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MEMPHIS, HALL COUNTY, TEXAS, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1940

## Snow Brings .75 Inch Moisture

was not the familiar dust storm that blinded the eyes of Memphians last week—but a new kind of blinding snow.

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PERSONALITIES IN THE NEWS—Bishop Ivan Lee Holt, left, well-known Methodist bishop, who will be in Memphis next Thursday afternoon to deliver a sermon at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Margaret Ann Massey, right, who tied for second place in the story-telling contest of the Baptist convention held recently at Austin.

## MEMPHIANS ARE GIVEN FAVORABLE REPORTS ON RIVER DAM PROJECT

Favorable reports were given to two Memphians in Washington last week in connection with the proposed dam of the Upper Red River and Flood Control District.

## Thomason Home On S. 6th Badly Damaged by Fire

The home of Seth Thomason on South 6th street was badly damaged late Tuesday afternoon when a sudden blaze broke through the house as Mrs. Thomason was washing several pieces of clothing in a tub of gasoline.

## Old Resident Had Hall County Since Burial at Fairview

Sh C. Howard, 81, died of a heart ailment last Friday afternoon at the home of his daughter, Mrs. E. L. Yeats.

## CCC Camp Has Evangelism Week

Members of the CCC camp in Memphis are observing a religious emphasis week as various pastors of local churches are conducting evangelism services each afternoon.

## Six-County Cage Meet to Be Here

A six-county basketball tournament, players in which will be senior boys only, will be held in the Memphis High School gymnasium Saturday, March 2, it was announced this week.

## Estelline Stock Show Postponed

The annual fat stock show of the Estelline Future Farmers of America, scheduled to be held last Saturday, was postponed due to the heavy snowfall, and will be held next Saturday, February 24.

## Plans Furthered for Fat Stock Show To Be Held in City Saturday, March 1

Plans were furthered this week for the annual 4-H and FFA fat stock show to be held in Memphis Saturday, March 1, when promoters of the show met for discussion.

## Coins to Be Sold to Raise Pioneer Monument Funds

Hall Countians will be given the opportunity to demonstrate their artistic ability in connection with the Golden Jubilee Old Settlers Reunion and Rodeo, commemorating the 50th anniversary of the founding of Hall County.

## THREE PLEAS OF GUILTY HEARD

No Jury Called in Second Week of District Court; Sanity Hearing Next Week

Three pleas of guilty were heard this week in the district court session by District Judge A. S. Moss, resulting in two suspended sentences and one jail sentence accompanied by a \$50 fine.

## Memphians Given Saving of \$13,091 On Fire Insurance

Memphians who were careful in handling anything that might cause a fire during the past year were rewarded this week when Marvin Hall, state fire insurance commissioner, announced a credit of 25 per cent for policy holders in the city.

## Mrs. C. A. Landers Dies; Rites Held at Christian Church

Funeral services for Mrs. Caroline A. Landers, 85, were held Sunday afternoon from the First Christian Church, with Joe Findley, pastor, conducting the rites.

## Check Total Now Almost \$450,000

Three additional shipments of cotton conservation checks arrived in Memphis during the past week to bring the total amount received to \$446,139.

## Man of Determination, Thoroughness—Washington—Born 208 Years Ago

Today (Thursday) thousands of American citizens, as well as citizens of foreign countries, are thinking back a century and a half ago and remembering the life of the "Father of Our Country."

## Rites for Brother Of Memphian Held

Funeral services for D. L. Smith, retired Childress County farmer and brother of Mrs. S. T. Harrison of Memphis, were held last Saturday morning in Childress, Mr. Smith died suddenly from a heart attack.

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HALL COUNTY'S CLUB REPORTS— WEDDINGS

Mission Program Given by Baptist Girls' Auxiliary

The Girls' Auxiliary of the First Baptist Church met Tuesday afternoon for its regular mission program at the church.

A short business session was held, at which time the following officers were elected: June Joyce, president; Odessa Tullar, vice president; Henrietta Hawthorn, secretary and treasurer; Virginia Smith, reporter; and Dorothy Tullar and Betty Jo Randolph, group leaders.

Bridge Party Is Given at Home of Mrs. Messer

A bridge party was given at the home of Mrs. Marcus Messer Tuesday afternoon.



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Delphian Club Has Meeting in Home of Mrs. Wherry

The Delphian Club met Tuesday in the home of Mrs. R. H. Wherry with Mrs. Roy L. Guthrie and Mrs. Cordell Goodpasture as co-hostesses.

Mrs. W. C. Davis, president, had charge of a short business meeting after which the program was turned over to the program chairman, who in turn presented the children of the club members in an entertaining program.

Children presented were: Sheldon Anisman; Jackie Ben Boone singing "Tack Tack Goes the Clock;" Jimmie Davis; Beryle Davis telling the story of "Little Black Sambo;" Jon Johnson; Bill Davis read "The Boy;" Carol Ann Delaney sang "Daisy;" Betty Ann Goodall played a piano duet with her teacher, Mrs. G. W. Johnson, and a piano solo; Sim Goodall.

Beauty and the Senate Bachelors



All is not bustle and budget down Washington way, for when a pretty face like that of Olivia de Havilland shows itself in the nation's capital, bachelor senators like Democrats Joe Guffey (Pa.), Theodore Green (R. I.) and Richard Russell (Ga.) can always find time to serve on the committee in charge of welcoming beautiful screen actresses.

Tommie Ruth Potts, Bride-Elect, Is Honored With Shower at Fultz Home

Miss Tommie Ruth Potts, bride-elect of Homer W. Tucker, was honored with a miscellaneous shower, one of the loveliest social events of the season, in the home of Mrs. Roy R. Fultz Thursday afternoon with Mesdames Hollis Boren, Henry Reed, James Norman, C. C. Meacham, Seth Palmeyer, R. E. Davenport, Hugh Crawford, Fred Clark, Allen Grundy, and Miss Lois McCulloch as co-hostesses.

Do You REMEMBER?

A request is being made by the staff of The Democrat to club reporters to get the items of their organization's activities into the office as soon as possible.

Baptist Philathea S. S. Class Meets In Regular Session

The Philathea Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church met in its regular monthly business session Monday night of last week in the home of Mrs. J. P. Godfrey, with Mrs. Grover Roden and Mrs. Mae Cochran as co-hostesses.

Christian Junior Endeavor Meets At Church Sunday

The Junior Endeavor of the First Christian Church met at the regular time Sunday night at the church.

Bridge Party Is Given Monday at Thompson Home

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Thompson entertained with a bridge party at their home Monday night.

Gammage Needle Club Meets With Mrs. Russell Crone

Members of the Gammage Needle Club met in the home of Mrs. Russell Crone last Thursday.

Ann Hicks Sunday School Class Has Valentine Party

Mrs. Mary Lee Fields and Mrs. Rose Hamrick entertained the Ann Hicks Sunday School Class with a Valentine party last Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Hamrick.

U. D. C. Chapter Meets in Home of Mrs. J. W. Slover

The U. D. C. Chapter met Tuesday afternoon of last week in the home of Mrs. J. W. Slover, with Mrs. T. R. Garrott and Mrs. T. E. Whaley as assistant hostesses.

Friendship S. S. Class Has Social At Patrick Home

Mrs. Bertha Patrick entertained the members of the Friendship S. S. Class with a Valentine social at her home Wednesday evening of last week.

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# Memphis School News

WEST WARD — JUNIOR HIGH AND HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

REPORTS ON ACADEMIC, ATHLETIC AND EXTRA-CURRICULA ENDEAVORS



## Memphis FFA Chapter to Enter All Sections of Contests at Lubbock

Local FFA chapter will be entered in every portion of the I Contest, sponsored by the Texas Technological College from schools throughout the Panhandle. Memphis chapter will be entered in Dairy Products which consist of judging milk, butter; the cotton contest will consist of grading, ginning of cotton; and the cattle judging, one class of cows and one class of calves; two classes of Holstein-Friesian heifers. Oral will be given for the placard three classes of cows. Dairy cattle judging team Henry Lee Solomon, Charls, and L. A. Richards; products team will consist of Cecil Taylor, R. B. Phil, J. R. Mitchell; and the classing team will be made of Willie Joe Tomlinson, Glenn and W. B. McQueen. Contest will be held in Lubbock, February 24.

