

LIGHTFOOT DIED AT PRIDE JULY 9

J. Lightfoot, father of George Lightfoot, died at his home at Pride Thursday morning, July 9, at 10:30 a. m.

Funeral services were conducted in the afternoon at the Presbyterian church, Rev. J. W. Braswell being officiating.

Lightfoot had been in poor health for two years or more, but worse this spring, apparently from a complication of ailments which led to his death.

Lightfoot was born in Illinois, February 12, 1853, and came to Texas in early manhood, calling on a Texan almost forty-two years ago.

He was converted and joined the Presbyterian church some forty-three years ago, and has been a faithful member since that time.

Lightfoot and his wife, who was a native of this country, were loved and respected by all who knew him.

He is survived by his widow and four children: George Lightfoot, who is a member of the local church; and three other children, all of whom are in the family in extending sympathy to the bereaved.

ERAL GOVERNMENT GIVES COTTON CENSUS

The federal government has announced that it will conduct a census of cotton acreage in the South Plains area of Texas and New Mexico.

The census is being conducted by the Agricultural Research Service, and will cover the years 1929, 1930, and 1931.

The census is being conducted in order to determine the amount of cotton acreage in the area, and to determine the effect of the cotton market on the local economy.

The census is being conducted in a systematic and thorough manner, and will provide valuable information for the government and the public.

DAY NIGHT SERVICES DRAW FINE CROWDS

Services were held at the Baptist church last evening, and a fine crowd of people attended.

The services were held at 7:30 p. m., and were conducted by the pastor, Mr. C. A. Duncan.

The services were well attended, and the congregation was very responsive.

The services were held in the church, and were conducted in a most impressive manner.

WILDERS PARENTS OF FINE BOY

Gene Wilder, a young boy, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Cathey.

Gene is a very bright and cheerful boy, and is very popular among his friends.

His parents are very proud of him, and are very happy to have him.

Gene is a very good boy, and is very obedient to his parents.

BOYS MOVE TO NEW HOME LAST WEEK

The boys of the church have moved to their new home last week.

The new home is a very nice one, and is very well equipped.

The boys are very happy to have their new home, and are very excited about it.

The new home is a very good one, and is very well suited to the needs of the boys.

ALLEGED WHISKEY RUNNER'S BOND SET AT \$1,000

In a habeas corpus trial held in Lubbock Monday, the bond of E. Ermas, alleged whiskey runner, was fixed at \$1,000 in each of the two cases filed against him.

Ermas is charged with the unlawful possession of intoxicating liquor for the purpose of sale and in the other case he is charged with unlawfully transporting it.

Ermas' bond was signed by several local citizens and he was released from jail Tuesday night.

Ermas is the man who was run down and arrested by Sheriff B. L. Parker and Deputy Sheriff John Bulman on the highway between Tahoka and O'Donnell on Wednesday last week, a large quantity of liquor being found in his car.

Bond had been set at \$2,000 in each case by Justice of the Peace B. F. Rogers here. Defendant sought to have the amount of these bonds reduced but Judge Rodgers declined to reduce them.

In the absence of Judge Gordon B. McGuire, judge of the district court here, who is spending his vacation at Taos, N. M., Ermas' attorney, G. E. Lockhart, filed a habeas corpus application with Judge Mullican of Lubbock.

1931 WHEAT ACREAGE LARGEST IN HISTORY

Most of the wheat in O'Donnell's trade territory that ripened has been stored by farmers according to J. L. Shoemaker, Jr., cashier of the First National Bank here.

"We received two cars of seed wheat last fall," Mr. Shoemaker said. "Most farmers planted it for grazing purposes, but a lot of them did let it ripen. I think that we have had 5,000 or 6,000 acres altogether."

"As far as I have heard very little wheat has been sold here in town this year. No shipments have been made from town that I have heard of."

"More wheat was sown last fall than ever before in the history of the county. Farmers using it for grazing found it to be a life saver."

Farmers are storing wheat on the farms, according to the banker. Some are holding it for seed and also some for feed for the winter.

E. G. Phillips, C. L. Tyler and A. R. Tyler had the largest averages, their wheat running around 20 bushels to the acre. All three men are in the same section of the county and had good rains.

Mr. Shoemaker, averages on farms ranged from four or five bushels to as high as ten or twelve.

BANK BUILDING RECEIVING REPAIRS THIS WEEK

The old bank building, owned by A. J. Warren, is this week receiving renovations in the form of paint and repairs which will put it in good shape for fall business.

The building itself is favorably located for most any kind of business, and with these repairs and improvements will no doubt soon be occupied.

CHURCH OF CHRIST TO OPEN REVIVAL FRIDAY EVE

The announcement has been made that the annual revival of the Church of Christ will open Friday evening, July 24.

J. H. Childers, who was here last year, will have charge of the preaching services again this year.

It is of much interest to the local people. Mr. Childers will be remembered as a powerful and earnest speaker and his messages this year are expected to be of much benefit to the town and community.

Members of the other churches of the town are cordially invited to attend these services.

BAIN PARKER SERIOUSLY ILL OF TYPHOID FEVER

Mr. Bain Parker of the Magnolia station, is seriously ill with typhoid fever. He has been indisposed for about two weeks, but was reported to be feeling much better until just recently, when, according to reports, he took a change for the worse.

Much concern is felt concerning him, but it is confidently expected that he will soon be back on the job.

