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Plans Complete For Callahan Co. Sheriff's Posse Rodeo May 5, 6, 7

Plans for holding the 2nd Annual Sheriff's Posse Rodeo here next weekend, May 5, 6, 7, are complete and from all indications the rodeo this season will hit a high mark in attendance as well as performance. Some of the top ranking cowboys and rodeo entertainers will be on hand to thrill the crowds with their professional ability. Bob Estes, producer, stated this morning that he expects the rodeo this year to exceed last years show in every way. His stock is in fine condition for the rodeo and there will be many a thrill and spill. Alex, the negro bull fighter who was here last year, is already back in town, and will give the fans plenty of excitement when the bulls throw their riders in the arena. Alex is a good clown, but his big job in the arena is to detract the bull's attention from the thrown rider, thus protecting him and thrilling the crowd with his own skill at fighting the bull.

The Sheriff's Posse has purchased a tract of land east of the city business district and erected elaborate rodeo arena and facilities. The band stand, the announcers' booth, the flood

lights, the stock pens, chutes, and all will surprise most people who go there for the first time to see what has been done in so short a time. Most of the bleachers this year will be rented, but it is hoped that proceeds from this year's show will enable the organization to build permanent bleachers.

The sale of stock, admission tickets, saddle tickets and concessions is expected to cover all debts of the Sheriff's Posse before the rodeo begins next Thursday. Profits from the show then can be placed in the bank and be used to add to the facilities at the arena, and the Baird rodeo will be on its way to success.

BILLY BOB PIERSON INJURED IN WRECK

Billy Bob Pierson, A.K.A.A., U.S.N.H., Surgery IV, at Corpus Christi, is recovering from a broken leg and broken pelvic bone sustained in a car wreck at Corpus Christi Wednesday, April 20. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Pierson report he will be hospitalized approximately nine months.

Water Board Signs Engineers Contract

In a meeting at the city hall Tuesday night, the directors of Callahan County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1, contracted with Freese & Nichols of Fort Worth, to construct the lake for which \$200,000.00 bonds were voted in the district on April 16th. S. W. Freese represented his firm at the meeting and discussed all phases of the work that is to be done. Mr. Freese stated that some three months would be required to make proper preparation for construction to start. The building of the dam proper would probably require about four months, he explained.

The joint meeting of the water board and city council on Tuesday night was a continuation of a meeting held Saturday night which was also attended by W. C. Jackson, R. A. Underwood, Frank McMahon, of Dallas; Lockett Shelton of Abilene, and Harry Ratliff, of San Antonio, bond men who have offered proposals to purchase the bonds. The entire proposition to build a lake and pipe water to Baird was discussed step by step, and plans for proper procedure are going forward.

The city council will order an election soon to vote revenue bonds sufficient to take up the outstanding water-sewer bonds and construct the pipeline and facilities. When this is voted, both sets of bonds may be handled by the same bond firm which might command a lower rate of interest and could be obtained separately. About the time the city holds this election, the water district will hold another election for its board of directors to serve for the next year.

With much work to do, the water board and city council are planning to meet in joint session two or three times each week until the work is done.

MR. AND MRS. ROCKEY BUY JOHNSON MOTOR CO.

In a deal consummated Monday Mr. and Mrs. Glenn E. Rockey of Muleshoe purchased the Earl Johnson Motor Company from Mrs. Johnson, and assumed immediate possession. Mr. Rockey has been associated with his father, Neil Rockey, in the Ford agency at Muleshoe for a number of years. He announces that Oscar Koenig, formerly of Cross Plains, will be service manager.

Mr. and Mrs. Rockey are energetic young people and will make friends rapidly among Baird people. They are civic workers and have expressed a desire to enter into the program of development here. They are members of the Methodist Church.

Elsewhere in this issue of The Star, the new owners extend a cordial welcome to all the people of this county to drop in and get acquainted. The Ford establishment will be known hereafter as Rockey Motor Company, and retain its present location next door to the post office.

As Mrs. Johnson turns the business to its new owners, she expresses thanks to all the customers of Earl Johnson Motor Company who helped by their patronage to build the business her late husband had operated for many years. Mrs. Johnson has not made known her plans for the future, but her many friends are extending to her their best wishes.

FURNITURE STORE GETS NEW MANAGEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Caldwell and children, Yvonne and Junior, and a nephew, Bobby John Sims, will move to Baird from Graham during the coming weekend and assume management of the Baird Furniture Store which Mr. Caldwell purchased from W. B. Swim last week.

The Caldwells are experienced furniture dealers. Mrs. Caldwell was employed by her father at McCoy Furniture Company at Graham, and Mr. Caldwell has had experience in the business. He will also follow his trade as an electrician.

DALE BROWNS ATTEND AUNT'S FUNERAL

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Brown and children, Jenice and Dale, Jr., attended the funeral of Mrs. Brown's aunt, Mrs. R. L. Grady, at Rochester Thursday.

Mrs. Grady, a long time resident of Rochester, died there Tuesday morning. A niece, Mrs. Rufus Hicks and two nephews, Carl and Otis Wolf, of Rising Star, also attended the funeral.

City Mail Delivery To Start May 16th

Miss John Gilliland, Baird Post Mistress, has received official notice from 1st Assistant Post Master General Vincent Burk, Washington, D. C., that city mail delivery would begin here on May 16th. The announcement of this service also came in a wire to Randall Jackson and Congressman Omar Burleson wrote to the Callahan County Club to inform that group of the mail delivery service had been authorized. Mr. Burleson has taken a personal interest in this project and in his letter he expresses satisfaction in knowing that Baird will enjoy the facilities.

Miss Gilliland reports that John T. Towler will be the regular carrier in the new service and Sterling Abernathy will be substitute carrier.

The city delivery service has been granted by the Post Office Department after Baird met all the requirements which included erecting name plates at all street intersections and numbering houses. There might be some houses that still do not have numbers on them. The mail will be delivered only to those places which have complied with the regulations.

The city mail delivery service project was started by the young men who composed the Junior Chamber of Commerce and after that organization went out of existence, the Callahan County Club took over the work and carried the project through to completion. The project was accomplished after almost two years effort being made by a large part of the Baird population, and now the entire citizenship is justly proud of the outcome.

CONFERENCE HELD ON STREET PAVING

Baird's street paving project was advanced Tuesday when a number of civic leaders met with Mr. Riley of the firm of Reese and Riley, paving contractors of Abilene. Mr. Riley was taken over a wide area of the city to inspect the streets, after a conference which was held at the Baird Star office. Harold Ray, president of Callahan County Club, will appoint a committee to direct its attention to this project as soon as Mr. Riley makes his estimates on the paving.

Reese and Riley paved the streets of Merkel last year and a group of Baird men went up there recently to inspect the job. They returned to say it was a fine job and held up well through the past winter's severe freezing weather. It is believed that Baird can get its streets for as little as 65 or 70 cents per running foot. Property owners would be called on to finance their part. All property owners who desire their street to be paved should notify Mr. Ray as soon as possible. The completed streets will be first to be paved, which means that all property owner on both sides of the street must agree to pay their part of the expense. Street paving usually costs about \$2.00 per foot, and it is believed that the proposition that has been offered Baird is exceptionally reasonable.

MRS. WILL MCCOY UNDERGOES SURGERY

Mrs. Will McCoy, formerly of this place, underwent major surgery at a Houston hospital Tuesday morning. Mrs. McCoy is reported to be recovering nicely. Her many friends here hope for her a speedy recovery.

GRAND CHIEF VISITS HERE

Mrs. Alice Cherb of Amarillo, Grand Chief of Pythian Sisters of Texas, and Mrs. Myrtle Norman, past Grand Chief, of Wichita Falls, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Fulton Tuesday night. They officially visited the Pythian Sisters Lodge here.

DEMOCRATS ASKED TO SUPPORT PARTY

Texas Democrats are being asked to give financial support to the party's business. Hugh W. Ross, Democratic chairman for Callahan county, will receive donations from Democrats in this county and deliver same to the state chairman when the party holds its Jefferson-Jackson Day dinner at Lubbock May 7th, at 6 p. m. The party is financed by its members and there is lots of work to be done. Texas Democrats do things in a big way, Mr. Ross says, so let's go!

Sheriff's Posse Barbecue Gives Rodeo A Head Start

Enthusiasm in this year's Sheriff's Posse Rodeo was given a real boost when more than three hundred people attended a barbecue held in the American Legion Building Monday night. President Ev Hughes invited the crowd to pass by long tables of delicious food and help themselves to delicious barbecue, beans, pickles, onions, salads, hot coffee, cakes and pies, and all kinds of good things to eat. Everyone ate heartily and there was food to be carried home after all were satisfied.

After the meal Mr. Hughes asked Mayor B. H. Freeland to preside at the microphone and extend the thanks of the Sheriff's Posse for all the friendly assistance received in promoting this year's rodeo. Mayor Freeland introduced a number of visitors among whom were J. Jamerson, president of the Taylor County Sheriff's Posse, Roy C. Davis, editor of "Back In The Saddle," at Cisco, Dr. M. T. Ramsey of Abilene, and many others. After several songs by Alex, the colored bull fighter, Freeland invited those present to take stock in the rodeo, and Secre-

tary Perry Hughes issued more than \$1,125.00 share of stock, and a number of new members were added to the rolls. Mayor Freeland stated that 118 members had purchased around \$3,500 in shares. The new arena is valued at the present time about \$10,000. With normal growth and development the Sheriff's Posse ought to be worth \$50,000 in two more years. They expect to enter the rodeo this season clear of all debt. These remarks were enlightening and proved that investments in the rodeo organization are sound.

