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## Splinters

A merry heart doth good like a medicine. Prov.

The Legislature adjourned and went home. They made arrangements for the state to spend \$6,000,000 bread bonds for the needy and calculate that this sum will take care of the problem until March of 1935. Whether it will or not is purely nec Brazos River Bill to death. The Senate finally passed it by a one vote margin.

Work of the special session, that an... may be called... of the Brazos River Bill will be in favor of another special session for they hope to get favorable action on the bill before Congress meets in January. Should this bill pass the state legislature and favorable action is taken on it in Congress, it would do more to alleviate the relief situation in Texas than any other one thing. The bill calls for an outlay of \$50,000,000 to be spent in building dams on the Brazos and this gigantic undertaking will furnish labor for a great number of the indigent citizens of the state.

Favorable action by Congress this term in the event that the Texas Legislature does their share would allow construction to start in 1935.

Perch Mouth Supreme came to that... the supreme price to... of seat... against this method of punishment but do not believe it the answer to the crime problem. It is not the penalty that society exacts in the payment of crime that acts as a deterrent—it is the certainty of the... some... severe that juries were hesitant about convicting. Crime became rampant when the laws were modified convictions became more numerous and today England's crime problem is not near so great as the one which the United States face.

The case against Bruno Hauptmann, alleged kidnapper and slayer of the Lindbergh child, is becoming stronger daily as more bits of incriminating evidence are turned up. Conviction with the highest penalty is becoming more certain. Some mention of Clarence Darrow as defending attorney has been made. Darrow, an old man now, would perhaps like to...

While it is hard for anyone to see anything good come from as appalling crime as this, we believe that it took this lesson—the striking at America's No. 1 peacetime hero—to awaken the country to the danger of our indifferent attitude. Taking the aroused sentiment of the whole country as their cue Congress speedily enacted some anti-kidnapping laws which should help stamp out this most despicable crime before it gains a foothold in this country.

The janitor, who by-the-way writes the... so well... in to delinquent subscribers to come forth and pay, that he just couldn't resist expressing his appreciation he paid us. We thank him again, now.

Opie Westfall of the gas company was in today. Mr. Westfall is the proud father of twin boys who arrived recently. They and their mother are doing nicely.

## Ruby Britain Case Goes To Jury Thursday Night

The Ruby Britain case in the 50th District Court at Seymour went to the jury last night and the twelve Baylor County men who have been hearing evidence this week will determine the fate of Miss Britain who is charged with the roadside slaying of Horace Nichols, Seymour banker, as he sat in his car on a by-road several weeks ago with Miss Willie Mae Couch.

State's attorneys contend that the slaying was premeditated and without justification while the defense seeks to establish the fact that the defendant acted in self-defense.

District attorney — Donnell Dickson is assisted by special prosecutor Charlie McDonald of Wichita Falls, recently defeated gubernatorial aspirant, and Jerrel Davis, county attorney of Baylor county. Defense attorneys are Jo A. P. Dickson, father of the district attorney and former district judge of the fiftieth district, Bert King, Sal Margan, B. M. Britain and A. H. Britain.

A formidable array of witnesses have been used by both sides to present the case to the jury including Miss Willie Mae Couch, companion of Nichols when the shooting occurred, the widow of Nichols, S. D. Wallace, Mrs. Henry Monke, Dr. J. W. Foy, G. A. Bouie, J. C. Hanna, and Pat Tallifero.

Judge I. O. Newton read the charge to the jury Thursday afternoon after which attorneys argued the case before the jury.

A verdict is expected today.

## Moffett Bill Passed

A bill to extend term of payment 10 years for school land purchased from the state prior to November 1, 1901 by George Moffett, representative of the 114 district was passed by both the House and Senate at the recent called session of the Legislature and lacks only the Governor's signature for the bill to become a law. It is expected that Governor Ferguson will sign the bill, having submitted the bill to the Legislature.

Mr. Moffett released a copy of the bill to this paper with the following explanation: "The bill applies to quite a good deal of school land in our part of the State. Each alternate section of land in our section of Texas is school land, and was purchased from the State by pioneer settlers, under the Acts of 1887 and 1895. The terms of purchase were 1-40th down and the remainder payable within 40 years. The 40 year period is about up, and much of the land, (mostly grazing land) has not been paid out. And in most cases the land owners are not in a position to pay the money due. (Usually about \$2.00 per acre.) This bill merely moves up the maturity date for ten years, and makes no other changes. The State still has a first lien on the land which amply protects the State. And the land-owner must still pay interest to the State (which interest goes into the State permanent school fund) at the same rate, that he has always paid on the deferred payments. This is a good bill, as it fully protects the State, and extends a breathing spell to the land-owners. It has passed both the House and the Senate, the Governor will sign it within two or three days. It affects considerable land in each county in my district and, I hope you will give it some publicity."