An Obnoxious Weed



O'DONNELL BUSINESS MEN SPONSOR CIVIC ORCHESTRA

Sponsored by the business men of the town, a community orchestra has been organized here, and regular weekly concerts are scheduled for the remainder of the summer.

The first of these was held Friday evening in the business district, and it is estimated that fully one thousand people enjoyed the open air program.

The orchestra is composed of six musicians with violin, guitar and mandolin as instruments. The players are Miss Esther Davis, Arnold Davis, Jake and Elmo Burkett, Dr. T. A. McElroy and his ten-year old son, Jake.

Varied and unusual programs are being planned. Popular and folk music, novel vocal numbers, vaudeville sketches, and other features make the concerts new and interesting.

The orchestra is well known throughout this part of the country, having appeared at practically every chamber of commerce rally, American Legion affairs, and numerous other civic entertainments.

Citizens of the town and surrounding territory are enthusiastic in praise and support of the move, and the open air concerts are expected to grow in popularity through the summer.

Six Years Ago

News items taken from files of The O'Donnell Index published here six years ago.

FRIDAY, JULY 17, 1925

Johnnie Rochelle and Mrs. Bonnie Petty were married at Big Spring. A fine rain had been of great benefit to the crops throughout the territory.

C. H. Doak had begun construction of a brick and tile building 52x110 on the southwest corner of Block A. Miss Erma Gross and Ray Hawes were married at Byers.

Oleta Moore celebrated her twelfth birthday with a party at the home of her parents. Among those present were Mary V. Shook, Kitty May Garner, Alice Joy Bowlin, Vivian and Kimmie Lee Pearce, Florence and June Gary, Sue, Hester, and Mary Joe Gates, Cecil Pearce, Olen and Bill Yandell.

J. C. McCutney and family were on a visit to Williamson county, and the Index advised everybody to be ready for a new kind of fish story.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Tucker and family were on a camping trip at White Mountains.

Boyd Porter returned from Two Draw Lake with a twelve pound bass, caught with a crooked pole and carpenter's chalk cord.

A jelly making and corn canning demonstration was conducted at the home of Mrs. Halford Smith, Miss Mildred Hasley to be in charge.

O'DONNELL TO HAVE CO-OP SUB-OFFICE

C. M. Davis of Lubbock, district manager of the Texas Cotton Co-operative Association, announced early in the week that O'Donnell would have one of the sub-offices of the organization.

Other South Plains towns where similar offices will be located are Plainview, Lamesa, Levelland, Littlefield, Brownfield, and Lubbock.

MR. EARL COX DIES AT DALLAS SUNDAY

News was received here Monday evening of the death of Mr. Earl Cox of Dallas, a brother of our former citizen, Carl Cox.

Though we have been able to learn only the barest of facts, it is supposed that death occurred Sunday. Mr. Cox had been an invalid for an extended length of time, suffering from tuberculosis, so that the news was not unexpected.

In fact, his mother, Mrs. W. E. Cox, and his brothers were called to Dallas last week when it was thought that the crisis of his illness had been reached. He appeared to rally, however, and Mr. Carl Cox returned to Carlsbad as the other brothers returned to their homes.

Mr. Cox is survived by his widow, and one son, Earl, who are in Dallas, by his mother, Mrs. W. E. Cox, four brothers, Audry, Bryan, and W. E. of Lamesa, and Carl, of Carlsbad, N. M.

DEAD MAN'S BODY FOUND IN SCURRY COUNTY LAST WEEK

The body of a dead man was found by tourists in Scurry county last week just south of the Scurry-Garza county line, about ten steps from the Santa Fe right-of-way, over the track from the highway.

The tourists had stopped for lunch and were attracted by the odor and on investigation found the gruesome sight.

Officers from both Garza and Scurry counties were summoned, and upon investigation found that the man had been shot between the eyes with a heavy caliber gun, supposedly a .45 caliber revolver.

The body was found lying face down in a gully and covered with weeds which hid it from view of range riders on the Fuller Ranch.

The body was badly decayed and identification was impossible since no flesh scars or marks were visible. From all appearances doctors and officers estimate the body had been there two days or more.

No identification cards nor other information was found, and the only description given that the man was five feet six inches tall, had light hair, good set of teeth, and fairly well dressed, was wearing a large, rubber ring and Florentine shoes that laced with "zipper".

No clues as to death were found and Justice of Peace Dave Nation, of Snyder, who conducted an inquest gave death due to "gun shot, probably due to foul play".

The body was taken to Snyder and in absence of any identification was prepared for burial and buried in the potters' field at the county's expense.

FARMERS SHIPPING MUCH LIVESTOCK TO MARKET

O'Donnell has been shipping an average of two or three car loads of hogs for several months and with a good feed crop this fall the number of hogs in the country will greatly increase, according to J. L. Shobmaker, Jr., cashier of the First National Bank.

"We are now shipping a car load of hogs every two or three days," Mr. Shoemaker said. "I expect to see a good many farmers in the country to have their hogs this winter if they get fair feed crops."

George Shumake is the principal buyer of this territory.

Messrs. J. S. Fritz, Bert Fritz, and Calvin Fritz returned the first of the week from a short visit to various points in New Mexico.

LYNN COUNTY IS PART OF NEW HEALTH UNIT

Representatives of the State Department of Health were here Wednesday to inaugurate health and sanitation work in Lynn county. Funds for this work are being supplied principally by the Federal government but the work is to be done under the direction of the State Health Department.

