

# AMHERST NEWS

## Tax Collections On Amherst Property Show Total Of \$7,744 Paid To Date

A total of \$7,744.12 in current taxes has been collected by the City of Amherst, where total taxes levied on all property on the tax roll was \$10,049.49.

Tax payments became delinquent on February 1, the city secretary's office announced.

At the same time, Lucy Moreland, city secretary, announced that the city commission has requested that all persons planning to build or move dwellings or business houses first secure a building permit.

## Two Barns, Pasture Near Amherst Burn

Three fires in the Amherst vicinity kept firefighters busy there last week-end. More than 400 acres of grass burned in Sod House pasture on the Halsell Ranch Saturday afternoon. A few acres were burned in Dave Harmon's pasture adjoining the Halsell Ranch.

A brooder exploded on Weldon Criswell's farm Thursday morning, burning his brooder house and barn. The barn on N. A. Griffing's place burned last Sunday.

## Amherst Officials Seek Re-Election

Incumbents are candidates for re-election in a city election set for April 4 in Amherst.

Mayor E. E. Stagner and Aldermen Bill Workman and George Harmon filed for re-election last week, and were the only candidates to announce.

## REV. COX CONDUCTS ASSOCIATION-WIDE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Rev. J. Henry Cox of the First Baptist Church in Amherst will teach an association-wide Sunday School course in the First Baptist Church in Falls today (Tuesday).

Representatives from all churches in the Floyd Association are expected to attend. Rev. Ray Riley is associational Sunday School superintendent, and other teachers will direct departmental groups.

## Lions, Quarterback Clubs Meet Friday To Honor Cage Teams

Amherst Lions Club will observe ladies night with a banquet in the high school lunchroom on Friday evening, March 17. Horace Holt, program director, announced.

Prof. A. T. Hedgpeth will present several members of his F.F.A. chapter in a music program.

Amherst Quarterback Club will join the Lions Club at the meeting honoring the travelling squads of the high school boys and girls basketball teams. About 110 persons are expected to attend.

## 33 Lots In Amherst To Be Sold For Taxes

Thirty-three lots in the City of Amherst will be sold to the highest bidder for delinquent taxes in the sheriff's sale set for 10 A. M. Tuesday, April 4, at the courthouse in Littlefield. Sheriff Sid Hopping announced.

A total of 161 Amherst lots are to be sold in sheriff's sales on the first Tuesday of three succeeding months, April, May and June. They will be sold to the highest bidder for cash at the adjudged valuation of the property.

## Amherst Church Has Big Enrollment For Four-Day Revival

A total enrollment of 121 persons was recorded for a week of Sunday School revival held Monday through Thursday, March 6 to 9 at the First Baptist Church in Amherst.

Rev. Judon Cobb, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Lockney, presented dramatically and taught the book "Pilgrim's Progress."

## Amherst Newspaper Editor Resigns Post

Travis Barnett, editor and advertising manager of the Amherst Times, has announced his resignation, effective last Friday.

He joined the staff of the Muleshoe Journal as reporter and advertising salesman last Monday.

Forrest Kyle, publisher of the Times, did not immediately announce Barnett's successor.

Barnett and his wife, a school teacher, will continue to live in Amherst for the remainder of the school year.

## Amherst Personals

Betty Carol Vernon, granddaughter of Rev. and Mrs. J. Henry Cox, visited in Amherst last Friday, Saturday and Sunday. She is from Lubbock.

The Senior Class from Amherst High School were visitors in Lubbock Friday. They went by auto and spent the day.

Rev. Hudson of Henrietta presented a dramatic motion picture of the life of Christ at the First Baptist Church in Amherst Friday.

Miss Earline Parker of Abilene visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Gipson in Amherst last week.

Mrs. Norman Gipson and Mrs. Dennis Kellog were among Amherst women who attended a bridal shower in Littlefield Saturday for Miss Lete Mae McCormick.

Miss Melba Jean Weathers of Littlefield, formerly of Abilene, has accepted a bookkeeping position at the South Plains Cooperative Hospital in Amherst and assumed her duties March 2.

Stafford Shipley, stationed at Fort Bliss, El Paso, spent last week-end in Littlefield visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Shipley. He also visited a brother, Bennie Shipley and wife, in Amherst.

Mr. and Mrs. Merle Autry spent several days last week visiting in San Angelo.

