual spectacle. Soon after the hot Cabinet session, two Cabinet members called on the Senate's president in one day. One was Secretary Wallace of Agriculture, of whose acreage restrictions and proposed revival of processing taxes Mr. Garner disapproves. The other was Harry Hopkins, whose WPA performance will be mercilessly reviewed before the Senate confirms him as Secretary of Commerce.

Sheppard Report . . .

WASHINGTON—Ready for anxious inspection by Senators when they returned to their desks last week was a 65-page report, plus 379 pages of documentary evidence, from Chairman Sheppard's Senatorial Campaign Investigating Committee. After long weeks of probing and the expenditure of \$54,000 of its \$80,000 appropriation, the committee said there had been "unjustifiable political activity in connection with the work of the WPA in several States."

The committee did not attack Harry Hopkins' WPA Administration, except to call Deputy Administrator Aubrey Williams' famed "Keep your friends in power" speech "unfortunate." The election of no Senator was impugned and Senators Barkley of Kentucky and Stewart of Tennessee were described as "ignorant of WPA

pressurizing in their behalf. Most of the Committee's suggested amendments to the Work Relief act and the Corrupt Practices act were small. The biggest were: That it be made a felony (instead of a misdemeanor) for any person to deprive any WPA client of the benefits of the act for political reasons; that Federal relief recipients and dispensers alike be forbidden to contribute any money

ever to political campaign funds, and relief executives be forbidden to coerce or solicit such funds, or have others do it for them.

Some other suggested prohibitions: The use of WPA lists, either of clients or executives, for political purposes; promising relief jobs to get votes; the use of Government stationery for political work. The committee also urged the Senate to consider the whole question of political contributions by anyone on any Federal payroll.

Common Cause . . .

WASHINGTON—During last week's busy days—while he was preparing for the opening of the first Congress in which his supporters may not have clear sailing—Franklin Delano Roosevelt picked George MacDonalld, rich public utilitarian of Manhattan, to head a committee to distribute 3,000,000 bushels of surplus U. S. wheat to non-combatants in Spain.

Giving wheat to Spaniard of both sides impartially amounts to friendly aid to Spanish Loyalists, who need bread far worse than Generalissimo Franco's side, and as such it is another gesture of democratic solidarity against dictators. But the President's appointment was still more notable, for George MacDonalld is one of the foremost U. S. Roman Catholic laymen, a hereditary papal marquis. In effect the President won a diplomatic ally for his anti-fascist gesture.

Accident it may have been that the President's callers last week included Roman Catholic Bishop James Ryan of Omaha and Rev. Maurice Sheehy of Catholic University; that he appointed Roman Catholic Frank Murphy, Governor-elect of Michigan, to be his Attorney General; that the Pan-American Conference at Lima, so largely the creature of Franklin Roosevelt and Secretary Hull, was praised last week by "L'Osservatore Romano," the Pope's daily, after the totalitarian press had belittled it. These things, whether planned or unplanned, appeared to be rapidly creating a community of interest between democracies and the Vatican.

Lima Aftermath . . .

ARICA, Chile—From Arica last week came a newspaperman's snapshot of the 8th Pan-American Conference at Lima, Peru, which did not coincide with the Conference's official picture. New York "Times" Correspondent John W. White wrote: "The . . . Conference . . . functioned under a dictatorial regime of censorship, intimidation and spying such as never before seen in any Pan-American assembly. The Peruvian Government not only tried to control the newspaper correspondents, it censored and spied on the delegates. . . Secret service men were found searching the offices of the American delegation. The Government . . . violated diplomatic immunity and exam-

ined the delegates' mail. Many chauffeurs assigned to the delegates were known to be in the employ of the secret police. . . (Peru) used at least two agents provocateurs in its campaign to intimidate visiting correspondents. . . The censor cut the telephonic communication of Leland Stowe on two occasions while he was dictating his dispatch to the (New York) "Herald Tribune."

The (Peruvian) Government's sympathies are intensely fascist," continued Mr. White, "and the Government was furious at the disclosure of German and Italian activities against the Pan-American Conference. On the opening day . . . Lima appeared to be the site of a great Nazi rally. There were literally thousands of swastika flags all over the city. There were only three American flags on the main street, and one of them was at the American Consulate. Also there were more Italian and Japanese flags than there were flags of any South American countries. Throughout the Conference the Government-controlled newspapers used prominent headlines on everying the totalitarian leaders said against the Conference.

Terra Torpedo . . .

MONTEVIDEO, Uruguay—The ink was hardly dry on the Pan-American Conference's unanimous resolution to eschew barter-trade deals with the European dictator nations, when small but rich Uruguay last week approved a deal with Italy which, swapping wool for armaments, is expected to treble trade between the two countries.

Dr. Gabriel Terra, who ran Uruguay personally for seven years, was not among the delegates to the Lima conference. Instead he remained home in Montevideo praising the wonders of the Italian Government. When the Uruguayan delegates at Lima got thru renouncing the principle of trading with the dictatorships, Dr. Terra's Fascist friends cheerfully sprang the trade agreement they had been making for months in Rome.

Fleet Problem XX . . .

SAN DIEGO, California—The ladies of San Diego, good and bad, gazed sadly out to sea last week when for the first time since 1934 the might of the U.S. Navy started leaving the Pacific. Maneuvers in the Atlantic and Caribbean, and a ceremonial visit to the New York World's Fair of 1939, were planned over a year ago; but now the fleet's move has another significance: to bolster the President's "continental solidarity," and remind Europe's fascists that the U. S. is still a major power in the Atlantic.

Meanwhile in the Pacific, regarded for several years as the most vulnerable sea front of the U. S., four of its 31 cruisers, will stay for overhaul and to see that Japan does not forget its manners. The standing force of submarines, destroyers and planes in the Pacific Islands will also remain undisturbed.

Order . . .

WASHINGTON—Secretary of the Interior Harold Ickes last week ordered PWA underlings to do something about roadside signs which read, "Slow Men Working."

Why Go to Church?

