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From The Editor's Window

BY MRS. J. S. YEAGER

The birthday of Thomas Alva Edison will be observed on a nation-wide basis on February 11 of this present year.

The Industrial News Review has this to say about the World's foremost inventor: — "Edison Day must also be seen as a celebration of the greatest force for progress that exists — the freedom of the individual to explore, to create, to fail and to succeed, all without coercion or domination by government."

It is said Pope Pius XII is a recent victim of rheumatism and has been forced to give up his daily walks in the Vatican gardens. He will be 74 years old on March 2 of this year.

Mrs. Hattie W. Caraway, now 77 years old and the first woman to be elected a United States senator, remains in a critical condition at George Washington University Hospital. Mrs. Caraway is the victim of a stroke. Her home is in Arkansas.

Two recent uranium discoveries on the east shore of Lake Superior seem to have excellent possibilities for commercial production according to recent reports. Some 4,000 uranium claims were staked in that area during 1949.

Reports from Tel Aviv, Israel are that Israel plans to begin a 10-year reforestation program, and plant with 15,000,000 saplings this year. Eventually the government hopes to extend the project down to the southern Negeb region which has always been a desert area.

"What happened after you were thrown out of the side exit of the movie on your face?" "I told the fellow I belonged to a very important family." "And then?" "He begged my pardon, asked me in again and threw me out of the front door."

Teacher: — "What is it that comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb?" Small boy: — "It's my dad when he brings home his wages."

One of the most unique libraries in America is in the Bible House, headquarters of the American Bible Society, in New York City. It has 17,103 copies of one book — the Bible. These volumes are in 924 different languages.

Funeral services were held January 24 for Charles Evans Hughes Jr. in New York. Mr. Hughes, former United States solicitor general and a son of the late chief justice of the United States, died January 21 at the age of 60 years. Death followed an operation for removal of a brain tumor.

Australia is the only continent lying entirely south of the Equator.

Tennessee is bounded by eight states.

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County Teachers Meet In X Plains

Primary teachers of all parts of Callahan County met in Cross Plains last Thursday night with county Supervisor Clive Pierce in charge of the meeting. Problems of primary education were discussed in round table which was participated in by Mrs. Roy Acker, Mrs. Ruby Ballew, members of the Pioneer school faculty, Mrs. Muri Reed of Putnam, Miss Isadore Grimes, Mrs. Bessie Short and county superintendent B. C. Chrisman of Baird, Rudy Johnson and Mrs. Emma Poindexter of Oplin, Mrs. J. D. Crawford of Eula, Mrs. Baker W. Crawford, Denton; Mrs. Jewel Swanzy, Mrs. Frank Bailey, and Mrs. C. F. Corley, all of Clyde; and M. H. Kelley, Mrs. Bernice Nichols, Mrs. Garland Austin, Miss Mildred Woody, Miss Ann Alexander and Mrs. Clifton Barron of the Cross Plains faculty.

Winter Sprays For Fruit Trees

Winter Sprays for Fruit Trees — During the winter or dormant season is the time to spray for the San Jose Scale, an insect that does lot of damage to trees in this area. This scale gets on Peaches, plums, apples and other trees. The spray to use is commercial oil emulsion at 3 per cent strength. The oil should be mixed with water according to manufacturer's directions. Avoid if possible spraying just before freezing temperatures. Keep spray well

Low Down From Hickory Grove

Always striving to be helpful, I suggest as we go headlong into 1950 that every congressman — every mother's son of 'em — go on down to his ear specialist and find out just what it is that has been throwing him for a loop and off his equilibrium. Find out what is causing him to imagine that 500 folks making a big hullabaloo cuts more ice than 10,000 quiet folks who elect their man and then expect him to be astute enough and smart enough not to be carried off his feet by the noise of the few looking for loot.

These congress fellers, when they are home, know that to get a nest egg in the bank, — and have your own earned security — that it takes thrift. Even in the schoolhouse — first grade — they know that a nickel a week in the piggy bank puts the young goslings in a fancy spot when vacation time comes and ice cream cones are extra tasty.

So you gents there on that mystic Potomac, where some are inclined to the fancy that el dinero grows on shrubs and bushes, I warn you. My crystal ball tells what is brewing. Listen. The 10,000 quiet citizens back home pack a haymaker and could fool you on next election day. They are not as sound asleep as you might think. —Jo Serra in Industrial News Review.

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The Putnam P.T.A. Reports On Expenditures of Money

For the benefit of those who would like to know just what the Putnam P. T. A. has done so far this year, the treasurer would like to submit the following report:

Our project for the year has been the re-decorating of the teacherage with the aim of making it more livable for our superintendent and family. New wallpaper for the bed rooms, kitchen and living room was bought by the P.T.A. Mrs. Clark bought the bathroom paper and paid for having it hung. The back room has been repainted, tile board put in, a nice modern bath tub installed and paid for by P.T.A. All the wood work has been repainted. The school board bought a new front door, a screen and new facings were made, and screens repaired.

The amount of money raised so far by the P-T A on the carnival, membership fees, play, sponsoring game night, and selling food and drinks at basketball games prior to the tournament is \$245.39.

The amount made on tournament is \$149.35 and \$3.00 was donated by Mrs. L. B. Taylor, Mrs. E. E. Sunderman and Mrs. L. A. Williams.

The following amount of money paid out:

Wallpaper and canvas, \$51.68; Mr. Bruce White, paper hanger, labor & materials, \$96.50; Mr. A. S. Leese, labor, \$16.00; materials, paint, lumber, etc., \$26.70; bath on P-T A play, \$7.09; groceries, drinks, ice and candy prior to tournament, \$31.74.

