

From The Editor Window

It is said that in every quarter of the globe, in every nation, people have a longing to come to the United States, especially the poorer oppressed ones. There are plenty of reasons why, too. But right here in this land we have thousands who frown and complain when in fact they possess all the good things the rest of the world longs for, and thinks about. To make a fellow realize what he has enjoyed let that which he has been accustomed to be taken away and have to live as others in other lands do. What we have is worth fighting for but at the same time there is always room for improvement. Great industries, great things and great that, in many lines is what this nation is noted for, but the greatest thing we have is the individual rights and enjoyments possessed by even the poorest.—Hamlin Herald.

Approximately 2500 persons in Callahan county will be subject to draft regulations, it was estimated by Mrs. S. E. Settle, county clerk. This is based on the government's estimate of 80 per cent of the voting strength. In the recent first primary 3,363 persons went to the polls.

Election judges and clerks who officiated in recent primaries, where eligible and available, will register the Callahan draftees. Mrs. Settle announced. A few volunteers will be required to succeed members who themselves are in the draft age. Registration will take place in all the voting boxes of the county.—Baird Star.

We recently read a letter from a correspondent to the Dallas News which we quote in part in order that our readers may think over prevailing conditions as they are here in our own country. "Why is it, just recently, they have discovered a man is too old to work at forty or forty-five years of age? Henry Ford has said a man past forty is more capable and more experienced turns out more and better work than a younger man with less experience. Take a man with a family to support, who is past forty, with children who haven't finished public schools nor reached the age prescribed by law in order to work for a livelihood. How do the brain trusters expect him to live in the meantime "by the sweat of his brow?"

If all of us would think more ourselves and not leave so much for the so-called brain trusters, believe us things would be different. Remember, in this country public sentiment goes a long way.

Benjamin Franklin once said, "To be thrown upon one's own resources is to be cast in the very lap of fortune; for our faculties then undergo a development and display an energy of which they were previously unsusceptible." So, it would be well for all of us to develop that wonderful faculty of thinking things of for ourselves.

Facts Digest has revealed that modern war methods claim a terrible toll in shattered nerves and twisted minds of those who have survived, so far, the terrible realities. Here in our own country more than 67,000 Americans are still receiving compensation for nervous, mental, and other ailments traced directly to the first world war and one out of every thirty in Britain was also pensioned by the government following the war. Think of this. No wonder our country is unwilling to put our men in the present conflict.

Now that we are all trying to make our town safe for traffic a little story along that line to brighten things up a bit would not be out of place.

A traffic officer up in Peoria, Illinois last week hailed a motorist who was trying to make a U turn on a busy street. "Say, you can't do that," said the officer, walking over to the car.

"Yes, I believe I can make it all right," he reassured the officer.

W. A. Ramsay is able to be out again after several weeks confinement at his home from injuries received from a fall.

Rev. J. Morris Bailey, Mrs. Bailey, Miss Orr Clinton, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Tubank of Putnam and Mr. and Mrs. Hick Surraam of Spar, were visitors here recently.

G. T. BREASHEAR DIED THURSDAY AT ATWELL BURIED FRIDAY, OCT. 4

G. T. Breashear aged 71 years died at his home at Atwell Thursday after a lingering illness of some two years. Mr. Breashear was an old timer in this county, coming from Coryell county to Callahan county about thirty five years ago, and settling near Atwell where he has lived ever since. Mr. Breashear was a member of the Baptist church and had been for many years and was a regular attendant until his health failed. He was known over the county and had many friends over all parts of Callahan county.

Survivors are his wife and eleven children. There were 14 children born to this couple and eleven of them still living, they are as follows: Mrs. Harve Gilbert, San Angelo; Mrs. Curtis Mercer, Kilgore; Mrs. Claude Foster, Cross Plains; Pete Breashear, Mississippi; Harve Breashear, Mrs. Ruby Ezzell Rising Star; Fall Breashear, Breckenridge; Robt. Breashear, Clint Breashear and Miss Linnie Breashear all of Atwell; Mrs. Orville Reese, Scranton. Also there are 19 grand-children. All of the children were at the funeral.

Burial was in the Atwell cemetery with funeral services being conducted by the Rev. J. O. Folks, pastor of the Atwell church assisted by Rev. Joe Mayes of Abilene an old time friend of the family.

PENSIONERS TO GET TWO DOLLARS RAISE ON OCTOBER CHECK

According to an announcement of J. B. Murchison the average old age pension check will be increased to \$13.16 this month or the pensioners will be \$2.00 more this month than they were in September.

Mr. Murchison stated the increase which will benefit approximately 119,000, and this will be accompanied by acceptance or new applications and a speeding up of eligibility investigations.

The director said the board acted on the increase after considering the average revenues on a basis of last year's receipts and the fact that final payments of a debt of \$2,300,000 had been accomplished.

THE JOKE WAS ON THE JUDGE AND THE CASE PROMPTLY DISMISSED

The following story was clipped from one of our exchanges. "A certain professor at Ohio State, walked into the classroom 15 minutes late to find the class gone. The next day the student were reprimanded. The professor said his hat had been on the desk and that had been a sign of his presents. The next day the professor again found an empty classroom. On each desk was a hat. This puts us in the mind of the judge who was trying a case and asked the witness.

