

# THE PUTNAM NEWS

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## PUTNAM YOUTH BURIED WEDNESDAY

Lee Thompson, 7 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Thompson, died at their home about seven miles south of Putnam Tuesday evening of influenza after a short illness. The funeral was held at the home Wednesday afternoon, with Reverend Jno. W. Reynolds of Cisco officiating, assisted by Rev. F. A. Hollis, local pastor. Rev. J. R. Mayes, of Baird, took charge at the cemetery. Burial was in the Putnam cemetery.

## GREYHOUND ANNOUNCES XMAS EXCURSIONS

Additional Christmas excursion fares effective December 13th, were announced today by A. F. Balus, general traffic manager for Southwestern Greyhound Lines. The round trip excursions will be one and one-half times the one way fare and will be good between all points on Southwestern Greyhound Lines. Mr. Balus stated that the excursion fares will be in effect during the entire holiday season up until January 1st, and will carry liberal return limits.

## NOTICE TO PUBLIC

Beginning at 7 p. m. a special program will be given by the Boy Scouts at the theatre building, first door south of the post office. The parents of the Scouts are asked to bring plates, cups and spoons. Everyone is invited to attend. A charge of 10c per plate will be asked, the proceeds of which will go to register the troop for 1935.

## AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT DEATH RATE CONTINUES TO CLIMB

AUSTIN.—The number of deaths in Texas due to automobile accidents during the past five years more than equals the number of Texans killed during the World War, according to a statement issued by the State Department of Health. Last year over twelve hundred persons met death in this manner and from the figures compiled so far for 1934 the number of deaths will be even higher. Most of the automobile accidents occur on week-ends or holidays. This is a surprising fact since fewer pedestrians are abroad and traffic congestion in towns and cities is less on Sunday than on other days of the week. The paradox may be explained in part from having more inexperienced drivers on the road, together with their failure to observe traffic rules. Some of the most frequent violations of traffic rules are: Exceeding the speed limit, driving on the wrong side of the road, failure to give right of way, and running without lights. The observance of rules and regulations is not enough to prevent all accidents. The car itself must be in good shape, especially the brakes and steering connections. The common sense must be used in all situations. The consequences of an automobile accident are so disastrous that no one can afford to stand on their legal rights in a situation of impending danger. Only if you have conceded such rights and have made every possible effort to avoid an accident, can you consider yourself blameless in case of accident.

## GRIGG'S HOSPITAL NOTES

Mrs. J. H. Fisher entered the hospital Friday, undergoing major surgery Friday night.  
Mrs. Lydia Mae Sprawls of Putnam entered the hospital Sunday night suffering from pneumonia.  
Mrs. Lottie Moore and daughters, of Jess Pointe near Oplin, car wreck victims, were patients Monday night. Miss Moore suffered lacerated knees, hands, and face.  
Aaron Bell of Baird was a patient Saturday for x-ray of foot.  
Daniel Davila, section laborer of Tye, is slowly improving.  
Oscar Black was brought back to the hospital Thursday. He seems to be improving.  
Mrs. Lloyd Duncan of Baird left the hospital Monday.  
Mrs. Lewis Johnson of Baird left the hospital Saturday following an appendicitis operation.  
Will Walls of Baird left the hospital Friday night following a severe attack of pneumonia.  
Willy Smiley of Rowden left the hospital Sunday following an attack of asthma and flu.  
Uncle Tom White of Baird is slowly improving.  
Mrs. H. A. Versyp of Baird, who underwent major surgery last week, is recovering nicely.  
Dr. T. J. Laman and O. A. Wooten of Baird were business visitors in Putnam Friday.

## Princess Comes Home



NEW YORK... Princess Alexis Mdivani, former Barbara Hutton of the American Woolworth millions, is home for a visit. She denies that there has been a rift between the Prince and herself.

## PUTNAM IS CENTER FOR SEWING PROJECT

Putnam has been selected as a center for the sewing project of Callahan county, under the supervision of the F. R. C. Nine local people have received employment. Mrs. L. B. Williams has been appointed supervisor. Others employed are Mes James J. E. Heslep, Maida Conlin, Lona Robeson, Fred Shannon, Lola Connell, Lawson Yeager, F. L. Hanlin, Lula Dixon.  
At this writing about 30 shirts have already been cut, fitted and completed.

## UNION P. T. A. TO PRESENT "WHITTLIN" FRIDAY NIGHT

"Whittlin," a three act comedy-drama, is to be presented by the Union P. T. A. at Union schoolhouse Friday night, Dec. 14. The cast is:  
Dr. Adam Good, the village doctor—Mr. Jackson.  
Ruth Wilson, the doctor's patient—Marguerite Richardson.  
Mrs. Martha Wilson, Ruth's mother—Oma Mae Davis.  
Dave Patterman, the village crab—Mr. R. Russell.  
Jimmie Edwards, "Dope"—Durood Allen.  
"Gip," an old friend of Jimmie's—Herbert Green.  
Negro sketches will be presented between acts of the play.  
Price—10 and 15 cents.

