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Here In HICO

Were we gifted with the silver tongue of an orator, we should feel impelled to take a stand on some convenient corner and cry to the heavens our impressions of Spring.

Had we the power to portray the beauties of Nature on canvas, we would like to put down in permanent form some of the beauties of this unmatched season of the year.

Could we describe the prevalence of red-birds and robins, the bursting into bud of plant life about the countryside, and our reactions to same in suitable syllables, we might devote the rest of this column to such dissertation upon the wonders of life in the Springtime as our feelings reflected.

Not coming under any of the above categories, we pass the subject with the suggestion that in case you hadn't noticed anything different this week, you get out into the open and cast your eyes, train your ears and focus your nostrils upon the signs of Spring. (Provided it doesn't rain and freeze ere this goes into print.)

Still interested in the trials and tribulations of his boss for a week or two, D. F. McCarty, Jr., now employed on the Albany News, had the following to say last week:

"We imagine that Roland Holford will agree that advertising really pays. He went to great length last week in his column telling of the trouble they were having with rats in his plant. Now Mrs. Fryar read that sad story and felt sorry for Roland and had us to transmit this message to him. They have a couple of sure fire rat traps—the kind where they run in but don't run out again. Rats have given some trouble even in Albany, although they do not thrive on oil, in years gone by—not in printing shop but under the residence. These traps may not catch too many rats but we have Mrs. Fryar's word that they will scare all varmints from the premises. So, with your permission, Roland, we will ship you two guaranteed traps—collect. The woe of Editor Holford are many and no one can be of too much help. So we're waiting patiently for an answer telling us what to do with the traps. We'd suggest coming after them."

Too late, D. F. Our campaign against the varmints has already turned the tide toward victory in our favor. Either our efforts toward eradication have fruited, or the advertising Hico has received as an oil town have scared the rascals away.

But we will never be satisfied with any campaign of intimidation. As a matter of fact, nothing more humane will do us than to catch the miscreants in traps, cast the carcasses into vitriolic acid, place the remains in burning embers and scatter the ashes to the four winds of Heaven. That's how much we hate rats.

Back seat driving is always disgusting. But the present practice on the part of some who would tell the President of the United States how to run the country is no less so.

No less stately body than the Texas Senate embarrassed the State by taking unto itself the authority to censure his supreme court reorganization plan by wire, after a hasty and ill-considered session. Prominent men who have come into the limelight for their sagacity and judgment, seem to have lapsed into sub-normal activities by taking sides against the President. And laymen on street-corners take sides on the issue to the point of becoming engaged in heated arguments.

All of which goes to prove that propaganda is still productive of results. Having failed in every other effort to discredit the President, in whom the people of the United States last November placed their confidence in no uncertain manner, these same forces are behind the effort to block his constructive move in every way possible, mainly through prejudice.

Strange bed-fellows indeed are these Jeffersonian Democrats, disgruntled Republicans or whatever they may be who are lining up as usual a lot of good people on their side.

For our part, we are perfectly satisfied to let the President run the country. He is surely better aware of the needs of the country, its drawbacks and requirements, better than we or a lot of pseudo statesmen posing as senators.

New auto license tags must be on automobiles now being driven by April 1, or owners will be compelled to pay penalties. Do it now and avoid the last minute rush.

Soil Conservation Measures Urged by Interested Hicoans

S. J. Cheek, secretary of the Hico Chamber of Commerce, and George Powledge, prominent farmer, were in Austin Tuesday of this week meeting with a committee of citizens from this part of Texas who are interested in having soil conservation measures adopted for the benefit of the section lying along the Bosque River and its tributaries.

A bill is now up for consideration before the legislature, and a committee meeting was held Tuesday afternoon relative to the possibility of its passing. The Hico members of the party present in Austin to urge passage of the bill reported that the prospects were bright, and that although it might be some time before the real benefits would begin to accrue, still the interest stimulated in the project augured well for its success.

Previously Mr. Cheek, A. A. Brown, D. F. McCarty, H. F. Sellers and other members of the Hico Chamber of Commerce had attended meetings held at Dublin, Waco and Austin on the proposition, and stated that should the measure now pending pass in the legislature, Hico would be definitely and permanently benefited.

In a communication this week, Representative Earl Huddleston mentioned having contacted the Hico delegation present at Austin Tuesday, and expressed himself as having favored the bill from its inception. "I am doing all I can for the measure," he stated, in reference to the Soil Conservation Bill which is now up before the legislature. "I acted as chairman of the Committee on Agriculture," he continued, "when the hearing was held on this bill. Quite a few of the leaders are complimenting me relative to the men whom I appointed on this sub-committee. I tried to get men who would be fair."

Efforts to secure passage of the bill will be continued, according to Mr. Cheek, and also to assure Hico of its proper proportion of the benefits. He considers the groundwork now being laid toward this end to be one of the most important things coming up for the attention of the Hico Chamber of Commerce.

TO HOLD SINGING CONVENTION AT HAMILTON MARCH 14

The Hamilton County Semi-Annual Singing Convention will be held Sunday, March 14, in the District Court room at the courthouse in Hamilton.

We expect to have with us the following noted singers: The Stamps Quartet of Dallas; the Bill Jones Quartet of Dublin; Horton Bros. Quartet of Comanche, and many other good singers from other counties.

We want all classes and communities of Hamilton County to come and bring their lunches with them and extra sandwiches to take care of everybody invited. Program starts promptly at 10 o'clock.

J. W. Jordan, President.
Ollie McDermitt, Vice-Pres.
Mrs. Maude Musick, Sec'y.

PREACHING AT OLIN.

Do you?
1. Believe God when he speaks through His word.
2. Believe there are two million lost men in Texas headed for hell?
3. Believe something can be done about this?

4. Believe God expects Christians to make this their responsibility?
Come, let us thing, pray, and sing along their lives.

Lives there a Christian with soul so dead, who of the gospel has not said.

This is mine own, my God-given plan:
Services: 7:30 Saturday and Sunday nights, 10:00 Sunday morning.

J. W. CALWELL,
Pastor, Olin Baptist Church.

Improvements at Homes Here.

Mrs. W. L. Malone is having another room added to her home in the north part of town and Howard Rierson is doing the work.

The house belonging to George B. Golightly has taken on a new coat of white paint with a green roof. Virgil Spaulding and assistants did the work.

A large sleeping porch is being added to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Chaney just back of their station on the Stephenville-Dublin highway. A Rierson and son, Howard, are the carpenters on this job.

WEATHER REPORT FOR SEVEN DAYS GIVES LOCAL OBSERVER'S DATA

The following report, submitted by L. L. Hudson, gives conditions locally as reported to the Chronological Service of the Weather Bureau of the U. S. Department of Agriculture:

March 3	64	53	0.04	cloudy
March 4	62	51	1.25	cloudy
March 5	55	50	0.15	cloudy
March 6	57	53	0.40	cloudy
March 7	70	45	0.03	pt cdy
March 8	68	45	0.00	pt cdy
March 9	62	33	0.00	clear

Total precipitation so far this year, 2.97 inches.

Car Registrations Necessary Before Midnight, April 1st

In a display advertisement in this issue of the News Review, County Tax Assessor-Collector, H. J. Riley warns car owners of the necessity of taking care of the registration of their vehicle this month.

"You have until midnight, April 1," says Mr. Riley, "to have your car registered for the year 1937. On April 2nd a 20 per cent penalty will be charged on all cars not registered and operated in the month of April."

"By bringing your 1936 license receipt or transfer receipt you can be waited upon more quickly. In case you have purchased a motor vehicle with an out-of-county license number, it will be absolutely necessary to have all papers."

"Say now and avoid the last-minute rush," warns Mr. Riley. "License plates can be placed on automobiles now."

He announces that for the convenience of taxpayers in this end of the county, the plates are on sale at the City Hall in Hico, with J. R. McMillan in charge.

In other notices, Mr. Riley calls attention to the fact that all property must be rendered for taxation this month, in order to secure the homestead exemption.

Fort Worth Offers "Hico Day" During Its Fat Stock Show

Thanking the people of Hico and vicinity for the cordial reception accorded visitors here last week on a mission of advertising the opening of the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show, Jack Hott, manager of the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce, in a letter to S. J. Cheek expressed appreciation for the arrangements made to assure the success of the local appearance.

Mr. Hott, in his letter, suggests the possibility of setting aside a special Hico Day at the exposition. The letter follows:

Mr. S. J. Cheek, Secretary, Chamber of Commerce, Hico, Texas.
Dear Mr. Cheek:

I want to take this opportunity, on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce, to express appreciation for the very warm reception and general arrangements made to receive the Fort Worth delegation on the occasion of their visit to your city on Wednesday, March 3.

Mr. Charles G. Cotten, who went along representing the Chamber of Commerce, reports that your organization did a "swell" job of acquainting your citizens with the fact of the delegation's coming, and that you had done everything within your power to make a success of the occasion.

I sincerely hope that a sufficient amount of local interest develops which will make it possible for quite a number of your citizens to come to the Fat Stock Show, and should any attempt be made to organize or to observe a Hico Day during the Show, we want to assure you that it will be a real pleasure to cooperate with you to that end.

Now again, on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce, the Junior Chamber of Commerce and the Round Up Club, I want to thank you for the good work which you did.

Very sincerely yours,
JACK H. HOTT, Manager, Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce.

METHODIST CHURCH NOTES.

We appreciated very much the fine spirit of the Baptist pastor and people in coming to our church for their service last Sunday evening. Our people enjoyed Brother Dawson's message.

In the church calendar we are in the season of Lent. We are giving some thought to it in our services. Some shy from Lent as of Roman Catholic origin. But a study of church history reveals that it is not Lent originated before there was a Roman Catholic church. It was begun by early apostles as a three-day period of fasting and prayer in preparation for a proper understanding of and observance of Easter. This, we think is very fitting, and much needed today.

The pastor is preaching a series of sermons in keeping with the season. The theme for the month is Looking into the Mirror of our Lives. Next Sunday morning's subject will be Christianity at Halfmast, that of the evening, The Church With Nothing Against It. And what a Church! Nothing against it! Are you making it "Christianity at halfmast" or "The Church with nothing against it"?

Come Sunday and help us in the study. Read the message to the churches in the first three chapters of Revelation.

Will you not join us in making it a season of heart searching and reconsecration. Earnest workers have been meeting and studying and planning. Certain goals have been set to be reached by Easter in attendance and otherwise. They can not be reached without the cooperation of all. Shall we count on you? We are expecting you Sunday.

Very sincerely yours,
J. C. MANN, Pastor.

Seaboard Well Is Center Of Interest In Final Treatment

Treatment with acid of fifty feet of lime in the Seaboard Oil Corporation's Olin-Fairy test, being drilled by Gallagher & Lawson, Thursday at noon awaited only the arrival of the acid from Wichita Falls, according to information received in Hico. The report stated that this was expected within a few hours, since the company had made arrangements for 2,000 gallons of acid, which was to be drilled to the point that it was turned from another location where a well is being similarly treated.

Everything was reported to be in readiness for the injection of acid in the hole, which is the final step of the owners in their efforts to ascertain the importance of the oil showing which checked 22.8 barrels per day upon its discovery on Feb. 27. Since that time the well has been "shot" with 20 quarts of nitroglycerin, which failed to materially affect its production, and later carried to a total depth of 443 feet, where encroachment of water slowed down drilling to the point where it was impractical to deepen further.

Last week the hole was filled back to 4325 feet and plunged above both veins of water which had impeded drilling. Three hundred and sixty-three feet and eleven inches of 3-inch tubing was set at the bottom of the hole. A packer installed and 2-inch tubing set to the top of the ground. Fifty feet of the 3-inch casing is perforated to allow treatment of that portion of the hole which is considered likely to produce. The oil in the hole now is apparently coming from four feet of the Ellenberger, from a depth of 4145 to 4149 1/2 feet. Latest swabbings show a production of around a barrel and a half in slightly over an hour, it is reported, indicating that the well is holding its own, if not increasing prior to acidization.

Some time will be required after the final treatment to definitely ascertain the potential. It was stated.

H. N. Lyle, petroleum engineer with Seaboard, formerly stationed at Corpus Christi, arrived the first of this week to stay four or five days with the test during and following acidization. E. B. Stiles, geologist for the same company, last week was moved to Athens where he will watch drilling operations of a number of wells being drilled by Seaboard in East Texas. Mrs. Stiles, who has been ill, accompanied him.

PREACHING AT DRY FORK

Next Saturday and Sunday will be the regular monthly services at the Dry Fork School House. Preaching by Bro. Newton, his subject will be for Saturday night: "Why I am a Christian." For Sunday afternoon: "The Pearl of Great Price."

Services will begin at 7:30 Saturday night and Sunday afternoon at 3:00 p. m. Everyone has a cordial invitation to attend these services.

HICO FIRE DEPARTMENT HAD INTERESTING MEETING

Fourteen members of the Hico Fire Department were present at the regular meeting which was held at the City Hall on Monday night of this week.

During the business session, Morgan Moon and Rispy Newton were voted in as new members, making a total membership of 25, which is a full company.

A letter was read from Olin Culbertson, Secretary of State Firemen's Association, which contained words of praise and encouragement to the local organization.

A letter was also read from our representative Earl Huddleston, who stated that he supported the Firemen's Pension bill and assured them that he believed the bill would be passed, informing them that it had passed the House by 134 to 0, and now must be adopted and passed by the Senate.

It was announced that the City had purchased two new tires for the old truck, for which two were purchased recently, making four brand new tires on it.

The firemen asked that the siren sounds, and by all means do not run over fire hose.

Those present at the meeting were: R. J. Adams, Noel Spaulding, Charlie Meadors, J. R. McMillan, Louis Chaney, Bryant Lively, Warren Helmer, O. L. Davis, Willard Leach, Elmer Horton, Tom Munterly, John L. Wilson, and Chief Bill Leath.

Women naval architects are rare indeed so it was something of a surprise to learn that a twenty-one year old girl, Susan Denham Christie is Great Britain's first to be recognized in this profession. She recently received her degree at Durham University.

HOUSTON, Tex. (PAS)—Slash pine forests of East Texas could supply material for 25 paper pulp mills of 100 tons-a-day capacity to operate indefinitely, according to the All-South Development Council.

Co. Agent Urges Applications For Range Benefits

Application for the Range Program can now be made at the County Agent's office in Hamilton or by request the application will be mailed to you for signing and returning to this office.

Every farmer who has any range land should make application as it does not bind you in any way and, after the range inspector has set your Range-Building Allowance you can withdraw if you do not care to comply.

The Range-Building Allowance can be met by doing part of or all of any one of the following practices:

- (A) Reseeding by deferred grazing.
- (B) Withholding 25 per cent of ranch for grazing for a period of six months beginning May 1st.
- (C) Contour listing or furrowing.
- (D) Ridging range land.
- (E) Spreader dams.
- (F) Spreader terraces.
- (G) Earthen tanks and reservoirs.
- (H) Range fences.
- (I) Eradicating land from prickly pear.
- (J) Eradicating land from mesquite.
- (K) Eradicating land from cedar.

T. D. CRADDOCK, County Agent Hamilton, Texas.

Texas Is Eligible To Receive Million And Half For Roads

Texas is eligible to receive \$1,500,000.00 in 1938 as her share of the twenty-five million dollars appropriated to the Federal Bureau of Public Roads for secondary or feeder roads, and a like amount will be available for the same purpose in 1939.

The bill specifies that the projects must be constructed in at least fifty per cent of the counties and that the designation of the secondary road system will be based upon the importance of various roads as revealed by the Highway Planning Survey now in progress. Pending the completion of the survey the Highway Commission will select projects which can reasonably be included in the secondary system.