Joe Spikes of Lamesa was in Benjamin Wednesday to attend the funeral of Harry Williams.

## Hunting Accident Fatal To Harry B. Williams

Harry B. Williams, 30, former Benjamin boy and for the last fifteen years connected with the State Bank at Munday, died instantly Tuesday afternoon the result of gunshot wounds incurred accidentally while hunting doves east of Munday. Williams, in company with Jasper Beavers, cafe man of Munday, had been shooting doves and had driven down a lane and stopped. Both men were getting out of the car when Williams reached in the car to get his gun and it was accidentally discharged, the full charge of the load struck him in the left side and tore away part of his left arm and took effect near his heart. Death was instantaneous. Beavers rushed him to the Campbell Undertaking Parlor and called a physician.

The funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at the Methodist Church at Munday with Rev. J. C. Mann of Aspermont, an old friend of the family, in charge. He was assisted by Rev. H. C. Hand, local pastor of the Munday Methodist Church. Interment was made in the Benjamin cemetery where both his father and mother are buried, also a brother, Jim Frank, who died in childhood.

The deceased is survived by his wife and one daughter, Brooksie Lee, who is four years of age, and two sisters, Mrs. Blanche West of Livingston, and Miss Florene Williams of Munday. Miss Florene is in critical condition in a sanitarium near San Angelo and was unable to attend the funeral.

Harry Brooks Williams was born June 3, 1904 at Benjamin, the son of pioneer settlers of Knox County. His father, Jim Williams was one of the early cattlemen of this section and his mother, nee Florence Florence Alexander, came to Knox County the year the county was organized. Williams attended the public schools of Benjamin and after graduation entered John Tarleton College at Stephenville where he studied business administration. Following his school days he secured a position with the First State Bank of Munday which he held until its failure, after which he was employed by the state banking department in the liquidation of the assets of the defunct establishment. He was a member of the Christian Church having been converted at an early age. Williams was a good athlete and especially fond of tennis, a game at which he excelled. In high school he represented Benjamin in several meets including district and state meets. Fond of all kinds of out door life, camping, hunting and fishing were especially enjoyable to him. He was a man of unquestioned character, took pride in his friendships, and enjoyed the respect of all who knew him. He was a man of courage and integrity. Harry Williams and Thelma Newsom were married in 1929 on Easter Sunday. To this union one child was born, a daughter, Brooksie Lee. The accident which snuffed him out in the hey day of life took from the community a man whose every effort was for the good and from his wife and child a devoted husband and a kind and loving father. Relatives and friends are prostrated with shock at his demise.

This is the fourth death in the immediate family during the past two years, Mrs. James A. Stephens, an aunt, Mrs. Florence Williams, his mother, and Mrs. M. Alexander, his grandmother only shortly preceded him to the grave.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sams returned to Lovington, N. M. Wednesday after visiting friends and relatives here the past several days.

## 3,086 Bales Cotton Ginned In Knox Up To Sept. 16

The Department of Commerce census shows that there were 3,086 bales of cotton ginned in Knox County from the 1934 crop prior to September 16 as compared with 2,050 bales ginned to September 16, 1933, according to Hoyle H. Sullins, special agent.

Although cotton is opening faster this year than last and the ginnings to date are heavier than in 1933, total ginnings for the year 1934 are not expected to exceed the approximately 22,000 bales allotted to Knox County under the Bankhead Act. Last year ginnings exceed 56,000 bales. The general drouth and drastically reduced acreage are given as contributory causes for the short crop this year.

## Colored Shooting Results In Death To One Man

Oscar Howard, colored, of Truscott is in jail here following a shooting on the streets of Truscott Thursday afternoon and Herman Williams, colored, is dead. Two charges from a shotgun took effect in Williams body according to evidence brought out in an examining trial before Justice Habrert Thursday afternoon. Immediately following the shooting Howard came to Benjamin and surrendered to officers.

Witnesses at the examining trial were vague about circumstances surrounding the shooting although it is believed that the trouble came about over a woman.