## ALONG THE SCOUT TRAIL

By P. L. Butler  
Boy Scout Troop No. 17 will be run on a different plan for the year 1935. What it is now being run. The first change will be a patrol competition between each patrol, which will be published in the News later. Second, on account of the financial condition of the troop no monthly dues will be charged, but each Scout who earns a badge will have to pay for it. Third, each patrol leader will be asked to get the members of his patrol together, and have their patrol meetings separately, just before general assembly at the regular troop meetings. At this time reports will be turned in to the Scoutmaster as to the number in attendance, good turns, etc. Fourth, it is our plan to have the chairman of the Troop Committee take charge at each count of honor to be held during the year.  
Fifth, a patrol scribe will be appointed for each patrol, their duties being to keep a record of his patrol as to its attendance, number of advancements, good turns, etc. Sixth, a troop scribe will also be appointed, his duty being to send in reports of all meetings to headquarters in Abilene, and furnish the Scoutmaster a copy of the same, and keep a copy on file. Seventh, during the spring and summer months it will be our aim to go on at least two "one week" hikes to Big Sandy and Camp Tonkawa, and really put the "out" in Scouting, and learn by doing things that will help us. Eighth, we want to start to work on plans for the annual Jamboree at Camp Tonkawa, and see if we can win a large number of points next year. We hope a large number of boys will attend summer camp. Ninth, the patrol that wins the most points in the patrol competition mentioned above will be given a cooking rack.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Everett and son, Billy, attended an all-day church meeting and singing at Abilene Sunday.

## CALLAHAN ALLOTTED TEACHERS FOR PROJECT

Callahan county has received an allotment of 15 teachers for the organization of adult classes, wherein various practical subjects will be taught. Teachers who have been selected for the work are Mrs. J. R. Lattimore of Baird, Louisa Tyler of Clyde, Susie Barr of Clyde, Edith Reed of Oplin, Leota Loving of Cross Plains, Elizabeth Burke of Rowden, Elizabeth Jackson of Cross Plains, H. L. Hammons of Clyde, Gertrude Nelson of Clyde, Mrs. Missouri Strahan of Cottonwood, Charles F. Schulze, W. G. Black of Clyde, Janey Belle Baton of Clyde, Corinna Taylor, Nimrod, Mildred Yeager, Putnam.

The schools will begin Monday, Dec. 17, and all adults over 16 years of age will be eligible to attend. There will be ten hours of class work each week, all of which will be given by the lecture method. There will be no study, questions, or examinations required for those enrolled.

## GOD'S PROCLAMATION TO HIS PEOPLE

By C. C. Andrews, Baird, Texas (Continued from last week)

We learn from the apostle Paul that "God spoke unto his people in olden times by his prophets." In the following scriptures we find some things written by the prophet Joel, 1st and 2nd Chap. A great depression was in effect, and he prescribes the way of relief.  
"Sanctify ye, a fast, (deny your selves,) call a solemn assembly, gather all the people of God unto the house of the Lord your God, and cry unto the Lord."  
"The seed is rotten under their clods, the garners are laid desolate, the barns are broken down; for the corn is withered."  
"How do the beasts groan! the herds of cattle are perplexed, because they have no pasture; yea, the flocks of sheep are made desolate."  
"The beasts of the field cry also unto thee: for the rivers are dried up, and the fire hath devoured the pastures."  
"THEN, (when they humbly assemble and cry unto the Lord,) will the Lord be jealous for his land, and pity all his people."  
"Be glad then, (when relief comes) and rejoice in the Lord your God: for he hath given you the former rain moderately, and he will cause to come down for you the rain, the former rain, and the latter rain."  
"And the floors shall be full of wheat, and I will restore to you the years the locust hath eaten, the cankerworm and the palmerworm, my great army which I sent among you. And you shall eat in plenty, and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, that hath dealt wonderfully with you."  
The above in many respects is not unlike our present condition.  
"The seed is rotten under the clods."  
"The barns are broken down."  
"The corn is withered."  
"The meat is cut off before our eyes."  
"The beasts groan."  
"The herds of cattle are perplexed."  
"They have no pasture."  
"The sheep are made desolate."  
"The fire hath devoured the pastures."  
"The beasts of the fields cry also unto thee." (for grass and water).  
"The rivers of water are dried up!"  
How Did Relief Come?  
"Sanctify a fast." (Self denial).  
"Call a solemn assembly."  
"Gather the people of God to the house of the Lord."  
"Cry unto the Lord."  
"Turn unto the Lord with all your heart."  
"With fasting, (self denial) and with weeping, and with mourning."  
"And your hearts and not your garments."  
"THEN, will the Lord pity his people."  
"AND, THEN, they shall be glad and rejoice."  
(To be continued)

## N. Y. Baby Legislator



ALBANY, N. Y. . . . James Edward Hill, 25, (above), will be the "baby" of the New York Legislature when that body convenes early in January. He is a Republican from Binghamton, N. Y., and the youngest member of either house.

## PUTNAM ADULT SCHOOL WILL OPEN MONDAY

The adult school for Putnam, which has recently been approved as a project by the Federal government, will open Monday evening at 7:00. The building has not yet been decided upon, but a building will be selected for the convenience of the majority of the people. All adults interested, inquire at Putnam News office. Miss Mildred Yeager will teach the school.

## MRS. SHORT HOSTESS TO STUDY CLUB

The Woman's Study Club met in the home of Mrs. Fred Short in east Putnam Monday afternoon at 3 in regular meeting, with Mrs. Short as hostess. A special study was made of the book, "Borgia" by Zona Gale. Mrs. G. S. Pruet read a paper discussing Is Borgia a Good Study of American Family Life? Why? Mrs. Lynn L. Williams discussed Can You Fit the Story to Any Particular Section of the Country? Mrs. Fred Farmer's subject was Give a Picture of Each of the Main Characters. Mrs. R. L. Clinton, president, presided and made a few words pertaining to the subject discussed.