Judge: "Did you see the shot that was fired?"

Witness: "I only heard it,"

Judge: "That is not sufficient evidence."

As the witness left the stand and while his back was turned to the judge recalled him for contempt of court.

Witness: "Did you see me laugh?"

Judge: "No but I heard you,"

Insufficient evidence. You honor. The joke was on the judge and the case was promptly dismissed with the drinks on the court.

B. F. RUSSELL RETURNED HOME WEDNESDAY AFTER TREATMENT IN HOSPITAL

Ben F. Russell a prominent attorney and a member of the City Council at Baird, who has been in the U.S. veterans hospital in Waco returned home Wednesday for a few days, to visit with his family. He is much improved from his stay in the hospital and has gained several pounds in weight since he went to Waco. He will remain in Baird for several days before returning to the hospital.

J. B. BEESON PURCHASES THE FIRST AIRPLANE IN CALLAHAN COUNTY

The first one to own an airplane in Callahan county is J. B. Beeson, manager of the local Plaza theatre at Baird. He said he was tired of seeing movie airplanes and decided he would buy one for himself. It will be a two passenger plane. Mr. Beeson has several hours in his credit from the Randolph field at San Antonio.

J. R. PARK CELEBRATES 85TH BIRTHDAY SUNDAY AT PARK EAST OF TOWN

A family reunion was held at Roadside Park three miles east of Putnam on October 6th. in honor of the eighty-fifth birthday of J. R. Park whose natal day is October 3.

Mr. Park is a pioneer settler of this part of the country having made his home in the colony country for many years and the last twenty of these having been spent in Putnam. His relatives and friends meet each year to celebrate his birthday and the affair has become widespread over this area.

On the morning of October 6th, the crowd began gathering at eleven o'clock and the time was happily spent in greeting and conversation until the noon hour when a long table put in order and a most bountiful feast was spread.

A circle was formed around the table and all joined in singing one verse from the Blessed be the tie that binds which was followed by a short prayer by Rev. J. Morris Bailey, pastor of the Methodist church at Putnam. The birthday cake was one of beauty and very delicious and was baked by a niece of Mr. Park, W. M. Teague of Abilene.

Those present were: J. R. Park, the honoree and daughter, Mrs. Emma Lovelady who makes her home with her father. His son W. L. Park, Mrs. W. L. Park, Billie Mack and Douglas, Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Park and baby all of Putnam, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cunningham, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Williams and children, Leroy, Anna Lou, Dorothy Sue and Nancy Grace Williams and children, Elen and Bruce Williams all of Putnam. Mrs. F. L. Park, Howard, Doyle and Patsy Park of Stamford; Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Everheart, Bill and Allen Everheart, Rotan, Mrs. Luther Swift, Park, Swift, E. L. Park, Lee Woodard, and Sam Woodward, Knox City, Earl Woodard, O'Brien, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Dondie, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dondie, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Mathews and Miss Pearl Mathews, Graham.

\$344,174 PAID TO 354 EMPLOYERS WORKING IN ABILENE ON HIGHWAYS

With the exception one corporation the State of Texas has the largest payroll in Abilene. During the 1940 fiscal year ending August 31st. It paid \$344,174 to 354 employers who work and reside in Abilene.

The West Texas Utilities company out ranked the state with a payroll of \$395,000 to employees living in Abilene.

Figuring this out on an average bases of \$344,174 paid out to 354 employees it would be an average salary of about 975 dollars for each person employed by the Texas Highway department in Abilene.

Rev. and Mrs. Reddock attended a brotherhood meeting at Cottonwood Friday night.

Better Times For West Texas Opine W.T.U. Executives

Better times for West Texas are foreseen by the West Texas Utilites, which this month is changing its advertising slogan from "Invite a friend to West Texas" to "Invite a new business to West Texas—the Land of Opportunity."

"We in West Texas have many advantages to offer most types of industry," he declared, "and it is up to all of us to help publicize the fact and secure new concerns which will bring new money to our community as well as consume more of our own agricultural products."

He mentioned West Texas' mild climate, "good, clean air and plenty of space", cheap, ample supply of fuel and power, and superior living conditions as being among assets which would prove attractive to business once "we build up the reputation of welcoming private initiative and enterprise."

The tendency toward widespread distribution of industry, he added, gives West Texas an unusual opportunity to secure self-supporting and community building business institutions.

The utilities company maintains an industrial department, headed by T. J. McCarty and R. M. Fielder, that devotes full time to work with business concerns either already here or seeking desirable locations. The department has just completed a detailed survey of the region's mineral resources and now has available much valuable information on the location of numerous minerals, for which there is a wartime demand, such as magnesium and iron ore.

Information also includes data on the quality and quantity of the minerals, the possibilities for processing, cheap fuel and power sources, ample water, labor, housing and transportation facilities.

Local groups were invited to call upon them "if they can be of any help."

The slogan, "Invite a new business to West Texas—the Land of Opportunity," will be carried in the company's institutional advertisements in over 80 newspapers this fall and winter.

