

Boy Scouts Observe 44th Birthday

FORWARD ON LIBERTY'S TEAM



44TH ANNIVERSARY 1954 BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

The nation's 3,300,000 Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Explorers and their adult leaders will observe the 44th birthday of the organization during Boy Scout Week, Feb. 7 to 13.

The theme of the observance is "Forward on Liberty's Team," the current major emphasis of the movement, which seeks to produce a greater functioning manpower and provide a higher quality program for its ever-increasing boy membership.

The anniversary is to be observed by 89,000 Units in all parts of the nation, its possessions and also in other parts of the world where American families reside.

A principal activity of Boy Scout Week will be paying tribute to the volunteer adult leaders of the 89,000 Units for the contribution they are making to the boyhood of the nation.

"The Boy Scouts of America is one of the largest volunteer adult education or training groups of the nation," said Dr.

Arthur A. Schuck, the Chief Scout Executive. "Almost 200,000 of our leaders took training courses in Scouting and leadership techniques last year."

When the Boy Scouts of America was incorporated in Washington, D. C., on Feb. 8, 1910, it was founded as the voluntary movement it still remains. Dr. Schuck said there are now 860,000 Scouters "who take time from their own careers to give service in Scouting in order to help their communities do a better job of building citizens."

"Scouting belong to the American people who have made it possible," he continued. "This is thoroughly in accord with our democratic ideals and the American way of life. As a voluntary movement its doors are open to every boy of every race and religious belief who wants to come in. It is dependent upon men who care enough about boyhood and American institutions to volunteer their time in Scouting."

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Now children, next week is St. Valentine's Day and let's make a firm resolve not to send those little one sheet foldies that tell our friends that they are morons, nincompoops, and idiots. Let's send those nice fluffy kind with hearts and flowers just dripping from the corners. Maybe, just maybe, this year we'll get one that we can show folks when they come around, and if we do we'll sure be telling you about it next Friday.

Mrs. John Towler Hostess For Shower

Mrs. Preston McIntosh was honored with a shower Friday evening Jan. 29 in the home of Mrs. John Towler. Each guest told of a childhood incident in her life that made a lasting impression and the guest of honor unwrapped and displayed the beautiful gifts for a new baby.

Refreshments of sandwiches, Valentine hearts and punch was served to 23 guests and the hostesses.

Out of town guests were Mrs. A. L. McIntosh and Mrs. Esker Crawford of Denton Valley. The hostesses were Meses. Spencer Price, Owen Thompson, Hubert Ross, D. J. Anderson, Lynn Ault, and John Towler.

Mr. and Mrs. Red Ussery of Cross Plains visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Whitehorn, last Sunday.

Mrs. Arthur Purvis and Mrs. Johnnie Kemp, of Ft. Worth, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Smith this week.

Dr. M. L. Stubblefield spent last Sunday in Spur visiting his mother and other relatives.

Mmes. B. H. Graham and R. J. Glass of Dallas, R. D. Radliff and J. L. Bullard both of Kerrville attended the funeral of H. O. Powell here on Wednesday.

Weldon Bryant is in Dallas this week on business.

J. C. Stephens had surgery in the Marshall Hospital on Tuesday of this week. Last reports from there say he is doing nicely.

Mrs. R. A. Webster attended the birthday dinner, Sunday, Jan. 31, in Clyde, of her father, D. P. Hollis, who was 87 years old on Feb. 2.

The Baird Star

Our Motto, "Tis Neither Birth, Nor Wealth, Nor State, But the Git-up-and-Git That Makes Men Great." Callahan County Clarendon Established November 15, 1879 The Baird Weekly Star Established December 8, 1887 VOLUME 69—NO. 6 BAIRD, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1954 BOOST BAIRD IN 1954

1954 Heart Fund Drive Gets Underway

Research into the causes of heart disease - which affect one out of every 16 Americans - will be given top priority in the program supported by the 1954 Heart Fund, which now is in progress throughout Texas and the nation, according to Dr. W. R. White, Baylor University president and chairman of the 1954 Texas Heart Campaign.