The Amherst Amateur Band and the newly-organized school band appeared on a radio program over station KVOW last Thursday night.

Norman Gipson, minister of the Amherst Church of Christ, went to Melrose, N. M., last Tuesday to take part in a lectureship program of churches in Eastern New Mexico and West Texas.

Mrs. Chloe Harris, Amherst school secretary, attended the teachers meeting in Amarillo Friday and remained to visit with friends, returning to her home Sunday.

Mrs. J. Henry Cox and Mrs. Percy Adams represented the Women's Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church, Amherst, at a state W.M.S. board meeting held March 15 in Ft. Worth.



"I GOT ONE FOR" . . . Dr. Wellington Koo (left), Chinese ambassador to the United States, tells Maj. Gen. William J. Donovan, wartime U.S.S. head, that he received the Alexander Hamilton medal last year. Donovan received the medal this year. It is presented to a Columbia university alumnus each year for distinguished public service.

## Reminiscences



By Cecile

## 20 Years Ago

Hello again, neighbors, it's time to turn back the pages 20 years and see if you can remember when:

The Ladies of Rocky Ford community met and organized the home demonstration club, naming it "The Rocky Ford." Miss Ruby Mashburn, home demonstration agent helped organize the club.

Fifty dollars reward will be paid for the apprehension and conviction of the party or parties who cut off the "stop" signs from the street pavement, according to officer L. A. Ratliff. Two were cut off Monday night and another Tuesday night.

A carload of new Oakland cars were received here Monday by the Jones Bros. Motor Co.

When a girl celebrates her birthday, she doesn't just take the day off, she takes off a couple of years.

B. F. Gentry and family are moving to Pep this week.

George Broome and B. Webster made an airplane trip to Hobbs, N. M., for the week-end.

Sheriff Len Irvin and Deputy Lawrence Walraven made three raids this week, capturing a still and mash.

E. C. Cundiff, Littlefield dairyman, won fourth place in milk at the South Plains Dairy Show held in Plainview last week. He also won third division in the senior bull calf division.

The Anton State Bank is the

youngest bank in this section, but it reported a good increase in deposits last week.

Albert Neuen schwander, local contractor, gets contract for the city hall in Littlefield. His was the lowest bid of six, at a cost of \$36,289.

The busiest man you can run across is the man trying to make a living without working for it.

Times may change, but that little word "if" still stands between us and some mighty big things.

So long, folks, this is "30" again.

## High Plains Water—

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end on irrigation wells, the High Plains Association hopes to have as many as 500 persons at the Amarillo hearing.

Indications are that at least two cars will go from Littlefield, with other communities in Lamb county boosting the representation.

"Everybody who can possibly get away is urged to make the trip," Duggan said.

## Long-Range Plans

Anticipating an intense fight over ground water control in the future, the High Plains Water Conservation and Users Association made long range plans to strengthen its position.

Protection of the local control law, coupled with protection of the water supply by conservation practices, will be sought.

Formation of one or more water districts, it was pointed out, would serve to organize water users to carry on the fight over legislation and would also provide a water conservation program need to convince advocates of state control that conservation can be left in the hands of individual owners.

An extensive educational program, including weekly news releases to the press and radio, was suggested.

W. O. (Bill) Fortenberry of Monroe presided at the meeting, which lasted from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

## School Band To Give Spring Concert Soon

Littlefield High School Band will present a spring concert in the latter part of March, Director Don Hayes reports. A definite date for the concert has not been set.

Hayes reported that the Band Parents Club met Monday night to discuss finances and plans for closing the school year.

## FIRE AT GARAGE

City firemen were called to South Fifth Street Friday morning to extinguish a blaze at the rear of the garage at Andrew McGehee's home. Burning trash reportedly set the garage afire.

## Chester Tells—

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of all types and quite a number of people from the United States who were especially enjoying their living there, partly due to the fact that there is no income tax. The rate of exchange is 2 1/2 pesos to a dollar.

## Zebu Cattle

In Sao Paulo, Brazil, they inspected several ranches where the Zebu cattle have been developed to a very high degree. Portuguese is the language spoken in Brazil and this country is not too thickly settled except along the Atlantic Coast. Sao Paulo is an industrial center and looks like a boom town at the present time with considerable new industry coming in and may surpass a population that of Rio in a very short time. The United States does considerable business with Brazil in importing coffee. In exchange, practically all of the automobiles are brought from North America. Chesher commented that in all

of South America, they found a good quality of cattle and a lot of registered bulls imported from the United States, Canada, England and Scotland.

