

FROM THE EDITOR'S WINDOW BY MRS. J. S. YEAGER

The story is told of an artist who had gone to the country to paint some scenes from nature. One day as he was busily engaged at his work a farmer came up and quietly watched him.

It is reported that some 250,000 bags of green coffee were declared surplus property recently by the United States army and has been offered for sale by the United States Department of Agriculture.

Recently in London two first editions of John Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress were sold at auction for \$24,800.

Possibly one reason for the rapid increase in Bible circulation and Bible reading in Mexico is the national crusade for evangelism recently conducted by the Salvation Army.

This campaign centered its activities in a house-to-house distribution of separately bound Gospels in the cities, towns, villages and out on the ranches.

The Gospel portions were secured through the American Bible Society, the books being sent to Mexico in carload lots.

A father was buying a fountain pen for his son's promotion present. "It's to be a surprise, I suppose," observed the clerk.

Englishman: "What's that bloom-in' noise I hear this time of night?" American: "Why, that's an owl."

It is reported that Lester W. Armstrong Jr., member of the Chicago meat-packer family, has purchased a 15,000 acre ranch in Arizona.

The price was reported around \$100,000. The sale was made through a Tucson real estate dealer.

The Mayon volcano in Southern Luzon is erupting again after only a two-weeks intermission. It is said to be belching dense smoke and throwing lava 15,000 feet into the air.

Several near-by towns are said to be endangered again and the inhabitants will probably have to be removed from the island if the volcano continues its threatenings.

Freeman Gosden, the "Anos" of the radio team of Amos and Andy, recently underwent a major operation for a kidney ailment at a hospital in Hollywood.

It is said a new engine trouble analyzer, capable of detecting and locating almost any form of defect in any aircraft engine while the plane is in flight, has recently been invented.

The Duke and Duchess of Windsor recently arrived in Palm Beach, Florida for a vacation of two weeks and will spend the time visiting in the home of a friend.

They traveled through Florida in a private railroad car. After their Palm Beach visit the duke and duchess plan to board a plane bound for Nassau in the Bahamas Islands, where the duke was governor and where they made their home during World War II.

Oliver Culwell Jr., who was reported ill in the county hospital at Baird was brought home and is doing as well as could be expected.

CREDIT TRAVELING CARDS WILL BE ISSUED BY TEXAS & PACIFIC IN THE NEAR FUTURE

Credit cards for train travelers will soon be issued by the Texas and Pacific Railway Company, W. G. Vollmer, president announced last week. Under a plan now before the Interstate Commerce Commission for approval, Texas and Pacific will issue credit cards to financially responsible individuals, firms and corporations for the purchase of rail, sleeping cars and parlor car tickets at all Texas and Pacific ticket offices.

The credit cards also permit holders to sign for meals in Texas and Pacific dining cars and restaurants. Charges assessed on excess weight or valuation of baggage, and storage of baggage also may be signed for.

Accounts of credit card holders will be payable monthly. It is expected the use of Texas and Pacific Credit Cards will become effective February 17, subject to the Interstate Commerce Commission approval.

In anticipation of the Commission approval, Special Instruction Squads are now outlining and explaining to agents and passenger representatives of the railroad the procedure of handling tickets and other transportation services covered by the proposed credit plan.

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San Antonio Firm Highest Bidder On Local Road Bonds

Recently voted \$150,000.00 worth of bonds on road district number one, Callahan county, were sold last week to the Columbian Security Corporation of San Antonio by the Commissioners Court in a bidding session Friday afternoon.

The San Antonio firm's bid was low among nine submitted on the bond issue which was authorized recently by voters of the "shoe-string" district in the northern part of the county to finance purchase right-of-way for re-routing of U. S. Highway 80, I. G. Mobley, of Putnam, precinct 3 commissioner, reported.

The successful bidder agreed to purchase the bonds at average net interest of 2.1631 percent over the 21-year maturity period. The bonds vary in denomination from \$4,000 to \$12,000.

Second lowest bid was submitted by Ransom Davidson, also of San Antonio, at average net interest of 2.2277 percent.

LEGION AUXILIARY DELEGATES ELECTED

The American Legion Auxiliary held a meeting in the T. P. banquet room with the president, Mrs. Dale McGlasson, presiding, on Jan. 28.

