

## The Gay Philosopher

By J. W. S.

THE U. S. POST Office, which is a pretty good barometer of general business conditions, had a healthy year in 1953 — one of the best years it has ever had. Postal receipts — money taken in from the sale of stamps — amounted to \$49,561,033. For comparison, the post office had gross receipts of \$46,629,039 in 1952.

Business was best in the fourth quarter when the post office had a gain of more than \$3,000 over 1952. The other three quarters were just about the same for the two years.

Talking to several business men here, that's the way it was with most stores — good business during the final three months and fair business for the first nine months. Several stores tell us that 1954 is off to a very good start.

RAN INTO MR. Henry Schaefer, the radio and TV man, and he was just back from Fort Worth and the 1954 model show of the Philco company. He was pretty impressed with the new TV sets. And they have a new refrigerator that you can open from either side. It sounds kind of complicated, but Mr. Schaefer says it works. He will have the new models on display here before long.

LOOKING AT the calendar, we note that Jan. 17 is the birthday of Benjamin Franklin, Jan. 18 is the birthday of Robert E. Lee and Jan. 21 is the date that Snowball Jackson arrived back in 1824. A good many Ciscoans also have birthday anniversaries this coming week, as follows:

- Jan. 18 — Mrs. E. C. McClelland, Jimmy Minton, George W. Douglas, E. T. McKelvin, W. F. Collins and Kay Tabor.
- Jan. 19 — Mrs. C. M. Cleveland, Perry O. Stephens and Mrs. Jake Courtney.
- Jan. 20 — Mrs. P. R. Warwick and Glenna Pryor.
- Jan. 21 — Mrs. Joe Lovelady and Mrs. Winnie Ree Dunlap.
- Jan. 22 — Cindy Jones and H. M. Bassett.
- Jan. 23 — Beulah Winchester and Jerry Pence.

JANUARY THE 23rd will also be an important anniversary. On that day Mr. C. M. Townsley, the Humble Pipe Line Company veteran, retires after a long stretch of 40 years. He works out at the company's Putnam station. Some of the boys were kidding Mr. CMT the other day. It works out that his last week of duty will be in the daytime, and they were wondering how he arranged it. His job calls for a week on day duty and a week on night duty.

