

The Talco Times

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NINETEENTH YEAR

TALCO, TITUS COUNTY, TEXAS, FRIDAY, JANUARY 21, 1955

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Mrs. McKnight Heads March of Dimes Drive

Mrs. D. D. McKnight has been appointed chairman of the March of Dimes drive which began Jan. 17 and will continue through Jan. 27. She has appointed the following committees to help in this worthy campaign:

Publicity chairman—Mrs. O. B. Hopwood.
Mothers' march chairman—Mrs. Frank Tietz.
Oil companies chairman—Frank Tietz.
Business section chairman—Jerry Jones.

Miss Gail Burnham and her FHA girls have volunteered to assist Mrs. Tietz in the porch light campaign Jan. 27.

H. L. Shoffner is chairman of the school campaign.
Mrs. McKnight's son, Mike, had polio in the fall, but is now able to be at home. Without the facilities with which to treat this dreadful disease, Mike may not have survived. Talco has had several cases in the last several years, among them being Gayle Burnham, Elaine Hall and Jess Shaw.

Cold Wave Drops Mercury to 28

A cold wave moved into this section Tuesday, dropping the mercury to 28 degrees Wednesday morning. The mass of cold air brought overcast skies and disagreeable weather, but little moisture.

A heavy fog blanketed this area Monday morning dropping visibility to a quarter of a mile.

Rain on Friday night totaled .54 of an inch, as measured by the official rain gauge in Deport. This brought the precipitation to 1.51 inches this year, compared to 4.02 inches to the same date last year.

Mrs. E. W. Smith went to Bonham Saturday to assist her sister, Mrs. Deodric Austin and family, who moved into their new home on Lynn street near the V. A. Hospital. She returned Sunday.

Mrs. W. B. Harris Buried Monday

Mrs. W. B. Harris, 55, of Talco, died Saturday at 10:35 a. m. at the Sanitarium of Paris, where she had been a patient 10 days.

The funeral was held Sunday afternoon at the First Baptist Church by Rev. George Lester of Scroggins, assisted by Rev. Joe Denton of the Calvary Baptist Church. Tom Briley quartet of Mt. Vernon furnished the music. Pallbearers were J. J. Smith, Harold Bonham, Buck Clark, Clarence Leake, A. G. Norwood of Talco and Ted Parham of Mt. Pleasant. Honorary pallbearers were B. L. Gieger, S. A. Tidwell, Billy Joe Pope, Lester Watts, Fred Stephens and Jack Kelley. Burial was made in Midway Cemetery in Franklin County.

Born in Arkansas, January 12, 1900, Mrs. Harris was a daughter of the late Ralph and Mattie (Dailey) Alsobrook.

Surviving are her husband and these children: Mrs. Cecil Stockton, Gerald Wayne Harris, Glenn Aubrey Harris and Aubrey Harris, all of Talco; Mrs. Kenneth Whitley, Winters, and Mrs. Vernon Blain, Odessa; five grandchildren, and these brothers and sisters:

Mrs. Harris Brown, Amarillo; Mrs. George Keeling, Mrs. Edmond Brown and John Alsobrook, all of Talco; Mrs. Robert Buchanan, Texas City; Mrs. Tom Keeling, Wortham; Ralph Alsobrook, Lorraine; Jewell Alsobrook of Dallas and Bob Alsobrook, in California.

All her children and her husband attended her during her last illness and were with her at her passing.

New and Renewed Times Subscribers

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

R. L. Lewis
Mrs. Ruby Patterson
W. E. Chapman
Jack Byrd
D. J. Smalley Jr.
V. L. Taylor
R. M. Lewis

Mrs. Claburn Jones and Mrs. Louch of Van, visited Mrs. R. A. Henderson on Monday.

Man Drowns When Pickup Plunges Into White Oak

Funeral services were held Saturday for Curtis Edward Hays, 35, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Hays, who drowned Thursday when his pickup truck left the Harts Bluff road and crashed into the waters of White Oak Creek in Northern Titus County. Immediately after the final rites, the body was conveyed to Spring Hill Cemetery, near the family home in the Midway community, for burial.

Mr. Hays' body was recovered from the waters of the creek by Kenneth Griffin and Wesley Barnes, an hour after the accident occurred about 1:30 Thursday.

Mr. Hays had never married and is survived by his parents; three sisters, Mrs. Mary Sellers, Mt. Pleasant; Mrs. Kathryn Freeman, Naples, and Miss Imogene Hays of Mexico, and six brothers, Nolan and Marvin Hays of Lamesa; William Austin Hays, Dallas; Grissom Hays, Caddo Mills; Ross Hays, Sheridan, Wyo., and Edgar Hays, Jr., of Fort Worth.

Head-On Crash Near Bogata

Two traveling men's cars crashed almost head-on where State Highway 37 crosses U. S. 271 near Bogata on Monday.

An elderly man driving a car with an Arkansas license plate failed to observe the stop sign on 37, while another salesman whose home is in Tyler, took it for granted that he would, and both cars were demolished.

The Arkansas man was carried to the Bogata Clinic and later to Red River County Hospital. There was hope Tuesday that he would survive. The Tyler salesman was not badly hurt.

Since the above was put in type it has been learned that the Arkansas man was named Johnson and that he lived in Texarkana.

Ray Bartlett was the name of the Tyler man who traveled for Flint Coat Roofing Co., and had just called on Bogata Lumber Co. He continued on his way after examination at the Bogata Clinic.

Mrs. Lucille Perkins took twelve members of her Spanish class to Paris Monday to see the Spanish show Barefoot Contessa. Before the show they had dinner at the Spanish Inn. Mr. and Mrs. Omer Cole, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Thurstman and Mrs. Jimmy Harper, Miss Bina Barnett, Miss Tommie Baxter and Miss Gale Blackburn accompanied them.

FATE OF YOUR TAX DOLLAR

Washington—The fate of your tax dollar under President Eisenhower's fiscal 1956 budget:

National security—65c.
Charges fixed by law—24c.
All other—11c.
Total—\$1.
(National security includes the military, aid to Allies, atomic energy and stockpiling; charges fixed by law include interest on the public debt, veterans benefits, grants to states, etc.)
Here is where the budget dollar would come from:
Individual income taxes—48c.
Corporation taxes—26c.
Excise (sales) taxes—15c.
Customs and other taxes—7c.
Borrowing—4c.
Total—\$1.