A meeting was held in the county court room Wednesday afternoon and an organization perfected to carry on the work. The meeting was addressed by Dr. Don C. Peterson and by Miss Olga Buresch, a nurse, both representing the State Health Department. They explained the purpose and scope of the work and announced that Dr. A. M. Gosch and Miss Myrtle Seters, nurse, will be in charge of the work in a unit of five counties in this section, viz.: Lynn, Dawson, Borden, Howard, and Martin. Their headquarters will be at Lamesa. Each county will have its own organization which will administer the work in that county, but Dr. Gosch will function in all of the five counties above named and Miss Seter will function in all of them except Howard county in which there is already a county nurse.—Lynn County News.

HUBBARD MOVING TO BISHOP THIS WEEK

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil B. Hubbard and family are this week leaving O'Donnell to make their home in Bishop, Texas. Mr. Hubbard left Thursday for that place, while Mrs. Hubbard and the children plan to spend a few days at Rotan with her parents until a house has been located at Bishop and their household furnishings reach there.

The Hubbard family is well-known in this part of the country, having been connected with the development of the town for the past seven years or more, during which time Mr. Hubbard has been associated with different automobile concerns. For the past two years he has been with the Rayburn Chevrolet Company as salesman.

He has been chief of the Volunteer Fire Department for the past three years, and he and Mrs. Hubbard have devoted much time and thought to the development of this organization into the civic and social force which it is.

The Index joins with their many friends in extending best wishes for them at their new home.

Mr. Rayburn announced Wednesday that "Red" DeBusk will be the mechanic in charge of the repair shop at the Chevrolet house. Red has many friends here, and he will be pleased to display his ability as a "fixer" to any and all of them.

POPULAR STORE MOVED TO NEW HOME AT SINTON

The Popular Store closed its career in O'Donnell last Tuesday, and on Friday last week the Gibson Truck line store will be located in the future.

Mr. and Mrs. Coin, accompanied by W. H. Thornhill, left Saturday morning for their new home, and plan to be ready for business immediately.

It was with deep regret that the many friends of these excellent people heard of the move, and the Coins were the recipients of many social courtesies prior to their departure.

The Index joins with other friends in wishing them much prosperity and happiness in their new home.

SECOND OPEN AIR CONCERT TO BE HELD FRIDAY EVENING

The second of the series of free concerts will be held Friday evening on the street, according to announcements made this week by those in charge, and a clever and altogether new program is being arranged by the performers.

The first one met with enthusiasm, hearty approval, and the support from all who heard it, the crowd Friday evening is expected to be much larger than that of last Friday.

The program is scheduled to begin at 8:45, which will enable the farmers to be present for the entire program.

PASTOR'S SON UNDERGOES OPERATION WEDNESDAY

J. A. Duncan, son of Rev. and Mrs. C. A. Duncan, was taken to a Lubbock hospital Tuesday night, and underwent an operation for appendicitis at eight o'clock Wednesday morning.

Latest reports from the hospital are that he is doing very nicely, with every prospect for full and immediate recovery.

PLANS UNDER WAY TO REBUILD MESQUITE SCHOOL

It was announced this week by the Mesquite Building committee that plans for the new school building are well under way, and that construction is expected to begin soon after August 1.

Remains of the building which burned some three weeks ago are being removed from the ground, and blueprints and specifications are being drawn for a modern and complete tile and brick structure of four class rooms and an auditorium.

News was received Monday through local insurance agents that the insurance company had waived the three-fourths clause in the policy, and the full value of the building will be paid. This added sum will be sufficient to install equipment, which will be much help in the replacing the school.

NAZARENE REVIVAL BEGINS HERE NEXT WEEK

The annual summer revival at the Church of the Nazarene will begin next Friday evening, July 24. Rev. S. O. Pace of Eldorado, Ark., will be in charge of the preaching services, and will be assisted by the pastor, Rev. R. L. Holder of Spangburn.

Mrs. Jewel Rogers of Post will direct the song services.

Members of the church express themselves as expecting "an old-time revival, with people finding God in an old-time way." One member said Tuesday, "we are praying and believing God to that end. We invite everybody to come and be with us, and we especially urge the pastors of the other churches of the town to co-operate with us in these services."

"This is a time when we should bestir ourselves—get the burden of the lost on our hearts. The harvest is truly white, and the laborers few. Let's forget, as far as possible, the hard times that are upon us, and use this golden opportunity to try to bring the lost to Jesus."

The people of this church are cordial and sincere in their support of the work and services of the other denominations in the town, and it is fitting that members of the various churches should assist in every way possible to make this revival a real one.

ATTENDING FORD SCHOOL AT LUBBOCK THIS WEEK

J. Mack Noble, manager of the Lynn County Motor Company, and Riley Spradlin, mechanic, are attending Ford school at Lubbock this week.

The session began Monday evening, and will continue through Friday, covering various phases of the mechanical part of the automobile business. Mr. Spradlin will doubtless be competent to settle all of Henry's or Liz's repair problems; if he can't, Mack will help him out.

CROP PROSPECTS FAIR—RAINS NEEDED IN SECTION

With many farmers reporting cotton blooms the past week, indications are that the first of September will see the first bale of cotton for the 1931 season.