PUTNAM FOOTBALL TEAM WINS OVER K. P. HOME TEAM AT CROSS PLAINS

The Putnam football team played the K. P. Home team on the Cross Plains field last Friday night in which resulted in a victory for Putnam of 14 to nothing. This was the first game of the season.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Straley and daughter, Freeda, of Oplin, Texas, visited their son and brother, Leonard Straley, Sunday.

364 BALES OF COTTON GINNED IN PUTNAM TO SATURDAY NIGHT 10-5

The Putnam gin had turned out 364 bales of cotton up to Saturday night, ginning 67 bales the same as the week ending Saturday night September 28. There will be more cotton ginned than it was thought would be early in the season. The town only ginned about three hundred and forty bales in 1939 and it looks like there may be ginned as much as 500 bales this year. Cotton is considerably better than it was last year. Quite a lot of it will make one half bale per acre.

HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB TO HAVE PARTY AT SCHOOL LIBERTY

Putnam Home Demonstration club met in regular session at the City Hall on the afternoon of October 8, with Mrs. Weldon Park, vice-president presiding. Those present were: Mrs. Charles Davi, J. E. Heslep, E. N. Hill, Mabel Carico, W. W. Everett, Claude, King and Miss Eva Moor.

The club sponsor a game night in the school library Friday night, October 18th. The public is cordially invited and there will be no charges. Domino and forty-two will be the principal games played.

LOCAL OPTION PETITION TO BE CIRCULATED FOR A BEER ELECTION SOON

A petition is being circulated in Justice Precinct No. 8 of Callahan County asking for a local option vote to see whether the voters of the precinct desire that the sale of beer shall be prohibited by law in the specified precinct. Justice Precinct No. 8 includes only three voting boxes, Erath, Hart and Putnam. Any qualified voter of these boxes may sign this petition if he, or she, desires to do so.

As a non-partisan accommodation to those who desire to sign this petition a copy will be left in the Putnam News Office until late afternoon, Saturday, October 12. Other copies will be available for signing at the churches of Putnam on Sunday, October 13. Anyone who wishes to sign this petition must do so at once. Those initiating the petition state that a large number of qualified voters must sign the petition before it will be filed with the County Clerk.

Leonard Alvey of the Union community was in town Saturday afternoon and reported it getting pretty dry; but stated there was plenty of time for rain as it was really to sow yet anyway.

Miss Theda Smith one of the teachers in the Putnam school visited home folks at Wichita Falls over the week end.

MRS. GEO. BIGGERSTAFF RECEIVES RECOGNITION ON COMPOSING MUSIC

Ray C. Farral radio officers at sea of the S.S. Trans-Atlantic Gulf-trade company composed a lyric while on a voyage out and sent it to Mrs. George Biggerstaff, an accomplished singer and composer of music here to set the music to the song.

It has recently been published and Mrs. Biggerstaff has received several copies mailed to her from Williamsport, N.C.

Mrs. Biggerstaff also composed music from another lyric which has been accepted by a Los Angeles publishing company; but owing to advance financial rating to date it has not yet come out.

It was accepted as a two page solo. The Putnam people are proud of Mrs. Biggerstaff's musical achievement and the News together with the Putnam people wish her continued success in this endeavor.

METHODIST LADIES WILL SPONSOR RUMMAGE AND FOOD SALE OCTOBER 19

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist church will sponsor a food and rummage sale in Putnam in the south lobby of the Mission hotel all during the day Saturday, October 19. Things which will be available at the special sale are cooked foods, canned foods, dressed chickens, new and used clothing and linens, quilts.

Because of the opportunity of such a sale make your plans now to visit the display and sales room in the Mission hotel on Saturday, October 19. Every one is invited to participate in this sale. You may direct your donations and inquiry to M. S. W. N. Byrd, president. The proceeds of the sale will go to the work sponsored by the women of the church.

SINGING CONVENTION TO MEET AT ADMIRAL FIRST SUNDAY IN NOV.

The Callahan County singing convention met in its regular monthly session at the Baptist church in Cottonwood, Sunday afternoon. There was a large crowd in attendance with the church filled to overflowing.

There was a large crowd in attendance and after the singing, the convention was invited to have next session at Cross Plains and Mrs. J. D. Camben invited the next session to Admiral. A vote was taken and the next session will go to Admiral the first Sunday in November.

THE NEWS RECEIVES THE FIRST COPY OF THE ROWENA PRESS

The News received an issue of the Rowena Press published at Rowena by Cleo Evans, who is a son of Mrs. A. B. Everett of Putnam.

The Press is a five column four page paper and full of news and well patronized by the business men of Rowena with a number of good sized ads amounting to around two hundred inches. Mr. Evans runs the Magnolia filling station here for about six months. He has had quite a lot of experience in the newspaper business and no doubt will make an excellent paper out of the press. This was his first issue.

ANNUAL PRISON RODEO PERFORMANCE WILL BE AIRED FROM HUNTSVILLE

HUNTSVILLE, Texas—Oct. 2—A part of the opening performance of the Tenth Annual Texas Prison Rodeo, which gets under way here Sunday, October 6, will be broadcast by radio station WBAP, Fort Worth, S. E. Barnett, publicity director for the annual event announced here today. This special broadcast will come direct from Prison Stadium at 3 p. m. and will continue until the show is over.