Complete Criminal Work in District Court Wednesday

Criminal and misdemeanor litigation was brought to a close in District Court at Mt. Pleasant Wednesday and Judge Sam Williams dismissed the petit jury panel summoned at the beginning of the current week.

Most recent cases handled by the court included:

Lloyd Franklin Phillips, second offense of driving while intoxicated, two year suspended sentence.

Dewey L. Cook, driving while intoxicated, first offense, \$50 fine and three days in jail.

George D. Steadman, assault with intent to murder, three-year suspended sentence.

Herman Andrews, aggravated assault, \$50 fine.
Marion Bailey, selling beer in a dry area, \$150 fine and costs of court.

In the case of Rip Williams, elderly Negro charged with driving while intoxicated, the defendant pleaded his own case before a jury without benefit of legal counsel and won an acquittal.

Hoffman Farm Has New Owner

The Hoffman farm on White Oak, east of Talco, owned by E. R. Boyd, was sold last week to Robert W. Driskell of Dallas for a sum reported in excess of \$36,000.

Ten tracts of land were involved covering approximately 4,000 acres.

U. S. POPULATION RISES TO 163,900,000

The Census Bureau estimated Friday that the nation would begin the new year with a population of 163,900,000.

This includes members of the armed forces abroad.

Talco PTA Holds Interesting Meet

Members and their guests of the Talco PTA met in regular session in the school auditorium Thursday night.

Mrs. S. O. Loving gave an interesting talk on Inspirational Thought. Johnny Gartman led the group in the pledge to the flag. Miss Tommie Baxter, accompanied by Miss Vera Bennett, led several songs.

Mrs. Lois Harper's 3rd and 4th grade and the senior class won the parents attendance prize. Mrs. Harper's room will keep the radio until next month. Mrs. Nadine Caldwell asked all parents to bring a 25c donation for the National Headquarters home to be built in Chicago.

Mrs. McKnight announced that a polio drive would take place the 27th of this month. The porch light drive will be part of this and Miss Gale Burnham's FHA girls will help collect donations.

An educational study program, Home and Family Life, will have its first meeting of the year with Mrs. S. O. Loving, Thursday afternoon from 1 to 2:30, Jan. 20. "When children blow off steam" will be the subject discussed. We would like every mother to become interested in this class and attend the meetings. Future meeting dates will be announced.

"We the people, provide for the common defense," was the program for the evening. A. C. Newsome, Seniors Sally Worden and Edie Griggs gave a panel discussion on safe driving. The program closed with a film on safety. Refreshments were served by 4th grade mothers.

Mrs. Lula Thomas Dies at Austin

Mrs. Lula Thomas, 72, died Tuesday at 2:45 a. m. in Austin, at the home of a son, Julian Thomas, where she had been since October. She had suffered a heart attack last week.

Mrs. Thomas had lived here most of her life. Surviving are three children, Julian Thomas and Donald Thomas, both of Austin, and Mrs. John Lee Bell, Bogata, besides four grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Jack Herndon of Tyler and a brother, O. J. Cooper, Bogata.

Funeral services were held at the Methodist church Wednesday afternoon, conducted by Rev. R. E. Porter of Petrolia, assisted by Rev. Herbert Grosdidier. Burial was at Bogata Cemetery with Bogata Funeral Home in charge.

Pallbearers were Jimmie Underwood, H. H. Wilkinson, T. T. Kinsey, Travis Hale, Britt Lassiter and Newt Bryson.

Mrs. Thomas was born Nov. 21, 1882, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Brenton Rains. She was married to W. I. Thomas in 1906. Five children, one girl and four boys, were born to this union. She was preceded in death by her husband in 1930, and two sons, W. I. Thomas Jr., and James Wallace Thomas.

Mrs. Thomas was a consistent Christian mother, was a member of the Methodist church since early childhood. Her chief thoughts were of her church and her family.

Out of town relatives attending Mrs. Thomas' funeral were Mrs. Jack Herndon of Tyler, Mr. and Mrs. Buck Thomas, Talco; Mrs. Gus Hoffman of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Davis and Mr. and Mrs. Dock McCoy of Omaha.

Williams Heads Lone Star Area Boy Scouts

Louis Williams of Paris has been installed as new president of the Lone Star Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, succeeding Judge Tom L. Beauchamp. Others taking office for 1955 are Judge Beauchamp, Paris, chairman of the board; Frank Jones, Sulphur Bluff; Quentin Miller, Cooper; John Arledge, Bonham; Dr. George Crosthwaite, Clarksville; George Stone, Mt. Pleasant; Ike Webb, Hugo, Ok., vice-president; Gyles Norwood, Paris, treasurer; Jim Smith, Paris, assistant treasurer.

Mr. and Mrs. Solie Cowley of Forsan, attended the funeral of their sister-in-law, Mrs. Jerome Cowley, in Gilmer the first of the week and visited Mr. and Mrs. Howard Morris and other friends here before returning home. The Cowley family formerly lived in Goolsboro.

Kelley Buys Cox Humble Station At Broad & 271

D. H. Kelley has bought the W. L. Cox Humble station at the corner of Broad and Highway 271 in Talco and assumed charge of the business on Monday.

The Cox family is moving to Dallas, where he will be in charge of an Humble company-owned station.

D. H. Kelley is an experienced service station operator and has a statement in this week's edition, as has Mr. Cox, to which the attention of the reader is directed.

The Cox family came to Talco fourteen years ago. For ten years he was manager of the picture show. When that was sold he bought the Humble station he has just sold. Their many Talco friends will regret they are moving to Big D.

Talco Girls Beat Winnsboro 45-42

Talco High's girls beat Winnsboro, 45-42, but the Talco boys lost two games to Hughes Springs here Tuesday night.

Vera Bennett led the Talco girls to their win with 15 points. Talco held a 30-13 halftime edge.