Just now cotton is in need of rain as the ground is dried out considerably, due to the hot winds that have prevailed over this territory for the past few weeks. Farmers say that with a good general rain, conditions may be much better and nearly an annual average crop is assured. Underground moisture is sufficient to sustain crops for a few days.

There is a lot of feed in O'Donnell's trade territory this year. Most of it will make fair crops, although a good general rain is needed. Two or three inches of rain during July and as much in August will make the territory the largest crop in history.

Rains and showers have been spotted over the territory the last two weeks.

Farms are dry and rain is needed to make fall pasture sufficient to carry through the winter season.

PAVEMENT TO BE LAID TO COUNTY LINE

According to announcements made this week, awarding of contract for laying paving on No. 9 Highway south from Lubbock to the Lynn County Line, will be included in the next letting of the State Highway Department, scheduled to meet July 30, 31, and August 1.

The paving north from Lubbock to Abernathy will be finished next week, and opened to the public about August 1, according to announcements made this week.

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THE NEWSPAPER

I would rather write about newspapers than any of the fine and useful institutions of modern culture and civilization. I like to think of them as alert sentinels of the public conscience, as crusaders for the good and prosperity, as unselfish champions of the right and traditional enemies of the wrong. They are all of that, and more; but if they survive, they must be business institutions, too.

However well managed newspaper plants may be, they seldom earn returns commensurate with the time and effort and talent expended. Indeed, were they not slaves to the public interest of printers' ink, did they not love their work more than money less, there would be no newspaper men and therefore no newspapers.

Yet, business men—men who wouldn't think of asking the drug-gist to donate a five-cent drink—will resort to any device to slip into the newspaper advertising camouflage as news. They forget that newspapers are not some form of privately endowed philanthropy; they do not stop to think that a business institution to donate the only commodity it has for sale. (Subscriptions are obtained at an actual loss, for the business purpose of making valuable the space offered to advertisers. It costs any newspaper more to print and mail a year's production than the reader pays for it.)

Frequently good news stories are raised by almost ludicrous attempts to write into them clumsily concealed advertising. At the present time, the publicity for a splendid and worthy movement, a movement to which every newspaper is pleased to lend its influence, is disgraced by persistent mention of its leader's business connection. Even when the newspapers submit to the imposition, no good purpose is served because the public sees—not the guiding genius of a great progressive program—but the slapstick antics of a publicity hood.

There are two very good reasons why advertising should be presented in paid space. First, the advertiser who succeeds in "slipping in" unpaid advertising annoys and irritates the reader who feels he has been made the victim of fraud; and, second, the newspaper that consistently permits advertising to appear in its news columns ceases to be a business institution and therefore soon ceases to be a newspaper.

Modern newspapers have a larger capital investment than the average business institution, skilled craftsmen must be employed, and large overhead expenses must be met. Properly supported, and with its advertising space sold at a legitimate profit, the newspaper can render the essential and constructive service expended by a critical public. Without that support and paid advertising, it quickly becomes a miserable reminder of the splendid institution that might have been.

OUT-OF-TOWN VISITORS HONORED WITH PARTY

Miss Merle Smith of Tahoka and Miss Chrysta Kennedy of Putman were named honor guests Wednesday evening when Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Robinson entertained with bridge at their home on Doak St.

Cut flowers were used as decorations in the reception rooms where tables were placed in the parlors. Dainty refreshments of punch and wafers were served to Messrs. and Meses. E. T. Wells, Marshall Whitsett, W. S. Cathey, Meses. C. H. Westmoreland and J. W. Campbell; Messes Thelma and Irma D. Palmer, Merle Smith, and Chrysta Kennedy; Messrs. C. A. Rayburn and B. J. Boyd.

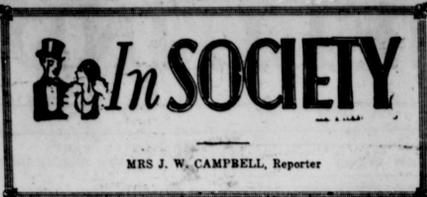
ANNOUNCEMENT

Mrs. J. E. Leigh, state secretary of the Baptist W. M. U., will be in Brownfield on Monday, August 24, for a W. M. U. conference, instead of on July 20 as previously announced.

Every Baptist woman is urged to attend this conference, as this will be the only day Mrs. Leigh can be in Brownfield Association this year.

A woman is seldom referred to as an old maid before she begins to act like one.

Use the classified ads for results.



MRS. J. W. CAMPBELL, Reporter

CHRYSTAL CITY GUEST HONORED WITH PARTY

(Introduced for last week)

Messes Jim Ellen Wells and Lorene Beach were joint hostesses last Friday evening at a party at the home of the latter, naming as honor guest Jesse Perry Hipp of Chrystal City, who has been the guest of his aunt, Mrs. C. E. Ray.

Various games and radio music were enjoyed by all, and at a late hour delicious refreshments of cake and punch were served to Messes Merle Miles, Doris McConal, Mary Hamilton, Marie Greenwood, Kitty May Garner, Sue McIlroy; Messrs. Harold Gibson, Jesse Perry Hipp, J. T. Middleton, Wayne Clayton, Ollie Caddell, Lawrence Tredway, Melvin Moore, Wilfred Gates, and Robert Frost.