## Mattresses Distributed

AUSTIN, Sept. 27.—Distribution of mattresses to destitute families of Texas will be started by October 1, officials of the Texas Relief Commission said today.

Seven hundred mattresses were manufactured in Texas plants last week and production will be increased as all of the designated plants begin operations.

First to receive the benefits of this commodity distribution will be those families actually without mattresses. A survey by case workers to determine the number of such clients in each county will be taken and orders will be placed with the state commission on this basis.

"It will be impossible to reach all of the counties at the same time due to the slow production but we expect to reach them all before winter," C. Z. Crain, in charge of production, said.

County administrators have been instructed to see that old mattresses do not get back into circulation. Clients will not be allowed to sell old mattresses to second hand dealers and administrators were urged to burn them a sa health measure.

Palmer Barton of Amarillo was here this week to attend the funeral of Harry Williams. Mr. Barton is an employee of the international Harvester Co. and was formerly cashier of the First State Bank of Munday.

Mrs. Myrtle Bisbee accompanied Mr. and Mrs. S. G. West and family to San Angelo to visit Miss Florene Williams who is in critical condition in a sanitarium near there. Mrs. Bisbee expects to return home the latter part of the week after a visit with her sister, Mrs. E. Duval of Abilene.

E. L. Covey and Jim Morton of Goree were in Benjamin this week on business.

## Knox Quota Six Men In U. S. Forest Army

To the Knox County Administrator. There will be a general enrollment for the Civilian Conservation Corps between the first and the fifteenth of October, but from present indications you are likely to receive movement orders as early as October 1.

The estimated quota from your county is 6. If you feel that you will be unable to fill this quota from eligible and qualified men, please notify me by return mail so that I may be able to distribute this surplus to other counties. I am particularly interested that our basic Texas quota be filled to its full strength during this enrollment.

This quota is not final and possibly will be changed.

Your definite quota and final instructions for this enrollment will probably be mailed to you from this office on Tuesday, September 25. At the same time, you will be mailed a sufficient supply of application blanks.

You will see from the above estimate that your quota will probably be smaller than quotas of previous enrollments. Therefore I urge that you make your selection from the most needy of your applicants.

Neal E. Guy  
CCC Enrollment Supervisor  
ELIGIBILITY

A. Unmarried Men in your county who are American citizens between the ages of 18 and 25, inclusive, who have dependents in your county or elsewhere to whom they are willing to allot a substantial amount of their monthly allowances. Dependents may be of blood or obligation.

B. Men are to be selected from those now on relief rolls, or whose families are on relief rolls.

C. No two boys from the same family are eligible for CCC enrollment.

## TO MERCHANTS AND BUSINESS MEN OF KNOX COUNTY

I am asking that all marble machines that pay a prize either in cash or merchandise, all slot machines and all punch boards be removed from the county within six days from this notice.

Also that all grocery stores and markets close at 9 a. m. on Sundays and remain closed for remainder of the day, as the law directs.

I hope to have your co-operation in these matters, complaints will be filled on any and all violations mentioned in this notice, on and after October 6, 1934.

C. R. ELLIOTT  
Sheriff, Knox County.

## TRUSCOTT METHODIST CHURCH

We have the following announcement as to services Sunday, Sept. 30. Sunday School at 10 o'clock. S. E. Mills, Supt. Preaching at 11 o'clock by the pastor and services at 7:30 p. m. Also special music and readings.

The public is very cordially invited to be present at all these services.

We shall do our best to make these services worth while. Wont you help us by giving us your presence?  
O. C. Stapleton, Pastor.

## PREACHING SERVICES TO BE HELD AT METHODIST CHURCH SUNDAY

Sunday morning there will be services at the 11 o'clock hour at the Methodist Church. This is the Fifth Method and it is the policy of the pastor to have preaching here Sunday morning and at Vera Sunday night. You are urged to be present for the Services beginning at 10 o'clock with the Sunday school hour.

# The Post's Page Of Editorial Comments

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## Harry Williams

Of all the times when one's meager efforts seem inadequate to express his thoughts, this realization comes when he would write the obituary of a friend. That the friend is also a kinsman does not lighten the burden. The suddenness of the departure of Harry Williams from this earth makes the realization that he is gone difficult to comprehend. The truth of the words of Omar Khayyam are never more apparent than at this time. Omar said:

"The Moving Finger writes; and, having a line,  
Moves on: nor all thy Piety nor Wit  
Shall lure it back to cancel half a line,  
Nor all thy Tears wash out a word of it."