The varsity boys game went to Hughes Springs, 55-30. Kenneth Gentry and Red Logan had nine points each for Talco, John Childress 18 for Hughes Springs.

Hughes Springs took the "B" game, 35-30. Larry Horton had 14 points for Talco, Don Dunlap 12 for Hughes Springs.

School Officials Meet at Talco Monday, Jan. 24

Talco will be host to the North East Texas Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools for its January meeting on Monday evening, Jan. 24. Dinner will be served in the school cafeteria, after which the group will move to the auditorium for the business session.

Two outstanding school men of the state are on the program: Henry W. Stillwell, superintendent of Texarkana schools and chairman of the legislative committee of Texas State Teachers Association, will review the legislative program of the Texas State Teachers Association. Dr. Joe Humphrey, state director of School Plant Planning of Austin, will speak on the State Board's recommendations to the governor and legislature.

A large group of school people and interested laymen are expected to attend this meeting.

CHICKENPOX DISRUPTS SIXTH DISTRICT COURT

Chickenpox has disrupted the criminal docket in Sixth District Court at Bonham.

Dist. Judge A. M. Harrison ordered the sheriff to tell 50 members of a jury panel summoned for Monday not to report.

Tibby Wright, young Fannin County attorney, has the chickenpox.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Gable and children visited Mrs. Gable's parents in Clarksville, Sunday.

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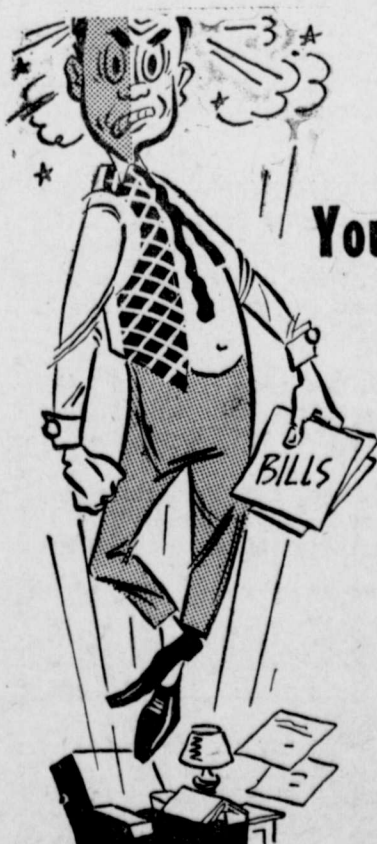
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INvariably IN ADVANCE

TV is keeping the wolf from
doors of actors, says a headline.
Some of the part-time few line
boys and girls. A lot of the frivel
on TV these days would indicate
such. Trouble is, their sponsors
take much of their time telling
how good are their cigarettes and
liver pills.

Last November voters of Texas
agreed to higher pay—a raise of
150 per cent—for its legislators
by adopting a constitutional
amendment to increase their pay
from \$10 to \$25 a day. In the past
our legislative bodies have re-
mained in session three to four
days a week. Last week they
were in session only three days.
Voters approved \$25 a day—not
\$50.

The Clarksville Times had a
birthday last week, ending its
82nd year of publication at the
Red River County capitol. The
newspaper is one of the oldest in
this part of the state and is owned
by The Clarksville Times Com-
pany, Mrs. Roy Lowe, president
and Joe Pincus, general manager.
Fourteen other newspapers have
been published at Clarksville,
but none within the past nineteen
years. Congratulations upon your
anniversary, neighbor.

Gov. Allan Shivers has issued
a memorandum designating the
period Jan. 16-22 as Printing
Week in Texas. Printing Week
is traditionally associated with
Benjamin Franklin's birthday,
Jan. 17, and will be observed
throughout the United States.
Franklin was one of the smartest
men this nation has produced. He
was proud of the fact that he was
a printer and ordered engraved
upon his tomb stone the simple
statement, "B. Franklin, Printer."

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ditional insertion. No ad accept-
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Monday morning. Notify James
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tons, buttonholes and general
sewing, see Mrs. W. E. Welch at
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A nice one owner car. Kelsey
Motor Co., Deport. dbt-tfc

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regular 90c value, now \$59c ea.
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service in these cars. Priced to
sell. Kelsey Motor Co., De-
port. dbt-tfc

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this vicinity two pianos to be
picked up. Can be sold for bal-
ance due. For information please
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Credit Mgr., Hugh's Piano Co.,
Box 943, Omaha, Texas, Phone
471. 50-c

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again. If you do, your husband
clearly specified in his will that
his fortune will go to his brother."

Widow: "I know—it's the brother
I'm marrying."

Three successive Presidents oc-
cupied the White House within
30 days. They were: Presidents
Martin Van Buren, William Hen-
ry Harrison and John Tyler.



ANNOUNCE ENGAGEMENT—Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Rollins of
Talco, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of
their daughter, Miss Shirley Ann Harris to Robert Glenn
Sparks, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Sparks of Odessa. Miss
Harris is a senior in the Baylor University School of Nurs-
ing in Waco, where she will receive her B. S. degree in
March. Mr. Sparks has recently completed serving two years
in the U. S. Marine Corps and plans to continue his educa-
tion at Odessa College. Both Miss Harris and Mr. Sparks are
1951 graduates of Odessa High School. The couple plans an
early spring wedding in Dallas.

WILKINSON

By MARCIA BLALOCK
E. C. Elder, better known as
"Uncle Bill," was given a sur-
prise birthday dinner at his home
Sunday, the 9th. The following
friends and relatives helped him
celebrate: James C. Logan of
Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. "Handy"
Penny and children of Cooper,
Mr. and Mrs. Warren Anchutz
and children, Mr. and Mrs. Pleas
Anchut and children, Mr. and
Mrs. H. G. Blalock, Mr. and Mrs.
Jewel Lum and children, Mr. and
Mrs. F. H. Anchutz, Mr. and Mrs.
Lewis Logan and children, Eld.
and Mrs. Paul Hensley, Jimmy
Hensley, James Sykes, Mr. and
Mrs. James N. Small and son, H.
W. Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Bill
Haren and children, Mrs. C. J.
Barry, Miss Dorothy Dyke, Miss
Marie Dyke, Mr. and Mrs. Ar-
thur Logan and children, Miss
Barbara Logan, Miss Doris Bla-
lock, Allan Dyke, Mr. and Mrs.
Bobby Madison and daughter,
Miss Norma Logan, Mr. and Mrs.
Odis Blalock, Miss Patsy Logan,
Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Blalock all of
this community, Mrs. Nora Har-
ris, Mrs. E. C. Elder and the hon-
oree of Old Union.