Parade To Open Rodeo Thursday

The 2nd Annual Championship Rodeo to be held here next week, May 5-6-7, will be opened with a grand parade which will start promptly at 5:30 p. m. J. O. Warren is parade manager and he stated definitely that the parade would start on time and all who plan to enter the procession must be at the north side of the courthouse by five o'clock, no later.

The parade was good last year but from all the interest that is being shown in this year's program the parade will be even better than last year's model. Mr. Warren reports that a number of local people have already made plans to enter the big event. The Boydston Brothers, W. M. James, Ed Wristen, Chas. Conner, Spike Blakley, Harry Berry, and other old timers will ride in the parade. Everyone is welcome to enter the parade on horseback, in automobiles, or in whatever manner you wish. Business firms are invited to enter floats, and all individuals are welcome to present anything that might help to make the parade more interesting. Please notify Mr. Warren in advance of the parade, if you can, to let him know how to place your feature in the procession. Remember the parade begins on the dot of 5:30 p. m. Thursday, May 5th.

The High School Band will march in the parade and play at the rodeo to the tempo of those wild bulls. All bands are welcome.



RODEO PRODUCER — Bob Estes, a native son of Baird, who has reached the top in producing rodeos throughout the nation, will direct the second Annual Sheriff's Posse Rodeo in Baird, May 5 - 6 - 7. Mr. Estes has recently talked with a number of the nation's outstanding cowboys who say they are coming to Baird. Most of the cowboys who were here last year will be back and with these others who perform at all the famous rodeos in the United States, the rodeo this year promises to be a real entertainment. Estes is of the opinion that this rodeo performance will be the wildest, toughest rodeo ever held in Baird.



Photo By Hunter

CHAMPION — The top bucking horse to be at Baird's Sheriff's Posse Rodeo, May 5 - 6 - 7, is fast gaining a reputation as being an outstanding bucking horse in the nation today. Shown here by Marianne Estes, three times selected to represent Texas at Madison Square Garden Rodeo, N. Y.



COWBOY BITES THE DUST — Shown above is Claude Bean of Dublin, Texas, hitting the dirt of Gabby. Both will appear in the Sheriff's Posse Rodeo May 5 - 6 - 7.



Photo By Hunter

HERD OF DYNAMITE — Here are shown some of the big, bad Brahman bulls to be on hand at the Baird rodeo next weekend. The famous negro bull fighter, Alex Alexander, will be here to fight them. This is one of the most thrilling features known to the rodeo world.



Misses Ted and Betty Lamb of Dallas, cowgirl trick ropers and riders, who have appeared in most of the big shows of the country, will be at the Sheriff's Posse Rodeo here on May 5th, 6th and 7th.

County H. D. Agent's Column Evelyn Wieland Scott

DRESS REVIEW The Callahan County 4-H Dress Review will be held at the Baird high school on May 7th. All 4-H girls who have made a dress or skirt and blouse may enter. Garments should be at the high school by 9 a. m. Judging of construction will be done from 9 a. m. to 1 p. m. At 1 p. m. girls entering the review will meet in the high school auditorium for instruction in modeling after which they will dress for the review, which begins at 3 p. m. Dresses will be judged for appearance and fit on the girl. Prizes will be awarded to winners in all divisions and the county winner will receive a trip to the State 4-H Dress Review and 4-H Round-Up to be held June 14 and 15 at College Station. In order to be entered in the State Dress Review, a girl must have been 14 years of age by January 1, 1949, and have a score of 90 or above on her garment. We cordially invite all parents, leaders, and friends to be with

us at 3 p. m. on May 7th in the Baird high school auditorium. STRAWBERRY TIME Whether you eat them in preserves, on ice cream, on a strawberry shortcake, or fresh, it's strawberry time in Texas. Lucille Shultz, associate extension foods and nutrition specialist of Texas A & M College, suggests putting away several gallons in the home freezer, if you select only the red-ripe berries. This type hold their color better than the almost ripe berries. Strawberries can be put into a container whole, or cut into halves and allowed to stand in dry sugar until it is all dissolved. The sugar, or sugar syrup, helps keep the berries in their fresh texture, color and aroma. They develop an off-color and off-flavor very quickly after they are defrosted if the sugar is not used. So, when you are using the dry sugar method, mix the berries until each one is well coated with sugar, Miss Shultz says. Crushed berries used for toppings for shortcake and ice cream will hold their natural flavor better and longer than whole

or sliced berries. Here are Miss Shultz's suggestions for preparing the berries for freezing. Wash, drain and cap them; weigh them and pack, using one part sugar to three or four parts of berries. If you are using the sugar-syrup, mix three cups of sugar and four cups of water. Fill the containers with berries and cover them with cold syrup, put the cover on and place them in the quick freezing compartment at 20 degrees to freeze at once. If further directions for freezing are needed, the county home demonstration agent has information on her extension service bulletin shelves says Miss Shultz. Recipe of the Week HOT FUDGE PUDDING 1 cup flour, sifted 2 teaspoons baking powder 1-4 teaspoon salt 3-4 cup sugar 2 tablespoons cocoa 1-2 cup milk 2 tablespoons shortening, melted 1 cup chopped nuts 1 cup brown sugar 4 tablespoons cocoa Sift first five dry ingredients together, stir in milk and shortening, mix until smooth. Add nuts, spread in pan. Sprinkle with brown sugar and cocoa mixed. Pour 1 3-4 cups hot water over entire batter. Bake. Invert square on plates, dip sauce from baking pan over each. Serve plain or with whipped cream. Time - Bake 40 to 45 minutes. Temperature - 350 degrees F. (Moderate oven) SAVE THE LEAVES Don't burn the leaves. Instead, turn them into a leaf mold or a compost. By burning the leaves, you lose the value of organic matter and kill off the grass that's already growing. Other plant refuse besides leaves works fine in a compost too, such as clippings, weeds, and vegetable tops, says Miss Sadie Hatfield, extension landscape gardening specialist of A. & M. College. Nature is constantly making soil fertilizers. Dead wood, old leaves, and other plant materials make acid which releases mineral plant food already in the soil. When released, this matter can be used by plants and tree roots. A simple enclosure of scrap lumber, brick or stone should be provided to hold the compost together. In sections of the state where high winds are a daily thing, a compost pit is preferable -- almost a necessity, says Miss Hatfield. If a pit is available, spread a thin layer of soil over its contents, after adding the leaves or grass clippings. In the dry part of the year when there isn't much rainfall, it's a good idea to wet the entire pit one or twice a month to insure a well-rotted compost. If a well-balanced plant food mixture is desired, add 100 lbs. of 4-12-4 commercial fertilizer to a wagon load of compost mixture. Sprinkle the fertilizer over the pit before covering it with a layer of soil. The fertilizer speeds up the leaf rotting process. In acid soil areas, such as the eastern part of the state, add 100 pounds of lime as well as the fertilizer to the pit contents. Compost of this type is especially good for soils which tend to pack, or become hard and crusty

during dry periods, Miss Hatfield adds. It usually takes about three months for leaves, weeds and small limbs to rot. Use a half pound to a pound per foot of row space for flowers, vegetables or shrubs. Mix the compost thoroughly into the soil before seeding. If you're figuring on using the compost materials for pot plants use a mixture of one-half compost and one-half good loam soil or sand. Save the leaves for compost material, urges Miss Hatfield. It's one of Nature's best fertilizers. EASY ON YOURSELF Make the housecleaning job easy on yourself. There's no reason to do more than you have to. So cut down on your fatigue by cutting down on the unnecessary part of housecleaning. Gladys Darden, assistant extension home management specialist of A. & M. College, says that doing year-round cleaning by a well organized plan which fits your particular needs will save time, energy, cleaning supplies and finishes. Plan the order of cleaning routine so that it fits in with the daily schedule, continues Miss Darden. Sort out the jobs which must be done once a week, once a month or less often so

that several do not come on the same day. The easiest way is the best way to do the jobs. Make a few motions as possible while housecleaning. Use both hands, and avoid these extra rubs and pats that take the extra time and energy. At the same time, route your work to save steps. And another thing to remember is to do the job in as comfortable a position as possible while working. Sit whenever you can and rest between jobs. Short rest pauses or changing jobs once in a while help reduce fatigue. Don't forget breakfast and lunch. Eat heartily, and wear easy action clothes, shoes and hose which are comfortable and well fitting, says Miss Darden. Be sure your posture is right for the job. Extra kneeling and stooping tire a person out rapidly. Longer handles on the dust pans, mops and wall brushes help maintain a better posture while housecleaning, Miss Darden concludes. The easiest way to do a good job is the best way. Clyde Comments Mrs. Church Coherent Copy Compiled And Collected By Careful Cogitation

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Bailey have been visiting in the home of her mother, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Holmes and family. Mr. and Mrs. Drew Johnson of Amarillo, are visiting in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Britton of Clyde, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rich Johnson of Denton. Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Church are visiting with relatives in Abilene. "YELLOW SKY" IS TAUT, EXCITING SCREEN HIT With "Yellow Sky," which comes to the Plaza Theatre on Sunday and Monday, May 1 - 2, Twentieth Century-Fox has brought to the screen a walloping dramatic hit that offers local moviegoers some 95 minutes of the tautest, most hard-hitting and exciting film fare to come this way in many a moon. Gregory Peck, Anne Baxter, Richard Widmark and an excellent supporting cast give superlative performances in this dynamic story, and Director William Wellman has come through with another top achievement to match their unforgettable "Ox-Bow Incident." "Yellow Sky" recounts the story of seven men -- outlaws -- who, hunted over the burning Arizona badlands, hide out in a ghost town where a girl, wise in the ways of men and the desert, lives with her grandfather. The outlaws are excited by the hint

of a gold cache hidden by the old man, and become wracked with suspicion of each other. But it is the lone girl, and the ruthless determination of each of the men to make her his personal prize, that sparks the terror and tense drama of the inevitable battle between them, and builds the suspenseful plot to its terrific climax. Gregory Peck is superb as the leader of the desperadoes whose efforts to keep the men in line is complicated by the complex relationship that develops between himself and the girl. Anne Baxter plays the desert-hardened girl, underscoring her versatility with one of her finest performances to date. Richard Widmark is perfect as the preacher-outlaw who challenges Peck's lead. Others in the outstanding cast include Robert Arthur, John Russell, Henry Morgan, James Barton and Charles Kemper. Attending the family reunion at the J. S. Freeman home Easter Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Watson and daughters, Lorene and Ora, James Barron, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Watson and sons, Junior and Leslie, Colorado City; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Humble, Post; Mr. and Mrs. Sam Harris, Stephenville; Miss Vernemna Freeman, Robert Lee; Miss Mary Loy Freeman, O. Ray Herring, Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Billie Herring and daughters, Nelva Ruth and Billie Sue, Snyder.

