

Veterans' News

More than a half-million World War II veterans in 1947 bought homes of their own with the aid of Government guaranteed loans under the GI Bill, the Veterans Administration reports.

VA said 540,000 GI home loans were made to veterans during the year compared with 410,000 in 1946. This brings the total number of GI home loans approved since the program started late in 1944 to 1,056,771.

VA found that the average home bought by veterans in 1947 carried a price tag of \$7,300. Four of every 10 veteran-purchasers paid over \$8,000, and one in 20 upwards of \$12,000 for the homes they chose.

Of 490,000 first-mortgage loans guaranteed during the year, 290,000 were for the purchase of existing homes at an average price of \$6,700. About 160,000 were for newly-constructed houses averaging \$8,200 each.

Eligible veterans, estimated to number more than 14,000,000, still have nearly 10 years in which to exercise their loan guarantee rights under the GI Bill. Real estate loans carry a Government guarantee of 50 percent of the amount of the loan, up to a maximum guarantee of \$4,000.

One in every three World War II veterans has taken some form of education or training under the GI Bill or Public Law 16 since both laws went into effect, VA said.

Almost three-quarters of a million educational institutions and

Cottonwood News

By Hazel Respess

Mr. and Mrs. K. B. Robbins and family returned to their home here Tuesday after spending several weeks in California visiting relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Robbins accompanied them home for a short stay, returning to California last of the week.

Mrs. Mollie Murray and son, L. V., were called to Weatherford by the death of a sister, Mrs. Laura Jones, who has been ill for quite some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Arvin Peavy of Abilene visited with Mrs. W. O. Peavy Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Thomas and daughter, Wilma Lee, and Mr. Day of Cisco visited in the S. H. Thomas home Saturday.

Floyd Weaver of Brownwood spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Weaver.

Naval Air Transport Service officials estimate that NATS transports Navy men for two-thirds of the cost the Navy would have to pay for commercial transportation for the same men.

on-the-job training establishments have been approved by state approving agencies and VA to offer training to veterans under the GI Bill and Public Law 16.



TEXANS TALK TIDELANDS TO TRUMAN
—Apparently pleased with their conference with the President on state ownership of submerged lands, Robert Lee Bobbitt of San Antonio, chairman of the Texas State Bar Tidelands Committee, Attorney General Price

Daniel and Senator Tom Connally leave the White House. The Texans explained their state's annexation agreement with the US and the importance of submerged land revenues to the Texas Public School Fund. They asked Mr. Truman for another hearing before he takes action on pending legislation.

'I Give You Texas'

By Joyce House

While driving out through the Fort Stockton country, I got drowsy. I had been counting the sheep.

A spring at Fort Stockton, known as the Comanche Chief, pours out 35,000,000 gallons a day, Clyde Smith, insurance man, said. A smaller spring was the water supply of the old fort. The one-time ammunition building still stands; in fact, it is in use by the Boy Scouts. It is a rock structure. A building which was used as quarters by the officers is now a residence and I was told that the interior had been modernized until it is the most beautiful of any home in the city.

Another very attractive home was built from rocks that were gathered from the grounds of the abandoned fort.

It's time that some fairness was introduced into Congressional hearings.

This business of browbeating sovereign American citizens by some man who is a member of Congress and therefore is supposed to be our servant ought to be changed at least to the extent that the citizen shall have the

right to hit back.

A Congressman can bulldoze a business man, for example, and then refuse him the right to introduce witnesses to support his position and to uphold his good name. He isn't even allowed to cross-examine some irresponsible individual who may have it in for him and gets before the committee and makes untrue, unsupported accusations.

The idea that Howard Hughes had to write out the questions he wanted to ask and submit those questions to the committee chairman for his approval or rejection is repugnant to the American spirit of fair play.

That's one reason why this country rocked with applause for the tall Texan who refused to be browbeaten but stood his ground and slugged in true Texas style until that durnyankee Senator tucked his tail and ran.

Slim Taylor was in from his farm in the Zion Hill community and from the way he talked he does not think much of the all-weather road from Putnam to his place.

Norman Lowry was home from College Station this week, where he is a student at Texas A&M.

John Cook and Mrs. Jobb Kellner were in Cisco looking after business interests Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Clark of Fort Worth were out over the week end visiting in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Clark.

Henry Bailey of the Hart community was in Putnam Saturday.

Many commercial firms vary the quality of their tea according to the kind of water in various regions, stronger tea being provided in hard-water areas.

C. H. Lovelady and Dwight Black were in Putnam Saturday afternoon.

A. W. Warren, prominent farmer and stockman of the Hart community, was in Putnam Saturday afternoon transacting business.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Yarbrough of the Union community visited with friends here Saturday.

THIEVES ARE USING AERIAL METHODS IN OIL FIELDS

Thieves are now using aerial reconnaissance methods to locate their prey in Texas oil fields, says John W. Kelley, chief investigator for Texas Mid-Continental Oil and Gas Association, who this week warns oil men that oil field supply thieves are stepping up their activity to take advantage of current steel shortages and scarcity of materials.

In a recent case, it was reported that tools and supplies were spotted in flights over the oil fields and confederates were tipped off of the location of the equipment. Using trucks, thieves hauled heavy equipment off to junk yards where "vendors" disposed of the stolen property.

Kelley also warned that persons selling pipe and supplies at low prices should be watched as the goods might be stolen. It is a Texas law, also, that dealers in used oil field equipment must maintain ample records, bill of sale and information as to place of purchase of all second hand oil field supplies he handles.

