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FROM THE EDITOR'S WINDOW

By Mrs. J. S. Yeager
During these days of deep sorrow and anxiety we have come to know our friends as never before. We have always felt we have friends by the score but now we know it. As soon as the news of the car wreck in which the editor of this paper, our daughter, was seriously injured, messages of sympathy and offers of help came pouring in from far and near. As our daughter is in a Cisco hospital and our car was demolished in the wreck our friends all over this vicinity have come forward nobly with their cars and are taking us daily to and from the hospital. We can never forget these kind deeds and loving words of sympathy. Words fail us when we try to express our gratitude. God bless our friends.

We returned only last Sunday from the bedside of another daughter, Miss Mary Yeager, of Tyler, who has been seriously ill in a hospital there. We are happy to report she is convalescing and will soon be able to take up her work again.

This writer is not an extensively traveled person, but of all the places we have visited West Texas suits us best. We wouldn't exchange our climate and elbow room for all the prosperity and advantage other places might offer. Only recently a man from the east remarked that he could not understand how folks live in West Texas since they cannot subsist on the climate alone. Quickly we asked the gentleman if he ever heard of any one starving in West Texas. They just do not starve out here.

As we pen these lines our telephone rings and Jack Scott, editor of the Cross Plains Review comes forward and offers his assistance in getting out the Putnam News this week. Also, John McGaughey, of the Moran News, and Miss Eliza Gilliland, of Baird Star, have kindly offered their assistance. Thanks friends. We surely appreciate your kindness and interest in our behalf.

Just a few days ago folks in this neighborhood could not resist the beautiful spring weather and the call to plant a garden. So a number of good citizens got out and enjoyed a day or more of work in the soil and just as the Easter spell came along our little plants, which had come forth in all their radiance and tender beauty, bowed their little heads in silence and were no more. So the enjoyment of good wholesome work was all we got out of it that time and we will have to do it all over again, which after all, is not so bad as the season is still young.

SCHOOLS CALLED ON TO ERECT BLAST MEMORIAL

AUSTIN.—City and county school superintendents throughout the state have been called upon this week to cooperate with Governor James V. Allred's New London School Memorial committee by making it possible for every school child in Texas to participate in memorial donations. The governor has designated April 7th as "New London School Memorial Day" and called upon teachers throughout Texas public schools to conduct classroom memorial exercises and allow each child to contribute a penny toward the erection of a suitable memorial. The funds collected will be forwarded directly to the governor at Austin for use by the Memorial committee.

Hundreds of school children have written him and asked for permission to cooperate in the movement, Governor Allred said in his proclamation.

"Such an expression of love and sympathy from the school children of Texas would be comforting to the grieving parents of those who so short a time ago shared the joys of the classroom," said his proclamation. "Such an expression from the living would say of New London's heroic little victims 'your sacrifice was not in vain'; that those who carry on in the classroom will do so under every protection known to state government."

Governor Allred suggested that the memorial will serve the two-fold purpose of memorializing the young victims of the school blast and as a perpetual resolve that no such disaster should ever again be visited upon a Texas community.

All donations should be addressed to the New London School Memorial committee in care of the Governor's office, Austin.

CROSS PLAINS STUDENTS PRESENT PLAY MONDAY

A number of the senior class of Cross Plains high school presented a one-act play in chapel at Putnam high school Monday morning.

MILDRED YEAGER IN CAR WRECK TUESDAY

Mildred Yeager, editor of the Putnam News, happened to the misfortune of being critically injured in a car wreck Tuesday morning and is resting in the Graham Sanitarium, Cisco, where she was treated following the smash-up. On her way to Cisco Tuesday morning she had a head-on collision with another car, completely demolishing both vehicles and injuring occupants of both cars to the extent that they were all taken to the Graham sanitarium for treatment. The accident occurred about four miles out of Putnam, near the Marion Short place.

Mildred had her right ankle crushed and her left leg broken just below the knee. Several ribs were broken, and she received a gash about three inches long on her forehead that took about 15 stitches to close.

The other was occupied by California people, none of them being seriously injured. One of the girls had a broken arm and was otherwise bruised, but nothing of a serious nature.

Mildred stated the cause of the wreck was caused from the steering wheel hanging.

SCRANTON FUTURE FARMERS ELECT OFFICERS

The Scranton chapter of the Future Farmers of America met Tuesday and elected the following officers for the year 1937-38:

Lee Starr—president.
Gerald Dawkins—vice-president.
Secretary—Clayton Evans.
Treasurer—Glen McCorkle.
Reporter—Walter King.
Farm Watch Dog—W. R. Hunter.
Parliamentarian—Carrol Purves.
Historian—R. L. Ezzel.
Conductor—John N. Boland.
Song leader—Lennie Baird.
Advisor—W. J. Bush.

With this set of officers Scranton expects to go places next year.

NEW LAW IN TEXAS

Something new developed in law in one Texas court in Fort Worth Monday when District Judge McGregor in the criminal district court quashed three indictments against a negro or account of not having any negroes on the grand jury that indicted the negro defendant. The judge also stated he was ruling in line with a decision of the state supreme court, in which it held that an indictment against a negro by a grand jury that did not have a negro on the jury was void. Assistant district attorneys Wade and Brewster said new indictments would be asked at the next session of the grand jury which convenes April 5th.

WILEY CLINTON HONORED ON BIRTHDAY

Wiley Clinton was honored with a birthday luncheon at his home northeast of town on Easter Sunday. A charming program followed, including several songs and numbers on the piano and accordion by Bobbie and David Park Clinton, Clinton Waddell and Ora Jane Clinton. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Leo Clinton, Robert and William Clinton, Ernest Waddell, Burl Clinton, and Misses Dorothy Billingsley and Ora Clinton.

UNION H. D. CLUB

The Union Home Demonstration Club met March 24th at the home of Mrs. Jackson. Twelve were present: Mmes: Guy Steen, Byrd, Jim Yarbrough, P. D. Yarbrough, Dolye Gunn, Erwin Warren, Ennie Qualls, Nolen, M. L. Bailey, Mark Burnam, and Jackson.

An enjoyable evening was spent in getting together pillow case patterns.

Will meet April 14 at the home of Mrs. Burette Ramsey in an all day meeting. Let's all members be present for roll call. Miss Moore will be present.

SENATE PASSES TRUCK BILL

The Texas senate passed Friday a substitute to house bill exempting private commercial trucks from regulations of the motor carrier act. The legislation resulted from a Supreme Court decision which held such carriers subject to regulations of contract carriers.

The senate measure would authorize permits for trucks of merchants and manufacturers carrying their own goods, simply by application and payment of \$5.00 application and \$2.00 license fees. As approved by the house there would be no fees.

Exempted were persons transporting their own farm instruments, household goods, agricultural products, petroleum products and live stock and feed stuff.

Under this bill private commercial truckers would not be required to purchase cargo plates of workmen's compensation insurance.

PARENT-TEACHERS ELECT OFFICERS

The Putnam P. T. A. met Thursday, March 25, at 8 o'clock p. m.