Turning back the pages of memory in a retrospective mood, we recall incident after incident in the life of Harry Williams that gives us an insight into his character. To those who knew him well, these need not be recounted. The love, the unselfishness, the courage with which he met the trials and tribulations that came into his life are known to those who knew him. Loyalty and devotion to his friends, consideration for all, courteousness, fairness, those things which go to make a man were cardinal virtues of his. Ambition and energy he had in full measure. Although gone from this vale of tears, his memory will linger long in the hearts of his friends and loved ones who are many.

A friend hands us the following poem, a favorite selection of Mrs. Hamilton who was Harry's first teacher, which Mrs. Hamilton sent to comfort her friend on a similar occasion.

### GOD'S HIDDEN PURPOSES

"Sometimes, when all Life's lessons have been learned,  
And sun and stars forever more have set,  
The things which our weak judgments here have spurned  
Will flash before us out of Life's dark night,  
As stars shine forth in deep tints of blue;  
And we shall see that all God's plans are right,  
And how what seemed reproof, was love most true.

And we shall see how, while we frown and sigh,  
God's plans go on as best for you and me;  
How, when we called, He heeded not our cry,  
Because this wisdom to the end could see,  
And e'en as prudent parents disallow  
Too much sweet to craving baby hood,  
So God perhaps, is keeping from us now,  
Life's sweetest things, because it seemeth good.

And if sometimes, coming led with Life's mine,  
We find the worm wood and rebel and shrink,  
Be sure a miser hand than yours and mine,  
Pours out this potion for our lips to drink  
And, if some friend we love is lying low,  
Where human kisses cannot reach his face,  
Oh, do not blame the loving Father so,  
But wear your sorrow with obedient grace.

And we shall shortly know that lengthened breath,  
Is not the sweetest gift God sends His friend;  
And that sometimes the sable pall of death  
Conceals the fairest boon His love can send.  
If we could push ajar the Gates of Life  
And stand within and all God's workings see,  
We could interpick all this doubt and strife,  
And you each mystery, could find a key.

But not today. Then be contend dear heart,  
God's plans, like lilies pure and white, unfold:  
We must not tear the close-shut leaves apart,  
Time will reveal the calyces of gold.

And if thought patient toil, we reach the land  
Where tired feet, with sandals loosed, may rest,  
Then we shall clearly know and understand, I think,  
And we shall say, God knew the best.

### SHORT CROPS WILL NECESSITATE SOME KIND OF PUBLIC WORKS

The cotton report for this year shows that more cotton has been ginned to date than at this time last year. Farmers over the country tell us that the fleecy staple will soon be gath-

ered and that this year's crop will only be at most a third of what was ginned last year. There is little more than two cents a pound difference in the price of cotton which means that this year there will be less money in the country than last. Although the producers are counting on being able to sell their certificates this added revenue will not bring as much as the cotton would have brought. The feed crop is short. To get through the winter without being in a crippled condition when planting time comes next spring, many of the farmers are going to have to augment their income some way this winter. Public works are the only answer we can see to this problem. It is imperative that this work start in the near future.

### STATE FAIR OPENING

Preparations for the Texas Centennial of 1936 should not lead anyone to lose sight of the State Fair of Texas which is preparing to entertain next month more visitors than it had had in any earlier year. Both this year's fair and next year's may approximately be regarded as pre-Centennial expositions and given generous patronage.

While horse racing will be given most of the credit for the increased attendance expected this year, economic recovery will enable many to come to Dallas after staying away during the depression, and exhibits of unusual merit will attract those who want to see something more than an ordinary State Fair.

Dallas people, who gain large trade and employment benefits from the Fair, will have opportunity to show their appreciation by turning out in large numbers an opening day and helping to give the Fair a big start. Even those who plan to attend the Fair later will make no mistake in buying opening-day emblems, now being sold by high school students, and witnessing the Fair's initial attractions.—Semi-weekly Farm News

### BARWISE SAYS PUBLICITY JOB IS WELL DONE

J. H. Barwise, prominent Fort Worth attorney and member of the Tarrant County Advisory Board was in Austin recently when proposals for the central celebration city were received. He attended the meetings of the advisory board committee.

Judge Barwise was enthusiastic over the outlook for the Texas Centennial. He asserted the Centennial News had a large part in moulding this sentiment, and also praised the 44-page brochure, which he declared to be a valuable contribution to Texas history, and a production which he intended to keep permanently in his library.—Centennial News.