## Summer in South

Chesher stated further that the weather was very pleasant since this is their summer time and the people are very interesting, lovable and entertaining. We have a lot in common since these countries are all democracies. All of our group enjoyed the entire trip and especially the 22,000 foot flight over the Andes Mountains between Santiago, Chile and Buenos Aires, Argentina.

"I had no conception of the size of South America until I realized that Brazil, alone, was larger than the United States."

Chesher and Fowler returned last Wednesday.

Guests at the meeting last week were Martin Munn from Lubbock and Georgia Smith. Junior Rotarians were Harvey Miller, guest of Ray Hulse, David McCormick, guest of Stillwell Russell, and Don Lynsky, guest of Bob Armstrong.

## Mrs. Barton To Head Earth Ceramic Club

The Ceramic Club of Earth was organized at the Club House Tuesday March 7, at 2 p. m., with Mrs. Ardis Barton as president, Mrs. Irvin Ott, vice-president, and Mrs. Homer Hodge, secretary and treasurer. Twelve ladies attended including Mrs. Barton, Mrs. Ott, Mrs. Hodge, Mrs. E. C. Hudson, Mrs. Golden Green, Mrs. R. L. Drake, Mrs. Paul Chance, Mrs. Parker, Mrs. R. G. Wilson, Mrs. John Welch and Mrs. Roy Neal.

Experiments in color-television go back in the laboratory as far as 1928.

## To Be Candidates

(Continued From Page One) . . . . . had 1935 to 1950, the own state government had almost 500%—from 1935 to approximately 1950 in 1950.

## Olton Livestock—

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March 18, 1946

10:00 a. m.—Awards production contest.

10:30 a. m.—Judging Cattle.

12:00 noon—Lunch

1:00 p. m.—F. H. A. Auction

2:00 p. m.—Judging Cattle.

All projects must show grounds until completed.

## AUCTION SALE

Immediately following Of Fat Calves

## SATURDAY AFTERNOON

3:00 O'CLOCK

25 Head Finished Livestock

1 open Duroc gilt, 150 lbs

1 open Duroc gilt, 200 lbs

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# Murder Trial Of Zerald Been Opens

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## LAMB COUNTY LEADER

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### Chesher Tells Of Trip To South America

#### Cattlemen Received On Mile Trip

lent. H erefords, Angus and Short Horns are the principal breeds. Some of their time, also, was spent in Mar de Plata, which is "the Atlantic City of South America" and where gambling is done for charity. Most of the Argentine meat



A. C. CHESHER

his trip to South America, Art Chesher spoke to the cattlemen at their regular meeting in the dining room of the First Methodist church. ... which A. E. Fowler ... him from here, was station WBAP in Ft. Worth. ... called the Texas Four. ... Sixteen cattlemen wives made the trip from Texas. ... February 11 ... left Fort Worth on ... Pan American Airline ... through customs ... for the 23,000 mile ... 22,000 miles was ... and 1,000 miles by bus ... They visited ... Argentina, Uruguay, ... making stops at ... Guatemala, Balboa, ... Buenos Aires, ... Paulo, Montevideo, ... Janeiro, Belton and ... goes to England in exchange for coal and other fuels. ... From Argentina, the group went to Brazil, where they found excellent stock, which is composed of four types of Indian cattle, the most popular of which is the Indu-Brazil. It is a wonderful breed of cattle that has a resistance against insects and parasites of that climate and an animal that can walk long distances. This is a major factor in that they have to drive long distances to market. ... In Uruguay, they found a very friendly people and good livestock (Continued On Back Page)

### Local School Board Elects Teachers At Special Session

rs were elected by School Board at a ... held March 9, ... board president, and ... faculty positions ... in the elementary ... Gayle Littleton, ... Carra Morgan, ... Roger Morgan, ... and ... Bailey and Travis ... High School ... employees elected

were Beedie Welch, secretary to the board; Ed Britt, janitor; R. L. Kellogg, bus supervisor; Mrs. Levi Coble, school nurse; and Alene Griffin, lunchroom supervisor. Five teachers did not seek reelection. Lewis said. They were Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Knox Jr., Miss Peggy Pierson, Coach and Mrs. Grady Baker. School Supt. J. B. Riddle had previously announced that because of ill health he would not seek reelection. Leo Duffey was elected to the superintendency at a meeting March 2.