Miss Saunders, Mr. Woods and Mr. Wright were in charge of the following program:

Song—third grade.
Declamations:
"The First Snowfall"—Lois Faye Year.

"Song of the Forerunner"—Wanda Fay Woods.

"Somebody Said It Couldn't Be Done"—Doyle Lee Brown.

"Is War Ever Right?"—Hugh Vernon Smith.

Stunt songs—W. A. Price, Dwight Triplitt, Roy Lee Williams, Floyd Burnam, accompanied by Miss Pounds.

The following were elected as next year's officers:

President—Mrs. Peck.
First vice-president—Mrs. B. Ramsey.

Second vice-president—Mrs. Sharp.
Third vice-president—Mrs. Oliver Allen.

Secretary—Miss Pulley.
Corresponding secretary—Mrs. Sunderman.

Treasurer—Miss Saunders.
Reporter—Mrs. Armstrong.

Reporter from Union—Mrs. Mark Burnam.

Chairman of room mothers—Mrs. Gus Brandon.

Historian—Mrs. Ed. Fields.

Those present were Mmes. S. M. Eubank, E. E. Sunderman, Ed Fields, A. J. Sharp, R. D. Jackson, G. H. Parrish, E. C. Warren, Misses Lois Pulley, Rowena Saunders, Pauline Roberds, Jo Pounds, Messrs. Webb, W. N. Bird, Bill Wright, Don Woods, Jesse Overton.

REDISTRICTING BILL IS APPROVED BY HOUSE

A bill redistricting the lower house of the Texas legislature on the basis of the 1930 census received a favorable report Monday from the house legislative committee.

The bill was drafted by a sub-committee. If this bill is enacted into law, it will be the first legislative redistricting in 24 years.

The bill gives Dallas, Harris and Bexar counties, if passed, seven members each in the lower house. This would be the maximum under the amendment adopted last summer.

Under this bill Callahan will be in a new district composed of Callahan, Shackelford and Stephens counties, known as No. 106.

FATHER OF LARGEST FAMILY DIES

According to a news story Rsa, 68, famed Maori prophet, died at his home near Arkland, N. Z., leaving 70 children. This is thought to be the largest family in the world.

Mrs. Hally Crawford has just returned from Dallas, where she went through the Dallas Clinic. She will have to return to St. Paul's sanitarium for treatment at once.

Franz Shubert and George Conner Jr., of Fort Worth, spent from Thursday until Monday with their grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Brittain.

D. E. PARK WILL BE RETURNED HOME SOON

D. E. Park, who fell and broke his left leg on the eighth day of January, will be released from the hospital and returned to his home here in the next few days. Mr. Park stated yesterday that he was getting very anxious to get out, as three months was the longest time he had ever been away from home. He and Mrs. Park both have been over there since early January.

ROY WILLIAMS ILL

On last Monday Roy Williams, owner of the Williams Grocery in Putnam, had a severe attack of some kind at the store, the nature of which is not familiar. Dr. Brittain was summoned and after working with him some time he was relieved and carried home. Thursday morning Mr. Williams seems to be much improved and thinks he will be out in a few days.

WEST TEXAS UTILITIES ELECTS OFFICERS

In a meeting of the West Texas Utilities company stockholders Tuesday all officers with one exception was re-elected. All live in Abilene, the company's headquarters city.

The following officers were re-elected for another year: Directors, Price Campbell, P. W. Campbell, Dan A. Gallagher, Dan R. Junell, F. W. Schroder, W. G. Swenson, J. M. Wagstaff, all of Abilene, and Charles W. Hobbs, San Angelo. The directors elected the following as officers: Price Campbell, president; F. W. Schroder, vice-president; D. A. Gallagher, secretary and treasurer; R. M. Wolf, auditor. It was said the meeting was attended by the largest number of stockholders in the history of the company. Mr. Campbell was elected president in 1930, and has held the office ever since.

REV. SPRINGER DIES IN BROWNWOOD

Rev. E. L. Springer, a pioneer Baptist preacher, died at Brownwood Sunday and the remains were brought to Cisco for burial. The Rev. Mr. Newton of Brownwood held the services.

Rev. Springer was well known in this part of the state, having preached in this part or the country for the past 40 years.

Mrs. Janie Moore and nephew, Morris Harper, were visitors in Abilene on Tuesday of this week.

Mrs. D. D. Jones and son, Warlick, Mrs. Grady Pruet, and Mrs. Homer Pruet, attended the funeral services of their uncle, Jeff Gunn, at Troy, Texas, Saturday, returning home Sunday.

Mrs. May Coffey and children of Cottonwood left Sunday for their home after spending several days in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Everett.

Mrs. J. S. Yeager returned Sunday from the bedside of her daughter, Miss Mary Yeager, in Tyler. Miss Yeager is convalescing nicely but will not be able to report for work for several days.

Oldest Justice



WASHINGTON — Justice William Van Devanter is the oldest member of the Supreme Court in point of service. He was appointed by President Taft and has served 26 years as a member of the highest court.

GRIGG'S HOSPITAL NOTES

Mrs. I. E. Powell of Baird entered the hospital Friday for medical treatment.

Bennie L. Appleton, of Clyde, was a tonsilectomy patient Wednesday. "Mexican Franke," living on the W. T. Johnson ranch west of Oplin, is a patient, suffering from burns received Sunday night when his overcoat caught fire as he was preparing his evening meal over an open fire.

Miss Mary Mae Tysm, of Abilene, is a patient, suffering from general peritinitis.

Mrs. Troy Crane and baby of Oplin left the hospital Thursday.

John Lawrence of Corsicana was a patient Sunday for treatment of injuries received in a car wreck.

Mrs. W. B. Griggs is steadily improving.

Dan Little, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Phillips of McCamey, was in Wednesday for treatment. Mrs. Phillips and Dan are staying with Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Short at Putnam since Dan has been a patient here. He is improving rapidly.

WOMAN'S STUDY CLUB MEETS

The Woman's Study Club met in the home of Mrs. Fred Cook Monday afternoon. Subject studied, "Old Tools in New Hands."

First subject discussed, Edwin Arlington Robinson, by Mrs. John Cook.

Second, George Sterling, by Mrs. Fred Farmer.

Third, Robert Frost, Mrs. B. J. Brittain.

Round table discussion — "The Spirit of Realism as Sung by Frost."

Ten members were present. A refreshment plate of sandwiches, cookies, and coffee was passed to the following: Mrs. B. F. Brittain, R. L. Clinton, John Cook, Fred Farmer, Grady Pruet, F. P. Shackelford, Fred Short, L. B. Williams, J. N. Williams, L. D. Williams, Mrs. Fred Cook.

If you need to paint or repair your property, your credit is good at Shackelford's.

Ode Johnston of the Scranton community was in Putnam Tuesday afternoon and while here handed the News a dollar bill putting his figures a year ahead.

FRUIT CROP WILL BE FAILURE THIS YEAR

Since the cold spell of last week we have talked to a number of farmers in the county and they report the fruit crop will be badly damaged, with possibly a small crop. The writer made tests Wednesday morning in three different orchards and on actual test of 100 the blooms were all black and had been frozen. These tests showed a 100 per cent killed. We have no actual test from any of the farms.