## Yeats Speaks at S. Assembly

E. L. Yeats, pastor of the Methodist Church, spoke to a group of students in the school auditorium Monday at 9 o'clock. Mary Helen Hardin, assistant chorale club, led the group in the singing "Carry On High." Rev. Yeats stressed thriftiness and the danger of spending money.

## "Up" Relief Gained to Women

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Size 6 cubic foot Philco refrigerator at \$109.50

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See and see the new 1940 models!

## Raymond Ballew

The House of Quality

## Local Girls Take Volleyball Match From Estelle

### Memphians Win Two of Three Games; Match to Be Played Here Soon

The Memphis volleyball team went to Estelle Wednesday of last week with the local girls winning two of three games from Estelle. Starting line-up for Memphis was Honeria Phyllips, Athalee Hutcherson, Margaret Webster, Vonda Blum, Ella Mae Kercheville, and Annie Margaret Mitchell. The substitute during the games was Ida V. Mixon. Estelle's starting line-up was Wanda Davis, Dorothy Parker, Dorothy Rawls, Ima Jo Jones, Martha Burks, and Mayfair Maberry. Estelle is expected to return the match soon.

## FROM THE

### Superintendent

## OUR PRINCIPALS IN SCHOOL

The principals of our schools work with the teachers, the children, and the patrons, keeping in mind the improvement of the school program. They shoulder the responsibilities that come under their jurisdiction, seeing that the schools are operated effectively; unselfishly they work day in and day out with only this purpose in mind. They strive to create a cheerful attitude among the teachers, by keeping them busy and happy in their work. In close harmony with the administrative office, the principals cooperate with each other on programs for the betterment of the school. They possess a remarkable ability to take instructions cheerfully and do their utmost to carry them out successfully.

Our principals possess pleasing personalities and a great amount of native ability. They speak enthusiastically about their work, no matter how trying it may become at times. They spend hours planning so that school life may be more pleasant for your children. Problems confronting the children are often solved by the principals; their knowledge of child psychology makes their advice to children valuable. When the principals leave their offices at the close of their day's work, they are not always free to relax and rest, for often their duties call them back to the building to supervise a program or to work on reports and records.

Studying, observing, and attending summer schools are always a part of the principal's program. They make valuable contacts while attending colleges and gather new ideas from principals in other schools. Our three principals subscribe to papers and magazines and keep up with modern methods of education in every phase of school work. Among our principals can be found a good example of enthusiasm for work, leadership in the school and community, understanding of people, willingness to work and shoulder responsibility, ability to cooperate with each other and with students, and a hearty response to play.

## Homemakers Have Breakfast Monday

Abe Murphy and Mrs. Floyd were guests of Group I for a breakfast Monday morning in the homemaking department. Juanella Evans acted as hostess and Joe Cross as host. The menu consisted of orange juice, shredded wheat biscuits, scrambled eggs, bacon, hot biscuits, pear preserves, and hot chocolate. The girls who served the breakfast were Geneva Melton, Margate Bourland, Maxine Walls, Laverne Archer, and Jane Hicks. Group II served its breakfast Tuesday morning.

## MEETS WITH JUNIORS

Mrs. Henderson Smith, chairwoman of the Junior-Senior banquet, met with the Juniors after assembly last Monday to discuss plans for the banquet. The banquet will be held April 5 in the Cyclone gymnasium. Committees will be appointed soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe J. Mickle and son O. O. of Eastland were guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Harrison last weekend.

Mrs. A. B. Paenpfl of Estelle was shopping in Memphis Monday.

## Sondra Gets Her Mailbox



Thanks to President Roosevelt are slipped into the new corner mailbox by Sondra Glatt, 7-year-old Newark girl, who had previously written him that she had to walk too far to post her letters. A survey was made of the district by the Postoffice Department and the new box was erected near Sondra's home.

Mr. and Mrs. John Smith spent last Friday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alvis Gerlach of Memphis.

Friends of Mrs. Henry Foster are glad to learn that she is much improved and that she may be brought home from the hospital in a few days.

Bud Clark of Borger visited in the J. M. Province home the past week-end.

Claude Murdock spent from Friday until Sunday with Miss Johnnie Campbell.

Mr. and Mrs. Chat Riddles and family, and Mr. and Mrs. T. L. McWhorter spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John McWhorter of Newlin.

Some of the farmers have started their spring plowing. With the big snows we had last week, there should be a good season for the ground.

Word was received last week that Miss Euna Robinson of Muleshoe was married to Oscar Reed of Bula. Mrs. Reed is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Robinson, former residents of Plaska.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Johnson, Mrs. George Hammond, Mrs. Core Davis, Miss Frankie Johnson, and Ralph Johnson were in Amarillo Sunday to see "Gone With the Wind."

J. L. Rountree is ill in a local hospital.

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By MRS. J. T. NELSON

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Williams of Amarillo visited his uncle, C. E. Nall, last week. Mr. and Mrs. Leo Hendrickson visited in East Texas last week. Mrs. W. B. Stargel entertained some of her friends Thursday night with a Valentine party. Games of checkers and dominoes were played throughout the evening. Refreshments were served to Mr. and Mrs. Wade Patrick, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Gilreath, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Nelson, and Mrs. M. L. Smith and daughter Emily. Mrs. J. T. Nelson and daughter

## Locals and Personals

Mrs. C. L. Srygley underwent an operation at a local hospital Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Otho Fitzjarrald, Mrs. C. C. Meacham, and Mrs. Ott Bevers were in Childress Sunday.

Mesdames J. A. Odom, C. C. Meacham, J. A. Whaley, T. B. Rogers, and D. J. Morgensen were in Amarillo Monday to see "Gone With the Wind."

Mr. and Mrs. James Norman were visitors in Amarillo the first part of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Wherry were in Childress Sunday. Marie visited Mrs. A. O. Phillips Wednesday evening.

## ATTENTION COTTON FARMERS

If you desire to sell your 1938-39 Government Loan Cotton, please see me.

T. T. HARRISON

## ANNOUNCING

### The Purchase of the Panhandle Oil and Gas Distributor

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# Society

## and Mrs. G. M. Springer Observe Golden Wedding Anniversary at Home

Mrs. G. M. Springer and her husband, Mr. G. M. Springer, observed their golden wedding anniversary at their home on Monday, February 19.

## Shower Honors Recent Bride, Mrs. Edra Jones

Mrs. Edra Jones, who before her recent marriage was Miss Muriel Veteto, was honored with a shower at the home of Mrs. A. H. Jones last Tuesday afternoon.

## Deb Club Has Valentine Party Bryan Home

Sub-Deb Club entertained Valentine party Wednesday at the home of Miss Elizabeth Bryan.

## Mrs. L. O. Dennis Hostess to Dorcas Society Meeting

The Dorcas Society met in the home of Mrs. L. O. Dennis in a called session Thursday of last week.

## Methodist S. S. Class Meets With Mrs. W. E. Johnsey

The Truth Seekers Sunday School class of the First Methodist Church met with Mrs. W. E. Johnsey at her home on 18th street last Wednesday afternoon in a devotional and business session.

## Plaska Needle Club Meets in Home of Mrs. Floyd Davis

Mrs. Floyd Davis was hostess to the Plaska Needle Club Tuesday afternoon in an all-day meeting.

## 1913 Study Club Meets Wednesday With Miss Hardin

The 1913 Study Club met Wednesday afternoon at the home of Miss Mary Helen Hardin.

## Mrs. S. B. Foxhall Gives Bible Lesson At W. M. S. Meeting

The Woman's Missionary Society met in the First Baptist Church Monday afternoon.