BECAUSE you are not likely to be engaged, during the worship hour, in a worshipful service at home or elsewhere. Going to church involves much more than merely listening to the preacher as he delivers his sermon. It is a voluntary act of worship, beginning at home as preparations are made for the trip to the church, continuing as the service opens and reaching its climax as the preacher's message finds lodgment in your heart. The radio, fine as it is, is not a substitute for the church worship service. A good book is not a substitute for the church service. Even Bible reading, invaluable though it be, is not a substitute for the worship service of the church. God knew what he was talking about when he commanded that his children assemble themselves together in worship and praise. If there had been any acceptable substitute for it, he would have called attention to it.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15, 1939

PETER'S EXPERIENCE ON THE Mount of Transfiguration should be considered from the standpoint of his probable reaction from the experience of a week earlier, when after boldly making his great confession he was rebuked as an emissary of Satan. The transfiguration itself provides a marvelously interesting and helpful study, but the purpose of the present lesson is to think primarily about its effect upon the apostles who witnessed it, and particularly upon that apostle for whom it was a needed revelation of the divine nature of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Peter, it is quite evident, had no adequate conception of the spiritual nature of the kingdom of the Lord Jesus. He recognized Jesus as the Son of the living God, because he had witnessed his miracles, he had been constantly under his teaching, and was impressed by the majesty of his character. But like most others who followed Jesus at this time, he was thinking of the restoration of the ancient kingdom of David. He was a "practical" follower of the Lord, just as there are so many "practical" Christians today who utterly fail to grasp the spiritual realities of discipleship.

Peter, moreover, was probably confused and distressed by the prospect that the Master soon was to die. He had spoken of his life. He had spoken of his death. He had spoken of his resurrection.

From his heart when he saw the Lord, he was deeply wounded. And he carried a deep wound in his heart because Jesus had rebuked him. It would be but natural for him to feel that the Lord had failed completely to understand him. He needed the mount of transfiguration to show him something of the divine nature of Jesus, and to give him a better understanding of the purposes of the sacrificial death toward which Jesus was going.

In the transfiguration Peter saw the glory of the divine nature of

the Lord. With his lips he had confessed him readily enough, but not until the transfiguration did he have a vision of the spiritual Christ. He had been one who saw but did not see; now he was able to see indeed. Coincident with this vision there came an understanding of the mystery of the approaching death of Jesus, against which he had protested so earnestly. He was like those Christians of this day who read their Bibles and interpret them to suit their own convenience or desire, rather than with open minds and hearts eager to learn the truth.

The reaction of Peter to the vision of the transfiguration was typical of his whole life. "It is good for us to be here," he said; and he sought to prolong the experience, suggesting that three tabernacles be erected on the mountain, implying that he would readily yield himself to the hard labor of building them. Those who have had a vision of the Lord Jesus are always eager to labor for him, forgetting themselves, as Peter did here, and desiring only to prolong their companionship with the Savior.

A great contrast next is provided in this story. Descending from the mountain, Jesus and his three disciples found abject failure on the part of others of the twelve, who had been utterly powerless without the presence of the Lord with them. Human suffering demanded relief, but only the power of the Lord himself could provide it.

The ultimate effect upon Peter of his experience during the transfiguration is to be seen during the period of his active ministry, as did Paul's vision of the Lord remain constantly before him throughout his life. Peter was able to understand it, no doubt; but thereafter his thoughts of Jesus always pictured him as seen on the mount, in all his glory, with God himself confirming the apostle's confession that "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the Living God."

BACKSTAGE IN AUSTIN

AUSTIN, Jan. 12.—In capitol corridors and in hotel lobbies, in coffee shops and on street corners, wherever they're found discussing state affairs, members of the 16th Legislature will tell you that the current session is likely to be the most hectic in years.

No previous session has been confronted with so many momentous tasks of government. The main issues, moreover, involve conflicting tendencies, and therefore are difficult to approach with any unity of purpose.

Take, for instance, the popular issues of pensions and economy. Gov. O'Daniel and a majority of the lawmakers are committed to pay more liberal pensions to the old folks, and also to cut the cost of government. But they cannot have both big pensions and economy. They will have to decide on one or the other.

Then there are the questions of industrialization and new taxes. New taxes are necessary to raise funds for teachers retirement, aid to the needy blind and dependent children, and other social security measures. But businessmen insist O'Daniel's industrialization movement will be hampered by new taxes.

After months of heated argument and sober compromise, what will the Legislature produce? Knowing the complexion of both houses, observers are making their predictions. A peek into the political horoscope reveals the following outlook:

PENSIONS—O'Daniel's plan to pay everyone over 65 years of age \$30 a month will be sidetracked. Legislative sentiment already has crystallized against universal pensions. However, the old age assistance law will be liberalized to eliminate the kinfolks clause which now withholds pensions from old folks who have relatives able to care for them. That will permit the addition of thousands of needy cases to the present rolls.

SECURITY—In accordance with constitutional amendments approved by the voters, the Legislature will provide some funds (but not the full amount asked) for teachers retirement, aid to the needy blind and to dependent children. Provision will be made to continue the life of the Texas Relief Com-

mission or to transfer to another agency its functions of distributing federal surplus commodities, certifying workers for WPA projects, enrolling boys and men in the CCC.

ECONOMY—Prospects for sharp curtailment of governmental expenditures will soon vanish. Two or three million dollars may be cut off the regular appropriation bill by slashing higher-bracket salaries, dropping a number of departmental workers, minor departmental consolidations. But new appropriations will far overshadow reduced expenditures. Minimum additional requirements for old-age pensions, teachers retirement, aid to needy blind and dependent children, relief administration are in the neighborhood of ten million dollars a year.

TAXATION—Movements to enact (1) a general sales tax, (2) an income tax, (3) high natural resource taxes are doomed to failure. A gross income tax—a modified sales tax—has a slight chance for passage, but in all probability lawmakers will fall back on an omnibus tax bill including moderate increases in present levies. An effort to tighten application of the property tax also may bear fruit.