Burma Warren gave a report on the girl scout organization as a community project. The Auxiliary voted to give \$5.00 to help set up the organization.

Mrs. McGlasson announced the dates for the district convention to be held at Stephenville on Feb. 15 and 16. The following delegates were elected to represent the Auxiliary: Mrs. Arthur Johnson, Mrs. Will Walls, Mrs. Felix Mitchell, Mrs. Billy Henry, Mrs. Dale Glas-son and Miss Burma Warren.

Cross Plains Now Has 2,500 People Jaycees Estimate

Having just completed the designating of streets and avenues, the Cross Plains Junior Chamber of Commerce is now busily engaged in the numbering of houses and business concerns. Attractive numerals are being procured by the civic group and installed by the local high school F.F.A. students under contract with the Jaycees.

Although Cross Plains has been an incorporated city since 1911 and streets and avenues have been officially named since that time, markers were never installed until the Jaycees undertook the project and consequently names of the various thoroughfares were generally unknown even by long time residents.

With 75 new homes having been either built or moved in to Cross Plains within the past 24 months, Jimmy Settle, Jaycee president, estimates that the present population is now near 2,500. His estimate is vouched for by Mrs. Ava Childers, city secretary, who reports applications for connections to utility services coming in at the most rapid rate in history here.

San Angelo promoters have opened up the Shrader well about 7 miles southeast of Putnam and are expected to drill to the Caddo lime which is expected at around 1900 feet.

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NEW LICENSE PLATES ARE NOW AVAILABLE

The new 1947 car license tags are now on sale at the tax collector's office in Baird at the Court house and can be purchased through March 31. The new plates are again in the form of two tags, black with white numbers.

Passenger car numbers run from BH-4100 to BH-7299; commercial trucks from ME-2750 to B-249, farm trucks from RD-9950 to RD9999 and from RE-10 to KE-549.

DATES ARE SET FOR PICNIC IN SUMMER

Dates for Cross Plains annual Summer Picnic were set Monday night at a meeting of the Cross Plains fire department, scheduling this year's celebration for July 17 and 18, the third Friday and Saturday in that month.

The Volunteer fire department will again serve as sponsors for the event. Fire Chief Walker told the Review that the fire department hoped to earn sufficient funds from the project to purchase equipment for the combating of rural fires.

COTTONWOOD LADY IS HONORED ON BIRTHDAY

Relatives surprised Mrs. H. S. Varner of Cottonwood Sunday, February 9, on the occasion of her seventy first birthday with a luncheon at her home following the church hour at the Baptist church.

Mrs. Varner received many lovely gifts, including a pink gladiola corsage presented her by Mrs. Kelson of Baird.

Luncheon was served from a table centered with pink carnations and fern. Coffee and punch was served from the buffet by Mrs. Joe Arvin and Mrs. Russell Warren.

Guests included Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Griffin of Centralia, Illinois; Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Stanton of Clifton, Arizona; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Griffin of Lampasas; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Griffin of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Keith and Mr. and Mrs. Fort Keith and Billie Jack, all of Grandbury; Mrs. Blanch Oeff of Blanket, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Arvin and Mrs. Russell Warren, all of Baird.

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Miss Mildred Farmer, daughter of Judge and Mrs. J. Lester Farmer of Baird, became the bride of Benjamin Pillans, Jr., familiarly known here as Benja, of Atwell in a double ring candle light ceremony at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Morgan, sister of the groom, at Baird on Saturday, February 8 at nine thirty in the evening with Rev. J. T. Lewis of Abilene reading the vows.

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Traditional piano music was rendered by Mrs. Billy Dan Havens and Misses Roxy and Doxy Pillans, twin sisters of the groom, softly sang "Always", accompanied by another sister, Mrs. M. E. Rouse.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore an aqua blue dressmaker suit, accented by a pink hat and blouse and black accessories. Her corsage, a gift of the groom, was of white carnations.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at which forty one guests registered in the bride's book, presided over by Mrs. Jack Farmer. A two-tiered cake, topped with a miniature bride and groom, centered the linen laid refreshment table. Tall white tapers burned at either end. Mrs. George Morgan ladeled punch from a crystal bowl and cake was passed by Mrs. Ned Moore.