Miss Marcia Blalock has been
ill in a Mt. Pleasant hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Blalock,
Dorothy and Pallie were Satur-
day dinner guests of Mr. and
Mrs. Charlie Blalock and sons of
Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Blalock of
Daingerfield, visited friends and
relatives here Sunday.

Mrs. R. P. Moles made a busi-
ness trip to Deport, Tuesday.

Mrs. Virgie Parr of Maple
Springs, visited her sister, Mrs.
C. B. Harris, Thursday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Blalock
and Doris of Daingerfield, were
week end guests of relatives here.

Mrs. J. R. Blalock has returned
home after an illness in a Mt.
Pleasant hospital.

The girls basketball team of the
Wilkinson school defeated the

Talco girls, 25-10 at Talco, Tues-
day.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Jobe and
children of Ft. Worth, are visit-
ing her parents, Mr. and Mrs.
Jim Phelps.

Mrs. C. J. Barry is visiting Mr.
and Mrs. E. C. Elder of Old Uni-
on, this week.

Wesley Blalock, Mrs. F. H.
Anchut and Mrs. C. J. Barry
were Sunday afternoon visitors
of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Blalock.

James C. Logan of Dallas, spent
the week end with his parents,
Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Logan and
children.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. C. B.
Harris, Sunday were Mr. and
Mrs. Dean Brownlee and son and
Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Shipp Jr. and
son of Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wilson and
children of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. and
Mrs. Virgie Wilson and Wilma
of Argo, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bax-
ley of Mt. Pleasant, were Thurs-
day evening guests of Mr. and
Mrs. Jess Jones.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs.
Jess Jones were Mr. and Mrs.
Aubrey Roberts and children of
Mt. Pleasant.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. A. T.
Blalock, Sunday were Mr. and
Mrs. Remus Burgin of Talco, Mr.
and Mrs. Pleas Anchut and son
of Argo, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. An-
chut, Mrs. C. J. Barry, Mr. and
Mrs. Wesley Blalock and chil-
dren and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie
Blalock and sons of Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Dee Floyd visited her par-

ents, Mr. and Mrs. Mirt McAllis-
ter at Perryville.

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**Fine Arts Club
Names Officers**

Tuesday at noon the Fine Arts
Club met at the home of Mrs. M.
E. Jones to go in a group to Mt.
Pleasant where they enjoyed a
delicious luncheon, after which
they visited an antique shop in
Mt. Vernon. This was quite a
treat, as many of the items on
display had been studied about
in previous club programs.

Seen were original Currier and
Ives prints, several types of glass,
blown cut, molded, pressed and
sandwich, and many other inter-
esting articles. After staying as
long as time permitted, purchases
were made and the club returned
to Mrs. Jones' for a business
meeting. The annual election of
officers was held and the follow-
ing officers were named for the
1955-56 club year:

President, Mrs. J. H. Weather-
all; 1st vice president, Mrs. How-
ard Johnson; 2nd vice president,
Mrs. S. O. Loving; recording sec.,
Mrs. G. N. Anderson; correspond-
ing sec., Mrs. G. M. Burnham;
treasurer, Mrs. R. J. Rosson; par-
liamentarian, Mrs. M. J. Pendle-
ton; reporter, Mrs. M. E. Jones;
historian, Mrs. F. B. Haynes.
These officers assume their dut-
ies at the end of the present club
year. After adjournment pie and
coffee were served.

The next regular meeting will
be Feb. 1, when Mrs. C. C. Col-
lins will be hostess.

**Shower in Honor
Mrs. Bob Redfearn**

A bridal shower for Mrs. Bob-
bie Redfearn, the former Miss
Peggy Cornelius of Talco, was
held at the home of Mrs. Bill
Redfearn, 801 East Third, Mt.
Pleasant, with Mrs. Hubert Gill,
Mrs. Alvin Redfearn and Mrs.
Galen Hearn as hostesses Thurs-
day evening from 7 until 9
o'clock.

The home was beautifully de-
corated with white narcissus and
pot plants. The table was laid
with a lace cover. The bride's
chosen colors were blue and
white. The center piece for the
table was a miniature bride and
groom under a dainty altar of
blue flowers, all on a reflector,
under which white and blue sat-
in streamers leading to the edge
of the table, were held. White
narcissus and white burning ta-
pers adorned the buffet.

Mrs. Harris poured punch,
Mrs. Alvin Redfearn served white
angel squares, decorated with
blue flowers and Mrs. Gill pre-

sented, Mr. and Mrs. Mirt McAllis-
ter at Perryville.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Blalock vis-
ited Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Hendrix
and Mrs. Eugene Blalock at Tal-
co, Thursday evening.

sided at the register.

Mrs. Bill Redfearn, the groom's
mother, the bride, and Mrs. Cor-
nelius, mother of the bride, re-
ceived the guests.

Mrs. Lula Thomas, whose home
was in Bogata, passed away at
the home of her son, Julian
Thomas in Austin, Tuesday Fu-
neral was held in Bogata Wed-
nesday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs.
Buck Thomas attended the fune-
ral. Mrs. Thomas and her late
husband, Dan Thomas, formerly
lived in Talco.

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LOCAL NEWS

By MRS. O. B. HOPWOOD
DIAL DR 9-3855

Leon Hall's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Broach of Mt. Pleasant, visited her and her family Friday.

Mrs. Cline Oakleaf of Longview, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Tennison, the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harper have been attending her father in El Dorado, Ark., for several days.

J. E. Horn has purchased the Renford Sikes home the Sikes occupied before building a new one on FM 71.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Belcher have been dismissed from a Parry hospital after being patients five weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Welch spent Saturday night with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Welch in Lone Star.