### Search for Information Leading to Warehouse Burglar

warehouses belonging to ... on East Fourth ... recently and ... merchandise taken. ... warehouses is used ... Furniture for stor- ... gained by break- ... in the front door ... door. ... Dick Dyer is ... burglary. ... offering \$100 re- ... leading to ... conviction of any- ... or molesting ...

A tire and wheel was stolen Thursday night from Bob Nickels Chevrolet Pickup, which was parked at the side of his home on East 14th Street. On the same night a tire and wheel were taken from the Chevrolet Pickup belonging to Elton Hauk, parked at the Phillips Oil Service Station. The thefts are being investigated by police officers.

### Portable Wheel Chair Purchased In Salvation Army

from several Little ... and organizat- ... the Salvation ... a portable wheel ... Viola Dreadin, a ... Sunday School ... given by Joe ... Club; Hardy, ... Men; Skipper

Smith, Jaycoettes: Tom Hilburn, Lions Club, and one person who contributed anonymously, the Salvation Army reported. Miss Dreadin is an apt Bible student, most active in all the Salvation Army's religious activities. She teaches a junior boy's class, and recently accompanied them on a hunting trip planned as a reward for doubling their membership.

### High Plains Water Group Maps Plans For Preserving Local Control Law

#### Sudan Grocery Is Burglarized

The Tom Henderson Grocery Store of Sudan was entered Thursday night and a small amount of silver, said to be between \$15 and \$20 taken. Entrance was gained by breaking the glass in the front door, and opening the door. A quantity of cigarettes and bologna sausage were also taken from the store. An investigation is underway by the Lamb County Sheriff's office, but as yet no arrests have been made.

#### To Be Candidate For Governor

Olin Culberson, a member of the Railroad Commission, has announced his candidacy for Governor of Texas in the following statement: "Firmly believing that a change in attitude is necessary toward the wasteful operation and run-away of our state government, I am formally announcing my candidacy for Governor of Texas. My filing fee has been mailed to John C. Calhoun, chairman of the State Democratic Commission. "A great deal has been said about the soaring cost of the federal government. In the fifteenth year period between 1935 and 1950, and exclusive of the cost of wars and affairs incidental to them, the annual cost of the federal government has increased 280%. "But little has been said about the fact that during the same period (Continued On Back Page)

Immediate and long-range plans for protection of laws guaranteeing individual control of underground water were formulated at a meeting of the High Plains Water Conservation and Users Association in Littlefield Thursday. Twenty persons attended the meeting, which included a luncheon at Hays Coffee Shop. Represented were water associations from Lubbock, Lamb, Bailey, Crosby, Randall and Deaf Smith counties, and from the Petersburg Association, which includes parts of Hale, Lubbock, Crosby and Floyd counties.

Present Strong Case Immediate plans call for a strong presentation of the case for local control when the Texas Water Code Committee holds a hearing in Amarillo next Monday, March 20.

Speakers for the High Plains group will include Nick Rose, Houston, the only consulting ground water geologist in Texas; L. A. Howard, Lubbock lawyer; W. O. Fortenberry, Monroe, president of the High Plains association; and Arthur P. Duggan, Littlefield, attorney.

A talk by Bill Broadhurst of Austin, representative of the United States Geological Survey, will open the hearing, set for 9 a. m. in the Herring Hotel, Amarillo. The High Plains group hopes testimony of witnesses at the Amarillo hearing will offset attacks made against the water law at a hearing held recently in Ft. Worth in which a dozen witnesses suggested government control of underground water. Marshalling the forces of hundreds of Plains farmers who de- (Continued On Back Page)

### Tractor Stalls On Train Crossing, Driver Jumps

Jumping 20 feet from the top of a tractor stalled on the Santa Fe Railroad tracks just seconds before the machine was shattered and scattered for 200 yards by the morning passenger train was the experience of L. B. McClain of 2 1/2 miles east of Littlefield Saturday. Injured Knee and Hand Mr. McClain doesn't know whether he landed on his feet or fell on the ground, but he does know he is lucky to be alive, and it is his guess that he fell on the ground as he suffered from a swollen left knee and sore wrist and elbow. He was checked and treated at the Payne-Shotwell Foundation following the accident. Stalled On Track According to Mr. McClain he was taking his tractor, to which was attached a Hoeme Plow, to the Reed farm west of town to do some plowing for Mr. Reed. Crossing the railway tracks on the Spade highway in front of Peyton's the tractor stalled. He tried to back it off the track, but couldn't get it in gear as the morning Santa Fe Passenger train No. 94 due here about 11:10 o'clock came rushing on. Mr. McClain jumped just in the nick of time. Parts of the tractor were scattered for about 200 yards with one of the wheels deposited near the West Texas Cotton Mill. The Hoeme plow which was attached to the tractor apparently stood the accident without any damage. Needless to state no insurance was carried to cover the loss.