Parents of Mr. Pillans honored the bridal couple Sunday with a wedding luncheon, attended by wedding guests and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Pillans of San Antonio and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Morgan of Zion Hill. The couple left Sunday afternoon on a short wedding trip, after which they will be at home in San Antonio where he is employed as radio and radar engineer at Kelly Field. Mr. Pillans is a graduate of Cross Plains high school.

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COTTON GINNED IN TEXAS PAST YEAR

Texas cotton crop production from the 1946 crop totaled only 1,601,588 bales as of January 16, as compared with 1,725,545 bales for the 1945 crop to the same date last year.

This is considerable falling off of the cotton production in Texas a few years ago when the state produced between four and five million bales. It is doubtful if the farmers ever go back to planting cotton in Texas, since there is too many things being used to take the place of cotton. Besides cotton is more expensive to grow than some other crops that will produce as much revenue per acre as cotton.

It was pointed out by many writers that the United States control program would destroy the cotton industry but it was just as vehemently argued the program would not injure the cotton industry. Who was right?

FUNERAL MONDAY IN BAIRD FOR RANCHER

Funeral arrangements for J. H. Grimes, 71, rancher and resident of Callahan county for the past 42 years, were held from the Methodist church in Baird Monday afternoon at 2:30, with the Rev. John English officiating. Burial was made in the Ross cemetery at Baird.

Mr. Grimes had been ill for about three months and suffered a stroke of paralysis last week. He was born in Tenn. Sept. 13, 1875 and was married to Juliet Alexander Dec. 18, 1900 at Breckenridge. Survivors include his wife and two daughters, Isadore Grimes of

STATE HEALTH OFFICER GIVES TRAFFIC SAFETY HINTS TO AVOID DEATHS

An automobile collision can kill a human being just as certainly as cancer, and a traffic accident can cripple as badly as poliomyelitis, and for this reason Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, urges Texans to protect their health and lives by using the utmost care on highways.

"It is the duty of the State Health Department to do everything in its power to foster good health and prevent as many needless deaths as possible," Dr. Cox declared, "and because so many Texans each year are killed, permanently crippled, or disabled for long periods of time through preventable traffic accidents, I earnestly urge every driver in the State to do his conscientious best to help reduce the number of these tragic and often fatal smash-ups."

Dr. Cox said that it is a driver's responsibility to know that his lights, tires and brakes are in good condition; that he pay proper attention to traffic signals and road signs; and that he give due regard to other drivers and pedestrians; that he use great caution at unmarked intersections; "and above all," he urged, "use common sense and follow a live-and-let-live policy when in your car, whether driving to the corner grocery, or going from coast to coast."



This Sunday the Baptist church will observe Baptist World Alliance Day. The W.M.U. will have charge of the closing period of Sunday School and will present something of the Baptist's of the world. The pastor will then preach on the subject: "Making and Developing Disciples". Accompanying is a picture taken by Mrs. Gonsen of our own Navajo Indian's dipping the sheep which belong to the little girl at the left.

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Commissioner Mobley was in town Saturday afternoon and in talking about the road across the county, he said they had a deed to most of the right-of-way now. He thought they would commence opening up the road west of Baird first since the city of Baird had a lot of jibe that would have to be moved.

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On The Job

If the poultryman is really on the job this year, he ought to make some nice money. And there is a job that needs to be done right now, too—and that's ordering your baby chicks. Hundreds and thousands of people nearly always decide to start their baby chicks at the same time—and that leaves a lot of them out of luck. The only way you can be sure of having a good bunch of laying pullets next fall is to get your order in now for those baby chicks.

And while you're waiting for the chicks to come in, another job you can be doing is this—go over the brooder house, nail up cracks, clean, scrape and wash the floors—disinfect the whole thing and be ready to give the chicks a clean house, free of disease.

There are a lot of different ways to feed baby chicks, but every one of the means you really have to be on the job. The outlook for profits in the poultry business is good this year for the man who wants to do a good job of feeding chicks.