"CAVALCADE OF AMERICAS" TO BE GIVEN AT EXPOSITION

DALLAS.—Jan Isbell Fortune, author of "Cavalcade of the Americas," spectacle of the Greater Texas and Pan American Exposition, opening in Dallas June 12, left here by plane this week for Richmond, Va., to assist in selecting the production staff for "Cavalcade of Virginia," which she wrote for the Richmond Bicentennial.

Mrs. Fortune, who is well known for her "Cavalcade of Texas," which showed to a million and a quarter persons during its run at the Texas Centennial last year, is also recognized for her writing of prose, poetry and numerous plays.

"Cavalcade of the Americas" is an improvement on a proven type of stage production. Last year's show introduced the synchronization of voices from the sound room with pantomime on the stage, proving so successful that the stage for this year's Cavalcade has been enlarged by one third. New technical improvements, together with a wider scope of historical drama, has resulted in a production already classed as one of the foremost dramas of its kind in the world.

Chief among the technical improvements are auditory perspective and stereophonic sound, which give the huge stage that flexibility so necessary to stage production.

Mrs. Fortune's ability to dramatize historical events, giving it the zest of modern drama, has won for her the commission to write the Richmond pageant. The story is based on rich historical incidents in the growth of that southern state.

FARM LOAN ASSOCIATION TO CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY

The Citizens National Farm Loan Association plans to take an active part in the state-wide observance of the twentieth anniversary of the founding of the Federal Land Bank of Houston, according to M. H. Perkins, secretary-treasurer of the association.

The observance is scheduled to begin at ten o'clock on the morning of Saturday, April 5, which will be twenty years to a day since the charter of the Federal Land Bank of Houston was signed.

A program of unusual interest is being prepared for the occasion, Mr. Perkins declared. One of the highlights, he said, will be a radio broadcast featuring dramatic incidents in the history of the bank and the National Farm Loan Association in Texas. This broadcast, which will be heard from station WBAP at Fort Worth as well as the other stations of the Texas Quality Network, will go on the air from 10:30 to 11 a. m. on that date. The Citizens National Farm Loan Association will provide a fine radio receiving set at the place of meeting, Clyde high school. Other entertainment will include talk by B. L. Russell, Ross B. Jenkins, county agent, Vida Moore, home demonstration agent, and probably others. According to Mr. Perkins this occasion will be one of the biggest celebrations in the history of the Citizens National Farm Loan Association. Members of the association and their friends are urged to be present.

FRENCH LOAN TO BE PAID

The French government has announced they will pay off the loan for bonds floated in the United States in 1917. The bonds were 20 year bonds drawing 5 1/2 per cent interest. The report states they will pay in terms of gold instead of devalued francs.

This loan totaled 15,895,000,000 gold francs (about \$2,895,000,000 in 1917). Only part was floated in the United States.

EASTLAND FILLING STATION MAN TAKEN FOR RIDE

Jack Rust, a filling station operator, was taken for a ride Tuesday. A man drove up to the station and had his car filled with gas and then forced the station man to get on the running board at the point of a si: shooter until he drove out of town, and then told him to jump off and walk back to town and not look back.

J. O. Pearson returned from a business trip to Fort Worth Wednesday.

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THE REORGANIZATION OF THE SUPREME COURT

It would appear from the howl going up from certain politicians that the court had usurped the power of Congress in holding certain New Deal laws unconstitutional, when as a matter of fact there isn't a lawyer with any standing if he could be placed in a place where no one could know how he voted would vote for the reorganization of the Supreme Court as outlined by the President, unless it would be for a selfish motive, or on the plea of loyalty to the party. The President and every one that is favoring packing the court are using every tactic that can be hatched up to intimidate the men who are honestly opposing the plan from principle, even classing every one who votes against the President's plan as being disloyal to the Democratic party. In following this plan it is blindly following after one man, and if carried out it will corrupt and disrupt this government. Quoting from the Abilene Reporter of March 31: "The congressman's vote on the court proposal is to be made a 'loyalty' test. That word is quoted because the loyalty rather than being to historical precept and inner convictions, is personal loyalty to the President and Mr. Farley. The congressman will come across or else.

"We have never had a more disarming illustration of weakness and cowardice on the part of the law making branch. This knuckling under reveals with a sinister clearness how the congressmen feel about their patronage. They would rather be left, it seems, with their small prerequisites than to be right on the most important policy making decision the country has faced in many years.

"Some future Congress undoubtedly will repeal this wild eyed act and restore the American judiciary to its proper balance. At that time men who are now being mercilessly pillaged as 'standing in the way of reform' will be lauded for their judgment and sound patriotism; and among the number will be Texas' Tom Connally, who will not be stamped and bullied. The time will come when nations remember gratefully the address Monday night of Senator Carter Glass. Nearing his eightieth birthday, drawing on his rich background of knowledge, the venerable Virginian brushed aside, in a few simple sentences all of the highfalutin arguments put forward for the court proposal.

"Glass said, 'All the crisis, large and sundry, facing the country cannot be cured by degrading the Supreme Court of the United States. The talk about party loyalty being involved is a familiar species of coercion. No political party since the establishment of the government ever dared make an issue of packing the Supreme Court. This proposal was not mentioned by the administration in the campaign last fall and we know there has been no madate from the people. Thousands of telegrams received by me have said, 'God bless the Supreme Court.' But who wants to invoke divine blessings on a court not constituted to put a check upon unauthorized freedom and restraint upon dangerous liberty?"



PROTECT FOODS

Do not take chances with the family health by serving foods which have not been protected during these warm days. Our ice is frozen from carefully distilled water and is guaranteed p-u-r-e. Phone us for a special or regular deliveries. We have rates on purchase of tickets of \$2.50.

W. P. EVERETT

PRODUCE, CREAM & ICE

Another Flood Victim by A. B. CHAPIN



It is getting time the free born American citizens are waking up to the situation before all of the rights that our forefathers fought for when this nation fought from under the British rule and established the American government by an independent people. Don't you think the Supreme Court is just about as honest as the President? If they were usurping the power of Congress that the people would suffer less under our form of government in the hands of nine men than we will under a one man government, that is being attempted? It was pointed out by many if Mr. Roosevelt was re-elected he would do just what he is trying to do at the present time, that if he was elected he would attempt to destroy the court by enlarging it and nullification of the constitution and set up a central government at Washington. It looks now that anyone could see just where we are drifting, and what kind of government we will have if the present plans are carried out. Do we want the N.R.A. with all of the other organizations that they used the entire alphabet initial them and many more that will be more tyrannical than what has been passed, and if we let them destroy our only protection we will have no place to go.

SOIL EROSION MAKING SLOW PROGRESS

According to a report of Knox Parr, county agent of Taylor county, the farmers are not signing up for soil erosion very fast as he states that there had been only about 150 signed so far. We think that is about the situation in this county, as we have talked to a number of farmers who have been signing up everything offered and they tell us they are not signing anything else when they get through with the 1936 program, or in other words, when they get the money already promised they are through. This is as it should be, as this is the same as the old Agricultural Adjustment Act which is seeking to control the farmer by hiring him not to plant corn or cotton in order to create a scarcity and fool away his foreign markets and subsidize him, trying to equalize his income for the markets lost.