Dr. White pointed out that heart diseases annually cause more than 750,000 deaths - more than all other diseases combined - and said that contribution to the 1954 Heart Fund will be used in research programs that seek to find the causes of hardening of the arteries, high blood pressure and rheumatic fever. These three conditions account for more than 90 per cent of all diseases of the heart and blood vessels, Dr. White emphasized.

Governor Allan Shivers, who, with Attorney General John Ben Sheppard, is serving as co-chairman of the 1954 Heart Fund drive, has declared February "Heart Month in Texas" and has called upon all Texans to support the month-long fund-raising campaign.

Hundreds of volunteer workers in 26 Texas Heart Association districts and numerous county Heart Chapters are devoting their time and efforts in February to the Heart Fund. Dr. White reported. Slogan for the 1954 Heart Fund is "Help Your Heart Fund - Help Your Heart." The state Heart Fund chairman urged that "contributions be made to your local Heart Association, or sent to HEART, care of your Postmaster."

Sheriff's Posse Sends Band To Ft. Worth

Callahan County Sheriff's Posse has chartered a bus to Ft. Worth Saturday, Feb. 6. Thirty-six band members are scheduled to travel on the bus, which is to leave Baird at 5:00 a.m. Saturday.

Anyone wishing to ride the bus with the band, can contact Jerry Loper at City Pharmacy or Mrs. Jackie Pruet at the school. Round trip fare will be \$4.00.

Baird Downs Moran 59-36 And 26-23

The Baird Bears defeated the Moran Bulldogs Monday night by a score of 59-36 with the Baird girls winning their game 26-23.

The high scorer for the Bears was John Bullock with 13 and second was Lonnie Lawrence with 12. For the Bulldogs the high scorers were Danny Connally with 12 and Eugene Mitchell with 10.

For the Baird girls the high scorers were De Laverne Simmons with 11 and Patsy Betcher with 9. For Moran they were Betty Williams with 13 and Edna McCoy with 7.

Bears Play Host To Denton Valley Here

The local gymnasium will be the scene of the contest between the Baird Bears and Denton Valley tonight. The girls game gets underway at 7:00 p.m.

Everyone is invited to attend and boost the local teams.

Unusual Occupations Featured By Humble

Unusual occupations will be featured next week on Humble Oil & Refining Company's TV program, Texas in Review.

Featured will be a man who makes violins out of broom straw, an old-fashioned cigar maker, a pottery maker and a player piano tuner.

Important events and persons in Texas news this week will also be in the program.

On Monday, Texas in Review can be seen over KPRC-TV, Houston, 8 p.m.; KRBD-TV, Dallas, 7:30 p.m.; WBAP-TV, Ft. Worth, 7:30 p.m.; KWFT-TV, Wichita Falls, 7:30 p.m.; KGNV-TV, Amarillo, at 8:30 p.m.; and KCMC-TV, Texarkana, at 7:30 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Felix Mitchell were business visitors in Abilene on Monday. While there they visited in the Jack Tatum home also.

Rebekahs Back War Memorial

At a meeting of the Rebekah Lodge Monday night, members voted to sponsor the drive for funds to erect a memorial to Callahan County's war dead. This memorial is to be dedicated to Callahan County men who paid the supreme sacrifice in World War I, World War II and the Korean conflict, with their names inscribed in the memorial. It is to be erected on the Courthouse lawn in Baird.

All who wish to contribute to the memorial, please mail your contribution to Mrs. Katherine Hinds, Baird. All contributions are to be deposited in The First National Bank of Baird with the names of donors. If the amount raised is not sufficient, all donations will be returned.

Mrs. Hinds asked that the names of men killed in either of the wars be sent in to her. So if you know of a Callahan County man killed in World War I, World War II or in the Korean War, please send in his name to Mrs. Hinds.

Premier Hosts Area Jobbers At Cisco

Premier jobbers of this area were guests at a dinner given by Premier Oil Refining Co. of Texas, in the dining room of the Victor Hotel, Cisco, last Thursday night.

After the dinner, J. E. Bullock, superintendent of Baird Refinery, introduced representatives of the Ethyl Corporation, who explained the advantage of Ignition Control Compound, an additive to be used in Premier Ethyl gasoline. This new gasoline is to be available on Feb. 8. The Ethyl engineers told of the cooperation with the refinery to be used in the new high compression engines in the cars of today.