Harold V. Hough, known throughout the radio world as the "Hired Hand" will be at the microphone describing the exciting actions as it unfolds for the benefit of the thousands of people who for one reason or another, are unable to attend this spectacular attraction. Mr. Hough will be assisted by Bob Cayton, world renowned cowboy announcer and special rodeo entertainer.

Mr. and Mrs. Sal Gattis of Scranton visited with Mr. and Mrs. Wylie Clinton Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Hutchison of Abilene visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alton Hutchison Sunday.

CALLAHAN COUNTY IS EXPECTED TO SIGN UP 2,500 MEN WEDNESDAY

Approximately 2,500 men, between the ages of 21 and 35 inclusive, are expected to register for military service in Callahan county Wednesday, October 16.

County Clerk Mrs. S. E. Settle will be in charge of registration in this county under the conscription law in accordance with Governor W. Lee O'Daniel's announcement last week that county clerks will have charge of the registration in each of the 254 counties in Texas.

General election judges in the 18 Callahan county voting boxes will be called upon to volunteer their services from seven a.m. until nine p.m. It is pointed out that all clerks who have in past year assisted in this type of work, as well as World War veterans will be asked to help also. Volunteers should offer their services to the presiding general election judge.

Supplies for the registration may be obtained from the office of Mrs. Settle, and all judges are expected to have these in hand within the next few days.

The United States flag must be displayed at each registration place, according to instructions received by the County Clerk and Commissioners Court from Governor W. Lee O'Daniel.

The County Clerk will be the official immediately responsible for registration of men under the conscription law, from which group the desired number will be picked for selective military service.

Forms for registration will be supplied but each county must provide the necessary chairs, tables, pens and ink. Flags, it was suggested, may be borrowed for the day.

Volunteer workers will be used, the instructions stated. They may be men or women but men within the draft age may not be registrars. In order to gauge how many registrars will be needed, selective headquarters of the state estimate that registrants will number approximately 80 percent of the persons who voted at the same polling place in the Democratic primary election last July.

"As Governor of Texas," O'Daniel said, "I am now placing in your hands this responsibility with my full assurance and confidence that it will be honestly and faithfully discharged. It will be a tremendous job and one that will require much work and full co-operation of not only ourselves but also of citizens of your community."

On October 17, the day after registration, the county clerks will turn the registration cards over to local board which will have been appointed in the meantime.

At voting boxes where the general election judge is unable to serve due to the fact that he is of military age, or for some other reason, Mrs. Settle named the democratic precinct chairman to serve in his stead. The list is given the Review yesterday for the entire county is as follows:

- Baird, Ben L. Russell, Jr.
- Belle Plain, Silas Dunlap.
- Cottonwood, Ode Strahan and E. N. Whitehorn.
- Clyde, Earl Hayes.
- Cross Plains, S. F. Bond.
- Admiral, Ed Davis.
- Putnam, Harry Sandlin.
- Erath, E. W. McColium.
- Eula, William Smith.
- Caddo Peak, Felix Oglesby.
- Dudley, Atto Betcher or Kirby Meyers.
- Atwell, J. C. Brashear.
- Lanham, R. H. Morrisett.
- Dressy, C. R. Steele.
- Oplin, Chas. Allen and A. D. McWhorter.
- Rowden, W. V. Roberts and Ray Boen.
- Denton, Roy Kendrick.
- Hart, E. C. Warren and A. H. Wagley.

METHODIST CALENDAR

- Sunday, October 13: 10:00 a.m.—Church School. 11:30 a.m.—Morning Worship. 6:30 p.m.—Young People. 7:30 p.m.—Evening Worship.
- Saturday, October 19: 9:00 a.m.—Beginning of food and rummage sale in the south lobby of Mission Hotel.
- Sunday, October 20: 7:30 p.m.—Fourth Quarterly Conference.
- Sunday, Nov. 3 The last Sunday before Annual Conference. J. Morris Bailey, pastor.

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BEGINNING OF AMERICAN GARDEN CLUBS IS TRACED

The Western world counts its gardening renaissance from the middle of the Eighteenth Century, to the middle of the Nineteenth—a period known as the "Golden Age" of plant introduction. In the beginning America contributed greatly to the floral

wealth of European gardens, particularly those of England and the British Isles. Later much of this material, in one form or another, was returned to Atlantic State gardens, and Charleston and the Southland became the center of horticultural endeavor. When the Civil War came on, however, the Old South lost much of its glamour. If one is to judge by the quickening of garden interests in the Southern States within the last few years, however, the South is in for a return to former splendor and she may again lead the Nation with her beautiful

homes and gardens. **Our Ancestors' Gardens.** Our ancestors' gardens, prior to 1750, contained for the most part, native herbs, shrubs and trees. After that, importations began. The gardens of today are comprised largely of hybrids which have been developed from the wild, or indigenous, species that were featured during the renaissance.