## Clara Burnett Is Honored at Party In Bownds Home

Miss Clara Burnett was honored with a surprise birthday party Monday night at the home of Mrs. Cleve Bownds.

## Wind Runs Their Ice Sled



Yacht racing in the north is done with ice boats this season as 14-inch layer covers Lake Ronkonkoma, on Long Island, N. Y. Off for a sail, above, are Dolores Henri, Harriet Bieringer, Frank and John Carda.

## Party Given for Mrs. Van Clark At Howe Home

Mrs. O. K. Howe honored her guest, Mrs. Van Clark of Littlefield, with a bridge and bingo party at her home last Monday afternoon.

## Dora Mae Hardie, C. A. McElroy Wed In Ceremony Here

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## Methodist S. S. Class Meets in Home Mrs. J. C. Wells

The S. S. class of the First Baptist Church met in the home of Mrs. J. C. Wells on Monday, February 20.

## Conly Ward Presents Pupils in Recital at Studio

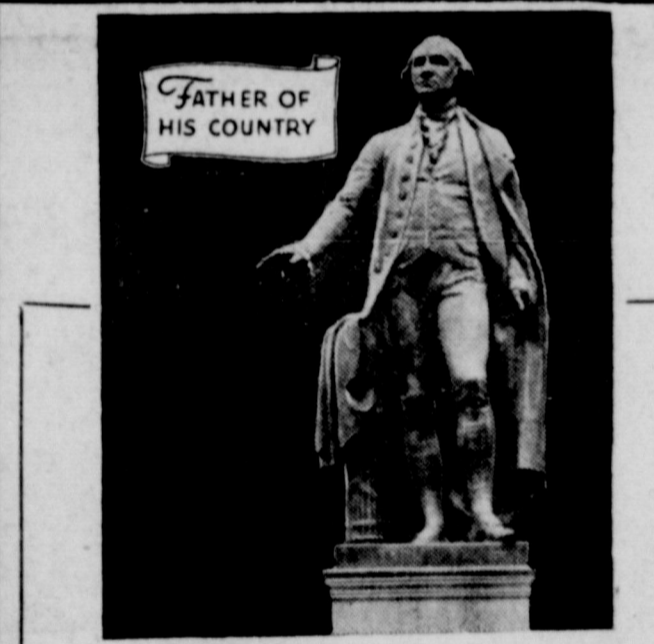
Conly Ward presented a recital of her pupils in a recital last night at the Noel studio.

## Bonnet Club in Home of Fern Boone

The Bonnet Club met in the home of Fern Boone on Monday, February 20.

# LOOK at these Values

SUGAR 25 lb. bags \$1.25	TOMATOES No. 2 cans per case \$1.75	EGGS Fresh country 2 dozen 30c	GRAPEFRUIT JUICE Texas, 46 oz. cans each 18c
COFFEE 1 lb. Folgers 25c 2 lbs. Folgers 49c	PINTO BEANS (CRC) 100 lbs. \$5.50	PEANUT BUTTER quart jar 25c	RANCH STYLE BEANS 16 oz. cans 3 for 27c
BROOMS FIVE STRAND, EACH 25c	TAMALES, RATLIFF'S, 2 No. 2 cans 23c	MEATS SAUSAGE, pure pork, lb. 15c	
CRACKERS, 2 lb. box 15c	SALAD DRESSING, White Swan, qts. 29c	BEEF ROAST, nice cuts, lb. 17c	
PEACHES, Heart's Delight, in heavy syrup, 2 1/2 cans, ea. 15c	OYSTERS, Wapco, 5 oz. cans, 2 for 25c	PORK ROAST, choice cuts, lb. 15c	
CAKE FLOUR, Pillsbury's Snow-Queen, per pkg. 28c	FRUIT COCKTAIL, Del Monte, 2 17-oz. cans 25c	LIVER, lb. 14c	
HOMINY, 3 No. 2 1/2 cans 25c	LETTUCE Firm heads 2 for 9c	OLEO, lb. 15c	
	SPUDS Mesh bags 10 lbs. 22c	BACON SQUARES, sugar cured, lb. 15c	
	PRUNES gallon can 25c	STEAK, tender cuts, lb. 18c	
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'Snow Time—

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appeared level. The car was removed from the ditch Saturday.
Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Neely made an attempt to get to their home by way of the Lakeview highway...

a broken arm Friday when she fell on her front doorstep after walking five blocks to her home from her stalled automobile.
H. D. Stringer, stranded in the snow near Quittaque Friday night, walked two miles to a farm house...



MAID OF COTTON — Mary Nell Porter, left, Memphis (Tenn.) debutante who was selected Maid of Cotton in a Beltwide contest sponsored by the National Cotton Council, gets a few cotton fashion hints from Mary Lewis, nationally known stylist.

Comments—

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week and added to the amount with the remark, "I wish I could do a lot more, for it is a worthy cause."

THE DEMOCRAT POET
The unknown person who writes poetry, verse and rhyme finally let the promulgator of this column know his identity. I am running herewith one of the writer's effusions because it is rather appropriate at this time of year.

here, Heaven is my home," at 45 miles, "Nearer My God to Thee," at 55 miles, "I'm nearing the port and will soon be at home," at 65 miles, "When the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there," and at 75 miles, "Lord, I'm Coming Home."

Coins—

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that all the school children in the county enter this contest. The competition between the children and adults, professional artists, and talented persons will be equalized by the fact that the drawing will necessarily have to be redrawn by an engraving artist to meet with engraving requirements.

Snow Brings—

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day was 42 degrees, dropping again to 28 degrees Saturday morning.
Temperature for the remainder of the week are as follows; Saturday low, 28, high, 32; Sunday, 29, 45; Monday, 27, 42; Tuesday, 25, 47; Wednesday, low, 25.
All roads out of Memphis were closed Friday night, although the highway to Amarillo was not closed until late that night.

Women Helping to Raise Farm Income

Evidence that rural women are increasing their efforts to supplement the farm income has been revealed in reports to Mrs. Isla Mae Chapman, specialist in home industries for the A. and M. College Extension Service.
During last month 86 farm women sold products amounting to \$2,574.86 at 13 Texas Farm Homemakers' Markets located in San Antonio, Lockhart, Jackson, Dallas, Nacogdoches, Amarillo, Tyler, Abilene, Livingston, Fort Worth, Belton, Sweetwater, and Cleburne.

Three Pleas—

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hearing last fall, but he declared since at the time of the hearing. Since the hearing he has been in the state at Wichita Falls.
Jurors for the third reported by Mrs. Isabella district clerk, are as follows: B. Roberts, Boyd Dickson, Salmon, J. W. Malone, Powers, N. M. Cruise, Potts, J. L. Riehlberg, Ginglesley, W. C. Prater, J. S. McKee, R. H. Brown, O. Gibson, J. J. Hall, Jack A. L. Burks, H. H. Flowers, Chancey, Pete Davis, A. R. A. Bayne, T. W. Bell, G. D. Beard, C. R. M. W. M. Cofer, M. L. A. L. B. Cotton, M. E. Chas. Clifton, J. N. Chessler, J. D. Dan Eady, C. O. Kenney, Korie.
Wild guineas, recently introduced into Texas by the Government from Cuba, are meat.

Memphians Given—

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announcement, a fire broke out in the city limits of Memphis and hundreds hurried to the scene, blocking traffic.
A plea was made by members of the City Fire Department for people to stay away from the fire, since the department members are often forced to work under a handicap due to the crowding onlookers.