It was decided to meet at 2:30 next Monday as the annual Christmas program and exchange of gifts will be in the home of Mrs. B. F. Brittain. Hostesses will be Mrs. Brittain, Mrs. E. P. Whitaker, Mrs. L. L. Williams, and Mrs. L. B. Williams. Those present were Mesdames Lynn L. Williams, B. F. Brittain, Fred Farmer, R. L. Clinton, R. D. Williams, E. P. Whitaker, J. N. Williams, John Cook, Wiley Clinton, J. G. Overton, H. A. Pruet, G. S. Pruet, Fred Short, Misses Tassie Jackson, Mildred Yeager.

## ANNOUNCEMENT

There will be singing Friday evening, December the 28th, at the Fundamental Baptist church, beginning at 7:00. Choirs of all churches of Putnam are invited to take part and present duets, quartets, solos, etc. Singers from Clyde and Union will be present. Miss Louise Karkalitz of Cisco will give a talk, and singers from Cisco will likely be present.

Production credit loans are made upon adequate security to responsible farmers who can furnish a definite budget plan for repayment. This form of credit has been worked out to meet the particular needs of farmers and stockmen and is an important part of the Farm Credit Administration's program of helping farmers to help themselves.

## FAMOUS COMIC SAYS GOODBYE TO BOY ROLES

Harold Lloyd has bid adieu to his portrayal of the adolescent youth. No longer will he attempt to bring to the screen a boy of eighteen or nineteen years old. It's just a natural development of time, Lloyd says. His more mature character will be introduced in his first picture in two years, "The Cat's Paw," which he has produced from the Saturday Evening Post serial by Clarence Buddington Kelland.  
"The boy," as Lloyd always refers to his character, never using the personal pronoun, will be about twenty-seven years old in "The Cat's Paw," and those who have seen the picture already, state Lloyd hardly looks that old. The glasses and the heavy make-up he uses will keep him perennially young.  
"I don't believe we will ever return to the adolescent youth we knew in 'The Freshman,' nor as late as 'Movie Crazy,'" comments Lloyd.  
"The Cat's Paw," which comes to the Plaza Theatre at Baird on Sunday, is the first ever filmed from a published story, and the reception accorded it in its California previews has convinced him that he is on the right track.  
Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Peek, and daughters, Louise, Freda Jean, and Martha Jean Rogers visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Clifford at Trent Sunday.

## DEBATING SUBJECT IS ANNOUNCED

The question for debate among Texas high schools this year is stated as follows:  
Resolved, That the government should own and operate all electric light and power utilities.  
"This question," according to R. F. Webb, who has been elected Director of Debate in this county, "has the great advantage of a very timely one. Under the New Deal one of the great problems concerns generation and distribution of electric power. The TVA is undertaking to furnish a measuring stick by which the justice of rates may be judged over the entire country. The Federal Power Commission is now engaged in a most exhaustive inquiry into this great industry which affects the daily life of millions of our people."  
"The question to be debated is, of course, one of public policy. There is much argument on either side. A great many authorities believe that an industry of this nature cannot be conducted efficiently by any government agency. Other authorities just as competent and just as sincere believe there should be a shift from private to public ownership in order best to subserve the interests of the people as a whole. Thus the question as stated makes an almost ideal one for high school debate. It touches very intimately almost every community in Texas."

"Great power projects are now under way in Texas, and the problem of their administration is a very pressing one. The study of this question by high school students under competent direction and with the stimulus of the debate contest to induce hard work on it should be productive of fine results."  
"Schools intending to enter should file entries with me before February 1."

## M. H. PERKINS WILL ASSIST FARMERS AND CATTLEMEN

Mr. M. H. Perkins of Clyde has been appointed local representative of the Coleman Production Credit Association of Coleman, Texas, and is ready to assist farmers and stockmen in preparing necessary papers to apply for loans for crop or livestock production purposes. Mr. Perkins is also secretary of the Citizens National Farm Loan Association of Clyde.

Mr. Perkins has been authorized to write applications and to help farmers and stockmen in Callahan county and others who prefer to apply at Clyde, in closing their loans. Thus local farmers and stockmen are saved the necessity of making a trip to the headquarters office of the association to arrange for loans.  
Those in this community who will be in need of additional working capital and wish to file applications for loans may get in touch with Mr. Perkins, who can supply all needed information.

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## BAIRD METHODIST ORGANIZED PEOPLE YOUNG

The young people of the Methodist church at Baird organized a Young Adult Group in a meeting at the church Sunday evening at 6:30. Cahal Clinton was elected president; O. A. Wooten, vice president; Irma Dell Mitchell, secretary-treasurer; Leota Alexander, publicity director; Burma Warren, social and recreational chairman.

An H. C. M. program will be given Sunday evening at 7:15. The group will meet each Sunday evening at 6:30.

## BAIRD WELL REACHED 150 FOOT DEPTH

James V. Wright et al No. 1, located in the west townsite of Baird, reached a depth of 150 feet Wednesday. They plan to drill a final depth of 1400 feet.

## SCRANTON NOTES

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Mr. and Mrs. Sublett of Cisco visited her mother, Mrs. J. Bailey Sunday. They were accompanied home by Miss Eunah Sawyers for a few days visit.  
Mr. and Mrs. Chatman of Sweetwater, visited Mrs. Chatman's uncle, P. M. Ray and other relatives the latter part of the week.  
Miss Elizabeth Jobe, public school teacher, visited her brother, Lewis Jobe, of Coleman Saturday.  
Miss Verda Harlow, one of our public school teachers, entertained the faculty and their wives in her home Saturday night, which occasion was enjoyed by all present.  
Earl Ray has been having trouble with hemorrhage following a tonsil operation necessitating a number of trips to his doctor.  
The young people of B. Y. P. U. are planning to give a pageant Sunday evening at 7 p. m. in the Baptist church. The pageant is a religious pageant showing the needs of foreign missions.  
The women of the R. W. M. S. had an all day meeting at the church Wednesday in observance of the W. M. U.'s week of prayer for foreign missions. The following took part on the program.  
Meses E. M. Snoddy, J. D. Sprawls, Noel Black, S. H. Brummett, J. D. Pittman, Pink Pittman, L. C. Haispitt, W. E. Faires, Missa Pauline Pittman, Evelyn Long, Elizabeth Jobe.