Farmers Build Stock In Co-Op
Texas farmers doubled their capital investment in cooperative enterprises during the five-year period ending in 1946, reports M. C. Jaynes, specialist in organization and cooperative marketing of the Texas A. & M. College Extension Service.

Figures released by the Houston Bank for Cooperatives show that farmers co-ops have taken good advantage of favorable, business conditions to reduce their debt and build capital, Jaynes says.

Since the Houston Bank for cooperatives was organized in 1933, 380 Texas farmers' cooperatives have borrowed more than \$171,000,000 and a credit loss of less than five cents on each \$1000 loaned has been sustained by the bank. During 1946, more than \$24,000,000 was loaned by the bank to business organizations of Texas farmers.

The 2125 cooperatives now doing business with the bank have about 91,300 individual farm families within their membership, and carry on a wide variety of activities to supplement the actual production of crops and livestock. Large percent of the co-ops are associations set up to gin, store, and market cotton and to crush the members of cotton seed. Other cooperatives pack and market fruits and vegetables; store and market wheat, rice and other grains; purchase feed, seed, fertilizer, gasoline and other supplies necessary for modern farming; and process and market dairy and livestock products.

Every important agricultural product of Texas farms and ranches is handled to some extent by farmers' cooperatives, Jaynes says.

Blackeyed Peas Bring In Cash
Blackeyed peas have developed into a big cash crop in West Texas.

In Dawson and surrounding counties, the 1946 crop of green field peas brought farmers an average of \$110 per ton in the hull, reports Dawson County Agricultural Agent T. A. Barfield. The blackeye pea acreage in Dawson County alone last year was between 20,000 and 25,000 acres, Barfield says. Yields were reported to range from 4000 to 2000 pounds per acre.

Commenting on the value of the peas as a cash crop, the county agent states, "Our minimum price at Lamesa was \$80 per ton, and competitive buying boosted the top price paid to \$130 per ton. I judge that the average price paid at Lamesa in 1946 was \$100 or \$110 per ton."

The green peas have helped Dawson County farmers to restore some "much needed nitrogen" to the soil, Barfield says, as well as bring in cash during the last two dry years that the county has had.

Large acreages were also planted to the peas in Lubbock, Lynn Terry, Bailey, and Hale Counties, says Barfield, and "some fabulous yields" were reported on land under irrigation.

Buyers seem to like the superior quality of the West Texas blackeye peas the county agent mentions, "and they tell me that the peas have fuller pods, which make them yield more cans of peas per ton."

He adds that many Dawson County farmers will be planting blackeye peas as long as there is a market for them.

There are acres in Callahan County that would produce peas abundantly; there's a market for blackeye peas at Brownwood they make a very good summer cover crop or green manure crop and like other leguminous plants enrich the soil by adding nitrogen and organic matter. If the production is here, buyers will come in to buy the produce.

FERTILIZER SUPPLY SHORT
Almos' a record supply of fertilizer is on hand now for the current

fiscal year of American agriculture, out demand is still higher than supply.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture has announced that present American fertilizer supplies are more than double the amount used in prewar years, but the need of agriculture cannot be fully supplied by the fertilizers on hand. Nitrogen fertilizers are especially short.

Shortages of railroad cars is a bottleneck for all phases of the fertilizer industry. Tank cars for the shipment of nitrogen and boxcars for phosphate and potash are among the particularly short items.

Only slightly larger quantities of phosphates and potash are expected to be available during the current fiscal year than were avail-

able last year, while nitrogen supplies will be slightly less than last year. Various set-backs, such as the coal strike, have prevented production from reaching goals set for the year, but most of the loss in production is being borne by the export program rather than by the farmers.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Nolan of Andrews were visiting and looking after business interest and meeting old friends in Putnam the past week. They spent Thursday night with Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Sanderman returning to Andrews Friday. The Nolan's moved from here a few months ago. Mr. Nolan was superintendent of the Dean Brothers interest here for several years.

Mrs. J. H. Cunningham has been visiting her children in Jal, New Mexico for the past several days.

Harold Morgan was in from the Zion Hill community Saturday afternoon exchanging eggs for groceries.

Fred Heyser was in from the ranch about seven miles south of Putnam Saturday afternoon swapping yarns with the Putnam bunch.