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TOMATOES, No. 2 cans, 2 for
CORN, White Swan or Primrose, 2 cans
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SOAP, Woodbury's, 4 bars 24c
BIG 4 SOAP FLAKES, box 33c
OXYDOL, large box 22c
SPAGHETTI or MACARONI, 2 boxes 7c
SALAD DRESSING, White Swan, pint 18c Qt. 27c
RICE, 2 lb. box White House 16c
JELLO, all flavors, 2 pkgs. 11c
CAKE FLOUR, Swansdown or Snosheen, pkg. 25c
TOILET PAPER, ScotTissue, 3 rolls 23c
CRACKERS, 2 lb. box Saltine Flakes 26c
MINCE MEAT, White Swan, 2 pkgs. 17c
MARSHMALLOWS, 8 oz. pkg. 8c 1 lb. 14c
RAISINS, 2 lb. pkg. 16c 4 lbs. 31c
PRUNES, gallon cans 27c
TOMATO JUICE, all kinds, 2 cans 15c
PINEAPPLE JUICE, 2 cans 17c
VIENNA SAUSAGE, 2 for 15c POTTED MEAT 4c
CHILI BEANS, Chuck Wagon, 2 cans 15c
SOUP, Campbell's, Tomato 8c Vegetable 9c
TOMATOES, small cans 5c No. 2 cans, 2 for 15c
SPINACH, No. 2 cans H. D., 2 for 23c
HOMINY, medium cans 5c Large cans 8c
FRUIT COCKTAIL, H. D., 2 cans 25c
PINEAPPLE, Sliced or Crushed, 3 cans 25c
SPUDS, 5 lbs. 11c Peck 27c
LETTUCE, nice heads 5c
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### Windbreaks Needed to Protect Home Landscape, Says A. and M. Specialist

In all parts of Texas where wind presents a serious problem, windbreaks are needed for the protection of the home landscape, says Sadie Hatfield, Extension Service specialist in landscape gardening, in urging rural people in Texas to plant windbreaks during January and February.

A good planting of trees on the north and west sides of a house adds appreciably to the comfort of the home, lessens fuel bills, and makes it possible to do chores with greater ease by affording protection from disagreeable winds.

The specialist adds that not only the home needs protection, but poultry, cattle, and other livestock should have it. "They should have it not only from a humanitarian standpoint but from a monetary consideration as well, for it is well known that animals lose weight when exposed to winter winds," she points out.

Many trees are adapted to windbreak planting, and native trees and other thrifty trees may well be used to form a barrier against cold, sharp winds.

The specialist adds that farmers may earn an additional \$30 benefit under the AAA program through planting trees about the farm for the purpose of providing windbreak or through planting shade trees for the increased comfort of the home and for protection of poultry, cattle and other livestock from extreme heat or cold.

### Preventing Fires Studied by F. F. A.

The entire chapter of the Estelline Future Farmers of America are in organized rural fire prevention. Here are a few of the hints the members have gathered to aid in preventing fires:

Build a fire safely. Don't smoke around a barn or haystack. Use a metal container for used matches. Keep matches in fireproof container.

### Samaritan Preacher Prays, Gets Needed Food, Supplies

STUDENTS of the Bible know well the record of the Lord as a provider, but it took the Rev. George Winniman of Atlanta, Ga., to bring this fact to the attention of a flippant world of 1940.

It's the power of prayer that has enabled Rev. Winniman to establish, equip and support the modest little combination mission and convalescent hospital he operates in Georgia's capital city. He has prayed for bread and meat, for a piano, for clothing, for bedding, and even for an ambulance siren.

Better illustration is the story of Rev. Winniman's ambulance, which he has been operating for two years. First he prayed for the machine, and got an ancient vehicle that had been sitting in

Don't use a leaky oil stove. Don't use a bucket lid to stop a flue opening. Keep flue pipes in good condition. Keep gasoline and kerosene containers away from buildings and fires. Don't burn rubbish on a windy day close to a farm building. Dispose of oily rags and trash.

Some of the questions argued during the last five years which will be answered include: Are more farms being worked in 1940 than in 1935? Are city people moving to small farms in suburbs

The total value of all farm land and buildings in the country increased about five billion dollars from 1933 to 1938. In the southern states there is an average of only 9.2 acres of cropland per person or 46 acres for the average family.

### Farm Census Will Answer Important Farmer Questions

Figures Will Indicate Number of People Involved In Back-to-Farm Movement

Questions of vital importance to farmers and ranchers will be answered when statistics gathered in the sixteenth decennial census to be taken this year have been compiled, according to Tyrus R. Timm, economist in farm management for the A. and M. College Extension Service.

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and supplementing their incomes by growing part of their own food. "No business or nation can operate without taking an occasional inventory, and this year we shall witness the biggest inventory of them all," the economist said.

Timm believes rural people will be especially interested in the shifts of population from city to county and country to city, as well as shifts from state to state and section to section. The census will also reveal who moved—whether it was farmers, factory workers, or unskilled laborers.

### Scientific Planting Aids Tree Growth

A system of double planting is advocated for rural people who are in a hurry for shade about their homes but do not admire any of the rapid growing trees.

She says: "Plant rapid-growing trees 10 or 15 feet away from the house and slow-growing trees farther back. As soon as the slow-growing trees have made enough growth to give needed shade, the rapid-growing trees may be cut down and removed."

### Six Cents Worth Of Cotton

"If the Texas farmer gets away his cotton in the next 30 days, a dollar is worth 94 cents at a cost of 6 cents a pound, according to a report by the M. College Extension Service."

What he meant was that six cents of the total price represents the price of the cotton. In addition, the cotton picker's share of the profit is also a factor.

### Estelline

Estelline FFA boys had their fat stock show last Friday. The date has been set for the next show.

Mrs. Hewitt Edwards was in Estelline last Friday. She was called here due to the illness of her father, J. A. Edwards.

# Warning to HOT CHECKERS

THE INCREASED NUMBER of hot checks that have been given to the merchants of Memphis during the past few months has become a hazard to business, not only entailing heavy financial loss on the part of these business men and trades people, but forcing them, in many cases, to refuse to take any kind of a check except those drawn on accounts of local business firms and individuals whose reputes and financial standing are well known.

When a hot check was placed in the hands of authorities, and the hot check writer paid the necessary amount to the complainant, charges were dropped for lack of prosecution or entirely withdrawn. At the 46th Texas legislature a new check bill was passed, containing in fact the essential as the original law, but also including section making the complainant guilty of misdemeanor, subject to fine and imprisonment or unless the prosecution is carried out as stipulated in the terms of the article. Hence this warning to hot checkers, who will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law unless they immediately take up their checks for any amount now existing and refrain from giving them in the future.

For reference a part of the new legislative actment, which became a law September 21, 1939 is reproduced here below.

## A PORTION OF ARTICLE 567B

# Penal Code of Texas

Known As H. B. No. 190 and In Full Force and Effect Since September 21, 1939

Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any person, with intent to defraud, to obtain any money, goods, service, labor, or other thing of value by giving or drawing any check, draft, or order upon any bank, person, firm or corporation if such person does not, at the time said check, draft, or order is so drawn, have sufficient funds with such bank, person, firm or corporation to pay such check, draft, or order, and all other checks, drafts, or orders upon said funds outstanding at the time such check, draft, or order was so given or drawn; provided that if such check, draft, or order is not paid upon presentation, the nonpayment of same shall be prima facie evidence that such person giving or drawing such check, draft, or order had insufficient funds with the drawee to pay same at the time said check, draft, or order was given or drawn and that said person gave or drew such check, draft or order with intent to defraud; and provided further that proof of the deposit of said check, draft, or order with a bank for collection in the ordinary channels of trade and the return of said check, draft, or order unpaid to the person making such deposit shall be prima facie evidence of presentation to, and nonpayment of said check, draft, or order by, the bank, person, firm or corporation upon whom it was drawn; and provided further that where such check, draft, or order has been protested, the notice of protest thereof shall be admissible as proof of presentation and nonpayment and shall be prima facie evidence that said check, draft, or order was presented to the bank, person, firm or corporation upon which it was drawn and was not paid.

Section 4. For the first conviction for a violation of sections 1, 2 or 3 of this Act, in the event the check, draft, or order given on any bank, person, firm, or corporation, is Five Dollars (\$5) or less, the punishment shall be by imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding two years, or by a fine not exceeding Two Hundred Dollars (\$200). For the first conviction for a violation of sections of this Act, in the event the check, draft, or order given on any bank, person, firm or corporation, is in excess of Five Dollars (\$5), but less than Fifty Dollars (\$50), punishment shall be by imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding two years, or by a fine not exceeding Five Hundred Dollars (\$500).