## FROM THE EDITOR'S WINDOW

We have missed Uncle Tom White from the court house the last few weeks. We will be glad when we can see him again at his regular post of duty.

Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Cook are riding in a new Chevrolet this week. We also noticed Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Armstrong are owners of a new Chevrolet.

Judge Bowyer of Baird renewed his advertising with us this week. Judge Bowyer has kept abreast of the times. He believes in continual advertising as the modern colleges teach and as everyone knows he has made a success.

Charles Davis was a business visitor in Baird Tuesday for the purpose of purchasing canvass tacks.

Reverend Hollis said it was a sure thing that old Santa Claus would be present at the Christmas tree at Putnam this year. With so many places for Santa Claus to visit Putnam is indeed fortunate to have his presence.

Edgar DeWitt Jones, addressing the Metropolitan Church Federation, outlined the ideal modern clergyman thus:

"The preacher of today needs the courage of a lion, the skin of a hippopotamus, the endurance of a camel, the sagacity of an elephant, the patience of a donkey and as many lives as a cat."

Little Finland has paid her debts to date. This shows what a small country can accomplish. She is a good little country and her action proves that it doesn't take size every time.

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Cards of Thanks, Resolutions of Respect, and any kind of entertainments where admission fee or other monetary consideration is charged, will be charged for at regular advertising rates.

**TAKING THE JOY OUT OF LIFE**

There is always something to take the joy out of life. Just a short time ago Big Jim Farley, Postmaster General of the United States, announced from Washington that the postal department had a surplus of \$12,000,000 giving the people some anticipated relief as they thought possibly they would get a lower rate. But just as Mr. Farley began to strut and boast about the big surplus, saying to himself, "What a wonderful financier I am", some Republican comes along and takes all of the joy out of Mr. Farley by calling his hand in the following way:

"Postmaster General Jim Farley is kicking himself all around the lot for springing that gag about a \$12,000,000 surplus created under the mail's new management. First, some of the unkind writing gentlemen delved into the figures and discovered there actually was a deficit of \$52,000,000 which had been there is where the danger lies: toting

turned from red to black by ignoring ocean and air mail subsidies and the cost of carrying franked mail. Now Big Jim is in an even tougher box. President Roosevelt has called for budget estimates with definite instructions that all regular government establishments pare to the bone. If the budget bureau takes that \$12,000,000 claim literally Jim will be getting a bill instead of a check.—Newspaper Syndicate.

**DEMOCRACY AT THE CROSS ROADS**

Here of late, we've been thinking a good deal about this democracy of ours, and the more we think, it seems like the less we know. Yes, our minds get all muddled up with the problems confronting the world today—The Ship of State is unloosed from her mooring, and she is just floating around at random on the great ocean of mystery, don't know whether to ang'e for a whale, shark or minnow, as new conditions have obliterated the old sign post and the political scilors don't seem to know where to head in. So, as we sea it, Democracy, stands at the cross roads. As yet, this Republic is a young thing, less than one hundred and fifty years old, so to speak, just a kid, wearing short pants, ain't been anywhere much yet. The question of the hour, will this Democratic structure stand up and meet the new conditions that stand out like mountain peaks? Democracy is on trial today. Can it come into court and make proof of the right of stewardship to rule and lead the masses? Can it make proof of the fact that political wisdom resides in the mass-mind, and that the will of the polietariste is a safer guide for the government of men than a monarch? A democracy is such a complex structure, its interest is so varied, officialdom, ever seeking political preferment, over loading the democratic wagon with extra luggage, political promises, etc., and right there is where the danger lies: toting

too much, too heavy, over taxing the capacity of the political vehicle, eh? In spite of ourselves here of late our minds have become contaminated with the philosophy (?) of Socialism—Too much liberty begets radicalism. The conservative says sit steady in the boat and don't rock it, let's leave good enough alone; like the old elephant, his hind legs get shaky, can neither lie down nor get up, so he stands up beside a tree and sleeps.—The radical is right the reverse, he's never satisfied, he's a plunger, he's cedents and old ancient road ways don't spell anything to him, ever looking to the side roads pointing toward frontier kines—Unexplored territory. Conservatism is the fulcrum in the political machinery—Radicalism is the governor on the engine of progress, kinder running wild, not paying much attention to old sign posts. Between the two extremes there is a happy medium—That's what we are looking for now. Radicalism is the pilot house, steering the boat, conservatism is the cabin sitting on cushioned seats, looking dol-ful, all worked up and predicting a ship wreck further down the treacherous (?) stream of progress. In the language of the text—Democracy at the cross roads. To say the least of it this democracy of ours is yet a crude structure, as yet it has not solved all the problems of government. New conditions confront us, the machine age is here, that accounts for over-production, and the idleness of millions of men. The period adjustment has arrived and that's what we are trying to do now, but as yet, we do not know where to head in—"The New Deal." Uncle Sam's butchers went down to the American pig pen and slaughtered five million hogs, not for more pork and bacon, but a security, stabilizing the market—Did not need it, converted same into fertilizer—Rounded up the beef cattle and shot 'em down, too much beef. Hired the American farmers, to let their land lay out, too much cotton, corn, wheat and oats—The need of distribution, millions of hungry folks. Is this a governmental commissionary and an employment agency or a real sure enough democracy? For the time being constitutional limitations have been cast aside, the breaks have been unloosed and the government boat is floundering around out there on an uncharted sea—Hence, Democracy is standing at the cross roads. We are not afraid of a ship wreck of state. No, the American people are too intelligent. It's the ignorant horde, peons and savages who have destroyed governments. We still have the ballot left.