CHAIN STORES—There is an excellent chance that the "fair trade act" to prevent retailers from selling articles at a price below that set by the manufacturer will pass. This is aimed at chain stores selling nationally-advertised products at cut-rate prices. An effort to repeal the chain store law will be made, but will not succeed.

LIQUOR—Although for sale of liquor by still strong, wet leaders now doubtful as to the wisdom of seeing such a change in the liquor laws. The legalization of mixed drinks might set in motion an actionary prohibition wave which would stop the sale of whiskey any form. Chances are mixed drinks will not be legal at this session.

TRUCKS—Truck leaders the best opportunity in several years to increase the 7,000-pound limit. But the odds are against pushing for a set gross weight limit law, truck drivers will seek a simple load limit to 10,000 pounds as their best bet.

IN SPECIAL ELECTION TUESDAY—

Voters Defeat Six Proposed City Charter Changes

Another Long Distance Irishman



Fueling his six-year-old plane in New York, Patrick Breen of Flushing, N. Y., flew non-stop to Miami, Fla., in the low cost plane shown here. The flight took 17 hours in the lightweight plane. Ambassador Bullitt, left, envoy to France and Ambassador Kennedy, envoy to England, reported to a joint session of the Senate and House military committees on the situation in Europe with reference to war.

PUBLICISES "PROMISED LAND"

When Taylor McGarrity, Brownwood poultry breeder, was asked to say a few words over what he thought to be a public address system at a recent eastern poultry show, little did he realize his audience was any larger than the 3,000 attendants of the show or that he was speaking over anything but the microphone of a public address system.

LOCAL MAN—

Harry Knox Jr. Appointed Texas Adjutant General

Appointment Yet to be Confirmed by Texas State Senate

Harry Knox, Jr., manager of Harry Knox Company, wholesale grocers here, was appointed adjutant general of Texas Thursday by Governor W. Lee O'Daniel. The appointment is yet to be confirmed by the Texas Senate. News of the selection of the Brownwood man was received with gratification by friends here, many of whom had actively interested themselves in directing Governor O'Daniel's attention to the propriety of the appointment.

Mr. Knox not only is thoroughly conversant with the work of the National Guard and of other state military affairs, but was the original supporter of O'Daniel here. Long before the public announcement of his candidacy, O'Daniel was urged by Mr. Knox to make the race for the governorship, and throughout the July primary campaign the Brownwood man was one of the most consistent and effective supporters of the O'Daniel candidacy.

PLANS COMPLETED FOR—

Annual Comanche Trail Council Meeting Here Friday Jan. 27

Banquet To Be Held On Roof Garden of Hotel Beginning At 6 p.m.

Plans are near completion for the annual meeting of the Comanche Trail Area Council to be held in Hotel Brownwood Friday, January 27. The afternoon session will begin at 3:30 o'clock in the Gold Room, and the banquet will start on the Roof Garden at 6 p.m.

Russell B. Jones of Breckenridge, president of the Comanche Trail Area Council, will preside over the annual meeting.

All scouts, including executive board members, council members, scoutmasters, district chairmen and chairmen of all the standing committees from Brown, Mills, San Saba, Comanche, Erath, Lampasas, Eastland and Stephens counties will be here for the meeting.

Standing committees are organization, leadership training, advancement, camping and activities, health and safety and finance. The theme of the afternoon session will be based upon the above phases of scouting in group discussions. Following, the groups will reassemble for reports previous to the evening banquet.

All Eagle Scouts in the district are invited as guests of honor at the meeting. Awards will be made to unannounced Scouts. The

Tax Amendment Is Unpopular City Change

All Amendments Defeated In All Four Wards

Qualified voters in the city of Brownwood, in Tuesday's special municipal election, turned down six proposed amendments to Brownwood's city charter.

Closest vote was on Amendment No. 1, which proposed to prohibit the mayor from serving as city manager and fix the terms for employing a city manager. The vote on that amendment was 206 for and 350 against.

Other proposed charter changes lost by more decisive votes. Most unpopular of the six proposed changes was a provision fixing the outside tax limit for municipal purposes, including schools, at \$2.15 on the \$100 valuation and authorizing the city council to levy and collect a city poll tax. This amendment lost, 69 for to 475 against.

A proposal to increase the mayor's salary to \$300 per year lost by a vote of 120 for to 425 against.

Results of other amendments follow: Amendment No. 2, providing for the election of two aldermen each year, with one alderman from each of the four city wards to be voted upon by the citizens of all four wards; for 190, against 364.

Amendment No. 4, to provide for appointment of three tax equalization board members owing no obligation to the city; for 176, against 365.

Amendment No. 5, to fix compensation of members of the board of equalization at not to exceed \$8 per day; for 151, against 397.

Officials conducting the election were:

Ward 1—M. W. Terry, judge; Frank Grantham, J. W. Remington, W. H. Dean, Mrs. U. Y. Smith.

Ward 2—C. E. Boyett, judge; E. B. Cole, Mrs. J. M. Turner, R. S. Ravitt, H. H. Hamilton.

Ward 3—R. E. Blair, judge; E. A. Beckham, Miss Claudia McNeill, Mrs. W. T. Fisher.

Ward 4—Clair Bettis, judge; S. E. Stark, E. M. Boone, E. V. Johnson.

Kilgore Well Hits Pay In Cross Cut

A 700-foot south extension of the Cross Cut pool in northern Brownwood was assured with the drilling in of H. P. Evans, Arthur Roth et al. No. 2 C. M. Kilgore in the Robert Mitchell survey 141.

The outcrop had 11 feet of solidly saturated Cross Cut sand, topped at 1,114 feet depth, according to H. P. Evans of Brownwood, and drilled to 1,129 feet in lime, with the first two feet of the four feet of lime showing saturation. Operations were shut down, pending the arrival of Arthur Roth and Hiram Winston of Boston, Mass., who are associated with the project. Upon their arrival, the well will be shot and then will be completed.