Tournament expense: groceries, \$24.63; drinks and ice, \$17.09; candy, \$19.31; pot plant sent to sick member, \$2.50; stamps and money orders, 38c.

The P-T.A wishes to thank each and everyone who has helped in any way, either by working, donating food and money, and those who have bought our food.

Submitted by: Mrs. A. B. Hutchinson, Treas.

Things Remembered Annual Meeting In Dalias March 6

I have never seen the country press compared with the nation's railroads, but they actually have much in common.

To begin with, there is no substitute for either, though each has competition. After all, it is the country press that gives the thousands of local communities and millions of farms, home town news and advertising facilities that nothing else supplies. Year in and year out, it stands as a living record of the people.

And so it is with the railroads. After all their competition has furnished various forms of transportation, the railroads pick up the bread and butter load for every section of the country.

There would be no U. S. as we know it and enjoy it without the country press and the railroads. It can be truly said that they both pay their own way and ask no favors. —Industrial News

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Time Of Year For Pruning Trees

This is almost the time of the year for pruning to be done. It is essential that some pruning be done each year. Care should be taken in pruning young trees. If too much is taken off young trees it may injury them, especially apple trees. A general rule for pruning bearing peaches and plum trees is to remove approximately one-third of the current seasons growth each winter.

In pruning apple trees do not aim toward an open center. In unpruned trees the central limb is apt to run up 15 to 18 feet. Therefore during the second and third growing season it is best to cut the central leader branch to a height of 10 to 12 feet in order that the side branches may develop in proportion to the central leader, thus making a better balanced and more symmetrical top. Shaping a tree in this way necessitates that some pruning be done each year to both the central leader and side limbs, but the central limb should always be left a little longer than the side branches. Heavy pruning causes fruit spurs to grow into leafy branches. Pruning old trees consist mainly in thinning out dense growth and removing rubbing limbs.

3400 Bales Cotton Ginned To Jan. 6th

The News is in receipt of the census report of John Shrader, cotton census reporter for Callahan County. The report discloses that 3,406 bales of cotton had been ginned in Callahan County prior to Jan. 16, from the 1949 crop. This compares with only 479 for the 1948 crop to same date. This would be a gain of more than 600% over the 1948 crop.

Which Do You Like Better, New Deal Or The Fair Deal?

It doesn't make any difference whether you are a Republican, a Democrat, or an independent, this from the Bernice, La., News Journal is good for all to read who wish to see our American system of representative government service as it is.

Capitalism; If you have two cows you sell one and buy a bull.

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Waterflood Wells

Making 100 Barrels

From a lease pumping about 80 barrels of oil a month to one flowing 100 barrels a day. That's the record of the William Waterflood Project five miles North of Putnam.

The operation, occupying approximately 130 acres, is owned by the Chapman Oil Company and Great Expectation Oil Corporation. All of the 56 producing wells are bottomed in the Tennehill Sand at an average depth of 287 feet to the top of the formation. The sand is from five to 18 feet in thickness.

The waterflooding project is the first Texas designed to flow, was started in 1946, when 26 wells were on production. The lease was about ready for abandonment, because it was unprofitable to operate. All the wells were reworked and 2 inch tubing was cemented with "Poor Boy" rag packer casing and sold to salvage. No casing is needed since all wells flow.

Baird Man Files Suit In Car Crash

Truman Cummings of Baird has filed a suit for damages in the 104th District Court in Abilene, against Ralph M. Alred and Peggy Mitchell Alred, of Eddy, N. Mex.

He is seeking \$11,496 damages near Elmdale on U. S. Highway 80 that hospitalized him 7 weeks and will render him unable to work for another 78 weeks.

He asks \$5,616 for loss of earnings, \$5,000 suffering, and \$337 medical attention. Cummings has retained the services of Attorney Theo Ash of Abilene in the case.

Baird Post-Office Receipts Increase

BAIRD, Jan. 25 — Baird postal receipts in 1949 showed an increase of \$1000 over the receipts of 1948, Eliska Grisham, assistant postmaster, announced Saturday. Receipts in 1948 were \$13,735, and in 1949, \$14,794.

The post office employs three regular and one substitute clerk and one carrier and a substitute she revealed.

Miss John Gilliland, sister of Miss Eliska Gilliland, has been postmaster in Baird since March 4, 1935.

Clyde Will Get Farm Market Road

CLYDE, Jan. 25 — The new farm-to-market road is being surveyed from Clyde south to the Denton Valley store and community.

As soon as the surveying is completed, the contracts will be let for the building of the road which will be of great benefit to the farmers of the area. Some of the richest farm lands in the county are along the route south of Clyde.

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Increase In Peanut Acreage For Eastland County Is Being Sought

E. D. David, manager of the Southwestern Peanut Association at Gorman, and Emmett Powell, Eastland County P. M. A. administrator, announced that peanut and cotton farmers of Eastland County will receive larger planting quotas for 1950 than had been set up, if a bill now before Congress is passed.

David said he had been to Washington on behalf of the increased peanut allotment, which would give farmers of the county an increase of approximately 10% in the acreage they could plant in peanuts this spring.

Powell said he was advised Thursday that individual farm planting quotas will not be assigned until the fate of the bill is determined in Washington.

Powell also said the peanut increase is wrapped up in the same bill with measures to wipe out the alleged inequities in the assigning of cotton planting quotas.