**THE BOOK**  
 the first line of which reads, "The Holy Bible,"  
 and which contains Four Great Treasures  
**PRICE BARTON**

**PAUL MEETS HIS FATE**  
 and if this New Deal don't prove a success, we will change the ship crew by me by.—Dick McCarty's column. Albany News.

**SOME REALISTIC FIGURES**

There is an aspect of realism about the way in which Donald R. Richberg, chairman of the President's unofficial board that is trying to coordinate Government activities, approaches facts. It is refreshing to have a man who understands that no amount of legislation will keep human beings from acting like human beings, bringing a trained and experienced mind to the Government's problem.

We don't know, of course, whether the figures which Mr. Richberg is using in his examination of the facts of unemployment and the annual income that every worker ought to have to keep himself and his family on the right side of the starvation line are correct or not. We have seen too many Government statistics which turned out not to be correct, to have very much confidence in any official figures that come out of Washington. And Republican administrations have been just as loose with their figures as Democrats.

So when Mr. Richberg takes 6,000,000 as the present figure of unemployment, he is more or less guessing but he admits that it is only a guess and we admire him for that. And when he puts \$1,500 a year as the "subsistence level" below which a family cannot live, there is also a large element of guessing—which is also admitted.

But the real point of Mr. Richberg's analysis of the problem of recovery is that, whatever the subsistence level, there can't be any real recovery until a high proportion of family incomes rise above it. For the basis of our past prosperity was in the "luxury" industries, which accounted for more than 25 per cent of all employment in flush times.

The Administration's task, as Mr. Richberg sees it, is not merely to get men back at work but to get them employed at steady wages that will bring their annual incomes enough above the subsistence level so that they can begin to buy automobiles, radio sets, electric refrigerators, new houses, all of the commodities which come in the luxury class.

Whether that can be done in the case of all of the 6,000,000 now unemployed seems to us to be doubtful. Whether it can be done for any high proportion of them, without cutting down the incomes of everybody who is above the subsistence level is, Mr. Richberg admits, a debatable question. If all of the incomes of all the people of the United States were reduced to an equality, there would not be anybody who would have any money to spend for luxuries.—Selected.

Constable: "Have an accident, sir?"  
 Reveler (who has collided with lampost): "No, thanksh—just had one."

**FEDERAL LAND BANK AND COMMISSIONER'S LOAN**

If you wish to refinance your loans with 4-13 and 5 per cent money on long and easy payment plan, see and communicate with

M. H. PFRKINS, Sec'y-Treas.  
 Citizens National Farm Loan Ass'n.  
 Clyde, Texas

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As a Christmas Gift It will be a convenience for Mother, help Dad in business, and a pleasure for the children.

**HOME TELEPHONE & ELECTRIC CO.**  
 T. P. Bearden, General Mgr.



**RINGLETS**

RINGLETS are all the rage. And though they may be difficult for you to do the first time by yourself, it is much simpler by one of our trained operators. Come in and see.

**THE NU-WAY BEAUTY SHOP**  
 Cisco, Texas

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And when you buy them at Penney's you know the price is right

- Electrical Trains .....\$2.98 to \$3.98
- Rubber Dolls,..... 79c; Baby Dolls .....93c
- Steel Wagons .....\$1.98 to \$2.98
- Dresser Sets .....\$2.98 and \$3.98
- Tricycles .....A. \$1.98 to \$7.90
- Shot Guns, Double Barrel .....49c
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After about two years, as we suppose, the case against Paul was dismissed for lack of prosecution, and he made another journey of which we get scattered glimpses in his two epistles to Timothy and the one to Titus. He had been in Crete and other islands and again at Troas. There is a verse which seems inconsequential, but it is luminous; it comes in the sad but triumphant ending of his last letter to Timothy, pleading with him to come to Rome and help carry for him, and to bring Mark. Paul had learned that Mark was a better man than he had thought him.

Only Luke is with me. Take Mark, and bring him with thee: for he is profitable to me for the ministry. . . .

The cloak that I left at Troas with Carpus, when thou comest, bring with thee, and the books, but especially the parchments. When had Paul been at Troas? The only occasion on which we saw him there was in 51, and this was 58! Was he asking for a cloak that he had left seven years before? No, he must have been out of prison and making another great swing around his circle, when he was arrested a second time.

His second imprisonment was very bitter. No longer was he in his own house but, if we may trust tradition, was in the Mamertine prison. The difference was that the first of these was only against the Jews, while now Christianity had grown so fast that the Roman government had begun to fear. How long his second imprisonment lasted we do not know, but there came the dark day when they led him out and killed him. Peter, if we are to believe tradition, had also come to Rome and when sentenced to die asked to be crucified head downward, deeming himself unworthy to be killed in the same manner as his Lord—a magnificent touch of sentiment in a rough old saint.

It is almost certain that Nero, lotted out both these great lives. We have an epistle of Peter's written from "Babylon," by which we suppose he meant Rome, and at the time of writing it he seems not to have been in any immediate danger. But the test came, and he met it gloriously. As for Paul, he died triumphant.