The work of Linnaeus, the founder of the binomial system which rescued plant names from the chaotic state into which they had fallen, was of inestimable value, and it paved the way for modern garden literature. From the late Ernest H. Wilson, long-time keeper of the Arnold Arboretum at Boston, we learn a great deal about the history of America's gardens and of garden literature. In the late Eighteenth Century and in the early years of the Nineteenth centuries were important mediums of information concerning the subject of gardening. The "Gardener's Calendar," likely written by Mrs. Martha Logan of South Carolina, published in 1779, is said to be the first treatise on gardening in this country. "The Gardener's Calendar for South Carolina and North Carolina," by Robert Squibbs, a Charleston publication of 1787, is probably the first separate American book on horticulture. The initial modern horticultural book was "The American Gardener," written by John Gardiner

and David Hepburn, published in Washington, D. C., 1804. At that time and before, Old World publications thrived, and one of them, "The Botanical Magazine," which was started in 1788, continues to this day.

Early Societies

In 1827 the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society was founded and two years later Massachusetts followed with a like organization. Both were preceded by the Horticultural Society of London, founded in 1809, now the Royal Horticultural Society.

Botanical activities in our own State began probably about 1820 with the explorations of Jean Louis Berlandier. In 1830, or thereabouts, Berlandier was followed by Thomas Drummond. Afterwards F. Lindheimer collected plants in Texas which were described by George Engelmann and Asa Gray in a work "Plantae Lindheimerianae," issued in 1845. Sometime later Charles Wright made a collection in the State which also was described by Gray.

There have been numerous other and later explorations and contributions, outstanding of which are the works of Ellen G. Schulz Quillen of San Antonio, whose book, "Texas Wild Flowers," has been a valuable and interesting guide to plant life in the Southwest and Eula Whitehouse's book, "Texas Flowers

in Natural Colors." Other important contributions have come from Mrs. Bruce Reid of Port Arthur; H. B. Parks; the State Forestry Department; Prof. E. W. Winkler and Dr. B. C. Tharp, the two latter of Texas University, the agricultural and horticultural work done at the Agricultural and Mechanical College at College Station and that of the North Texas Teachers' College and at Texas State College for Women at Denton, which organizations send out bulletins of their activities from time to time; the volume, "A Garden Book for Houston," published and sponsored by the Houston Civic Forum, and a reprint of a recent book edited and published by Mrs. Gross R. Scruggs of Dallas, entitled "Gardening in the Southwest," at once reliable and comprehensive. Caroline Drummond's book, "Wild Flowers of Louisiana," is of particular interest to those who wish to study the plants of the Gulf Coast regions. "Adventures in Flowerland" 50 popular Texas plants in blossom, is the title of an attractive book by Lilian Halbert Gantt.

Recently the "Badianus Manuscript," an Aztec Herbal of 1552, was published in English. The herbal is the earliest known book to deal with medicinal plants of America. Before the coming of the Spanish conquerors, the Indians were gaining wide experience in the therapeutic use of plants.

STATE FAIR HEADS HOPE FOR RECORD BREAKING CROWDS

Dallas, Texas—To the tune of swinging paint brushes, rumbling trucks and the pounding of a thousand hammers, last minute work is being rushed this week for the opening of the State Fair of Texas on Saturday, October 5th. With an outstanding calendar of events scheduled for the 16-day show, Fair officials hope to top the 1939 record breaking attendance of 1,036,708.

The Fair will present the greatest livestock show in its 52-year history. Headlined by the National Hereford Show and Regional Holstein Friesian Show. The finest stock on the continent will compete for an all-time high of \$100,000 in cash premiums.

The amusements event of the season in the Southwest will be the Fair's giant outdoor musical revue, "Americana," to be presented on a 300-foot stage, with a cast of 150 dancers and top-name entertainers.

Topping the long list of free attractions will be the noted Mexican Mariachi Orchestra, the Swor Brothers All-Girl Minstrel, and a novel Tractor Rodeo.

With the Federal Government participating, the 1940 State Fair of Texas will present the largest Chemurgy Show ever held, including as a feature, the National Plastics Show, an outstanding exhibit at the San Francisco World's Fair.

The Agriculture Building will house more than 150 elaborate exhibits from 60 counties, 32 Future Farmer groups, 26 Four-H Clubs and numerous Home Demonstration groups, paying tribute to the State's leadership in agriculture.

A hydroponic show, demonstrating the water culture of giant plants and vegetables; the world's largest showing of farm and road machinery; an outstanding exhibition of contemporary American art for the Fine Art Museum; an all-bred Dog Show; a big schedule of athletic events for the Cotton Bowl; and the biggest Hobby Show ever held in Texas will be but a few of the features of the 1940 Fair.

Beautiful girls from scores of Texas towns will participate in the Queen of Queens Pageant on opening day, the same day also designated as Press Day. The entire Second Division of the U. S. Army from Fort Sam Houston will be at the Fair for Arm. Day, October 7.

Texas Vehicles Paid \$52.50 In Taxes in 1939, Survey Shows
AUSTIN, Texas.—The average tax burden on each vehicle in Texas was \$52.50 during 1939, according to figures for the tax year furnished the Texas Motor Transportation Association.

Texas was above the national average of \$50.82, but twenty-second below the high of \$82.13 paid for each vehicle in Florida. This \$52.50 includes \$27.04 paid for state gasoline taxes, \$13.17 paid for state registration and other fees, \$7 paid to the federal government in gasoline taxes, and \$4.40 paid for other federal excise taxes.