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Cross Plains Youth Nets \$747 In FFA Calf Feeding

Leo Franke, Cross Plains high school F.F.A. boy and son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Franke, who live three miles Southwest of town, reaped a net profit of \$742.20 on two calves sold last week at the Houston Fat Stock Show and Livestock Exposition.

Other Cross Plains boys also finished their calf feeding projects with pockets bulging with money, although none quite as much profit as young Franke, whose calf finished second in his division at Houston.

Franke's profits were accumulated in the following manner. His two calves cost but \$70, one of the animals having been won in the "scramble" event at Houston last year. Total expenses for feed and incidentals in finishing the two calves amounted to \$290. Leo accumulated \$97.40 in prize

money at the three shows in which he competed: Cross Plains, Brownwood and Houston. His Hereford calf, which finished high in the Houston competition and which was the principal prize winner, sold for 42 cents per pound or a total of \$362.80. Sale of his Angus scramble calf amounted to \$376.00. In addition to this Leo was the recipient of \$271 in cash and Western regalia, awarded by the sponsor which gave the "scramble" calf.

Other Cross Plains boys who had calf feeding projects and finished with enviable profits include: Billy Parker Baum, Lois Edward Davidson, Billy Anderson, Sterling Gibson, N. L. Long, Jr., and Dick Estal. These youths averaged slightly more than \$100 per calf profit, according to their chapter advisor O. B. Edmondson.

Senator and Mrs. A. C. Stanton of Clifton, Arizona, stopped in Putnam Sunday afternoon for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Little. Senator Stanton is a friend of Mr. Little. Mr. Little was also a former Representative of the state of Arizona.

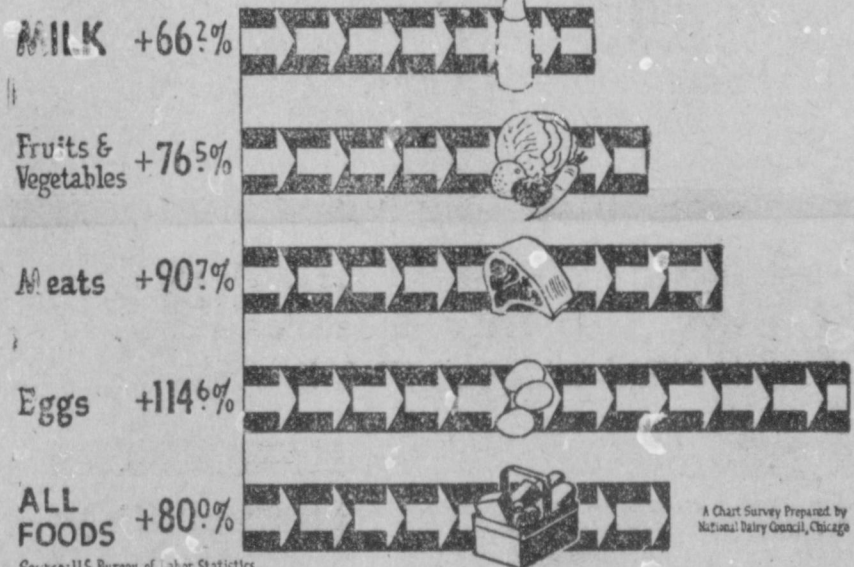
Mrs. M. H. Sargent was a visitor in Cisco Tuesday afternoon.

The Republicans have backed down on their original intention of reducing the luxury taxes. The folks back home protested against the tax being lowered on fancy baggage, perfumes, furs and whisky before the income tax on all of us is reduced.

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Baird, Texas

Cross Plains News

Mrs. Charlie Taylor was in Gorman last Monday for medical attention.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Lee Smith visited their daughter in Abilene over the week end.

Judge C. D. Russel and wife of Plainview visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Wagner, Jr., here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Boyle were in Brownwood last week where Mr. Boyles went through the Medical Arts clinic. They visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Newton.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bunnell of Abilene visited Mrs. Gerlie Oliver Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Clark of San Angelo visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Smith, last Sunday.

Mrs. Dick Montgomery and Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Duncan visited Mr. and Mrs. Loren Duncan in Brownwood last Sunday.

Mr and Mrs. Bobby Hise of Andrews visited relatives here the past week.