Mr. Evans said he was confident the new well and the same operator's No. 1 C. M. Kilgore, 700 feet to the north, mark discovery of a new producing pool of the general Cross Cut area. The No. 1 Kilgore is considered a fair producer but did not have as much solid sand as the No. 2.

Evans and associates have a 630 acre lease on which additional wells probably will be put down. Casing has been set in the No. 2 Kilgore in preparation for completion.

Whiteside, Smith Name Tarrant County Man In Drilling Suit

J. E. Whiteside of Brownwood and Garrett E. Smith of Ft. Worth have filed suit against Harry Trentman Jr. of Tarrant county for breach of a contract to drill on leases assigned to Trentman by the plaintiffs, who list sums aggregating \$11,600 which they claim as damages. The suit was filed in Brown county district court for trial during the forthcoming court term open January 30.

"HOT CHECKERS" RACE TO PAY OFF BEFORE BEING CHARGED

Taking heed following Brown County Attorney J. Piner Powell's announcement of a "war against hot checkers," persons who have been writing hot checks are now engaged in a veritable race with the peace officers of Brown county to pay off their checks before they can be arrested for issuing them, it has been reported.

One Brownwood merchant said three worthless checks he had taken were paid off Saturday and other merchants made similar reports.

The new county attorney filed five more hot check charges Saturday and one more Monday, making his total since taking office

twenty-five such charges. Other cases are under investigation. "Word seems to have gotten around that charges are filed as rapidly as checks come in," Powell commented. He stated, however, that in all cases where charges were being filed, merchants had first "used due diligence" in an effort to obtain collection of the sums represented by the worthless checks. Only one check, issued since January 1, has come to the attention of the county attorney, he said.

A. C. C. Bus Carrying 28 Overturns

Share Croppers' Home on the Highway



Evicted from their homes, more than 1700 sharecropper families, like the above, camped along highways in southeast Missouri. Tenants charge the landlords want the government crop control benefits for themselves while the landlords charged that roadside squatters were part of a CIO demonstration.

Students on Return From Inauguration

Accident Near Zephyr Students Continue On To Abilene

It was a miraculous escape from death or serious injury for twenty-eight members of the Abilene Christian College band early Wednesday morning when the bus in which they were riding was virtually demolished by overturning on the highway, 10 miles east of Zephyr. The accident occurred about 1:40 p.m.

The band director, D. Crain, who was in control of the top-heavy, it tipped a hill. It turned completely over once and came to a rest on its side. A woman sustained injuries when the truck in which she was riding crashed into the A.C.C. band bus.

James Malcolm, secretary of the band, was treated at the Central Texas Hospital here for a broken leg. In the left wrist, Director Crain sustained bruises to the leg and shoulder. Others of the twenty-eight band members were either shaken or bruised but seriously injured.

Mrs. R. L. Noble was treated in Central Texas Hospital for a head injury sustained when the bus in which she was riding crashed into the bus. The couple live between Abilene and Cisco.

Both the college bus and the truck were returning from Austin for the O'Daniel inauguration. Girl members of the band, riding in a vehicle ahead of the bus, were unaware of the accident and continued to Abilene.

Occupants of the overturned crawled out through shattered windows and built a fire. Shelves were posted to ward off vandals. Safeguard further accidents, bandmen huddled around which they built beside the bus until 6 a.m. when a comb was picked most of the bus and took them to Abilene.

County Judge Sets For Jury Court Cases

County Judge A. E. Nabe fixed January 24 and 25 and subsequent days of the week beginning Monday, January 23, for trial of jury cases in county court here.

Several civil jury cases were set down for trial starting Tuesday, January 24, but Judge Nabors said criminal jury cases might also be tried during the week. If no cases are up for trial Wednesday, January 25, he hopes to attend a meeting of the Texas County Judges and Commissioners Association in Austin that day.

BROWNWOOD'S NEW— Memorial Hospital Set For Reception Next Week

New Establishment Is Modern Throughout; Yard Landscaped

Formal opening of the city's new hospital, Brownwood Memorial Hospital, will be held sometime next week, according to officials of the organization.

First patients were taken Tuesday as soon as equipment and apparatus had been installed. The hospital, formerly the M. E. Wakefield home on Coggin avenue, has been completely rebuilt inside and out, with all the conveniences of a modern hospital. The three-floor structure was rearranged, offering the public complete hospitalization with its sixteen beds, modern operating room, emergency operating room, obstetrical room. A self operating, automatic elevator has been installed and it, just as everything else in the new establishment, is of the latest modern design.

CAMPAIGN OVER—

'The Banner' Circulation Contest Is Won By Mrs. Porter Jones

Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Hughes Get Second And Third Places

The Banner's circulation campaign was brought to a close Saturday night, January 14, when Mrs. Porter Jones was given the first bonus award, choice of a 1939 Dodge Luxury Liner four-door sedan or its cash equivalent, Mrs. Jesse Davis, route 5, was given the second bonus, \$300 in cash.

Others receiving bonuses to supplement the commissions paid by the contest management were: Mrs. Amanda Hughes, third place; Mrs. Philip Shaw, fourth place; Mrs. J. D. Lewis, fifth place; Mrs. W. D. Mathews, sixth place; and Miss Marie Miller, seventh place.

E. E. Troxell, manager of the campaign for the Texas Press Association, left early Tuesday for Richardson for a conference with Secretary Sam P. Harben before beginning another contest.

The campaign was a very satisfactory one, according to Jas. C. White, publisher and editor of The Banner. The circulation was revived and expanded, and today all names on the mailing lists represent paid-in-advance subscriptions. Several of those who worked dur-

Four Injured In Accident Near Here Tuesday

Enroute to Austin to attend the inauguration of Governor W. Lee O'Daniel, four persons were injured, three seriously about seven miles north of Brownwood when the car in which they were riding overturned three times. All occupants are from near Stamford.

All four were brought to Medical Arts Hospital for treatment. It was learned late this afternoon that they were improving but still under treatment.

Roy Overby appeared to be critically injured. He was paralyzed by a fracture of the spine at the neck. Mrs. Overby suffered neck injury, cuts about the body and a fractured left ankle. The Overbys reside five miles north of Stamford.

