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FROM THE EDITOR'S WENDOW

The Christmas Spirit
When the Christmas season comes each year, many people begin to rush making various preparations for the occasion. Usually each person's thoughts are of home. Some are looking forward to going home for Christmas and others are eagerly awaiting the arrival of their loved ones. It is a time of gathering together of families of several generations and of the meeting of closest friends, to engage in merriment. This is characteristic of the occasion and is a spirit to be commended. Yet into every home such merriment cannot enter, because there is illness in some homes, death in some, and some hearts are heavy because of disappointments in life.

The true spirit of the Christmas season was brought to our mind this year by a local girl, who has made good in the profession of nursing. She related this incident as merely an item of conversation, yet it automatically embodies the true Christmas spirit. In talking with Miss Ruth Mobley, she stated, "Once there were four Christmases in succession that I didn't get to come home because of being in charge of serious cases. Some of the nurses wouldn't accept them during the Christmas season."
Of course it is a disappointment to not be permitted to go home for Christmas, yet what could be of more honor to this glorious occasion than to render some service to humanity? There are many ways in which service may be rendered during the Christmas season. We believe those who selfishly consider only their own pleasure and being with their families if needed elsewhere, will never enjoy the true spirit of Christmas or know its real meaning.

New Uses for Aspirin
Mrs. Clifford B. Jones of Baird has discovered a new use for aspirin. She revived a wilted poinsettia, of giant size by placing an aspirin in a slit in the stem. It immediately revived and has been on display with all its beauty in the front window of the First National Bank of Baird.

Too Soft
Sir Henri Deterding, the oil man, says:
"From what I can make of them in England and America, and in almost every other country I visit, many present-day youths, unlike those of 50 years ago, come by their pleasures too easily and life is made too soft for them. Furthermore, it is my regrettable experience that today an average man has to be about 35 before he can discharge the same duties and responsibilities in commerce as were safely entrusted to men of 21 or 23 when I myself was young."

In defense of modern young men it may be said that for better or for worse they are kept in school until they have passed into their early twenties. Five or 10 years of practical experience are necessary before they can be given large responsibilities. Sir Henri began work at 16, so that by the time he was 23 he had seven years of training in business affairs.

No doubt young men could be equipped for executive tasks in business at a much earlier age if the school years were reduced, but it is doubtful if this would offer any gain to the young men or to society. Theoretically and actually the years spent in obtaining a sound education bring cultural advantages that offset the delay in getting a good start in life. The well-educated man who fails to achieve a high executive position still has resources within himself for enjoying life that the uneducated youth usually lacks.—Bagology.

CORRECTION

In last week's Putnam News the name of Mrs. Mark Shurwin, who was in charge of the program for Parliamentary and Federation Day for the Woman's Study Club of Putnam, was accidentally omitted in the write-up. Mmes. Alex Spears and Wm. Reagan of Cisco spoke and assisted in the program. Mrs. Shurwin invited Putnam club members to take part also.

FINAL REPORT FOR CALLAHAN GINNING

Census report shows that 1366 bales of cotton were ginned in Callahan county from the crop of 1938, prior to Dec. 1, as compared with 3963 bales from the crop of 1937 to the same date.

Kleiner & Warren Have Third Well

Kleiner & Warren brought in another good well on the Clark lease Friday. This well is a location north of the discovery well which makes three producing wells. They have one on the Williams, one located west and two on the Dr. Clark. They are making about 30 barrels per day.
The Kile-Brannan-West well on top of the Harwell hill about a mile south of Putnam is setting casing at about 600 feet. They expect to strike the pay sand at about 640 and drill in the first of next week. They drilled through a sand at about 400 feet, where they had a good show, but cased it off, as they did not think there was sufficient oil to pay.

Dobbs Well Is Still Fishing

The deep test on the Finley lease about 7 miles west of Putnam on the highway are still fishing after sixty days. Will Rogers, who has been at Big Spring, and Dall Melleck are taking the work over this week. It is hoped luck is with the well as many people are anxiously awaiting the outcome of this test, which will-if it proves good be an outstanding factor toward the development of the Putnam territory.

CALLAHAN COUNTY ROAD CONTRACT TO BE LET

According to Judge L. B. Lewis the Texas Highway Commission is expected to let a contract for additional grading and drainage on highway 19, between Baird and the Coleman county line on the south. The contract is expected to amount to about \$110,000 with the contract recently let on another segment of the route, and an \$85,000 underpass in Baird. This will insure work for 100 or more men for several months in Callahan county.

METHODIST WMS CELEBRATES 60TH ANNIVERSARY

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist church of Putnam celebrated their sixtieth anniversary with a Christmas party in the home of Mrs. Mark Shurwin. Games were played after which each one present received a gift from a beautifully decorated tree. Mary Ann Shurwin gave a piano selection. Refreshments were served to the following ladies—Mmes. George Parrish, R. L. Clinton, Fred Farmer, J. L. Hudson, J. Morris Bailey, Ida Rogers, W. N. Byrd, Charlie Davis, A. H. Nelson, Clyde Dean, J. E. Heslep, Harrison, Mark Shurwin.

ZION HILL CLUB MEETS

The Zion Hill Home Demonstration Club met Monday, Dec. 12th. The president, Mrs. C. B. Kennedy, presided. The program was planned and also plans were made for a New Year's party, which is to be held at the home of Mrs. J. A. Heyser. The club will not meet again until the second Monday in January. Those present were Mmes C. B. Kennedy, R. B. Taylor, B. E. Rutherford, W. S. Jobe, M. B. Sprawls, J. D. Sprawls Sr., S. F. Ingram, N. C. Odell, Altis Clemmer, Clydene Wallace, Miss Lavada Standridge, and S. F. Ingram, a visitor.

ZION HILL TO HAVE CHRISTMAS TREE

Everyone is invited to attend the program and a one act play presented by the home demonstration club at the community Christmas tree which will be Friday night, December 23, at the Zion Hill club house.

Everyone come and bring the children and see Santa Claus, and also the good program planned for you.

DRIVERS SHOULD BE CAREFUL IN PASSING SCHOOL BUSES

There has been some complaint about drivers of cars who get in too big a rush and pass school buses while they are taking on and unloading passengers. This is positive a violation of the laws of the state, and should be observed. If this practice is continued, there will have to be complaints filed against those that are guilty.

Mrs. J. E. Heslep was in Cisco on business Tuesday.

JOE WILSON DIES IN CISCO LAST WEEK

Joe Wilson, justice of the peace at Cisco, and an old timer in Eastland county, died last week and was buried in the Cisco cemetery Thursday before a host of friends and relatives. Mr. Wilson came to Cisco in 1881 and made his home there, where he lived until his death.
Judge Adamson at Eastland said that there would probably be no appointment to succeed Mr. Wilson until the January term of the commissioners' court, as there only remains a few days until the January term. Mr. Wilson was well known in both Eastland and Callahan counties by the old timers.