The Highway Planning Survey is now collecting important information from car owners of Hamilton County. Each car owner as he pays his 1937 registration fee at the office of the County Tax Collector will be handed a post card questionnaire upon which to note a few essential facts. These cards are self-addressed and require no postage. Vehicle owners should fill them in and mail them at once. The information collected in this manner will be used by the Highway Department in designating the secondary system which is to be established soon. Information from car owners should be available to the Highway Department as soon as possible, and the cooperation of all car owners is vitally necessary.

March 6, 1937
Hon. E. F. Sellers, Mayor, Hico, Texas.
Dear Sir:

We are herewith enclosing Grade C Well Water Supply Operator's License 329 for your water works superintendent, Mr. J. R. Massingill. We are asking that you deliver this license to Mr. Massingill as evidence of his having completed not only the training and experience qualifications for licensing but also, for his having passed successfully the prescribed licensing examination.

Our Department is especially interested in this licensing program because it guarantees to the employing city that their water works superintendent has the training, the experience, and the qualifications that will fit him to deliver a safe and better quality of drinking water. We congratulate your city on having this type of employee in its service, and any publicity that you care to give to the receipt of this license for the information of your citizens will be satisfactory to this Department.

The license should be exhibited in a permanent frame and posted in the City Water Office or at the City Water Plant.

Very Truly Yours,
GEO. W. COX, M. D., State Health Officer.

The license is on display at the City Hall in Hico, showing that Mr. Massingill has completed the prescribed work and has satisfactorily passed examination thereon.

It is understood that a little later the water works superintendent will be required to pass a civil service examination. These different requirements, while somewhat complicating the duties and operations of city employees in this line, are designed to work for the best interests of the citizens, taxpayers and consumers.

Stolen Car Recovered.

J. B. Ogle drove his automobile up in front of the Corner Drug Company early last Saturday night, entered the store, and was notified shortly thereafter that someone had driven off in the car.

With the cooperation of local County officers, the car was recovered later that night between Dublin and Stephenville, after having left the road and suffering slight damage. The car was insured.

It is understood that three arrests have been made in the case, with one of the parties thought to have been implicated still unapprehended Wednesday.

Receive Notice Of Added Credit For Good Fire Record

Through application of the 10 per cent credit allowed by the State Fire Insurance Commission on all policies written in Hico for the year beginning March 1, 1937, local policy-holders will save some seven or eight hundred dollars over the static rate, which would prevail without the credit, and twice that amount over the rate under the penalty of 15 per cent which prevailed for a few years here due to high losses of property in ratio to premiums paid.

Notification of increase of the credit from 5 per cent, which was gained last year, to 10 per cent this year was received last week. This demonstrates in no uncertain manner the wisdom of the fire prevention program which has been so effective in Hico during the past few years.

As amended on August 31, 1935, the rules of the Commission now allow a maximum credit of 25 per cent instead of 15 per cent as in previous years, when earned by low fire losses on insured property. This was figured on a three-year experience previous to that date also, but last year's credit was figured on a four-year average which will increase to five years this year and hereafter.

Therefore it can readily be seen that Hico is still being penalized to some extent through one or two "bad" fire years in the past five, but when these are worked off there is possibility of increasing the credit, if losses locally are kept down to the extent they have been checked in the past two or three years.

For many years Hico enjoyed a credit of 15 per cent on insurance policies due to a good fire record. The ambition of the local fire chief, the members of the Hico Volunteer Fire Department, insurance agents and the constructive, solid citizenship is to regain this maximum credit if possible, which can amount to 25 per cent under the present regulations, and after regaining it to keep a steady and constant watch on fire hazards and a determination to stop arson, reduce losses and protect property from needless destruction and damage by fire.

Superintendent of Water Works Now Has State License

Along with a license suitable for framing which arrived this week came the following letter relative to the new system of licensing of the State of all water superintendents:

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CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday, March 14, 1937.
10:00 a. m. Bible school, 5 classes, taught by five good teachers. Come and be with us in these classes.

11:00 a. m. Preaching hour.
11:45 a. m. The Lord's Supper.
7:15 p. m. Bible class, for all taught by Bro. R. L. Beaman. This class alone will pay you for coming. Bro. Beaman is one of the best teachers I ever heard. He explains so you can't keep from learning the Bible, if you will study the things he tells you.

Don't you feel good after you have been to church, been in a good Bible class or heard a real good sermon? Then come to the Church of Christ next Sunday.

8 P. M. Preaching hour.
7:15 P. M. Wednesday night prayer meeting. Everybody come. We have more than a welcome for you—a message of life.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

E. E. Dawson, Pastor.
"A Death-bed Message" will be next Sunday morning's sermon subject. At 7:30 in the evening it will be, "The Second Death."

Arthur Burden's Sunday school force has a place for you in Bible study. Why not study with us the greatest Book? It is an easy guess that you, dear reader, really know but a very little about the Book. At that you may know as much as the average teacher, but in the Sunday school we study the Bible together and ask Divine Illumination that we may comprehend at least a vital part of its message. Another easy guess is that you are not studying the Bible at all, not even occasionally reading it, if you are not in a Sunday school.

Saint and sinner, rich and poor, learned and unlettered, you are always welcome at our church and any of its services.

Dink...

GOES 'ROUND AND 'ROUND

And It Comes Out Here—

Ladies in this territory will receive a treat at next week at Porter's Drug Store when Miss Bernice Wadsworth, beauty specialist, will be there to give you a 45-minute consultation, including a Cara Nome facial, a skin analysis and a glorifying make-up. She will also outline your daily complexion care. All of this, of course, is free of charge. E. F. Porter says he will be glad to have you phone and make your appointment. The store is paying for the services that he has to give you, and the manager hopes to have you come in and get this free information.

How would you feel to drive your nearly new car in front of your well-lighted place of business at an early hour in the evening, go in the store and look out in about five minutes to fine it gone? Such was the experience of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Ogle Saturday night. They say it is no pleasant feeling. Luckily the car was found early Sunday morning near Dublin, and Bernard's new "made-to-measure" overcoat and Mrs. Ogle's purse and gloves were still in it.

Tuesday, Emory Gambie was wondering why he gets so much mail lately on the subject of "frogs." In almost every mail he gets a letter from some company explaining what an enormous amount of money can be made in the raising of frogs. Emory doesn't know if he looks like a frog business man, or if someone just sent in his name to be funny. Anyway he says he has learned more in the last two weeks about frog raising just from reading the literature than he has learned during all the other years of his life.

Mrs. W. A. Moss and daughter, Miss Ana Loue, who live in the Honey Grove community were in town Tuesday buying supplies for the family. When someone asked about Mr. Moss, Mrs. Moss said that he was at home taking care of ten sets of twins, which were recently born to their large sheep family. They have 56 ewes, and twenty of them are in pairs. The main purpose of Mrs. Moss' trip to town was to get condensed milk and nipples for the babies.

News comes from Mr. and Mrs. A. T. McFadden and son, Auburn T., who recently moved from Hico to Stephenville and later to Ranger where Mr. McFadden has a nice position in a store in that city, that they are doing nicely and the head of the family is well pleased with his work. This family will always be remembered in Hico as they had so many friends here.

Herman Leach who assists Paul Wren at Higginbotham Bros. Lumber Company has recently purchased a used coupe in which to make his social calls. Noel Spaulding said he could hear Herman's car every time he started it, even though it was on the other side of town as it made so much racket. Then Herman bragged about his pulling power, said he even pulled Paul's car out of a mud hole in his back yard Sunday, and that Paul's car was six years newer than his automobile. We learned that Paul's predicament occurred when he washed his car, and after using so much water, it was to his axle's in mud. The most startling news they told us while at the lumber yard, was that they said they would tell us a secret if we would not tell a soul. And when our curiosity was at a high pitch, Paul said they were expecting a new shipment of wall paper and if it got here in time they would give us an ad to let the folks of the community know that their 1937 patterns had arrived. What a secret.

About the most business being transacted on our roads Tuesday was at the junk yard across the street from Higginbotham's. The junk men looked as busy as cranberry merchants, finding wheels, etc., to fit implements, cars and other machinery for the farmers of this community. What they have left their ship or haul to other towns. We had never before seen as many different shaped pieces of iron.

Mrs. H. H. Howard says to those who live away, that if you ever get sick, come to Hico and stay until you get well. She has been sick for several weeks, and says that the neighbors were all so good to her, and what good rice and soup they can make. She said you don't mind being sick so badly when you have such good people around you. She wishes everyone who has to be sick could come to Hico to stay.

A note comes from Mrs. Frank McClure of Houston, formerly Miss Onal Hunter of Hico, who says: "We are now living in Houston and have taken an apartment, so the address is changed and is 1003 Harrington Street. Spring has come here and Houston is a very pretty place. People are friendly and accommodating like Hico people." Mr. McClure has a nice position in Houston and their friends here wish them well in their new home.

Hog Jaw

By OMA ROBERSON

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Higginbotham and little daughter, Kartron Jane, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Warren.

Dr. Holland L. Jackson, house physician in Methodist Hospital at Fort Worth visited in the home of his father, E. S. Jackson Sunday.

Mrs. R. B. Elkins and son, Ray Dean, spent several days recently visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Johnson of Stephenville.

Mrs. W. E. Alexander and Mrs. John Higginbotham spent Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. N. A. Fewell.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Roberson and daughter, Billie Wynne, spent Sunday afternoon in the J. G. Howerton home.

Mrs. George Christopher of Hico visited with Mrs. Wylie McFadden Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Olin Ridenhower of Junction spent Sunday night here in the E. S. Jackson home.

Bud Roberson is the owner of a new tractor.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lambert and children and Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Lambert and children spent the latter part of last week in Breckenridge visiting their brother, Leonard and family.

Greyville

By GLADYS HICKS

Mr. and Mrs. Neal Williams and son of Clairette spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Seay and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Bell of Olin spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Burnett and grandson, Ray D.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hicks and daughter accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Johnson and family spent Sunday with Mrs. Netter Killion and Mr. and Mrs. M. Crews and family of Stephenville.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Mullins and daughter Nellie, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. George Greer of Dry Fork were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Bowman and Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Latham and daughter of Hico.

Mr. Oliver Burnett has returned to his home in Fort Worth after a few days visit here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Burnett and grandson, Ray D.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Tudor Jr., and little son of Dry Fork spent Sunday as guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Hicks.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Bowman of Hico and Mr. and Mrs. George Greer of Dry Fork spent Sunday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Mullins and daughter Nellie.

Mr. A. D. Seay was a business visitor in Waco the latter part of last week.

Altman

By MRS. J. H. McANALLY

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Stringer had as guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Stringer and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Gibson and sons all of Carlton and Mr. and Mrs. Mack Falkner of Dublin as it was a birthday celebration for Mrs. Ed Stringer and also her son, J. C. Stringer.

Roach Clifton, Doyle Partain and Ed Stringer were in Stephenville Saturday.

W. D. Partain of Duffan visited Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McAnally Wednesday.

Louise Land of Palm Rose spent Tuesday night with Grace Cozby.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hayes visited their daughter at Hamilton Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Martin of Purvis, Rev. Sidney Martin of Wichita Falls, Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Carroll of Carlton visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Stringer one evening last week.

Albert Montgomery of Carlton visited his parents and brother, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Montgomery and Earl Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Crist had as guests a few days last week their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lowe of Hico.

Mary Beth Clifton of J. T. A. C., Stephenville, spent the week end with homefolks.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bingham of Hamilton were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Bingham and Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Sunday.

Unity

By JUDSON COLE

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Kidd and son, Ernest Charles, of Waco spent the week end with his father, J. L. Kidd.

The two daughters of Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Fritis spent Sunday afternoon in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Johnson and family.

Mark McElroy who is working at Denton spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rance McElroy.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Cole of Duffan spent last Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Kidd.

Miss Lillie Mae Adkison who is teaching at Greens Creek spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Adkison.

Le Roy Hathcock and Judson Cole were in the A. S. Johnson home awhile Wednesday evening.

Mark McElroy and Hooper Edwards were Fort Worth guests Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard McLendon and small daughter were in the R. B. Adkison home Sunday afternoon.

Luther Cole and J. L. J. Kidd were business visitors in Meridian Thursday.

The Mt. Zion H. D. Club met February 25th with Mrs. C. C. Natchigall. A short business and social session was held and "A Convenient Kitchen is a Life Saver" was the topic of their program for the afternoon. The H. D. agent gave a very interesting lesson on the conveniences in their kitchens. Refreshments were served to the following club ladies: Mrs. Tom Griffiths, Mrs. J. L. J. Kidd, Mrs. Annie Hathcock, Mrs. W. L. Simpson, Mrs. J. A. Walker, Mrs. Nan J. Mangold, County H. D. Agent and the hostess, Mrs. C. C. Natchigall. They cordially invite all neighbors and friends to attend the meetings. The next regular meeting will be held with Mrs. J. A. Walker.

Clifford and Ruby McElroy, Lee Meeks and Judson Cole were in the Rance McElroy home Friday night. Pat Morris was in the Hubble home Sunday.

The Sunday School last Sunday was well attended by a large crowd. The folks of this community are hoping for larger crowds as they want to make a large attendance here. So everyone has a cordial invitation. So come. The time will be at 10:15 at the school house.

Miss Rhoda Crist of Hico and brother, Zeb of near Hillsboro were in the Luther Cole home Tuesday.

Pink Watts was a business visitor in Iredell Monday.

Lee Roy Hathcock and Judson Cole were visitors in the Roy Adkison home Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Griffiths and two children, Gerald and Joy Ann, spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ted Nix of near Falls Creek.

Joe Crow of near Bluffdale spent Saturday and Sunday with Lee Roy Hathcock.

Mike Adkison who is working on the bridge gang now stationed at Corsicana, spent a part of last week with Clifford McElroy.

Judson Cole and Gerald Griffiths visited in the Walter Tolliver home near Walnut Springs Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. John Miller of South Texas are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Tom McElroy.

Robert Lewis who is working in the stock yards in Fort Worth spent last Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Lewis, Luther Cole and son, Judson, were in the F. O. Daves home Wednesday.

Miss Theta McElroy spent Monday with Miss Stella Ross.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Appleby of Fort Worth were recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Griffiths and family. Mrs. Appleby is a sister of Mrs. Griffiths.

Mr. and Mrs. Griffiths and children, Gerald and Joy Ann, were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Rispy Newton of Hico.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Crist had as guests a few days last week their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lowe of Hico.

TAXES
MUST BE RENDERED THIS MONTH TO OBTAIN HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION

R. J. Riley
Assessor-Collector, Hamilton County

The Mirror

Editor - - - Mavis Hardy
Asst. Editor - - - Roline Forgy
Sports Editor - - - O. W. Hefner

County Meet News.

The tennis players were bitterly disappointed Friday because the tennis match had to be postponed due to bad weather. We hope the weather prophet will make this week pleasant so we can bring back all first prizes.

Debating will be scheduled for Friday week. Those entering debating are taking advantage of the week and staying home to practice.

Miss Haltom, the coach of declamation, reports a good chance of Hico winning with Mary Brown and Wynell Stanford for Junior declamation and Naomi Jones and Mamie Jo McKeage for Senior declamation.

Six Weeks' Exams.

This week every kind of expression that has ever been seen was found on the faces of many of the students. There were disappointed, surprised and satisfied looks. Some almost cried because they knew that there is only two more six weeks left. I can assure you though that there was a very small amount of these looks. Many of the students are above the line, some below, and some just on the line. My suggestion is to study, especially if you are a Senior.