Mr. and Mrs. Joda Nelson and two daughters of Nashville, Ark., were week end guests of Mrs. Nelson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Teague.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Jagers, Judy and Tommy moved from Dainfield Thursday of last week. They have an apartment with Mrs. E. Unsell.

Miss Jackie Winn was at home over the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Winn, from Kilgore where she is a student at Junior College.

Leo Miller has purchased the Annie Vaughan cafe. L. G. Adams has purchased the Vaughan home and the Vaughans are moving to Cement, Ok.

Mrs. Sallie Gage, accompanied by Mrs. Frances Myers of Bogata, attended the East Texas No. 70 Beauty Show at the Blackstone Hotel in Tyler, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Adams were in Austin the first of the week to visit her sister, Mrs. Willard Fike, and attend inaugural ceremonies in the capitol city.

Mrs. Jessie Davis of Bogata, spent Sunday night with Mrs. Sue Thomas and Mrs. Thomas accompanied her home to visit relatives Monday and Tuesday.

Pfc. Sugar Bob Combs, who has been at Lackland, San Antonio, has been transferred to Biloxi, Miss. He is spending a 16-day leave with his brother, G. M. Combs.

The Talco Eastern Star Chapter will honor their past matrons and past patrons Tuesday night, Jan. 25. All members are invited to come and be a part of the program.

Mrs. R. W. Shaw's sister, Mrs. Carl Shively, her cousins, Emil Demel, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Koester of Kansas, arrived Sunday for a few days visit with her and her family.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Garner, with their two children of El Dorado, Ark., brought his father, Joe Garner, home Saturday. They also visited Mrs. Garners' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lilley.

Mrs. Zula McDonald of Newsum, and her son-in-law, C. C. Spenser of Houston, visited Mrs. W. H. Crawford, Monday. Tuesday Mrs. Crawford and Mrs. McDonald went to Tyler.

Miss Sue Bean and Freddie Rodgers were among the students of Paris Junior College who made the A & B honor roll. Miss Bean is a freshman and Mr. Rodgers a sophomore. Both are graduates of Talco High School.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Gauden during the week end were his sister, Mrs. W. Carnell Griffith, Mr. Griffith and two children of Leonard and his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Anderson of Longview.

RR Levees Win Budget Mention

Red River levees won \$450,000 mention in President Eisenhower's budget Monday and brought some conjecture in Lamar and Delta counties whether or not the proposed Cooper dam and reservoir was included in the figure.

Details of the budget are forthcoming.

Backers of the Delta County project, with promises of support from Congressman Wright Patman and Speaker Sam Rayburn, hoped for \$100,000 appropriation this year to complete preliminary planning.

Area projects listed in the budget were the Texarkana dam and reservoir, five million dollars; Ferrells Bridge reservoir on Little Cypress, \$2,450,000; and Red River levees below Denison Dam in Texas, Arkansas and Louisiana, \$450,000. All three are flood control works connected with the Red River program.

A son, weighing 8 pounds and 11 ounces, has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Bob Riley of Shreveport. Mrs. Riley was formerly Miss Bobby Ruth Moore, granddaughter of Mrs. W. M. King.

Mrs. A. E. Foster, Miss Rebecca Foster, Miss Janice Davis, Miss Martha Nell Brown and Bobby Jack Brown attended a meeting of the MYF of the Sulphur Springs district in Sulphur Bluff Monday night.

Ben Loving, Talco, has been elected to his third term as treasurer of Alpha Phi Omega at East Texas State Teachers college. Loving is a junior chemistry major, and Alpha Phi Omega is the national service fraternity.

Among the 61 students at PJC making the second six weeks honor roll are Elnora Barnard, Gary L. Nixon of Deport, Patricia Sue Bean, Anna Charlene Collier of Talco, Ima Jean Butts of Bogata and Patsy Ruth Clement of East Lamar.

The junior department of the Methodist church met Monday, Jan. 17, at the church from 4 until 5 o'clock to begin a study on India and Pakistan. Refreshments were served to 18 children. These sessions will continue weekly thru January and February.

Mrs. Leora Stevenson received an invitation to the inaugural ball in Austin Tuesday, but didn't give the same reason for not going as Editor Holloway. Her excuse was that her invitation called for a couple and to save an embarrassing situation, she declined.

Jack A. Smith of Talco, has been named representative to the Club Council Forum at East Texas State Teachers college. A sophomore journalism student, Smith will serve as delegate from the Texas social club. Club Council Forum is made up of representatives from mens' and womens' social clubs who discuss rush plans, pledging rules and membership in social groups. Smith is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Smith, Talco.

Talco Activities Ten Years Ago

Week of January 5, 1945

December and 1944 were a very wet month and year. The total rainfall for December was 6.08 inches, the wettest December since 1932.

Lt. Kenneth Hallmark of Amarillo, had visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hallmark, during the holidays.

Pvt. J. D. Rodgers, brother of Petty Officer A. L. Rodgers, had visited his wife and children.

Sgt. and Mrs. Joseph B. Hopwood of Indianapolis, Ind., had visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Hopwood and Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Pitts.

Ernest M. Howard, A-S, of Georgetown, had visited his father, E. T. Howard and his sister, Miss Opalmae. He had attended Southwestern University and studied pre-chaplain work.

A son, Halton Ramsey, had been born to Seaman and Mrs. Halton Vincent of Lake Charles, La.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Gunter had entertained the Pipe Line employees at their home in honor of Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Vansau. Mr. and Mrs. Vansau had been transferred to Kilgore.

Cpl. and Mrs. Cline Oakleaf had gone to Longview, where Cpl. Oakleaf had reported to general hospital. He had been wounded in the European theatre and was returned to the States.

Pfc. James A. Rector of Talco, was a member of the 81st "Wildcat" Division and had been awarded the Combat Infantryman badge for exemplary conduct and skill in action. The Wildcat Division had invaded the Southern Islands of the Palau group, 500 miles east of the Philippines.

Sgt. Haskell R. Lassiter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Lassiter of Caddo, Ok., had been killed in action in France.

Pvt. Edmond Huddleston had been slightly wounded in action in Germany. He was with the U. S. First Army and had been overseas five months.