CHARLIE KLEINER IS ELECTED VICE-PRESIDENT

Charlie Kleiner, who has been operating in the Putnam shallow field for a number of years, was elected second vice-president of the West Texas Independent Oil Men's association at their annual meeting Saturday night at Abilene. Mr. Kleiner was reared in Cisco, and the Daily Press seems to think he still resides in Cisco, but the Putnam people think they have about one half interest in Mr. Kleiner, and when he is over here we feel just like he is one of the Putnam boys since he has been operating around in the Putnam field so long. Just recently he and Mr. Warren have opened up the Dr. Clark pool about three miles southwest of Putnam, which promises to be one of the best shallow pools that has been discovered.

CARL KILE MOVE TO SHACKELFORD LEASE

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kile have moved to the Shackelford lease about three miles north of Putnam. Mr. Kile has been employed by Pierce Shackelford in the lumber and implement business for several months, and when the pumper quit on the lease Mr. Kile was placed in charge of the pumps on the lease.

Baptist Calendar

Sunday school—10:00.
Sermon—11:00.
B. T. U.—6:15.
Sermon—7:15.
Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:15.

D. D. JONES IN ARIZONA

D. D. Jones of the Pueblo community is visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hodge Bowne in the state of Arizona. Mr. Jones left Putnam about a week ago and expects to be gone until Christmas.

Vella Sandlin is on the sick list this week, suffering from an attack of flu.

OIL SITUATION LOOKS GOOD

With the discovery this week of the third producing well in the new Gleiner-Warren shallow pool on the Dr. Clark ranch 3 1-2 miles southwest of Putnam, the oil business is really progressing and should open up nicely after the beginning of the new year. The first two wells on the Dr. Clark ranch produced from a depth of 735 feet and the latter well from a depth of 755 feet.

An experienced oil person made the statement this week that it looks as if the new Kleiner-Warren pool has an aggregation of several well known wells merged into one pool.

Fossilization shows a great similarity to the famous pool southeast of Putnam and to the producing fields north of Putnam and north of Baird, where oil has been found in paying quantities at 1,600 feet. This pool bids fair to be the Eureka of Putnam.

The Wittmer Oil & Gas Properties of Pittsburgh, Pa., own extensive holdings for deeper drilling near Putnam. Their first venture on the Williams fee about 3 miles south of Putnam found oil at a depth of about 3,100. Oil produced on this land at a depth of 190 feet about 11 years ago and is still producing. Shallow rights are operated by the Putnam Oil Company. The Wittmers will drill their second well during the coming year.

Indications are that the famous Oplin deep pool extends to the northeast toward Admiral into the Putnam field.

In last week's paper it was impossible to mention all of the prominent leases and developments around Putnam, but our attention has been called to the fact that R. C. Ames, who has been a successful operator and producer for the past 15 years in the Putnam area, should be commended for the diligent work he has done in the search of oil.

POST OFFICE WILL CLOSE TWO DAYS

Post offices of the United States will be closed two days, December 25th, Sunday, and December 26th, Monday, for observance of Christmas. No packages will be taken care of unless sent special delivery. People are urged to send packages early, especially those of a long destination.

Elmer McIntosh and Virgil Brown left the first of the week for South Texas on a deer hunt. They will be gone about ten days of two weeks.

PUTNAM MAN IMPROVING

A. B. Ashbranner is improving after five weeks of illness, suffering from prostate gland trouble.

METHODISTS TO GIVE CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The Christmas play will be given Sunday night, Dec. 18, at the Methodist church. You will want to do like your friends in that you will be present. The play will help you enjoy Christmas for it will help you to remove all external covers and see the spirit of Christmas Day. The play is cast in the ancient Palestinian life and approaches what the very first Christmas might have been.

The play is "The Lost Star," by Dorothy Clarke Wilson. Mrs. Mark J. Shurwin is directing the play. The present day youth who turn ancient for the hour of the Christmas play are Hugh V. Smith, Jr., Bennie Burns Williams, Curtis Armstrong, Lenox Byrd, Jammie Damon, Louise Lambley, Allen Nelson, J. Nelson Williams, Billie Mac Park, Leroy Williams, Bobbie Clinton.

The play is being produced to add to the spirit of Christmas in our town. There is no admission charge. Everybody who would enjoy this special occasion of the Christmas season is invited to be present at 7:00 p. m.

J. Morris Bailey, Pastor.

Two Putnam Men on All-District Team

Roy Lee Williams and Doyle Lee Brown of the Panther's football team were chosen as members of the all-district 11-B team, selections being made from the composite vote on a majority of the section's coaches. Putnam, Strawn and Moran gained two berths a piece and May one position. Baird has the captain and three positions. J. B. Pitzer of Baird was awarded the team captaincy honor. Mike Hughes of Baird and Doyle Lee Brown of Putnam were placed at the end positions. Roy Lee Williams of Putnam and James Alexander of Baird are tackles. Flexton Williams of Baird and Pat Hinkson of Strawn are guards; Scott of Moran, center; Miller of Strawn, Pitzer of Baird, Pennell of Moran, Vanderveer of May, backs.

Methodist Calendar

Sunday, Dec. 18:
10:00 a. m.—Church school.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship.
4:00 p. m.—Junior Epworth League.
6:00 p. m.—Young People's Epworth League.
7:00 p. m.—Christmas play. Everybody welcome.
Monday, Dec. 19, 10:00 a. m.—District meeting at Eastland; 7:15. Young people's Christmas social.
Wednesday, Dec. 21, 3:00 p. m.—Woman's Missionary Society.
Sunday, Jan. 1, 7:00 p. m.—Dr. Langston will preach and hold the first quarterly conference.
J. Morris Bailey, Pastor.

FORMER PUTNAMITE'S MOTHER BURIED

Mrs. C. C. Russell Sr. of Coleman, mother of C. C. Russell of Galveston, former Putnam banker, was buried Sunday at Coleman. Death came suddenly as the result of a stroke. Mrs. Russell had been ill a number of years. The Russell family from Galveston attended the funeral.

Mrs. J. W. West is Guest at Shower

Mrs. George Gaskins complimented Mrs. J. Wm. (Bill) West with a miscellaneous shower and music and reading program Friday afternoon at her home in Putnam. The honoree was attired in a teal blue crepe. The corsage presented was of white carnations.

The house was beautiful in carrying out the Christmas creation. There was a huge Christmas tree with different colored lights adorning the room where the many wonderful and lovely gifts were arrayed. One very outstanding gift was a most beautiful bride's book given by the Abilene Reporter.