Think It Over.

A cheap skate doesn't cut much ice.

Having your face lifted is generally a pleasant operation.

Two heads are better than one when they're on the same shoulder.

A flirtation is just an empty spoon—Yes, just an empty spoon. Girls are like snow balls, the harder you squeeze them, the faster they melt.

Love makes the world go around, looking for places to park.

It's a wise chicken who knows when she has had enough corn.

Familiarity breeds contempt.

Hico, Texas, March 8, 1937.

Dear Aunt Melinda:

Friday night Mary Ella had some of the kids up to her house to play games and have fun. We got started playing Michigan, but we didn't play long because Lela brought in some pop corn balls and some of the best candy I have ever put

in my mouth. Soon we got to acting out names of songs and letting the others guess the name. Then we imitated people and guessed who they were too. If you want to know how Roberta walks, ask Richard. And if you want a new version on "The Kid in the Three Cornered Pants" call on Eugene Hackett. We hope he tells you.

Because of bad weather, we had to wait until this week to play tennis.

Here are some of the Freshmen girls' bright ideas:

My head is large.
My body is small.
God bless the boys,
I love them all.

A negro on a woodpile, Couldn't count to seven. Put him on a feather bed. Thought he was in heaven.

With love,
CARROLL ANDERSON.

Rambblings.

Why doesn't Jane like long distance calls from certain people? What's that about Mamie and the Freshman boy? Wonder where Eurate is?

Helon got her dates mixed up Saturday night. How come?

Roline has a better personality than we thought. Every time he sings "Boo-hoo" Mavis cries.

Hosea seems to have said the wrong thing at the wrong time Saturday night.

What Senior boy got out of the way of another boy's fist? Florence always wants to go to Dublin. Is he a blonde or a brunette?

Ask Daisy how the fishing was Friday night?

Why does Albert go around saying "I love me"?

What's this about Mary Jane refusing to go with a certain Senior boy? We wonder why.

Just why can't certain Senior boys remember their dates.

What does Robert mean by singing "I was seeing Nellie (Vee) home"?

What certain girl decided she was coach and held a road workout Sunday night?

Mavis seemed contented Friday night. We wonder why?

Why does "Hello Handsome" always make a girl jealous?

The gossip is still going around

about the aviator. Is that Junior girl still interested?

Jane, you shouldn't neglect such long letters written by Paul. He might decide not to write again.

What happened to "Marie Hardie" this week?

Some people have to sleep even if it is muddy.

What's this about Mamie robbing the cradle?

Albert Harold wonders why Mamie won't walk up or down the hill any more with him.

Was work the only thing that kept Derrill from going on the history picnic?

What have Mary and Bill done now? They even stop on the stairs and hold conferences.

Jokes.

Mr. Rogstad: "What is the formula for water?"
Eugene Hackett: "H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O."
Mr. Rogstad: "Nonsense."
Eugene: "You said yesterday it was H to O."
Mr. Gamble: "Do you think Helon that your brother can forget what he learned at college?"
Helon: "I hope so. He can't make a living necking."
Tom: "Last night I had an awful pain in my arms."
Hosea: "Who was she?"

Play At Millerville.

The Millerville school will give a play entitled "The Girl in the Fur Coat," Friday night, March 12. Admission is free. Candy will be sold to help pay the expenses of the play.

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Ellen gets Her Man



EIGHT INSTALLMENT
SYNOPSIS: Ellen Mackay, on her way from school at Winipeg, to join her father at Fort Edson, is rescued by the boat which she was to travel. Hearing that another boat is to start north in the morning, Ellen goes to the owner, John Benham, and begs him to give her a passage. To her surprise he flatly refuses.

Angry and puzzled, Ellen tells Pat McClatchey, a kindly old storekeeper of her difficulty, and Pat with the help of one of Benham's crew, succeeds in getting Ellen on board as a stowaway.

When the vessel is well under way Ellen emerges from her hiding place and faces John Benham, who now cannot help taking her with him.

During the voyage Ellen begins to be strongly attracted by John. But when she reaches Fort Edson she finds her father broken, ill and disgraced, and learns that his troubles are due to one man—John Benham.

Instantly Ellen resolves that she will fight for her father. She will reinstate him with the Hudson Bay Company, his employers, and will show up John Benham for what he really is.

From Bernard Deteroux, an employe of the company, who professes friendship for her father, Ellen hears that Benham supplies whiskey to the Indians. She sets out on a long and tedious journey to obtain proof of this, returns thinking she has got it, and gives information to the authorities.

Trooper Whitlow, of the Mounted Police, asks her to go with him to find Benham and confronts him with her proof of his villainy. It develops that Benham is innocent and the liquor is being supplied by Deteroux.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY

"It—it is wonderful!" breathed Ellen ecstatically knowing what it would mean to Angus Mackay to have this big shipment of high-grade furs come into his post, tribes are cared for. But how are "And I pledge myself to see that you going to get the cargoes to the fort?"

"You'll see," chuckled Whitlow. He turned to the "breed" again. "Where is Deteroux now?"

The "breed" waved an arm upstream. "M'sieu Deteroux, she's at dat Cree Camp on Mink Lake."

Whitlow shot a swift glance at Ellen, who distinctly paled at this information. "Was John Benham there also?" demanded Whitlow.

"Tha "breed" shrugged and shook his head. "I no see um."

"Very well," nodded Whitlow curtly. He unsearched a notebook and pencil from his pack and wrote a swift message to Angus Mackay. This he tore out and folded. Then, starting with the "breed," he went slowly over the entire crew of the boats. Each man he stopped in front of he stared at closely and scribbled swiftly in the notebook.

The men were uncomfortable, nervous, and they would not meet his eyes. When he had made a complete round Whitlow came back to the "breed" and handed to him the note he had written Angus Mackay.

"You will now head directly to Fort Edson," he ordered. "These furs you will turn over to Angus Mackay there, and also deliver this note. I have given you. Then you will remain at the fort until I return. If one fur is missing or if any man in your crew is not there to report to me—let him beware." And Whitlow tapped his notebook.

The "breed" nodded vehemently. "She's been as you say, M'sieu."

"Good. Now start immediately." The York boats were soon on the way, the oars flashing in the sun. Ellen watched them until they were around the bend and out of sight. Then she looked at Whitlow.

"Do you think they will really deliver the furs?" she asked doubtfully. "What's to keep them from going straight on and never showing up again?"

Whitlow laughed.

"This I've worked long among the tribes and with the ignorant rivermen. Miss Mackay. If there is anything they fear it is to see you apparently writing down something about them."

"Perhaps some of the more superstitious ones feel you are casting some spell over them. At any rate, they do not understand, and what they do not understand they fear. So they'll be there—every man jack of them, and the furs will be delivered quite safely. You can depend on that."

"But there still remains..." Ellen left the sentence unfinished.

"Deteroux," snapped Whitlow. "I'll tend to him now. Come Moosac, we must hurry."

Again the canoe shot upstream, Whitlow and Moosac driving it onward with smooth, powerful, sweeping strokes. The stout maple paddle blades creaked and hissed, and the crystal water of the river surged about the canoe in foaming whirls.

Ellen crouching tensely in her place, thrilled with a subdued but powerful excitement. She exulted hugely in the knowledge that John Benham was now exonerated from all stigma, and she knew abysmal shame that she should ever have believed him capable of criminal operations. But she was eager to see Deteroux in the custody of the law.

Two miles above where the York boats had been met, the canoe shot through the last tugging stretch of the river and glided out upon the emerald flawless surface

of Mink Lake. A mile away to the North-east a sloping, tree-clad point jutted. In the still air just beyond the point hovered a pale cloud of smoke.

Ellen pointed. "There is the camp," she stated.

The cadence of the paddle quickened. Ellen glanced over the shoulder at Moosac. The old Chipewyan had not noticed her survey. His eyes were fixed on that column of smoke, and a strange change had come over him.

Expression showed into his wrinkled, brown face. No longer did it seem flat and stupid. Instead, by some strange force of inner excitement, each feature seemed to have sharpened. There was a new cast to his head. Something of the cruel, rapacious look of an eagle was there.

The old man's lips were moving. He seemed to be enchanting silently. Despite himself, Ellen shivered.

It seemed to Ellen that in no time at all their canoe was rounding the point. The hoarse, unrecognizable murmur of many voices reached her ears. Through the intervals of the tepees she caught

sight of a surging group. No one noticed them as they landed. All eyes were on two crouching men who maddled about one another on moss-stained feet. These men were stripped to the waist, their faces were bloody, their gleaming torsos spotted and carmined, and they were driving out terrific blows at one another with knotted fists.

One was John Benham—the other, Bernard Deteroux!

Ellen Mackay never knew how she reached the inner edge of that crowding circle about the two fighters. But she was there, and then it seemed that utter physical paralysis gripped her.

Only her eyes were free, and she stared unblinkingly. She saw Benham whip in a slashing punch which made a gory wreck of Deteroux's lips, and when Benham leaped in to follow up his advantage she saw Deteroux drive him reeling back with a wicked blow over the heart.

For a moment they seemed to rest, circling each other constantly, their eyes blazing with utter hatred; their matted lips peeled back in animal snarls.

Then they closed again with a tattoo of smashing fists. Body to body they stood locked, motionless except for the knotting and crawling muscles of their shoulders, and their short, deep panting for hard-won breath.

They were magnificent brutes. Like his face Deteroux's torso was bronzed and coppery. Against it Benham's skin was startlingly white, gleaming like marble. Something caught in Ellen's throat, and her eyes misted as she saw the great livid bruises Deteroux's iron fists had wrought on that white skin.

If anything, Deteroux held the advantage of height and bulk. The dimensions of his shoulders were terrifying, and the knotted muscles across the back of them made him seem almost hunched.

On the other hand, Benham's muscles were long and smooth, and even to Ellen's tutored eye there was a lithe speed in his movements that his opponent lacked.

The fighters ripped apart as though by mutual consent, then stood toe to toe, slugging with a wild, ferocious abandon. The spat of fists on hard flesh seemed as sharp and clear as the blows of an axe.

The flurry slackened, and it was John Benham who gave back. Deteroux, his feet wide apart and leaning slightly forward, seemed as immovable as a giant rock.

As his opponent slipped away from him, Deteroux gave vent to a rasping snarl and leaped forward. Benham, poised and ready, drove him back with another crushing blow to the mouth.

Again they seemed to rest a moment, then both sprang anew to the conflict, and again they stood with locked arms and writhing muscles.

Time edged on. The fighters seemed tireless. Their blows were still terrible, club-like. Ellen managed to tear her eyes away for a moment, and her swift, searching glance saw Whitlow standing at her side, his eyes cold and gleam-



Deteroux's steely thumbs dug into Benham's eyes.

ing with intent on the fighters. At last Ellen managed to shake off the paralysis which had frozen her body. She gripped Whitlow's arm. "Stop them!" she cried. "Oh—stop them!"

Whitlow did not even hear her. With a little cry of despair, Ellen shrank away, and her eyes went back to the conflict like steel drawn to a magnet. She was just in time to see Deteroux explode into a mad cataclysm of ferocious movement. His arms whirled, and he flung Benham from him like a child.

Then he charged in with flailing fists. They crashed into Benham's face and jaw with crushing force. Benham toppled back, his head rolling.

A sigh went through the watching circle, a circle of savage faces gleaming with the stark madness of combat. It seemed as though Benham could not elude or recover from that beserk charge. He was bent back helplessly, and his knees were sagging.

Abruptly he caught himself, ducked into a crouch and side-stepped. Deteroux, unable to halt his charge, lunged past. And Ben-

ham smashed him under the ear with a blow which whirled the big ser man half off his feet.

Now it was Benham's turn to charge, and this time Deteroux gave way, lunging blindly from side to side in a futile attempt to avoid the rapier blows that were cutting his face into a bloody mask.

Revelation gripped Ellen. She felt nauseated—sick. The stark brutishness of it all cast a dreadful spell over her. The hoarse, gasping, snarling breathing of the fighters, their bloody, swollen features, their grim hate-filled, blood-rimmed eyes—it was a nightmare picture to the sensitive girl.

"Stop them," she cried again, her voice shrill and hysterical. "Oh—won't somebody stop them?"

One person in all the group heard. And that person was John Benham. In the midst of his advantage he stiffened, and his hands dropped at his sides. His head swung on his shoulders and his bloodshot eyes rested full on Ellen's white face.

For just a moment the madness of conflict seemed to fall from him. He relaxed. And in that moment Deteroux was upon him like a pouncing pather.

Dimly Ellen heard Whitlow's sharp cry of warning. Then she saw Deteroux's great paws wrap about John Benham's head, and saw Deteroux's steely thumbs dig into his opponent's eyes.

A gasp of sheer agony broke from Benham's lips. A shudder rippled through his body, and he gave way slowly, tearing frantically at Deteroux's wrists. Someone was shouting in Ellen's ear. It was Whitlow, and his face was white and accusing.

"You little fool!" he raged. "Now Deteroux will blind the boy—he'll blind him! And it's your fault. Ellen's world reeled. John Benham's eyes, those clear, flawless eyes, helpless now before Deteroux's ferocious gouging. And her cry had made Benham drop his guard. She began to sob, little breathless sobs. "God!" she whispered. "Please—God!"

CONTINUED NEXT ISSUE

STATE LAWS FOR SOIL CONSERVATION
 (Address by Henry A. Wallace, Secretary of Agriculture, over the National Farm and Home Hour, Last Saturday I was talking

with Hugh Bennett, Chief of the Soil Conservation Service, and found him rather discouraged because farmers had not taken more interest in his work. His service in the past three years has set up 540 demonstration areas, and ways to stop wind and water erosion are being demonstrated on these areas in every part of the United States. Nevertheless, the farmers living outside of these areas have not used the improved methods as fast as Bennett believes they should. He spoke of the dust storms this year in Oklahoma and Kansas, and of how these storms could have been prevented in large measure if the farmers had followed the recommendations put out by Mr. Bennett's organization. I told him not to become discouraged but to remember that with any new idea it takes about seven years before the demonstration becomes sufficiently talked about so that they begin to influence the average man's actions. At first, people are very slow to change, but when the new facts demonstrate their soundness and people think about them from every point of view, it is remarkable how rapid the final progress becomes.

Bennett is a soil conservation scientist and evangelist who became convinced ten or fifteen years ago that if the people of the United States did not stop mining and exploiting their soil in a shortsighted, selfish, individualistic way, the time would come when water and wind erosion would make of the United States another China.

Evangelists who give their life to a cause sometimes become momentarily tired and discouraged. That is why I am asking today that those farmers of the United States who are really concerned about erosion, write to Hugh Bennett, Chief of the Soil Conservation Service at Washington, D. C., telling him that they think of the effort of the Service and offering to do all they can to help Bennett's organization succeed by keeping the soil on their particular farms from washing into rivers or blowing into the air. Or if they have constructive suggestions to make, by all means send them along to Mr. Bennett. Probably some farmers will not know just what to do to control erosion, but I am sure they will be glad to act in a practical way as soon as they know how.

Last summer the United States Department of Agriculture reached the conclusion that it was foolish to spend large sums of money setting up soil conservation projects unless we could be certain of more unanimous cooperation by farmers and landowners in the different localities. Of course this more unanimous cooperation could be obtained only by invoking state authority. The Federal Government can, however, withhold benefits and services from these states which do not pass laws making enforceable the right kind of cooperation.

Such proposed laws are now before a number of state legislatures. They provide for setting up soil conservation districts, provided the majority of farms and landowners in a given area vote that they want a soil conservation district. These proposed state laws provide further that land use regulations may be established within the district by the vote of a substantial majority. Some states may wish to require a 75 percent favorable vote.