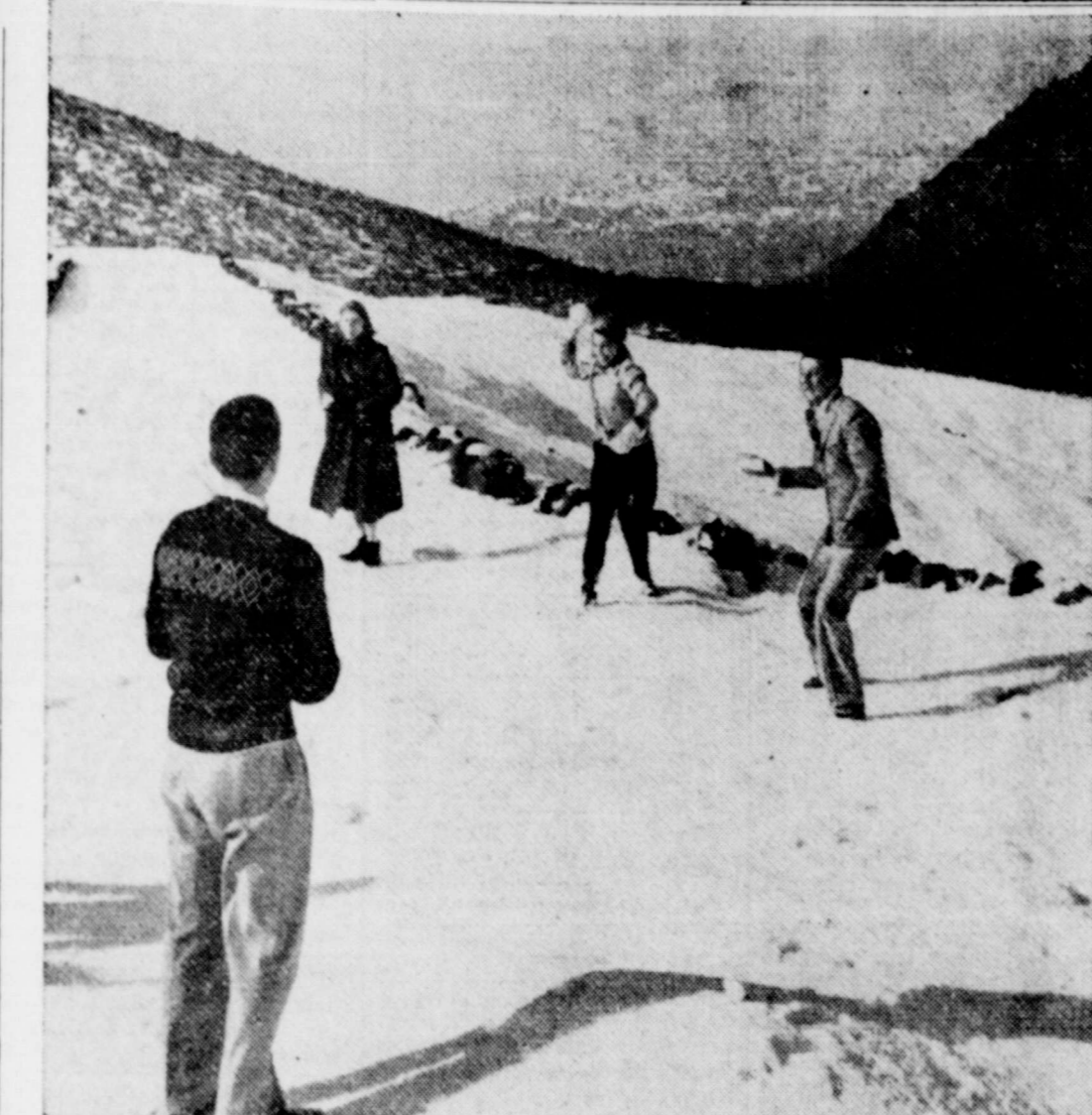
If he can't find anything better to occupy him, we plan to offer Mr. Townsley a place on our staff of advisors. The job doesn't pay a salary, but it's a job. Mr. R. N. (Bob) Cluck is on our staff of advisors, and he likes the work, in case Mr. Townsley wants to check into the situation.

ACCORDING TO our scouts, there will be a total eclipse of the moon on Monday evening, Jan. 18. This will be 1954's best astronomy show, we're told. A total lunar eclipse occurs when the moon passes into the earth's shadow. This occurs not more often than three times per year, and sometimes a year passes with no total lunar eclipse.

The dope we read says that the average length of the earth's conical shadow from which sunlight is totally excluded is about 859,000 miles. And this shadow is called the umbra. The moon on Monday will be about 240,200 miles from the earth, and at the moon's distance the umbra appears as a dark circle about 5700 miles in diameter.

The moon's diameter is 2160 miles and it is possible for the moon to be in total eclipse for an hour and 40 minutes, depending on where you are watching from. You'll begin noticing the eclipse about 6:30 p. m. and it will be in total eclipse 30 minutes — from 8:17 to 8:47 p. m. The show will be completely over by 11:24 p. m.

Recently the astronomers have thought they have seen dim streaks of light near the moon's surface. What would cause these streaks other than shooting stars in the moon's atmosphere? How much atmosphere does the moon have? Are meteors responsible for the craters on the moon? Astronomical problems are numerous and definite answers are few.



**THE KNOCK**—If it's true that opportunity knocks only once, these residents of Naples, Italy, seized their chance. For the first time in years, snow fell on the slopes of Mount Vesuvius and local residents got right out and made the most of it.

## O. B. Graham Is In Naval Reserve At Brownwood

BROWNWOOD, Jan. 16. — O. B. Graham of Cisco took the oath of allegiance last week as a new member of the U. S. Naval Reserve Electronics Division 8-21, Brownwood, according to Lt. Com. Burton Denman, commanding officer.

Graham, a chief petty officer in World War II, was given his old rating as a chief specialist "A" and was assigned to work in the training office of the Electronics Division, which serves a wide area of West Central Texas with weekly drills every Wednesday night.

A native of Ralls, Graham attended college at John Tarleton and was graduated from Texas A. & M. College in 1940. He holds a master's degree from Texas Tech.