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Eula Episodes

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(Held over from last week)
Mr. and Mrs. Luke Thomas and daughter of Cisco, and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Brock of Sweetwater, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Scarborough and children of Abilene, were Sunday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Brock.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilton Yates of San Angelo spent the weekend in the home of his mother, Mrs. J. P. Atwood and family, and her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Edwards.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Milliron and family spent Sunday afternoon in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gwinn, of Oplin.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Jordan had all of their children home for the day Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Jordan and family of Odessa spent the weekend here.

Miss Ethel Trotter of Big Spring spent the weekend in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Newt Trotter.

Rev. J. W. Partin of Abilene was guest speaker at the Baptist Church for services both morning and evening, Sunday. He and Mrs. Partin were dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Harris.

Mrs. George Ferguson of Denison is visiting in the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. H. Kellet and Mr. Kellet.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Brock of Sweetwater spent Saturday night in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otha Gist.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bentley had his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bentley and family, Putnam, as dinner guests Sunday. An Easter egg hunt was enjoyed by the children in the afternoon.

Easter guests in the Max L. Logan home included Mrs. Logan's sisters, Mrs. C. W. Waits and daughter, Mrs. R. M. Shaffer and children of Dallas, and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Watts of Alpine.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Campbell and son, Sammy, of Loop, were weekend guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Brock and daughter, Rosa Lee, were visitors last week in San Antonio and Austin. They met Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Bohner of San Benito at San Antonio and spent the weekend with them. Mr. Bohner was a buddy of Mr. Brock during World War I, in the Marine

Corps, and this is the first time they have been together in several years.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Hightower of Copperas Cove were visitors last week in the home of their daughter, Mrs. Joe Bentley and family. They accompanied her grandmother, Mrs. Fannie Bridges, of Carbon, who had been visiting in the Bentley home, to her home in Carbon.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Stoker of Higgins has been visiting in the home of their son, Tom Stoker and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Stoker of Abilene.

Friends were glad to learn last week of the appointment of Miss Hazel Reynolds as county treasurer, to fill the unexpired term of her brother J. P. Reynolds, who resigned to accept another position.

Rowden Round-Up

Irene Mauldin
Community Activities Reliably Reported by The Star Reporter.

Belinda Kline spent the past week-end in Baird with Martha Ann Martin.

A Training Union Study Course was enjoyed by the members of the Baptist Church Friday and Saturday night and all day Sunday. The teachers were students from Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. Crow and girls Sunday, night were: Dale Gibbs Mr. and Mrs. Frank Crow and Richie.

Mrs. Lillie Swafford and Katy and Larene Sargent visited Carl Mauldin who is in the Callahan County Hospital, Sunday afternoon.

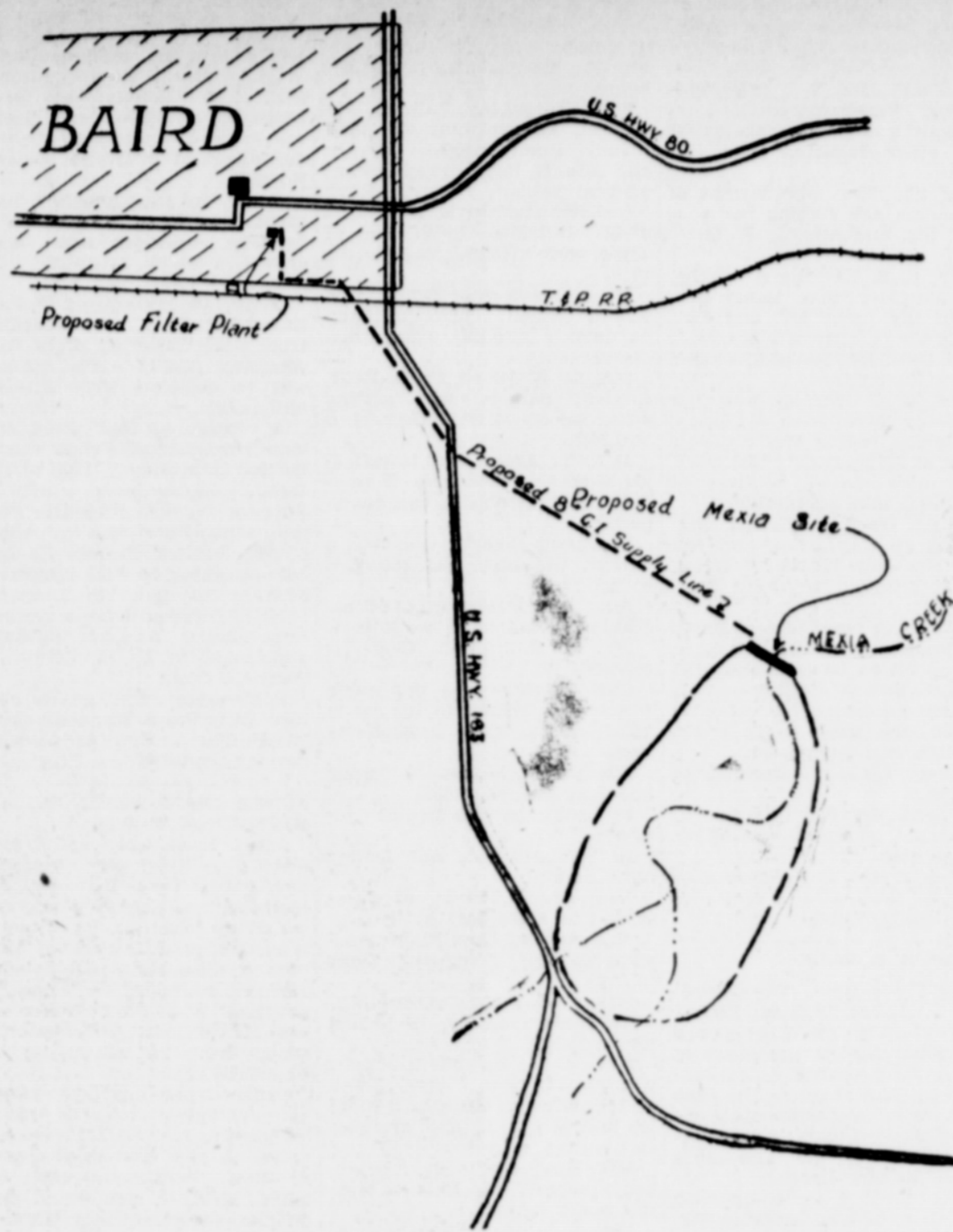
Lorene Sargent and John Beasley spent the week-end in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Glaze of Tarzan, and Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Sikes and boys of Abilene were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rose and Grandmother Miller Sunday afternoon.

Miss Ann Givens and Miss Charlotte Davis of Hardin-Simmons were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Vancille Gibbs.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Pierce of Cisco and Mr. and Mrs. Weldon R. Steele of Austin were Sunday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Steele.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Ramsey of Ft. Worth spent last weekend with her mother, Mrs. D. F. Harp.



PROPOSED PROJECT — This map shows the general location of the proposed Mexia Creek lake near Baird. The approximate location of the dam is indicated by the heavy line. The oblong, checked line indicate the general location of the lake. The pipeline, about 9,000 feet long, would extend to the municipal power plant where the filter facilities would be located. The heavy square within the city is the Callahan County Courthouse. The old route of U. S. highway 80 is shown. Engineering for the project is being done by Freese and Nichols of Fort Worth. The lake would contain about 2,000 acre feet of water and provide a million gallons of water a day. The town's present minimum need—the amount it must have is estimated at 125,000 gallons a day, so the lake would provide for future growth. Freese and Nichols estimate the lake would cost the water district \$188,870.

Midway Musings

Mrs. Joel Griffin
Miscellaneous Melange and Minor Mention of Men and Women.

Louise Faircloth of Midland visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Faircloth, over the weekend. Richard Moon of Ballinger visited the Faircloths Sunday.

Those attending the track meet at A. C. C. Saturday were Carl and Hiram Cook, Betty Kendrick, Betty Webb, Mr. and Mrs. Griffin and Mr. and Mrs. Webb. Charlie Webb won second place in the mile run on a very muddy track.

Selan Canada has been on the sick list the past week. Joe Webb was also sick for several days.

Jimmy Foy has returned to his home in Brownwood after spending two weeks with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Griffin.

We are happy to have a new family in our community. Mr. and Mrs. Gillmore and family. They live in the house recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Berkeley. The Gillmores came here from Georgia.

Betty Jane Rogers spent Sunday with Fay Etta Faircloth.