Mrs. W. N. Weatherman and Mrs. Mary Montgomery of Rising Star visited Mr. and Mrs. Dick Montgomery last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Burks, who have been living in Depeet City, are moving back to Cross Plains to make their home.

home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Phillips, at Clyde, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Heim of Floydada and son, John Heim, who is an auditor for the Highway department at Brownwood visited Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Smith several days last week.

Mrs. Jackie Davidson, Mrs. Marie Sharrock and Mrs. Frank McGary visited Mrs. Lola Murphy in a Baird hospital last Sunday.

Brooke Eubank was carried to a Coleman hospital late last week suffering from what was diagnosed as a bronchial and sinus ailment. He had been ill two days with attacks of high temperature and chills.

Members of the Delta Kappa Club met in the home of Mrs. Edwin Baum Tuesday night of last week when they were entertained with two tables of bridge.

E. L. Jackson, superintendent of the West Texas Utilities Company at Cisco, was in Putnam Tuesday afternoon for a while.

The Dean Brothers well on the John D. Isenhower has shut down and they have been running using. The well is down below 4,000 feet. They found a good showing of oil and are planning to acidize.

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BOYS CAGE TEAMS PLAYING AT BAIRD

Boys basketball teams from this and five other nearby towns will compete at Baird this week end for the right to represent the Western half of the district in a play-off with winner of the Eastern division. Winner of that play-off will be certified as the district champion and earn the right to enter the state tournament at Austin.

Teams to play at Baird this week include: Cross Plains, Putnam, Eula, Baird, Moran and Clyde.

7 Cities Working For Cross Plains To Cisco Cut-Off

W. T. Jones Jr., of Coleman was named president of the Cross Plains Highway association when it became a permanent organization by vote of the 28 representatives from seven West Texas towns who met in Coleman Thursday night to discuss construction of a direct road from Cisco to Coleman.

Jones was made temporary president of a temporary association at a similar meeting at Cross Plains a week earlier.

Other officers who were named to permanent positions Thursday night were Jack Scott of Cross Plains, vice president; and Ben Butler of Cisco, secretary-treasurer. Highway committee of the Coleman chamber of commerce was host to the group at a dinner at Coleman hotel, N. T. Underwood.

Jones presided over the meeting which had representatives from Fort Worth, Cisco, Coleman, Cross Plains, Burkett, Ballinger and San Angelo.

A round-table discussion was held concerning the proposed cut-off from Cisco to Coleman to reduce the distance about 15 miles. Advocates say it would save at least 25 miles on a round trip from San Angelo to Fort Worth and also would provide a good road leading directly into the Big Bend country.

Next meeting of the group will be in Cross Plains at a date to be determined. Cross Plains was unanimously selected as host city by the delegation after an invitation had been extended by Edwin Baum, Jr., cashier of the Citizens State Bank here.

PASTURE IMPROVEMENT TO GET AAA PAYMENTS

One additional practice has been added to the list of approved practices for which AAA payment will be offered under the 1947 program in Callahan county. The practice recently added is Practice No. 26, Establishing or Improving Permanent Pastures by Seeding Adapted Pasture Grasses, Pasture Legumes, or Mixture of Grasses and Legumes.

Mr. Gunnell of New Mexico is here with Mrs. Florence Gunnell who has been here about a year and active in the oil business. They have mining interests in N. M. which Mr. Gunnell has been looking after. They are on a tour of south Texas this week looking after interests there. Mr. Gunnell will return to New Mexico later on.

Rev. and Mrs. M. V. Gonnson, Mrs. E. C. Waddell, Mrs. E. H. Williams and Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Hinds were hostesses to a group of young people on a skating party at Cisco lake Thursday night.

Those in the party were: Misses Betty and Patty Williams, Freda Cook, Aura Frances Waddell, Lois Hinds, Retha Burnam, Maxine King, Evelyn Ingram, Lexa Dean Puet, Artie Cook, La Vern Rutherford, Faith and Vernon Gonnson, Ervan Brown, Richard Bailey and Mrs. Coy Bailey.