Section 6. If any person who has theretofore filed a complaint with any district or county attorney of this State alleging a violation of sections 1, 2, or 3 of this Act, or who has furnished information to any such district or county attorney of such a complaint, or who has testified concerning such a violation before a grand jury of the State which has thereafter returned an indictment on such violation, shall suggest to or request the county or district attorney in charge of such prosecution, that such case be dismissed, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100), nor more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500).

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### ESTELLINE

By FRED BERRY

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced open competitive examinations for the positions listed below. Applications must be on file in the commission's office at Washington, D. C., not later than March 18 if received from states east of Colorado, and not later than March 21, 1940, if received from Colorado and states westward.

**Specialist in Social Group Work, \$3,800 a year, Senior Specialist, \$4,600 a year, Associate Specialist, \$3,200 a year, Children's Bureau, Department of Labor.** Applicants must have had certain responsible experience in a social group work agency, must have completed a 4-year college course and, except for the substitution of additional experience, must have had postgraduate study in an accredited school of social work. Applicants must not have passed their fifty-third birthday.

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### FAIRVIEW

By MRS. R. ELLERD

This community welcomes Mr. and Mrs. W. Mitchell, who moved here recently.

Mrs. B. Scott and daughter, Mrs. Thelma Phelps, visited in the W. G. Shearer home last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Guest spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Ellerd.

Pearl Shearer spent last weekend with Nelda Ward of Lakeview.

Mr. and Mrs. John Perkins of Memphis visited last Friday night in the R. Ellerd home.

W. Mitchell transacted business in Vernon Friday.

The school children of this community spent Friday night in various places as the school buses were unable to run.

Norman Okla.  
**Jim Bowman Dies**  
Funeral services were held last Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock for Uncle Jim Bowman, who died at his home Tuesday night of last week after a long illness. He had lived here for a number of years, and left many friends and relatives to mourn his death.

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In addition to the "Cold Wall" model introduced last year, the 1940 Frigidaire line will feature a new low-cost refrigerator in the widely popular six cubic foot class to retail at \$117 in Memphis. This is a \$35 reduction under any comparable Frigidaire model of last year.

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### Toys, Not War, Their Chief Interest



Shopping for toys interests the children of Europe's state leaders as they escape the war worries that beset their elders. Little Edda Goering, daughter of the German field marshal, doesn't even know there's a war going on. She is shown with her mother, top, in a Berlin doll shop. Princess Maria Pia and Prince Vittorio, children of the heir to the Italian throne, are seen at toy counter in Naples.

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### FRIENDSHIP

By MRS. D. B. MYERS

Friday was one of those days for us all to remember. The bus arrived a few minutes earlier than usual, and made the first route. But before it could finish the second route and get back to town, the roads became impassable. The bus driver, Mr. Saunders, had to leave the bus and start walking in the storm. The rest of the children were close enough to walk home even though the wind and snow were hard to bare. Mr. and Mrs. Myers attempted to take Mr. Sheehan, and Dorothy Jean and Tracy home, and all of them had to stay in the Wilson home that night. There they found a hearty welcome, dry clothes, and good hot food, as well as beds. Mrs. Patrick drove almost all the way home, then walked the rest of the way.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Myers were dinner guests in the C. L. Padgett home Sunday.

The school children were given the last period of the day last Wednesday for a Valentine's Day celebration, with singing, playing, and a Valentine box. Mrs. Basham visited and served the primary group candy. Others were served Valentine cookies.

Miss Foreman was unable to get here for her regular weekly appointment Friday. The ball teams were also kept from playing their games with Pleasant Valley school.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Billington, Robert and Billy, visited in the J. D. Willford home Sunday afternoon.

Leatrice Hutchins visited Allea Hoggatt Sunday afternoon.

Mary Jo Shafer of Clarendon was a guest of Dorothy and Iva Lou Scott Sunday.

Dorothy Fay Shirra spent Friday night with Ilean.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stewart and Walter Weatherford of Eli were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Stewart Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Gardenhire and family were guests of Mrs. May Bernard of Memphis Sunday afternoon.

Charlie Spencer spent Sunday night with Harold and Bud Hoggatt.

Jet Brumley of Pampa spent the week-end in Memphis with his mother, Mrs. J. H. Brumley.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Burke and daughter Betty Jo of Shamrock visited relatives in Memphis last week-end.

### NEWLIN

By MRS. FRED HEMPHILL

**Snowstorm Stops Traffic**  
The all-day snowstorm of last Friday, which was preceded by about one-half inch of rain, made all roads impassable here for 48 hours. The school bus was stranded with five children in a deep drift near the Helm home last Friday. They sought shelter there for the night. About 19 children were stranded at the schoolhouse awaiting the return of the bus. Eleven of the children spent the night at the teacherage with Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Cheves, and others made their way to nearby homes. The school bus was pulled to a safety lane Sunday by a tractor. All east and west roads were filled with snowdrifts five and six feet deep, which made travel impossible except by horseback. Snow began falling again today (Monday) and it could be that we MIGHT have 14 snows after all.

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### CARD OF THANKS

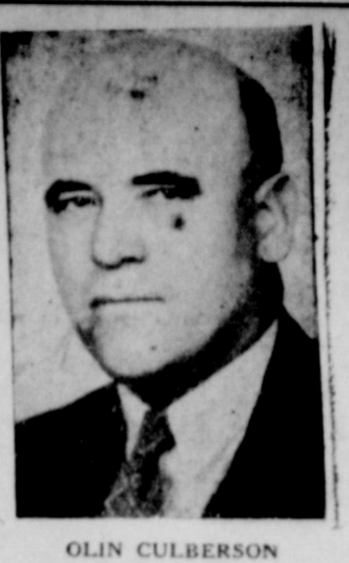
We want to express our appreciation to the kind friends and neighbors who assisted us during our sad bereavement in the death of our beloved mother and grandmother. Also for the beautiful floral offerings. May the Lord's richest blessings abide with each of you.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Rothfus, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Landers, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Elliott, Eloise and Bernice Elliott, Mrs. W. R. Miller.

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this means of thanking and showing our appreciation for the kindness extended to us during our recent stressful hours in the loss of our loved one. May God bless each of you, and may you be remembered in your times of grief as we have been.

Mrs. Silas Wood and Family.



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### OXBOW NEWS

By MRS. J. W. OLIVER

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Whitefield visited Mr. and Mrs. Jack McGee Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Thomas visited his son, Othel, and family Sunday. The group visited Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hulsey in the afternoon.

Glen Verden, who recently underwent an operation, was brought home Sunday afternoon. He is reported doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Cullen Taylor visited Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Rouseau Sunday.

Mrs. Mamie Benton spent several days with Mrs. Verden last week.

Mrs. Jessie Butler spent the week-end with Mrs. Glen Verden.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Rouseau and children visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Oliver Sunday.

Mrs. J. W. Oliver spent two days with Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Wells of Plaska last week. Lewis and Betty Lou were ill with influenza.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Thomas and Mr. and Mrs. George Bleser went to Clarendon Wednesday and bought a piano for the Deep Lake church.

There was no Sunday school last Sunday on account of the bad weather. We invite everyone to come out next Sunday.

There was no report of any one in this community being caught out in the snow over the week-end.

### SINUS HURT?

Spray with DAVISS DROPS  
Modern—different, contains no ephedrine.

"Ask A User"  
**Meacham's Pharmacy**  
Don't Wait Until Pyorrhea Strikes  
Do your gums cause you discomfort, druggists will return your money if the first bottle of "LETO'S" fails to satisfy. (4)  
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of Better Business

**PRE-SEASON SALE OF USED CARS**

WE'VE POPPED THE LID OFF EARLY!