The passage of such legislation really means that state authority is provided to the district to enforce participation in a soil conservation program on any minority of non-cooperators. The Federal Government can then spend money on a district set up in this way with some assurance that a real job can be done to check and absorb heavy rains at the headwaters before they have a chance to join the swollen streams. In like manner, dust storms can ultimately be controlled, or at least reduced, by working on the areas most likely to control the trouble. But in no case will the work be started until the majority of the people have given their assent and have said that they want the help of the government.

In the old days neither farmers nor city people were interested in this kind of thing. Farmers could then wear out a farm and move onto another one. Neither floods nor dust storms caused so much damage. The Great Plains had not yet been overgrazed or plowed up. But now it is different. The good farm land is fully occupied, and much of it is overgrazed and overplowed. Trees have been cut off of land which should have been left. Grassland has been plowed that should have been left in grass. The water, the winds and the droughts have all become more violent. It is time for farmers, state governments and the federal government to work together in the most constructive manner possible. I hope that the governors and the legislatures of those states in which state legislatures are now in session will give the most serious consideration to this problem.

Millerville By CHAS. W. GIESECKE

The rain of last week was fine. Some have their corn planted, others are ready to plant after this excellent season.

Mrs. Clem White and son Charles, spent last week end with her sister, Mrs. Roy Sears of Altman. Mrs. Sears being sick.

Braxton Miller of Waco spent Tuesday with home folks, Braxton has a good job at Veterans Hospital in that city.

Mr. Beckett of Coryell County, is visiting his sons and family at this place the past ten days.

Geo. W. Loden who is working at Waco, visited his family last week.

Earl Land and family has recently moved to our community, he is working for Geo. W. Loden.

L. B. Giesecke and family of Duffau visited his brother and family, C. W. Giesecke last Monday.

Sam Norrod and wife of Pilot Point, recently visited his father and sisters, Misses Myrl and Eva Norrod.

A play, "The Girl in the Fur Coat" will be presented at the school house, Friday night, March 12. No charges, you have an invitation to come.

Flag Branch By HAZEL COOPER

Mr. and Mrs. Jess McCoy spent the first part of the week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John McCoy of near Dunnagan.

Loney Davis who has been very sick with pneumonia is able to sit up some at this writing.

W. K. Hanshaw and family spent Tuesday in the Dennis Davis home, as Dennis and his son, Henry Bill, are both in bed with pneumonia.

Ola Dotson and baby Fatsy and Mrs. Susan Cooper spent Monday evening with Mrs. Lillie Craig.

Ray Hanshaw is on the sick list at this writing.

Mrs. Rosa Mingus has been spending a few days with her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Mingus and baby, Grady Altman.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Bud Dotson a baby girl. She weighed 7 pounds and has been given the name of Thelma Jo.

Eloise Craig has been on the sick list the past week.

Lloyd Hanshaw spent a while Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Ivis Hanshaw.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Cooper and Mr. and Mrs. Jess McCoy spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Bud Dotson and family.

A good rain fell here Wednesday night and Thursday which was greatly appreciated by all.

Misses Viola and Jimmie Hanshaw spent Sunday evening in the Henry Burk's home.

Jeff Howell spent Sunday in the J. M. Cooper home.

Lloyd Hanshaw spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. Dennis Davis.

Mrs. J. M. Cooper and daughter, Flora, spent Saturday with Mrs. Ola Dotson.

Misses Wanda Lee Hanshaw, and Maxine Moore spent Saturday night with Mary Katherine and Louise Craig.

Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Craig spent awhile Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Craig and son, Bobbie Ray.

Carlton By CORRESPONDENT

We are all feeling better since the rain, which will be of great benefit in many ways.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Osborne and son, Frankie, and Mrs. L. C. Vaughn of Hearne spent part of last week with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Upham.

Misses Ruth and Nevelyn Geye of Dublin visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Geye last Wednesday.

Culmer Jordan went to Marlin last Friday with his wife, and daughter, Miss Martha Elizabeth, who had been there for several days. Martha Elizabeth had been taking treatments in Marlin sanitarium.

Miss Eleanor Wilhite of Meridian spent Thursday night with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Wilhite and niece, Vasta Rose.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Jones, Sr., of near Purvis visited their daughter, Mrs. Tommy Pail and family Sunday.

Jap Adams of Gatesville spent Monday night with Mr. and Mrs. Sim Everett.

Dr. Raymond Tull and wife of Abilene spent the week end here with his mother, Mrs. J. H. Tull.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Stephens Sunday were: Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Rogers of Hico; Mr. and Mrs. Pringle Tackett of near Dublin; Miss Mildred Carter of Altman; Wayne Stephens of near Hamilton; Harry Stephens of Gatesville; Ilean Stephens of Dry Fork.

Mrs. C. C. Dyer came home yesterday as she had been with her daughter, Miss Novice, who had been very sick. She teaches school at Paint Rock. We are glad to hear she is improving.

Mrs. Charlie Wilhite and granddaughter, Vasta Rose, spent the week end in Meridian with her children, Brooks and Eleanor Wilhite.

Japan's pearl divers are mostly women. In fact 95 per cent of them dive for the gleaming jewels which women all over the world prize so highly.

"Strange But True"

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BOOM EVIDENT IN BUILDING FIELD

The increase in the volume of new building construction throughout the country in 1936 over the previous year is encouraging in many ways. In normal times building is one of the largest industries, employing at its peak more than three million workers in the building trades, besides other millions in the production of building materials and equipment.

The people of the United States built about 260,000 new homes in 1936, as compared with 75,000 in 1935. But the total amount spent on new housing was only \$12 per capita, as against \$61 at the height of the last home-building boom in 1925. The outlook now is that about 425,000 new houses every year to house our normal population increase properly and replace buildings burned or otherwise rendered uninhabitable.

There is considerable doubt whether there is enough skilled labor to carry on a real building boom if it got started. All through last year reports of a shortage of competent bricklayers, plumbers, carpenters and other building mechanics came from every section where there was a marked increase in building operations, and contractors are reported as being prepared to offer "bonus" wages this Spring to good men.

There is no new crop of journeymen workers to replace those who have died or become incapacitated by age, illness or accident in the past ten years. With the revival of building, which is starting now and bids fair to continue for another ten or twelve years, the building trades would seem to offer a fine opportunity for boys who can find ways to become masters of almost any one of the building crafts.

THE WORLD GROWS OLDER

We are getting older. Everybody has been doing that, ever since Time began, but now the whole human race is getting older, in the sense that the average age of the people of the United States is higher than it ever has been.

On April 1, 1935, when the last Census Bureau count was made, there were 1,449,200 persons over 70 years old, or 34 out of every thousand individuals. At the beginning of this century, 37 years ago, there were only 24 in 1,000. In any average group of 1,000 persons there were 240 children under ten years old; now there are only 10 youngsters of that age, or only 10 percent of the total.

One important reason for this change in the balance of ages is the declining birthrate; another is the general improvement in public health as a result of better living conditions, more facilities for ordinary folk to receive proper medical attention, and the stamping out of epidemics. The public health campaigns against communicable diseases, backed by the increased knowledge and improved resources of medical science have also helped to enable the average person to live longer.

One result is the raising of the average age of the population at any given time. Not many years ago the majority of the people were under 25 and the expectation of life of every new-born baby was 40 years. Now there are more Americans over 30 than under that age, and the expectation of life is 56 years.

One effect, bound to make itself manifest in another few years in new and perhaps surprising ways, is the increased attention which the elders give to the education and upbringing of the young. Youth is scarcer and so more highly prized. The danger in all of the social effort to help youth solve its problems is that the young may get too much help, and grow to maturity lacking in self-reliance and initiative.

MODERN WOMEN

CHARL ORMOND WILLIAMS President of National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc.

Miss Leonie Villard, who has just arrived in this country, is the first woman in France to hold a chair of literature in a university. She is professor of English and American literature at the University of Lyons. It was several years before another of her countrywomen was similarly honored.

Dr. Marie Munk, the first woman lawyer and first woman judge in Germany, is in this country to talk on court procedure and penal treatment. She served as a judge in the Municipal Court in Berlin and for ten years was a Prussian Judicial Officer.

Another visitor is Miss Elizabeth Hildyard, daughter of Brigadier General Harold Charles Thornton Hildyard of the British Army. Miss Hildyard has been in Bermuda with her uncle, the recently appointed Governor. For several years she has helped to manage English laundries and she is now studying this work here.

Secretary of the Interior Harold L. Ickes has appointed Mrs. Janet Van Loon, daughter-in-law of Henrik Willem Van Loon, author, to the script department of the educational radio project of the Office of Education.

The popular star of "Victoria Regina," Helen Hayes who has been appearing in this Broadway success for many months, will receive the 1936 gold medal, which is annually awarded by the National Speech-Arts Fellowship for the finest diction.

Signatures of more than one million men and women were on the people's mandate to government for peace which was presented by Mrs. Caroline O'Day, Member of Congress, to the recent conference called by President Roosevelt in Buenos Aires.

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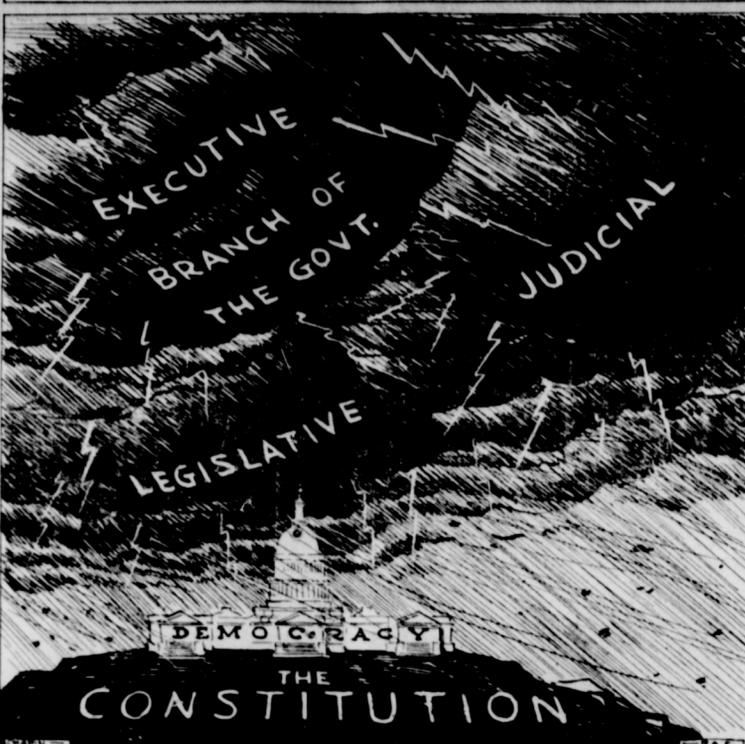
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Some people are determined to do nothing but do nothing.

Storm Over U. S. — by A. B. CHAPIN



Nancy Hart's HOME NEWS

The famous Flag House in Philadelphia where Betsy Ross made the first American flag at the request of General George Washington, is now being completely restored and will be made into a national shrine. It is a little brick building, only seventeen feet wide and the ground floor room was the upholstery shop of John and Betsy Ross. Betsy was the seventh daughter in a family of seventeen children.

One day in June, 1776, General Washington came to her shop accompanied by Colonel Ross, uncle of her late husband, and Robert Morris. General Washington had a crudely drawn design for a flag, but Mr. Morris said she could get a ship's colors from his counting house to use as a model. It was Betsy Ross who suggested the five-pointed stars. The flag was finished that night, and after that she was frequently employed in making flags.

The charm of the young widow is attested by the fact that she later married the other two rivals for her hand Joseph Ashburn, a ship captain who died in prison at Plymouth, England; and John Claypoole, whom she survived. She died January 30, 1836 and is buried in the graveyard of the Free Quakers in Philadelphia.

Graceful lines are the most noticeable feature of the latest footwear fashions. Despite perforations, eyelets, bow trimmings, and open toes and heels, the smartest styles in both daytime and evening models owe their chief distinction to form-fitting simplicity.

A spectator sports outfit that started in Hollywood and threatens to sweep the rest of the country this spring consists of a casually tailored suit, felt hat and shoes with low built-up heels, set off by a brightly colored sweater instead of the conventional tailored blouse.

Ripe olives blend with a wide variety of sandwich fillings. Eggs, cheese, ham, celery, tomatoes and nuts are but the beginning of a long list of materials which take on new zest when ripe olives are part of the combination.

The trouble with most people who go on various diets is that they overdo it. The body needs about thirty-eight different chemicals. Most of us are lucky if we get eighteen. You can get a sufficient quota by balancing and mixing, and picking and choosing among foods, rather than by denying yourself certain essentials. And it's much safer to eat smaller quantities of a variety of foods than to restrict your diet to certain items.

Book of the Week: "A Marriage Manual" by Drs. Abraham and Hannah Stone, published by Simon and Schuster. "Marriage Travelers," said Balzac, "need a pilot and a compass." And this book by the Drs. Stone serves the purpose most admirably. It is truly the most valuable gift that could be given a new bride and groom for it clearly and specifically charts the course of happiness in marriage.

Household Hint: Little pearl onions are as "handy" as that silly finger game we played recently; use them for garnish whenever their flavor is suitable.

Madam: How do you know he was drunk? Maid: Well, he shook the hall tree and then started to feel around on the floor for some apples.

KNOW TEXAS. Denton, Feb. 8.—Texans can justly boast of the size of their state and the hospitality of the people. They can speak with pride of their industries—of oil, cotton, and cattle. And they could—though seldom do—do a little exulting over the higher educational facilities which reach into every corner of the state's vast area.

No section of Texas is beyond the reach of some of the higher educational institutions. There are 116 colleges, universities, and academies in the state, 71 of which are fully accredited. In the accredited schools, there are 51,950 students enrolled, and the unaccredited institutions claim 11,320, making a total of 63,270 young men and women registered in Texas schools of higher learning. The enrollment in a single school varies from 90 to more than 8,000.

The state supports 16 colleges and universities. Largest of the state schools is the University of Texas at Austin with more than 8,000 students in its regular session. Following the University in size are A. & M. at College Station, Texas Technological at Lubbock, and Texas State College for Women at Denton. This latter school being the largest standard college for women in the United States.

Within the state's borders are 33 denominational schools, 4 private schools, and 18 municipal schools. Junior colleges number 34, and they are topped by 36 four-year schools. There are 61 accredited coeducational schools in the state, 6 women's colleges, 3 men's colleges, 7 teacher's colleges, 2 medical schools, and 2 theological seminaries. Texas also provides for the education of negroes, with four negro colleges enrolling approximately 5,600.

Sunday School Lesson

Jesus Praying for His Disciples. Lesson for March 14th. John 17: 14-26.

Golden Text: John 17:22. As Dr. Fosdick points out in his helpful little book, "The Meaning of Prayer," prayer is dominant desire. "Every wish," wrote Mrs. Browning, "with God is a prayer." Now a desire or a wish, if persistently cultivated, is certain to be fulfilled. If a man really wants goodness, he will get it.



And remember that it is the law of prayer that we become what we desire. Hawthorne's hero Ernest, in the famous story, "The Great Stone Face," by meditation upon the peaceful dignity and calm grandeur of the Old Man of the Mountain, came to wear a similar expression on his own face.

Quantity Means Lower Prices. A scientist who presides over a laboratory of a big chemical company was telling me the story of artificial rubber. Many minds contributed to the discovery and perfection of this product. It is used now in certain specialized fields where extra endurance and resistance to acids are necessary but its present cost is many times that of natural rubber.