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For District Clerk
RAYMOND YOUNG
For County Treasurer
MRS. WILL McCoy
For County Assessor and Collector
MRS. T. W. BRISCOE
For County Judge
B. H. FREELAND
For County Clerk
LESLIE BRYANT
For Commissioner Precinct No. 3
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Dairy Sanitation Will Be Strictly Enforced in Texas

Action being taken now by the United States Government in the enforcement of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act is far reaching in effect. The activity will be keenly felt by Texas farmers, dairymen and manufacturers of dairy products who have not taken steps to correct sanitary conditions which might bring their products under the ban of the law.

The act is intended as a safeguard against adulterated food products and cream going into the manufacture of dairy products falls under the class of adulteration. Enforcement activities at this time, insofar as the dairy industry is concerned, are centered on butter made from old, mouldy, rancid or unclean cream. Under the law, butter made from such cream is subject to seizure and the manufacturer liable to a thousand dollar fine or one year in jail, with stiffer penalties for those convicted after a prior offense.

Commenting on the act and its effect on the State's dairy industry, M. E. McMurray, Executive Secretary of the Texas Dairy Products Association says: 'While the situation is indeed serious, it is purely one of quality improvement, a thing our organization has been hammering at for five years. The question now is how quickly we can get over to the thousands of Texas farmers and dairymen that there is no fooling this time. They will have to clean out or get out, for the Government has evolved a test which is infallible and places the blame squarely where it belongs—on the person who produces or handles cream under unsanitary conditions. We do not think Texas is as bad or any worse than any other state, but many of its farmers and dairymen will have to revise their ideas and standards of quality if they are to stay in business.'

Farmers To Vote On 1941 Cotton Quota Here December 7th

Voting procedure in the cotton marketing quota referendum, December 7, will be the same as was used in the referendum last year.

All cotton producers in the state will be given the opportunity to vote in the referendum to decide whether quotas will be in effect in 1941. George Slaughter, state AAA committee chairman, pointed out. In last year's referendum, 82 percent of the cotton producers voting in Texas favored quotas, while 91 percent of the producers in the nation voted "yes."

A national cotton marketing quota of approximately 12,000,000 bales, the same as in effect for the current year, has been proclaimed by Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard.

The county AAA committees will be in charge of all arrangements for the referendum in the various counties, the chairman said, and the voting will be handled just as in any regular election. The committee will choose three local farmers to serve as election officers in each community. Voting places will be provided for all communities where cotton is produced, the county committee designating the places and providing ballot boxes. Voting places will open at 9 a. m., December 7.

All voting will be by secret ballot, each farmer marking his ballot and casting it in the customary manner used in secret balloting.

To be effective in 1941, cotton marketing quotas must be approved by two-thirds of the farmers voting in the nation. If approved, quotas will apply to all states, counties and communities where cotton is produced.

ESTRAY NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that Oliver D. Allen, County Commissioner of Precinct No. 3, of Callahan County has this day legally estrayed the following animal:

One white-face yearling heifer, branded D. W. on left side, marked over-bit left ear, crop and under-bit right ear.

Said estray has been running at large for 30 days, on R. L. Williams place 5 miles North-west of Putnam in Callahan County, Texas.

Said estray will be sold for cash to the highest bidder at the R. D. Williams place, about 5 miles North-west of Putnam, Texas, on the first Monday in November, A. D. 1940, being the 4th day of November, A. D. 1940, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 6 o'clock P. M.

Given under my hand and seal of office, at Baird, Texas, this the 24th day of September A.D. 1940. MRS. F. E. SETTLE, Clerk, County Court, Callahan County, Texas



In this national election year when the "free and unfettered Democrats" will drink deep at the springs of glorious tradition, it seems appropriate that tribute be paid to the "forgotten man" of the party's history—William Jennings Bryan.

No man ever held the leadership of a major party longer than the brilliant Bryan, silver-tongued orator of the Middle West, and in the quarter of a century that the spotlight beat upon him, not one whisper was ever heard against his character. The pendulum which swings far to one side has a way of swinging back in the other direction and so the name of Bryan ere long will be accorded recognition along with the names of Jackson, Jefferson and Wilson.

Though famed for his eloquence, Bryan had a genial humor and could clinch an argument with a story. Each of the selfish interests, when it came time to draw up a protective tariff, reminded Bryan of the dealer in second-hand clothes who had helped a prospective customer try on a coat and vest and when the merchant turned around with the trousers, the fellow was running down the street. "Stop thief!" the dealer yelled and a policeman started pulling a pistol. The store-keeper shouted, "Shoot him in the pants; the coat and vest are mine."

Bryan said a republican leader reminded him of the business man who called in his creditors, told them he was broke and had nothing to pay them with but when he died, they could have his body. One little man spoke up, "I'd like to have dot fellow's gall."

Dissatisfied with the direction that the party was going but remembering that he had been three times the presidential nominee Bryan said he was like a fellow who was in a theatre on a play's first night. Everybody was booing and hooting except this one man and so the chap sitting next to him asked, "You didn't write this thing, did you?" and he said, "No." The next question was, "Is the leading lady your sister?" and again the answer was "No." The other persisted, "Surely you don't think the play is good?" and once more he replied, "No." So the questioner asked, "Why aren't you hooting, then?" And the fellow explained, "I came in on a pass but if it gets any worse I'll go out, buy a ticket, then come back in and boo louder than anybody else."