The living room had miniature Christmas trees and silver vases with poinsettias. The dining room was the center of decorations. The table was artistically arranged on a handmade cloth over red satin. The centerpiece banked with snow was a mirror base reflecting Santa Claus gaily seated in his sled drawn by four reindeers. Diagonally across were red tapers in silver holders, silver trays laden with cake and marshmallows, silver nut receptacles were in evidence and the sugar and cream service were silver. From either end of the silver appointed table, coffee and chocolate from silver urns were served, the color scheme being repeated beautifully at the buffet.

Assisting in serving were Mmes. Will Everett, Ben Brazil, and Miss Eva Moore. Mrs. Bill Clinton presided at the bride's book. Those taking part from the Junior Study Club, of which the bride is a member, were Mmes. Ben Brazil, Bill Clinton, Neal Norred, and J. G. Overton. The following program was rendered:

Toast—Mrs. J. G. Overton.
Music—Miss Montie West.
Reading—Mrs. Ben Brazil.
Duet, "Love's Old Sweet Song"—Mrs. Stanley Webb and Mrs. George Parrish.
Music—Mrs. Stanley Webb.
Song, "All That I Ask Is Love"—Mrs. George E. Biggerstaff.
Duet, "I Love You Truly"—Mrs. Stanley Webb and Mrs. George Biggerstaff.
Reading, "A Woman's Questions"—Mrs. Neal Norred.
Music—Miss Montie West.
The toast, "When Love Calls," given by Mrs. J. G. Overton on the poem, "When I First Met You," were both composed by Mrs. George E. Biggerstaff.

Those registering from out of town were Mrs. H. H. Buchanan and Mrs. George Buchanan of Kilgore, Texas, sisters-in-law of the bride; Mrs. Bob Williams, sister of the bride; Mrs. Maggie Jackson of Moran; Mrs. Charlie Teague and Mrs. Joe Brittain of Cisco.

The Guest list included the following names: Mmes. G. P. Gaskins, George E. Biggerstaff, Ben Brazil, Neal Norred, L. B. Williams, Pierce Shackelford, Stanley Webb, A. J. Hurst, John Cook, W. H. Norred, B. C. Lambley, Buel Everett, J. G. Overton, Fred Farmer, Tex Hering, Clyde Dean, Fred Cook, M. M. Little, Fred Short, Ida Rogers, H. L. De Slazo, Clampt, Oville Taylor, George Parrish, Geter, Bob Williams, H. H. Buchanan, S. L. Seastrunk, W. A. Buchanan, O. O. Hicks, George Buchanan, Maggie Jackson, T. E. Buford, Bill Clinton, Leo Clinton, Geo. Damon, Mark Burnam, G. W. Caldwell, Lucille Kelley, Jim Shackelford, F. A. Hollis, R. L. Buchanan, W. W. Everett, B. F. Brittain, S. M. Eubank, Charlie Teague, Joe Brittain, Ruth Kosteris, E. G. Scott, J. A. Hill, C. K. Odum, Allen Nelson, Byron Lee, Mark Shurwin, Jim West, Will Wagley Knighton West.

Misses Artie Cook, Lucille Woods, Niles White, Vella Sandlin, Montie West, Eva Moore, Mildred Yeager, Bessie Roberson, Bebbie Jene Williams, Fredalyn Cook, Johnnie Myrtle West; and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Everett.

FORMER PUTNAM MAN HEADS OIL ASSOCIATION

A. J. Frazier succeeds J. C. Hunter as president of the West Texas Independent Oil Men's Association. Mr. Frazier is a member of the firm of Ungren & Frazier of Abilene.

Mr. Frazier formerly lived in Putnam and was one of the first men to begin operating in the Putnam shallow field. He opened up one of the first fields in this territory about five miles north of Putnam. He and Mr. Ungren came to Putnam about 1920, and moved from here to Abilene several years ago. Mr. Frazier has many friends in and around Putnam who are proud to see him get this honor, and feel that the West Texas Oil Association will have no cause for having elected Mr. Frazier to this important position.

Vote on Cotton Quotas

Saturday's election was a very quiet affair, there being only 44 votes cast. There were 13 votes for the quota limiting the amount of cotton to be grown and placing a three cent tax on all grown over the quota, and 31 against.

Former Putnam Mayor Dies at Clyde

T. T. Haney, former resident of Putnam, and at one time mayor of Putnam, died at his home in Clyde Saturday morning after an extended illness. He had been in a critical condition for several weeks preceding his death.

Funeral services for Thomas T. Haney, 71 years of age, and justice of the peace in the Clyde precinct for the past four years, were held at the Baptist church of Clyde at 2:30 p. m. Saturday. The Rev. T. S. Tierce, pastor, and the Rev. V. M. Tatom of Abilene, officiated. There was a large crowd attending the funeral. Patterson funeral home was in charge of arrangements. Pallbearers were H. G. Brodfoot, H. S. Blaylock, T. Bauleh, T. O. Dulaney, J. B. Paylor and John Bailey.

Demands Equalized Freight Rates

ABILENE.—The West Texas Chamber of Commerce has launched a nationwide movement for equalization of freight rates.

Directors of the regional organization at a district meeting in Amarillo Monday voted to form the National Freight Rate Equality Federation. Local chambers of Commerce, producers and consumers groups, women's clubs and other organizations are being invited to join in the campaign to remove unequal freight rate zones. Each cooperating group will name three delegates to attend a meeting which will be called at an early date to perfect the organization. The West Texas Chamber of Commerce is serving as the initiating body and will act as a clearing house for the work until permanent organization of the federation, the first thing of its kind in the nation, is completed.

"The problem of freight rate discriminations in various degrees affects 85 percent of the territory of the United States, but West Texas, when judged by population and production, stands at the very peak of the discrimination," D. A. Bandeen, WTCC manager, states.

The campaign broadening the freight rate equality movement to other states and territories affected will be started immediately. J. S. Hillburn, Plainview, WTCC president, said. Other district WTCC meetings also probably will be held soon, he added.

A legislative mandate to the Interstate Commerce Commission requiring equality of rates as between zones is recommended as the remedy to the situation by the WTCC traffic board in its recently issued freight rate report. This course has been endorsed by scores of newspapers throughout the state and by the newly formed federation.

Carl A. Studer, Canadian, presided at the Amarillo meeting. Hillburn, Bandeen and J. M. Wilson, Floydada director, were the speakers. Twenty-two cities were represented.

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of The Putnam News will be glad-
ly and fully corrected upon being
brought to the attention of the
editor.

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Respect, and any kind of enter-
tainments where admission fee or
other monetary consideration is
charged, will be charged for at
regular advertising rates.