SUNRISE BREAKFAST NOVEL ENTERTAINMENT FRIDAY

Miss Merle Miles was the charming hostess last Friday morning at an unusual 'party' in the form of a hike and sunrise breakfast.

The group of six left town about five o'clock in the morning, and hiked out to Clayton's lake east of town, and there breakfast was served. Bananas, toast, and eggs, and tomato juice made up a meal which was heartily enjoyed.

Those present were the hostess and her sister, Miss Louise Miles, and Messes Sue McIlroy, Doris McConal, Marie Greenwood, Leona Holman, and Lorene Beach.

CUT FLOWERS AS FAVORS AT FORTY-TWO PARTY

Sweet peas in various colors were used as plate favors last Thursday afternoon when Mrs. Harv Jordan entertained Thursday. Club members and other guests with a forty-two party at the home of her mother, Mrs. J. P. Bowlin.

When guests arrived at four-thirty, tables were arranged for serving delicious refreshments of apricot ice and angel food squares, after which several interesting games of forty-two were played.

Those present were Meses. Glen Allen, J. P. Bowlin, John Earles, A. H. Koeninger, Roy Gibson, W. E. McLaughlin, E. O. Stark, E. L. Serrels, Marshall Whitsett, W. H. Ritzenthaler, George Shumake, Jr., Harvey Line, Dewey Greenwood, W. J. Jordan, W. S. Cathey, Carl Cox of Carlsbad, N. M., Guy McGill, W. E. Singleton; Messes Hazel Burk, Christine Millwee, and Claire Ruth Nichols.

BRIDGE PLAYED AT AFTERNOON PARTY

A very small and informal bridge party was enjoyed last Wednesday afternoon when Miss Kathryn Yeazey entertained several friends at her home.

After several hours spent at the fascinating game, refreshments of devil's food cake and iced tea were served to Messes Alice Joy Bowlin, Beverly Wells, Hallie Lindsay, Louise Miles, Alice Busby, Eula Belle Miles, and Mrs. Lee Vaughn.

MISS BEVERLY WELLS HOSTESS AT DANCE

Miss Beverly Wells was the gracious hostess Tuesday evening to a number of friends when she entertained with an informal dance at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Wells.

Attractive dance programs were hand painted by Miss Dede McCoy of Tahoka, cousin of the hostess, and were unique in charming with their dainty silhouettes.

Novelty numbers such as Paul Jones, ladies' choice, and other added to the pleasure of the occasion as well as giving a different touch. Tables for bridge had been provided for older guests, and spirited sessions of this game were held on the porch.

Delicious refreshments of punch and cookies were served to Messes Hazel Burk, Kathryn Yeazey, Alice Busby, Hallie Lindsay, Morene Huff, Alice Joy Bowlin, Thelma Palmer, Dede McCoy of Tahoka, Chrysta Kennedy of Putman, and Merle Smith of Tahoka; Messrs. Glen Everett, Jack Veasey, Howard Tredway, Charles Cathey, Raymond Busby, Ralph Beach, Russell Kelpner and Dan Singleton of Tahoka, George Mullins of Lubbock, Sumner Clayton; Will Ed Tredway; Mr. and Mrs. Nancy Everett, and Mrs. J. W. Campbell.

GREENWOODS HOSTS AT ICE CREAM SUPPER

(Introduced for last week)

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Greenwood entertained a few friends with an informal get-together and social on Thursday evening when they invited a party out to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Greenwood for ice cream and plenty of fun.

Those present for the most enjoyable occasion were Messrs. Roy Gibson and Family, Mr. and Mrs. Guy McGill, Mrs. W. J. Jordan and family and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ritzenthaler.

"THIS AND THAT" BY JIMMINY

Two people become engaged in an argument. When one fails to convince the other a third party is called; if failing to convince the two, calls in a fourth party, who in turn tries to find someone to substitute his views. And so it goes.

Soon enough interest is aroused to cause no end of argument; people become excited, lose their heads momentarily and before anybody knows what it's all about they are running up and down the land, waving their arms and loudly proclaiming: "There oughta be a law!"

So Governor Sterling summoned the "heavy artillery" to assemble at the state house to proceed with plans which, it is hoped, will bring to an end for all time the increased flow of oil—or at least until such time as the price per barrel is high enough to buy a package of Texas-taxed cigarettes.

In other words, the legislators are supposed to do with the laws of what cannot be done—to the satisfaction of some—by the laws of nature. Nature has taken a hand, in some instances, in the East Texas oil fields, sending forth salt water instead of oil, but it hasn't done it the way some oil men think it should be done. Nature takes no account of whose well is being pruned; Standard Oil looks no bigger than Sam Jones or Willow Branch when nature is doing the pruning. And that's bad. "There oughta be a law!"

And, whether we like it or not, there will be a law—maybe. It may not prove to be effective, but it remains to be seen. The fact is, that if oil is coming from the ground in greater quantities than can be used, legislative halls are poor places to turn for relief. Especially is this true when four out of five legislators don't have it—oil.

The state finances are not as healthy as they could be, and Governor Sterling knows it. However, he had to do something—it was either a case of ruining the state financially or wrecking the oil industry permanently—and for the love Mike, the Standard Oil Company, or somebody, let's save the oil industry. That is, if a law is all that is necessary to do it.