MRS RAY YOUNG ENTERPRISE CLUB

The Enterprise Home Demonstration Club met April 21st in the home of Mrs. Leon Kendrick at 2:30 o'clock with president Ruth Patton in charge.

Roll call was answered with, My Favorite Recipes, and each club member exchanged recipes.

Mrs. Dessie Patton gave the council report, and high lights of the council meeting was announcements of plans for the annual summer camp, which place is yet to be decided.

Mrs. Kendrick was fitted for a dress form which was made by the members.

The Enterprise Club will be hostess to all clubs in the county at next club meeting in the home of Mrs. Ruth Patton.

Mrs. Kendrick was hostess to club members: Mmes: C. H. Gibbins, Will Young, Ben Nunn, Sam Sherill, J. H. Patton, J. C. Meadows, C. B. Collins, Ray Young, J. W. Paton, Leon Kendrick.

Mrs. Crawford Hughes and daughter, Sandra, of Pecos, visited in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Warren and Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Hughes last week.

Miss Josephine Hamlett attended market at Dallas Monday of last week.



We have purchased the Earl Johnson Motor Company and would like for each of you to come in so that we may get acquainted. Our intention is to be of service at any time and in any way we possibly can.

The courtesies extended us the short time we have been here are certainly appreciated.

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Mr. and Mrs. Henry H. Settle of Big Lake are announcing the birth of a son, Henry Harville Settle, who was born April 20th.

Mrs. Edgar Smith and Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Atchison visited Haynie Gilliland at Legion Thursday of last week.

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Among out-of-town relatives and friends attending the funeral of Jones D. Princes Friday were: Olin Price, Mack Price, Richard C. Harding, Brawley, Calif.; Mrs. Tom Price, Joe Stovall, George White, Albany; Mrs. Amy Walker, Balmorhea; Mrs. Troy Patrick, Pecos; Mrs. Bob Willoughby, Alpine; Mrs. C. R. Harris, Slaton; Mrs. John Jordan, Mrs. Louise Nobles, Oplin; John Windham, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Windham, Ba-you; Mrs. Earl Haley, Big Spring; Mrs. O. T. Nolan, Ft. Worth and Mrs. Leonard Hoyer, Breckenridge.

A. J. Warren, Margaret and Laura Mae Warren, of Kermit, visited relatives here last weekend.

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While the weathermen all over the country were trying to figure out the reason "why" for so much freakish weather for this year, old man weather slipped in on Monday night with a good ground soaker. Farmers are really encouraged, and all of them are telling tales, and comparing this year with times way back, maybe '89, '29 or even '39.

Something like three inches has fallen in this vicinity in the last week, and looks like there will be more. Most of the grain sorghums and sudan were already planted, and the rain fell so gentle that most farmers think it will be a good stand.

Pastures are in good condition, and the damp weather is giving mesquite grass time to revive. The drought of the past two summers had done considerable damage to the turf. More rain is needed to put out water for the stock in tanks. Roads in many places are impassable.

Newt Trotter, a school bus driver for more than twelve years, says that they are the worst he has seen.

School will be out May 20. The first four grades had planned to go to Cobb Park this week on a picnic, but it will be called off until the weather is more settled.

Mr. Seaton, owner and manager of the Eula store, was burned last Tuesday afternoon quite seriously when he struck a match to see if he could locate a leak in a butane gas line. Mrs. Seaton reports that he was able to come home a few hours last Friday night, but had to go back to St. Ann Hospital, and would not be released until early this week.

Oplin Observations
Joretta Gwin
Odds and Ends Opportunely Offered in Open Order.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Slaughter of Fort Worth visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Slaughter and other relatives here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Wright of Oklahoma are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lambert.

Mrs. S. S. Harville is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Henry Settle in Big Lake. Mr. and Mrs. Settle are parents of a boy, born April 20th. He has been named Henry Harville.

Mrs. J. H. Straley and her daughter, Mrs. John Windham of Abilene, visited Mrs. Straley's sister at Johnson City last week. They also visited relatives at Lampasas and Adamsville.

Lucian Warren, who has been visiting in California, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wren of Baird, visited relatives in Oplin Sunday.

Visitors in the home of Paula Windham over the weekend were, Miss Jo Lawson and Miss Betty Graves of Abilene.

Howard Johnson has returned to his home after being in the hospital with pneumonia.

Hubert Gwin is working in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Campbell of Hagerman, N. M., are visiting relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Byers have returned home after a visit with their son in Lubbock.

CLYDE H. D. CLUB
The Clyde Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. J. A. Jennings on Friday, April 22. The meeting opened with a song, council report was given by Mrs. Rogers. The Club is to make a poster of Home Demonstration work. A book review was given on "The Light Is Out" by Mrs. Landers.

Next meeting is to be with Mrs. C. S. Holden on May 6th. Each member is to bring a garment ready to be fitted by the agent, Mrs. Scott. There will also be a grab box.

Members present were: Mmes. Frank Monroe, G. R. Prichard, J. N. Broadfoot, H. G. Broadfoot, Fred Kniffen, C. H. Harris, Sewell Landers, Laura Cole, R. S. Darden, Hoyt Rogers. Visitors were Mrs. Maxwell, Raymond Barton, Lena Cole, Grandma Jennings.

Miss Samantha McElroy of Ballinger visited Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Gray and Mr. and Mrs. S. L. McElroy the first of the week.

Mrs. Donald Melton and little daughter, Sharon of Coleman, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Lawrence and Dr. Jim Tom Lawrence Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Armstrong of Jal, N. M., were recent visitors of her mother, Mrs. Sadie Heslep.

Billy Ray and Harry Vanderwoot, stationed at Memphis, Tenn., visited Mrs. Margie Ray Friday and Saturday of last week.

Mrs. W. P. Brightwell and Mrs. S. L. McElroy left Thursday of last week to attend the National Federation of Women's Clubs at New Orleans.

Mrs. Earl Haley of Big Spring and Miss Edith Bowls left Monday for Big Spring to visit Mr. and Mrs. Vet Rice.

Hospital Notes

Miss Elizabeth Carroll, who underwent appendectomy recently, has returned to her home.

Jerry Abernathy, Putnam, underwent tonsillectomy the 16th. Judy, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Boyd, was a recent medical patient.

Carolyn and Gayle, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Blue, of Clyde, were medical patients the 16th.

Howard Johnson, Oplin, who was a patient suffering from pneumonia, was improving when discharged.

Mrs. C. W. Black, Clyde Rt. 1, surgical patient, was getting along nicely when discharged the 26th.

Dorothy Henry, who is suffering with a broken arm, is resting as comfortably as can be expected.

Rosemary Smartt, who was a patient the 26th, has returned to her home.

Mrs. Theda Pierce, of Cross Plains, was admitted the 25th.

Mrs. J. N. Francis, Clyde, is seriously ill.

Carl Mauldin was improving when he returned to his home after several days hospitalization.

Mrs. N. E. McGee is feeling about as well as usual.

M. L. Wright is a medical patient.

B. W. Lofton is not feeling quite so well.

Mrs. Annie Travis, of Cross Plains, is a medical patient.

Mrs. Sadler, Cross Plains, surgical patient, is getting along nicely.

Mrs. F. A. Payne, who underwent major surgery, is getting along nicely.

Mrs. A. A. Berryman, Clyde, a surgical patient, is resting well at this writing. Miss Ruth Mobley and Mrs. J. L. Ault are special nurses with her.

Mike Hughes, who under emergency surgery the 16th, is resting much better.

Mrs. J. R. McFarlane is slowly improving.

Miss Jane Weathers, who entered the 9th for medical treatment, is feeling some better.

Recent medical patients who have been discharged are Mmes. W. C. Harris, H. N. Ebert, B. J. Taylor, Sarah Sneed, C. D. Mauldin, E. E. Durham, Jim Strickland, Maggie Brown, and Dr. V. E. Hill, W. D. Hayworth, J. N. Williams, W. G. Jolly, Chas. Young, J. E. Bullock, H. C. Bower.

The following births are reported. April 12, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Gardner, a daughter, wt. 7 lbs. 4 ozs.; April 13, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Hinkle, a daughter, wt. 7 lbs.; April 21, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Carrico, a daughter, wt. 5 lbs. 13 1/2 ozs.; April 22, Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Varner, a son, April 26, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Howlett, a daughter, wt. 8 lbs. 5 ozs.; April 26, Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Higgins, a son, wt. 8 lbs. 9 ozs.

UNION-HART CLUB MEETS WITH MRS. YARBROUGH

Mrs. Burette Ramsey reported on the District Club meeting when the Union-Hart Club met with Mrs. J. A. Yarbrough on April 4th. Mrs. Attie Jones was welcomed as a new member and Mrs. Foster was a visitor. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Clyde Coats, April 28.

A delicious refreshment plate of punch and cookies were served to Mmes. Jones, Foster Coats, H. O. Smith, N. L. Bailey, E. C. McCollum, Burette Ramsey, Henry Bailey, little Miss Paula Coats, Linda Hughes and the hostess.

Dr. and Mrs. M. Thaxton McGowan and little son, David, of Quanah, were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Wylie, Jr. Dr. and Mrs. Henry McGowan and son, John, of Abilene, were Sunday guests in the Wylie home.

James Knox Waggoner, fireman apprentice, USN, Route 1, Baird, is scheduled to return to Key West, Fla., home base of the submarine USS Clamagore on which he serves. The Clamagore recently visited Annapolis, Md., during the inspection of the Board of Visitors at the Naval Academy.

FUNERAL HELD TUESDAY FOR JAMES EARL GUNN

Funeral services for James Earl Gunn, 25, were conducted at the Putnam Baptist Church at 2 p. m. Tuesday. Rev. H. N. Baldaree officiated and burial was in the Dennis Cemetery, under direction of Wylie Funeral Home.