The cotton bill is said to be much more complex than the



FREE-WISE MEN—Robert Lutkens, left, and Ralph Wiegard stand by to let the owner of this giant Douglas fir tree, Charles Lutkens, foreground, get a good look at their two-hour job, near Elbe, Wash. It took them that long to down the tree with a power driven chain saw. The tree measured 14 feet across the base and was 175 feet high.



SHE'LL BE SORRY—According to her owner, Mrs. O. E. Brest of Dayton, O., Rusty has offered to adopt seven Chesapeake retriever pups from Salem, Ore., where the mother is too ill to feed them. Along with her own five puppies, Rusty will have a rather large family when her step-pups arrive.

peanut quotas bill.

Authorities state that any new cotton bill adopted would give much relief to Eastland County cotton growers, since the big complaint has been on not giving counties larger quotas to compensate for "war crop" quotas given to individual farms, and on that basis Eastland County would be assigned a rather large increase in cotton acreage.

Moran Man Hurt In Accident

LENN MORAN, 37, of Abilene, was reported as resting well at Graham Hospital Thursday following an accident which occurred on an oil lease near Putnam Wednesday when he was pinned down by falling equipment.

Holland, lease foreman for the oil company, was brought to the hospital in the car of a fellow worker. He was suffering from severe shock and painful cuts and bruises but the injuries were not thought to be serious.

Proposed Budget Would Help This Area, WTCC Says

ABILENE, Jan. 19 — Support of Senator Harry F. Byrd's proposed \$36 billion federal budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1 can mean a savings of \$131,250,000 to West Texas taxpayers, according to a report of the Public Expenditures and Taxation Committee of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.

WTCC President J. M. Wilson has recommended the report to the committee to the 140 affiliates of the organization, urging them to seek the co-operation of their Congressmen and Senators in supporting the Byrd program.

M. C. Ulmer of Midland, chairman of the committee, stated that a crisis faces the Congress in session this month on maintaining the present spending budget of \$43½ billion (or proposed \$42.4 billion for 1950-51) on \$36

billion in revenues. The issue is whether to levy \$7½ billion in new taxes by increasing corporation income taxes by 60% and individual income taxes by 40%, or adopt a program of cutting federal expenditures to reduce spending to present revenues.

"The proposed Byrd budget means no curtailment of present government services," Ulmer said. "It also means no new services. It does mean the end of deficit financing and a balanced budget."

Cross Plains Picnic To Be Held In July

V. C. Walker, Chief of the Cross Plains annual picnic have been set for July 13 and 14, and agreement made with Don Franklin shows to be present on both days.

Committees will be named to handle various phases of the celebration as soon as Walker and members of his executive committee have time to make the assignments.

Political

Announcements

The following have announced subject to action of the Democratic Primary:

COUNTY JUDGE
 J. L. FARMER (Re-election)
 M. W. Huntington

COUNTY CLERK
 BRUCE BELL (Re-election)

TAX COLLECTOR
 M. H. (Bob) JOY (Re-election)

COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT
 EDWARD SUNDERMAN
 L. C. CASH
 B. C. CHRISMAN (Re-election)

COUNTY TREASURER
 HAZEL REYNOLDS

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Scranton High School Boasts Good Record In Basketball This Season

The Scranton Basketball clubs have had a very successful season up to now and recently two of its teams entered tournaments at Rising Star and Putnam. Although they won neither of the tournaments the teams showed up well.

On Friday of last week the Scranton girls attended the Rising Star tournament. In their first game they defeated the May High School girls by a score of 34 to 23. In their second game Scranton was defeated by the very strong Denton team by a score of 34 to 23. Sally Speagle, guard, was named on the All-Tournament team.

The same week the elementary teams entered the Putnam tournament. The girls were defeated by Baird. The Scranton boys defeated Eula and Cisco and were defeated in the finals by Denton. As the runner-up team Scranton received a trophy.

Tuesday night Scranton elementary girls were defeated by Moran girls 8 to 5. Scranton elementary boys beat Moran 36 to 6. Scranton senior girls defeated Moran 44 to 6. Moran high boys defeated the Scranton five 36 to 30. These games were in the Moran gym.

The high school girls have won 23 and lost 11 games. They have failed to defeat either Denton or Eula but have defeated all other teams played at least once. Since recovering from an illness, Sue Grace is improving rapidly as a player.

For the season, the Scranton teams have won seven trophies and 11 individual awards.

Friday night the Scranton girls team will play in the Gorman invitation tournament.

Team jackets for the players are to be ordered at once.

Regular Medical Checkup Urged By Health Officer

AUSTIN, Jan. 26. — We do not all grow, develop, mature nor do our organs degenerate at the same rate, says Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer.

"Today, a man of 60 may be as young, vigorous and vital as the average man of 40. On the other hand, he may look and act like a man of 80, old, weak and miserable. A man of 60 may



THEIR GOOD DEED—These are some of the prisoners at Ohio Penitentiary, at Columbus, who have offered to save the life of a child by giving their skin. They are shown getting ready to have blocks of skin taken from their bodies to be grafted onto the body of Jimmy Wallace, 11, who was badly burned when a kerosene stove exploded.

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ter users.

Chairman and members of the four new water committees of the WTDWA have been called to the meeting by Homer D. Grant, pre-

sident, and J. M. Wilson, WTCC president, issued the call to the Executive Board of the WTCC and chairman of all other committees.

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Reports On Water Due January 28

ABILENE, Jan. 19. — Reports on tentative domestic and industrial water projects for West Texas will be made by representatives of the Bureau of Reclamation at a joint meeting of the Executive Board of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce and all committees of the WTCC and affiliated West Texas Domestic Water Association to be held here on January 26.