We saved a nation from ruin by

- GIBSON AND MAY O'DONNELL AND LUBBOCK TRUCK LINE General Hauling Phone 21 or Phone 48 O'Donnell, Texas

enacting a prohibition law, didn't we—or did we? We might not be doing right by Nell, but we've got to do right by our Oil, that's all! However, if civil procedure is to supersede the laws of nature, we submit that legislation should be enacted that will control old age, and will set forth reasons for such a law next week.

SEGREGATION OF YOUTHFUL CRIMINALS

It costs the state as much to send a boy to the penitentiary as it send a student to college. If the cost of apprehension and trial are included, it costs more.

Sixty-two per cent of the inmates of high school and college age—seventeen to twenty-five years—like the young man at college, the youthful delinquent in the penitentiary is learning, but his is an entirely different curriculum. He attends a school for crime, and we are confronted with the strange spectacle of a state digging down in its pockets to pay for that kind of schooling.

From two to ten years of such schooling, and the inmate of the penitentiary is returned to society—a finished product. His professions were leading lights in the profession of crime. He has been an eager listener to the lectures of a faculty of past masters.

Penitentiaries were intended to reform and reclaim such youths for society; that they graduate specialists in crime is the result of a breakdown in the state's penal machinery. In few words, we have no means for segregating the youthful first offender from hardened criminals who are accustomed to spending a great portion of their time within prison walls.

Until such time as the state can provide separate quarters for these youthful convicts, it is quite possible that justice would be better served by more frequent recourse to the suspended sentence. Juries may recommend suspended sentences for first-offenders, and such a recommendation is mandatory upon the court. But for some inexplicable reason, Texas juries are quite willing to free a murderer with a record of habitual criminality behind him, but averse to suspending the sentence of a novice-in-crime whose trial quite frequently has been less than good.

If our purpose is to salvage as well as punish, then our penal system—so far as it applies to youthful convicts—is a pronounced failure. But it is a condition that is easily rectified. The suspended sentence is one means; segregation the other.

Index advertising gets results.

WHAT IS WHEAT?

Following is a definition of Wheat taken from "Around the Square" by Old Battleaxe, (Himself), in the Floy County Hesperian.

Apparently Floy County wheat is Lynn County Cotton's half-sister: "Folks, this last week I was talking to a man from Chicago who was making his first trip to Floy County. This fellow had never seen wheat growing before, and he asked me to explain what wheat is and all about it. Here is about the only way it can be explained: "Wheat is that kernel of grain that during the past two years has degenerated to a rank lower than a buck private. It is sown and sometimes harvested in West Texas to keep the wheat farmer broke and the business man crazy. The yield of wheat varies, and the man who can guess the nearest to the yield is called a ~~follaboy~~ farmer—a poor business man by his creditors and a banker by the public.

"The price of wheat is fixed in New York, or somewhere else—but it's not fixed so darn good. It all ways manages to drop down to a new low price just at harvest time, and to jump back up again just as soon as harvest is over.

"Wheat is planted in the fall, mortgaged in the winter and burned up in the summer." If the farmer gets a good planting season, in the fall, he is sure to make a bumper crop, provided of course, that he gets plenty of snow in the winter, plenty of rain in the spring, little rain in the summer and no hail or smut at all, anytime. If the price of wheat is up, the mortgage is up, and if the price of wheat is down, the mortgage is up a little bit higher. Everybody tries to make money out of wheat, and nobody ever does.

"The uses of wheat are forever increasing. However, the next plan is to use wheat to fill up the ocean. It's the most common use is to keep the insane asylums filled with farmers and business men. Wheat is about the only thing that the world has an oversupply of, and yet it starves for.

"To the rest of the world, wheat

NATION'S FIRST BALE OF COTTON

It has been reported that the bale of cotton raised in this county in 1931 has been sold. Folks are two widely different reports—the Nation's First Bale.

We are unable to say who the authentic one bearing a C. H. Christy date line, another a C. H. from the Willacy County Hesperian.

Nation's First Bale Brings \$350. Texas and the United States bale of 1931 cotton brought a price, in fact the price of the cotton crop, when it was sold Friday at Corpus Christi, according to information contained in the Willacy County Herald, a copy of which was received here this part of last week by J. H. Shubert. The bale sold for \$744. Mr. Shubert is particularly interested in the bale because the first bale raised on the farm of 340 acres, Shubert, near Lakeport, was cut out from Raymondville in the Grande Valley.

The bale sold for \$150 per pound according to this newspaper's investigation weighed 496 pounds. The bale was on display for several days at a hotel at Corpus Christi, and several neighbors gathered around to get the first bale, wrapped in cotton baling—County Hesperian.

First Bale of Cotton Purchased by Corpus Christi, Texas July 1st bale of 1931 cotton from the United States, brought here week by W. M. Thorne of La Willacy County, Monday was by auction by the Cotton Co-operative Association for \$350. Auction was held by Sidney J. manager of the Corpus Christi Chamber of Commerce. The will be sent to the American Co-operative Association at Orleans—Terry County Herald.

Miss Winnie Fairley is gone a few days here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Fairley.