Gunn died shortly before midnight Saturday, as a result of a head-on collision near Seagraves in which two other persons were killed.

Gunn, an employe of El Paso Natural Gas Co., was returning from work Saturday night in a company pickup when his car was in collision with another automobile.

A veteran of four years service in the Army Signal Corps, he was born July 3, 1923 at the family farm home north of Putnam. He attended the Putnam schools and was a member of the Baptist Church. He had been working in the Seagraves area for the past two years.

He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Montie Wirt, of Putnam, and one sister, La Juan Gunn of Pomona, Calif.

Pallbearers were Lee Rutherford, Billy Frank Kennedy, R. D. Weeks, Theron Byrd, Frank Sunderman and Benton Pruet.

JUDGE CRANE DECLINES HISTORICAL POST

Judge R. C. Crane of Sweetwater was re-elected president of the West Texas Historical Association last Saturday, and declined to accept a few minutes later. Judge Crane stated that "Twenty-five years is enough," when he addressed the delegates gathered at Wichita Falls for the convention. The historical group held its convention in Baird two years ago.

Judge Crane has been active as its president since the organization was started. He has been active in civil and legal circles in West Texas since 1886. He helped draft a number of city charters for Sweetwater. His son, Roy Crane, cartoonist, is creator of "Buz Sawyer" and "Wash Tubbs."

EX-BELL COUNTIANS TO HOLD REUNION

Ex-Bell county residents from all over West Central Texas will gather at the Buffalo Gap Encampment grounds in the southern part of Taylor county, on Sunday, May 15th, for their sixth annual reunion and picnic of the Association.

Back in 1940 the reunion was thought up by a little group of Ex-Bell countians who foresaw the pleasure that might be realized at such a gathering when they might meet old friends and exchange reminiscences of earlier days in Bell county. The late Judge James P. Stinson of Abilene was a moving spirit in launching the organization.

Early arrivals generally reach the grounds by 10 A. M. for the all-day affair, which includes a basket picnic lunch spread at noon. The day's program will be entirely informal.

There are no dues for membership and the only requirements are that you formerly lived in Bell county and now reside in West Texas.

Mmes. W. O. Wylie, Jr., Russell Warren, M. C. McGowan, A. N. Johnson and Miss Ruth Dyer attended the annual Iris and Flower Show at Lampasas Wednesday.

LOCAL MINISTER GOING TO EAST TEXAS POST

J. C. Strickland, minister of the local Church of Christ, announced last Sunday that he and his family would move about the middle of next week to Frankston where he will serve the congregation as their minister. He will preach here this Sunday at all services. After visiting a number of places, Brother Strickland selected the east Texas town and is looking forward to the work there with enthusiasm. He served the local church for three years.

RODEO KERCHIEFS MADE BY BROWNIES

Fifteen members of the Brownie Troop 5 of the Girl Scouts met Wednesday to begin a new project in art, which is to plan and complete a rodeo kerchief to wear "Rodeo Week in Baird." Bucking broncos and trick ropers formed the motifs which the girls transferred to yellow cotton squares. Ruth Dyer, Troop leader, and Mrs. Morgan Stokes, Assistant leader, assisted with the activities.

"Snack-time" for the Brownies was given by Mrs. C. B. Snyder who brought lunches of pimento sandwiches, drinks, and candies for the troop. Barbara Snyder was hostess and served the group.

Those present were: Janis Abernathy, Louanna Ault, Jennice Brown, Donna Betcher, Jane Davis, Jo Ann Gary, Joyce Gary, La Fonda Gleghorn, Beverly Ann Konczak, Janette McPherson, Martha Payne, Charlene Pendergrass, Artie Mae Stokes, Barbara Snyder and Billie Ruth Walls.

COUNCELOR'S COURSE AT CROSS PLAINS

A Councilor's Leadership Course will be given at the First Baptist Church in Cross Plains beginning at 9:45 a. m. on May 3rd. The program will be under the direction of Mrs. O. B. Woodrum of Abilene. Everyone is invited to attend.

REGULATIONS CHANGE

A recent change in Army enlistment regulations will permit men with dependents to enlist or re-enlist in the US Army if they can enlist in the grade of sergeant or higher, according to Sgt. James Hendrick of the Eastland Recruiting Station. The change is effective May 1, 1949.

Since last October the enlistment of men with dependents has been limited to those men who could be enlisted in grade of staff sergeant or higher.

Minimum enlistment period is for three years in any branch of the Army.

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SENIOR CLASS PRESENTS PLAY FRIDAY NIGHT

"Spooky Tavern," a three-act mystery play, will be presented by the Senior Class of 1949 in the high school auditorium Friday night, April 29th, at 8 o'clock. Chills, thrills and spine-tingling shrieks will put you in proper mood for the drama. Willie Worgle, the stuttering freshman, played by Bill Johnson, and Bedelia, the negro mammy, played by Betty Dalton, add humor to the ghost-like atmosphere. Be sure to see this unusual play Friday night. Ray Kerby is the stage manager and Jack Hunter is sound effects man.

The play is directed by Mrs. John Bowls, and from all indication will give you an entertaining evening. Admission 35c for adults, 15c for children.

Mr. and Mrs. Hub Warren, Burma and Stephen Warren, visited Mr. and Mrs. Ed Carpenter at Big Spring recently.

Pfc. Earl L. Lasater, son of Mrs. Gilbert Hinds of Baird, has reported to Eglin Air Force Base, Fla., headquarters of the Air Proving Ground, where he will be assigned to duty. Pfc. Lasater entered the service Dec. 31, 1946.

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UNITED WEDNESDAY FOR MACK MERCHANT

Funeral for Mack Merchant, one of the first white children in Callahan County, was held at 3 o'clock Wednesday in the Episcopal Church of Heavenly Rest at Abilene. Rev. Willis P. Gerhart officiated and burial was in the Oddfellow Cemetery at Abilene.

Mr. Merchant died at his home, the second rock house built in Abilene, at 1750 North 12th St., at 2:45 a. m. Tuesday. He was one of Abilene's earliest residents and son of one of its founders, Clairborne W. Merchant.

He was born in old Belle Plain Oct. 23, 1877. Shortly afterward he moved with his parents to the new town of Abilene, which had been laid out on land belonging to the elder Merchant.

He was a student in Simmons College the year it opened and carried his future wife, Blanche Hollis, to classes on horseback with him. They were married in 1901 at Abilene.

Turning to ranching, he worked for many years on the San Simone Ranch, near Carlsbad, N. M., which his father established with James Parramore. He also managed the Merchant Ranch lands west of the family residence until his health fail-

ed. He is survived by his wife; one brother, Lige Merchant of Carlsbad, N. M., and a niece, Mrs. Caleb Reed, and nephew, James B. Skinner, who were reared by Mr. Merchant and his wife. Several other nieces and nephews also survive.

All his oldtime friends were honorary pallbearers. Active pallbearers were Leroy Eplen, Tom Eplen, Mack Eplen, Sam Kennedy, Hugh Kennedy and W. M. Shaddix.

Miss Vernema Freeman, Coke County Home Demonstration Agent, has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Freeman the past weekend while attending a four day landscape training school in Jones and Taylor counties, which was conducted by Miss Sadie Hatfield, landscape and garden specialist of A & M College.

Recent visitors of Mrs. G. E. Sutphen, Mrs. Margie Ray, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Sutphen were Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Allman and children, Guymon, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Brock, Ellasville; Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Sutphen of Byrds.

Pvt. Robert Matlock of Clyde visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Matlock the past few days.

MY TRAIN RIDE

Friday morning, April 15, 1949, our teachers, Mrs. Esker Crawford and Miss Mitsy Musick, with our room mothers, Mrs. Leo Chrane, Mrs. J. T. Gibson, Mrs. I. M. Bailey, Mrs. Paul Allen, Mrs. Hubert Betcher, Mrs. Henry Culpepper and Mrs. Walter Preston, took the first, second, third and fourth grades for a train ride.

We rode the school bus to Baird. At Baird the teachers went to buy our tickets, but they came back with bad news. The train would be an hour and a half late. This was such a disappointment, for we were so anxious to start our first train ride from Baird to Abilene.

Mr. Bell, the depot agent, told us about the recreation hall above the station. He suggested that we go there to wait for the train. There were tables that we could spread our lunch and eat while we were waiting for the train. While there we played checkers, dominoes, pool and looked at the magazines. It was fun to change quarters and dimes for nickels to buy cokes with.

After we had played games for a while, Shirley came in with some more bad news: "It would be three o'clock before the train arrived," so we gave a sigh and started playing games again.

When the train finally arrived, we marched out to the Streamliner and boarded the train.

We were shown through the train by a conductor. He took us through the dining car where there were several tables with people eating at them. There were given souvenirs to remember our first train ride. We went through the sleeping cars. There were curtains and more curtains in front of the berths. After being guided through the train to the last car, we were turned around and marched back through to the mail coach, we saw boxes of bab chicks, also, lots of mail. Again we were marched back to the first coach where we were seated for that last minute ride.

When we reached Abilene, a representative of the T&P railway Company, met us and very kindly asked to show us through the station. Inside we saw where the passengers wait for trains, where to buy the tickets, and many other things of interest. We went through the office where there were desks and people working at them.

After going through this place, our school bus was waiting for us to take us back to Denton. We were tired and thirsty so our room mothers served us cold drinks on the bus.

We didn't get to have our Easter egg hunt because it was too late. The Easter eggs were divided equally among the children.

When we got back to school, we thanked our room mothers and teachers, and went home.