Referring to the fact that he had three times been beaten for the presidency, Bryan told of an intoxicated man who was thrown out of a club three times and, picking himself up, said: "I know what's the matter with those people; they don't want me in there."

CHEESE INDUSTRY UNCROWDED FIELD SAY U. T. EXPERTS

University of Texas scientists are getting ready to help Texas agriculturists launch a new industry—cheese manufacture.

Long monopolized by Middle West dairymen, this field is being explored by the University's Bureau of Industrial Chemistry. Dr. Monroe Kriegel, assistant professor of chemical engineering, has been borrowed from Texas College of Arts and Industries, Kingsville, to head the investigation.

Dr. Kriegel's job, according to bureau director E. P. Schoch, is not one of actual research in cheese manufacture, but a task of running down and coordinating all information available on Texas resources which will support this special branch of the dairy industry.

The bureau must be able to supply information on the number of cows necessary to maintain a cheese factory, the cost of feeding the cows, how to finance such a plant, what equipment is necessary, how to process the cheese, where markets are available, etc.

Inspired by the general program of state industrialization, Texas communities have become increasingly interested in cheese manufacture, Dr. Schoch declares. For some time questions regarding establishment of processing units have found their way into bureau mail. Net result was that the University bureau simply took up the role of clearing house for information gathered in all corners of the State, hired Dr. Kriegel to do the job.

Help has come from Texas A. and M. College in regard to extension experts available, from the State Department of Health regarding legal restrictions and sewage disposal problems, from Kraft Cheese Corporation concerning contracts made with independent cheese companies from the U. S. Department of Agriculture, and from manufacturers of cheese plant machinery.

Since cheese processing is not an over-crowded field, Dr. Schoch sees in it and other dairy industries, an outlet for Texas products of which the State has just become aware.

Officials Announce Civil Service Tests

In connection with the National Defense Program, the United States Civil Service Commission has announced examination to fill the positions listed below. Applications must be on file with the Commission's Washington office not later than the dates specified. Two closing dates are given—the first for receipt of application from States east of Colorado, the second for Colorado and States westward. The salaries given are subject to a retirement deduction of 3 1/2 percent.

Border patrolman, \$2,000 a year. Border Patrol, Department of Justice. Applicants must have been regularly engaged for at least 1 year in outdoor activities on a general written test, but will also be given oral and physical examinations. Applicants must have reached their twenty-first but must not have passed their thirty-fifth birthday. The age limits will not be waived in any case. Closing dates for receipt of applications are October 21 and October 24, 1940.

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Cottonwood Club In Regular Meeting 4

The regular meeting of the Cottonwood home demonstration club was held October 4, at the club room in the high school building.

Mrs. S. E. Archer was elected alternate reporter and Mrs. O. D. Strahan alternate council delegate.

Present at the meeting were: Mesdames, Floyd Coffey, Sam Moore, Sub Peavy, Bryan Bennett, Norman Coffey, O. D. Strahan, N. G. Borden, J. F. Coffey and Miss Eunice Hembree.

Next meeting of the club will be held at the home of Mrs. H. S. Varner on October 18.

AUSTIN—Prices of most farm crops in Texas were somewhat lower while all meat animals were somewhat higher than a month before, the Federal Agricultural marketing service reported here today based on September 15 records. Exceptions were wheat, oats and barley which registered slight increases and cotton and cottonseed which remained unchanged from a month before and a year before.

AUSTIN—A Joint University of Texas-W.P.A. project to chart every oil, gas and deep-water well in the state is being planned by the University, according to Director R.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends and the people of Putnam in general for their aid and assistance given us during the illness of Mr. Ramsay which was caused from a fall several weeks ago.

Mrs. Gus Brandon return this week from Big Spring where she had been visiting her sister.

Alvin Heslep of Jal, New Mexico visited Mr. and Mrs. Jim Heslep his parents over the week end.

Rev. and Mrs. H. L. Burnam of Spur are visiting relatives and friends in Putnam and surrounding country this week.

Rev. Burnam filled the pulpit at the Baptist church Sunday at the 11 o'clock services.

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COTTONWOOD

Mrs. H. S. Varner attended the Mrs. Lida Hinsley of Abilene, Mrs. Minnie Ledbetter, sons J. B. and

Mrs. Walker Respass and Dixie Ann spent week end with her mother reunion of her family, the Griffins at Lampasas last week end.

Offis Coats of Quannah and Geo. Coats, Jr. of Knox City visited with their father G. W. Coats last week. Jack and daughter, Miss Wilda Ruth Ledbetter of Scranton visited with Eunice Hembree Sunday.

er Mrs. J. H. Johnson and Miss Ann of Baird.

Quincy Mitchell of Fort Worth is visiting his mother Mrs. J. D. Mitchell this week.

Owen Coats of Lubbock spent last week end with his brother, Mr. Geo. Coats who is ill, but reported better at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Loftin Braggs and baby of Sterling City visited her grand-parents Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Moore Sunday.