The group returned to the Baptist parsonage where coffee, hot chocolate and cookies were served by Rev. and Mrs. Gonnson.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMS TO BE HELD ON FEBRUARY 12

A civil service examination was announced today for Medical Officer, according to a statement by Mr. Paul H. Figg, Director, Fourteenth U. S. Civil Service Region. Salaries for this position, which will be filled with the United States Civil Service Commission, Fourteenth U. S. Civil Service Regional Office, Dallas 1, Texas is \$7102.20 per year.

No written test is required for this examination. Applicants will be rated on the basis of their training and experience. The age limit, 18 to 62 years, will be waived for persons entitled to veterans' preference and persons now serving under war service appointments, provided they have not reached the retirement age.

Applications must be on file with the Fourteenth Regional Office of the U. S. Civil Service Commission, 210 South Harwood Street, Dallas 1, Texas, not later than this week. Application forms and further information may be obtained from any first or second-class post office in the State of Texas or from the Regional Director, Fourteenth U. S. Civil Service Region, 210 Harwood Street, Dallas 1, Texas.

SHERIFF NICHOLS REPORTS 24 ARRESTS MADE IN JAN.

Sheriff S. S. Nichols reports to the people of Callahan county that in his first month in office he had made twenty four arrests through his department.

Among violations processed were three highway violations, 12 for intoxication, two for fighting, 2 swindling with worthless checks, 2 gambling, one liquor violation, one vagary and one burglary.

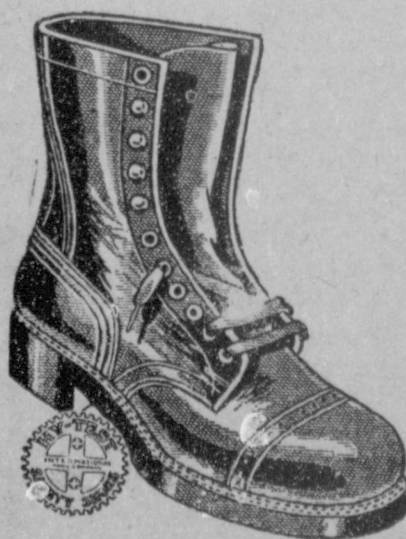
COLLEGE PRESIDENT HURT IN ACCIDENT NEAR HERE TUESDAY

Dr. Harold G. Cooke, president of McMurry College in Abilene, was critically injured in an automobile accident 13 miles West of Cross Plains on highway 36 Tuesday morning.

The well-known West Texas educator, who suffered a broken neck, shoulder, rib and severe bruises and lacerations, was discovered by Gerald Moon, of Cross Plains, who was enroute to Abilene where he is attending Hardin-Simmons University. Moon, a former petty officer in the navy medical corps, rendered first aid to the injured man and then rushed him to an Abilene hospital.

The accident occurred when the car hit a "dirt" pocket and went out of control, just this side of the intersection at the Bayou school building. Dr. Cooke was enroute to Austin to attend a meeting of the United Texas Drys. His car was almost demolished.

W. J. Shirley was in Putnam one day last week and in talking he said he was just about getting set up for living at home. He has put in Butane gas and has water piped to his residence from a near by tank with an electric pressure pump that holds the pressure at about forty pounds all the time. Farne life is not what it used to be. Many farmers in the country are equipping themselves with butane gas and water systems.



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Atwell News

By Mrs. Ben Riffe

Elder D. C. Foster ruled his appointment at the Primitive Baptist church Saturday and Sunday. Those attending from out of the community were: Elder Ira Hollis of Ft. Worth, Elder and Mrs. Coy Marcum and son and Mrs. Lela Wedeworth of Cisco, Mr. and Mrs. Witt Graham and Mrs. C. W. Caraway of Kokomo, Mr. and Mrs. George Hutchins and family, Mr. and Mrs. Elvis Scott and boys and Billie Joyce Atwood of Cross Plains, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Reid, Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Bentley and family of Putnam, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bush of Cross Plains.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Pillans of San Antonio spent the week end with his family, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Pillans, and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Morgan of Baird.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Purvis of San Antonio spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ben Riffe.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Lan Havens of Baird spent Saturday night and Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Rouse.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Matthews Jr. and Jimmy moved to Breckenridge Sunday where he expects to be employed on a ranch.