We surely appreciate the courtesy shown us by the representatives of the T & P. I'm sure this one train ride will be one we will never forget.

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Fourth Grade,
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Mrs. O. T. Nelson of Ft. Worth visited her aunt, Mrs. Lee Estes the past week.

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WANTED — Two baby calves. White Auto Store, Baird. 4tc.

FOR SALE — A few Colonial best New Hampshire roosters, 8 weeks old, at \$2.00 each. Mrs. W. C. Maxcey, 221 Pine St. 1tp.

FOR SALE — 1942 4-door De Luxe Plymouth, new seat covers, good heater, radio, new rings, new brakes and clutch, new front springs. Mrs. Wiley Clinton, 610 E. Rotan, Stamford, Texas. 2tp.

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CARD OF THANKS

To all our friends who offered their consolation, their helping hand, and sent the beautiful floral tribute to the funeral services of our beloved son and brother, we extend our heartfelt thanks.

May God's blessings be upon each one of you.
W. E. GILLILAND FAMILY
J. R. PRICE AND FAMILY

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank everyone who came to see me while in the hospital recovering from an emergency appendix operation, also all who sent me flowers and cards, the staff of nurses, Dr. Evans and Dr. Bowery of Abilene.

Elizabeth Carroll.

Mr. and Mrs. Farris Bennett visited Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Falls at Bowie the past weekend. Also visiting in the Falls home were Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Myers of Chicago. The Falls and Myers plan to visit Mr. and Mrs. Clyde White and Mr. and Mrs. Bennett this weekend.

County Agent's Column
Oliver F. Werst

COUNTY AGENT'S NEWS APPLE TREE SPRAY

Olin English, who farms down near Rowden, has decided to spray his apple trees this year. While visiting on the English farm last week, it was found that his apple trees were covered with a worm that was building white silken tents in the forks of limbs of the trees. Some people call these worms tent caterpillars and others call them webworms. The main thing that most people want to know about this worm is how to keep it from eating all the leaves off of their trees.

Where a complete spraying schedule is followed there is usually no damage from this type of worm injury. Here is the schedule:

When the blossom petals have dropped:
Spray with 3 pounds of wettable sulphur, one and one-half pounds of arsenate of lead to 50 gallons of water, ten days after the first spray:
Same as number one spray.

Around July 1 to 15:
Spray with Bordeaux mixture made up of 4 pounds of copper sulphate, 6 pounds hydrated lime to 50 gallons of water and add one and one-half pounds of lead arsenate.

If aphids are a problem, add ½ pint of blackleaf 40 and 2 pounds lime to the first spray mixture only.
When above spraying schedule is followed you will also get a good control on scab, codling moth, and bitter rot.

DDT - -

The Food and Drug Administration has not prohibited the use of DDT in spraying dairy cattle and barns. The Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act requires the Food and Drug Administration to insure that the food supply of the American people does not contain any poisonous or deleterious substance that is not necessary in the production of the food. Studies by the Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine have shown that DDT when used on dairy cattle or when present on fodder fed to dairy cattle may appear in the milk. They also say that DDT in small quantities can be detected sometimes in milk, following ordinary use of the insecticide for fly control in dairy barns. Because of the vital importance of milk in the diet of infants, children and people of all ages, it is essential that proper precautions be taken to protect the milk supply. Modification of the recommendations made by the Department

of Agriculture on the use of DDT on dairy cattle were made merely as a precautionary measure.

There is no justification for public alarm as to the safety of the milk supply from the standpoint of DDT contamination.

Statements that DDT is responsible for causing the so-called "virus X disease of man and X diseases" of cattle are totally without foundation. Both of these diseases were recognized before the use of DDT as an insecticide.

There is no evidence that the use of DDT in accordance with the recommendations of the various federal agencies has ever caused human sickness due to the DDT itself. However, minor toxic symptoms may be produced by kerosene and various solvents used in DDT and any other insecticidal mixture.

DDT is a very valuable insecticide which has contributed materially to the general welfare of the world.

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WILL D. BOYDSTUN

SOCIAL SECURITY
 "Individual owners and partners in business concerns sometimes lost old-age insurance benefits because of their failure to file an application," Ralph T. Fisher, manager of the Abilene Social Security Administration said today. He said that in a recent claims case there was a loss of \$3,028.28 to a wage earner and his wife due to the failure to file an application. The wage earner in this instance had been a full time employee for several years under social security. This employment was sufficient to give him a permanently insured status. Some time later he became a partner in the firm, and as such, became self-employed, and exempt from coverage by social security. He continued in this capacity until age 70, five years past the time of his and his wife's eligibility to old age insurance benefits. During these five years, total benefits of over three thousand dollars could have been paid this elderly couple.

Fisher emphasized that if all workers would contact the nearest social security office on attaining age 65, whether or not

they intend to continue to work, such loss of benefits could be kept at a minimum.

The Abilene social security office is located at 308 Post Office Building, Abilene.

WATER COMMITTEE IS NAMED

Selection of a committee to arrange for a general West Texas water conference has been completed with Bruce Campbell, Knox City banker, Bert Ward, Breckenridge Chamber of Commerce manager, and Roy Matthews of Albany named to the committee. Already appointed at a meeting last week in Baird were D. A. Bandeen, West Texas Chamber of Commerce manager, Sam Cooper of Coleman, and B. H. Freeland, mayor of Baird. The preliminary meetings at Baird and Throckmorton were arranged by the Central Colorado River Authority. The committee now will select site for a general meeting to which the governor, state board of water engineers, representatives, congressmen, and others will be invited, and the story of this area's water shortage will be told.

Cottonwood Chips Hazel I. Respass Community Chatter Carefully Collected For Your Consideration.

Mrs. L. E. Davis spent last week in Dallas visiting Mr. Allison Davis, a brother-in-law, who has been ill.

Mrs. Clayton Carter of Balinger is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jake Carter and family.

We know Spring is close when Norman Coffey, Dock and Hardy Thomas go to fishing. They spent last Friday night on the creek trying their luck.

Neal Bush spent last week visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Bush. Neal is employed at Phillips.

Mrs. S. R. Respass, Patsy, and Mrs. W. A. Brock visited in the Respass home Monday night. Mrs. Respass spent two days keeping the post office, while Postmaster had a vacation.

Mrs. C. R. Myrick and Mrs. Norman Coffey, accompanied by Mrs. A. W. Wright of Cross Plains and Mrs. John Cook of Putnam, attended the Baptist W.M.U. Convention of District 7 at Hamlin Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mrs. J. F. Coffey spent Tuesday and Wednesday with her sister, Mrs. Mattie Holly at Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Truman Shelton of Borger visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Shelton over the weekend.

Those visiting in the George Clifton home Sunday were: Mrs. Ned Fairbairn and boys from Littlefield, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Clark, Gaylon Coppinger, Jeanie Clark, of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Walker Respass, Cross Plains; Dixie Respass of Abilene, Beulah and Hazel Respass.

The family reunion of Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Wilcoxon was held at Spring Gap Mountain Easter Sunday. The first time all the family had been together since the last world war. Lunch was served picnic style. An afternoon Easter egg hunt was held for the children.

The children. Present were: Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Wilcoxon, Franklin, La Verne and Everett; Mr. and Mrs. Blanton Childers and family Cottonwood; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Edwards and family of Ranger; Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Goble and family, Cottonwood; Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Wilcoxon, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Wilcoxon, Cisco; Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Woody and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Woody and Allen, Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. U. F. Casey and family, Mr. and Mrs. Vic Nigar and baby, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Strahan and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Champion, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Brown and family, Mr. and Mrs. Levi Bennett and family, Mrs. J. C. Childers and children, H. A. Freeman, Miss Rosa Robbins,

Miss Naomi Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Woody and sons, and Glen Dale Champion.

Dudley Dabble Norma Wolfe Delectable Deeds Delineated To Dazzle and Delight

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Neal Friday night were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Head. Visiting the Neals Sunday morning for a brief chat were Hattie Lehev and yours truly.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Varner Friday night was a son. Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Wolfe were Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Price and children of Putnam.

Visiting in the home of Mrs. Troy Chrane was her nephew, Howard Johnson of Oplin. Howard has recently been in the hospital with pneumonia.

Enjoying a forty-two party and pie-walk given by the Juniors and Seniors of Denton, was quite a crowd. The guests were served coffee, ice cream, sandwiches and cake. A very enjoyable time was had by all who attended.

Mr. George Smith, of South Texas, spent the weekend in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thurmond Roberts.

TEEN GOSSIP

The fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grades of Denton elementary school enjoyed an ice cream party Monday night at the Denton gym. Prizes of Easter eggs were given to the winners of a contest.

Visiting the Butane Boys in the KRBC radio studio Friday were Barbara Breeding and Janice Lehev, where a special request was played for them.

Former Denton students attending the forty-two party Friday night were: Mr. and Mrs. Gene Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Culppepper, John and T. M. Allen, James Head, Mr. and Mrs. George Scott, and Mrs. Jim Culppepper. Mrs. Caldwell is the former Bobbie Lou Gotcher, Mrs. Bill Culppepper, the former Charlie Sue Scott, Mrs. Scott is the former Daphne Whitley and Mrs. Jim Culppepper was Frances Gipson.

The Juniors and Seniors of Denton are eagerly anticipating the trip to points South.

Visiting in the home of Hattie and Janice Lehev Thursday night were Barbara Breeding and Norma Wolfe. Also, yours truly visited there Saturday night and Sunday.

Rudy Johnston visited in the home of Bill Wolfe Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Jackson and daughter, Jo Ann, of Levelland, visited Mrs. G. W. Crutchfield recently. They also attended the Ice Capades in Ft. Worth.