O. F. Bennett was carried to the hospital at Baird Tuesday, suffering with appendicitis.

Mrs. Arthur Weldon and son attended West Texas Fair Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Griffin of Illinois visited with Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Varner Monday.

The workers conference met with Cottonwood Baptist Tuesday. We had a large crowd and a good day.

Community night will be Friday night at the Gym. The lady teachers will have charge of the program.

A Good Word Said For Bull Nettles

COLLEGE STATION. — Somebody has finally got around to saying a good word for the bull nettle.

The "somebody" is two University of California scientists who found that the plant contained a protein-digesting enzyme resembling pepsin in its action.

It is even more like the digestive compound found in the subtropical fruit papaya, known as papain. Papain has long been used as a medicine for indigestion, and it is possible that the new enzyme, which has been named solanain, may be useful in the same way.

It is also thought that solanain may find economic application in tanning and other industries, especially since it is more resistant to heat than other digestive enzymes.

Maybe Texas farmers will be planting bull nettles some day.

SLEEPING SICKNESS IN HORSES AND MULES IS MOVING TOWARD SOUTH

Sleeping sickness in horses and mules which has been found in North Texas is now making its way south and has made its appearance in the vicinity of Brazos county, Dr. A. A. Lenert, head of the department of veterinary medicine and surgery at Texas A&M College said Friday.

We have had approximately 20 cases of the disease recently and they all came from nearby Edge, Kurten, Ncmangee and Madisonville," he said. "We do not keep the animals in the hospital here but simply give their treatment and prescribe the nursing to be followed at home."

He explained that while the disease is infectious it is not contagious and can be prevented by inoculation done by a veterinarian. After the animal takes the disease early treatment may save it but in many cases it dies due to delayed treatment," he added, in advising preventive treatment.

"The animal may stand up alone for five or six days with the disease and still be cured but once it gets down the chance of recovery is very small," he explained.

NOW IS GOOD TIME TO PLAN LANDSCAPE

COLLEGE STATION, Oct. 11—While any time is a good time to plan a home landscape this part of the year presents some definite advantages, in the opinion of Sadie Hatfield, specialist in landscape gardening for the A. & M. college extension service.

"For example, now is the time to get outside and look about. You can note the direction of the sun morning and evening and see where trees are needed. Put down a peg on each of the spots, then next winter do something about getting trees planted there," the specialist advised and the value of green grass to reduce glare of the sun is also apparent just now.

Persons who wish to landscape their entire premises will profit from visiting well-landscaped homes and farms in their own communities and counties. A list of these can be provided by county home agricultural agents.

According to Miss Hatfield, the home grounds fall naturally into three divisions—the public area, which is chiefly the front lawn; the service area, where unattractive things such as wood piles and garbage cans are located; and the private area which is generally known as the outside living room.

Two other suggestions which Miss Hatfield makes to people who are planning landscapes are that they visit their local nurseries to study the plants which they were for sale and to study native trees and shrubs growing in pastures or woodlands of their own communities

Austin, October 11—Thirty state-wide organizations will actively support a traffic legislative program designed to reduce Texas traffic toll according to an announcement by Mrs. Joseph Perkins, of Eastland, chairman of the legislative committee of the Texas Safety Association.

Mrs. Perkins, also president of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs, said that the women of Texas would raise a strong voice in urging the next session of the legislature to remedy the present deficient traffic laws.

"Mrs. J. A. Wessendorff, president of the Texas Congress of Parents and Teachers, has pledged the support of her powerful organization to the safety legislative program," Mrs. Perkins said. "The two women's organizations will re-

COURT HOLDS THAT UTILITIES MUST BE PAID FAIR PRICES

A Federal court decision, giving needed protection to the millions of people who have invested their savings in utilities property, only to see its value endangered by threats of public ownership confiscation, recently was handed down in the State of Washington which forces payment of a fair price for any part of a utilities system taken over by government agencies. Legal authorities regard it as having potentially great importance according to news reports.

It was held by the court that a utility company is entitled to severance damages when it is compelled

present a combined membership of over 200,000."

"Traffic murder must be stopped and the quickest, most effective way will be through corrective safety legislation."

Included in the traffic safety legislative program adopted at the recent Texas legislative conference in Austin are a strengthened drivers license law, an increase in the present driving while-intoxicated law, a revision of obsolete speed laws, and unfirm accident reporting.

to sell a portion of its system to a public utility district. In the case on which the court rendered its decision, the public ownership promoters involved must pay \$5,000,000 for the properties they tried to force the private company to sell for \$3,000,000.

"It is obvious that the value of any part of an integrated utility system cannot be accurately judged by the worth of the physical property it represents," it is pointed out by the decision. "Instead, the value must be established in its relation to the whole system if it is to be fair and equitable."

In other words, "the mere money value of the distribution lines serving the city are no arbiter of their worth to the utility as a whole."

One technique of the power socialists, it was recalled, "has been to force private utilities to sell the best parts of their systems, at low prices, and without severance damage."

It is expected that, in the interest of fair play, to say nothing of the welfare of the millions of people who actually own the utility properties, that the Washington decision will do away with a gross injustice.

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