Harry P. Burleigh, state planning engineer for the Reclamation Service, will report on the results of recent studies of the Brazos and Colorado river watersheds by reclamation engineers for the purpose of locating sites for multi-city dams.

Encouraged by the call for immediate action on water resources as set forth on President Truman's executive order creating his Water Resources Policy Commission, committees will be activated at the meeting to pursue immediate passage in Congress of its bill to amend the present national water law by establishing municipal water as a criteria for dam building and giving municipalities priority over all other wa-

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Personals

Perry Hughes of Baird was transacting business in Putnam Thursday morning.

E. M. Lubank and C. K. Odom were looking after business interest in Baird Thursday afternoon.

John Franklin Shackelford of San Antonio was here the past week visiting in the homes of Mrs. F. P. Shackelford and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shackelford.

Marvin Cosart living on Route 1 out of Cisco was here Thursday talking business with the Shackelford Implement Company.

Eugene Sunderman spent one night with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Sunderman the past week. Mr. Sunderman is a teacher in the Dalhart schools and was on his way to Dallas with the coach and basketball team.

John Hughes is assistant tax assessor for Bob Joy and is canvassing the precinct taking renditions of property.

W. H. Boatwright was in from the ranch about five miles west of Putnam, and reported a good rain would be welcomed by ranchers and farmers.

Raymond Clark has accepted a job as night watchman for the Campbell Road Construction Co. who has the paving contract on highway 80 from Baird to the Callahan county line.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Brandon of McCamey spent the weekend



NOT USED TO IT—Still wearing Hawaiian shirts and leis, these airline representatives frantically try to keep their feet out of the snow after landing in Seattle, Wash. They had just finished a tour of the Hawaiian Islands and encountered quite a weather change.

visiting in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charley Brandon.

Fred Cook was transacting business in Abilene Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Foy Jobe was here from Midland visiting with her parents Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Brandon.

Edward King was out from Ft. Worth visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pete King.

Slim Taylor was in from the town he thought they were needing a good rain on the grain.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Yarbrough were in town Saturday afternoon shopping and looking after business interest.

Ode Johnson was in Putnam from Zion Hill, and asked if he had planted watermelons yet, and has said no, but expect to plant a good crop.

Fred Heyser was at the stock show at Brownwood Friday and Saturday and purchased two fine Hereford bulls, one for his ranch seven miles south of Putnam, and the other for Mrs. Heyser's ranch west of Cross Plains.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hale of Crane were visiting with relatives in Putnam over the past week end. Their son James preached at the Methodist Church Sunday morning to a considerable congregation.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Donaway

had as their guests Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Donaway and baby Mike of Snyder through the weekend.

Lee Rutherford was here from Fort Worth visiting with his mother, Mrs. Earl Rutherford, who has been ill for the past several days.

I. G. Mobley and sons Ray and Hall attended a church meeting for young people in Gorman one day last week.

Junior Balderree had the misfortune to have his barn and a burned Monday afternoon at his home north of town. They were burning trash and in some way the fire got from under control with the resulting damage.

M. E. Fry and sons were at the stock show at Brownwood and entered the contest with some choice bulls and other cattle. Reserve Hereford bull entered by the Frys sold for \$1,000 and reserve Hereford heifer for \$700. Another heifer went for \$380. The Frys place winners in practically every stock show in which they have entries.

Fred Cook was transacting business in Baird Monday afternoon in connection with his business in Putnam.

Mrs. J. E. Pruet returned from

Houston Saturday from where she had been visiting with her daughter, Mrs. Ralph Mitchell. Mrs. D. C. Clark, another daughter, who is teaching at Flatonia, returned with her to spend the week end visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Pruet.

Mrs. Buddy Reed who is a teacher in the primary department of the Putnam school attended a meeting of teachers at Cross Plains the past week and made a talk before the meeting on primary work in the school.

Rising Star Grid Player Placed On All Class Team

Buck Gibson, star halfback on the Rising Star Wildcat football team, was picked by the Associated Press, sports staff to be among the eleven top football players at all classes in the state for the past season.

Jerry Fouts, an end on the Wichita Falls team, drew first place. Buck was tied with Waggoner, of Wishita for eighth place and one of three backs chosen.

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ROY ROGERS, "King of the Cowboys," and his wife, Dale Evans, "Queen of the West," will star at the Houston Fat Stock Show and Livestock Exposition, Feb. 1 through 12. The western motion picture and radio stars will bring their entire troupe, including Rogers' horse, "Trigger," for 18 performances at the World's Championship Rodeo.

BAPTIST BROTHERHOOD GROUPS PLAN MEETINGS NEXT MONTH

Baptist brotherhood meetings for District 17 will be held in six communities February 13-18 in

George Owens, Jim Spencer, and Cisco, Abilene, Rotan, Haskell, Hamlin, and Jayton. The rallies will be for all pastors and laymen of all Baptist churches.

Speakers for the tour will include Lawson H. Cooke, executive secretary of the Baptist Brotherhood of the South from Memphis, L. H. Tapscott, state brotherhood secretary, Rev. J. Henry Littleton, district missionary, Stephenson, president.

The schedule is as follows: Cisco, February 13; Abilene, February 14; Rotan, February 15; Haskell February 16; Hamlin, February 17; Jayton, February 18. All meetings will be held at 7 o'clock.

Leaders for the Cisco group are: Associational Brotherhood President — Shobal Houston, Cisco; Moderator — Rev. L. M. Chapman, Eastland; Pastor of Host Church — Rev. Otis Strickland, Cisco; Brotherhood President in Host Church — E. H. Cheves, Cisco.