J. E. Miller, driver of the car, had an injured chest but was less seriously hurt than the others. Mrs. Miller sustained a fractured clavicle. The couples had left their homes near Stamford in Overby's car for Austin, at 1 a. m. Tuesday. At a point three miles south of Owens, Miller struck a match to look at the speedometer, as he had no dashlight burning on the car. The car hit a soft shoulder and

TRUCK DRIVER IS CHARGED

A truck driver, identified by officers as Urban Heard, Monday afternoon was charged with driving while intoxicated, after he damaged cars near the courthouse.

Around the Supper Table

MR. O'DANIEL thus far has neglected to appoint us to any kind of position of honor, trust or emolument, but we are not downhearted. The Republicans have offered to make us a trustee, and even though we do not care to be a Republican trustee it is nice to know that it could be done, if any. A gentleman who recommends himself very highly writes to offer the appointment.

He says what this country needs is a good Republican president, and if we will induce a thousand others to contribute ten dollars each to the fund to elect Thomas E. Dewey of New York we can be a trustee. The only reason he was not elected Governor of New York, our correspondent explains, was that there was dishonest voting and counting. It looks like the Democrats outsmarted the Republicans for once, any way.

IT IS a matter of small consequence to us who is Governor of New York, but we think a good deal of these United States, and we had rather have a good, substantial Democrat in the White House than to have any kind of Republican there. The last time we had a Republican president the whole country was full of trustees conducting bankrupt sales, and here is one simple minded Democrat who doesn't want any more of that sort of thing.

Commendation sometimes is negative, but always pleasant. A friend observed the other evening that this column is only one-sixth as bad as it used to be when it was published six times a week instead of only once. That's growth in grace.

THE other day at the Rotary Club a learned gentleman delivered a dissertation about the rise of the ancient city, your Chaldea. He pointed out there were schools and libraries there, including Jerusalem and Happers. After the discussion Judge McCartney put forward the claim that there were also lawyers in Ur, citing the discovery of an ancient bill of sale which was in such involved language that only a lawyer could have written the document.

Which confirmed our long standing conviction that lawyers and original sin got into the world at about the same time. And down at Menard the News editor is suggesting that the United States should offer to take some land off several nations and in return call the war debts even. The only trouble is that we already have the WPA stretched over too much territory.

OUR CIRCULATION contest has been brought to an end, but there still may be a few people in the Promised Land who are not regular readers of this unusual old home and fireside journal, and for that reason the following may be of interest. It is a clipping from the Covington, Alabama, Argus, which published it in the mortuary column:

To whom it may concern: If you have frequent headaches, dizziness, fainting spells, lame back accompanied by chills, cramps, bunions, jaundice, chilblains, or epileptic fits, it's a sign you are liable to die any minute. So hasten to this office and pay your subscription a year in advance, and make yourself solid for a good obituary notice.

WE WILL BE happy to receive subscriptions from any who may be interested. Which reminds us that once upon a time a lady's husband died, and he was a good friend of ours, and his wife asked if we would mind writing the story about his death. And when we said, "Oh, yes, we will be glad to," she looked as if maybe there was a little too much emphasis upon the obituary in the premises.

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Better Cotton

Time of year when the producers of the community of Brown county are giving careful thought to the problem of the quality of their cotton and the per acre yield. The slogan a few years ago was "more cotton on fewer acres." Now it should be "more bales of better cotton on the available acres."

Crop restriction, as a means of preventing an accumulation of surplus that would be injurious to American producers, puts an entirely different aspect upon the situation than that which existed a decade or two ago, when every farmer judged for himself whether to plant few or many acres. Then it was a matter of interpreting markets without knowing very much about them, and of attempting to take advantage of conditions which more than likely were improperly understood. Now it is a question of getting from the available acreage the largest possible production of the highest quality crops.

A great many readers of this newspaper can remember when Brown county produced big crops of long staple cotton, which went into the markets to command the highest available price. All of us now are familiar with the present low production and the uniformly poor staple which penalizes the producers as they market their six or eight thousand bales annually. Neither low production nor poor staple need be continued, for there is a remedy for both. The one-cotton communities are providing the answer to the problem of quality, and intensive cultivation of the smaller acreages now made necessary by governmental regulation points the way to a solution of the other problem of production per acre.

Cotton, despite the low estate into which it has fallen in recent years, is still the major cash crop of the South. It need not be abandoned as such, despite the increased production and other factors which have depressed the market for the American crop. But unless Brown county farmers, with practical unanimity, determine that they will produce only a high grade staple, and that they will produce only a high grade staple, and will get the most possible out of the acreage they plant to cotton, they would do well to abandon cotton without further delay. This is the time of year to be thinking of these things.

Open Air Inauguration

THE SHOWMANSHIP which carried W. Lee O'Daniel successfully through last summer's primary campaign is to be continued at the inauguration of the flour salesman as the state's chief executive. Arrangements have been made by the House and Senate joint committee to administer the oath of office to Mr. O'Daniel in the University of Texas stadium, which has seats for 42,000 persons, and the occasion no doubt will also be put on the radio chains for the benefit of those who can not go to Austin for personal participation in the festivities.

There isn't anything wrong with this plan, that it hasn't been used heretofore. When a new Governor takes the oath of office, it usually is in the quiet precincts of office or before a crowd of a few hundred people. It is a few thousand more or less unobtrusively standing people, either inside the capitol building or in front of that historic structure. The University's huge stadium would be an ideal place in which the faithful democrats of Texas may assemble themselves to witness the oath-taking, and if there is anyone who objects to the plan he need not attend. This is a free country.