What? Santa Claus here again?

You'll think so when you see the prices on these used cars in our Pre-Season SAVING SALE. Come and get the car you really want — at less than you ever expected to pay. These cars must be sold now to reduce our inventory. We can't wait 'till Spring. See these specials for yourself and get a real bargain in a good used car.

**1937 "60" FORD TUDOR**  
A real quality car, nice paint job, good tires, see this bargain.

**1936 CHEVROLET PICKUP**  
A real buy in cheap hauling, just the thing for farm use.

**1936 FORD TUDOR**  
Heater and radio equipped, come in and inspect the nice car.

LOOK! LOOK! LOOK!

**HERE'S YOUR NEW 1940 FRIGIDAIRE AT PRICES NEVER BEFORE THOUGHT POSSIBLE!**

Lowest price ever **\$117.00** FOR A BIG 1940 6 CU. FT. GENUINE FRIGIDAIRE

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HE WHO ADVERTISES

SELECTION OF NEWSPAPERS, both large and small, as the bulk of its 1940 advertising budget by the Continental Oil Company is an excellent illustration that newspaper advertising must be a paying proposition.

Numerous merchants in Hall County know that advertising pays them, and, when presented with bills for their ads, feel no reluctance in paying... saying at the same time that they feel that they have received full value in return.

But there are other merchants who feel that they are merely contributing to the upkeep of the newspaper when they advertise. Possibly it is for this reason that their ads may not pay them... they do not bother with the merchandising of the articles which they have spent money advertising. And this merchandising is necessary.

The newspaper ad is not the person-to-person salesman. It cannot present the article as it actually is. This must be done in the store... after the ad has suggested to a customer that a certain article may be purchased at a certain price.

But the newspaper can, and does, suggest the sale of an article. Advertising must be a paying proposition or the largest companies in the United States would not be the biggest advertisers.

Maybe the fellow was right who said that the only difference between Rip Van Winkle and the merchant who does not advertise is that Rip finally woke up.

A GOOD FIGHT

THE GRADUAL GAINS made by the giant Russian army along the Finnish border indicate that the brave stand being made by the small republic cannot last much longer.

The fact that Finland is one of the few remaining republics has caused many Americans to contribute to the financial aid of the small country. But if the advance continues, even this financial assistance cannot help much longer.

The reports which are read daily in the newspapers, and heard at intervals by radio, have been decidedly in favor of the small country since the beginning of the war. But at the same time, the newspapers almost always carry the dateline of a city in Finland, not in Russia.

This fact has caused many to believe that some of the "communiques" have not been altogether true, and these suppositions are more than likely correct. Even when Poland was almost conquered by the steadily-advancing Germans, the reports from Polish sources stated that that country was still going strong.

This same thing is probably true of Finland. No nation likes to admit a defeat... and Finland is probably no exception.

Now, however, the communiques from Finland admit that the Russian army is making gains, although the army has suffered severe losses. At the same time, the Finnish army must be suffering losses of men as well as munitions.

The money which is being sent to the aid of the Finns can help only by furnishing them more arms and munitions. It will do them no good when the supply of human "cannon fodder" begins to run low. And that is what the Russians are banking on... the Russian horde against the Finnish skill.

Just how long the Finns can hold out no one knows. Some people give them only two more weeks, some give them until warmer weather comes, some say the Russians will eventually give up. Even if the small republic does not win the war, everyone, including Stalin, will have to admit they "sure put up a good fight."

SNOW TIME

ALTHOUGH HALL COUNTY'S biggest snow in a number of years was probably cursed in no uncertain terms by a great number of motorists, farmers over the area are well pleased with the resulting moisture.

The snow was fortunately not the dry type of snow which melts and leaves nothing much behind, but was the kind of snow which gets the ground soaking wet. Another advantage of the snow was that the cold weather prevented much of it from evaporating... instead it went into the ground.

The seasoning in the ground should prove a

1732 G. WASHINGTON, CITIZEN 1940



First in war, first in peace, and first in the hearts of his fellow countrymen—today we pause to pay tribute to the memory of George Washington, America's first citizen, and to be grateful for the heritage of democracy that he left to all Americans, on this, the anniversary of his birth.

Press Paragraphs

CULLED FROM THE DEMOCRAT'S EXCHANGES

**Top to Bottom**  
"Temple of Truth" in the Doney County Leader: Rather than make an effort to reach the top, some men prefer to remain at the bottom for the purpose of helping pull others down.

**Fishing**  
The Chillicothe Valley News: A grade school pupil—a small boy—stopped on the other day as he was going home from school and questioned us thus: "Why don't the Russians like fish?" That stumped us momentarily, and about the time we were ready to answer one of the lad's "crônicas" blurted out, "Because they are afraid of being fished."

**Sawdust Butter**  
The Ochiltree County Herald on the "synthetic age": Butter that our future farmer churns will look like butter, taste like butter, and spread like butter; but it will likely be made out of sawdust or butternut juice. The cream that didn't come from cows will be a highly developed liquid that is probably extracted from the pulverized bark of cocconut.

**Politics**  
The McLean News: One thing is certain—some of these long distance predictions are going to look awfully foolish after the primary.

**Talking**  
"J. S." in the Tullia Herald: Generally the only person to ever get "het" up over a political

speech is the politician giving the oration. We have found a remedy that will work in at least 99 out of 100 cases. Mrs. F. D. R. hit upon it in one of her talks recently: She said, "Never make a speech unless you have something worthwhile to say."

**She Takes Cotton**  
Gertie Haskett in the Childress County News: I'm not a member of the sugar-on-tomatoes club, but will show in my name for membership before summer, since a Cook County lady thinks all members of the sugared-tomatoes club wear long-handled red flannels. She is mistaken, for some members have gone modern and when the icy blasts hit they are shivering in pink briefs. I'm for King Cotton and Queen Mohair; when a blizzard swoops down from the north it will catch this old scribe in 50 per cent wool lingerie.

**Rip Van Winkle**  
Iowa Park Herald: The office boy says the difference between Rip Van Winkle and the merchant who doesn't advertise is that Rip did finally wake up.

**These Drivers**  
"Tim Midity" in the Odessa News Times: A girl—out driving with her boy friend—doesn't have to watch the speedometer to know what her boy friend is driving at.

**No Shadows**  
Douglas Meador in the Matador Tribune: One of my more impetuous critics subscribes to an opinion that many men go under a church roof merely to elude the shadow of their sins.

**Valentines**  
Ed Bishop in the Dalhart Texan: Here's my Valentine. It came yesterday: Said the big red rooster to the little red hen, "You haven't laid an egg in heaven knows when." Said the little red hen to the big red rooster, "You haven't been around as much as you used." Now this little story in Valentine rhyme, "Come and see me sometime."

**O'Daniel**  
The Canyon News: Governor O'Daniel is quite a David Harum when it comes to politics. Naturally he would not desecrate the Sabbath by making a political announcement on his Sunday morning broadcast. But he can tell

**EYE OPENERS...by Bob Crosby**

**SKIING**  
FOR MILITARY PURPOSES WAS INTRODUCED BY THE SWISS 230 YEARS AGO! A FINNISH TROOP IN FULL MARCHING ORDER ONCE HIKED 530 MILES IN 29 DAYS ON SKIS!

A GAS LAMP WHICH WAS SCARRED BY SHELLFIRE DURING THE "BATTLE OF ATLANTA" WAS RELIGHTED AS A PERPETUAL CONFEDERATE MEMORIAL. (Came with the Wind Celebration Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 15 '39)

"Harpichord with Soft and Loud," was the title given to the oldest known piano by its inventor, Francesco Cristofori, who died in 1731. The old instrument was sold at a public sale, traded for a bottle of wine by a piano tuner, and relegated to a corner as a mere heirloom before it reached the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City.

Citizens of Atlanta, Georgia, recently paused to honor a "veteran"—an 84-year-old gas lamp struck by shellfire from Sherman's artillery in 1864 during the Civil War. Still in the original spot where it was installed, it will be kept alight now by the same fuel—gas—that operates millions of modern gas appliances throughout the United States.