#### D. E. Club Schedules Employer-Employee Banquet Wednesday

The third annual employer-employee banquet of the District Education Department, Littlefield High School, will be held at 8 p. m. Wednesday, March 15, in the American Legion Hut. Roy L. Reinartz, San Angelo, district supervisor of the D. E. program, will be guest speaker. Dwayne Long, club president, will serve as master of ceremonies. About 65 persons, including D. E. Students, training sponsors and their wives, are expected to attend the banquet, according to Elmer H. McKinney, sponsor-instructor.

#### Blind Musicians Here For Concert

Two blind musicians will give a concert at 1 p. m. today in the Littlefield high school auditorium under auspices of the National Transcribers Society for the Blind, Palo Alto, Calif. Jack Crowell, 19-year-old Los Angeles organist, and Hervey Rainville, Boston concert pianist and a graduate of the New England Conservatory of Music, Boston, are the visiting performers.

#### H. J. (Doc) Blanchard Seeks Election As State Representative

H. J. Blanchard has authorized announcement of his candidacy for state representative from the 120th District, comprising Lamb, Bailey, Farmer, Briscoe, Floyd, Hale, Swisher and Castro Counties. Blanchard is now a resident of Lockney in Floyd County, but has been a longtime resident of Sudan. He was graduated from Sudan High School. Now a senior law student at Southern Methodist University, Blanchard will graduate in January with an LL. B. from S.M.U. and a B. A. from Texas Tech.

#### Rotary Will Hear School Musicians

The high school chorus and several small band ensembles will provide a musical program at the weekly Rotary Club luncheon Thursday in the First Methodist Church. The program will be under direction of Don Hayes, instructor. Ira Shotwell will perform the introductions. On March 23, Rotarians will hear a program by Elwin Matthews and his vocational agriculture students.

#### Wasp Causes Car Accident; Sudan Girls Escape Injury

Frightened by a wasp in their car, two Sudan girls escaped injury last Monday when they lost control of the vehicle and it overturned, throwing them into the back seat. The girls were Joyce and Betty Sherrill, daughters of Rev. and Mrs. U. S. Sherrill of Sudan. Joyce, a teacher in the Sudan grade school, was driving when Betty noticed a wasp in the back of the car and turned around to open the window. Joyce looked in the rear view mirror, saw the wasp heading for her and ducked. When she looked up, the car was headed for a mailbox and she swerved the car sharply. The wheels apparently hit loose gravel, the car turned over and then righted itself, with both girls in the back seat. Joyce was hospitalized overnight, and both she and her sister suffered minor bruises. The 1948 DeSoto was badly damaged.

### Spade Farmer Charged In Death Of Harvey Buchanan Last July; Selection Of Jury Slow Process

#### Addresses Lubbock Rural Road Meeting



Judge Otha Dent

Judge Otha Dent of Lamb County addressed the meeting of the Lubbock County Rural Roads association in the District Court room at Lubbock Friday night, discussing ways and means of providing revenue to build rural roads. The purpose of the meeting was to organize a membership drive of the association. Robert G. Dillard, State Executive officer of Texas Rural Roads, was also in attendance at the meeting. W. O. Fortenberry of Monroe, State Director of Texas Rural Roads, was also present and spoke briefly to the meeting. A good attendance is reported.

#### Mrs. Middlebrook And C. C. Witt Notified Of Brother's Death

Mrs. Callie Middlebrook and brother, C. C. Witt, both of Littlefield were called to Oklahoma City, Okla., Tuesday by the death of their brother, T. J. Witt, 72, a retired groceryman. Mr. Witt had been in ill health for the past two years and retired from his business activities several years ago. Funeral services and burial were scheduled for Friday afternoon in Oklahoma City. Survivors included his wife and two children, Mrs. Lyle Rainbolt and Jimmy Witt, all of Oklahoma City; five sisters and five brothers.