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FOR SALE—windmill, tank, and burner. Inquire at Tonsor Barber Shop. Good price for cash. Naylor Everett. 39-2tc.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

The State of Texas, to the Sheriff or any Contable of Lynn County, Greetings:

You are commanded to Summon Carl Fullerton by making publication once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof in some newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the Judicial District; to appear at the next regular term of the Justice's Court of Precinct Number Four, Lynn County, on the 3 day of August, A. D. 1931, there and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 18th day of June, A. D. 1931, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court Number 210, wherein G. A. Haney is Plaintiff, and Carl Fullerton is defendant, said petition alleging that defendant owes plaintiff a balance of \$81.00 on a rental contract which said contract was made by defendant on or about the 18th day of August 1930, on the following described property: all of lots number 15 and 16 in block number 106 in the original town of O'Donnell, Lynn County, Texas, and for \$15.00 attorney's fees and cost of suit, also for the foreclosure of the landlord's lien on the following described personal property: one corncracker, one crimping machine, one elbow machine, L. swedging machine, one store pipe seamer, one generator and 110 lot numbers, said property now located in the building that is located on the above described lots.

Herein Fail Not, but have you before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my official signature, at office in O'Donnell, this 18th day of June A. D. 1931.

D. M. ESTES, Justice of the Peace, Precinct Number 4, Lynn County, Texas. 38-4tc.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Those wishing to bid on construction of Mesquite school may procure blueprints and specifications from B. B. Street, O'Donnell, Route 1, on, or about, July 22. Mesquite Building Committee. 39-2tc.

PLAINVIEW

July 14, a two inch rain fell over the northeastern part of this community last Wednesday night and light rain reached over the entire community that has helped the crops greatly.

Most of those who were away working have returned, and all of we farmers are busy with hoe and plow.

Rex Austin and Fennis Gleghorn were among the first to reach home after they received the good news.

Joe McGuire has returned from a trip to the North Plains.

Miss Magie Summers of Berry Flat, spent Saturday night with Miss Kathryn Isaac.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Heard and children spent Saturday night with Mrs. Heard's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brandon of near O'Donnell.

Misses Audrey and Frances Stokes, Christine, Cella, Elaine and Alene Austin and Mrs. Walker were visitors in the Suits home Sunday.

Mr. John Floyd of Brownwood is visiting his brother, Mr. C. C. Floyd of this community.

The usual number attended Sunday school and church at Berry Flat Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Gleghorn and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Gleghorn, took

dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Lane of Berry Flat Sunday.

Mr. Bill Kinkaid, George and Oliver, spent Saturday night at the Grey home in Mesquite community.

Mr. and Mrs. Glasco of O'Donnell were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Floyd Sunday.

Miss Kathryn Isaac and Miss Magie Summers spent Sunday with Misses Mozelle and Opal May Harris.

Mr. Walter Turland of New Mexico, spent last week on his farm here.

Mr. and Mrs. Bearden and family of McCamey were at the cemetery Sunday.

Mrs. Bill Jones of O'Donnell was a visitor in our community Sunday afternoon.

Mr. W. W. Hancock has been out seeing after his farms here this week.

Miss Mae Cunningham and Mary Berta Holman visited Mozelle and Opal Mae Harris Thursday.

THREE LAKES

Buck Smith of near Tahka visited Oran Hickerson Saturday night and Sunday.

Mrs. Ruth Smith of Tahoka is visiting T. M. Ellis and family this week.

Robert Carroll Edwards is on the sick list this week.

Clint Sikes who got his eye injured in playing ball Thursday has suffered quite a bit. He seems to be improving from the last reports.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Ellis and family of Tahoka spent Sunday with T. M. Ellis, Sr.

Three Lakes and T-Bar played ball Thursday. Scores were 17 and 19 in favor of the Three Lakes team.

O'Donnell and Three Lakes played baseball Friday, with Three Lakes on the big end of score.

MESQUITE AND TREDWAY NEWS

Several people from this community went to church at Berry Flat Sunday morning. We cannot have church and Sunday school here until we build a new house.

A bunch of young people went on a picnic Thursday night down at the Street tank. Delicious ice cream and sandwiches were served to the following: Jaunita and Eula Mae Parker, Loys and Minnie Bearden, Lonnie Crump, Iva Lee, Mayola and Joe Bradshaw, Edgar and Oscar Telchik, Robert Burris, Pee Wee Lawson, Lefty, Geo. L. John, Olene, and Annie Lou Stephens. All report a wonderful time.

Joe Bradshaw returned home from Olney Thursday.

Daphne Lamb was the guest of Almaine Nunnally Sunday. Opal and Hugh Cox of Draw were visiting in the Nunnally home, also.

Jess Stephens of Snyder was visiting Nettie and Nellie Gray Sunday.

W. E. Stockton of Big Spring was the guest of Annie Lee Stephens Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. L. Stephens and daughters, Olene and Annie Lee spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Burris were visiting in the Lamb home Sunday afternoon.

Wilbert Martin spent Sunday afternoon with Sterling Bearden.

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Street were in Lamesa Thursday on business.

Jaunita and Eula Mae Parker, Non Crump, Lorene Fletcher, Addie Hollar, Annie Lee and Olene Stephens were visiting Mrs. Joe Bradshaw late Sunday afternoon.

A very large crowd attended the singing at Bearden's Sunday night and all report a nice time.

BERRY FLAT

We had a nice rain and some hail last week, and everyone is busy in the fields and gardens at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Simpson made a business trip to New Mexico last week.

Messrs. Holloway's, Edwards', and Harvey's crops were hailed out, but the owners are not discouraged.

Mrs. John Berry and Graham Hensley were visitors in the Galneau home last Thursday. Mrs. Berry left Friday for Ashland, Kansas to join her husband who is at work there.