THE WORLD'S OLDEST PIANO WAS ONCE TRADED FOR A BOTTLE OF WINE! (Met. Museum of Art, N.Y.)

boone to the farmers when the hot, dry days of next summer come. Maybe the cotton and the other crops can survive. And then, excluding a host of other "ifs," maybe this will not have to be a "next year" county when the fall rolls around.

**The Parable of the Talents**

The International Uniform Sunday School Lesson for Feb. 25  
Text: Matthew 25:14-27

**TALENT**, in the parable, is a sum of money, but we speak of it today as the endowment that each man has, either by nature or by training and preparation. We live in a world where talents are very different. Some men are endowed with great capacities of goodness, service, and achievement. Other men are either dull, or they are handicapped by weakness, temptation, or some great barrier which makes whatever they achieve a very real victory.

The men in the parable who received a varying number of talents, when their master was going into a far country, had instructions to improve what had been given to them and gain in trade as much as they could. It is to be noted that the talents were given to each man according to his several ability. No more was expected of a man than his endowment made possible, and this suggests what is true concerning life. The success or failure of those to whom the talents were given was not judged merely by the result, but by the way in which each man used his talents according to his own powers.

THE man who received the five talents was successful in trade and gained five more talents. The man who received two similarly doubled what he had received. But he that received the one talent, because it was only one—either through fear of losing it or because he despised the small gift—hid his talent in the earth.

What happened when the master returned...

his listeners about the letters which he has received from citizens of Texas asking him to run for a second term, and tell how much he enjoys getting such letters. Of course his listeners can suppose that it is Monday when he speaks, and suppose that it is Monday when they write, and all will be fine and lovely. In the meanwhile giving the other politicians blistering replies...

**GAME PRESERVATION DEMONSTRATION**  
EXTENSION SERVICE TEXAS A&M COLLEGE

There are 79,280 of these signs designating the 274 of Texas land included in the game management demonstration 22,692 farmers and ranchmen, plus 588 4-H are taking part in the movement which has as its aim the of wildlife on Texas farms and ranches.

In Last Week's Democrat

**YOU SAW**

NAMES 1,320 Hall County citizens, 236 out-of-county NEWS STORIES  
PERSONAL MENTIONS  
SOCIETY STORIES  
SCHOOL STORIES  
CORRESPONDENT COLUMNS  
BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS  
CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS  
ADVERTISING 548 columns  
FICTORIAL MATTER 107 columns  
NEWS MATTER 745 columns

**ERROD IN LOVE**

By Helen Welshimer

MAYBE my technic is all at fault, I'm never the one to doubt it; Look at the stag line that got away, But what can I do about it?

N EVER I've loved but my heart has known Some day the lad would grieve me; As soon as my love was reciprocal He'd pick up his hat and leave me.

MAYBE I'm weak for I cannot say: Here is a long time lease, sir. Either you sign on the dotted line, Or our romance must cease, sir!

FICKLE and gay I'd like to be, Only I don't know how to. I'm sweet and good and the type of girl Nice old gentlemen bow to!

**Jots in Jest**

A MISSOURI school is offering a course on how to fall in love. Next they'll be teaching birds to fly.

Germany and Russia are said to be planning a common-wealth of European nations, thus counting their countries before they are snatched.

Now we know the true meaning of the Soviet sickle and hammer. Joe uses the sickle to mow 'em down, the hammer to keep 'em down.

As the New Year passes, it's comforting to recall we live in a country where the people are merely breaking their resolutions and not breaking out in revolution.

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### One-Handed Shot Picks Up In Popularity With Cagers

**BY IRVING DIX**  
YOU can tab the one-handed basketball shot not only as a fixture from now on, but as a maneuver that rapidly is gaining favor with coaches and players throughout the country.



Bob Feerick . . . Santa Clara's ace forward shows how it's done.

**BASKETBALL** has been speeded up tremendously with elimination of the tip-off and the 10-second rule. The racehorse style of play is popular nearly everywhere.

And fast-moving hoopsters have discovered they can get their shots off quicker with one hand. The extra half second it takes to get set for the two-handed shot often means the difference between two points and a blocked effort.

One-handed tricksters find it comparatively simple to get the ball off while on the dead run or while leaping into the air. It's a tough shot to stop.

The only reason why there aren't a lot more boys using it is because coaches consider it sheer folly to change after a lifetime habit of shooting two-handed.

In other words, it wouldn't do a college junior or senior much good to switch. It takes a little time for the player to adjust himself so that the maneuver becomes just as instinctive as the old-style shot.

**THE** breeding ground for one-handed shot-makers is high school competition. The preppers have been quick to see its advantages. By the time a boy has played three years of high school ball and has become quite

adept at the one-handed toss he is ready to really swing out in college competition.

Most concentrated tendency along these lines is in the east. Joe Lapchick, coach at St. John's, and Ernie Messikomer of Temple, among others, publicly declare that the east won't be able to play the game on a par with midwest and far west teams unless the boys along the seaboard get wise to the one-handers.

### Rural Teachers Discuss Writing

A discussion of manuscript and cursive writing was held by rural school principals at a meeting Tuesday afternoon in the office of the county superintendent.

The discussion followed a brief talk by Miss Alice Baker of Bridle Bit on "How to Teach Penmanship in the Elementary Grades."

Business transacted at the meeting, presided over by the president, Dean Fletcher of Plaska, included the setting of March 19 as the date of the next meeting, and the decision to give standardized tests during the last week in April.

Present were Miss Edna Bryan, Ed; Mrs. Eula Crow, Webster; Edd Todd, Parnell; Loran Denton, Deep Lake; C. H. Cheves, Newlin; J. W. D. Chappell, Irice; Grady Pearson, Pleasant Valley; Olson Sweatt, Salisbury; J. B. Lowe, Weatherly; David Myers, Friendship; Miss Baker, Mr. Fletcher, and the county superintendent, Miss Tops Gilreath.

### Locals and Personals

Tomie Potts, Roy Fultz, and James Fultz, went to Oklahoma City Wednesday to bring back a new car Mr. Fultz recently ordered.

Mrs. Abe Murphy is spending the week with her parents in Shamrock.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon West were in Altus, Okla., Wednesday. Mr. West attended a wallpaper and paint meeting there.

Mrs. T. M. Rector of Amarillo is here visiting her daughter, Mrs. A. W. Howard. She is en route home from Austin where she visited her daughter, Mrs. Gene Storr, several weeks.

### CHURCHES

**METHODIST WOMEN**  
Mrs. Dewey Smith, superintendent of study of the Children's conference, will be guest speaker at the church Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Mrs. Smith is an outstanding speaker and every Methodist woman is urged to attend. Business will also be transacted.

**METHODIST NEWS NOTES**  
Our district superintendent, Rev. G. T. Palmer, was with us last Sunday evening. He will be present Wednesday evening of this week to hold the first Quarterly Conference.

Bishop Ivan Lee Holt will visit our city February 29, and will preach for us at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Bishop Holt will be remembered as the bishop who presided at the annual conference held here in November of 1938.

The stewards of our church were treated to a lovely dinner Monday evening at the home of the chairman, W. P. Dial.

We extend a welcome to all to our services next Sunday.  
E. L. Yeats, Pastor.

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
All regular services will be held next Sunday morning and evening. All members of the young peoples classes are urged to be present. Dr. McNeely will be glad to have every department represented.

Services at the CCC camp this week are growing in interest.  
Special music Sunday morning.  
E. C. Cargill, Pastor.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
SUNDAY—  
9:45 a. m., Sunday school.  
11 a. m., Morning worship.  
6:30 p. m., Training Union.  
7:30 p. m., Evening worship.  
WEDNESDAY—  
7 p. m., S. S. officers and teachers meeting.  
8 p. m., Prayer meeting.  
8:30 p. m., Choir rehearsal.  
You are welcome at every service. Come and bring a friend. Our Golden Anniversary program is almost complete. Remember the date is March 3-10. Make your plans now to attend every service.  
S. F. Martin, Pastor.