During World War II, Graham spent 41 months on active duty with the U. S. Navy. He has had teaching experience since his release from the Navy, teaching in the schools at Itasca, Hamilton, Evant and Cisco. He has been in the school system at Cisco a year and a half.

Other former service men, as well as young men under the ages of 18½ years, may obtain information about the Naval Reserve program at the Naval Reserve program at Memorial Hall in Brownwood anytime during the week days or on Wednesday nights. Paid billets are open for Reservists of this section with the Brownwood activity.

## EXAMINATION IS ANNOUNCED FOR POSITION OF POSTMASTER HERE

An examination for Postmaster at Cisco, Texas, \$5,370 a year, under revised and more exacting eligibility requirements agreed upon by the U. S. Civil Service Commission and the Post Office Department will be open for receipt of applications until Feb. 2, 1954, the Commission has announced.

All previously existing postmaster examinations for first-, second-, and third-class post offices and lists of eligibles were cancelled at the time higher standards of eligibility were prescribed for the filling of the more than 1,700 vacant positions throughout the country, the announcement said.

The Commission is taking all possible steps through special publicity to civic and other community organizations to encourage well qualified persons to apply for the postmaster vacancy in this city must have at least 2 years of experience

## Cisco High School Teams Win One, Lose Two Cage Games Friday Night

Three Cisco High School basketball teams won one game and lost two in a rough and tumble program in the Eastland gym Friday night.

The Cisco Lobo "B" team lost a 30-32 decision to the Eastland "B" team and the Lobos dropped a 35-47 decision to the Mavericks. The Lobo Queens won handily over the Eastland girls 42-18.

A final quarter lapse on the part of the Cisco "B" team let the Eastland "B" team make up a 11 point deficit for the win. In the last quarter the junior Mavericks connected with six field goals and six gratis shots while holding the Lobo "B" team to two

field goals and a free throw. Jerry Weiser of Cisco took two in a rough and tumble game with 12 points. Evatt of Eastland was in second place with 10.

Lobo players seeing action, and the points made were as follows: Weiser, 12; Fred Hayes, 2; LaVere Adams, 6; Joe Farrow, 2; Roger Lisenbee, 2; Benji Lipsey, 5 and Harold Pippen, 1.

The Lobo Queens had no difficulty in disposing of the Eastland girls. They took the lead early in the game and increased it steadily throughout the four quarters. The Cisco guards held the Eastland shooters to seven field goals for the game, while the Queen forwards were making 19.

Bonnie Owens led the Queens with 16 points. Kitty Lou Pippen made 13 and Venita McLester made eight. Donnie Owens accounted for two and Winona McKinney made three. Trout led Eastland with eight.

Coach Wimbish played every girl on the team in the Friday game.

The Lobo-Maverick contest was a rough and tumble affair that sometimes resembled a wrestling match. There were only 15 fouls called during the slam bang affair, with the Lobos being charged with eight of the fouls.

Cisco was leading 7-6 at the end of the first quarter and had built the lead to 20-8 at the end of the half. Eastland picked up in the third quarter and the Lobos made a few mistakes. At the end of the period the Lobos held on to a slim 36-25 lead. In the final period the Mavericks made 16 points to nine for Cisco to win the game.

The Lobos were playing without the services of Bill Smith and Jim Branton, both first string boys. They were replaced by Johnny Trigg and C. A. Ditmore.

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## Father Of Cisco Man Dies Friday In Brownwood

J. C. Jones, 94, father of R. R. Jones of Cisco, died Friday in Brownwood after a short illness.

Mr. Jones, a long time resident of San Saba and Brown Counties, will be buried in Lometa following funeral services at Davis-Morris Funeral Chapel in Brownwood at 1 p. m. Sunday.

Survivors are three sons, R. R. Jones of Cisco, Robert Jones of Bangs and Paul Jones of Port Arthur, and a daughter, Mrs. Vera Dobbins of Sea Side, Oregon.

showing that they have ability to conduct and manage the community's postal business efficiently and to supervise employees so that customers are satisfied with the service.

Competitors must show that they can deal with the public agreeably and effectively and that they are reliable citizens who would command the respect and confidence of patrons of the post office.

Applicants must take a written test. Those who pass will be assigned final ratings on the basis of this test and on their experience, ability, and character.

There is a 1-year residence requirement and applicants must be at least 25 years of age and must not have passed their sixty-third birthday.