Just remember they told the farmer in 1933 and ever since that he need not worry about losing his foreign market as they could not grow cotton and they could not finance it if they could grow it; but take a look at the cotton grown last season—12,200,000 bales of American and 17,500,000 bales of foreign. The average growth of American for twenty years, from 1912 to 1932, was 14,082,000 bales, while the average foreign growth was 8,095,000 bales. It will be seen that we have reduced our production by about 2,000,000 bales and foreign countries have increased theirs by 9,000,000 bales. No, foreign countries do not know how to produce cotton. The rest of this farm program is just as often as this cotton propaganda was and is only used to influence the farmer for political reasons. History has proven that they did not know anything about the cotton business, and after they have been so far wrong on this are we willing to trust their judgment on anything. Couldn't they be just as bad mistaken?

Mrs. Willie Culwell and children of San Antonio visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Culwell the weekend, returning home Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Culwell returned with them to spend a while in San Antonio.

BRUCE BARTON Says:



Sensational News

Dwellers in our rural districts sometimes wonder how law abiding citizens dare to venture forth into the streets of New York or Chicago. If a resident of either of these great cities were to visit the Southern mountains and tell folks there he had never seen a gangster or witnessed a street murder he probably would be set down as an incorrigible liar. Similarly some of us city dwellers think of the mountain folk only in terms of moonshine whiskey and feuds.

I happen to have lived in the southern mountains for a while and some of the feudists were my friends, quiet, modest, rather difficult old fellows, they prided themselves on their family virtues, and one and all were devout members of the Hardshell Baptist church.

When we were in the Orient two years ago there was a strike of the taxicab drivers in our home town, New York. Reading the dispatches in the English newspapers of the Far East led us to believe that 5th Avenue was knee deep in blood. When we got home we found that most of our friends hardly knew that a strike existed; their worry was not about themselves but about us, exposed to the awful dangers of Hongkong and Shanghai.

Insurance Security
 When I was fifteen years old my father took me into his study and gave me a talk about life insurance. He was a preacher, with a large family and a small salary.

"Paying my premiums has kept me poor, and often in debt," he said, "but I am well rewarded. I can lie down and sleep soundly at night."

In order to bring the lesson home, he applied for \$5,000 of life insurance on the twenty payment plan for me, saying that he would carry it until I graduated from college and I could go on from there.

Twenty years seemed longer at that time than a hundred years seem now. I wondered if I would ever live to the ripe old age of thirty-five when the policies would be paid in full.

Well, I have lived that long, and these policies, and some others, are all paid up. Father himself lived long and, having educated his children and seen them all started, he cashed in his insurance and was comfortable in his old age.

Remembering this lesson, I have signed my checks for premiums very cheerfully, but never with so much satisfaction as during the past few years. Nothing has happened to any of the big insurance companies, and nothing will.

BAIRD HATCHERY

Custom hatching at \$2.00 per tray. Trays set each Saturday. Baby chicks for sale each Monday. Also started chicks at bargain prices.

A lecturer had been describing some of the sights he had seen abroad. "There are some spectacles," he said, "that one never forgets." "I wish you could tell me where I could get a pair," exclaimed a lady in the audience. "I am always misplacing mine."

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By Charles E. Duna

GOD THE CREATOR

Lesson for April 4th. Genesis 1: 1-5.

Golden Text: Genesis 1:1.

It is most appropriate that the Bible should begin with a majestic Hymn of Creation the opening words of which, "In the beginning God," chosen for our Golden Text, are unforgettable. The Hebrew mind had a genius for God. It saw God everywhere, back of nature, invigorating and recreating, and behind mankind, directing the trend of history. So when the Hebrews put their sacred writings together it was natural for them to place at the outset a declaration about the priority of God. What a magnificent prelude to the tremendous drama about to unfold!

This splendid Golden Text is so serene that we forget that it was born in pain and travail, that like the entire Bible, it leaps up out of conflict. For this noble epic of creation was composed during the Babylonian exile. What did the commonplace citizen of Babylonian believe about the creation? We know, from a study of the cuneiform tablets of Assurbanipal, that he believed in quarreling gods, in primeval dragons, in a war between Tiamat and the hosts of chaos on the one side, and Marduk and the gods of light on the other, with Marduk slitting Tiamat like a flat fish, and then creating the firmament out of her upper half and the earth out of her lower.

How entirely different from this welter of mythology is the pure, spiritual, lofty chapter of Genesis! Here we have monotheism instead of polytheism, an ethical God instead of beastly, pugnacious dragons, and a worthy religious devotion in place of a political eagerness to advance the fortunes of Marduk, Babylon's deity. Here we are told that behind this universe, our great home, is a Person with a beneficent purpose expressing itself in an orderly fashion, and culminating in man, the very image of God! Surely we need to proclaim such a God today, especially in view of the desperate condition of our world.

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TODAY AND TOMORROW
 Frank Parker Stockbridge

PROPHET of surplus people
 In the year 1798 a young man of 22, named Robert Thomas Malthus, wrote a little book that has influenced political economy for nearly 140 years. His "Essay on Population" printed out that the human race was increasing faster than the means of subsistence.

What Malthus tried to tell the world was that its economic salvation depended upon a more rational and intelligent organization of society, to increase the production of the necessities of life and work out a better system of distribution, to make more available to everybody.

In Malthus' day famine and disease killed off more people than war. They still do in many countries, but the civilized world of today has abolished famine and made great headway toward abolishing disease. Population is still increasing faster than the means of subsistence in many countries, and nations still go to war in the hope of getting more food for their surplus people. If war kills off enough to reduce the surplus, the result may be the same as if new territories had been conquered.

FACTS sentimentalists believe Most people do not like to face uncomfortable facts. They prefer to believe in pleasant things. Most of us live in a dream world, regarding what we wish were true as being the truth. Malthus brought down upon himself a storm of criticism from sentimentalists who refuse to believe that humanity must forever face a struggle for existence.

Folk who preach that there is some easy way of life for everybody can always get a hearing, for people want to believe that. Jean Jacques Rousseau preached that doctrine to the French 150 years ago. The Revolution was going to end poverty and distress. Instead, it plunged France and most of the rest of the world into chaos and despair.

Only sentimentalists believe that mankind can lift itself by the bootstraps into a life of universal comfort and ease. All that society can do, in the long run, is to see that nobody is deprived by others of his opportunity for hard work, or of the just reward of his individual efforts.

PROOFS Malthus, real prophet Proof that Malthus was a real prophet is visible all over the world today. Japan occupies Manchuria, Italy seizes Ethiopia, both overpopulated nations seeking more room and more food for their surplus people. Germany threatens another war to insure that its increasing people shall not starve. Malthus' own little England was foresighted enough to grab off and hang on to great colonial areas which will feed its increasing population for a long time to come. France has kept itself out of the race for more land by keeping its population at a stationary level for generations.