T-Sgt. Warren Belcher, Med. Det. 232nd Inf., APO c/o PM, New York, had written for his address changed. Conditions had been terrific there and the going rough.

Fred Shuman, who had been manager of the Rugby gin for ten years, had a position with Lamar Cotton Oil Co. at Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hall and son, F. M. Hall, GM3c, and Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Chapman and daughter, Mary Jerene, had attended the Cotton Bowl football game at Dallas on New Year's day.

The Seabees had done a wonderful job in helping to win the war. They had been organized just three weeks after the Pearl Harbor disaster with a strength of 3,000. The Seabees had won their spurs at Guadalcanal and had been with the assault troops in every major American amphibious operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morris of Dallas, former residents of Bogata, had been notified their son, Pvt. James E. Morris, had been wounded in action on Leyte in the Philippines. He was a patient in U. S. 36th Evacuation Group Hospital on Leyte.

HUMBLE CAMP

By MRS. A. L. RODGERS
DIAL DR 9-3804

Mrs. Riley Gibson was in Paris Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gartman and Mrs. Charley Russell spent Tuesday in Longview.

Mrs. G. M. Burnham was in a Mt. Pleasant hospital from Friday until Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Pearson Sr. visited Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Beard in Winnsboro, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hopkins of Commerce, visited Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Hopkins over the week.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Pendleton spent Friday in Longview with their daughter, Mrs. Travis Jones and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Roberts and Paula of Winnsboro, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dyson.

Mrs. R. L. Turner and son, Robert, went to Dallas Friday to visit her sister, Miss Virginia Tidwell, until Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Howard and Bill were in Tyler Friday. Mrs. Howard visited her sister, Mrs. J. C. Williams.

Mrs. Sid Frugia and daughter, Susan of Venice, La., are here spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Frugia.

Little Kathy Poarch of Mt. Vernon, spent the week end here with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Pendleton.

Robert Sparks of Odessa, and Miss Shirley Harris, Waco, visited Mr. and Mrs. Jim Rollins Friday night and Saturday.

Visitors in the Bill Gartman home Sunday afternoon were Mrs. Ben LaPrade and Mrs. Joe Korsak of Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Ryan and family went to Greenwood, La., Saturday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Ryan's uncle, S. L. Findley.

Recent visitors in the H. M. Pearson home were her sister, Mrs. H. E. Broome of Henderson and Mrs. A. C. Beard of Winnsboro.

D. B. Stone went to Houston on Friday. Mrs. Stone and children accompanied him as far as Palestine to visit relatives until he returned on Saturday.

Mrs. Billy Carter, Shelley and Allen accompanied Mrs. I. A. Carter to visit Mr. and Mrs. Weldon League and family in Greggton from Thursday until Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Orr and girls and Mr. and Mrs. Odie Gibson and Don went to Allene, Ark., Sunday to visit Mrs. Bob McWilliams and new son, Robert Daniel.

Mrs. R. E. Cain and Mrs. G. N. Anderson accompanied Mrs. Renford Sikes and Mrs. W. R. Shaw to London, Friday to attend a luncheon in the home of Mrs. Roger Williams.

Gale Burnham went to Marshall on Monday to meet his daughter, Mrs. Joe McGee and son, Michael Burnham, and bring her here to visit this week with the Burnhams.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Dickerson went to Mincola Sunday to attend her father, W. P. Jones, who is ill. They carried him to a Big Sandy hospital, where he stayed until Monday and then brought him to their home here to convalesce.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Compton and Judy went to Henderson to visit Mrs. Compton's twin sister, Mrs. O. R. Armstrong, who is in a hospital there following surgery. Her brother, G. L. Fife of Natchez, Miss., was there also. The Comptons then went to Mexico and visited Mrs. A. H. Fife, Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Cundiff and Mrs. Lucille Reece.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Nelson and Ronnie were in Longview and Gladewater Saturday on business and seeing friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Allison and family of Quitman, came on Thursday night to visit Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dyson.

Mrs. Ervin Hooks visited in Kilgore Thursday and Friday. Mrs. Wanda Burcalow and son, Johnny, accompanied her home to visit until Sunday, where her mother, Mrs. Effie McGrew and brother, Jay Sansom, came to visit for the day and took them home.