The only small bit of uneasiness occasioned by all this is the fear that showmanship will be continued through the entire O'Daniel administration. The spectacular campaign of last summer gave a hint of the infinite resourcefulness of the Governor-elect, and it is beyond reason to expect that means will be found for exploiting the routine activities of executive office during the next year as a suggestion, the new Governor will gain a tremendous volume of small measure of popularity by a microphone in his private study word said across his desk to the multitudes, if any, from the outside. A Gov. elected in a football stadium will be a disappointment to the people. The professional savoring of professional themes to the next

These Amendments

THE six proposed amendments to the charter, submitted to the electorate in a special election next Tuesday, are good amendments. They are offered after a long period of study by the present and the preceding municipal administrations, and by a group of citizens whose interest has been unselfishly devoted to the problem. There is no great emergency requiring the adoption of any one of the six, and yet it is earnestly believed that the approval of the entire group will point toward better conditions in the administration of municipal and school affairs, and for this reason it is suggested that all six be ratified in the special election.

Each qualified voter has received a copy of the entire group of six amendments, and it is therefore unnecessary to attempt a detailed discussion of them here except, perhaps, to explain briefly the sixth proposed change affecting the levying of taxes for school and municipal purposes. This amendment, if ratified, will increase the maximum rate which could be levied for both school and municipal purposes from \$2.00 per \$100 to \$2.15, but it would never be possible to levy the higher rate except by express permission of the people in an election to authorize bonds for school purposes. The amendment simply stretches the maximum tax rate which could be levied for school purposes so that if and when needed it would be possible to authorize the issuance of school bonds and to finance them with an adequate sinking fund tax rate. The separation of school and municipal sinking fund rates is provided for, to facilitate this end.

It is hoped that during the next few days every qualified voter will read and reread these amendments, and will think of them from the standpoint of the community's welfare rather than of any preconceived notions he may have, or any prejudiced ideas associated with individuals who are now or heretofore have been connected with either the municipal or school administrations. The election is not involved in any kind of personal campaign, and its issues, therefore, should be decided on their merits.

Texas Pecans the World's Best

TEXAS pecan growers are beginning to take note of the fact that they have let the home markets for their nuts slip away from them. Reports from Houston and Dallas, assembled by the pecan specialists of the State Department of Agriculture, were that during the Christmas holiday season an overwhelming percentage of pecans bought in these large cities were from Georgia and other pecan producing states. Texas pecans, meanwhile, were hunting markets outside the state which should have been available in our own backyard.

The Dallas News, commenting upon this situation, points to the well known success of California fruit and nut growers in the exploitation of their products. California's fruits and nuts, in the News' opinion, are inferior in flavor to those of Texas, and yet they find a ready market at premium prices in this state. The reason is that California has systematically and perseveringly recommended its products to the people of America, and has seen to it that they are available in the markets of every state.

Texas produces pecans that are unquestionably superior in flavor, as well as in food value. The reason this crop is held in comparatively low esteem is that in Texas, with the exception of a few small sections such as the San Saba country and in a part of Brown county, pecans are regarded as an incidental by-product rather than as a major source of revenue. Improvement of the quality of the nuts, and improvement of the marketing methods, should be speeded up. It is a matter of real importance here, because Brownwood is in the center of a vast region in which native pecan trees are producing tons of nuts every year, and this crop can be made to equal in value almost any other that is likely to be produced here.

Opinions and Observations

NEW YEAR LOOKS GOOD From Stephenville Empire-Tribune:

Most every person who stops to think for a few seconds will agree with the statement that we are in fairly good shape and that it is quite possible for the next twelve months to be profitable ones in every way.

MAKING STREETS UNSIGHTLY From Fredericksburg Standard:

Of late we have noticed that side streets and minor roads leading into Fredericksburg have been used as dumping grounds by thoughtless citizens. Such practices should be stopped, not next year, but right now. The city has a dumping ground and its officials should insist that these grounds be used to dump refuse of all kinds. In bringing such refuse to the dumping grounds, particular attention should be paid by those who haul trash so that it is not scattered along the streets and road to the

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The MARCH OF TIME

A BANNER Feature by the Editors of TIME, The Weekly Newsmagazine

Up Garner . . .

WASHINGTON—In organizing the Senate this year the Administration might have had trouble. For in the new Senate "moderate" (economy-minded) Democrats outnumber New Dealers, and for this reason Mississippi's Pat Harrison might have ousted Kentucky's Barkley, the Majority Leader who beat him out by one vote in 1937 with Franklin Roosevelt's aid. But Senator Harrison chose last week not to run for Leader, because he did not want to be the Senate's Administration spokesman, and Alben Barkley was re-elected by acclamation.

Of all pre-session maneuverings, however, none was so important as those that went on in the office of the Senate's president, John Nance ("Cactus Jack") Garner. As Vice President of the U. S., Mr. Garner regularly attends Cabinet meetings by special invitation of President Roosevelt. He attended a meeting last week and, though the walls of the Cabinet room are thoroughly sound-proof, newsgatherers soon learned that there had been hot discussion, that Cactus Jack had taken an adamant position for economy.

John Garner, who served 15 terms, 30 years in the House before he was elected Vice President, is Congress-hearty and Congress-minded. The inroads of executive power upon the powers of Congress have irked him sorely. He has fast friends and respectful admirers in both Houses. Since the Republican swing last fall, which weakened the Democratic party in local affairs and made the Administration's majorities in Congress vulnerable to future coalitions of conservative Democrats and Republicans, John Garner is anxious not to have orders from the White House split the Democratic majorities in Congress. To avoid this, Democrats in Congress will have to provide their own leadership. If they need a leader, John Garner stood ready to lead.

As though to prove the old Texan's new power, Capitol Hill last week beheld an unusual spectacle. Soon after the hot Cabinet session, two Cabinet members called on the Senate's president in one day. One was Secretary Wallace of Agriculture, of whose acreage restrictions and proposed revival of processing taxes Mr. Garner disapproves. The other was Harry Hopkins, whose WPA performance will be mercilessly reviewed before the Senate confirms him as Secretary of Commerce.

Sheppard Report . . .

WASHINGTON—Ready for anxious inspection by Senators when they returned to their desks last week was a 65-page report, plus 279 pages of documentary evidence, from Chairman Sheppard's Senatorial Campaign Investigating Committee. After long weeks of probing and the expenditure of \$54,000 of its \$80,000 appropriation, the Committee said there had been "unjustifiable political activity in connection with the work of the WPA in several States."