Complete information about the examination requirements and instructions for filing applications may be obtained at the post office for which this examination is being announced. Application forms must be received in the U. S. Civil Service Commission, Washington 25, D. C., not later than the closing date.

See DON PIERSON Olds-Cadillac Before You Trade!

MRS. J. A. HEYSER TO BE HONORED AT SUNDAY OPEN HOUSE

Mrs. J. A. Heyser, pioneer resident of Callahan County, will be honored at an open house from 3 to 5 p. m. Sunday at the Heyser ranch home near Putnam. Friends have been invited to call and greet her on the occasion of her 90th birthday.

Mrs. Heyser and her late husband were among the pioneers who helped organize Callahan County. She is still very active and will be glad to see old friends on Sunday.

Mrs. J. V. Heyser, Sr., of Cisco and Mrs. Fred Heyser of Putnam, daughters-in-law of Mrs. Heyser, will be hostesses at the open house. Callers were requested not to bring gifts.

## 150 Attend Area AA Meeting Held In Breckenridge

Approximately 150 persons attended the area meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous recently in Breckenridge when H. T. Box of Dallas was speaker for the occasion.

Twelve surrounding towns and cities were represented, the great majority of those present being members of the organization, the visitors including a few ministers from other places.

Delegations present represented Abilene, Coleman, Brownwood, Dallas, Ballinger, Strawn, Eastland, Ranger, Cisco, Mineral Wells and Throckmorton, besides Breckenridge.

The address of Box was preceded by the reading of preamble that set forth among other things, that the organization has no dues, nothing to sell and consists of people who have attempted to overcome their problems unsuccessfully through other means and find Alcoholics Anonymous a necessity. But there is nothing in the philosophy of living that conflicts with any other individual, or group.

Box described himself as an AA living in sobriety one day at a time on a probation basis. There is no seniority in AA, he said, adding that he is one prayer and one drink away from a drunk. (AA speakers only talk about their own experiences).

He told how for a number of years he has lived in sobriety, after years of drinking during which he lost his job, his wife, his self respect, and lived in bed-fellid state, later to regain all including his job, and his wife, and had joined the Methodist Church, "because my parents were Methodists."

Box was a rapid fire speaker who spoke for about an hour. In his talk he especially stressed that AA's live one day at a time, saying he "had Sunday made" and that by the help of God Monday would take care of itself. "Let tomorrow be today," he urged. "The only hope of an alcoholic lies in the present."

The speaker quoted many passages of the Bible, which he said he had come to read regularly, adding that the defense of an AA must come from a higher power. "I live in the shadow of disaster with eternal vigilance my defense," but in his talk he stated that he had found serenity, hope and humility.

Concerning the philosophy of the organization, Box said no one can tell you what makes it work and his admonition was for the AA first to deflate his ego, get out of the driver's seat—"there are three requirements in AA," he declared. These are humility, humility, humility. But it works. The bottle says you can't, AA says you can."

The meeting was closed with the Lord's prayer, following which refreshments were served in the basement. — Breckenridge.

## LUNCHEON PLANNED

The regular Cisco Country Club luncheon will be held Wednesday at 12:00 o'clock at the country club. All members are urged to attend.

## DISTRICT QUEEN



Miss Nixie Gregory, sweetheart of the Cisco FFA Chapter, was named District FFA Queen at the annual district meeting and banquet held in Abilene Wednesday night. Miss Gregory, a junior at Cisco High School, will represent the district at the regional meeting in Stephenville in May.

## Improvement Program Is Seen For Highway South Of Cisco



## MARCH OF DIMES DRIVE WILL BEGIN; DEAN NAMED CHAIRMAN

The annual March of Dimes drive for the benefit of the sufferers of polio was due to get underway in all parts of Eastland County this week, Mrs. J. A. Bates, county chairman, announced in Cisco Saturday.

Mrs. Bates also announced the appointment of W. E. (Dizzy) Dean as chairman for the Cisco campaign. The quota for the city and county is \$1 per person. The drive is due to continue through Friday, Feb. 5.

Other committee leaders appointed by Mrs. Bates included: Mrs. Don Choate, big gifts; Mrs.

## Final Rites For George Allen To Be Held Today

George Allen, 61 year old Cisco Negro, died at 9:30 a. m. Friday at his home on Railroad Avenue after a lengthy illness.