It did not occur to him that he was saying anything especially important but, as a matter of fact, he was expressing unconsciously the whole philosophy and justification of big business. Businesses get big and stay big in these modern days because by research they find ways to make things in greater quantity and so to make them cheaper.

The automobile, which costs you less than a thousand dollars, is so much better than the best car a millionaire could buy twenty years ago that there is no comparison. It has been steadily improved and made cheaper by being manufactured in big quantities.

The Family DOCTOR

by JOHN JOSEPH GAINES, M.D.

SUNLIGHT. The oldest subject "under the sun." But how important—and how interesting! Wise is the family doctor who knows the uses of the God-given elements at his command, within easy reach.

Natural sunlight is just right for the human being—and for all life on the earth, animal and vegetable. It is a vital necessity. A dearth of it will produce weak bodies, poor blood, inefficient nerves—a weakened race of people. Outdoor dwellers in rural district are more hardy and vigorous than inhabitants of crowded cities.

Good, bright, yellow sunlight is rich in ultra-violet rays, and here we step into up-to-date stuff. The ultra-violet ray is the agent that converts the numerous lime salts of our foods into suitable form for appropriation by muscle and nerves. It is invaluable for the breathing apparatus, and is supreme in maintaining the alkaline balance in the body. It prevents acid destruction of vital organs, such as the kidneys.

Sunlight is the principal factor in bringing about the marvelous changes so necessary to bodily vigor; it doesn't cost anything if you live in its vicinity, and are free to get about in it. The nearer approach to the sun gives a much greater volume of violet-ray. In lower levels, the air is more polluted with dust, smoke and other outside matters, which diminish the actinic effect of the rays.

The Artificial Instruments have been invented, whereby the doctor may administer sun-rays to patients in winter and cloudy times, when outdoor absorption is impossible.

The House of Hazards By Mac Arthur



Farm Foreclosures Still Running High.

Local offices of the Resettlement Administration have received figures which show that foreclosures of farms in Texas and Oklahoma is continuing at a very high rate. Surveys in eight counties of Oklahoma showed that during the past two years there have been 395 foreclosures and sheriff's sales, or almost 50 per cent. It was also estimated that 7,700 farm homes in these counties are now threatened with foreclosure, which would be an average of almost 1,000 per county. Estimates indicated that more than 75 per cent of these farms could be saved by payments of from \$100 to \$1,000 on their mortgage installments, interests or taxes.

In Texas the situation is equally serious. The Federal Land Bank at Houston has been forced to foreclose on 3,286 farms in Texas alone since 1930. The high point was reached, not during the years when the depression was generally considered most severe, but after recovery had started, in 1935. Farms foreclosed in Texas by the Federal Land Bank in 1935 totalled 1,005, practically ten times as many as in 1930. Even last year, the number of foreclosures was 665.

Farmers in this county threatened with foreclosure are invited to call upon the county supervisor of the Resettlement Administration.

He will put them in touch with the county Debt Adjustment committee, which is composed of volunteer, non-paid workers. This committee has no funds, but acts as a mediator between the debtor and creditor, and frequently brings about a settlement that is to the benefit of the creditor as well as the debtor. In one case recently reported, a creditor threatening to foreclose was persuaded to buy back the farm and pay the debtor all that the latter had put into it. Debts secured by mortgages on teams and equipment are adjusted, as well as land debts.

Local Happenings



Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Massingill were visitors in Hamilton Sunday.

ROSS SHOP. Jewelry, Watch and Clock Repairing. 37-1fc

Mrs. J. R. Massingill and daughter, Katherine and Allie Adkison were visitors in Dublin Thursday.

J. N. Adams of Gateville was here Thursday visiting relatives and old friends.

Mrs. Rucker Wright spent the past several days in Big Spring with her sister and other relatives.

Watt Ross and family of Marlin spent the week end here with relatives.

Mrs. J. A. Barnes of Walnut Springs visited Mrs. H. H. Howard Sunday.

Mrs. Jim Bingham of Hamilton was here Saturday visiting relatives and friends.

Mrs. Anna Driskell and Mrs. Kate Black were visitors in Hamilton Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Teague and Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Ogle were visitors in Waco Sunday afternoon.

B. D. Carrigan of Hamilton was a business visitor in Hico Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hedges of Bangs spent last Friday here visiting their son, Lr. H. V. Hedges.

Mrs. May Bates spent the week end in Dallas visiting Miss Bess Hughes and other friends, and brother, Jerry Dorsey.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Marshall and his mother who is their guest from Runge, spent Sunday in Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Randall Simpson of near Hamilton were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Patterson Sunday.

Mrs. D. G. Barrow and son, Cecil, of Abilene spent Tuesday night here in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Grady Barrow.

Miss Jane Adams left Sunday for Fort Worth where she has accepted a position in a beauty shop in that city.

Carroll Smith who is attending school at Hillsboro spent the week end here with his mother, Mrs. W. G. Smith and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wilson of Balinger were in Hico Thursday, guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Adams.

R. J. Adams and Miss Jane Adams spent last Friday in Fort Worth visiting their sister, Mrs. Mark Workman and husband.

Mrs. Mark Workman of Fort Worth spent the week end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Adams.

Mrs. Mollie Carpenter is spending four days in Brownwood with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Thomason.

Miss Gertrude Lee Oxford, who teaches in schools at Calvert, spent the week end here with her mother, Mrs. Linnie Runyon.

Mr. and Mrs. U. D. Brown spent the week end in West with Mrs. Brown's mother and other relatives.

Miss Sallie Cunningham returned home Tuesday from Snyder where she has been on an extended visit with her sister and husband.

Clairette H. D. Club Meets With Miss Eunice Lee

The Clairette Home Demonstration Club met with Miss Eunice Lee, at 2 p. m. Friday, March 5. A call meeting.

A brief business session was held, roll call was answered by helpful hints for the quilt maker. Quilts of "today and yesterday" was the topic of the program.

Mrs. Glynn Lee gave a talk on different kinds of quilts.

A large number of quilts were exhibited. (Some) were sixty-five years old and extra fine quilted.

Miss Grace Cody, County Home Demonstration Agent, meets March 10, with the Wardrobe Demonstrator, Mrs. J. G. Edwards, members are requested to be present.

Members present: Mmes. S. O. Dearborn, A. L. Thompson, Nora Dowdy, Pete Mackey, Ezra Edwards, W. F. Johnson, J. G. Go-lightly, John East, Glynn Lee, Lee Havens. Visitors: Mrs. W. T. Stanford, Bishop Stanford, Miss Nola Lee.

The Club meets in regular session, March 12, at 2 p. m. in the M. E. Church, visitors are invited.

REPORTER.

W. M. U. Met With Mrs. Dohoney Monday

The W. M. U. ladies met with Mrs. J. W. Dohoney Monday with fine present. We did not have our book so we spent the time finishing up our quilt.

We meet next Monday at the church for our Bible study. The lesson will be the 5th chapter of Acts. Come and study with us.

REPORTER.

Mrs. Kate Black, Mrs. J. W. Fairley and Miss Margaret Ross visited Miss Marguerite Fairley in Waco Sunday.

Mrs. W. F. Culbreath spent the past week in Brady with her daughter, Mrs. A. B. Cox and family.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Welch and children of Stephenville were here Sunday visiting friends, enroute to Hamilton to visit other friends.

Mrs. J. J. Smith and Mrs. L. W. Weeks and son, Jack, spent the week end in Waco, visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McNeill and daughter, Nell.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond McCarty and daughter, Sylvia Ray, of Dallas spent the first of the week here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. McCarty.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Shelton of Novice spent the week end here visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Shelton and Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Thomas.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Halle and son, Brown, of St. George, Utah, spent the past several days here visiting his father, W. R. Halle, and sisters, Mrs. Jim D. Wright and Mrs. Tyrus King and families.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clark, son, Charles Jr. and daughter, Jane Ann, of Gainesville were here over the week end visiting his father, S. A. Clark, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. McCarty.

Word comes from Mrs. Laura Homer in Dallas that she is recovering nicely from her recent illness and expects to pay Hico a visit during the Easter holidays.

Mrs. Homer has many friends in Hico who are looking forward to her visit here.

Mr. C. W. Shelton left Sunday for Abilene to spend a few days with her son, Ted Shelton and wife. Mrs. Ted Shelton underwent a minor operation in an Abilene Hospital the latter part of last week but is recovering nicely from same.

Mr. and Mrs. Ras Proffitt took their little son, James Lee, Sunday to Gorman where they had planned to have his tonsils removed, but upon advice of physicians at the Gorman hospital, they will wait a few weeks on account of an ear trouble that the boy has been having for sometime.

C. G. Masterson, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Aycock and Mrs. C. L. Woodward accompanied by Mayor Henry Clark of Stephenville, were in Austin on Wednesday of last week, appearing with delegations of other citizens from Erath, Hood, Somerville, Bosque, Coryell, Comanche, Hamilton and Palo Pinto counties before the committee on education of the Texas Legislature. The purpose of the trip was to try to raise John Tarleton College from a junior to a senior institution.

Former Hico Boy To Be Married In Stephenville

Below is an article taken from the society page of the Stephenville Empire-Tribune, announcing the approaching marriage of a former Hico boy, Robert Platt, only child of Mr. and Mrs. A. Platt of Stephenville, and grandson of Mrs. Willie Platt of Hico.

Mrs. T. A. Cox entertained with a slumber party at her country home on the Fort Worth Highway Saturday night, announcing the approaching marriage of her daughter, Miss Pauline Cox, to Robert Platt.

The girls first attended the mid-night prelude of "Maid of Salem" at the Majestic Theatre. After being served refreshments at the Onyx Cafe, they were escorted to the honoree's home by her sister, Miss Faye Cox of Fort Worth.

Following the serving of a mid-night supper at the Cox home, an announcement of the approaching nuptials was made in fortunes told by Miss Doris Ferguson who read Miss Cox's fortune last, revealing the date of her wedding which will be held March 13 at the First Baptist Church. Interesting and surprising entertainment followed throughout the night.

Those present were Miss Cox's most intimate girl friends, Misses Lucille Hubbard, Doris Ferguson, Dorothy Davis, Carol Lynn Schnabel, Mary Eleanor Funkhouser, Maribeth Knox, and Hortelle Goodwin.

Mrs. Dora Lambert Celebrates Birthday Anniversary

Mrs. Dora Lambert of Rochester was honored on her birthday at a dinner given by her children at the home of Breckenridge Sunday.

Lambert with Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Lambert, the children were present with the exception of one daughter, Mrs. Cecil Ellis and family at Wichita Falls.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lambert and children, and Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lambert all of Hico, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Rives of Glen Rose, Mrs. J. H. Odell, Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Scroggs, Haskell, Mrs. D. C. Hulsey and children, Rochester, Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Lambert and children, Breckenridge, Miss Ludie Lambert, Knox City, and the honoree, Mrs. Dora Lambert, Rochester. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Wylie Bean, Rochester, and Miss Helen Scroggs, Haskell.

Miss Corine Christopher Married to Stephenville Man

Miss Corine Christopher of Hico and Mr. A. E. Davis of Stephenville were united in marriage at the Baptist parsonage in Hico Saturday night, the ceremony being performed by Rev. E. E. Dawson, pastor of the local Baptist Church.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Christopher of Hico. She is a graduate of Hico High School, and too a year's training in nursing at the Stephenville Hospital.

The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Davis of Merkel. He is a graduate of Merkel High School. For the past few years, Mr. Davis has been employed at the Stephenville Bakery.

The couple will make their home in Stephenville.

Stephenville Girl Married To Hico Man Saturday

The marriage of Miss Leola Wood of Stephenville to Mr. Doris Gamble of Hico occurred Saturday evening at the Methodist parsonage in Stephenville with the pastor of the Methodist Church reading the sacred rites.

The bride is a daughter of Mrs. Marion Wood of Stephenville. She is a graduate of Stephenville High School, and of John Tarleton Agricultural College. For the past few years she has been employed as bookkeeper at the Stephenville Hospital.

Mr. Gamble, a son of Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Gamble of Hico, is a graduate of Hico High School, and also of John Tarleton College, and has attended Texas Dental College at Houston. For sometime Mr. Gamble has been employed by the Government in Resettlement Work.

The many friends of the couple wish them happiness and success.

Tuesday Bridge Club Met With Mrs. Masterson

Mrs. C. G. Masterson entertained members of the Tuesday Bridge Club at her home on Wednesday afternoon of this week. Spring flowers decorated the open rooms where the games were played.

Mrs. Frank Minus won high score. At the conclusion of games a salad course was served to Mesdames H. F. Sellers, C. L. Woodward, H. N. Wolfe, Bernard Ogle, C. W. Bates, F. M. Minus and May Petty.

Hico Review Club Had Inaugural Program

The members of the Hico Review Club held an open meeting at the club rooms last Thursday afternoon when Mrs. E. H. Persons was hostess, and Mrs. F. M. Minus was leader. An inaugural program was rendered.

Special piano solos were given by Mrs. C. L. Woodward, and Mrs. May Petty gave some piano-accompanied selections. Mrs. R. J. Adams whistled a few numbers.

At the close of the program, hot tea and wafers were served.

Dry Fork By OPAL DRIVER

Rev. O. O. Newton of Pottsville will fill his regular appointment here Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Tudor and baby spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. James Hicks of Greysville.

Miss Hester Jordan of Greysville spent Thursday night of last week with Misses Opal and Johnny Driver.

Miss Irene Stephens spent the week end in Carlton with home-folks.

A miscellaneous shower was given Tuesday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Driver in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Randall Simpson of Rock House.

Miss Artie Columbus spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Orval Bell of Olin.

Grandmother Scroggs is on our sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Saunders and J. P. Columbus were visitors in Hamilton Monday.

Emmett Gordon and family of Olin and Misses Lucie Mae Welson and Ima Rogstad of Hico were visitors this week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Driver and family.

Mrs. Jim Seago is visiting her daughter at China Springs.

Two hundred and seventy-two students are candidates for bachelor degrees in June from Texas State College for Women (CIA). This year's class is about 20 percent larger than that of June 1936.

FUNERAL RITES SUNDAY FOR MRS. W. M. CHENEY WHO DIED IN STEPHENVILLE

Funeral rites were held at the Hico Methodist Church Sunday morning at 2 o'clock for Mrs. W. M. Cheney, who passed away at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Armstrong in Stephenville Sunday morning at 2 o'clock after an illness of several weeks' duration. Rev. J. C. Mann, pastor of the local Methodist Church conducted the services and body was taken to Waco for burial.

Pall bearers were Mr. Beene and Sergeant Sessoms of Stephenville, C. G. Masterson, T. A. Randall, S. E. Blair and L. N. Lane.

When Mrs. Cheney became ill a number of weeks ago she was taken to the Stephenville Hospital and remained there for sometime for treatment and recuperation. She was taken to her daughter's home, later becoming worse again and again removed to the hospital, but passed away in her daughter's home March 7. Everything that could be done for her by physicians, loved ones and friends was administered until the last.

Mrs. Cheney was born in Harris County near Houston Sept. 7, 1872. She moved with her family to Waco when she was 16 years of age. It was here that she met and married W. M. Cheney on October 30, 1892 and they first made their home at Mt. Pleasant. In 1907 they moved to Hamilton County settling at Carlton. They lived there for seven years, moving to Hico in 1914 and have resided here since that time. She was converted and joined the Baptist Church in early childhood. She united with the Methodist Church in 1914. Those who knew Mrs. Cheney were blessed in her noble, useful life. She loved her friends and associated with them daily until her health was impaired to such an extent that she was forced to remain at home a great part of the time. She leaves many loved ones and friends who will miss her very much.