WANTED—A four inch rain at once. Fast or slow.  
J. R. Berry, Benjamin, Texas

## Contemporary Thought

Fraternity is a mystical word. It is as hard to describe as faith, as difficult to put your finger on as a radio wave.

Fraternity is that something which makes a man, though he be lost in a desert or a jungle, ache in his heart for the sound of a human voice, the sight of a human face, and the clasp of human hand.

It is something which brings men from the four corners of the earth to one valley making a community or to one country making a nation. It is basic in that elemental and mystic power which, out of the multitudes of earth, brings two souls together in the harmony of a home.

If you will pardon the personal reference I will tell you how I first felt its full meaning. I learned the meaning of fraternity a sa lad of fourteen years, from a business man. When a preacher's large family of thirteen children and a small salary of seven hundred dollars a year insist on keeping company, and all would like a high school education, something out of the ordinary has to be done.

Leaving my childhood home in the foothills of the Catskills I went to the city of Kingston, N. Y. There I sold papers, ran errands, scrubbed floors, washed windows and sold various things in an effort to pay my way through school.

One Sunday night, after several weeks of bad business, with cardboard in my shoes to keep my feet out of the slush, I went by the St. James Methodist Church and heard floating out of the wintry air the beautiful song, "Be Not Dismayed Whatever Betide, God Will Take Care of You."

Turning about I went into the Church and slipped into a rear seat. Afterward, a business man, seeing trouble written on the face of a boy, came up to me, inquired my name, where I lived and what I was trying to do. In the days that followed, without giving me so much as a nickel, by his brotherly interest and indirect tactfulness in seeing that work was turned my way, he demonstrated to me the power of fraternity as he helped me to help myself.

By the power of fraternity he not only made life pleasurable for me by the contact of his fine spirit but he also drew out and helped develop latent capacities and powers which might have lain over dormant. The confidence and enthusiasm and initiative which he thus aroused have packed my life with durable satisfactions and made it reasonably successful. Fraternity can be made one of the greatest powers for good in the world. The fraternal spirit as fostered by church and schools by lodge and service club has made America great. It has held our people steady in one of the most trying periods of the world's history.—John Edwin Price.

## DAILY DELIVERIES

from Seymour to Benjamin

on these

# SIX SERVICES

The people of Red Springs, Vera and Benjamin can now receive the same daily service enjoyed by our patrons in Seymour by our arrangement with C. J. Henson, mail Carrier, who makes the return trip from Seymour to Benjamin every day except Sunday. He will call for and deliver your parcels.

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## Home Demonstration Club Activities

By Jewell Faulkner Knox County Home Demonstration Agent

### Itinerary of Knox County Home Demonstration Agent for the First Week of October

Monday—Office.  
 Tuesday—Hefner girls and women  
 Wednesday—Gilliland girls and women  
 Thursday—Truscott girls  
 Friday—Knox City women  
 Saturday—Benjamin Council meeting

### CHEESE MAKING, SCHOOL LUNCHES SUBJECT OCTOBER MEETINGS IN CLUBS

The demonstrations to be given in October in the home demonstration clubs are to be at lday meetings. Soft curd cottage cheese and Processed cheese will be made in the morning. After lunch, a dish brought by each one attending, the cheese will be completed and a demonstration will be given on the "School Lunch." The possibilities for teh school lunch

the need of an adequate and balanced lunch and the packing of the school lunch will especially be stressed.

The meeting will be one of the outstanding ones of the year and every club member as well as any othe rinterested persons are asked to attend the entire day.

### 4-H Pantries are Being Organized

"I realize more than ever the advantages of having an organized pantry, now that I have one," said Mrs. J. J. Stark, 4-H pantry demonstrator in the eBenjamin Home Demonstration Club.

"A well organized pantry makes meal planning easy because the general divisions of food are made for the entire year; it shows at a glance the foods which are low in quantity shows whether food budget was really filled because the contents and budget cards are easily checked; it also shows which foods are not popular or appetizing," Mrs. Stark said.

This lack of popularity might be due to methods of canning; dislikes of the family; lack of time for preparation; or lack of imagination in utilizing canned products. "These are things we are trying to avoid through our work in teh club," Mrs. Stark said.