He moved to Cisco in 1919 from Waco and had lived here since that time. For several years he was porter at Moore Drug Store. He was born in Memphis, Tenn., on April 2, 1892, and was married to Miss Irene Willis in Waco in 1918.

Funeral services will be held at 3 p. m. Sunday at St. Marks Baptist Church with the Rev. James Warren officiating. Burial will be in Oakwood Cemetery under the direction of Thomas Funeral Home.

Survivors are his wife of Cisco, three sisters, Mrs. M. E. Johnson and Mrs. Lillie Willington of Marrianna, Arkansas, and Mrs. Lucy Lott of Detroit, Mich., and a brother, Frank Allen, of St. Louis, Missouri.

## NEW FINANCE COMPANY ELECTS LEADERS AT ANNUAL MEETING

The Consumers Acceptance Company of Texas, a comparatively newcomer to the business life of Cisco, held its annual stockholders and directors meetings at the First National Bank here last Thursday afternoon.

The new concern is engaged in automobile financing. Organized in June, 1952, Consumers Acceptance Company operates at the First National Bank, handling the financing of out-of-town automobile sales. Employees of the bank and others own stock in the company.

Total assets at the end of 1953 — after a little more than a year and a half of operations — amounted to \$619,824.42. The stockholders were informed. The company hopes to have assets of more than \$1,000,000 at the end of 1954.

Directors elected by the stockholders for the coming year are: Charles A. Spears, J. P. McCracken, R. A. Hammett, Lucile Huffmyer, George P. Fee, Van Gardenhire and J. L. Thornton.

Officers, as elected by the directorate, are: Charles A. Spears, chairman of the board; R. A. Hammett, president; J. P. McCracken, vice president; and Tom Wilson, secretary and treasurer.

By dealing in out-of-town auto financing, the company does not compete with the bank, Mr. Hammett explained. The firm handles nothing but auto loans, he added.

## State Will Open Bids For Project

An improvement program for more than nine miles of the Rising Star Highway (U. S. Highway 183) has been planned by the Texas Highway Department and bids for the program will be opened by the Department at a hearing in Austin on Wednesday, Jan. 20, it was reported here Saturday.

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If all the acreage of sericea that is contemplated at this time is seeded next spring, it will take a lot of seed. The smaller supply of lespedeza seed and the resulting higher prices may induce farmers to reduce the seeding rate slightly, but this should be accompanied with better seedbed preparation and cultural practices.

If You Are Looking For Trouble — you are sure to find some of it during the new year. The weather may be bad and speed will increase. Watch out for bombs, walk-outs, government waste, Commies, economic adjustments et cetera. And the person who buys real estate in 1954 without an abstract is headed for trouble.

Famed Choir To Appear At H-SU

ABILENE, Jan. 16.—The famed Westminster Choir will appear on February 11 at Hardin-Simmons University Rose Field House. This year marks the 31st season this distinguished concert group of 40 voices has been before the concert public.

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# SOCIETY AND CLUBS

AND NEWS OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

## Pleasant Hill Club Meets With Mrs. Boles

The Pleasant Hill Home Demonstration Club met Thursday in the home of Mrs. Ola Boles for its regular meeting. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Bernard Campbell, and opened with the club prayer and pledge. Business matters were discussed, and officers for the year installed. The club voted to give \$5 to the march of dimes. It was reported that the club gave a gift box to the needy at Christmas time. Secret pals were revealed and names drawn for the coming three months. The meeting closed in regular form. Refreshments of coffee and sandwiches were served to Mesdames Carl Stroebel, Leona Hale, Edna Baker, Herman Schaefer, Marshall Berry, Bernard Campbell, Arless Pierce, J. O. Rice, and the hostess, Mrs. Boles.

## Birthday Party Honors Mrs. Cooper

A birthday party was held at the Lodge hall, honoring Mrs. Katie Cooper. A program on Thomas Wildie, founder of the Oddfellowship, was given by Mrs. May Keliner. The honoree was presented a gift by the club, and the happy birthday song sung and refreshments served. Those attending were Mesdames Ethel Moore, Laura Jensen, Effie Mayhew, May Kleiner, Dee Clements, Helen Brashear, Katie Cooper, Lydia Krauskopf, Leah Bates, and the hostess, Connie Hyatt.