Misses Roxy and Doxy Pillans honored Mr. and Mrs. Billy Dan Havens of Baird with a miscellaneous shower Thursday evening. The guests were asked to register in a beautiful brides book presided over by Roxy Pillans. Over eighty guests were present while a number sent gifts. Messers Arzie Green, W. M. and Bill Stansbury, Harold Morgan and Coleman Pillans entertained with string music from 7:30 until 10 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Red Duncan of Cedar Bluff announce the arrival of Elmar Lloyd Thursday at the Baird hospital. He weighed eight pounds and 4 ounces. Both mother and son were removed to their home Sunday and are doing nicely.

Rowden News

By Patsy Crow

Bayou girls basketball team won the county tournament. They will go to district which will be held at DeLeon February 27 and 28 and the first of March.

Patsy Crow spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Crow in Baird.

Joy Price and Katy Swafford spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Berry of Baird.

Cordelia Bains spent Sunday night with Thelma and Velda Crow. Mrs. Russell Gage was a visitor

in the Bayou school Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chapman, residents of this community, sold their place to Mr. and Mrs. E. Bainbridge of Rowden.

Miss Flora Swafford was a business visitor in Cross Plains Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oran Bains and children and Mr. and Mrs. Frankie Crow visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Crow Sunday.

Miss Lorene Sargent visited Miss Ladell Smedley Monday.

Rev. and Mrs. E. L. Redden spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Miller.

W. B. Gibbs and Cecil Jones students of Howard Payne, visited their parents over the week end.

R. E. GRANTHAM
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Practice in all Courts
Cisco, Texas

Court House News

MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED

Charles B. Vick and Myra Lee Scheibe, San Angelo.
Benjamin Pillans Jr., and Mildred C. Farmer, Baird.
T. J. Hamann and Flora Lee Power, Vernon D. Couch and Addie Ray Lindsay.

Billy D. Havens and Delma Loveta Rouse, Callahan county.
D. C. Rogers Jr. and Jo Juan Eard, Clyde.

FILED IN DISTRICT COURT
J. R. Black, Judge Presiding
J. P. Smith, vs. unknown heirs of David Thomas, trespass to try

title.
Oliver F. Culwell vs. Dorothy L. Culwell, suit for divorce.
W. C. Barron vs. Alice Bryson, suit for damages.

H. N. Elrod vs. B. K. Eubank, et al, suit for damages transferred from Coleman county.
Maxine Poe vs. J. C. Poe, suit for divorce.

Joe F. Howlett vs. Mabel Norene Howlett, suit for divorce.

Ex parte: Alice McFarlane, for change of name.

Ex parte: James Ernest Clark, petition for removal of disabilities as minor.

Cottonwood News

By Mrs. S. B. Strahan

Mr. George Clifton went Sunday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Roy Clark and children, and Rev. and Mrs. Ned Fairhair and little son who live at Littlefield.

The quarterly conference was held at the Methodist church here Sunday. Reverend W. M. Cole of Cisco, the district superintendent, preached at both morning and evening services. A basket lunch was spread at the noon hour.

Relatives surprised Mrs. H. S. Varner with a birthday entertainment here Sunday. It was her 71 birthday.

R. T. Peavy and Richard Purvis of A. & M. spent the week end with home folks.

Mrs. W. A. Brock, now of Cross Plains, entered Brown sanitorium for recuperation.

W. B. Rainbolt and sons Lewis

and Gene of Nimrod, and Elton Jennings of Everman were visitors at the Kem Robbins home over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Nichols, about five miles southwest of Putnam were in Cisco Saturday afternoon shopping and looking after business interest. Mrs. Nichols is one of the teachers in the Putnam school and has been for several years. They stopped in Putnam on their way home.

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Mrs. E. E. Sunderman and Mrs. Chris Sunderman were shopping in Baird Friday afternoon.

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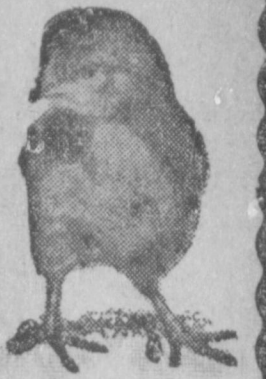
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