Leaders for Callahan group are: Association Brotherhood President — J. O. Connell, Cisco; Moderator — Rev. J. W. Chapman, Cross Plains.



W. A. Stephenson

was announced this week by Dean W. A. Stephenson of Hardin Simmons, district brotherhood president. Rallies will be held in

V. A. Answers Vet's Questions

The Veterans Administration recently released a group of questions and answers pertaining to problems confronting veterans. The release dealt with educational rights, disability and other problems. They are as follows:

Q — I was honorably discharged from the U. S. Army in 1945 after three years of war service. How much time do I have to complete my education under the G. I. bill?

A — Your course of education under the G. I. bill must start by July 25, 1951, and must end by July 25, 1956, provided you do not exceed your period of eligibility.

Q — I have a service-connected disability which doesn't bother me too much at present. How long will I be eligible for admittance to a hospital for this disability?

A — Hospitalization for a service-connected disability is available to you during your lifetime under present laws.

Q — I am a World War II veteran receiving compensation for a service-connected disability. If I take a part-time job, will my compensation be discontinued?

A — So long as your disability remains compensable, VA payments will be continued. The fact that you are employed does not bar payment of compensation for a service-connected condition.

Q — I am entitled to 4 years of education and training under the G. I. bill, and intend to take an on-farm training course. How long will I be permitted to take a course that will enable me to operate a farm of my own?

A — Your institutional on-farm training course may be only as long as, but no longer than, is necessary to meet your individual needs, provided it does not exceed your period of eligibility.

TO STOCK SHOW

According to an announcement made by the chapter advisor, the Rising Star Chapter of Future Farmers of America will go to Fort Worth next Saturday to attend the Fat Stock Show.

The chapter's grass-judging team, composed of Richard Hardy, James Hall and Frank Gray enter the show's grass-judging contest while there, it was announced.



FLASHBACK—Reminiscent of the gay nineties, this undergarment is done in nylon lace over satin, with elastic sides. The strapless garment is boned from bosom to hip and fitted with stocking supporters.

LETTERS AWARDED TO 23 MEN ON 1949 WRANGLER FOOTBALL TEAM

Letter awards were presented to 23 members of the 1949 Cisco Junior College Wrangler squad and the two team managers at the general assembly in the auditorium Wednesday.

The awards were in the form of white heavy knit coat style sweaters with white letters on a blue background. They were presented by Coach Stormy Davis who praised the men for their fine spirit during the season.

Receiving the letters were Gene Millsap and Charles Spicer, centers; J. M. Moore, Foye Flood, Virgil Clark, and Arkansas Allen, guards; Don Price, Harold

Hill, Aiton Kite, and Lee Kinard, tackles; Leonard Grigsby, Gorlyn Lee, ends; Lonnie Crosby, Ken Mayes, Paul Varner, Doug Garner, Olin Lewis, Don Whitaker, Willis Black, Harold Sides, and Bill Jeter, backs; and Doc Rainey and Stanley Sharp, team managers.

Only six of the lettermen of the 1949 squad will return next year. They are Jim Spencer, end; Virgil Clark and Arkansas Allen, guards, and Bill Jeter, Paul Varner, and Ken Mayes, backs.

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TEACHING THE KID BROTHER—Big brother's the boss in this basketball combination of the University of Toledo, O., team. Jerry Bush, left, former All-American player at St. John's College, in Brooklyn, N.Y., took over head coaching duties at Toledo in 1947 and found his brother, George, among the T.U. starters.

Soil conservation funds could be increased later, he continued, if this proved desirable after the degree of conflict with the Federal soil conservation program has been determined.

In addition to these estimated savings of \$15,450,000, Mr. White said that \$1,500,000 could be saved on textbooks and \$2 million to \$4 million could be transferred by the legislature from the surplus to other state funds.

"Even using the minimum figure of \$2,000,000," Mr. White stated, "this all adds up to a grand total of \$18,950,000, which can be made available to meet deficits and no new taxes would be required."

"Out of these funds, \$15,250,000 could be used to make up the deficit in the eleemosynary institutions operating budget which was vetoed for 1949-51, and permit \$3,700,000 to be used to make a start on the building program."

Dr. Langford Completes Cruise

Dr. Livius L. Langford, son of Judge and Mrs. Eugene Langford, who has for the past five months been on the aircraft carrier Leyte with the U. S. Sixth Fleet maneuvering in the Mediterranean Sea, called his parents to announce his safe arrival in Norfolk, Virginia.

The ship continued the trip to Newport, Rhode Island, where Dr. Langford was met by his wife who has made her home with her mother in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, during the absence of her husband.

Dr. Langford was one of two active doctors on board the ship which carried more than 3,000 men. The fleet visited the principal cities on the European and African coasts, including Gibraltar, Cannes, Paris, Naples, Rome,

Malta, Athens, Tripoli and Tangier.

While the Leyte was visiting Greece, Dr. Langford was called to Athens to perform a very difficult bone surgery on a Marine who had been badly crushed in an accident. The operation was successful. Dr. Langford received special training in this type of surgery during his internship at Philadelphia.



SOME GAL — When actress Ruth Roman went down to the beach at Santa Monica, Calif., for a swim, it's lucky for all of us that a photographer saw her, too. This is the result.

Let's Cut Costs

Reduce Present Expenses Rather Than Raise Taxes, Ciscoan Asks

The special session of the Texas legislature in January should reduce present appropriations instead of increasing taxes in order to check the sharp rise in state government costs.