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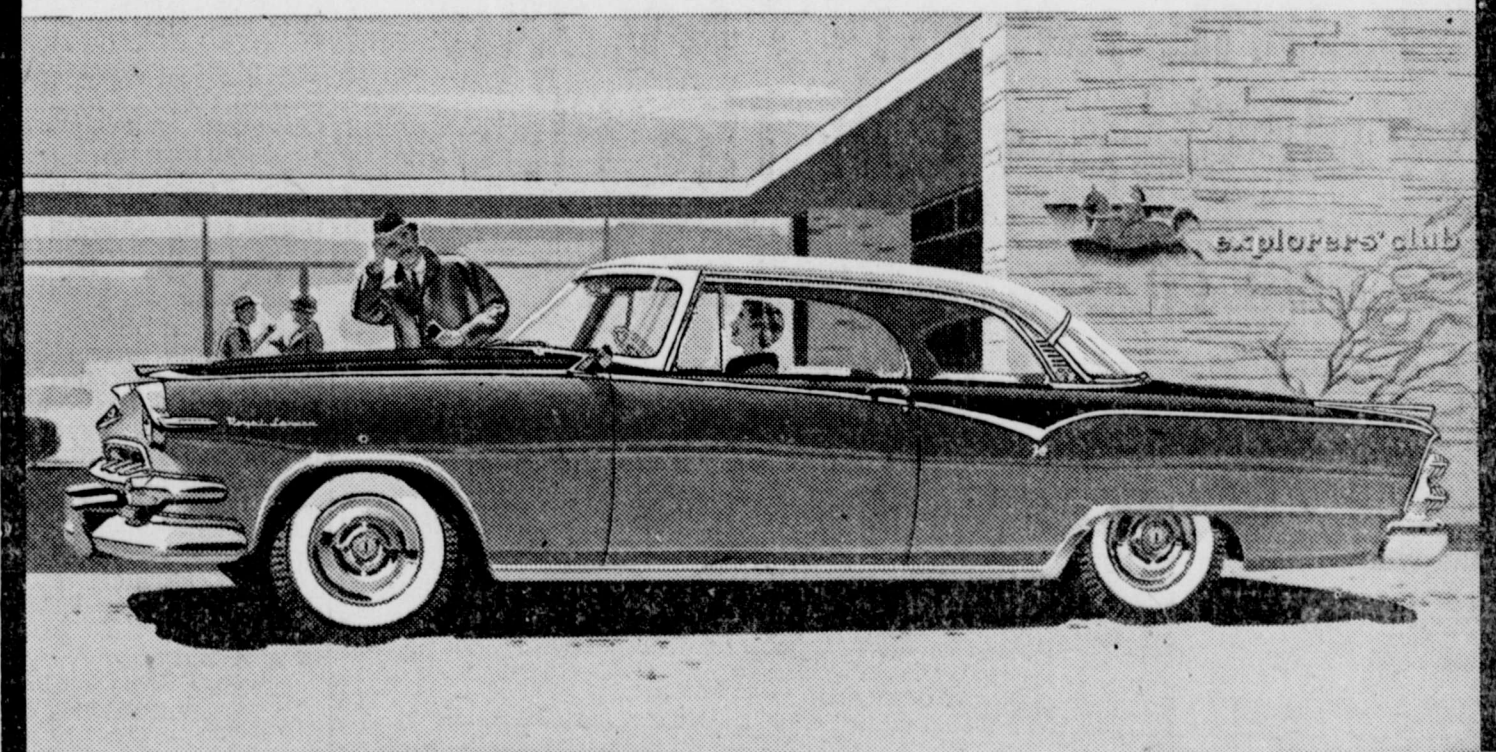
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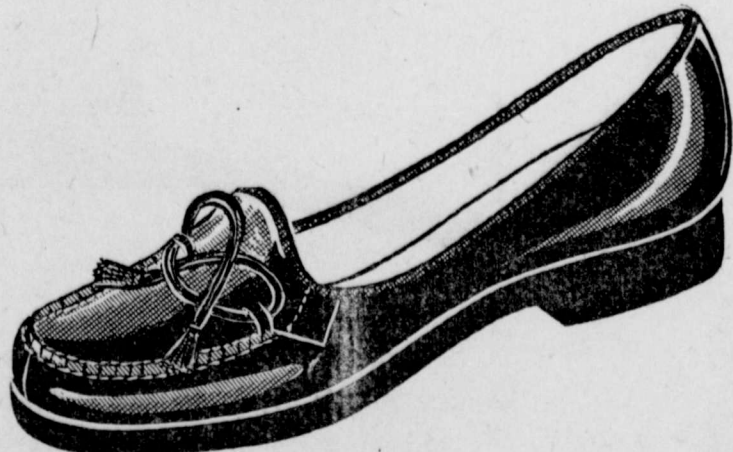
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Alcorn in Favor of More Sympathy For Members of State Legislature

Editor's note: Achin Alcorn, philosopher on his Johnson grass farm on Sulphur, has found out the Legislature is in session, his letter this week reveals.

Dear Editor: When you get right down to it, the other fellow's problems aren't much different from your own, the man who is trying to figure out how he can buy a new washing machine is off on one side by the man who is trying to figure out how he can buy a second automobile or, in a higher bracket, a new office building, and I got to thinking about this after reading about the opening of the Texas Legislature last week in Austin.

After reading fourteen columns of type on the Legislature in three different newspapers which turned up out here with the help of a strong north wind, I have come to the conclusion that the average lawmaker's problem is about the same as yours and mine: he's either got to cut expenses or bring in more revenue, and either course ain't gonna result in universal happiness.

And figuring out how to do either is about as hard in the Legislature as it is at home, although of the two I believe I'd rather just have the problem at home, as I figure most Legislators are under double jeopardy, they've not only got the problem at home but in the Legislature as well.

And also, the job in Austin is a little more complicated. At home, if you decide to cut expenses, you don't make over three or four people mad at the most, and half of them stay half-mad at you anyway. But in the Legislature, you cut expenses and you're liable to make two-thirds of the people in your district mad.

Or, if you decide to increase your income at home, it mostly means working harder yourself, but in the Legislature, it means voting for somebody else to work harder, which is one of the poorest ways ever devised to stay in office. You vote for two-thirds of the people in your district to work harder by paying more taxes, and it's almost as effective as firing yourself at the next election.

Personally, I'm glad my only problem is worrying about the finances of this Johnson grass farm, without taking on the whole state of Texas. I know my limitations, even if some Legislators can't say the same for themselves.

However, I've noticed that the state, like the average family, keeps on getting by, one way or another, although personally I don't see how.

Yours faithfully, A. A.

WANTED COMPLETE REPORT

A Broadway actress stalked into the office of the head of a private detective agency and launched into a tirade against her husband and how he was carrying on with another woman. When she finally stopped to catch her breath, the detective was able to get a word in.

"Just what do you want me to do, madam?" he asked.

"I want my husband and that woman followed," snapped the actress. "I want them followed night and day. I want a complete report on what she sees in him!"

Things have a way of working out for the best. Other people's troubles are never as bad as ours, but their children are always a whole lot worse.

JOHNTOWN

By MRS. G. A. VAUGHAN
Mrs. Johnny Nored and baby of Bald Knob, Ark., visited her mother, Mrs. W. L. Wicks and family over the week end.

Mrs. W. L. Wicks entertained a number of children Saturday afternoon honoring her daughter, Carolyn, on her birthday.

Mrs. Charlie Vaughan Morris, Mrs. G. A. Vaughan and Mrs. W. J. Hawkins accompanied Mrs. Frank M. Pew to Bogata Thursday afternoon and attended a Stanley party at the home of Mrs. Bill Ward.

Mrs. John Hervey, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Connie Broch and family at Houston two weeks, is expected home Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ward and son, Sammy of Bogata, visited in the G. A. Vaughan home, Sunday.

Mrs. Gladys Black, who has been ill at her home, was able to be out Sunday.