For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand.

I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith; Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness. And nobly had he won it. But to the end he wanted books, and white paper; and he brought his young friend Timothy not to forget them. More knowledge to gain, more epistles to write! His conquering soul went marching on. So we end our glance at the Epistles. Next week: A Misunderstood Book.



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# Local Happenings

J. Rupert Jackson of Baird was in Putnam a short time Monday.

Little Gene Armstrong, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Armstrong, has been ill this week.

Granville A. Plummer of the Lone Star Gas Company, was a business visitor in Putnam Saturday.

Miss Vella Sandlin attended an Eastern Star meeting at Baird Tuesday evening.

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Miss Frances Cook was a visitor in Abilene Tuesday.

J. S. Yeager was a business visitor in Bradshaw Saturday.

Lonnie McCool of Fort Worth visited relatives in Putnam this week.

Dock Isenhower of Cisco was a business visitor in Putnam Monday.

Mrs. G. P. Gaskin, and son Kenneth Wayne attended the Palace Theatre at Cisco Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Kelley of Lueders visited in the home of Mrs. Tom Kelley Tuesday evening.

W. P. Everett, Willard Gaskin, and Jack Cook visited Douglas Kelly of Abilene Sunday afternoon.

Hollis Collins, student of Howard Payne College, spent the week-end in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Collins.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Francisco and small son, Reed of Cisco spent the week-end in the home of Mrs. Francisco's mother, Mrs. W. E. Pruet.

Miss Eloise Norred, student of Hardin and Simmons University, visited in the home of her mother this week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Nordyke and sons, Doyle and Don of Baird visited in the home of Mrs. Nordyke's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Everett Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Coffey and little son, Jimmie Glenn of Cottonwood spent Sunday and Monday in the home of Mrs. Coffey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Everett.

Brother W. C. Ramsay of Merkel visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Teague Saturday. He and Mr. Teague attended church at Breckenridge Saturday afternoon and Sunday.

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## IMPROVEMENT NOTED IN BUSINESS SENTIMENT

AUSTIN. — Substantial improvements have been noted in business sentiment during recent weeks as a result of conferences of bankers and industrial leaders with government officials, according to Dr. F. A. Buchel, assistant director of the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research.

"The outlook with respect to public utilities and railroads is still clouded, however, and the attitude of organized labor toward these newer developments remains uncertain," Dr. Buchel said. "As a result, business statistics have recently shown a reversal from the downward trend which began in June, and the trend at present appears to be definitely upward although until now the improvement has been at a very moderate rate. Moreover, no sharp rise is expected until early spring at best since several months must elapse before the new relationship between government and business can be more fully clarified and confidence developed."

"Recent reports of proposed changes in the National Recovery Administration by Donald Richberg, executive secretary of the National Emergency Council, indicate a genuine effort to separate the chaff from the wheat as a result of the experiments of the past eighteen months and to reconstruct the National Recovery Administration upon a few principles which reason and experience have found to be sound."

"Encouraging reports also continue to come from the National Housing Administration."

"It is becoming apparent to an increasing number of people that our economic plight is not the result of superabundance but rather of scarcity; that the solution lies not in higher hourly or daily wages for labor, but in higher annual incomes expressed in goods. Business management on its part will have to seek its profit not on a wide unit margin of profit on a restricted output but on a narrow margin per unit on a large output. Only in this way can real wealth in terms of goods and services be created and the wants of the people more fully satisfied. One has only casually to look about to see how inadequately even the ordinary needs of modern life in a large percentage of homes are satisfied. Too often this situation is vaguely and inaccurately attributed to inequitable distribution of wealth, implying that if existing wealth and income were properly distributed there would be an abundance of goods for everyone. It is true that maladjustments exist in the portions of the national income that go to various economic groups. For example, and speaking broadly, since the close of the war the agricultural population has, perhaps, been at the greatest disadvantage; whereas during and before the war salaried workers were in the less favorable position. After recognizing fully the need and urgency of correcting these obvious maladjustments in distribution what is produced, the greatest economic problem remaining is that of increasing productive efficiency and making goods more plentiful and available for all."

Miss Tassie Jackson returned Thursday after spending a few days in the home of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Iru Jackson, of Clyde.

Bright young man: "Do you want to marry a one-eyed man?" His fiancée: "No. Why?" Bright Young Man: "Then let me hold that umbrella."

McAdames J. E. Heslep, A. A. Dodd, Clarence Armstrong, and Messrs. Alvin Heslep and Harlan Dodd visited J. E. Heslep at Wichita Falls Saturday. Mr. Heslep, who has been in the hospital there for several weeks is reported to be improving. He will be operated on soon for goiter.

## PRESIDENT ENDORSES CHRISTMAS SEAL CAMPAIGN

AUSTIN.—President Roosevelt, in a letter written at Washington November 27, endorses the nation-wide Christmas Seal Campaign that is conducted from Thanksgiving Day to Christmas by the 2,000 affiliated tuberculosis associations of the United States. The letter addressed to Dr. Kenron Dunham, president of the National Tuberculosis Association, is as follows:

"The approach of the holiday season brings again to our thought the annual sale of Christmas Seals to aid the nationwide fight against tuberculosis for another year. Although in recent years the death rate from tuberculosis has been halved, this disease still ranks first as a cause of death between the age of 18 and 40, and it still causes nearly 75,000 deaths in the United States annually."

## Smart Aieca

Three weeks after Jessie reached boarding school she started signing her name "Jessica." Brother Tom didn't like that and replied:

"Dear Jessica: "Dadica and Momica have gone to visit Aunt Lizzica, Uncle Samica is buying a new Machinica, but he does not know whether to get a Chevica or a Fordica. The old cowica had a calfica, and I was going to call it Nelicica, but had to change it to Jimica. Your loving, Tomica."