The Committee did not attack Harry Hopkins' WPA Administration, except to call Deputy Administrator Aubrey Williams' famed "Keep your friends in power" speech "unfortunate." The election of no Senator was impugned and Senators Barkley of Kentucky and Stewart of Tennessee were described as ignorant of WPA

pressurizing in their behalf.

Most of the Committee's suggested amendments to the Work Relief act and the Corrupt Practices act were small. The biggest were: That it be made a felony (instead of a misdemeanor) for any person to deprive any WPA client of the benefits of the act for political reasons; that Federal relief recipients and dispensers alike be forbidden to contribute any money whatsoever to political campaign funds, and relief executives be forbidden to coerce or solicit such funds, or have others do it for them.

Some other suggested prohibitions: The use of WPA lists, either of clients or executives, for political purposes; promising relief jobs to get votes; the use of Government stationery for political work. The Committee also urged the Senate to consider the whole question of political contributions by anyone on any Federal payroll.

Common Cause . . .

WASHINGTON — During last week's busy days—while he was preparing for the opening of the first Congress in which his supporters may not have clear sailing—Franklin Delano Roosevelt picked George MacDonald, rich public utility man of Manhattan, to head a committee to distribute 3,000,000 bushels of surplus U. S. wheat to non-combatants in Spain.

Giving wheat to Spain of both sides impartially amounts to friendly aid to Spanish Loyalists, who need bread far worse than Generalissimo Franco's side, and as such it is another gesture of democratic solidarity against dictators. But the President's appointment was still more notable, for George MacDonald is one of the foremost U. S. Roman Catholic laymen, a hereditary papal marquis. In effect the President won a diplomatic ally for his anti-fascist gesture.

Accident it may have been that the President's callers last week included Roman Catholic Bishop James Ryan of Omaha and Rev. Maurice Sheehy of Catholic University; that he appointed Roman Catholic Frank Murphy, Governor-elect of Michigan, to be his Attorney General; that the Pan-American Conference at Lima, so largely the creature of Franklin Roosevelt and Secretary Hull, was praised last week by "L'Osservatore Romano," the Pope's daily, after the totalitarian press had belittled it. These things, whether planned or unplanned, appeared to be rapidly creating a community of interest between democracies and the Vatican.

Lima Aftermath . . .

ARICA, Chile—From Arica last week came a newspaperman's snapshot of the 8th Pan-American Conference at Lima, Peru, which did not coincide with the Conference's official picture. New York "Times" Correspondent John W. White wrote:

"The . . . Conference . . . functioned under a dictatorial regime of censorship, intimidation and spying such as never before seen in any Pan-American assembly. The Peruvian Government not only tried to control the newspaper correspondents, it censored and spied on the delegates . . . Secret service men were found searching the offices of the American delegation . . . The Government . . . violated diplomatic immunity and exam-

ined the delegates' mail. Many chauffeurs assigned to the delegates were known to be in the employ of the secret police . . . (Peru) used at least two agents provocateurs in its campaign to intimidate visiting correspondents . . . The censor cut the telephonic communication of Leland Stowe on two occasions while he was dictating his dispatch to the (New York) "Herald Tribune."

"The (Peruvian) Government's sympathies are intensely fascist," continued Mr. White, "and the Government was furious at the disclosure of German and Italian activities against the Pan-American Conference. On the opening day . . . Lima appeared to be the site of a great Nazi rally. There were literally thousands of swastika flags all over the city. There were only three American flags on the main street, and one of them was at the American Consulate. Also there were more Italian and Japanese flags than there were flags of any South American countries. Throughout the Conference the Government-controlled newspapers used prominent headlines on everything the totalitarian leaders said against the Conference."

Terra Torpedo . . .

MONTEVIDEO, Uruguay — The ink was hardly dry on the Pan-American Conference's unanimous resolution to eschew barter-trade deals with the European dictator nations, when small but rich Uruguayan last week approved a deal with Italy which, swapping wool for armaments, is expected to treble trade between the two countries.

Dr. Gabriel Terra, for seven years personally for seven years, was not among the delegates to the Lima conference. Instead he remained home in Montevideo praising the wonders of the Italian Government, whose guest he had just been. When the Uruguayan delegates at Lima got thru renouncing the principle of trading with the dictators, Dr. Terra's Fascist friends cheerfully sprang the trade agreement they had been making for months in Rome.

Fleet Problem XX . . .

SAN DIEGO, California—The ladies of San Diego, good and bad, gazed sadly out to sea last week when for the first time since 1934 the might of the U.S. Navy started leaving the Pacific. Maneuvers in the Atlantic and Caribbean, and a ceremonial visit to the New York World's Fair of 1939, were planned over a year ago; but now the fleet's move has another significance: to bolster the President's "continental solidarity," and remind Europe's fascists that the U. S. is still a major power in the Atlantic.

Meanwhile in the Pacific, regarded for several years as the most vulnerable sea front of the U. S., four of the Navy's 15 battleships, two of its 31 cruisers, will stay for overhaul and to see that Japan does not forget its manners. The standing force of submarines, destroyers and planes in the Pacific Islands will also remain undisturbed.

Order . . .

WASHINGTON—Secretary of the Interior Harold Ickes last week ordered PWA underlings to do something about roadside signs which read "Slow Men Working."

Why Go to Church?