Drue Pirtle of ETSTC, Commerce, spent the week end with relatives here.

Edward Pirtle of Carthage, visited his grandmother, Mrs. Lila Pirtle, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Cecil and son of Greenville and his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Burgess and two daughters of Ft. Worth, spent the week end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Pirtle.

Wayne Plunk, a U. S. Navy buddy of Kenneth Pirtle, who received his discharge two weeks after Kenneth, stopped two days, Friday and Saturday, for a visit here enroute to his home in Memphis, Tenn. Kenneth accompanied him to the bus station in Mt. Pleasant, Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pirtle, Fredrika, Kenneth, and Wayne Plunk of Memphis, Tenn., attended the Deport - Cunningham basketball game at Cunningham Friday night.

Miss Myra Pirtle of Longview, spent Friday night and Saturday with Miss Fredrika Pirtle.

Mrs. Lila Pirtle, who spent the last week in Carthage, visiting her daughter, Mrs. Morris Parker and family, returned home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Williams are papering their new home recently completed.

Misses Nelda and Linda Dodd spent Sunday with Misses Patricia and Janice Cooper at Talco.

Miss Ethel Smith and Mrs. Buster Patton were in Dallas Saturday, visiting their sister, Mrs. W. C. Grayson, who is a patient of Baylor Hospital.

Mrs. Frank Bartley of Grape-



By VERN SANFORD, Texas Press Association

Austin.—Cigarettes and gasoline are to be the prime tax targets of the 54th Legislature. In his message to the Legislature, at a joint Senate and House session, Governor Allan Shivers put his finger on those two items as the answers to Texas' financial problem. He suggested a two cent per gallon boost in gasoline taxes and a one cent per pack increase in the cigarette tax.

The former would add \$45 million to the highway fund and \$14.5 million to the school fund. The latter would bring in an additional \$16.5 million to the general fund. Gasoline now carries a state tax of 4c per gallon. Cigarettes are taxed 4c per pack.

Also recommended by the governor was an increase to \$50 in the tuition charge made by state colleges to Texas residents. Present fee is \$25 for Texas residents. The \$150 charge assessed out-of-state students would not be changed. Shivers also asked for better water laws, insurance laws, crime and juvenile delinquency measures, and congressional and judicial redistricting.

Opposes Increase
First signs of opposition to increased taxation have come from Rep. Waggoner Carr of Lubbock. Carr, who may be voicing the opinion of other conservative legislators, says that much of the needed money could come from trimming present state expenses.

General Fund Low
State Comptroller Robert S. Calvert estimates the state's general fund, now slightly more than \$9 million may hit bottom temporarily in February, and put the state on a general fund deficit for a short time. If the state goes in the red, it will be the first time in 12 years.

Calvert estimates that there will be only \$10,344,000 in the fund by the close of the fiscal year, September 1.

New House Speaker
Rep. Jim T. Lindsey of Texarkana is the new Speaker of the House. He was elected unanimously the first day of the 1955 session as lawmakers wasted no time getting down to business.

Veterans Land Board
First official act of the 54th Legislature was to order a complete look into the Veterans' Land Program. Investigations were resumed a day later by the Senate General Investigating Committee. A Feb. 15 completion deadline is set.

Dennis Wallace, a 20-year employee of the State Land Office, is now acting executive secretary of the Board. He took over temporarily upon resignation of Lawrence C. Jackson.

Col. J. Earl Rudder, land commissioner, has announced the resignation of two other key employees: U. S. McCutcheon, first assistant executive secretary, and H. Lee Richey of Austin, appraiser for the South Texas area.

Conservative Leaders
Two conservatives head important House committees in the Texas Legislature. They will have a lot to say about finding and spending \$135 million for state operations.

Rep. Max C. Smith of San Marcos was re-appointed chairman of the House appropriations committee. Rep. Stanton Stone heads vine, Mrs. Frank Watkins, Mrs. Tom Watkins and Tony of Rosalie, visited Miss Ethel Smith and Mrs. Buster Patton, Sunday.

Cotton Growers Suffer Sharp Income Decrease

Washington.—The nation's cotton growers suffered a sharper drop in income last year than any other major segment of agriculture.

Based on reports through the first 10 months, Department of Agriculture figures show cash receipts are 20 per cent under the same period in 1953.

Groups hit almost as hard were vegetable producers whose receipts dropped about 19 per cent, and poultrymen who took a 14 per cent decline.

The smallest drop—only 2 per cent—was felt by tobacco growers. Cash returns from meat animals showed only a 3 per cent decrease.

lic Safety Narcotics expert W. E. Naylor says millions of dollars worth of narcotics are being illegally transported into the U. S. from Mexico, over the Rio Grande. Plans of the Trinity Improvement Association call for large lakes and seven locks on the Trinity River between the Gulf Coast and the Dallas-Fort Worth area to make the river into a navigable canal.

Deadline Near for Tax Payments

Folks who want to vote in elections during 1955 have only a week in which to pay their poll tax. Deadline for paying the poll taxes is January 31, and the running out.

Poll tax payments are lagging behind last years' total, since no major elections are scheduled this year.

January 31 also brings another deadline for tax payers. They must pay their 1954 taxes not later than that date in order to avoid penalty. The penalty goes into effect February 1 and increases during each ensuing month.

THAT'S WHAT DOES IT

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From where I sit ... by Joe Marsh

A Pretty "Snappy" Menu

Cuff Taylor had a near riot in his hen yard last week. Seems the hens were scratching around the cold ground when they found a piece of rubber band frozen in the ice.

"One hen pecked at it," says Cuff, "and it snapped right back. She backed off clucking while another hen tried it, and another. And the 'worm' kept right on snapping back. They all got their feathers ruffled. You never heard such a ruckus!"

"I finally had to break up the ice with an ax before those hens

would get back to business and start laying eggs again."

From where I sit, some people raise a pretty big fuss over nothing, too. Take the fellow who would deny me a temperate glass of beer with my game of checkers. Maybe he'd rather have coffee! Well, that's all right. He has a right to his own preference. But so do I. And there's no point in his "snapping" at me just because his choice isn't the same as mine.

Joe Marsh

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