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Golden Text: 1 Cor. 11:26

The Lord's Supper is a pledge of loyalty. We call it a sacrament, a word derived from the Latin "sacramentum" meaning an "oath taken by newly enlisted soldiers." The Holy Communion is such an oath. When one participates in this feast of love he says in his heart: "I am for Jesus. I dedicate myself, my all to Him." Thus the Lord's Table is the occasion for a solemn rite of consecration.

Then, too, this holy meal is an act of thanksgiving. It is sometimes called the Eucharist which, in the original Greek, means "a giving of thanks." At the Lord's Supper we express our gratitude for Jesus and all He has done and said. We reveal our appreciation for the fullness of His beauty and the warmth of His friendship.

The Communion is also a memorial. "This do," said Jesus, "in remembrance of Me." We remember the Master when we gather about His Table. Especially, as our Golden Text reminds us, do we recollect His death on the Cross. "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." Ten years ago two young Englishmen, Mallory and Irvine, lost their lives in a heroic attempt to reach the summit of Mt. Everest, the top of the world. Nohly did they die, and golden is their memory. For they "were lovely and pleasant in their lives and in their death they were not divided." But Jesus' achievement is still more magnificent. For He gave His life not to capture a mountain, but that men might forever know the meaning of goodness, and thereafter live the kind of life God meant them to live.

Finally, the Communion symbolizes fellowship. It represents the loving friendship of the members of a particular parish. But it betokens also the unity of all Christians in the Holy Church Universal. What a thrilling fellowship!

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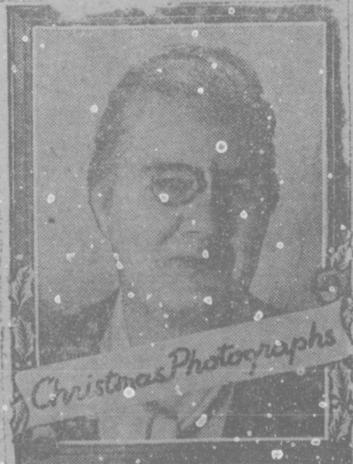
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# THE PANTHER'S SCREAM

## SENIOR NEWS

We are a busy class. One part of us is working on The Yellow Shadow and the other part is working on a debate. Gertrude, Buel, Norris and Alvin have been in the midst of a tennis tournament. And with all our outside activities we must keep up our lessons with the notebooks that accompany them. The reported is as busy as the rest so she must make her news short this week. You'll hear more from us next week.

—P—H—S—

## JUST JUNIOR ITEMS

The cry of "Christmas" rings through the halls of P. H. S. Every one is looking forward to Santa coming down the chimneys bringing them gifts. The boys are asking the girls what they want and the girls shyly say "a handkerchief to remember you by." The boys are getting off light, don't you think?

The Junior class is becoming quiet famous. J. L., Betty, and Louise have leading roles in the "Spanish Pinata," Frances Armstrong is in the "Yellow Shadow."

Gordon Young entered into the tennis tournament for boys' singles. Harley Dodd and Royce Pruet entered for boys' doubles.

Fame! Fame is what our class wants. We want our class to be remembered through the years. When you visit school, be sure and visit the Junior class.

Notice! The Junior class will have charge of an "Aunt Sophia Question Box." Any student in high school that wishes to ask a question give it to Mr. Overton. It will be answered in the Junior items. Boys, now is the time for you to find out if your girl really likes you. Ask Aunt Sophia, for she is very wise.

Hand in your questions!

## Junior Jibes

Mrs. Masur: "The bride looked stunning, didn't she?"  
Mr. Masur: "Yes, and the groom looked stunned."

Mr. Overton met a friend that he had not seen for eight years.  
"Tell me, Jesse," said the friend, "did you marry that girl, or do you still darn your own socks and do your cooking?"  
"Yes," was Jesse's reply.

"A fool marries the girl he loves; a wise guy marries the girl he can fool and a girl loves the fool that she can marry."

Mr. Masur: "Here's a woman suing for divorce on the grounds that she

was in a trance when she was married."

Mr. Webb: "Well, if married life doesn't bring her out of it, divorce won't."

Two negro women were discussing present conditions. One of them remarked: "It shuah is too bad, ain't it, dat dis heah depression had to come jas' when times is so hard?"

—P—H—S—

## DUCKY NEWS FROM THE SOPHOMORES

In assembly Brother Williams stressed the term "Work." To be able to work one must be mentally capable, physically capable, morally capable and industrially capable.

He stated the letters of the word "work" stood for different things. W stands for work, O stands for orderly, R stands for righteously, and K stands for knowingly. Therefore work, orderly, righteously and knowingly.

Every one enjoyed the speech or talk and would accomplish much more in life if he worked orderly, righteously, and knowingly.

## The Attitude of Pupils Toward School Rules

Almost invariably, when a new rule is made in the school, there are voices of complaint than approval. This is not a very commendable report, but is true.

This is most certainly the wrong attitude. The rules made in this school are not made unjustly but for a good purpose. The faculty makes these rules for our good to help us reach the goal which the student body should strive for—"A Bigger and Better School." Let us cooperate with the teachers by obeying these rules to the best of our ability.

How many Sophomores really take a deep interest in singing? Some put their whole heart into their singing while others say, "I can't carry a tune, why should I try to sing?" Of course no one can learn to sing if he takes this attitude. All great singers learn to sing by effort and practice.