**D. A. BANDEEN MUST HAVE
GOTTEN HIS WIRES CROSSED**

D. A. Bandeen, in his reply to
the resolution passed by the farm-
ers at Abilene in their meeting,
condemning the West Texas Cham-
ber of Commerce, says it has al-
ways been the policy of the cham-
ber of commerce to aid the farmer
in every way possible. But the
farmers are being misled by other
people. He said he favored the
domestic allotment plan because it
proposed to pay the farmers a
bigger bonus than the AAA, and
the program should be adopted for
that reason. We rather think
that Mr. Bandeen is in error on
what the chamber of commerce
advocates, as in the past they
have advocated legislation that
would aid the greatest number of
people. Any plan that proposes
to increase the income of certain
groups at the expense of every
other group is doomed to failure.
No program that does not take in-
to consideration the general well-
fare of all classes will only aggra-
vate the situation that we have
already of class legislation, try-
ing to boost the purchasing power
of certain classes by paying them
benefit check without any service
rendered, as has been done the
past five years.

The Cisco Daily News makes
the following comment on the Ban-
deen statement:

"Officials of the chamber of
commerce, replying to farmers
criticism of its policies with re-
spect to the Agricultural Adjust-
ment administration, saying criti-
cal farmers are badly mis-informed
and that its purpose is to obtain
for the farmers of West Texas
larger benefits and subsidy pay-
ments. We now and always have
been for increased appropriations.
We have favored the domestic al-
lotment plan because we believe it
will provide larger and more equi-
table benefit payments.

"I am sorry to find the WTCC
needing such a political justifica-
tion of its agricultural policy. I
was under the impression that the
WTCC was a little longer visioned
than such an explanation would
indicate. A little less opportunist
and a little more economically
honest about a program of gov-
ernmental paternalism that has

done more to cut the ground from
the American farmer than all of
the Washingtonian neglect which
preceded the New Deal and its
mighty efforts to show the Lord
what a mess he has made of things.

"Now the West Texas Chamber
of Commerce may believe that
benefit payments and that sort of
slide-greasing are alright and that
the only trouble with the current
program is that there is not
enough of it, but I don't think so.
Therefore I believe the WTCC
should have said frankly:

"We believe the Wallace AAA
program is fatally unsound be-
cause it endeavors to place a tan-
gible value on nothing, giving ill-
ness and non-production a stand-
ing over industry and plenty, and
is literally buying the farmers'
market away from him for deliv-
ery to foreign producers with bil-
lions of dollars which eventually
must be reaped from the acres
now being sowed to economic im-
poverishment with prodigal spend-
ing and pretty phrases. We are
for the domestic allotment plan
not because it will bring cash ben-
efit payments to the farmers, but
because we believe it will help to
save his markets and his opportu-
nities to sell at a profit that
which he produces. We favor an
agricultural program that will re-
store farmers to independence and
halt the fatal trend of making in-
dividually and collectively the
serf of a treasury which takes
from him with one hand and gives
to him with another. We favor a
program of legislation which will
make the government dependent
on the farmers and not the farmer
on the government. We favor leg-
islation that will regulate and not
manage. We favor a government
policy that does not on its face
declare that the 150 years of our
American system of free enter-
prises and private initiative was
all wrong, that a belated endow-
ment of elect brains has arrived
as an after-thought of providence
to make over and correct the sys-
tem."

**ROOSEVELT HAD
NOT BEEN ASKED**

The following appeared in the
Comanche Chief in its issue of
Dec 9:

This joke comes out of Austin:
Realizing that there could not be
out one ruler, Mussolini, Hitler
and Roosevelt recently met to see
which of them should have the
honor. The Italian was the first
of them to speak. "I have always
got what I wanted," he said, "and
when just a boy I promised myself
that some day I would rule the
whole world."

"That's nothing," said Hitler.
"I pray daily to the Supreme Be-
ing, and yesterday in answer to
my prayer He told me that I would
surely be the world ruler."

"Hitler is a liar," says Roose-
velt, "I never made that promise
to anyone."

STORE TAX DUE AGAIN

George H. Sheppard, state

comptroller at Austin, has an-
nounced that the chain store tax
is now in effect. This tax does not
cover the chain stores, but every-
body that has a retail business
comes under the law, and is sub-
ject to the tax.

**AMERICA COMMITTING
ECONOMIC SUICIDE**

No one who has been reading
was surprised at the result of Sat-
urday's election going as it did. If
this policy is kept up it will bank-
rupt the entire country. The aver-
age income to the Texas farmer
from 1925 to 1929 was \$809,000,
000, while the average income
from 1930 to 1932, the three last
years of the Hoover administra-
tion, was \$360,000,000, and the
five year average from 1933 to
1937 was \$424,154,000 plus \$48,-
992,000 benefits. This would equal
\$473,056,000, or only about \$13,-
000,000 more than the average
from 1930 to 1932.

This shows that the income to
the Texas farmer was \$336,000,
000 less under five years of gov-
ernment regulation than it was
from 1925 to 1929 at the begin-
ning of the old farm board. And
this does not take into considera-
tion the reduced purchasing pow-
er of the dollar when the price of
gold was raised from \$20.67 to
\$35, which would show a poten-
tial buying power of less than
three hundred million dollars. And
this includes \$50,000,000 benefit
payments. What applies to Tex-
as will apply to the country over.
The income from cotton alone this
year is about \$450,000,000 less
than it was in 1937. It should be
easy to figure this out. There
will be \$450,000,000 less industrial
goods purchased in 1938-39 than
it was in 1937. It should be
one thing that the country can
continue losing that much income
on one crop without bankrupting
the country? Besides included in
this income there is \$260,000,000
taxes collected off of other classes
and paid out in benefit payments,
trying to boost the farm income.

**COTTON FARMERS VOTE
TAX ON COTTON**

The cotton farmers of the South
voted again to place a tax on all
cotton grown above a quota fixed
by Secretary Wallace for 1939.
The tax will be three cents per
pound or fifteen dollars per bale
on all cotton grown in excess of
the quota.

Under the 1939 cotton program
growers will be limited to the sale
of the amount produced on a na-
tional allotment of 27,500,000
acres. Individual acreage will be
apportioned later. The vote cast
was 950,000 for the tax and 178,-
000 against. Texas voted 138,-
946 for the tax and 41,401 against.
Tobacco growers voted 130,370
for and 98,658 against. Rice
growers voted 3,509 for and 3,874
against.

**INTEREST INCREASING IN
ABILENE STOCK AUCTION**

The interest among stock farm-
ers in this and Taylor counties
is increasing. Trading at the Abi-
lene auction sale Friday was
 brisk. There were 507 sold un-
der the hammer. There were 81
buyers who participated in the
buying and selling, and 124 con-
signers. A few stocker steers
brought as high as eight cents per
pound, but most of the butcher
stuff moved at about \$7.80 per
hundred weight. Two hogs drew
about \$7.40 per hundred weight.
Bulls went at about \$5.50, cows
from three to five dollars. Sever-
al from Putnam attended, among
them being Elmer Harrison, op-
erator of the Elmer Harrison Gro-
cery, and Ed Fields.