#### SUSTAINS HAND INJURY

Norman Lewis was unfortunate enough as to get his four fingers on his right hand cut in a gin saw at the Lamb County Farmers Assn. gin Friday. He had them dressed at the Payne-Shotwell Foundation. Mr. Lewis, who is a farmer, had taken a bale of cotton to the gin to be ginned, and was reported helping the gin employees when the accident happened.

### Program For Olton Livestock Show On Friday And Saturday Announced

Program for the big fifth annual Livestock Show sponsored by the Olton Boys 4-H Club, Future Farmers of America and Future Homemakers of America was announced this week by W. W. Hall, show superintendent. The show will open at 10 a. m. March 16 and close with an auction sale at 3 p. m. March 17. General rules for the show were announced by Hall, who said that all animals must be in their places by 8 a. m. Friday, and could be brought into the barns Thursday. Exhibitors must present a weight sheet on each fat barrow and fat steer brought to the show. Exhibitors may show only two animals

in each class, and all animals must remain on the show grounds until judging is completed. Any boy or girl entering any project must be regularly enrolled and an active member of the Olton F. F. A., F. H. A. or 4-H Boys Club. —PROGRAM— March 16, 1950 10:00 a. m.—Livestock may be entered. (Barn will be open all day for entering livestock). 7:00 p. m.—First milking out of cows in milk production contest. (All cows must be in barn at that time). March 17, 1950 7:00 a. m.—Second milking in

Trial of Zerald Been, 33-year-old Spade farmer, on charges of murder in the death of Harvey Buchanan, 24, at the Buchanan farm near Spade last July 17, opened in the 64th Judicial District Court here Monday.

Judge G. V. Pardue of the 94th Judicial District, Lubbock, presided in place of Judge E. A. Bills of Littlefield, who was disqualified because of an association with the case as an attorney prior to his elevation to the bench. Herbert Martin and Bill Street, both of Littlefield, are defense attorneys. Assisting District Attorney Joe Sharpe of Plainview and County Attorney Bob Kirk of Littlefield in the prosecution is George Dupree of Lubbock, appointed to serve as special prosecutor.

Call Witnesses It was indicated that large numbers of witnesses will be used by both the defense and prosecution. Witnesses for both sides were called early Monday and the court invoked a rule requiring the witnesses to remain out of hearing of the court and not discuss testimony among themselves. Denies Motion Early Monday, Judge Pardue overruled a defense motion to quash the first count of the indictment on the grounds that it contains "inconsistent allegations" in describing the death weapon. Two stipulations were noted, one bearing on testimony of Dr. L. T. Shotwell and the other qualifying Judge Pardue to hear the case.

Jury Empaneled Judge Pardue empaneled the jury about 10 a. m. Monday after the names of 108 veniremen were called and about ten were excused. Jurors were examined one by one, starting shortly before 11 a. m. It was expected that getting a jury would take about two days; then the trial will get underway with testimony from the witnesses. Father Of Six Been, the father of six children, lives on a farm five miles southwest of Spade. Buchanan was found dead a few feet from his farm home, five miles southwest of Spade, late on Sunday afternoon, July 17, 1949. Investigating officers reportedly found a wrench, thought to be the death weapon, on the blood-stained kitchen floor of the Buchanan home. Been surrendered to officers in a cotton field a few hundred yards from the Buchanan farm, and was charged with murder.

Hereford Man Leases It Cafe H. J. Engman of Hereford has acquired a one-year lease with option on the It Cafe in Littlefield, and will take over management of the place Thursday from R. L. Byers, owner. The cafe will be closed for several days for general repairs and clean-up work. Engman has been in the cafe business for 30 years in both Hereford and Amarillo. His daughter, Miss Marguerite Engman, and niece, Miss Mary Short, will assist him in operating the It Cafe.

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## BILL LAKE, PHILOSOPHER WILLING TO PIT HIS CHARACTER AGAINST THE PROPOSED 24-HOUR WORK WEEK.

**Editor's Note:** The Philosopher on his Johnson grass farm on Bull Lake has another odd proposition this week, the following letter from him will reveal.