Wallace Rains and family from East Side spent Sunday with Mrs. Galneau.

Miss Leola Burdett went to Lubbock Sunday.

A good crowd was out at church Sunday. We were glad to see the people interested. Come out to

our church meetings each Sunday morning at ten o'clock and Sunday school at three o'clock.

Houston Brewer was in our community Sunday.

BETHEL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Lucas and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Williams and family.

Miss Pauline Copelin spent Sunday with Miss Thelma Lee.

Margaret and Valma Rogers spent Saturday night with Sybil and Winnell Rogers.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Griffin and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Matt Farmer and family Sunday.

Mildred Coplin spent Sunday with Lucy Cook.

Everett and Leon Cook spent Sunday with Charlie and Joe Beckham.

Misses Ruth Lucas and Ruby Odell visited Misses Imogene and Lucile Todd Tuesday.

Mrs. J. C. Todd and little brother and sister, Corky and Dorise Rogers spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Mitt Todd and family.

Mrs. Sam Rogers spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Logston.

Mildred Griffin spent Saturday night with Winnell Rogers.

"THIS AND THAT" BY JIMMINY

Texas congressmen, democrats all, split up on President Hoover's plan for a moratorium war debts.

One Texas colon advised the world—cockeyed or otherwise—he'd support the Hoover plan when, as, if and in the event Hoover would give U. S. citizens a moratorium on their debts. And "US" citizens need it, don't forget that.

Personally, I favor such a plan. We owe two bankers little sums of money, and we don't know a thing we'd enjoy more than telling them to put a couple of bits of paper on ice until after the moratorium.

Then there's the grocer. We'd like to pull the moratorium stunt on him, too. And most of all the landlord—does a moratorium extend forward as well as backward? Or would we have to pay him all of the rent except the rent we owe him?

And there's the butcher—the satisfaction we'd get in writing him a little note: "Dear Butcher: Am returning your bill because of a moratorium which I am now enjoying. According to the terms of the moratorium I do not have to pay my bills for one year if I don't want to. See how thin you can slice that."

The fiddler. Everybody says you've got to pay the fiddler! Well, with a moratorium, he might even have to wait.

Again let us say we're strong for this moratorium idea—yes sir! But before it goes into effect, we want to collect that \$1.25 the advertiser owes us. We're against any moratorium that becomes operative before we collect in what's owing us.

There were congress men like Judge Mansfield, however, who wined

Hoover he'd support the plan to restore prosperity. He didn't say anything about wanting a personal moratorium. He must believe in paying his bills.

Anyway, moratorium or no moratorium, let's get down to the job of wooing Prosperity again. If we do not pay her more attention, we're apt to wake up some morning and find she's eloped with the other fellow.

SEVENTEEN-CENT CIGARETTES

Seventeen-cent cigarettes are certainly popular in Texas.

There seems to be very little justification for this advance which certain of the large manufacturers had advanced their prices. In point of fact, there was as little, or less, justification for the advance announcement by the manufacturers.

There has been no marked advance in the tobacco market. The manufacturers of cigarettes, never payers of liberal wages, have not increased their employees' wage scale.

The Texas tax against cigarettes does not go into effect until August. No increase in federal taxes has recently been assessed against the tobacco industry. And, finally, depleted earnings is no excuse for the advance, for the great tobacco companies have been boastfully proud of their earnings all through the depression.

Apparently, the seventeen-cent cigarette is just the prelude to a concerted movement whereby cigarettes will be sold at twenty cents when the Texas tax does go into effect. Dealers will mess with odd pennies now, that they may deal in "even change" next August.

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If sufficiently pressed, cigarette smokers can roll their own; or they may have recourse to cigars and pipes. The seventeen-cent cigarette—unjustified and unnecessary—is the sort of aggravation which will spur men to that sort of buyer's strike.

NEWS ITEMS OF 1776

Items from old newspapers are of interest to many, and so we have found a few taken from a copy of The Massachusetts Sun, published in Worcester on July 17, 1776, the front page of which was devoted to the Declaration of Independence, then less than two weeks old. A news letter from New York said:

"On Wednesday last the Declaration of Independence was read at the head of each brigade of the Continental Army at or near New York, and everywhere received with loud huzzas and utmost demonstrations of joy. The same evening the equestrian statue of George II was by the sons of freedom laid prostrate in the dirt. The lead wherewith this monument was made is to be run into bullets, to assimilate with the brains of our infatuated adversaries, who, to gain a pepper-corn, have lost an Empire."

A resolution by the House of Representatives at Watertown requested that people of the colony donate their leaden window weights for the making of bullets.

Among other notices was one stating that there were "a considerable number of prisoners in the town, who are willing to go out to service

if proper persons should appear to hire them."

Delinquent subscribers were problem in those early days, as have been ever since. It is gratifying to see from the publisher's thanks those readers who had up, adding: "He begs that he have not paid him would be so considerate as to think of the disadvantage it must be to him have so many small sums in different hands, therefore would request that they would pay their respective balances, which will by oblige their humble servant, Isaiah Thomas."

After 155 years a good publisher's may still find Thomas's courteous suggestion applicable to present conditions.

Special fuels for high compression automobile engines are unnecessary if spark control is adequate, according to a bulletin of the University of Michigan engineering department. A moderate degree of gas knock means more rather than less power from the fuel used, knocking now?

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