**NLRB GETS ANOTHER
SETTING DOWN**

The National Relations Labor
Board was given another set back

Y. A. Orr's Drugs, Putnam, Texas

JACKSON ABSTRACT

ROY G. THOMAS, Manager

DEPENDABLE SERVICE

BAIRD, TEXAS

**FARM AND RANCH LOANS—
4 PER CENT INTEREST**

To refinance Short Term High
Interest Rate Indebtedness and to
Assist in Financing Purchase of a
Farm or Ranch through the—
Farmer's Cooperative Farm Loan
System from the Federal Land
Bank at Houston
Considered upon application to the
Citizen's National Farm Loan As-
sociation.

Foreclosed farms and other real
estate for sale; small down pay-
ments and easy terms on balance
with cheap rate of interest.
See M. B. PERKINS, Secy-Treas
Clyde, Texas, for full particulars.
Supplemental Second Lien Lane
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cent interest.

by the United States Supreme
Court Monday, when it refused a
hearing of the board on re-instal-
ling 145 seamen who were dis-
charged after two ships had been
seized by a sit-down strike. With-
out explaining its action the Su-
preme Court refused a board re-
quest that it review a decision of
the Fifth Federal court which set
aside a board order requiring re-
instatement of the men.

**I GIVE YOU TEXAS.
BOYSE HOUSE**

Wonder if the golden-voiced
tenor is still in Nuevo Laredo? He
went to Spain and sang in opera
at Madrid but pined for his native
land and returned to Mexico. He
used to be in evidence a few years
ago around the night spots in the
city across the river from Laredo.
We were introduced by a mutual
friend and, upon request, he sang.
The melody was "La Paloma" and,
at the first notes, the dancers quit
dancing to listen. Afterwards, he
accepted a glass of wine.

Much has been appearing in the
papers these last few weeks about
freight rates that discriminate
against Texas. Jenye Ralpa Yar-
borough of Austin "pioneered" in
bringing this unfair situation to
the attention of Texans. Away
back last spring, in opening his
campaign for attorney general at
Tyler, Yarborough declared: "It
costs more to ship a box of man-
ufactured goods from Texas to the
North and East than it does to
ship the same box of goods from
the North and East to Texas.
Conversely, it costs more to ship
raw materials into Texas than it
does to ship them out of Texas."
Is it any wonder that the indus-
trial development of our state has
been retarded?

One by one, the lawmakers dis-
appear. A narrow, dingy office
building on Fort Worth's Main
Street recently was renovated and,
in the process, a sign that had
been on one of the upper windows
was removed. It marked the for-
mer offices of an oil company that
was organized—with scores of
others—in the midst of the high
hopes of the big Desdemona boom.
Hogtown long since has relapsed
into its ancient calm and the com-
pany passed into oblivion long,
long ago but the sign lingered.
Passersby who invested were re-
minded no doubt of what "might
have been."

Olin Cooper, mechanical genius
of Rising Star, has spent three
years in building an "animated
theatre." Forty-five thousand bits
of wood (187 varieties from 27
countries) were used along with
material salvaged from typewrit-
ers, threshing machines, row-bind-
ers, baby beds and other contriv-
ances.

The theatre is seven feet high,
the same width and nearly four
feet deep, inlaid with landscape
pictures and embellished with
carvings, scrollwork and molding.
Eighty-five little electric lights
flood the theatre and, when a but-
ton is pushed, the curtains slowly
part, disclosing a stage with 25

ZION HILL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Brown and
Mrs. Hardgrave of Gaines county
spent a few days with Mrs.
Brown's mother, Mrs. S. F. In-
gram, and Mr. Ingram.
E. V. Ramsey, R. B. Taylor and
N. C. Odell were Abilene visitors
Thursday.

S. F. Ingram visited Mr. and
Mrs. J. H. Weeks Sunday.

Mrs. E. V. Ramsey and son and
Mrs. Altis Clemmer were business
visitors in Cross Plains Thursday.
R. B. Taylor and Ode Johnson
were Abilene visitors Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Odell and
daughter visited her parents at
Cisco Saturday night and spent
Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Earl
Clemmer.

Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Ramsey and
son visited Mr. and Mrs. N. C.
Odell Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Sprawls
were business visitors in Abilene
Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Taylor and
children were Baird visitors Satur-
day afternoon.

Miss Nina Morgan left Friday
for Throckmorton to be with her
sister-in-law, who is ill with pneu-
monia.

Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Odell visited
Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Ramsey Sun-
day night.

Don't forget to come see Santa
December 23 at the Zion Hill
club house.

E. F. Maddux of the Atwell
community was in Putnam Mon-
day and while here subscribed to
the Star-Telegram and the Putnam
News. Mr. Maddux is an old tim-
er in the Atwell community, hav-
ing lived there since about 1900.
In talking of crop conditions, he
stated that the ground was get-
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ting pretty dry, and without some
winter rains to wet the ground the
prospects for a crop next year
would not be so good.

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Fine Arbor vitae for live Christ-
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Local Happenings

Dr. B. F. Britain is driving a new Ford coupe the past few days.

Mrs. W. W. Everett visited her sister, Mrs. Bertha Hart of Cisco Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn L. Williams and children visited Mrs. William's mother at Stamford Sunday.

Mrs. L. B. Williams and daughter, Miss Zada, visited Miss Mary Douglas Williams, who is attending Hardin-Simmons University at Abilene Saturday night.

Franklin Shackelford, who is attending Weatherford Junior college, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Shackelford.

Mrs. Claud King is slowly recovering from an illness of several weeks, however she is still confined to her room and it will be several days yet before she is able to be out.

Hair clippers and scissor grinding—Sewing machine repairs, wire novelties for household use, appropriate for gifts—Charlie Quigley at Mrs. Rosa Green's residence, Putnam.

All kinds of Carpenter work. Painting or Repair work—Charlie Davis, Putnam, Texas.

LOST—One red and white faced cow, R bar brand on right side. Strayed from my farm at Union.—W. A. RAMSEY, Putnam, Tex.

Bry a package of gift ties to make your presents attractive. 7 assortments in package, 50c.—The Putnam News.

Hugh V. Smith Sr. is able to be out again after several days confinement to his room because of influenza.

Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Allen of Union were Reverend and Mrs. F. A. Hollis, Mr. and Mrs. Neil Norred, Roy Lee Williams, Doyle Lee Brown, Willie Grace Pruet, Zada Williams, Mary Lov Eubank, Lewis Williams Jr.