This opinion was expressed today by Anton White of Cisco in a statement which showed how state expenditures can be cut by \$18,950,000.

"Legislators are responsible to the wishes of the people," Mr. White said, "and many new expenditures have been brought about by pressure groups whose members take advantage of this fact. People who believe in econ-

omy must express their opinions strongly to their senators and representatives if they are to have any effect in Austin."

Noting that the over-all cost of government in the U. S. requires approximately 25% of the national income, Mr. White said:

"If we are ever going to start reducing appropriations, now is the time to do it. One of the elementary facts of life is that the national income is far more subject to fluctuations than is the cost of government. We must take steps now, while the national income is still high, in order to avoid the misery which will

come when it declines. Let's start with our state government.

Using comparative figures for 1945-47 and 1949-51, as determined from the major state appropriation bills, Mr. White declared that the budget could be reduced without impairing state services and at the same time get the eleemosynary building program under way.

In the 1945-47 biennium, the state educational establishment received \$25,563,449 as against \$59,607,323 for 1949-51, he said, recommending a \$6,000,000 reduction in the latter appropriation because of an estimated 10% decline in student enrollment plus the increased junior college program. The junior college program jumped from \$687,600 in 1945-47 to \$4,200,000 in 1949-51, Mr. White declared, and called for that appropriation to be trimmed \$200,000, which would leave ample funds for needed expansion.

The cost of the state government departments could be cut by \$2,500,000 from the \$51,396,640 appropriation for 1949-51, in the opinion of Mr. White, by reducing personnel, and give the departments \$6,200,000 more than they had to spend in 1947-49.

The appropriations for eleemosynary purposes have more than doubled since 1945-47, he asserts, citing \$15,783,764 for that biennium and \$37,240,792 for 1949-51 although one year of the appropriation for 1949-51 was vetoed pending the special session's action on the building program. He said that a decrease of \$2,500,000 is practical because of lower living costs and increased efficiency of labor.

Saying that a saving of \$500,000 could be effected in the judiciary, he pointed out that the appropriation for that state government branch had climbed from \$4,388,000 in 1945-47 to \$6,039,097 in 1949-51.

A flat 10% reduction could be made in the new \$30,000,000 rural roads program, and still provide \$7,000,000 more than the late Governor Jester recommended, and \$750,000 could be cut from the soil conservation program, according to Mr. White.

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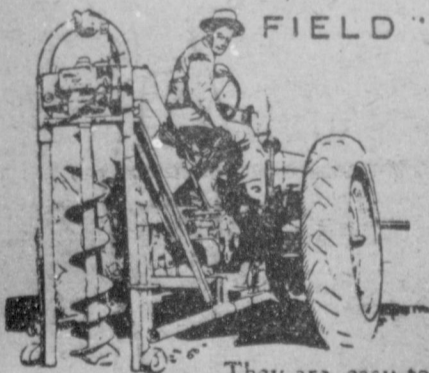


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F. P. Shackelford
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of Putnam celebrated her 86th birthday Thursday, January 19, by having open house in her home with her daughters-in-law, Mesdames Fred Heyser and J. V. Heyser presiding as hostesses.

The colors of white and pink were carried throughout the decoration scheme. A large four-layer birthday cake was served to many friends in attendance.

Mrs. Pierce Shackelford of Putnam gave the flowers used in decorations for the affair.

Mrs. Heyser came to what is now known as Callahan County with her parents, Attorney and Mrs. Rucker Taner, who settled about 10 miles south of Putnam in May, 1877. Mr. Taner engaged in the cattle raising business—the family occupying a one room double log dwelling. The Taners were the parents of 12 children, Mrs. Heyser being the sixth child. At that time the boys and girls in the neighborhood looked forward to the regular 'round-up' as the greatest social event of the year, with square dances as the principal entertaining feature.

Callahan County was duly organized in July, 1877. Before the schools and churches were organized the residents enjoyed the Spelling Bee, held in the homes on Friday evenings. When the school house was built in the Zion Hill community in 1876 with Mrs. Silkwood as teacher, the courses of study included reading writing, arithmetic, spelling and U. S. History.

Mrs. Heyser was married, at 15 years of age, to John Adam Heyser on July 13 1879. They soon purchased land and built a frame house. They built more rooms on the house as their family increased.

Five children were born to them as follows: Mrs. Walter Stuart of El Paso; J. V. Heyser of Cisco; Mrs. T. A. Hicks of Wichita Falls; Shields Heyser of Wichita Falls.

Fred Heyser, Mrs. Heyser's husband, has been dead for many years. The aged lady is a native Texan, having been born at Will's Point, Van Zandt County. She has a happy cheerful disposition and is much loved by her friends and neighbors.

**Five Generations
Of Hull Family
Gather Recently**

In a reunion held recently in the home of Mrs. Sam Hull, 97 year old Eastland County pioneer, five generations of her family were present.

They were Mrs. Hull, her son, Lee Hull, 70; her grandson, Sam W. Hull of Eastland, 40; her great-granddaughter, Mrs. Herman Threet, 20; and her great-great-granddaughter, Glenda Joyce Threet, seven months.

Mrs. Hull has lived on Route

**Aged Workers May
Be Eligible For
Social Security**

"Sixty-five year old workers may be eligible for monthly social security benefits even though they are still employed part of the time," stated Ralph T. Fisher, manager of the Abilene social security office.

"Too frequently we see a worker who believes that he has to be permanently retired before he can receive his old-age insurance benefits," Fisher continued. "Because of this misunderstanding, we have had cases where the worker did not file his application when he became insured and consequently lost hundreds of dollars in payment. You see, only three months back payments can be made when a person is late in filing his application.