Our own America can still feed all our present inhabitants and to spare. We bought from France and took from Mexico everything from the Mississippi to the Pacific, and invited the whole world to make itself at home. They came, and our food resources are still ample, but we've had to withdraw our standing invitation to immigrants and are beginning to wonder how long we can continue to feed ourselves. For our birthrate is still higher than our death rate.

As I read history, it has been mainly a ceaseless migration of peoples in search of food, with the stronger killing the weak who stand between them and a better food supply.

SCIENCE makes life easier

Science has done much to make the struggle for life easier, since Malthus wrote. We have learned how to produce more food with less labor, and how to create other forms of wealth which are readily exchangeable for food. At the same time medical science has stimulated the growth of population and the demand for food, by keeping more babies alive and eliminating epidemic diseases. Offsetting that to some extent are the achievements of engineering and chemical science which insure that modern wars over food will kill many times more people, and so reduce the surplus population faster than primitive warfare could do.

Some Oriental peoples solve their food problem by drowning surplus babies, especially girls, and savage tribes in Africa and the South Seas still continue the practice of killing the old folk who can no longer fend for themselves. We are revolted by such practices, but our own ancestors, only three or four generations ago, had to survive or perish by the rule that only the hardest had a chance. If they survived the slow voyage in sailing ships, and Indians, malaria, yellow-jack or northern winters didn't pick them off, they lived to become good Americans—if they worked hard enough.

Science has made life easier for us, their descendants. I wonder if it hasn't weakened our moral and physical stamina, too.

FLIES, MOSQUITOES COMING

AUSTIN—Word has just been received by the State Department of Health that Mr. and Mrs. Mosquito and Mr. and Mrs. Fly, with their kindreds, are on their way to Texas for the summer season. They state that, although many had died since last summer, they would soon have large families. Mrs. Mosquito raises from fifty to three hundred children at one time and only takes around two weeks to have full grown children. Mrs. Fly admitted that she and her husband could be ancestors to a million flies in one season.

Dr. Geo. W. Cox, state health officer, stated that Texas hospitality could be refused the Fly and Mosquito families if Annual Clean-Up Week from April 4 to 11 is used to begin a thorough campaign to eliminate the breeding sports of these pests.

Mosquitoes are responsible for the spread of malaria, dengue, and yellow fever. Malaria is spread by the bite of the anopheles or malaria mosquito. Dengue fever and yellow fever are transmitted by the Aedes Aegypti or Tiger mosquito. The best way to prevent these diseases is to destroy breeding places of the mosquito. They breed in standing water, therefore, you should drain, ditch or fill such places, spray oil on water each week, too, or stock the water with surface minnows as they will eat the wiggle-tails. Houses should be screened.

Flies help spread typhoid fever, dysentery, diarrhea, tuberculosis, anthrax, and cholera. They breed, live and feed in filth. To prevent their increase all refuse should be disposed of at once, garbage kept in covered containers, privies made sanitary and houses screened. Every neighborhood raises its own flies so that their number is an excellent index to the sanitary conditions.

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CAR REPAIRS

Markets are advancing, other costs are mounting, but I am still making prices based on the old markets.

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Local Happenings



Miss Myrlene McCool visited in Cross Plains over the week-end.

Mrs. Charley Mercer visited friends in Putnam for a while Friday.

Mrs. Sampson of Spokane, Washington, is visiting her sister, Mrs. M. D. Heist, this week.

Mrs. R. C. Clifford from Hamlin visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Peek Friday.

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Mrs. R. D. Williams and Miss Myrlene McCool shopped in Abilene Thursday.

Mrs. Lee Collins and brother, Jim Grimes, of Monahans visited in Putnam Friday.

Mrs. C. E. Emmerson has returned to her home in Clyde after spending a week in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Armstrong.

Miss Artie Cook and Freda Jean Peek accompanied Mrs. C. K. Peek to Cross Plains Saturday to the track meet.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Collins were in Putnam Saturday. They formerly lived here, but moved to Monahans several months ago.

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CAVALCADE IN SEARCH OF VICTORIA CARRIAGE

Have you a Victoria Carriage?

"Cavalcade of the Americas," mammoth historical spectacle of the Greater Texas and Pan American Exposition, is in need of one for its Bowie de Desamend wedding scene. It will become number fifteen in the group of horse-drawn conveyances to be used in the show to be presented on the world's largest stage.

Although the Victoria, a graceful four-wheeled carriage with a high driver's seat, was popular in the southwest, it seems to have disappeared with the coming of the automobile. "Harper Seivaly, Rochester, N. Y. President of the United States Chamber of Commerce, has a beautiful Victoria in his famous stables," said Bernie Meyer, property man. "We may be able to work out a deal with him for the use of the carriage."

The stage coach to be used in Cavalcade was actually used in the early days from Corpus Christi to Kingsville, Texas, and is now the property of the owners of the famous King Ranch, in Kingsville. A good-as-new buggy was found within two blocks on the Exposition grounds.

Covered wagons, prairie schooners of the old West, are direct reproductions, as are the solid-wheeled Mexican ox carts. The ox carts were designed by John A. Hart.

Two Spanish Galleons, one a scale model, the other in miniature, will be built soon for the scene of Columbus' discovery of the Americas. They are a most difficult problem, Meyer said.

Sixty horses, six cannon, and a Gatling gun, are also on the props list for the big show. The Gatling gun was the first development in rapid-fire artillery, and was first used in the Spanish-American war.

The gay nineties scene calls for 40 saddle horses, 20 harness horses, surreys, an open carriage, a five engine, ox cart, high-wheel bicycles, express wagons, and three ancient automobiles. A tandem, or two-seated bicycle, also will be used in this scene, which will produce the comedy angle for the show.

"We are really concerned about the Victoria Carriage," said A. L. Vollman, producer-director. "We would like to contact someone who may have one."

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Chesley Pruet is visiting relatives in Rodessa, La., this week.

Mrs. Fred Golson is able to be out again after a continued illness.

Chester Emerson, of Clyde, was transacting business in Putnam Saturday.

Mrs. E. C. Waddell and Mrs. R. D. Williams were shopping in Cisco last Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ascué Dodd, Mrs. J. E. Heslep and grandson Gene Armstrong, were visitors in Baird Thursday.

Rev. J. W. Price, pastor of the Moran Methodist church, will preach at Hart Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock. Everyone invited.

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Mrs. John Hinkle and daughter, Miss Sarah Hinkle, of Abilene were guests of Mrs. F. P. Shackelford Tuesday.

Harley Dodd is spending a few days in the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Warren of the Hart community.

Mrs. C. J. White of Winters is ill and under treatment of the doctor in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Van Teague, here.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Brandon of Plainview left Wednesday for their home after a visit of several days with relatives here.

Clarence Armstrong left Sunday for Eunice, New Mexico, where he expects to spend a while working in the oil fields.

Mrs. J. M. Cribbs and small daughter, Helen Chloe, were guests of friends in Abilene through the week-end.

Mrs. W. R. Francisco and son, Reed, of Cisco, were guests of their mother, Mrs. W. E. Pruet, through the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Chub Lowe of Albany and Miss Johnnie Ruth Eubank of Union visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Eubank Sunday.