NOTICE—I am heavily in debt and am asking my friends to call at my office and pay something on their past due accounts. It is necessary that I collect if I keep practicing.—DR. B. F. BRITAIN.

Mayor J. S. Yeager and Miss Mildred Yeager, editor of The Putnam News, were guests of J. C. Euter, president of the Central West Texas Oil & Gas Association banquet at Abilene Saturday night. They were accompanied by Mrs. Mary Guyton, who also attended the banquet. About 1,600 people were present. A. J. Frazier of Abilene was chosen as the new president. Mr. Frazier is a former Putnam man, having started his successful career as an oil man in Callahan county. Ungren and Frazier had a nice greeting to the Putnam people in last week's anniversary edition of The Putnam News.

HOME DEMONSTRATION NOTES

All Kinds of Cookies
What is there in the home more popular with youngsters and grownups than a cookie jar—a cookie jar kept filled with overflowing! Cookies for a lunch box and after school snacks, hearty cookies, party cookies and cookies appropriate for holidays.

Cookie recipes that have been tested and tasted:

Date Pinwheels
2 1-4 cups chopped pitted dates, 1 cup water, 1 cup granulated sugar, 1 cup chopped nut meats, 2 cups brown sugar, 1 cup shortening 3 eggs, 4 cups of flour (all purpose), 1-2 teaspoon salt, 1-2 teaspoon soda.

Combine dates, granulated sugar and water in a saucepan and cook over low flame about 10 minutes or until thick, add nutmeats and cool.

Meanwhile cream shortening, add brown sugar gradually, add eggs, beat well; add the dry ingredients sifted together and mix well; chill thoroughly, divide the dough into two parts and roll each out separately 1-4 inch thickness; spread with date filling and roll up (as in a jelly roll), chill over night if possible, slice in thin slices and bake in moderate hot oven (400 degrees F.) 10-12 minutes. Makes 5 dozen.

Sugar Cookies
2-3 cup shortening, 2-3 cup sugar, 2 eggs, 2 cups sifted flour (all purpose), 1-2 teaspoon salt, 1-2 teaspoons baking powder, 1-2 teaspoon vanilla.

Cream the shortening, sugar, eggs and vanilla; sift dry ingredients together and add; chill the dough and roll out 1-2 inch in thickness on a lightly floured board. Cut into desired shapes on greased baking sheet, brush top with milk and sprinkle with sugar or top with mixed, minced nuts, tiny colored candy, strips of gum drops or raisins; bake in moderate oven 10 minutes. Makes 3 dozen.

Orange Coconut Cookies
1 cup shortening, 2 tablespoons grated orange rind, 1 1-4 cups sugar, 3-4 cup shredded coconut, 2 1-2 teaspoons baking powder, 1-4 teaspoon salt, 3-4 teaspoon cinnamon, 1 cup rolled oats, 4 tablespoons of milk, 2 cups of flour (all purpose).

Cream shortening with orange rind, add sugar gradually, cream well, add eggs and beat; sift together dry ingredients, add rolled oats; add alternately with milk and creamed mixture; drop from teaspoon about 2 inches apart on ungreased baking sheet, bake in a moderate oven for 10 to 12 minutes. Makes 4 dozen.

Refrigerator Cookies, Butterscotch
1 1-2 cups butter, 2 cups brown sugar, 2 eggs, 3 cups of flour, 1 teaspoon baking powder, 1 cup chopped nuts.

Sprinkle the nuts with 1-2 cup of flour—cream the shortening and sugar, add eggs and beat well; add sifted together dry ingredients, add nuts and rest of the flour; shape into a roll and chill several hours, cut into thin slices and bake in oven 375 degrees F. for 10 minutes. Bake on ungreased sheet.

Variations: Add two squares of melted chocolate to the dough, leave out the nuts; add 1-3 cup shredded coconut; add 1-3 cup of finely chopped dried fruit (raisins, figs, apricots, prunes or dates); add 1-2 teaspoon of cinnamon and 1-4 teaspoon of nutmeg. Makes about 60 cookies.

Peanut Butter Cookies
1 1-4 cup flour, 3-4 teaspoon soda, 1-2 teaspoon baking powder, 1-2 teaspoon salt, 1-2 cup shortening, 1-2 cup peanut butter, 1 egg, 1 cup brown sugar, 1 teaspoon vanilla.

Cream shortening and peanut butter, add sugar, egg and vanilla; sift dry ingredients and add to first mixture; chill till firm; pinch off bits, roll into balls, roll in coconut, bake on cookie sheet in moderate oven for 12 minutes.

Chocolate Macaroons
1 cup condensed milk, 2 cans coconut, 2 squares of chocolate. Melt chocolate in double boiler, add milk, then coconut, drop by teaspoons on greased baking sheet, bake about 20 minutes at 300 degrees F. or slow oven.

Date Bars
1 cup sugar, 1 cup flour, 1 teaspoon baking powder, 3 eggs, 1 teaspoon vanilla, 1 pound dates, 1-4 cup of finely chopped nuts, 1 tablespoon of milk, 1-2 teaspoon salt.

Sift dry ingredients, beat egg yolk until lemon colored, add vanilla; add dry ingredients, mix thoroughly, fold in beaten egg whites, milk may be added; spread 1-2 inch thick in a greased floured baking pan, bake in a slow oven 25 minutes. Let cool, cut in strips and roll in powdered sugar.

Dropped Cookies
3 cups flour, 2 teaspoons of baking powder, 3-4 teaspoon salt, 2-3 cup shortening, 1-1-3 cups sugar, 2 eggs, 1-4 cup milk, 1 teaspoon vanilla.

Cream shortening, add sugar

gradually and beat until light; sift dry ingredients together and add alternately with milk, mix well; chill dough, drop by teaspoonfuls about 2 inches apart on a well greased baking sheet in a moderate oven for 15 minutes. Makes 5 dozen.

WMS MET WEDNESDAY

The Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist church met at the church Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Mrs. E. G. Scott, president presided. Opening song was "The Great Physician." Mrs. G. P. Gaskins led prayer. Mrs. S. M. Eubank taught the lesson about Palestine. Members read different scriptures as an introduction. Those present were Mmes. F. A. Hollis, W. M. Tatom, G. P. Gaskins, S. M. Eubank, E. G. Scott.

Dock Smith was a business visitor in Putnam Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Rogers were in Baird on business Wednesday. They were accompanied by Bill Brandon.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Aten of O'Donnell visited Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Nelson Thursday night as they were enroute to Austin to visit relatives.

Rev. and Mrs. F. A. Hollis, Mmes. E. G. Scott, Jno. Cook and W. M. Tatom attended the Workers' Conference at Potosi Tuesday.