## Episcopal Group Has Parish Meeting

The Seventh Annual Parish meeting and dinner of the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church was held Tuesday, January 12, at the Cisco American Legion Hall with the St. Anne's Guild of Cisco serving as hostesses. A short business session was held following the dinner.

Those attending were Father and Mrs. Hartwell, Dr. and Mrs. C. E. Paul and Blair, Mrs. Lovell Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Cutting and Hank, Mr. and Mrs. Don Choate and children, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Starr, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Roberts, Bob Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Webster, Mrs. Grace Reed, Mrs. Peggy Gallagher, all of Cisco; Garvin Chastain, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Nussle, of Ranger; Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Wilson, Clifford Wilson, Mrs. Elizabeth Vaught, Miss Charlotte Vaught, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Vaught, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Tanner, all of Eastland; and Bob Humphreys of Fort Worth.

We are now living in the geological epoch Holocene.



**PRIZE WINNER**—This chic black wool dress, created in Paris by Lucienne Nicod, 25-year-old student, left, and executed by Christian Dior, has won the \$1000 first prize in the contest sponsored by the International Wool Secretariat in Paris. It triumphed over 9164 designs which had been entered in the competition. Dior's model, "Lucky," presented the gown and, it being a prize winner, she managed to live right up to her name.

## Business Women Circle Has Meet Monday

The Business Women's Circle of the East Cisco Baptist Church met Monday at the church for a Royal Service Program. Mrs. Claud Ingram called the meeting to order followed by prayer by Mrs. Carrell Stansell. Mrs. Stansell also gave the devotional from Matthew and the program, entitled "The World At Our Door Steps," was given in parts by Mrs. H. K. Neely and Mrs. Ingram. Mrs. Elvis Nelms gave a short talk on the plans for the future work of the general W.M.U. and the meeting closed with prayer by Mrs. Ingram. Those attending were Mrs. H. K. Neely, Mrs. Claud Ingram, Mrs. Carrell Stansell, and Mrs. Elvis Nelms.

## Loboes --

From Page One who played good games. Smith and Branton were both on the sick list. Tuesday night and Friday night two of the top teams of the district will be at the community gym for conference contests. Tuesday the Stephenville Yellow-jackets meet the Loboes and the Stephenville girls play the Queens. Eric Looney, one of the top scorers of the district, leads the Stephenville attack. Friday night the Mountaineers from Mineral Wells visit community gym. The Mineral Wells attack is led by Carl Knight, a 6' and 7" sharp shooter. Mineral Wells does not have a girls team.

**Box Score**

Player	fg	ft	pf	tp
LOBO QUEENS				
Pippen	6	1	1	13
B. Owens	7	2	2	16
D. Owens	1	0	2	2
McKinney, W.	1	1	0	3
McLester	4	0	0	8
Eudy	0	0	1	0
McKinney, L.	0	0	1	0
Johnson	0	0	3	0
Huffman	0	0	0	0
Edwards	0	0	2	0
Harrelson	0	0	1	0
Totals	19	4	13	42

Player	fg	ft	pf	tp
EASTLAND GIRLS				
Tankersley	2	3	1	7
Trout	4	0	0	8
McFatter	1	1	2	3
Brockman	0	0	0	0
Parker	0	0	3	0
Hoclos	0	0	0	0
Brock	0	0	3	0
Hardin	0	0	3	0
Totals	7	4	12	18

Player	fg	ft	pf	tp
LOBOES				
Keller	1	1	0	3
Callarman	4	4	3	12
Ditmore	0	1	1	1
Trigg	1	0	0	2
Reynolds	4	1	2	9
Emsley	4	0	2	8
Totals	14	7	8	35

Player	fg	ft	pf	tp
MAVERICKS				
Hansen	3	3	1	9
G. Harris	4	0	3	8
S. Harris	3	2	1	8
Williamson	5	2	0	12
Pittman	2	0	2	4
Totals	17	7	7	41

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Nevada has a population of 91,000, the smallest in the nation.

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Flying backward is a stunt only one landbird can do—the humming bird.

## Little League Meeting Called For Monday Night

A meeting of all persons interested in the Little League baseball program has been called for 7:30 p. m. Monday at the First National Bank, it was announced by Herman Reimers, president, and Alpha Elder, president of the ABC Club.