ANOTHER PRODUCER IS FINISHED ON WALLACE NEAR CROSS PLAINS

A fifth producer for the new deep oil field five miles West of Cross Plains was completed this week and given official gauge by the Railroad commission Tuesday. The recent completion is the Fogelson & Ingleswright number four Hulda Wallace, an East offset to the G. H. Brodie producer on the Parks-Anderson heirs tract.

Gas Black was in from Atwell Friday morning looking after some work he has going on here.

Walter Francisco was looking after business in Baird Friday morning and meeting old friends.

Your Local USED COW Dealer
Removes Dead Stock
FREE
For Immediate Service
PHONE 4001 COLLECT
Abilene, Texas

CENTRAL Hide & Rendering Company

MILD and MELLOW
No other cigar so fine contains such high quality tobacco. Yes, there is plenty of the choicest HAVANA tobacco grown on the island of Cuba in every Melba cigar. Try one today. You will enjoy it from the first to the last puff.

Try one today!
They cost only 9¢
If your dealer does not have Melbas, write
LEWIS CIGAR MFG. CO., MAKERS, NEWARK 2, N. J.

MELBA
THE CIGAR SUPREME

TRUCKS

What's the biggest news, and the newest news, in trucks? Why, the brand-new, all-new Ford Bonus Built Trucks for '48, just arrived at Earl Johnson Ford Motor Co.! If you use trucks, you'll want to see these! More than a hundred fifteen models—three brand-new engines—Million-Dollar Cabs with three-way air control—new modern styling—new Big Jobs, the biggest Ford Trucks in history! Place your order NOW for a brand new 1948 Ford Bonus Built Truck... built stronger to last longer. See Earl Johnson Motor Co.

Earl Johnson Motor Co.
Sales Service
Baird, Texas Phone 218

GLASSES by Dr. R. L. Clinkscales, Optometrist
406 Reynolds Building.
CISCO, TEX. PHONE 653.

Take a "SHORT CUT" IN MANURE HANDLING!

Save time and hard, dirty work by using speedy John Deere Manure Handling Equipment on your farm. In cleaning up feed lots, the big-capacity John Deere Loaders load as fast as five men pitching by hand. On every job, sturdy, light-running John Deere horse- and tractor-drawn Spreaders spread manure evenly and quickly. See us for complete details.

F. P. SHACKELFORD
PUTNAM, TEXAS

WOMEN 38-52 YEARS OLD-DO YOU SUFFER THESE FUNNY FEELINGS?
due to this functional 'middle-age' cause?
If you're in your '40's' and this functional 'middle-age' period peculiar to women is causing you to suffer from hot flashes, nervous irritability and weak, tired, nagging feelings—then do try Lydia E. Pinkham's VEGETABLE COMPOUND

E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to relieve such symptoms. This great medicine is famous for this! Taken regularly—Pinkham's Compound helps build up resistance against such 'middle-age' distress. Thousands have reported benefit! It's also a grand stomachic tonic. Worth trying.

Lydia E. Pinkham's VEGETABLE COMPOUND

Insurance, Bonds and Financing
Complete abstracts to all lands and town lots in Callahan County.

Callahan Abstract Company
MARION VESTAL, Manager
RAYMOND YOUNG, Owner

POLITICAL CALENDAR

The News is authorized to announce the following candidates for office, subject to the Democratic Primary, July 24, 1948.

County Judge: J. L. Farmer
County Clerk: Bruce Bell
Tax Assessor-Collector: M. H. (Bob) Joy
Sheriff: S. S. Nichols
County Treasurer: Presley (Turk) Reynolds
County Commissioner, Prec. 3: I. G. Mobley

Are you PALE? WEAK? from loss of BLOOD-IRON?
Here's One Of The Best Home Ways To Build Up Red Blood!

You girls who suffer from simple anemia or who lose so much during monthly periods that you are pale, feel tired, weak, "dragged out"—this may be due to low blood-iron—

So start today—try Lydia E. Pinkham's TABLETS—one of the greatest blood-iron tonics you can buy to help build up red blood to give more strength and energy—in such cases.

Pinkham's Tablets help build up the red quality of the blood (very important) by reinforcing the haemoglobin of red blood cells.

Just try Pinkham's Tablets for 30 days—then see if you, too, don't remarkably benefit. All drugstores.

Lydia E. Pinkham's TABLETS

WYLIE FUNERAL HOME
PHONE 38
PUTNAM — TEXAS
AMBULANCE SERVICE

WYLIE BURIAL ASSOCIATION
W. O. Wylie Jr., Sec-Treas.

Whose Hands?

Gas men's and women's.

By the work they do they are joined to bring natural gas from deep in the earth to the burner tip of gas appliances in your home.

In this era of rapid agricultural, industrial and community growth in the territory, served by Lone Star Gas Company, these hands are working in a great expansion program.

They're busy in 333 communities and along 5,000 miles of pipeline pushing forward \$40,000,000 worth of improvements to keep Lone Star Natural Gas Service ahead of demand in a rapidly growing territory.

Building pipelines and compressor stations...drilling wells...building new town distribution plants...and a wide variety of other projects—that's the work of the Lone Star team, more than 4,500 pairs of hands strong.

This is the second year of this system-wide program in which more hands than ever before will be working to continue supplying dependable natural gas service to you and to bring service to new homes and communities not yet enjoying natural gas service.

THEY DRAW PLANS
THEY SURVEY
THEY WELD PIPE
THEY REPAIR METERS
THEY BUILD MACHINES
THEY ANALYZE
THEY SERVICE APPLIANCES

LONE STAR GAS COMPANY

These hands represent seven of 189 different skills employed to bring natural gas from wells to the burner tip of gas appliances in your home.