"BELLE STARR'S DAUGHTER" AT PLAZA APRIL 28 - 29

Top-flight entertainment, exciting and action-packed in a refreshing new way, comes to the Plaza on Thursday and Friday, April 28 - 29 with the showing of "Belle Starr's Daughter," starring George Montgomery, Rod Cameron and Ruth Roman.

Here is a picture that opens up new horizons in the colorful story of the West, and reveals them with a power and drama far above any Western you've ever seen on the screen before. Its film play, written by W. R. Burnett of "High Sierra" fame, "Belle Starr's Daughter" is free of stereotyped situations and dialogue, and emerges as a rich slice of adventure, drama and romance in the most exciting era in the annals of the great Southwest.

When Rose, the high-spirited daughter of the legendary Bandit Queen of Cherokee Flats, took to the path of banditry to avenge the murder of her mother, she set the spark to one of the bitterest wars that ever brought terror and death to that fabulous territory known to historians as the Cimarron. This is her story, and the story of the fight that was to pit a determined U. S. Marshal against the Southwest's most dangerous bandit in a battle in which Rose herself was to emerge as the prize.

George Montgomery, Rod Cameron and Ruth Roman do full justice to the dynamic and vibrant roles they portray. Montgomery is the rugged and hard-hitting U. S. Marshal, Tom Jackson, who falls in love with Rose before he learns her true identity; Cameron is "Bitter Creek," the crafty bandit chief who leads Rose to believe it was Jackson who killed her mother; while Ruth Roman is the sultry and tempestuous girl who learns about love through a reckless and dangerous adventure.

Heading the excellent supporting cast are Wallace Ford, Charles Kemper, William Phipps and Edith King.

Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Boydston left Sunday for Austin where they visited Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Hampton and baby, Ronny, and Mr. and Mrs. John P. Work. Mr. and Mrs. Boydston attended the Grain Convention at Galveston the 28th and 29th.

Dr. J. W. Crutchfield, of Abilene, visited his mother, Mrs. G. W. Crutchfield Easter Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Hays of Yampa, Colo., visited his mother, Mrs. D. F. Hays, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Bullard of Hico visited Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Bullard the past weekend.

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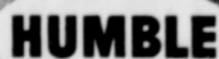
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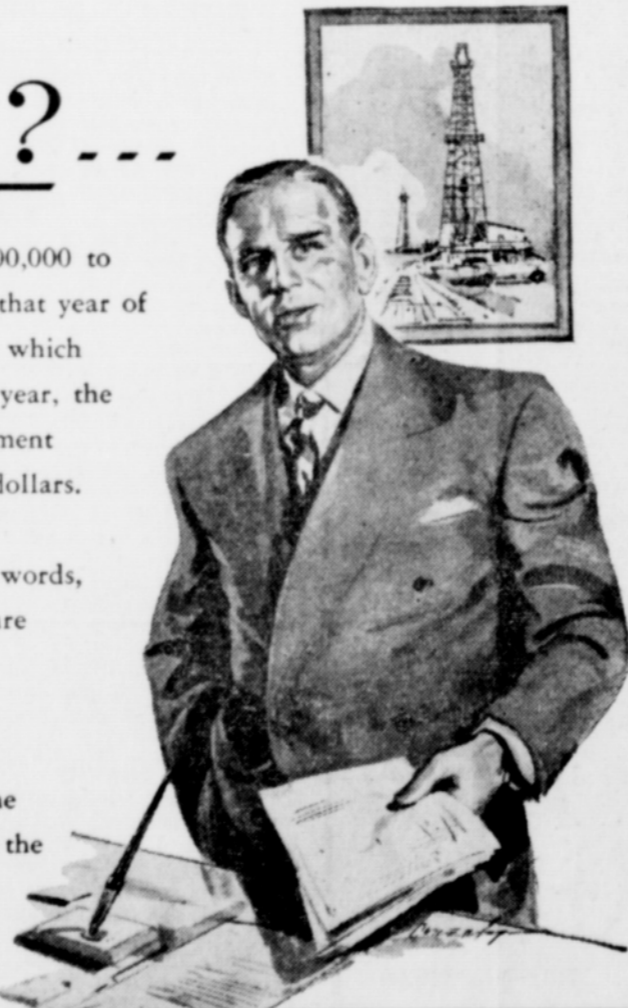
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RECEIVES LETTER

The editor received the following letter from James Waggoner, written at Key West, Fla.:
 "Dear Mr. Hunter:
 "I am sending some money and I wish to subscribe to the Baird Star. I want to know about all the things and people I know back home. It makes me feel as if I were home to read about things that I did when I was home.
 "I am in the Submarine Service now and am in the Fourth Squadron of the Atlantic Submarine Fleet. My ship is one of those new 'Guppy' types, snorkel submarines. My job in with the engineering force.
 "I recently participated in the

war games in the Caribbean at Puerto Rico, and Cuba.
 "These snorkel submarines can stay submerged for 33 days at a time and on maneuvers we were submerged for nine days once. We can go down as far as six hundred feet.
 "We are leaving tomorrow for the Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland. I hope to see Horace Brame while I am there. He is a home town boy and is attending the Academy.
 "I will close for now and wish all the good luck and happiness in the world to you, your family, and all the citizens of Baird.
 "A homesick boy,
 "James K. Waggoner."

HEALTH FACTS

Austin — Countless thousands of lives are lost annually throughout the nation, from diseases that are transmitted by the common housefly. Dysentery, diarrhea, typhoid fever, tuberculosis and many other disabling, and even fatal diseases, are spread by flies, and the control of houseflies becomes of great importance when considered in the light of public health.
 Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, says that in order to protect our families we should

make sure our homes are fly-proof through proper screening, and then concentrate on eliminating filth, garbage, and other breeding places for flies.
 "See that your windows, doors, and porches are screened so that the stray fly from some careless neighbor cannot molest your family," Dr. Cox said, "and make sure that your grocer observes proper sanitation standards and keeps your meat, good and vegetable supplies screened from flies."
 Dr. Cox recommended organized community efforts as being effective in ridding a community of flies, and emphasized that no matter how clean one family's home and premises are, they are still not safe if another home down the street leaves exposed filth where flies can breed.

AUSTIN, TEXAS, APRIL 14

The month of April usually brings the first days of near-summer weather to Texas, and literally thousands of Texans commence to make serious and detailed plans for their annual vacation which is of great importance to the health and well being of every man and child.
 A vacation can relax nervous tension, brings renewed vigor, and usually supply an opportunity for more sunlight and outdoor activities than is customary for office workers and those of sedentary occupations. But traveling to vacation spots for the purpose of "roughing it" can also bring a serious health menace in the form of typhoid germs from impure water supplies, and for this reason, Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, advises all persons contemplating such a vacation to first be inoculated against typhoid.

"Persons planning a vacation where sanitation standards may not be carefully observed, should protect their health by typhoid inoculation, and thus avoid the risk of serious illness from this debilitating and sometimes fatal disease," Dr. Cox said. "An individual not previously rendered immune can establish immunity by having one typhoid vaccine injection administered each week for three weeks; if he has kept his immunity from a previous inoculation, one 'booster' shot each year will keep him protected from typhoid."
 Dr. Cox warned that impure water is not the only means of spreading typhoid, and cautioned against the careless exposure of food and milk to flies, roaches, rodents, and other germ-spreading pests.

Godfrey Ganderbone



Had ye ever stopped to think hit ain't the midnight oil ye burn that gets ye ahead in this here ol' world. It's how you're applying your time while the oil's a-burning that counts.

NOT MUCH DEMAND

Once a staple in country mercantile houses was the horse collar. Now it is a slow sale. But Alvie Farrar, Clyde second-hand furniture dealer, keeps an assortment of them but rarely sells one. They dangle from rafters in his shop.
 "I have quite a business in horse collars," he told The Road Runner. "A fellow comes in, exchanges an old one for a new one, pay the difference."
 Farrar said he found a ready market for haymes — without the trappings. "Fellows drift in every once in a while, take all I've got on hand," he remarked.

Farrar recently brought a white maple rocking chair from a lady in Abilene which had been used more than 100 years ago. It has a tall, comfortable back, restful arm sides, and is bolstered with strong bolts. Another of his rockers is of mahogany and has been in use more than 50 years.
 At the railway station we met John Harris, around 75, a native of Callahan County. As a lad he roamed Spring Gap area, where cold springs gushed out refreshing draughts. "And they are still flowing," he said. Harris was an old-time cowboy and still is fascinated by horses. "I know 'em when I see 'em," he said.

R. M. Pyatt, who operates a large grocery and market on the south side of the railroad—a model rural grocery—has spent more than 25 years in business in Clyde. "I've seen good times and mighty rough ones," he reminisced.

R. L. Hestes, T&P railway agent, appended this on the end of a butterfly comparative report for "brass" whisking along through here recently.
 "Watermelons will be mighty fine this summer." The statement appeared under the column "Anything else of interest."

The four-unit diesel electric freight locomotive ascending Baird "booger" hill a few days ago, just couldn't make the grade. It rolled back to Baird and received a "steam shove" from an old-time locomotive.
 But then it had more than 100 cars hooked onto it. Usually such a train drawn by a steam locomotive has to be "doubled" into Clyde. It is done this way: Part of the train is taken and stored at Clyde and the engine goes back and gets the other part, couples onto the first—"gone agin." —Hamilton Wright.

Mrs. Clint McIntyre of Oplin was a business visitor here Tuesday.
 Recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Work were their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. John P. Work of Austin.
 Mrs. Rob Lattimer of Ft. Worth visited her mother, Mrs. H. F. Foy, the past week.