Mary Helen Partridge, Sunset 4-H Club Wins Trip to Dallas Fair 4-H Club Encampment

Mary Helen Partridge, Sunset 4-H

club won first place in the County on her years club work and as a prize will represent thi scounty at the Dallas Fair Encampment, October 9-11. Billie Jo Dickerson, Sunset club and Darlene Moore, Cunest Club, were second and third place winners on their Bedspreads, which was a part of the contest.

Another 4-H club girl, Sybil Spivey Truscott club, who has done 4 years of successful club work is going to this encampment also. Sybil was a second place winner in the Bedroom Contets in 1933 and has done some outstanding work this year.

### GILLILAND CLUB

The Ladies Home Demonstration Club of Gilliland met in the home of Mrs. Spivey Wednesday afternoon, September 19. As Mr. Rice didn't come over the demonstration we were supposed to have had wasn't given, but palms were made for a social for the members and their families to be given on Friday evening, September 28, in the home of Mrs. J. O. Cure.

Also plans were made for an all day meeting next club day. We will have a demonstration on 'Making Three Different Kinds of Cheese,' in the morning and in the afternoon we will have a demontsraton on sandwich spreads. Anyone who wishes to come is welcome.

—Reporter.

### VERA CLUB

The sponsor and home demonstrator met last Tuesday at the home of our sponsor, Mrs. Buck Feemster, with the Vera 4-H club girls. We had twenty five active members present.

We discussed what we would like best to work on, the following meetings. Candy making, the making of bound button holes, and the colors that we could wear best, was unanimously decided to work on in the following meetings.

Everyone seems to be more interested every meeting.

—Reporter

### COTTON BOARD SPEEDS WORK

College Station, Sept 27.—That 160 Texas counties have received their tax exemption certificates under the Bankhead Act was announced by the Cotton Allotment Board after a meeting held at the end of the week. A total of 333,340 applications have been received from 216 counties. Among the counties which have already received their certificates, totaling 498,818 are all the larger cotton producing counties in the tsate, Members of the Board said.

While the Board was in session a request came from one of the news wire services to etsimate the probable loss to Texas if the Bankhead Act is discontinued in 1935. In reply the Board pointed out that the Texas 1934 quota of tax exempt cotton is 3,237,000 bales; that the Bureau of Crop Estimates has placed the 1934 Texas crop at 2,383,000 bales; which leaves Texas with an excess of 854,000 bales for which tehre is tax exemption but no cotton. Such tax exemption certificates have a sale value of approximately \$20 per bale, the Board stated, and the total possible los to the State, therefore, if the Bankhead Act is discontinued and oholders of these certificates are not allowed to realize on them is approximately seventeen million dollars.

This loss, teh Board estimated, will fall first of all on the cotton grower already hard hit by the drouth, whose certificate in its sales value was a measure of crop insurance. It will fal next on the business interests of the State because the farmer would have spent his money for commodities. And in the third place it will fall proportionately on all tax payers because the hard hit man and his family will the sooner be on public relief.

The Board commented also on the falling off of the cotton market due in patr, according to cotton exchange reports in current newspapers, to the conference in Washington and the published statement by Senator Bankhead in relation to suspending the operation of the Act. The loss an a single day amounted to \$7,500,000.

### Remember these Facts When Planting Fall Gardens

Cabbage an dlettuce seed should be started in a small plant bed in a protected spot. In three or four weeks the plants will be large enough for transplanting to the permanent location in the garden.

Lice are often troublesome in fall gardens but they can be practically avoided by planting Swiss chard and

the Shogoin or lice-proof type of turnip which is practically immune to bug damage.

Tiny worms which attack young cabbage plants can be killed by the following spray mixture thoroughly tested by the U. S. Department of Agriculture: 1-2 pound of Paris green and 1 pound potash fish oil soap to 16 gallons of water. This spray can be applied to almost all leafy vegetables that insects are feeding upon and will effect a safe control. There is not enough poison in the mixture to cause any damage to the human body but it will kill the bugs.

Sprouting of Irish potatoes is hastened and insured by testing them with a chemical known as ethylene chlorhydrin. The seed are cut in the ordinary way about eight hours before they are to be planted and then are dipped in a solution made by mixing one pint of ethylene chlorhydrin in four gallons of water. The potatoes should remain in the water just long enough to become thoroughly wet. One quart of ethylene chlorhydrin in eight gallons of water is sufficient to treat ten bushels of Irish potatoes. As soon as the potatoes are treated, they should be planted immediately.