Mrs. J. O. Pearson of Hobbs, New Mexico, and grandson of Hollywood, California, visited Mrs. Gus Brandon last week as they were passing through Putnam.

DECEMBER 24, 4:00 p. m., 1 am giving away absolutely FREE three prizes:
1st—5 gal. gasoline.
2nd—1 wash and grease job.
3rd—1 quart oil (best).
Inquire at MAGNOLIA SERVICE STATION.
Special price of wash, polish and grease job until Christmas.—Hallie Crawford.

Honorable Tip Ross and daughter, Miss Jack, stopped in Putnam a short time Thursday as they were enroute to Hobbs, New Mexico, where the Ross Construction Company has large buildings under construction. Honorable Ross and sons were contractors for the Putnam high school building, completed in 1936.

WANTED, REPAIR WORK—Carpenter work, painting, papering and any kind of repair work including watches and clocks.—C. T. DAVIS.

Mrs. F. A. Hollis has been on the sick list recently, being confined to her bed several days.

Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Hudson of Merkel visited in the home of J. L. Hudson and family Sunday.

PUTNAM SEWING CLUB

The Putnam Sewing Club met in the home of Mrs. Salas Lawrence December 9th. Two beautiful quilts were worked, a doll quilt and a Dresden plate. Mrs. Reid announced that she had the Christmas tree ready for next Thursday, Dec. 15th, so all club members should be there with their present.

Most of the blocks for the third club quilt were collected. It is to be given away next Thursday. Members should bring their rules. Those present were Mmes. A. H. Nelson, Virgil Wagley, Roy Williams, Roy Speegle, Lance Reid, J. D. Sprawls, Altis Clemmer, Carl Kile, Clydine Wallace, and Salas Lawrence.

POTATO FARMERS MEET AT CISCO

Farmers of Eastland, Callahan, Brown, Erath and Comanche counties met Saturday in Cisco for the purpose of pooling their orders for certified seed Irish potatoes. They have followed this policy for the past 16 years. Usually they order 60,000 pounds. In past years they have favored the Minnesota potato.



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THINK THIS OVER

Justice is not worn out, it is just discarded.

The difference between go-getters is, some only go and others go and get.
The devil is a liar, in fact he told the first lie. Now he has many relatives.
Paddling through the depression has caused many a person to wear his oars to the locks in keeping his head above water.

L. B. BALL,
Western Supply Co.
Mother—"You never come into the house without making an attack on that dish of doughnuts."
Tommy—"That's right mom; y' see, a home run doesn't court unless a fellow hits the plate."

Doctor: "I don't like to bring this up, but that check you gave me came back."
Patient: "I don't like to mention this either, but so did my gout."

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Northeast of Baird were visitors Saturday. Mrs. Northeast is the former Miss Madlon Kelley.



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THE PANTHER'S SCREAM

STAFF
 Editor-in-Chief—Doyle Lee Brown
 Senior Reporter—Dolpha Hull
 Junior Reporter—Mary Lou Eubank
 Sophomore Reporter—Wilma McMillan

ALL IN FUN
 Bennie—Mama, I ain't got no butter.
 Mrs. Williams—Roy Lee, correct your brother.
 Roy Lee (looking over into Bennie's plate)—Yes you is.

Stanley (as a judge)—I fine you \$1.10 for beating your wife.
 Herbert—Yer overcharging me. It should only come to a dollar.
 Stanley—There's a dime amusement tax.

Wool Salesman—Would you be interested in coarse yarns?
 Ildred (thinking of Hugh V.)—Gosh yes! Tell me a couple.

Mr. Webb: Were you copying his paper?
 Melvin: No, sir, I was only looking to see if he had mine right.

Tommy—I just brought home a skunk.
 Newt—Where ya gonna keep him?
 Tommy—I'm gonna tie him under the bed.

Newt—And what about the smell?
 Tommy—He'll have to get used to it like I did.

Duster—Oliver, don't you know that you will never get anywhere if you will never quit drinking?

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Oliver—Don't I know it. I've been trying to get around this corner for twenty minutes.

BASKET BALL NEWS

(By Mildred King)

The basket ball girls met in a business meeting for the purpose of organizing a basketball club. Wilma McMillan was elected president and also captain of the club. Zada was elected co-captain and vice-president of the basketball club. Leora Kirkpatrick was elected secretary of the club and Mildred King was elected reporter.

The basketball girls are making their new suits this year. They are of blue Indianhead blue and made sailor style.

The basketball girls plan to have a very successful season and we also plan to win the tournament that will be held in February.

HONOR ROLL FOR SECOND SIX WEEKS

Seniors—Doyle Lee Brown, Mildred King, Zada Williams.
 Juniors—Glenn Burnam, Mary Lou Eubank, James Kennedy.
 Freshmen—Lee Rutherford.

THIS WEEK'S THOUGHT

"It is most easier to be critical than to be correct."

JUNIOR CHATTER

Hello folks! It seems that it has been ages since we have had a little chat with you. We hope that you enjoy our chattering as much as we enjoy writing it.

It has been said that we are rewarded by our hard work. When we received our report cards, this saying was justified. Some of us had worked hard, and were rewarded by getting a high grade, but to our sorrow, some of us had not worked hard; therefore we were not rewarded. We have resolved in our hearts that we will do better next six weeks. We are hoping that we will keep this resolution, and will strive to do so.

Friday afternoon the ex-students played the high school football boys. Those of you who were not here missed a lot. The score was six and seven in favor of the ex-Panthers. Although we were beaten by one point, we are very proud of the Panthers' fine playing. The junior class feels honored that one of the junior boys, Donald Allen, made the only touchdown for the panthers.

Look, folks, jokes!
 "An apple a day keeps the doctor away"
 Is an old saying but it is true—
 But a laugh a minute
 Has more pep in it
 And here are a few for you.

An Irishman's description of influenza: "Faith, an it's a disease that makes ye feel sick tin weeks after ye's well."

After listening to a lot of these new fangled cowboy songs on the radio, it is easy to understand why rangeland cattle stampede.

SOPHOMORE GOSSIP

After the startling truth that we issued in last week's news, I'm afraid to write any this week. I'll risk the endangerment to bring another great scoop.

Everyone is looking forward to the Christmas holidays with great enthusiasm and all the sophomores are hoping that Santa Claus will be good to the sweet little boys and girls. After the holidays we hope that we will gain greater knowledge and will be far more brilliant students when we again enter school.

All the high school pupils seem to be quite interested in the second year homemaking class this week for we are planning to make candy.

I'll be back next week with the

usual gossip on the sophomore class.

FRESHMAN GAD-ABOUT

Hello Folks! I'll bet you can't guess who is here! It's that sweet, adorable freshman class and they have some news, too.