Besides her husband, she is survived by two daughters, Mrs. R. B. Armstrong of Stephenville, and Mrs. John Auer of Memphis, Tenn. A baby son died in infancy. One sister and one brother who survive, live in California.

CARD OF THANKS

We have been trying to find words to express our appreciation of such wonderful kindness we have received since we lost our house, and to those who helped during the fire. From the deep recesses of our hearts, we thank you, but such deeds of love can only be rewarded in the next world. Not alone the benefit you have been, but what we read in your faces, "cheerful loving friendship and eager to help us." Memories of our friends will always be with us to help crush out that horrible hour.

MR. AND MRS. J. J. JONES.

HICO GIRL WINS PLACE ON SPECIAL HONOR ROLL

DENTON, March 10.—High scholastic attainments the first semester of this year won for Miss Jeanette Randals, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lusk Randals of Hico, a place on the dean's special honor roll at Texas State College for Women (CIA). This distinction, accorded only 329 students in a student body of almost 2,400, will be officially recognized March 11 when a special honor's day program will be held at the college.

Miss Randals is a member of the senior class, and is working toward a bachelor degree in intermediate education.

Miss Margaret Ross has returned home from Waco where she completed a course in beauty culture at one of the leading beauty schools of that city.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Earle Harrison spent Sunday in Osceola with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Harrison.

TAXES MUST BE RENDERED THIS MONTH TO OBTAIN HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION

R. J. Riley Assessor-Collector, Hamilton County

BEAUTY SPECIALIST TO BE AT PORTER'S DRUG STORE ALL NEXT WEEK

Hico women who are always interested in attaining that smart appearance so typical of women of today will be interested in knowing that Miss Bernice Wadsworth will be in Hico all next week at your local Rexall Store, Porter's Drug Store, according to E. F. Porter, owner.

Miss Wadsworth comes through the courtesy of the M. Langlois laboratories, world renowned authority on beauty and charm. She has been trained by M. Langlois himself in the art of teaching new methods of cultivating loveliness right in one's own home.

It is my keenest desire to help the ladies of Hico to bring out and develop their loveliness, not with a miracle but through sound, common sense principles underlying daily skin care," says Miss Wadsworth.

"I want to devote 45 minutes to discussing with each woman who comes to me her own skin conditions and problems . . . to give her a restful facial followed by an individualized make-up that will minimize any imperfections of feature or complexion and accent every beauty."

"I use only M. Langlois famous Cara Nome Beauty Creations because I have found them the purest, finest and most effective obtainable.

"There is no charge for the consultation. Porter's Drug Store has personally engaged me to give this free service as a courtesy to their customers and friends."

Miss Wadsworth will really help women to attain the new beauty demanded today. She is available all next week only, for appointments between 9 a. m. and 4:15 p. m. Phone 4 for appointment.

Range Conservation Lines Run

College Station.—Range conservation will apply to 164 counties of Texas, according to wired instructions from the Director of the Southern Region of the Triple A, announced Jack Shelton, vice director of the Extension Service.

The telegram, signed by C. A. Cobb, follows:

"The line designating range area of Texas runs South along the Western line of Montague, Wise, Parker, Hood, Somervell, Bosque, Coryell, Burnet, Blanco, Comal, Bexar, Atascosa, Live Oak, Jim Wells, Kleberg, Kenedy, Hidalgo. All these counties and all counties West of them are designated as being in the Western area of Texas where the range program will be applied."

Practices which have been approved from which ranchmen may choose those needed on their ranges and earn payments limited strictly by the range building allowance established for their ranches are: deferred grazing; fencing; contour listing or furrowing; constructing terraces; spreader dams, earthen tanks and reservoirs, building spreader terraces, establishing fire guards; eradication of prairie dogs and kangaroo rats; rescuing land from prickly pear, mesquite, cedar, and lechuguilla.

The range building allowances which establishes the limit of payments for carrying out range building practices will be calculated on the grazing capacity of the individual ranch.

Are You Too Late for an Appointment with Miss Bernice Wadsworth

WHO WILL BE IN OUR STORE ALL NEXT WEEK.

Not yet! But you will be unless you make an appointment now. Ever since the news of Miss Wadsworth's visit flashed around town our telephone has been humming with calls for appointments.

Naturally no modern woman wants to miss such an opportunity to attain the smartness and beauty demanded by today's fashions.

Miss Bernice Wadsworth, Cara Nome Specialist, comes here at our expense, to demonstrate creations of Langlois, world-famous beauty authority.

Without charge or obligation she will give you a 45-minute consultation, including a Cara Nome facial, a skin analysis, and a glorifying make-up and will outline your daily complexion care.

Remember! Only 10 consultations can be given daily—9 A. M. to 4:45 P. M. Make your appointment now.

Porter's Drug Store

"In the Center of Hico's Business Activities"

Lackey's Grocery

MAGNOLIA	1 Gallon Can
Peanut Oil	\$.110
SANTOS	Pound
Peaberry Coffee	19c
PALMOLIVE	3 Bars
Soap	14c
SUN-BRIGHT	Can
Cleanser	4c
PURE	16-Oz. Jar
Honey	20c
CHUM	Can
Salmon	10c
ADDING MACHINE	Roll
Paper	12c
3 Lbs. Peaberry COFFEE	1.00
Pure Aluminum TEA KETTLE	

Try a picture of the kiddies up among the peach blossoms, or with a tree in full bloom as a background. It makes a nice Spring picture.

The **WISEMAN** STUDIO

THIS STORE WILL NOT BE OPEN ON SUNDAY HEREAFTER

Egg Guessing Contest Ends...

On Tuesday, March 16th

100 BABY CHICKS GIVEN FREE!

In addition all poultry supplies, remedies and feeds will be on SALE at Special Prices for One Day Only.

Be Sure And Visit Us On This Day

KEENEY'S HATCHERY & FEED STORE

Phone 254

News Of The World Told In Pictures.

At Grain Problem Conference



WASHINGTON... Farm leaders from all parts of the country conferred here with the Secretary of Agriculture, Henry Wallace, to study plans for an "ever-normal" granary. The plan calls for storage of excess production in good years. In the conference, left to right, seated: Senator Elison D. Smith, Secretary Wallace and Rep. Marvin Jones. Standing: E. H. Everson, Farm Union President; Louis J. Taber, National Grange Master; H. R. Tolley, AAA; and Edward A. O'Neal, president, American Farm Bureau Federation.



View of one of ten buildings on the 52-acre site purchased by the National Oil Products Company at Cedartown, Ga. (Insert) President Charles P. Gulick of the Harrison, N. J. company.

CEDARTOWN, GA. (Special)—Construction work was underway today at the new 52 acre, 10 building plant at Cedartown, Georgia, of the National Oil Products Company of Harrison, N. J., for the manufacture of products used in textile processing, paper milling and other industries. Charles P. Gulick, president of the company, said this property with an additional building will be operating within three months. The land and original buildings were purchased from the U. S. Finishing Co.

Purchase of the new plant extends the National Oil Products Company's nation-wide operations into the growing field of Southern industry. The company maintains other offices and plants in Chicago, Boston, San Francisco, Portland and Seattle with main offices, laboratories and manufacturing facilities in Harrison.

The plant, second in size only to the Harrison site, will manufacture completely all type products of sulfonation, condensation, high and low temperature chemical reactions and compounds of complex chemical synthesis.

J. H. Barton, vice-president of the company, has just left Cedartown and returned to the home office at Harrison, leaving Works Manager E. T. Woods at the Cedartown plant. Mr. Barton said that these chemical products will be for the use of the paper mills, textile processors and other types of industry, formerly in New England areas, that have expanded into the South.

A wholly owned subsidiary, the Metcalf Chemical Company, will manufacture metallic soaps in one of the buildings. "Our plant at Harrison, N. J., has been in the heart of the territory we served since it was established in 1907," Mr. Barton explained. "We found during the last two years, however, that our business has been moving away from us in tremendous strides. Our best customers are operating in the South today and so we had to come South to be near them. Our southern location will result in substantial freight savings to our customers over the years. An operating force will be put to work as soon as the first units of the plant are in operation and this force will be enlarged steadily as rapidly as other units are ready for production. Labor and clerical forces will be drawn from the South and chemists from Southern Universities will be selected for laboratory work. Technical supervisors from the Harrison headquarters will be in charge until Southern technicians are trained to handle the work. Equipment which would have been termed "chemical curiosities" a few years ago will be installed in the new laboratories which will be at the disposal of all Southern industries. To supply the raw materials for the plant, oils from the far corners of the world including Italy, Spain and Greece will be received in shipload quantities at Savannah, Ga., and Charleston, S. C., where they will be transhipped by rail to Cedartown. In addition, various vegetable oils of Southern origin will be used to open a new market for Southern agricultural products. Various manufactured products will be purchased, also. "We will need at the start several thousand hardwood barrels a month," Mr. Woods said. "We came to Atlanta to arrange for the production of these barrels from a dependable firm. We found the firm that will supply our barrels will have to enlarge its plant and increase its force in order to handle our contract." "Our local materials will be used "where possible," Mr. Barton emphasized. The Cedartown plant will be the center of an expanded sales force, which will sell a complete line of specialized oil products for bleaching, dyeing and finishing. Other features of the new plant include 17 mill houses where employees will live and a natural spring providing an unlimited water supply for the pump house. Mr. Barton said this was one of the main reasons for selection of the Georgia site. "That was what we were looking for principally," he said. "We use a tremendous amount of water and it must be cool, clear and pure. "The other reasons for the location of this plant in Georgia are that we have found a plant that, with the erection of storage tanks, will be superbly suited to our needs. We have a railroad spur into the property already; important savings will be made on freight rates by being in the heart of the region where our customers are operating their plants. "We believe, with the movement of the textile mills into the heart of the cotton belt, that the use of Southern products will increase and we hope to contribute to this growth."

Cotton Queen to Reign April 2



Virginia Johnson. Dorothy Ehlinger

Miss Dorothy Ehlinger of New Braunfels has been selected Queen of the Cotton Ball at A. & M. College and will reign over the annual pageant and style show to be held April 2. The tall, vivacious brunette, president of the student body at Texas State College for Women (CIA), will be escorted by Earl T. Duke of A. & M. as king. Miss Virginia Johnson of Seymour will attend her as maid of honor.

Ideal Co-ed



NEW YORK... Her answers to a questionnaire by John Held, Jr., originator of the word "flapper," won for Dorothy Louise Miller of Columbia University (above), the honor of being titled, the Ideal Co-ed.

From Snow Grave



CARSON CITY, Nev... Mrs. Maudie La Near, 19, and her daughter, Donna, 2, pictured after being rescued from a snow-buried automobile after 15 days without food or heat. The husband went for aid and perished.

With Toy Pistol



NEW YORK... Norma Parker, New York's girl cafe bandit, concluded a brief and spectacular crime career when a cashier grabbed her... and learned he was being held up with a toy pistol. Police identified her as the girl who had successfully held up several cafe cashiers recently.

To Philippine Islands



WASHINGTON... Paul V. McNutt, (above), former Governor of Indiana, is the new U. S. High Commissioner to the Philippine Islands. He was appointed to that post by President Roosevelt and departs soon for the islands.

UP! UP! Record



BOSTON... George Varoff (above), University of Oregon freshman, pole vaulted 14 ft., 4 1/2 inches to break the 14 ft., 4 in. indoor record set by Keith Brown of Yale in 1934.

Pension Tuberculars

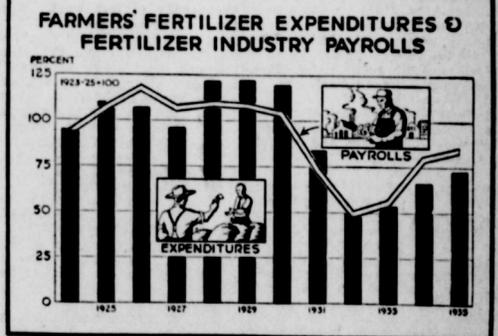
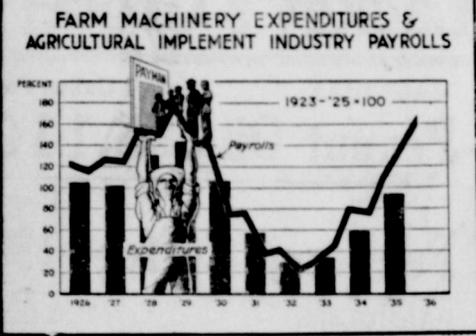


ST. PAUL, Minn... Rep. J. O. Melby advocates pension for disabled tuberculars under the Social Securities Act. His plan would reduce cost to taxpayers and lower present death rate of 70,000 each year from this disease.

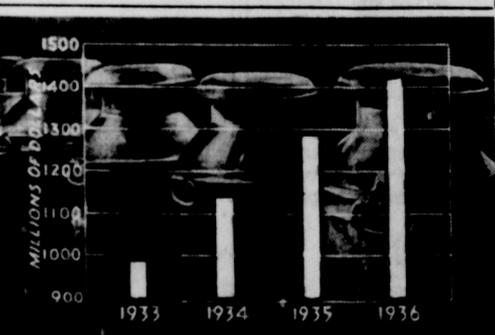
To Head Yale



NEW HAVEN, Conn... Charles Seymour (above), provost and history professor at Yale, is to succeed Dr. James R. Angell as president at the end of this year. He was elected by the directors, Feb. 13th.



Farm Cash Income From Milk Makes New Five-Year High



FARMERS' cash income from the nation's milk production totaled \$1,417,000,000 for 1936, an increase of \$128,000,000, or 9.9 per cent over the 1935 total, according to the Milk Industry Foundation. Farm milk income has increased nearly 50 per cent since the depression low. Cash milk income for December 1936 of \$113,000,000 was 91.5 per cent of the 1924-29 average compared with the 78.5 index figure for agriculture as a whole. Since milk production in 1936 is estimated to have increased by 2 per cent to 3 per cent over 1935, the past year's larger cash payments to farmers are chiefly due to higher unit prices paid for milk. Increasing consumption of milk in fluid form, for which farmers receive their highest prices per quart, also helped to increase dairy farmers' milk checks. While supply and demand are in fair adjustment for the nation as a whole, there has been an unusually high production of milk in some sections of the country. Farmers are evidently feeding their herds well despite high feed prices. This, together with the high percentage of cows being milked, has caused a substantial increase in milk production in most markets. To aid farm income this increase in production can best be marketed through stimulating consumption of milk in fluid form, as milk used for butter and other products brings the dairy farmer lower prices.

Women in Government



WASHINGTON... Mrs. Ellen S. Woodward (above), of Jackson, Miss., is assistant WPA Administrator in charge here of the women's division of Federal work activities. Mrs. Woodward has been in this key position since 1935.

Plan Pan American Olympics



Officials of the Greater Texas and Pan American Exposition welcome George Marshall to Dallas where he will stage an international summer sports program to open with the Exposition, June 12.

Washington Promoter Retained by Dallas To Stage Show Units

A Pan American Olympic, premier of all athletic meets of 1937 on the North American continent, has been announced by George Marshall, entertainment director for the Greater Texas and Pan American Exposition. Marshall has just been brought to the Exposition from Washington, D. C., on a salary of \$100,000. Tentative program under way by Marshall includes air and auto races, track meet, football and polo games, a spectacular night show in the auditorium and international girl shows in the casino and band shell. All athletic events and shows will have Latin American participation, carrying romance and color of the southern republics. Marshall will set up a Washington office to contact Latin American and Canadian legations relative to participation in all events. The Olympics will continue throughout the life of the Exposition from June 12 to October 31. Exposition officials are shown here greeting Marshall upon his arrival in Dallas. Left to right: Frank L. McNemy, director general; William H. Hittorfer, chairman of the Exposition's athletic committee; Marshall; and Frank N. Watson, assistant director general.