An average family of five needs at least a half-acre garden.

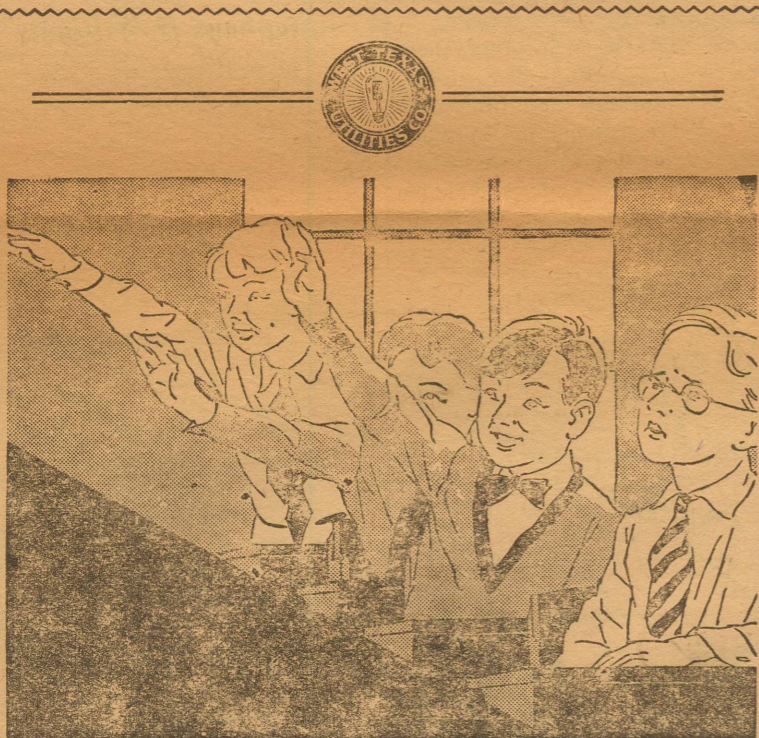
August Schumacher of Rhineland was a business visitor in Benjamin Thursday.

Mrs. Orb Coffman and childern of Goree visited relatives here this week.

## DR. JOZACH EASLEY

DENTIST

Office Hawkins Building  
 Seymour, Texas



## Of Course You Want Your Boy to Win

If any one told you that you were making it needlessly hard for your boy or your little daughter to get on in school you wouldn't believe it could be true.

But are you giving your child or your children the good light they need for their home studying?

In many of the schools light is still poor, so it is especially important to provide good light where children's home work is done.

See that the lamps they use are of sufficient wattage to give plenty of light and that there can be no glare in their eyes, either direct or reflected.

Poor light makes concentration difficult, brings on fatigue and drowsiness quickly, is damaging to young eyes, and is often responsible for faulty posture, which is a danger to be guarded against.

Let our home lighting consultant tell you how to light your home for your children's benefit and for your own comfort. This is a free service. You have only to write or phone us to obtain it. Take advantage of this service before school begins. It will pay dividends in higher grades.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Knox County—Gereting:  
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED, That you summon, by making Publication of this Citation in some newspaper published in the County of Knox if there be a newspaper pub-

lished therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 50th judicial district; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said 50th judicial district, for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, The United States and Mexican Trust Co., the Unknown Stock-

holders of said United States and Mexican Trust Co., Charles A. Marsh, the Unknown Heirs of Charles A. Marsh, and Nola Mullins, whose residence is unknown, to be and appear before the Hon. District Court, at the next regular term thereof, in Benjamin, Texas on the 8th day of October, A. D. 1934 then and there to answer a Petition filed in said Court, on the 4th day of September A. D. 1934, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court No. 2490, wherein J. H. McGee is plaintiff and the United States and Mexican Trust Co., the Unknown Stockholders of said United States and Mexican Trust Co., Charles A. Marsh and the Unknown Heirs of said Charles A. Marsh, and Nola Mullins, are defendants;

The nature of the plaintiff's demand being as follows, to-wit:  
Suit in Trespass to try title to lots numbers two and three in Block number twenty six, in the original town of Knox City, in Knox County, Texas as shown by the map or plat of said town, now of record in the Deed Records of Knox County, Texas, claiming said lots also under the Five and Ten Years' Statutes of Limitations.  
HEREIN FAIL NOT, And have you before said Court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this Writ, with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have executed the same.  
Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Benjamin this 4th, day of September, A. D. 1934.