"As long as the insured worker is employed on a job not covered by the Social Security Law, he can receive his monthly old-age benefits. Such jobs are found in agriculture, government, as domestic servants in private homes, in certain religious, charitable and non-profit organizations, and among the self-employed.

"I strongly urge that all workers, who have done some social security work, get in touch with our office as soon as they become sixty-five," Fisher continued. "We will be glad to discuss their rights with them and determine if they are eligible to receive insurance payments. By doing this they can prevent the loss of payments."

A representative from Abilene social security office will be in Cisco on Thursday, January 26, at 2:00 p. m. at the Post Office. Anyone wishing to apply for benefits or obtain further information about social security should call at that time.

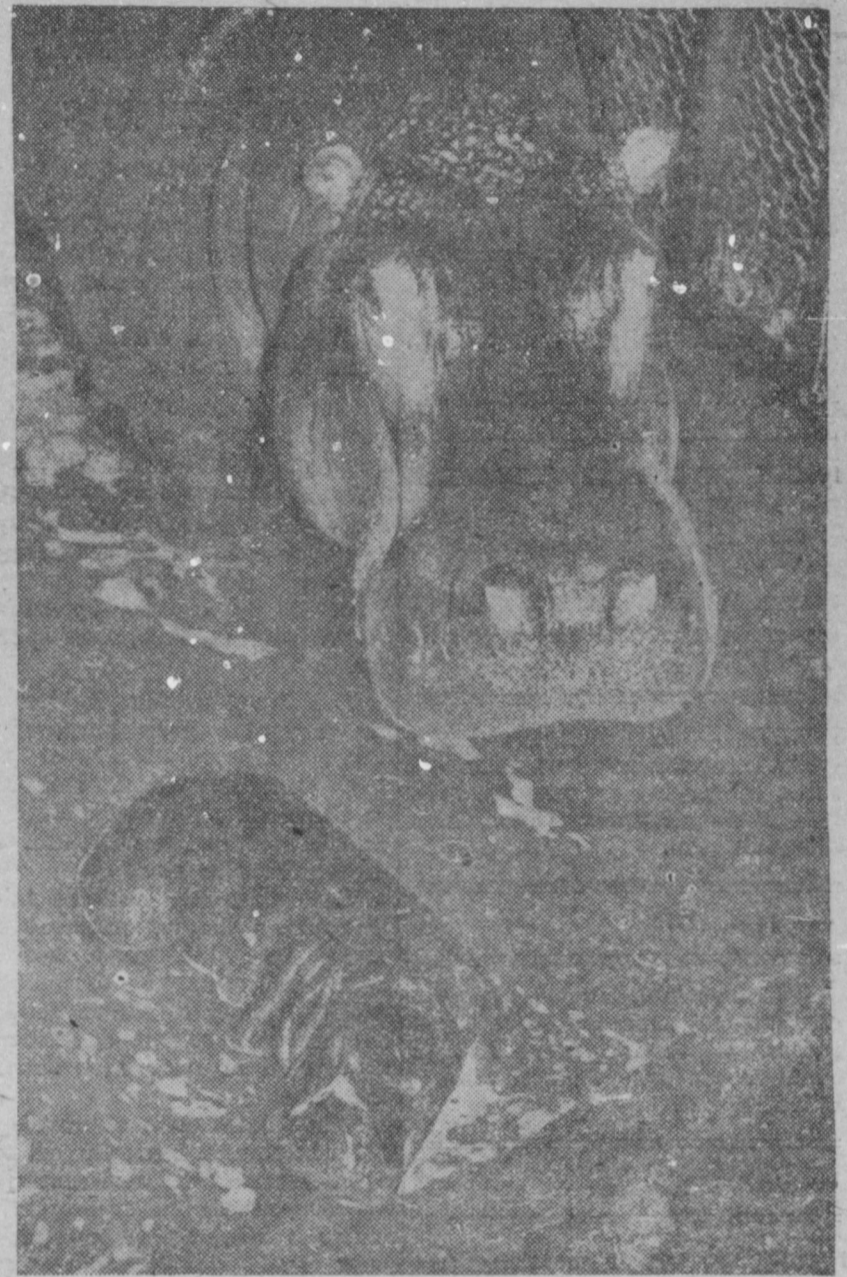
**Federal Income
Tax Book Ready**

According to an announcement made today by Ray L. Miller, Department of Commerce, the new 1949 edition of the booklet, "Your Federal Income Tax," is by far the most popular government publication now being sold through his office.

Miller said the demand for this booklet has been so heavy that the initial supply has been replenished several times, but he believes that the new supply just received by his office will be sufficient to fill all future requests.

The booklet was prepared by

Four, Cisco for many years and up to recently has been active at her farm home. She still is able to read and write and frequently letters to her friends appear in the Press.



HIS DEBUT—While mama, June, watches, the latest arrival in the hippo house at Overton Park Zoo in Memphis, Tenn., makes his camera debut. The new baby weighing 60 pounds is the first child of Jure who was born in the southern city in June, 1944, and he's a grandson of the famous Venus and Adonis.

the Bureau of Internal Revenue to help the average taxpayer solve his own problems.

It covers the latest regulations, Bureau rulings, and court decisions, and explains the various deductions and exemptions which are applicable to most citizens who are required to file a tax return.

Arrangements were made with the Superintendent of Documents, Washington, D. C., for distribution of the booklet through the 42 field offices of the Department of Commerce.