INFLATION AHEAD

When the governor of the Federal Reserve board and an outstanding member of the President's cabinet thinks it necessary to sound a public warning of the danger of an inflationary boom, followed by a collapse comparable with that of 1929, it is something to be taken seriously. For nearly three years economists without regard to party, have been pointing out the danger which lies in Government spending beyond its income, and urging that steps be taken to balance the federal budget, either by increasing taxes or curtailment of expenditures, or both. Just how seriously these admonitions were taken in Washington has now been disclosed.

Mr. Eccles, who by virtue of his office is practically the head of the Nation's banking system, made a public statement to the effect that the effect that the only possible result of continued government borrowing to meet expenses must be a steadily rising spiral of prices of all commodities, without a corresponding rise in the public's ability to pay for them. That, in the simplest form, is what is meant by the word "inflation." It has occurred in other countries under similar circumstances, and in this country in the 1920's, when prices rose and the public, rather than the government, was borrowing money beyond its means to repay. The inevitable day of reckoning came in the fall of 1929, with the crash which precipitated the six years of depression from which we have lately seemed to be emerging.

Secretary Wallace frankly admits that the Administration is afraid, if matters continue on their present course, that "another 1929" will wreck the Nation's financial structure. Already prices of all kinds of goods are soaring to new high levels. The Secretary of Commerce, Mr. Roper, has expressed a similar note of warning.

The obvious but drastic preventive, as Mr. Eccles pointed out, is to cut down government spending with all speed, and to levy new taxes to yield enough revenue to cover the reduced cost of government. This does not appeal to politicians in Congress who fear the political effects of increased taxes, but it may be forced upon them. The other necessary thing to be done is for industry to increase production of consumer goods with all possible speed, keeping the objective of progressively lower prices in sight.

In the meantime, the ordinary citizens can look forward to a considerable period of rising prices for everything he has to buy.—Selected.

Latest Model of Sky Liner



LOS ANGELES—Pauline Prior, pretty aviatrix, displays a model of the latest type transport plane. The sectional model shows all details of the interior of a large Douglas Sky Liner.

SCRANTON NOTES

James Morgan received severe burns on one hand and leg Saturday by pouring gasoline in a gasoline engine while the motor was running. The gasoline became ignited from the exhaust pipe. The accident happened by the side of his father's store, L. W. Morgan. Had it not been for the timely aid that he received by running into the store and those present smothering out the flaming gas on his clothing, he might have lost his life.

B. T. Leveridge had the misfortune Wednesday to lose his brooder house with all equipment and 200 two and three weeks old baby chicks by fire.

A loss of \$50.00 or more. He had just purchased the chicks on Monday at a cost of \$20.00.

Mrs. E. M. Shoddy left for Graham Friday for a few day's visit with her sister, Mrs. Price. Mrs. Price lost her only daughter in the New London school explosion.

Albert Morgan and W. E. Faires were business visitors in Eastland Friday.

Out of town visitors attending services at the Methodist church Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Merritt of Brownwood, Mr. and Mrs. Vernice Williams and son of Breckenridge, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Morgan and children of Throckmorton, Mr. Roy Williams and son, Roy Lee, of Putnam. The meeting closed Sunday afternoon with a message from the visiting preacher, Rev. John K. Merritt, from the subject, "God's Plan for National Recovery."

James Warren Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Brown, was converted and united with the Methodist church at the Sunday morning service.

Rev. C. E. Dick of Ovalo visited on the field and filled his regular appointment at the Baptist church Sunday evening. Before the preaching service Miss Helen Ray gave the reading, "In the Land of Beginning Again," and Misses Mildred Harris and Mary Shrader sang "He Lives On High" with Miss Geraldine Gaines at the piano.

Mr. Rube Harris Jr., recently from Mindu, La., united with the church by letter.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Gene Reynolds Thursday, March 25th, a girl.

Ora Jane Clinton celebrated her birthday with a party in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Clinton, Friday afternoon. A number of her little friends were present.

Mrs. P. M. Ray sponsored an Easter egg hunt for her primary Sunday school class on the lawn in front of her home Sunday at 2:30 p. m. The beginners were also included in the hunt.

B. F. Speagle of Scranton is at the bedside of Roy Williams' this week. Mrs. Williams is a daughter of Mr. Speagle.

Royce Pruet, student at Tech, Lubbock, spent the Easter holidays in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Grady Pruet of Union.

Frances Armstrong of Abilene visited her mother, Mrs. F. L. Armstrong, who has been sick with flu the past two weeks, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Conner of Fort Worth spent the week-end with Mrs. Conner's parents, Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Brittain.

LIVESTOCK SHIPMENTS UP

AUSTIN.—Reports from approximately 1,500 Texas shipping points show aggregate forwardings of live stock during February of 3,958 cars, an increase of 5 per cent over February last year, according to the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research. Shipments of cattle and calves declined, but this decrease was more than offset by increases in the shipments of hogs and sheep. Cattle shipments, 2,473 cars, declined almost 3 per cent; shipments of calves, 457 cars, declined more than 8 per cent; hogs, 803 cars, increased 34 per cent, and sheep, 225 cars, increased 38 per cent.

Aggregate shipments during the first two months to Fort Worth and interstate points were 9,258 cars, an increase of 14 per cent over the corresponding period last year.

CLIPPINGS

BLANKET TAX REMISSION

Gov. Allred's promise to veto bills remitting state taxes to counties to support conservation districts indicates that he will veto the blanket remission measure which already has passed the house and been favorably reported by a senate committee. The bill, argued for on the basis that the state already remits its share of ad valorem taxes to a number of counties for various reasons, and that the counties need the additional revenue to liquidate debts, would deprive the state treasury of almost \$9,000,000 annual income. The amount of the total local debt is so great that this additional sum would have little, if any influence upon its liquidation. It would have none on the payment of municipal and school district indebtedness. The measure, more than likely, would not result in lowered county taxes, because the additional revenue available to counties would be available from levies to which the residents are already accustomed and the pressure for expending it would be far greater than the pressure for reducing the taxes. Since the state must find new sources of taxation to make up for depletion of the general fund, already badly overdrawn, the net result of the blanket remission would be to increase, rather than decrease taxes. It looks like a bad start toward tax relief. The tax situation should be tackled as a whole, if any practical revision is worked out.—Cisco Daily Press.

"NINE OLD MEN"

While the politicians ran riot over the countryside, making speeches without number and pledging the voters this and that, nine old men gathered in the new, stately Supreme Court building in Washington to resume their deliberations after a four month recess.

The candidates may promise as they please, but, in the end it is what the justices of the Supreme Court say that has the final authority. They have not dealt favorably with much recent legislation and they have been heavily criticised but, in the main, they retain the confidence of the people of the nation.

This does not mean that The Times agrees with the opinions of the court in every instance, or that the majority of the people agree with what they decide. It simply means that the people of the United States prefer a rule of law and that they are willing to proceed by legal methods to accomplish their aims.

Citizens generally should bear in mind that the court was created as a part of a three-way system of government that was intended to act as a brake upon a too rapid alteration of our fundamental laws. It has certainly fulfilled its role in this respect but, as years fly by, the will of the people of the United States will be enacted into law and upheld by the United States Supreme Court.—Abilene Times.