Mrs. Rowena Phillips,  
Clerk District Court Knox County, Texas. (SEAL)

TEXAS CENTENNIAL

DALLAS, Sept. 25.—One of the bitterest political campaigns held in Texas, not, it is true, the one only recently concluded, but one that still is being recalled, was the first held after Texas had become a Republic. The Centennial celebration of Texas independence will be commemorated at San Antonio, Houston, Galia, Brenham, Nacogdoches, Huntsville, Dallas and other Texas cities in

1936, but few of the State's citizens will bother to read of the slander poured forth previous to that historical election, held the first Monday of September, 1836.

In that election, Sam Houston won the Presidency with 5,119 votes. Totals of votes cast for the other aspirants were: Stephen F. Austin, 587; Henry Smith (first provisional Governor in 1835), 743; scattering, 191. Birabeau B. Lamar was elected Vice President with a majority of 2,699 votes.

So bitter was the campaign that Austin, now long revered as the "Father of Texas", thought it necessary to reply to the absurd charges made against him, his reply being published in Texas Telegraph of which Gail Borden of condensed milk fame was the publisher.

In that election, there were no polls or voting lists. No long term of residence was required. Anyone who wished to vote did so, regardless of where he happened to be at the time, this situation being due to so many persons being then in the service of the military and naval units of Texas and to the unsettled condition of the country. The total votes cast in that first election, compared to more than a million cast in Texas this year, indicate how the State has grown.

HEALTH ASSOCIATION TO MEET IN ABILENE OCTOBER 3 to 5

AUSTIN, Sept. 27.—The Twelfth Annual Meeting of the Texas Public Health Association will be held at the Wooten Hotel in Abilene, Oct. 3-5, stated Dr. T. J. McCamant, President. The meeting is open to physicians, health officers, nurses, sanitarians and others interested in public health.

Besides the general meeting, there will be special sections for nurses, laboratory workers, and full time health officers. Among the speakers will be Dr. John W. Brown, State Health Officer; Dr. Lewis C. Crabble E. A. Baugh, Senator J. W. E. H.

Beck, M. D.; and representatives of the United States Public Health Service, State Medical Association Agricultural Department, American Public Health Association, and State Medical Association.

The program will consist of discussions of health work possible with relief funds, milk sanitation, water and sewage, public health nursing, health legislation, and communicable disease control.

Many cities send their health workers to this meeting so that they may keep up with new developments in their field. This will be especially true this year as much health work may be accomplished with relief funds.

Paul Sams of Petersburg was here this week on business.

John Albus of Rhineland was in Benjamin this morning on business.

John Ed Jones of Munday was a business visitor here today.

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To all those who were so helpful, kind and considerate during our recent bereavement through the loss of our loved one, Harry Williams, we extend our heartfelt thanks. We assure you that your kindness will never be forgotten.

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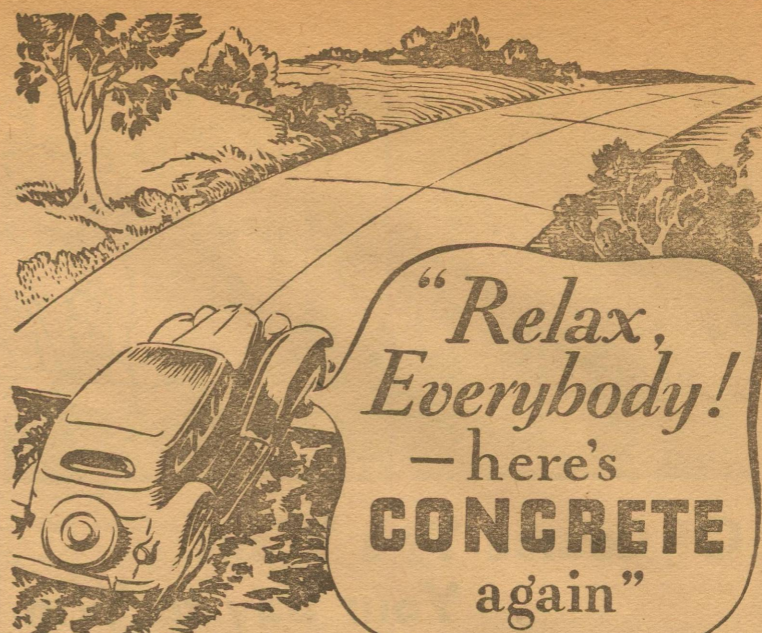
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