In this area copies may be obtained from the U. S. Dept. of Commerce, 1114 Commerce St., Dallas, for 25 cents per copy.

Remittance by mail should be made in coin, check, or money order made payable to the Treasurer of the United States.

**Final Rites Held
For Mrs. Blair**

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon for Mrs. Mary J. Blair, 93, a resident of Gorman more than 50 years. Mrs. Blair died Monday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Nettie Rider.

Besides Mrs. Rider she is survived by four other daughters: Mesdames Minnie Brightwell and Stella Thurman of Gorman, Mrs. Dixie Milam of Lamesa and Mrs. Emma Dorman of Rush Springs, Oklahoma; a son, Fred Blair of Seymour; 25 grandchildren, 30 great-grand-children and several great-great-grandchildren.

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Research Agency Will Determine West Texas Water Requirements

AUSTIN, Jan. 27— What will West Texas water needs be in 50 years?

The answer to that question is vital to a thriving area with an abundance of resources to grow industrially — if enough water can be supplied.

In answer to a West Texas Cham-

ber of Commerce petition last year, the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation has executed a \$6,000 contract with the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research to determine water needs of 29 West Texas counties for the next half-century.

The survey is the first of a series which the University bureau will conduct in West Texas for the Bureau of Reclamation.

Dr. John Robert Stockton, acting director of the University Bureau, is supervising the project. He is assisted by Stanley A. Arbingast, resources specialist.

The investigation is covering an irregular area bordered by Ector County in the west; Baylor, Dickens, Knox, and King in the north; Stephens, Eastland, and Brown in the east; and Tom Green in the south.

"The first step we are taking in making the water needs estimate for the given section," Stockton said, "is to make a detailed study of the natural resources and extent of business-service in or near each town in the area."

"That data, once obtained, can be translated into an estimate of projected industrial and population growth and accompanying water needs by a comparison with such development trends in other sections of the country having similar resources already

developed to a high degree."

In such an investigation, industrial resources will be correlated not only with their direct use but with the stimulus such possibilities give to a multitude of businesses and services, he added.

The Reclamation Bureau will take the survey results, due June 1, and make recommendations for future water development in the area covered.

"We are dealing only with the industrial and population factors in the West Texas water problem," Arbingast emphasized. "We have nothing to do with actual sub-surface and other geological investigations."

Counties covered wholly or in part by the survey include: Baylor, Brown, Callahan, Coke, Coleman, Dickens, Eastland, Ector, Fisher, Glasscock, Haskell, Howard, Jones, Kent, King, Knox, Martin, Midland, Mitchell, Nolan, Runnels, Scurry, Shackelford, Stephens, Sterling, Stonewall, Taylor, Throckmorton, and Tom Green.

Last summer, the research agency completed a similar industrial survey for the Texas & Pacific Railroad. That, however, was a survey of past industrial and business development in 62 Texas counties in which the railroad has trackage.

The investigation covered a belt extending from the eastern border of the state to El Paso.

The University bureau makes its research facilities available to units of both private enterprise and government.



FREED THE BIRDS—Amateur sportsman Robert Hugar holds two of the blackbirds he rescued from freezing in Oklahoma City, Okla. About 125 of the birds were freed by seven men who chopped away the 18-inch ice which had trapped them. Many of the birds were found dead while others were fed and then released.

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Safety Department By Industrial News

The eleventh annual conference of the Texas Safety Association will be held in Dallas on March 6 and 7 at the Baker Hotel, it was announced today by Charles A. Miller, personnel and safety director for the Texas Co., Houston, and president of the association.

As a yearly feature of the association's activities, hundreds of Texans will gather for a two day working conference in accident problems in industry, traffic and in the schools. Foremen, supervisors, safety directors, — these, as well as mayors, police officials, civic leaders, school people, and many others interested in modern, common sense applications of training and information, will set in motion a long train of events which will reach directly several millions of Texans.

Mr. A. W. Breeland, safety director for the Lone Star Gas Co. in Dallas, and general conference chairman, announced a program in nature and stature that will appeal to everyone interested in the safety and well being of Texans.

One of the highlights of the conference will be the annual banquet, where awards to winners of the industrial contest, companies operating with the best safety records last year, will be presented by President Miller. The principal speaker of the evening will be James D. Arrington, mayor, editor, lawyer, and lecturer of world renown, of Collins, Mississippi.

Use Holidays In Sales Promotion

Retail sales and profits can be boosted by a better coordination of advertising with national holidays and special observances, according to Ray L. Miller, regional director of the Dallas Field Office of the Department of Commerce.

As a guide to businessmen in tying their advertising promotions to national observances, the Department has issued a calendar of specially designated days, weeks, and months to be observed during 1950.

The days, weeks, and months listed are set aside for special

promotions and for celebrations of interest to business. In addition to legal and religious holidays, and such well known events as Mother's Day, Columbus Day, and Buddy Poppy Week, the listing also includes Grandmother's Day, National Sweater Week, National Table Tennis Week, and National Hot Tea Week.

Barring action by legislatures to change present provisions in some states, there will be two Thanksgivings in 1950. In most states and the District of Columbia, the day is celebrated on the fourth Thursday in November,

but in a few states the statutes provide for its observance on the last Thursday. In 1950, for the first time in several years, there will be five Thursdays in November.

The year 1950 will contain a full quota of special observances. The compilation lists 154 days,

Miller said information in the publication, the third issued since the war, was furnished by trade associations, secretaries of state governments, civic groups, and other organizations. The bulletin gives the purpose of each event as stated by its sponsor.

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