All team managers, sponsors, those willing to work as managers, umpires or in any capacity were urged to attend the meeting.

A discussion of the plans for the coming season and the building of a park will be the feature of the meeting.

Plans call for beginning the Little League play in May and the program will have to be worked out immediately, Reimers said.

## Junior High 4-H Club Has Meeting

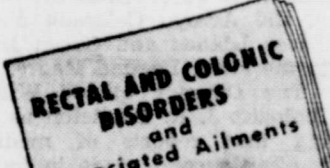
The Junior High 4-H Club met in regular session January 14 at the school with the president, Maedean Collins in charge.

JoAnn Edwards and Janice Justice led the club motto and prayer and the secretary, Emmalee Heitzel, read the minutes of the previous meeting. Miss Sturdivant, assistant County Home Demonstration Agent, gave a demonstration on cooking. The meeting closed in regular form.

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Refunds may be brought about by several situations. If you have reason to believe that your recognized expenses are greater than average — to the government about 10 per cent of your income — figure it out with the tax form and instructions in hand.

Was there a new addition to the family last year? Or did a close relative come to live with you, supported by you? Did

you have a lot of medical bills? Did you have heavy interest payments on your home? Did your various recognized deductions amount to something over 10 per cent of your income in total?

If, after careful analysis, you find that this is so, and if the government agrees with your figures — you'll get money back. And, incidentally, your government wants you to get this money. It wants a square deal from everyone, payments for what has been set for your income bracket, no more, no less.

So, if you think you're entitled to a refund, fill out your return carefully, mark your envelope "refund claim" for channeling to the right department, put a 3c stamp on it (two stamps if it's heavy) and rush it in. You'll probably get one of those nice, greenish blue checks in three or four weeks. In the Dallas District area, send your return to the District Director of Internal Revenue, 2101 Pacific Avenue, Dallas, Texas.



**SUNDAY, January 17**  
5:15—Sunday Devotions (L)  
5:45—What's Your Trouble  
6:00—Opportunity Knocks (L)  
6:20—Sunday Theater (F)  
6:45—Going Places with Uncle George  
6:55—TV Weatherfacts (L)  
7:00—The Range Rider (CBS-F)  
7:20—Crown Theater  
8:00—Tandem Theater  
9:00—Sunday Report (L)  
9:15—This is the Life (F)  
9:45—Tandem Theater  
10:45—Vespers and Sign Off (Bal)

**MONDAY, January 18**  
5:10—Daily Devotions (L)  
5:20—Preview (L)  
5:30—Western Parson Time  
6:25—Crusader Rabbit (F)  
6:30—Evening Report (L)  
6:45—Paradise Island (F)  
7:00—Let's Go Traveling (F)  
7:20—The Parson's Parlor (L)  
8:00—Texas In Review (F)  
8:20—Robert Montgomery  
9:20—Take A Sheet (L)  
10:00—Late Report (L)  
10:15—Movietime  
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## Coast Waterfowl Count Increases In Latest Census

AUSTIN, Jan. 16.—A substantial increase in the waterfowl population on the Texas coast is shown in the latest census report announced by the Director of Wildlife Restoration for the Game and Fish Commission.

The total of all waterfowl species was placed at 3,218,800, including 2,988,700 ducks. The count made in December contrasts with the total of 1,888,000 of all species for the same period last year.

The Director of Wildlife Restoration said the census is being brought up to date under the annual aerial count made jointly by state and federal personnel. Six planes participate in the Texas inventory. This census is part of an overall job that covers the entire Central Flyway within the United States, ranging from the Canadian border southward.

The December census for coastal Texas showed the greatest increase in the number of redheads and pintails. The Director said it was noteworthy to state that 1,016,000 of the 1,146,200 redheads and 817,200 of the 1,142,000 pintails were observed at the mouth of the Arroyo Colorado and at Three Islands and Green Island in the lower Laguna Madre.

The Director quoted Wildlife Biologist J. R. Singleton as saying that reports of mediocre hunting success made in face of the huge population was understandable since the scattered water and feed in the coastal marshes spread the flocks over a great area. He pointed out the best hunting results occur when the waterfowl are concentrated. Singleton reported that he observed geese wintering on the coast that moved as far as seventy miles inland to seek food and protection.