Dear Editor:

I picked up a copy of the Amarillo News Globe which my wife had put on the back porch for me to wipe my shoes on when I come in during wet weather, personally I'd rather have a tracked-up house than an empty mind, and took it inside and after supper read where a scientist in New York has predicted that by the end of this century the average work-week will be 24 hrs. Work 4 hours a day for 6 days and call it a week, or maybe run it together in three 8-hour days and take the other four days off.

I mentioned this the next day to some of my neighbors and they got into an argument over whether a man could stand to work that little and stay out of trouble.

"What would a person do with all that spare time?" one of my harder-working neighbors wanted to know. "Ruin most people not to have enough work."

Now I never was one to go stumblin into a new situation, I don't feel right about this nation bein on the verge of a unknown experience, and while it hadn't occurred to me before as somethin to get alarmed about, if people are afraid of the prospect of workin

only 24 hours a week, I will blaze the trail myself and submit to the experiment and find out if it is safe.

If the government will go ahead and start the \$12,000 a year income which the experts predict everybody will be makin by the year 2000, I will embark on the experiment of workin only 24 hours a week. There are some folks who might shudder at the prospect, see in their characters facin ruin and their minds demoralized by so much loafin time, but I come from pioneerin stock, the kind that made this country, and if I can be of service to humanity by plugin into the unknown life of the year 2000 right now, I'm willin.

All I ask is that the first installment on my \$12,000 a year salary be sent out here, and I'll launch the experiment. There may be some characters that ain't got the moral fibre to stand up to this 24-hour week, but I got confidence in myself.

Yours faithfully,  
J. A.

## Baptist Church Sets Revival April 9-23, Invites Evangelist

The Rev. Clifton E. Fite of Cordele, Georgia, will lead a revival at the First Baptist Church in Littlefield starting Easter Sunday, April 9, and continuing through April 23.

Although a native of Georgia, the Rev. Mr. Fite is well known in Texas and Oklahoma as a pastore-

## Furniture Purchase, Hiring Educational Director Approved

Purchase of furniture for the new First Baptist Church building and employment of an educational director and youth leader were authorized at a church conference held Wednesday night.

A committee estimated cost of the furniture at \$4,000, and recommended it be acquire dby the time they moved into the new building.

The congregation authorized the pastor to seek a man to serve as educational director and youth leader, and Rev. Lee Hemphill is to interview young men at the seminary in Fort Worth this week while attending a state W.M.U. meeting there.

If such a man is found, he will be invited to come before the church subject to call.

vangelist, having been pastor of several Southwest churches.

The Rev. Mr. Fite is credited with doubling attendance at his church in Cordele the past three years. He did his seminary work at Southwestern Baptist Seminary at Fort Worth, finishing with Th. M. degree in 1939.

## THE MIDDLES . . . . By Bob Karp



## Penney Manager Will Address DE Students On Job Applications

M. O. Mitchell, manager of the J. C. Penney Store, will speak to Distributive Education students at Littlefield High School on March 22.

Mitchell will discuss the qualities a retail merchant looks for when he hires a new employee.

J. D. Jordan, manager of the Texas Employment Commission office, recently addressed the class, outlining employment prospects in this area and procedures for registering with the Texas Employment Commission. He also gave the students pointers on what employers look for in job applicants.

## Personal To Women With Naggng Backache

As we get older, stress and strain, over-exertion, excessive smoking or exposure to cold sometimes slows down kidney function. This may lead many folks to complain of nagging backache, loss of pep and energy, headaches and dizziness. Getting up nights or frequent passages may result from minor bladder irritations due to cold, dampness or dietary indiscretions.

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## W. D. Kay Named To Succeed Stevens As Amherst School Superintendent

W. D. Kay, principal, has been elected superintendent of Amherst High School, succeeding C. R. Stevens, who recently resigned the post.

His election was announced following a meeting of the Amherst school board. The board did not select any other faculty members at the meeting, it was reported.

Stevens, who is completing his 11th year on the Amherst faculty and his 21st in the teaching profession, plans to devote his time to managing his theatre in Amherst. His wife also resigned her teaching position.

Stevens reportedly declined an

offer of a three-year contract. Kay came to Amherst beginning of the school year at Cotton Center, where he was superintendent. Previously, he was superintendent at Dallas, a graduate of Texas Tech and this summer.

**RECORD ATTENDANCE**  
Mrs. R. E. Hall of the Army, Sixth and Hamilton, a record attendance of 100 at Sunday School on March 5. She said the figure set a time record for the school in Littlefield.

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