EASY TO WHIP

Almost every Sunday issue of Texas daily papers carry stories of beer and liquor elections in counties and precincts of the state, and in nearly every instance the people have voted to outlaw these scourges of modern life.

It might be well for the members of the Texas legislature to take a tip from the regularity of these "dry" verdicts, and quit their toying with liquor legislation.

Liquor is easy to whip in Texas now, and with excesses and lawlessness on every hand, the job is getting easier all the time.—Clarendon News.

Mrs. C. K. Peek was in Brownwood Friday.

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THINK ON THESE THINGS

(C. C. Andrews, Baird)

"I have glorified thee on the earth; I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do."

Jesus Christ came into this world for a definite purpose.

He spoke of that purpose often to his disciples.

The birth announcement of Jesus spoken by an angel to the shepherds, said, "I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people."

"For unto you is born this day in the City of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord."

The substance of this message is repeated and emphasized all through the word of God, that Christ came to die for our sins.

It was required of him that his life should be perfect, and "without sin" so that he could "be made sin for us."

Several times while he was here on the earth the voice of God was heard indorsing him.

When he was near the end of his life, he said in his prayer to his Father, "I have glorified thee on the earth; I have finished the work thou gavest me to do."

In a few days he was crucified, and just before he died he said again, "It is finished."

We should "rejoice and be exceedingly glad" that Jesus finished his work, and his Father was satisfied with it for the redemption of the world.

After his death on the cross, he was buried, and after three days he arose, and was seen by many of his followers for forty days.

He then ascended to his Father, where he ever liveth to make intercession for the believer.

What a wonderful relationship we have with God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, "who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification."

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KNOW TEXAS

DENTON.—Checking up on the barber around the corner and waging a heroic fight against the malaria menace are two of the varied activities which come under the supervision of the Texas Board of Health.

Considering the peculiar health problems of Texas, the ten board members and their staff have a difficult job. Besides the inspection problems presented by 900 miles of Mexican border, the long coast line adds the dangers of disease transmission from foreign vessels.

With the aid of a widespread organization of county and city officers, however, the situation is being capably handled. At an annual expense of \$272,114.37. For the conservation of health and sanitation, according to the 1936 figures, the state maintains seven departments. These are the boards of Rural Sanitation, Barbers' Examiners, Medical Examiners, Dental Examiners, Cosmetologists' and Hairdressers' Examiners, the Department of Vital Statistics and the Administration of the General Fund.

In addition to the maintenance of these departments, which come immediately under the State Health Board, Texas also advances the cause of healthful living through its various eleemosynary and correctional institutions and through its medical branch of education at Galveston. Also, in an emergency such as the New London tragedy, the board offers its services and cooperation in getting doctors, nurses and supplies to the scene of the tragedy.

These activities contribute to the fact that the mortality rate of Texas, which is 9.8 deaths per 1,000 of the population, is lower than that of the nation as a whole, which is 11 deaths per 1,000.

Well Known "Amateur"

"That football star seems to be rather blue," said the pretty sophomore.

"Yes," replied the dignified senior. "They say his father is always writing to him for money."

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FARM NOTES

(ROSS B. JENKINS, County Agent)

Seed Treatment Increases Yields—
Through thousands of experiments carried on by experiment stations and by the farmers themselves it has been fully demonstrated that treating of seeds against smut, corn ear rot, poor germination and nematodes has proven invaluable.

Nelson Estes reported that by treating his wheat with ceresan that he increased his yield from 12 to 30 bushels. The cost of such treatment was about 10 cents per bushel which was practically nothing as compared with an 18 bushel increase in yield. This increase was attributed to 3 things. First, it prevented the development of smut. Second, there are small fungus growths that are in reality small plants themselves that are sticking on the seed. When these seeds are placed in the soil the fungus seed sprouts first and starts out a system of roots that fasten themselves upon the new plant that is being germinated from the seed that was planted. This fungus plant lives entirely from the corn or maize or whatever crop that is being planted. In many instances the parasite plant so weakens the field plant that it never comes up or if it does it is in a very weakened condition and either makes a poor yield or dies before it matures a crop. Third, seed treatment prevents this and it is very effective in reducing the damage done by nematodes which are small hair like worms which can scarcely be seen with the naked eye. Copper carbonate is another powder that is poisonous to fungus and smut disease and may be purchased at any drug store at about 60 to 75 cents a pound. Ceresan is a trade marked ingredient and sells at about the same cost per pound. All seeds of every nature should be treated with one of these powders and should be put on dry.

Inoculate Legumes—

In connection with treating seed all legumes which include peanuts, peas, beans, clovers, alfalfa, and the vetches, etc., should be inoculated with a culture that contains millions of little animals that set free nitrogen in the roots. Some lands are already inoculated but many are not. The county agent has pointed out at several discussions that if peas or peanuts are not growing in inoculated soils that they do no more increase the fertility of the land than would cotton growing on the same soil but if the land was inoculated then the roots of these leguminous plants would set free nitrogen that is made from the air. Peanuts will always increase their yields from 20 to 50 per cent if inoculated. The Agricultural Association will stock this product and it may be obtained in the county agent's office any time. If sufficient demand is made the association will also handle cesaran for seed treating.

Prairie Dogs and Red Ants Easily Killed—

The Range Program will help any ranchman to eradicate prairie dogs and will pay 7 1-2 cents per acre for such work. Fred Cutbirth and C. B. Snyder have been most active this year in poisoning their prairie dogs. Prairie dog poison may be obtained at the county agent's office at the rate of 5 1-2 cents in 100 pound

Pan American Fair Traces Mexico's Mails Back Through Centuries to Indian Runners

PAN AMERICA, Dallas, Texas, March 29.—From the days when Aztec runners carried hieroglyphs of tribal chieftains to Montezuma and centuries down to today's super-efficient postal system of Mexico, the means of communications below the Rio Grande will be shown in an exhibit planned as part of the Mexican participation in the Pan American Exposition at Dallas.



Mexico's Postmaster General Alfonso Gomez Morentin

Postmaster General Alfonso Gomez Morentin of Mexico has not committed his government definitely to the idea. In a recent visit with Director General Frank L. McNeny of Pan America, however, he described the plan he has for portraying an intriguing story; how the mail has gone through between Mexico City and points outlying from the capital since the days when it was Tenochtitlan.

Long before European governments first thought of systemized postal service, the Incas and Aztecs had a runner system of carrying their cochineal-dyed writings on silk and maguety fibers about official business of empires that flourished before the Golden Age of Greece.

In Montezuma's reign, communications had developed to the stage that, when Cortez landed his conquistadores at Vera Cruz the news was transmitted in less than twenty-four hours to the emperor at the capital, 200 miles away.