Here's to Beauty!
Doris Hale
By BARRY BEAUTY CONSULTANT

Keep Your Neck Lovely With Exercise And Daily Care

THE beauty of your neck depends largely upon two things: its shape, and your skin texture. And of course your neck should be well set upon your shoulders, to lend grace to your head.

Women often forget that the neck needs exercise the same as the rest of the body. Correct exercises not only will improve the shape of your neck, but also will help your skin texture somewhat through increasing the circulation of blood under your skin. To develop a well-set neck on firm, but not over-developed shoulders, the best exercise is one which moves the entire arms. Try this: Stand erect and extend your arms as far as possible to each side. Slowly raise them as high as you can reach, and then lower them to your sides. Repeat slowly a few times. This is a simple stretching exercise, but it will invigorate tired shoulders. You can feel a gentle pull, too, at the base of your neck.

And here is another good neck exercise: Clasp your hands behind your neck and pull them forward gently while you force your head back. Slowly repeat several times.

When you cleanse your face, do you always give your neck a thorough cleansing, too? If not, you are very likely to have a dirty neck. And, of course, your skin will not keep its smooth texture long if it is exposed to cold, heat and dirt without daily attention.

At least once daily, spread cleansing cream up over your neck and face. Next, wrap soft cleansing tissues around your hands, and gently wipe off the cream, which will carry with it all the dirt and excess oil from your skin. Follow this by patting on a good skin tonic. And then, if your skin is inclined to be oily, wash your face and neck with a mild soap and warm water.

For keeping your neck contours young, and coaxing the skin into a natural, fresh appearance, try the following treatment after your daily cleansing:

If your skin is oily or normal, use tissue cream; but if your skin is dry, give it the rich lubrication it needs so badly—skin food. Smooth a generous amount of either one of these creams on your neck, working it up from your chest to your chin. Circle your neck with your hands, pressing and smoothing gently upward along your throat column. When the cream has been worked in, oil your palms and fingers with muscle oil, and repeat the upward smoothing. If you give your neck this gentle, pleasant treatment daily (as easily as you brush your hair or attend to your nails) you soon will have your skin back to normal.

IREDELL ITEMS

By MISS STELLA JONES, Local Correspondent

Miss Nina Newton of Dallas spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. Ella Newton of Gordon community.

Mrs. R. Y. Patterson was called to Stamford Tuesday, March 2. Her great niece, Alma Lee Thompson, wasn't expected to live. Her daughter, Mrs. Ralph Winger and Susie of Burnet came over and took her and Paul there Tuesday night. The young lady passed away at 6:15 Tuesday evening. Mrs. Patterson remained for a few days longer. Nola and Susie returned home Thursday. The young lady liked a few days of being 16 years old.

Mrs. Robert Sawyer is recovering from an operation for tonsillitis. Mr. and Mrs. Wick Simpson and sons and Sam Simpson were called to Lamesa for the funeral of their cousin, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harve Henderson. They went Thursday and returned home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Sawyer of Fort Worth visited his parents here this last week. He returned home Friday. His wife remained for a longer visit. She also visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas of Walnut while she was here.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Little and two children of Lingville spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Little.

Mrs. Conner of Cleburne spent the week with her daughter, Mrs. Dick Berns. Mrs. Berns and children took her home and spent the week end.

Neil Gregory spent Friday night with Maxie Ruth Dawson.

Bern Sawyer, Mrs. Cas Bowman, Harve Sawyer, Lynn Sawyer, Dave Bullock and son, Edgar, were called to Alvin, Ellis County, to the funeral of their brother, Will Sawyer who died Friday with a heart attack. They were joined in Walnut by Mrs. Ogie Smith. They went Saturday morning. Mr. Sawyer has lived here and had many friends who are sorry to hear of his death and send sympathy to the relatives.

W. M. J. Davis entertained the W. M. U. at her home Friday afternoon. Was assisted by Mrs. Charlie Tidwell. The colors of St. Patrick were carried out and also had St. Patrick's games. The games were fine and all enjoyed themselves. A large crowd of the W. M. U. ladies were present. Refreshments of green jello, whipped cream, four-leaf clover green cookies and hot chocolate were served.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Allen Jones of Clifton spent the week end with his mother, Mrs. J. A. Jones. Charlie Tidwell left Sunday for Waco where he will attend federal court.

Misses Aileen and Ruth Miller, Joe Heyroth and Dorris Cunningham spent Saturday night with Lueta Sue Schoemacher.

Miss Edna Blue was in Stephenville Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walford of Spring Creek community and her niece, Marie Chancellor, were in Hico and Fairy Saturday.

R. G. Oakley of Porto Rico came in Wednesday to visit his wife and baby, who are with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Carter.

Mrs. C. D. Cunningham and daughter, Dorris, were in Stephenville Monday.

Mrs. Lois Fowler spent the week end with her husband in Georgetown.

Miss Nora Belle Biffel of Clifton spent Friday night and Saturday with Rosa Lee Helm.

Lafayette Sullivan, who is working in Dallas, spent the week end with homefolks.

Mr. Arnold of Blum spent the week end with his wife, who is a teacher in high school.

Miss Grace Simpson and her niece, Nancy Christian of Dallas spent the week end with her father, Tom Simpson.

Miss Rosa Lee Hoben spent the week end with her parents in Clifton. She runs the beauty shop here for Miss Oldham.

John Beavers of Waco is visiting her sister, Mrs. R. W. Royal.

Mr. and Mrs. Weaver Thomas of Arlington and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hardwick of Meridian spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Dearing.

Rev. and Mrs. Tidwell of Fort Worth visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Tidwell Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Sanders and children of Waco spent the week end here.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Dunlap of Temple visited relatives here Sunday.

Mr. Collins of Glen Rose was here Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Appleby of Meridian visited her sister, Mrs. Charlie Tidwell Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Little were in Stephenville Monday. Miss Sue Golden of Meridian spent Sunday night with Miss Rosa Lee Harben.

Will Pike and son, Otis, of Shamrock, were visitors here Sunday. Mrs. B. N. Strong of Walnut was here Monday.

Sunday, Rev. Craig preached a fine sermon. The text was St. John 20-24. "But Thomas, one of the 12, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came." The disciples and Jesus were assembled in an upper room and the door was shut for fear of the Jews. Jesus said unto them, "Peace unto you, Thomas the one that doubted about Jesus is not there. He was like so many people today he did not think about Jesus like the other ones did. They received the blessing from him. He could not believe that Jesus could do so much. He said, 'Until I can feel the nail prints I will not believe.' Like so many people today who deprive themselves of a great blessing by not coming to God's house for Jesus is in the midst when one or more gather in His name. Jesus will bless every one who comes if they believe in Him, like the disciples of old had done. The next time the disciples and Jesus met, Thomas was there and convinced that he was Jesus and after seeing the nail prints he said, 'I believe and my Lord and My God.' This should be a lesson to all to go to the House of the God every Sunday and expect a blessing for Jesus is in the midst. If we live close to Him, we can feel his spirit with us and believe on him more. Like the disciples of old did. Thomas didn't think the meeting would be much but it was a great meeting. The other disciples told him. The next time he got the blessing and when Jesus said 'Peace be unto you' He felt the nail prints and said, 'My Lord and My God.' A few days this last week this section of the county sure was visited by a fine rain which will be fine on the crops.

DRAGONS' DEN

Editor — Doris Mings Associate Editors — Allene Miller, Juanita Taylor, Jimmie Ramage.

Reporters — Evelyn Griffin, Jewell McDonel, Dona Mae Worrell, Ruth Hensley, Jo Heyroth, Ray Gibbons, Thomas Morgan, Loyd Hanshaw, L. H. Shipley, Frank Ogle, Grace Blackburn, Pauline Allen.

Debators Have Full Program. The debators visited Hamilton Thursday for a practice debate. Four debates have been scheduled for this week. Evant and Hamilton will debate here and the Iredell teams will debate Hico at Hico Tuesday night. Then they will go to De Leon Thursday night.

Editor's Note: We wonder why Tom Conley always insists on going with the debators.

New Students Enter. The Seniors welcomed a new member to their class, Walter Crutchfield, last week. He came here from Meridian. His sister, Ivaloe, entered the 8th grade.

Tennis Eliminations Are Held. Tennis eliminations were played off last week. The following will represent Iredell at the tournament: JUNIOR HIGH—Jimmie Ramage, Singles, Tom Conley and Job Loyd; Doubles, Virginia Ramage and Dorothea Nellie Tillinghast, doubles.

HIGH SCHOOL—Myrtle McDonel, Singles; Jewel McDonel and Ruth Miller, doubles.

Grammar School News. Last week more try-outs were held. The following try-outs were held and the contestants were chosen: Essay Writers: First place, Hel-

en Sue Patterson; second place, Artie Mae Tolliver. Picture Memory—Alta Mae Fritz, Elma Faye Perkins, Frances Newman, Leona Walker, James Phillips, Faye Hensley, Lopez Johnson, John D. Smith, James Polnac.

Music Memory—J. D. Bowman, Rudell Blue, Reba Walker, Geraldine Bates, Jimmie Dee Royal. Number Sense—Elbert Linch, Bonnie Newman, Ralph Ray. Story Tellings—Mildred Harper, Jessie Denton.

The following contestants were on the track team: 50 yard dash—R. Y. Gann, Arthur Guinn, Bennie Newman. 100 yard dash—Elbert Linch, R. Y. Gann, Bennie Newman. 440 relay—R. Y. Gann, Elbert Linch, Bennie Newman, Arthur Guinn.

High Jump—R. Y. Gann, Bennie Newman, Arthur Guinn. Broad Jump—R. Y. Gann, Elbert Linch, Arthur Guinn. Chinning—Bennie Newman, Elbert Linch, Calvin Pylant. 4th and 5th Grade Spelling—Georgella Harris and Norma Jean Cavness.

Alternates: Madline Harper and Wilma Chaffin.

H. E. Girls Plant Flowers. The Home Economics girls are improving the cottage by planting flowers.

Fairy by CORRESPONDENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Bonner and son of Dallas, spent the week end at their farm home near Fairy.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Wright and baby daughter, Mary Kathleen were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Audie Clark of Old Hico.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rainwater were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Gregory of Iredell Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Wright were in Hamilton Monday on business.

J. N. Pitts, Herbert Pitts and daughter Miss Lorene and Miss Freda Clayton were in Hico last Wednesday.

Coach Homer Miller of Sidney was a visitor for a short while here Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Goynne and daughter, Wilma Grace were in Hico Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Griffiths and Don, were Sunday guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Trimmer and family of County Line.

Mr. and Mrs. Ory Morrison and Earline and Mrs. J. S. Morrison were guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. Jameson and family of County Line last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Pitts and daughter, Eva Nell, were guests in the homes of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Cunningham and Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Pitts and family.

There will be services at the Baptist Church next Sunday morning and evening. Every one is invited to attend these services.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hoover were in Fort Worth last Friday.

"THE FAIRIES"

Editor — Norma Lee Sellers Asst. Editor — Betty Jaggars Girls Sports — Juanita Parks Boys Sports — J. N. Pitts Sponsor — Mrs. Rainwater

Courage. When we think of the many heroes that have shed their own peaceful place to live, we love them because of their courage. How faithfully the soldiers on the battlefield fought for their country. It is the courage of the lives of multitudes of people that makes a nation great. Life is hard at times for all of us and only courage will pull us through.

We may not feel heroic. Perhaps we do not remember that we ever did a golden deed. We never had to risk our own life for another. But we have been brave and have lived through moments of great courage. We must grow up to be strong against temptation, quick to make a noble resolve, slow to anger, and patient in adversity.

Seniors. We are expecting our invitations and diplomas to arrive at the post office sometime this week or we will be rather disappointed.

From the looks of the grades on our six week's test papers, we are going to be smart when we grow old, or either we have the teachers fooled.

Who Said? The seniors have class meetings? Hollis P. Ford is our sponsor? The senior girls acted childish? Dalton was a "sissy"? Norma Lee and Donnie are tennis stars? Shirley is growing old? Betty made a straight A report card?

Juniors. We have been taking six weeks' tests. The highest grades in Geometry were: Robert Hutton, Jr. 99; Geraldine Brummett 98; and Sam Battershell 95.

English—Ruth Trimmer 95. Some have not taken their tests due to illness.

We are glad to have J. C. with us again.

Sophomores. We have finished our six weeks' tests except a few who were absent. Almost all of the grades were from 85 to 100. "Who said we could not be smart sophomores?" Now when it comes to Algebra the "Sops" know their stuff. Over half of 'em made 100. Some sophomores!

Freshmen. There are four students in the 8th grade that receive letter sweaters for basket ball. They are Vernon Hughes, Doris Robinson, Jessie Mae Parks, and Mildred Shepherd. We are proud of this. Are we not?

Monday, March 1, all the girls in the 8th grade went to a slumber party at Estell Edmondson, and say did we have a swell time? About 1 o'clock we popped corn, made candy and drank coffee and punch. Well, you can imagine our feelings the next day.

The teachers said we had a slumber party and a slumber party the next day at school.

Seventh Grade. We are glad all the students are back in school and were in time

for the six weeks' tests. The ones who made the highest in history were: Oletta Blakley, Nellie B. Brummett and Bertie Mae Gossett. Jean Hutton is going to receive a prize for doing so well in spelling.

Wonder Why? Jack and Elton sit together when Mrs. Rainwater is in the room? Quata had to stay at home and iron? Norma Ruth feels so blue?

Girls Sport News. The volley ball girls have started playing again. We haven't played but one matched game due to the disagreeable weather. We are going to practice hard and try to have one of the strongest teams in the county. We have a fine coach, Mr. W. M. Horsley. We are also practicing hard in tennis for Friday and Saturday.

Boys' Sport News. We are practicing in athletics for the county league. We are expecting to have some good track men.

Believe It Or Not. J. N. Pitts one of our juniors in Fairy High School played first base on Fairy's team in the Hamilton County baseball league last year the entire season without making an error. We think this is a splendid record for a high school chap. He will play on Fairy's team again this year. So hats off to this young lad.

Music Class. Miss Cliffogene Valliant is now teaching music at Fairy. There are nineteen in her class. They are as follows: Geraldine Brummett, Patsy Ann Hoover, Joe Betts, Francis Cable, Thelma Anderson, Charlene Richardson, Wanda Lee Carson, Ima Jean Jameson, Dalphine Hoover, Elsie Lea Parks,

Katy Lea Carson, Bobby Miller, Margaret Barbee, Don Griffiths, Peggy Allison, Nellie B. Brummett, Barbara Anderson, J. N. Pitts and Mary Alice Jackson.

Gordon By MRS. ELLA NEWTON

John D. Smith visited Lewis Smith while Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tidwell and son, Ralph, of near Iredell spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Smith.

Mrs. Fannie Sawyer visited Mrs. Minnie Perkins and children while Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Ima Smith and son, Lewis, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Craig and little son, Bobbie Ray, while Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Tony Meador visited her mother, Mrs. Bud Smith Wednesday.

Mrs. Lillie Mize spent Thursday with Mrs. Minnie Perkins and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Harris were in Hico Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Sawyer visited Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Smith Thursday afternoon.

John D. Smith spent Thursday night with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Tidwell of Iredell.