Of course "a bird that can't sing and will sing ought to be made into hot pie," and a few can touch the magic string, and noisy fame is proud to win them. But alas for those those that never sing but die with all their music in them!

Come and hear the Sophomores sing and act in the "Pinata" Monday night at the theatre. Don't miss it.

## Know Your Classmates

He has dark hair, gray eyes and is ruddy complexioned. He is very good in football and this is his first year to letter. Despite the foregoing facts he is an English genius. Do you know him?  
(Answer of last week: Willie Mae Stephens.)

Our Idea of a Perfect Boy  
Hair, R. D.; eyes, Todd; ears, Adrian; nose, Bill; lips, Buel; teeth, T. L.; complexion, Toto; hands, Jiggs; physique, J. W.; athlete, Chris.

The Sophomores are proud to say that we have five fighting Panthers with plenty of that good "old Putnam Spirit" that lettered. They are T. L. Meynard, Rollie Bayne Cunningham, Raymond Jobe, Dwight Triplitt and J. W. Brandon. We are really proud of 'em.

## THE KITTEN'S MEOW Oliver Cuyell

We have set a definite day for our annual Christmas program and tree. We will draw names for the one we give our gift to. We cordially invite our parents. The seventh grade will present the program.

## Grammar School Honor Roll

Fourth Grade—Brittain Hawk, Billie Frank Kennedy, Clyde Maynard, Annie Culwell, Louise Mays, Marguerite Morrison, Freda Jean Peek, Kathleen Rogers.

Fifth Grade—Wilma McMillan, Louise Imbley, Douglas Kelley, Calvin King, Thomas Culwell.

Sixth Grade—Mary Lou Eubank, James Kennedy.

Seventh Grade—Doyle Lee Brown, Roy Lee Williams, Helen Maynard, Mildred King.

## FRESHMAN HEADLINER Oliver Davis

With the six-weeks exams over we all feel better. However there are more failures in our class. But we are not the only ones that have lots of failures that have to stay in the detention hall. We do not know who is on the honor roll this six weeks.

The Putnam high school has started a tennis tournament. Mary Douglas Williams played singles for the freshmen girls, however he was defeated by a certain junior girl. The freshman single boys' player was defeated by our tennis coach, Mr. Overton, by a score of 6-4, 5-1, and 6-4. If you want to know who played Mr. Overton it was (Oliver Davis).

We hear that Otto likes it pretty good out in New Mexico. He said he lived a long ways from school but he had the pleasure of riding the school bus to school every day. We are certainly glad that he likes it in New Mexico but we wish he was back with us in Putnam High.

The General Science class took a nice hike Monday afternoon for different kinds or classes of rocks. We had to find five different kinds of rocks and label them. We left school house at 2:15 and came back at 3:20. We all enjoy very much to take hikes. Mr. Overton has taken us on two hikes so far. General science has become to be a very interesting subject.

We are learning to remove parenthesis in algebra. We have problems with parenthesis and then we have to remove the parenthesis and then simplify and solve the equation. Some are learning how and some are not, but we are learning to solve equations now pretty good.

In English we are studying pronouns. We never thought there was or could be so many different kinds of pronouns. We have also been studying noun, case, verbs, adverbs, prepositions, and other parts of speech. We all think that parsing in the hardest of all. We certainly have a good English teacher, although this is her first year, we all like Miss Settles.

In history we are studying about Rome. We have learned how they contributed citizenship and how they built roads, baths and other important things that may help Rome. Although we do have a hard book to learn we try our best to have good lessons.

## Wonder Why?

Mr. Masur likes to play tennis so well?

I. B. asked a certain girl if they had a bull dog?

Eugene wanted to trade seats in the study hall?

Adrian wears a tie all time?

Mary Douglas likes to go on hikes with the class?

J. C. always noticing the acts of the Sophomore class?

## THE TENNIS TOURNAMENT Gertrude McCullough

A tennis tournament is being held this week. The members of tennis club participating are the four classes of high school and faculty.

The members participating in the tournament from the senior class are: boy doubles, Alvin Heshlip and Norris Park. In the boys' singles, R. D. Brown.

In the girls' singles, Gertrude McCullough drew a bye and will play Louis Peek, the winner of the Junior and Freshman game.

In the mixed doubles, Gertrude McCullough and Buel Everett are playing two members of the faculty, Miss Roberts and Mr. Webb.

The purpose of the tennis tournament is to give the students more practice.

—P—H—S—

## LETTERMEN OF SEASON IN FOOTBALL

By Alvin Heshlip, Sports Editor  
Since football season the editor is in want for something to place in this column.

There were seventeen lettermen in the Panther squad this season. They are: R. D. Brown, captain, Buel Everett, co-captain, Norris Park, Lawrence Thompson, Chris Sundeman, Jodie Isenhower, J. L. Rawson, Gordon Young, Raymond Jobe, Rolly Bain Cunningham, T. L. Maynard, J. W. Brandon, Dwight Triplitt, Eugene Brandon, Jack Everett, Franklin Shackelford and Alvin Heshlip. Only five of these men finish this year.



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which will have twelve lettermen to be back next year. So, looking forward it looks as though they may have a more successful season next year than we had this year. All of these men will grow and the team will be considerably heavier next year. I would give you subscribers a good write-up but Coach says I must study my civics, and I guess he is right.

out the unhappy Erasmus, "dat's safe enough. But Joe, I's certainly lost mah enthusiasm!"

Mistaken Age:  
Mable: "So you and Maurice are to be married? Why, I thought it was a mere flirtation."  
Helen: "So did Maurice."—Ex.

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