The mails from Spain and how they were carried, how mail was speeded up when the horse was introduced as a new and faster beast of burden and developments from the very start of the Mexican national government are on record as part of a treasured collection in the postoffice department at Mexico City.

lots or 6 cents per pound in smaller quantities. One teaspoonful to the den is usually enough to kill all the dogs. Another measure that has been practiced successfully during the past two years by many farmers and ranchers has been to kill out the ant. The Agricultural Association is handling an ant poison, Thallium Sulphate, which will kill out any size bed of red ants. Ordinarily the largest beds can be completely eradicated at the cost of about 10 cents. This poison not only is good for red ants but by mixing it with meal makes a most effective poison for mice, rats, and cockroaches. Tubes of the poison may be secured in the county agent's office at 10 to 50 cents per tube. The 10 size may be obtained 3 for 25 cents.

Soil Checks 80 Per Cent Paid—

During the month of March 394 checks were received out of the 498 that have been accepted by the county committee. On this 394 soil checks \$39,371 has been paid. That leaves 104 grants yet to be paid. It is estimated that these 104 grants will amount to about \$10,000.

The checks are not as large as they may have been because many of the farmers did not earn any of the Class II payments that they might have gotten by terracing or plowing under a leguminous crop or grain sorghum or sudan. The county could have earned 130,000 dollars total whereas they actually will receive about \$55,000. Another reason that the farmers did not earn the maximum amounts allotted was because they failed to make the necessary reductions in each respective base. The rules for 1936 required that not less than 20 per cent of the

cotton base should be diverted, not less than 20 per cent of the peanut base and not more nor less than 15 per cent of the general base. Many farmers diverted more than 35 per cent from their cotton base but increased their feed base in the same proportion and thereby drew a penalty for overplanting the general base. The county committee is desirous that each producer talk over with his committeeman or the county agent his farm plans for 1937 and thereby receive full credit on the number of acres that he actually diverts. It should be remembered that the soil program for 1937 will aid the farmer in terracing, contour listing, strip cropping, or by turning under green manure, either of the small grains, sudan grass, or any of the leguminous crops.

CLOSES HIS BUSINESS

John Charlston, manager of the Joliet wallpaper mills, signed final pay checks for three hundred workers, locked the doors of his plant and threw the keys away and told employees: "You are through working for me forever. It is impossible to operate a business at a profit."

They have had a number of strikes in the mill lately. The last strike was 45 women who picketed the plant in protest over seasonal layoff anticipated. The first strike was a sit down which lasted a week.

MISS JACOBS ENTERTAINED HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Miss Elizabeth Jacobs entertained a number of the Putnam high school students at her home twelve miles north of Putnam last Thursday afternoon at 7 o'clock. A very enjoyable time was reported.

ATWELL

Winter still seems to be holding on and the worst of all, most all the fruit in this part is killed.

Mrs. Harvey Gilbert from San Angelo spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Brahear.

Rev. McWilliams preached at the Baptist church Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Morgar and little son from Baird visited Mrs. Morgar's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Pillans, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Jones and little daughter, also Miss Maggie Jones from Coleman, visited Saturday with Mrs. Ben Riffe.

Mrs. I. W. Morgan and little daughter, June, from San Angelo visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jones, this past week.

Mr. Ben Riffe has just returned from a visit with his sisters in Temple, where he spent several days.

WE MAY HAVE SEVERAL COLD SPELLS

We have just received a government bulletin which states that there is plenty of snow over the northern states. Depths in northern New York and New England now range from five to thirty inches; the upper peninsula of Michigan has six to thirty inches of snow, while the upper Mississippi valley and the northern Great Plains have only a light snow with large areas reporting bare ground. The greatest depths are found in the Rocky Mountains and the mountains of the West, with depths of five feet or more in portions of Colorado, Utah, Washington, Oregon, and California. Paradise Inn, Washington, has 174 inches of snow. Mount Baker lodge, Washington, 167 inches, Crater Lake, Oregon, 121 inches, and Sorlan Springs, California, 117 inches. The snow extends to Southern California, as far down as San Francisco, with 27 inches. It came down on the north to the Oklahoma line on the north. With this much snow we may have several cold spells yet.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS ANNOUNCED

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced open competitive examinations as follows: Junior engineer (naval architecture), \$2,000 a year, Navy Department.

Associate technical analyst, \$3,200 a year, and assistant technical analyst, \$2,600 a year, Bureau of Unemployment Compensation, Social Security Board.

Curriculum specialist and textbook writer (mathematics), \$3,800 a year, textbook writer and curriculum research worker, \$2,600 a year, Office of Indian Affairs.

Full information may be obtained from the Secretary of the United States Civil Service Board of Examiners at the post office or customhouse in any city which has a post office of the first or second class or from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

Miss Viola Teague returned Thursday from Winters where she spent several days visiting relatives. She was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. C. J. White and children, who will spend a few days here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Teague.

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PUEBLO ITEMS

Mrs. D. D. Jones and son, Warlick, and daughter, Mrs. Dovie Pruet and Mrs. Irene Pruet were called to Bell county last week by the death of Mrs. Jones' brother, Jeff Gunn. Mr. Gunn had been ill some time. Funeral services were held Friday.

Howard Green, who is employed in Albany, spent the week-end here with home folks.

Those who visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Allen Sunday were Mrs. Lon Dennis and children, Miss Bonnie, J. T. and Master Bennie Charles, Miss Elmina Deason, of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Allen and son, Donald, of Putnam; Chester Allen and sons, Gerald and Billy of Union.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Everett Wood, who were in a car wreck last week between Baird and Clyde, are getting

along nicely. Mr. Wood was able to be out the first of the week.

Miss Mary Frances Hardwick, student in McMurry College, Abilene, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hardwick.

Troy Vick Park of Labbock visited in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Park of Union through the week-end.

A large number of the members of the First Baptist congregation attended a zone meeting at Cisco Tuesday.

Why He Stayed

Mother—"James, why are you late?"

James—"Teacher kept me."

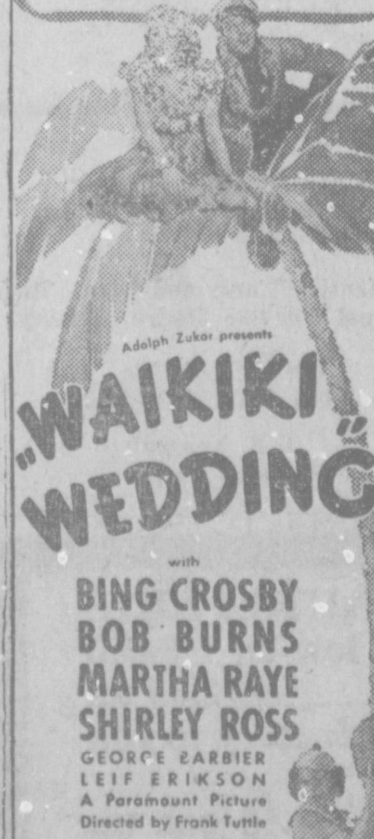
Mother—"Why?"

James—"In class she asked me how many teeth a person has, and I said, 'A mouthful.'"

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Must Have Been

The portly man was trying to get to his seat at the circus. "Pardon me," he said to a woman, "did I stop on your foot?"

"Possible so," she said after glancing at the ring. "All the elephants are still out there. You must have"



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- SPUDS, 10 lb. 35c
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