Mrs. Lynn Sawyer spent from Friday until Sunday with Mrs. Bern Sawyer.

Word was received here Friday afternoon of the sudden death of Billie Sawyer of Avalon, Texas. He was born in Limestone County and moved to this community when a small boy with his parents and sister. He lived here a number of years and had many friends who grieved to hear of his death. Mrs. Cas Bowman, A. B.

Sawyer, Lynn and Harve Sawyer, and D. E. Cavness and son, Edgar of this community attended the funeral which was held Sunday afternoon at Avalon.

Miss Nina Newton of Dallas spent from Saturday until Monday with her mother and sister and nephew.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Lester visited Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Craig and baby Sunday afternoon.

Miss Annie Maude Harris visited Mr. and Mrs. Bern Sawyer Saturday night.

John D. Smith spent Sunday with Lewis Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Harris spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Helms and children.

Bib Harris visited Guy Frank Main of Rural Grove Saturday and Sunday.

Those who visited in the Bern Sawyer home while Sunday night were: Mr. and Mrs. Otto Bowman and son, Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Cas Bowman and Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Sawyer.

Mrs. Lynn Sawyer spent Monday afternoon with Mrs. Lucille Smith. Mrs. Ima Smith visited Mrs. Fannie Sawyer while Monday afternoon.

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State Co-Ordinator of Soil Conservation Service Gives Talk At Dublin

(Talk made by Paul H. Waiser, State Co-ordinator, Soil Conservation Service, at Dublin, Texas, on February 18, 1937.)

The nation that destroys its soil destroys itself. The soil is indispensable. Needless wastage of the wealth which Nature has stored in the soil cannot long continue without the effects being felt by every member of society.

Unrestrained soil erosion is rapidly building an empire of worn out land in this country. The cost of this evil to our farmers and ranchers amounts to at least \$400,000,000 annually, to say nothing of the enormous damage to highways and railways and the costly silting of reservoirs, streams and ditches. Wind and water are seldom harm-

ful when the natural environment is undisturbed. But when soil resources are used unwisely, wind and water write a tragic story in dust storms and in muddy rivers that carry the good soil into the ocean or pile it up along stream banks.

In this country there are approximately 610,000,000 acres of tilled or tillable land. About three-fourths of it has already been affected in some degree by erosion or is susceptible to erosion when used in a manner which does not provide protection from rain and wind. In the 300 years since settlement of the country began, and mostly within the last 100 years, some 50 million once-fertile acres have been ruined as productive land. Another 50 million acres have been seriously damaged. In addition, there are now about 100 million acres still largely in cultivation, which have been impaired by erosion. Three hundred thousand acres of what was once productive farm land are abandoned annually for agricultural purposes because of the ravages of erosion.

Our own state of Texas has suffered heavily from erosion damage. Recent surveys over the State brought out the startling fact that of 168,000,000 acres surveyed, only a fraction more than 38,000,000 acres showed little or no erosion damage. More than 16 million acres of land in this state were found to have lost over three-fourths of the productive topsoil and some subsoil, while an additional 75,000,000 acres have lost from one-fourth to three-fourths of the topsoil. Over 100 million tons of topsoil are lost annually from the Brazos watershed alone in Texas.

Coming still closer to home, recent detailed erosion surveys have been made on 32,303 acres of land,

lying in the Bosque River Watershed of Central Texas. This acreage includes farms in both the project and camp areas of the Soil Conservation Service, and consists of farms that are under agreement and not under agreement with the Service.

Results of the surveys on the acreage are as follows: 2,857.9 acres, which represents 8.87 percent of the total, show no apparent erosion; 23,988.9 acres, or 74.26 percent, show moderate sheet erosion, having already lost approximately half of its topsoil; 3,189.9 acres, or 9.57 percent, show severe erosion; 2,256.6 acres, or 7 percent, have been so destroyed by erosion as to be unprofitable for further cultivation.

A similar survey made on 19,189.7 acres at Gatesville, which is in an above average farming district and includes land under agreement with the soil conservation camp, revealed the following erosion conditions: 616.8 acres, or 3.7 percent, showed no apparent erosion; 18,371.5 acres, or 96.1 percent, showed moderate erosion, having already lost approximately half of the topsoil.

Results of farm devastation in any given area definitely reflected in the economic and social life of the area. Declining crop yields, which can be attributed largely to loss of soil and depletion by erosion, naturally contribute to a downward trend in living standards. For the past two to three decades it has been apparent, with few exceptions, that crop yields are declining. In 1905 cotton production in Texas averaged 170 pounds per acre. By 1935 this figure had dropped to an average of 115 pounds per acre. This decline becomes even more significant when it is realized that it has come about in the face of increased use of commercial fertilizers, improved farm machinery and information leading to better farming practices. This is not to be unexpected, however, in the face of the knowledge that erosion takes many times as much fertility from the soil each year as does growing crops. The truth of the matter is that while plant food used by growing crops can be replaced so long as the topsoil remains on the field, when this same soil is swept over or carried from the field by uncontrolled runoff waters both the chemical contents necessary for plant growth and a large part of the soil itself is lost forever so far as future productivity is concerned.

Declining crop yields because of erosion means smaller income for farm families which results in poorer and loss of food, more frequent sickness, inferior medical care, inadequate clothing, poor sanitary conditions, children deprived of part or all of their schooling, and fewer luxuries such as radios, cars, and telephones. Such a condition ultimately leads to a general loss of ambition and will to work.

If the problem of farming impoverished acres was merely an isolated, individual one, it would not be of special concern to the state or nation. But erosion is no respecter of farm, county, or regional lines. Consequently the problem demands national attention. The results of decrease in farm incomes and lowering social values in those areas seriously affected by erosion are felt in every walk of life. Thus the economic and social effects of erosion on the individual reach into the structure of our society. Local churches languish for want of support; county, state and federal governments collect less taxes and school funds grow smaller; there are more business failures and in many cases small trading centers are entirely abandoned. Effects of decreased buying power because of unproductive farm acres do not stop in any given area, but are passed on by the retail and wholesale merchant in the small town to the distributor and manufacturer in the city.

Cultivation of steep slopes, destruction of forests and other forms of protective vegetative cover plus improper farming methods have served to increase the ratio and amount of runoff. Thus, some of the physical consequences of erosion are piling up of soil on lower slopes, outright ruin of rich bottom lands by overwash of soil and subsoil material, deterioration of soil and water which caused destruction of food and cover for wildlife; diminishing of underground water reserves, which results in intensifying periods of drought and crop failures; increase in speed and volume of rainfall runoff adding to flood damage, silting and sedimentation of stream channels, reservoirs, dams and ditches.

In this connection it will be interesting to consider the results of a recent sedimentation study made in Texas. Lake Waco, the present water supply for the city of Waco, was completed in April, 1930, at a cost of some \$2,000,000. A sedimentation study made in February, 1936, brought out the fact that in a short period of approximately 6 years the lake lost 19.78 percent of its original water storage capacity due to silt and deposits of erosional debris. If the present rate of silting continues the storage capacity of Lake Waco will be entirely exhausted in 35 years and will be unusable as a city water supply source in less time than that.

Our state and nation faces two alternatives in respect to the devastating aspects of the erosion and utility of millions of acres, and add annually to a bankrupt domain which is becoming an increasing burden upon counties, states, and the federal government. Such a way out is not pleasant to contemplate. The other alternative is (1) to diagnose the situation, tak-

ing full account of the significance and the trend of destructive processes of soil wastage, increasing runoff and sedimentation, (2) to relate these to all types of practical land use within drainage basins, and (3) to control and reduce these destructive processes to a rate as nearly as may be practicable to the rates that existed when white men found so much of the country covered with unbroken vegetation. This must be done if we would preserve the welfare of the present and future generations.

Field experience, and observation, supported by experimental evidence, all point to the fact that no single method (other than covering all of the land with a mantle of vegetation) is sufficient to satisfactorily control erosion. Dozens of soil types with varying capacities for absorbing and retaining water, gradations of slope from the almost level to the very steep, different degrees of erosion damage already suffered and numerous factors which make for resistance or susceptibility to erosion, emphasize the necessity for treating each acre of land in accordance with its needs and adaptabilities. Not only must each acre of a field be treated, but all the fields of a farm must be planned and managed in consideration of their relationship to each other. Also, because of the fact that water recognizes no farm boundary lines, adjacent farms of the watershed slope must be planned and treated if erosion is to be controlled satisfactorily and economically.

Such a program must be based upon a study of soil types, erosion conditions, crop adaptations, climate data, and other factors which are common to a given area. Slope limits above which the land cannot be safely and economically kept in cultivation must be determined. It is also necessary to make crop yield studies to ascertain to what degree of erosion profitable cultivated crop production is no longer economically possible. These points are by no means all that must be considered in planning a coordinated erosion control program, but they are among the most important. The practicability of the program from the farmer's standpoint must be given consideration. The farmer must be able to maintain or increase his income after the program is applied to his farm, else he cannot and will not maintain it. It should be simple, and so easily applicable, that a farmer can over a period of years apply it on his farm with little or no more than technical assistance.

If the program of soil and water conservation is really complete, it must incorporate the use of all known, practical means of saving soil and water which are adapted to the area to be treated. If it is properly coordinated the various measures will supplement each other and work together in saving soil and water. The program must be completely coordinated if losses are reduced to the minimum under which farm incomes may be maintained or increased and a fair heritage preserved for future generations.

From the standpoint of field activities, the desired control of erosion under the coordinated Soil Conservation Service program is secured by the retirement of excessively erodible land from cultivation. Such retired areas are dedicated to new pastures, meadows, or woodlands upon which runoff and erosion is decreased by ridging, sodding, seeding and the planting of trees.

Treatment of cultivated areas for soil and moisture conservation involves the practical use of various adaptations of thick growing vegetation, the use of engineering structures and mechanical procedures where applicable, and the use of soil conserving cultural practices. Included in erosion control measures and practices used on cultivated acres are strip cropping, rotation, contour cultivation, winter cover crops, terraces (where necessary) supported with strip crops for reduction of slope length and velocity of runoff. Additional measures used are vegetative drainage ways and the use of vegetation and inexpensive check dams, where necessary, in gullies.

The combined effect of properly coordinated erosion control measures as actually applied in Soil Conservation Service work areas is illustrated in the following statement made by Dr. H. H. Bennett, Chief of the Service, after a visit to the San Angelo, Texas project: "There was no runoff whatever from eight thousand acres where work had been completed on the San Angelo project during two record rains of September when a rainfall of 16 to 25 inches was recorded. This shows positively that soil conservation work has a place in our flood control operations. Soil and water conservation practices will not only vastly supplement the effectiveness of reservoirs and stream channel operations in the field of flood control, but will at the same time hold millions of tons of fertile soil in fields and pastures, and thus keep it out of the stream channels and reservoirs."

It is well to point out here that there is no expectation of completely stopping soil losses, that is, reducing them to zero, under a feasible program adaptable over an entire watershed. The goal to be reached, however, is reduction of losses from the field, and checking soil movement on the field to the point where natural processes plus constructive effort on the part of the farmer will maintain something near a balance. Flood hazards will be minimized and erosion damages lessened. I am certain all of us are convinced that the task of controlling erosion and conserving our soils is

one of such tremendous size and even greater importance that the performance of such a task demands the best cooperative effort of which we are capable in order to accomplish the desired end, not only on the individual farms, but on all the farms within a given watershed in order to secure the needed and necessary control on a widespread front.



Washington, March 9.—The Senate Foreign Relations Committee has drafted a permanent Neutrality bill, which is quite likely to be adopted without material change. The objective is, of course, to keep the United States out of the European War which seems to be imminent.

The major provisions of the bill are a mandatory embargo on arms and on lending Government money to powers at war, with broad power granted to the President to forbid Americans to travel on vessels of belligerents or to ship any goods other than arms, upon which he may declare an embargo, on any American vessel. Also, in time of peace the President could declare certain commodities "implements of war" and forbid their export without a Federal license.

That this or any other possible Act of Congress would effectively keep this country out of war involving the great nations of the world is seriously questioned by some of the Senators for whom Senator Johnson of California is spokesman. He declares that it cannot possibly work.

The attitude of Congress, however, is one of political isolation for the United States, an attitude which those who hold it do not regard as contradictory to the Secretary of State's policy of economic internationalism, nor inconsistent with our participation in the international armament race in which all of the great powers are now engaged.

Preparing for War. It is pointed out by some shrewd observers that the frantic efforts of England, Germany, Japan, Italy, France and Russia to prepare for another great war before they have finished paying for the last one, have been stimulated rather than checked by the extension of the American policy of neutrality.

In the last war the belligerent nations relied upon the United States not only for war materials but for foodstuffs, cotton and other commodities which they do not produce themselves. Now they are afraid that they will not be able to get such supplies from this side of the ocean so they have started to prepare themselves for war on their own resources.

With the other great powers enlarging their navies, it seems essential for us to do the same as a matter of national defense. Now we are committed to building two new great warships of 35,000 tons to match the two of similar size for which England has already laid the keels.

The immediate stimulus to Britain's naval enlargement was Germany's action in building a fleet of "pocket" battleships and in other ways giving evidence of belligerent intent. Britain's activity stirred Japan to launch its own big navy program, which gave a further fillip to American big navy propaganda.

Italy's growing ambition for domination of the Mediterranean is behind that nation's naval expansion, and that, in turn, has intensified Britain's resolve to be prepared to defend its route to the Orient by way of the Suez canal.

France, with its perpetual fear of Germany, felt obliged to meet the challenge from Berlin.

Thus Washington sees the major or nations of the world concentrating their efforts on preparations for war and piling up their bonded indebtedness to a point where the burden of taxation is likely to become intolerable.

Besides navies, all of the nations are building competitive military air fleets as fast as they can, and in that, too, the United States is following their leadership—and at the same time enacting neutrality laws as evidence that we do not intend to get into another war.

To make the paradox more complicated, our State Department is hard at work negotiating trade agreements with all the world designed to make it easier for other nations, not only to buy our products but to sell us theirs and so raise more money with which to go to war.

It is a situation which is giving many members of the Administration and of Congress greater concern than they are willing publicly to admit. The demands of the other nations for products of the United States which they can use in their war preparations is already being felt, but under our present neutrality policy much of the demand cannot be supplied.

Problems in Steel. One of the big demands from abroad for American goods, and one which will grow as the naval race becomes more intense, is for steel. We need steel, also, for our new battleships, but so far the Navy Department has been unable to get bids from the steel makers, who claim they cannot supply the requirements because of the Walsh-Healey Act, which prohibits Government purchases in quantities above 10,000 except from

manufacturers who observe the six-hour day and the five day week in their plants.

This brings organized labor into the international and armament picture with another complication close at hand. John Lewis has declared the purpose of the C. I. O. to proceed aggressively to organize the workers in the steel industry, as he began to do in the automobile industry. The result may easily be a widespread labor war which will prevent anybody from getting steel from American mills for any purpose for a long time.

It is a very complex situation, to which no little attention is being paid by the President's advisers and the leaders in Congress. Nobody has talked much about the international outlook in public, because nobody has so far been able to put forward a single comprehensive program.

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D. F. McCarty is hereby designated as presiding officer to hold said election.

In evidence whereof I have here-to set my hand officially, this 5th day March A. D. 1937. H. F. SELLERS, Mayor of the City of Hico, Texas. J. R. McMILLAN, City Secretary. 42-4c

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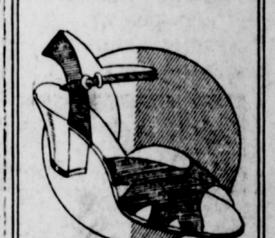
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