**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
The regular service hours at the First Christian Church are as follows:  
Bible school 9:45 a. m. Sunday.  
Church services 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.  
Christian Endeavor 6:30 Sunday evening.  
Prayer meeting 7:30 Wednesday evening.  
Choir practice, 7:30 p. m. Thursday.

**PLASKA METHODIST CIRCUIT**  
Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls.—James 1:21.  
Sunday school 10 a. m.  
Preaching at Plaska Sunday morning.  
Sunday evening: Young Peoples group.

Instead of preaching services, we intend to have the Balaopticon slide pictures and lecture on "Christian Dawn in Korea." Come, everyone, and bring the children. The pictures are in technicolor, very interesting, and educational.  
Albert Cooper, Pastor.

### Better to Give—But Not for John



There's no law against handing out quarters, but when "Brother John," right, Los Angeles Main street character, tried it he was soon ensnared with police. Impatient indigents in line broke ranks and started a riot about the time John passed out his thousandth two-bit piece.

Joe Fitzjarrald of Arthur, Ill., is spending a few days with his cousin and family, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Fitzjarrald. The cousins had not seen each other for 35 years previous to this visit.

Mrs. J. A. Whaley attended "Gone With the Wind" in Amarillo Monday.

### Rotarians Hear Music, Address

Rotarians learned more about the work being carried on in the public schools Tuesday, as they heard an address on visual education and music from the rhythm band of a rural school at their regular luncheon.

Mrs. Al Burks, chairman of the English department of Memphis High School, talked on visual education, demonstrating the work with lantern slides.

The rhythm band of the Salisbury school, with some 30 or 40 members under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Olson Sweatt, presented several selections for the group. The music was exceptional.

ally well given for an organization of its kind, Rotarians said following the meeting.

Sixty-one per cent—about 253,000,000 acres—of the cropland in the United States is either subject to erosion or is of such poor quality as not to return a satisfactory income to farmers.

The number of forced farm sales through foreclosure and other causes, declined 70 per cent from 1933 to 1939.

Forty-two per cent of the farmers in the United States lease or rent all the land they cultivate.

Under the Reciprocal Trade Agreements program, six countries reduced their duties on cotton textiles and products and three other countries gave assurance their duties on such products would not be increased.

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# Collection of 1939 Taxes Runs Above Eighty Per Cent

Texas has more than 90,000 producing oil wells. Last year each well averaged less than 15 barrels a day.

The manufacture of petroleum products from Texas oil constitutes 41 per cent of all the manufacturing in Texas.

## Delinquents Paid Raise Percentage On Current Rolls

State Tax Collections 82 Per Cent; Others Show Similar Percentages

Collection of state, county, city and school taxes for 1939 were slightly above the 80 per cent mark of the current tax rolls as the various collectors completed their January reports this week.

The percentage of state taxes collected on the current roll was 82, while collection of delinquent taxes ran up this percentage, based on the current roll, to 87, J. M. Ferrel, county tax assessor-collector, reported.

Percentage of current county taxes collected was 77.5, with the delinquent collections raising this percentage to 84.8, Mr. Ferrel said. The homestead exemption law makes the county collections fall slightly lower than the state collections, he said. The figures include collections made during the months of October, November, December, and January, but do not include the road and school districts—only the county and state ad valorem taxes.

The collection of city taxes was slightly more than 80 per cent, W. V. Coursey, city tax collector said, with the collection of delinquent taxes running the percentage up to about 83 per cent.

Approximately 80 per cent of the current school taxes were collected, George Forgy, school tax collector, reported, with the delinquent collections raising the percentage to about 85 per cent.

From February 1 to June 30, a penalty of one and one-half per cent per month will be placed on delinquent taxes. After July 1, a penalty of six per cent interest will be assessed against delinquent tax evaluations.

State tax collections, excluding the road and school districts, during the period from October 1 to January 31, totaled \$40,319.75. Delinquent state taxes collected aggregated \$2,520.03.

County taxes collected totaled \$48,413.62, during this same period, while delinquent county collections brought in \$4,668.07.

Be sure that camp fire is out, dead out, Texas Game Department officials warn.

## Historical Notes Of County to Be Placed in Museum

Work Gathering Material Starts; Board of Local Citizens to Be Appointed

Work was begun this week on gathering material concerning the history of Hall County for the Panhandle-Plains Historical Society Museum in Canyon as local headquarters for the project were set up in the county tax collector-assessor's office.

A board to work with the representatives of the museum will be appointed soon by Dr. L. F. Sheffy, head of the department of history at West Texas State College and director of the activities of the project.

The gathering of the material has been made possible through the granting of WPA funds for the purpose, and WTSC has been named as the official sponsor. Material will be gathered from 96 West Texas counties.

Mrs. Winnie Davis Hale, representative from Canyon, was in Memphis this week in the interest of the project, and stated that the local board would be appointed within the next few days.

No history of the Panhandle has ever been written, it was pointed out, and the bibliographical material of local conditions and local background has been limited to newspaper files, and to a few books on special subjects.

The workers plan to obtain as much of the material as possible from early-day pioneers who are still living, and who are able to give much of the information from knowledge. In addition to interviewing pioneers, the workers will search county archives for items of historical value.

All material collected will be placed in the files, or displayed in the museum for the education and pleasure of the public, it was explained.

## 110 Now Eating at Hot Lunch Room In Memphis Gym

Lunch Counter Grows In Popularity; Senior Girls Eat There on Wednesdays

The hot lunch counter in the old gymnasium of Memphis High School is growing in popularity, and now approximately 110 students and teachers are eating in the lunchroom daily, it was reported this week.

The senior girls, cooperating to make the plan successful, recently voted to eat at the lunchroom each Wednesday. Most all of the teachers are eating regularly there.

The first lunches were served Monday, January 29, when about 50 students and teachers bought lunches. Since that time additional lunches have been served as fast as the new customers could be cared for.

Labor for the lunchroom is furnished by the WPA, and products designated as surplus commodities are furnished by the Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation. Additional food is bought, however, to provide a balanced diet.

Donations of both money and food have been solicited, and several contributions have been made. Equipment for the kitchen is the same as was used in the school several years ago, when a cafeteria was in operation.



BEFORE AND AFTER—In the lower picture is shown the former home of Otho M. Arnold here in Hall County, and in the top picture is the new and modern home of the Arnold family made possible under the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Purchase program. Inset is Mr. Arnold.

## Otho M. Arnold Family Now Lives on Own Farm Through New Tenant Act

Otho M. Arnold is one Hall County farmer who now owns land when he formerly had to rent.

The purchase of the land, made in 1939, was possible through the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Purchase program administered by the Farm Security Administration in Memphis.

Mr. Arnold, however, is not alone in his purchasing, since more than 6,000 former tenant farmers in the United States now live on farms purchased under the new program.

A tenant farmer for 20 years, Mr. Arnold obtained a loan in 1939 with which to purchase his 200-acre farm and make necessary improvements. Several other Hall County farmers have also received similar loans, and constructions of improvements will soon be in progress on these farms.

The national average of farms purchased under the program is 134 acres, with the average cost of the homes \$1,313, slightly below the cost to Arnold.

During the first two years of the Farm Tenant Act, 147,972 applications were received for the 6,180 loans made under appropriations aggregating \$35,009,000. A number of these applications are being reconsidered this year along with the 133,096 new applications, it was stated.

## Senior High Girls Choose Officers

New officers of the senior girls of Memphis High School were elected at a meeting held Wednesday noon.

Elected were Annie Margaret Mitchell, president; Margaret Webster, vice president; Athalee Hutcherson, secretary-treasurer; and Evelyn Selby, reporter.

A hot lunch was served to 20 girls in the cafeteria at the school. Miss Rachel Deahl is the club sponsor.

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"All Women Have Secrets"

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