We have been looking for Santa Claus but we haven't found him yet because he is probably still at the North Pole making our toys for Christmas. We are going to tell you what some of the class wants Santa to bring them:

Stella Mae wants a little rubber doll that resembles a little boy from Baird. Jerry wants an all day sucker and a cowboy. F. L. wants a little rubber car with real lights. Clyde wants a pop gun to play police with.

We have talked enough about Christmas so we will have to say good-bye.

SENIOR HIGHLIGHTS

The seniors the past week have been working on all subjects very diligently. They realize that soon their high school career will be over and that they may never be able to attend another school. They wish to set examples for the other school students from the first grade to the tenth grade, so as they may follow in our steps (but not some of our steps).

The third six-weeks is well on its way with lessons pulling into full swing Monday morning. With Christmas just a few days off we are going to work hard because we know that a few days absence from school makes it hard to get our minds back on our studies.

We are proud of three seniors who have been able to make the honor roll during the first three months of school.

Friday night there is to be a program to be presented at the high school auditorium. We invite all to attend. Until next week we again say adios.

Texas Wildlife Making Comeback

AUSTIN.—Game and fish for the sportsman are now to be found in many areas formerly depleted or completely unoccupied by wildlife as the result of one of the most extensive restocking programs ever undertaken in Texas, the Game, Fish and Oyster Commission pointed out today in its annual report for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1938.

Executive Secretary Will J. Tucker announced the commission had distributed 14,075 bobwhite quail, a record in Texas for this species, and 371 white-tailed deer, almost four times the number distributed in 1937.

In addition, he said, the commission's nine fish hatcheries during the fiscal year produced 3,068,705 fish for distribution to public lakes and streams, all but 142,735 being of fingerling size.

The report emphasized results of fish rescue operations carried on throughout the year by game wardens, pointing out that 2,846,279 fish, many of them mature, were rescued from streams about to dry up during the hot summer months, or from waters otherwise unsuitable to fish life. The rescued fish, amounting almost to the total produced by the nine fish hatcheries, were placed in permanent bodies of water.

The report said there was an unprecedented demand for bobwhite quail during the fiscal year, and that in an effort to meet it with funds available for that purpose the commission placed orders for 189,000 birds trapped in Mexico. Only 14,075 were delivered because the importers could not obtain them from across the border, it was explained. During the fiscal year 1936-1937, the report points out, only 10,000 quail were distributed.

The birds were sold at cost to sportsmen on a cooperative basis, a quail being given free to each purchaser of one.

No wild turkeys were distributed. "Hill country landowners," the report said, "who in the past had allowed trapping on their property decided to give the turkey population a chance to completely recover from a succession of bad years. The severe drouth of 1932 to 1935, followed by torrential floods in the latter year, took a heavy toll. In 1936 and 1937, however, the production rate increased greatly with more favorable conditions, and the 1938 hatch was believed the best in seven years."

"Your neighbors are honest. I hope?" one asked the old Negro. "Yessir, dey is."

"But you keep that loaded shotgun near your hen coop."
 "Yes, dats to keep 'em nones."

Pretty Callar: "Can I see the manager?"
 Fresh Clerk: "Yes. The manager always has time to see pretty girls."

Caller: "Well then, tell him his wife is here."

ATWELL

Mrs. Geo. Morgan and sister, Miss Ruby Pillans, of Albany, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Pillans, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Delmer Lavender and family, also Mr. Lavender's mother, were called to Slaton Saturday to be at the bedside of Mr. Lavender's sister, who is seriously sick.

The school children were given the diphtheria serum last week. Quite a few of the children were real sick from the effects.

Miss Mary Pillans returned Thursday from an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. Bob Kincaid, at Snyder.

Several from here attended the ball tournament at Pioneer this week-end.

Miss Gentry, teacher of the primary grades, visited home folks in Breckenridge this week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brashear of Cross Plains visited home folks here Sunday.

DAN HORN NEWS

Last week-end the weather seemed like summer time. But is winter again. Everybody very busy butchering, cutting wood, setting near the fire trying to be comfortable.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Horn of Ibbex spent Thursday night with Mrs. Carrie Hull and son, George B.

Walter King spent Sunday night with Parks Bailey at Cisco.

Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Camp of Dothan were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Claud Lambrite.

Mmes. A. W. Brooks and Lester Horn visited Mrs. J. G. Stuteville Wednesday afternoon.

James Heath of Eastland recently visited his sister, Mrs. W. M. Weed.

Misses Melva and Wilma Speegle of Dothan spent the week-end here with the Hallmark girls.

Carl William Bailey and Charles Leon Starr visited Billy Joe Taylor Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Starr are the proud parents of a son, named Allan Travis.

Mr. and Mrs. Couch and Mr. and Mrs. C. Rhyne and children of Carbon spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Cavanaugh in the afternoon. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Dobbins and son, Billy, of Cottonwood, Rev. and Mrs. Jim Nickelson and Junior Britton of Cisco.

Mrs. J. G. Heslep, mother of Mrs. M. D. Speegle, who has been ill is worse.

There being so many plan to spend the holidays away, there will not be a program and tree at Dan Horn the 24th.

He—"We must economize. Suppose, darling, that you try your hand at making your own clothes."

She—"Oh, George dear, I never could do that! Suppose I began trying to make yours?"

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SCRANTON

Mrs. F. S. Boland left Saturday for Throckmorton to be at the bedside of her sister, Mrs. J. T. Morgan, who is ill with pneumonia.

Mrs. Ray Battle, teacher in the Pioneer school, is recuperating at her home here from a spell of pneumonia.

Miss Mona Keeter, home economics teacher, spent the week-end with her parents at Olney.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Brummett and Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Brummett visited Mr. and Mrs. Asa Skiles of Cisco Sunday.

Rev. Bliss of Abilene, supply preacher, preached at the Baptist church at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday. He was accompanied from Abilene by Mrs. Bliss, who attended both services.

The architect who is to build the new gymnasium and auditorium is here and asks that the workmen report for work Wednesday. The building will be of native rock and erected on the school campus. It is a WPA project.

On its completion the present auditorium will be cut up into class rooms, which are badly needed for the school.

HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB IS ORGANIZED

Miss Ruth Ramey met with a group of women at the Baptist church at Scranton Thursday afternoon and organized a home demonstration club.

There were thirteen women went into the organization. Mrs. A. L. Gattis was elected president, Mrs. F. S. Boland secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Fred Sprawls parliamentarian, Mrs. B. T. Leverage council members, Mrs. W. E. Faires home pantry demonstrator, Mrs. Cecil Black reporter.

Meetings are to be on first and third Monday afternoons of each month. The first meeting will be the third Monday in January. Miss Ramey will be with the group in that meeting.

GIVE GLASSES FOR CHRISTMAS

I have discontinued my Breckenridge office and will be in Cisco all the time.

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