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RED LIGHT WARNING

The decline in state revenues, which has caused Comptroller Calvert to reduce his department's estimate of the next two years' income by \$22,000,000, is a red light warning that the peak of post-war flush business probably has passed and that the leveling-off and settling down process is likely to continue. Other signs and omens tend to bear out this indication. Certainly it all provides sufficient warning to impel the Legislature to stop, look and listen.

Since the war we have been riding the swelling crest of inflation. In 1947 the Legislature doubled the general fund appropriations of the preceding biennium, and already they had vastly increased over the preceding seven years. The budget recently submitted by Governor Jester would redouble them, — pyramiding the spending several times since 1941. Appropriations, like everything else, have been inflated, and if there is to be deflation or "disinflation" as the federal administration economist delicately puts it, outgo should be disinflated along with income.

True, Texas is growing rapidly, and necessary expenses of state government are increasing proportionately. The Fifty-first Legislature faces the real need of various extraordinary expenditures, for such things as buildings, salary increase for underpaid state employees, education, and rural roads. But it should consider seriously whether non-essentials cannot be omitted to keep appropriations within prospective revenues. Taxes already are oppressive enough even during the boom; a heavier burden in slack times would be dangerous. It is not sound business to expand expenses when the economy shows signs of contracting.

Lieutenant Governor Allan Shivers has suggested that it might be a good idea for the legislators to take a two weeks' recess to find out what the taxpayers at home think about it. It is doubtful that his suggestion will be adopted, but they

should know pretty well already the taxpayers' sentiments on the question of increasing taxes. To make sure, the taxpayers should make it a point to inform them.
 —The Houston Post.

Mrs. Dolph Hodges, Star correspondent at Tecumseh, is spending the week in Ft. Worth with her daughter, Mrs. Jack W. Chapman. Mrs. Hodges has a new grandson, James Neil Chapman, born April 17. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Chapman of View. While in Ft. Worth, Mrs. Hodges visited her brothers, Clyde Tunnell of Weatherford and Jim Tunnell of Ft. Worth.

Office ruled forms, The Star.

BELLE PLAIN H. D. CLUB

Mrs. I. E. Warren was hostess to nine Belle Plain Home Demonstration members and four visitors Friday, April 22nd.
 Roll call was answered with "My Favorite Recipe." Mrs. Warren, Mrs. Dunlap and Mrs. Stroope, with the help of other members, gave a very interesting demonstration on making a dress form. A decision to change the club meeting dates from the second and fourth Fridays to the second and fourth Tuesdays was made by vote of members. Those who wish to purchase the satin material, which Mrs. Stroope discussed, be sure to report it to Mrs. Stroope.
 The club adjourned to meet with Mrs. Jesse Gilliland on Tuesday, May 10th.

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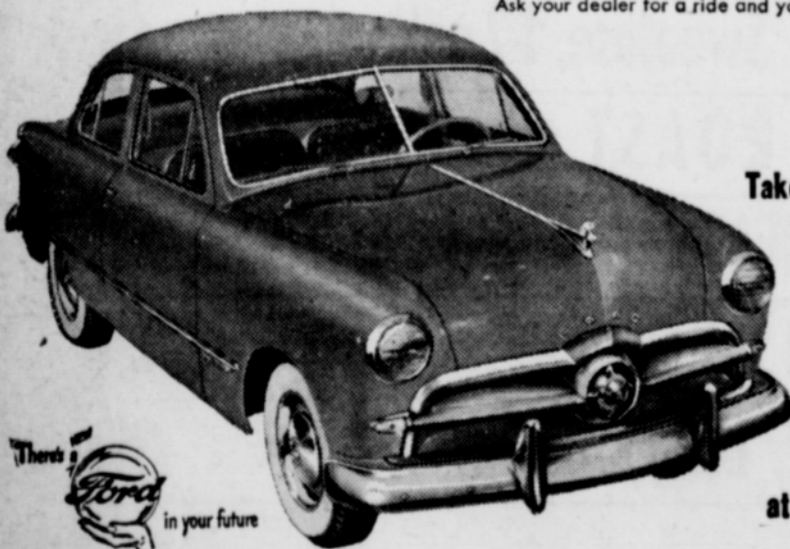
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DELPHIAN CLUB GIVEN LUNCHEON

A luncheon for the Delphian Club was held Tuesday, April 26 at 1 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Irvin Corn. Mrs. T. A. White was co-hostess. Guests were Mrs. Sidney Foy of this place and Mrs. J. R. Lattamore of Fort Worth. The theme of the program was Mexico, which was carried out in the food decorations. Iris, red roses and mock orange floral displays were also used.

Seventeen members answered roll call on products of Mexico. Mrs. C. B. Snyder, Jr., club delegate to the 6th district meeting in Ranger, gave a report on that meeting. Mrs. E. C. Fulton and Mrs. M. L. Stubblefield,

club president, added to Mrs. Snyder's report.

The club accepted an invitation to a musical tea at the home of Mrs. N. M. George on May 11. After discussion of the course of study for the ensuing year, the following program was given: Baja, California, Mrs. C. B. Snyder, Jr.; Acapulco, Mexico, at Christmas, Mrs. C. H. Staudous. Mexican melody by Mrs. M. C. McGowen, Mrs. E. L. Reese, Mrs. C. B. Snyder, Mrs. T. A. White, with Mrs. Sidney Foy at the piano. Mrs. Lattamore rendered a piano selection.

The club is fortunate indeed to have two representatives at the general federation of club women in Florida which is convening at this time. Mrs. W. P. Brightwell, who is a member of

the Texas State Board, and Mrs. S. L. McElroy, club delegate, are attending that meeting.

The final meeting of the year will be held May 26th at the home of Mrs. M. L. Stubblefield.

T-Sgt. and Mrs. Leonard Surber of Waco AFB are visiting Mrs. Surber's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Vernon at Clyde for ten days. They recently returned from Washington where Sgt. Surber was stationed, and he re-enlisted at Waco November 15th. We enjoyed a visit with them at the Star office yesterday.

Mrs. Barton Carl and little daughter, Jane, of Goree, spent ten days with Mrs. Martha Gilliland and Mrs. V. E. Hill while Dr. Hill was in the hospital.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

Marriage license issued recently at clerk's office, Callahan County Courthouse: Chester A. Lee and Mrs. Erma Constance Cleary, Truman Harrell and Miss Margie Price, Claude Harris and Miss Lynda Lewallen, John Raymond Adams and Miss Corene Davis.

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Corn and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Stephens were Mr. and Mrs. Howard Stephens and children, James Howard and Susan, Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. Irby McIntosh, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Bibb, Ft. Worth.

BIRTHS REGISTERED

Births recorded at the Clerks' office, Callahan County court house during April: Tracy Allen Sublett, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Sublett of Cisco, March 27; Carl Greer Carrico, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Carrico of Cisco, April 21; Carolyn Louise Gardner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Gardner of Clyde, April 12; Douglas Wayne Campbell, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Campbell of Clyde, Rt. 2, Dec. 18, 1948; Willis Charles Troub, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Troub of Merkel, March 24; Linda Lorvena Abernathy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Abernathy of Baird, March 7; Jimmie Griggs Wagley, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Wagley of Putnam, Feb. 9; David Machiel McLemore, son of Mr. and Mrs. N. B. McLemore of Baird, March 10; James Dickey Joy, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Joy of Cottonwood, March 21; William Thomas Ince, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Ince of Moran, March 20; Vicki Lynn Nigar, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Nigar of Cross Plains, March 15; Larry Louis Simmons, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Simmons of Clyde, March 11.

ENTERTAINS FRIENDS

Miss Mary Kendrick and Miss Vinora Freeman entertained a group of their friends in the home of Miss Freeman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Freeman, Tuesday night. Those attending were Charlie Burks, James Reid, Cathron Barr, Raynelle Rudd, Loveda McGaugh, Yvonne Manning, Mark Kendrick, Bailey Rogers, Lynn Tedford, Jimmie Williams, Allen Jones, Terry Calloway, Bernie Cook, Rilla Terry, Robert Collier, Vinora Freeman, Kay Bennett, Charlie and Bill Freeman.

Mrs. Lonnie Ray left Tuesday morning for Houston, where she is visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Eatherly and children.

KONCZAK'S NIECE PASSES AWAY TUESDAY

Prisilla Modisett, 16, niece of Eddie and H. J. Konczak, passed away Tuesday at Longview. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Modisett of Longview, formerly of Clyde. Funeral was held at Lufkin at 3 p. m. Thursday with burial there.

Among relatives from this section attending the funeral were Eddie Konczak, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Konczak, Baird; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Konczak, Mrs. I. K. Konczak, Clyde; Mrs. Edith Cauble, Ballinger; Mr. and Mrs. Theo Baack, Abilene.

BUFFALO SKULL GIVEN TO COUNTY MUSEUM

A buffalo skull showing much age was presented to the Callahan County Museum last week by John H. Shrader, who found it on the H. W. Plowman place several miles south of Baird. This place was known in the old days as the Wm. McManis place. The museum, under direction of the Baird Wednesday Club, now has many Callahan County relics on display where they may be seen by many generations to come.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Ivey had a family reunion of Mrs. Ivey's relatives at their home the past weekend. Their daughter, Carol, was home from N.T.S.T.C. Denton for Easter holidays. Others present were Rosemary Ivey, Cisco; Betty Jane Norwood, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Williams, Jr., Marlin; Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Morris and son Bryan, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Williams, III, Waco; Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Pinson and daughter, Nancy, Comanche; Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Goode and daughter, Julie, Duncan, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. Allen Briggs and children, Abilene.

Clifton Hill and Billy and Doris James of Houston visited Dr. and Mrs. V. E. Hill recently.

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