## Attorney General Has Busy Month Giving Opinions

AUSTIN, Jan. 15. — Attorney General John Ben Shepperd has released a list of all opinions of his office for the month of December. The office received 206 requests for advice or opinions and closed 208 opinion files during the month.

During the year 1953, the Attorney General's Office received 1110 opinion requests and closed 1111 opinion files. Only 6 opinions were pending at the end of the year.

The office won 97% of all cases tried or appealed during the year. A total of 1199 cases were won out of 1232 tried. During December, 35 cases were tried of which none were lost.

Opinions of general interest include the following:

The State Auditor must count Junior College semester hours certified to him by the Texas Education Agency even though certification is made after the date specified in the law.

Property bought in the name of the State at a Sheriff's sale may thereafter only be sold by public auction.

The State may pay travel expenses of a faculty member of the University of Texas presenting an original research at meetings of national learned societies.

No more than three persons may attend an out-of-state meeting or gathering of any kind at State expense.

A volunteer fireman who has retired and has drawn a pension may return to duty and again contribute to the pension system and subsequently again retire.

An act regulating employment in the public schools of teachers after retirement is unconstitutional because incorrectly drawn.

Martin VanBuren was the first President to be born a citizen of the United States.

## Grain Pastures Are Losing Value To Range Owners

AUSTIN, Jan. 15.—Small grain pastures, which have eased critically short range feed supply, are getting progressively shorter over much of the state, the U. S. Department of Agriculture's marketing service has reported.

Low temperatures in all areas and lack of moisture, particularly in the Plateau and southern Plains, checked growth of small grain pastures in early December. Fields were heavily stocked and when new growth stopped available feed was soon grazed off. Supplemental feeding of hay, roughage and concentrates has been necessarily increased to offset the diminishing supply of small grain pastures, dry range grass and stalk fields.

Surplus hay and roughage were available in many eastern counties, but in much of the west supplies are short except in irrigated areas. In the east and southeast, rescue grass, winter weeds, clovers and small grains were adequate but cool weather was checking new growth. Condition of all range feed was reported at 67 percent on January 1. This is 5 points less than the condition reported a month ago, but still 4 points above the condition reported a year ago. The 10-year January 1, average condition is 75 percent.

Cattle were coming through the winter in fair to good condition. In the northwest, cattle on wheat pastures have made very good gains. Movement of these pastures gained momentum in late December as fields were eaten down and additional grazing was not expected until spring growth starts. Chilling winds during the recurring December storms caused moderate shrinkage to unprotected livestock, but losses

have been very light. Losses from bloating on wheat pasture, however, have been fairly heavy. Movement of cattle from wheat pastures during January is expected to be heavy. Some of these cattle will move direct to slaughter and some to feed lots for further finishing. All cattle were reported at 75 percent condition on January 1, compared with 77 percent a month ago and the 10-year January 1 average of 80 percent.

Ewes were being maintained in fair condition with heavy supplemental feeding on the short dry native ranges over the main sheep country. Lambs on small grain pastures in the northern and eastern Plateau counties have made good gains. Lack of moisture combined with cold December weather, however, stopped development and most small grain fields in that area were about grazed down by January 1, with lambs being moved.

Sheep were reported at 75 percent condition on January 1, compared with 77 percent a month ago and 80 percent the 10-year average for this season of the year.

## Vets Questions And Answers

Q — How soon after I enroll in school under the Korean GI Bill may I expect to get my first GI allowance check? I want to plan on taking along some of my own money to tide me over until I get paid.

A — You can count on your first GI check about two months after you enroll. Under the law, payments are made after the end of each month of training completed. But before you can be paid, VA must receive a certification — signed by you and your school — stating you were in class during the month. Usually January 1, with lambs being moved.

Q — I am a Korean veteran and I have just been released from service. I understand I have four months from separation date in which to apply for GI term insurance. That correct?

A — No. Actually, you have 120 days from your date of separation in which to apply for your first premium. Some months have 31 days, days is less than four months. A — I was called to active military duty for a period that exceeded 30 days, but the things turned out I was separated before I served 30 days. I was entitled to the free insurance coverage for 120 days after date of separation, even though I didn't serve more than 30 days.

A — Yes.

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