BECAUSE you are not likely to be engaged, during the worship hour, in a worshipful service at home or elsewhere. Going to church involves much more than merely listening to the preacher as he delivers his sermon. It is a voluntary act of worship, beginning at home as preparations are made for the trip to the church, continuing as the service opens and reaching its climax as the preacher's message finds lodgment in your heart. The radio, fine as it is, is not a substitute for the church service. Even Bible reading, invaluable though it be, is not a substitute for the worship service of the church. God knew what he was talking about when he commanded that his children assemble themselves together in worship and praise. If there had been any acceptable substitute for it, he would have called attention to it.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15, 1939

PETER'S EXPERIENCE on the Mount of Transfiguration should be considered from the standpoint of his probable reaction from the experience of a week earlier, when after boldly making his great confession he was rebuked as an emissary of Satan. The transfiguration itself provides a marvelously interesting and helpful study, but the purpose of the present lesson is to think primarily about its effect upon the apostles who witnessed it, and particularly upon that apostle for whom it was a needed revelation of the divine nature of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Peter, it is quite evident, had no adequate conception of the spiritual nature of the kingdom of the Lord Jesus. He recognized Jesus as the Son of the living God, because he had witnessed his miracles, he had been constantly under the majesty of his character. But like most others who followed Jesus at this time, he was thinking of the restoration of the ancient kingdom of David. He was a "practical" follower of the Lord, just as there are so many "practical" Christians today who utterly fail to grasp the spiritual realities of discipleship.

Peter, moreover, was probably confused and distressed by the prospect that the Master soon was to lose his life. He had spoken from his heart when he said, "Far be it from thee." And he carried a deep wound in his heart because Jesus had rebuked him. It would be but natural for him to feel that the Lord had failed completely to understand him. He needed the mount of transfiguration to show him something of the divine nature of Jesus, and to give him a better understanding of the purposes of the sacrificial death toward which Jesus was going.

In the transfiguration Peter saw the glory of the divine nature of

the Lord. With his lips he had confessed him readily enough, but not until the transfiguration did he have a vision of the spiritual Christ. He had been one who saw but did not see; now he was able to see indeed. Coincident with this vision there came an understanding of the mystery of the approaching death of Jesus, against which he had protested so earnestly. He was like those Christians of this day who read their Bibles and interpret them to suit their own convenience or desire, rather than with open minds and hearts eager to learn the truth.

The reaction of Peter to the vision of the transfiguration was typical of his whole life. "It is good for us to be here," he said; and he sought to prolong the experience, suggesting that three tabernacles be erected on the mountain, implying that he would readily yield himself to the hard labor of building them. Those who have had a vision of the Lord Jesus are always eager to labor for him, forgetting themselves, as Peter did here, and desiring only to prolong their companionship with the Savior.

A great contrast next is provided in this story. Descending from the mountain, Jesus and his three disciples found abject failure on the part of others of the twelve, who had been utterly powerless without the presence of the Lord with them. Human suffering demanded relief, but only the power of the Lord himself could provide it.

The ultimate effect upon Peter of his experience during the transfiguration is to be seen during the period of his active ministry, as did Paul's vision of the Lord remain constantly before him throughout his life. Peter was able to understand it, no doubt; but thereafter his thoughts of Jesus always pictured him as seen on the mount, in all his glory, with God himself confirming the apostle's confession that "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the Living God."

BACKSTAGE IN AUSTIN

AUSTIN, Jan. 12.—In capitol corridors and in hotel lobbies, in coffee shops and on street corners, wherever they're found discussing state affairs, members of the 16th Legislature will tell you that the current session is likely to be the most hectic in years.

No previous session has been confronted with so many momentous tasks of government. The main issues, moreover, involve conflicting tendencies, and therefore are difficult to approach with any unity of purpose.

Take, for instance, the popular issues of pensions and economy. Gov. O'Daniel and a majority of the lawmakers are committed to pay more liberal pensions to the old folks, and also to cut the cost of government. But they cannot have both big pensions and economy. They will have to decide on one or the other.

Then there are the questions of industrialization and new taxes. New taxes are necessary to raise funds for teachers retirement, aid to the needy blind and dependent children, and other social security measures. But businessmen insist O'Daniel's industrialization movement will be hampered by new taxes. After months of heated argument and sober compromise, what will the Legislature produce? Knowing the complexion of both houses, observers are making their predictions. A peek into the political horoscope reveals the following outlook:

PENSIONS—O'Daniel's plan to pay everyone over 65 years of age \$30 a month will be sidetracked. Legislative sentiment already has crystallized against universal pensions. However, the old age assistance law will be liberalized to eliminate the kinfolks clause which now withholds pensions from old folks who have relatives able to care for them. That will permit the addition of thousands of needy cases to the present rolls.

SECURITY—In accordance with constitutional amendments approved by the voters, the Legislature will provide some funds (but not the full amount asked) for teachers retirement, aid to the needy blind and to dependent children. Provision will be made to continue the life of the Texas Relief Com-

mission or to transfer to another agency its functions of distributing federal surplus commodities, certifying workers for WPA projects, enrolling boys and men in the CCC.

ECONOMY—Prospects for sharp curtailment of governmental expenditures will soon vanish. Two or three million dollars may be cut off the regular appropriation bill by slashing higher-bracket salaries, dropping a number of departmental workers, minor departmental consolidations. But new appropriations will far overshadow reduced expenditures. Minimum additional requirements for old-age pensions, teachers retirement, aid to needy blind and dependent children, relief administration are in the neighborhood of ten million dollars a year.

TAXATION—Movements to enact (1) a general sales tax, (2) an income tax, (3) high natural resource taxes are doomed to failure. A gross income tax—a modified sales tax—has a slight chance for passage, but in all probability lawmakers will fall back on an omnibus tax bill including moderate increases in present levies. An effort to tighten application of the property tax also may bear fruit.

CHAIN STORES—There is an excellent chance that the "fair trade act" to prevent retailers from selling articles at a price below that set by the manufacturer will pass. This is aimed at chain stores selling nationally-advertised products at cut-rate prices. An effort to repeal the chain store law will be made, but will not.

LIQUOR—Although for sale of liquor by still strong, wet leaders now doubtful as to the wisdom of seeing such a change in the laws. The legalization of drinks might set in motion an action prohibition wave which would stop the sale of whiskey any form . . . Chances are mixed drinks will not be less at this session.

TRUCKS—Truck leaders the best opportunity in so many years to increase the 7,000-pound limit. But the odds are all against pushing for a steeper gross weight limit law, trucking industry will seek a simple load limit to 10,000 pounds as their best b