Premier president, R. P. Hargis, was introduced by Mr. Bullock. Mr. Hargis made a short talk to the jobbers. Mr. Arch Ault, Sales Manager of Premier, and Roy Brown, Sales Department, showed slides of construction in the 2 1/2 million dollar project at the Ft. Worth Refinery.

Approximately 50 people attended the meeting, including area jobbers, their wives and guests.

Former Clyde Man Dies At Ft. Worth

W. B. Baulch, 64, of 1512 Hurley, Ft. Worth, passed away Friday, Jan. 29, 1954 in St. Joseph's Hospital, at 3:30 p.m.

Mr. Baulch was a former resident of the Clyde community, having moved to Ft. Worth about twenty years ago. He was an oil contractor for the Marathon Lubricant Co., of Ft. Worth, for a number of years.

Short services were held at 10 a.m. Monday, at Gause-Ware Memorial Chapel. From there the body was taken to Brownwood. Services were in Morris Davis Chapel, Monday, Feb. 1, 1954 at 2 o'clock.

Rev. V. C. Barcus, pastor of the Methodist Church, Brownwood, conducted the services. Burial was in Rocky Creek Cemetery.

Survivors include his wife; five brothers, D. M. of Big Spring, J. W. and Seburne of Clyde, Tee and Willis of Baird; four sisters, Mrs. Sally Trotter of Amarillo, Mrs. T. E. Wright and Mrs. Cora Gunn Abilene and Mrs. O. F. Bagwell of Okla. City, Okla., all of which were present for the funeral services.

Mrs. H. S. Coker of Sweetwater is spending two weeks visiting her sister, Mrs. Owen Thompson and Mr. Thompson. Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Jaynes and son Tolbert of Sweetwater visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Thompson.

Tolbert Jaynes of Sweetwater visited Tammie Sue Hopkins Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Snyder, Jr., Elizabeth Ann and Barbara, attended the Fat Stock Show in Ft. Worth from Monday thru Wednesday of this week.

Miss Jane Weathers spent last Sunday in the home of D. P. Hollis in Clyde.

Anniversary Show A Southwest Premier



Frank Gardiner

Frank Gardiner, owner of the Plaza Theatre, and Mrs. Gardiner, will celebrate their Fourth Anniversary in Baird, by bringing a Southwest Premier "first" showing of "The Boy From Oklahoma", at regular prices, on February 7-9. Mr. and Mrs. Gardiner moved here on Feb. 8, 1950 from Weatherford, Okla. They purchased the Plaza Theatre from Bob Vaughn.

Gardiner, who incidentally was a native of Oklahoma, chided that the title of the anniversary picture has nothing to do with his present sentiments, as he stated he is now a confirmed Texan. Not only a confirmed Texan but a confirmed Bairdite. He states that he and Mrs. Gardiner, better known as Maudine, saw great possibilities for the future of Baird before locating here, and are still of the same opinion. Despite a few unfounded rumors, Gardiner said, they have no intention of leaving Baird.

The Plaza Theatre, since Mr. Gardiner's ownership, has been constantly improved and entertainment offerings obtained have been comparable both in quality and newness with surrounding towns, regardless of size. New improvements and techniques have been acquired and presented along with their developments. 3-D equipment was installed soon after it's innovation, but due to producers' hastiness in pictures and their quality, this medium has been at a standstill awaiting the arrival of top-quality productions.

The evolution has brought on still another medium called "Wide Screen" and "Cinemascope", and in keeping with the times and new improvements, Gardiner stated that negotiations are under way for the new equipment and materials to install this new system in the near future. This system will exhibit in larger screen, depth dimensions without the use of special glasses, and will include such productions as "The Robe," "The Command," "Knights of The Round Table," and so forth.

Since coming to Baird, Mr. Gardiner has been very active in all civic and community affairs. He opened the Round-Up Drive In Theatre in 1950, took part in the Lions Club Style Show, March of Dimes, Gonzales Foundation, etc. He is a member of the Methodist Church, Lions Club, Cub Scout Committee, Girl Scout local Finance Chairman, Member Executive Board Heart of Texas Girl Scout Council, Inc., Member of Girl Scout Permanent Camp Committee for Heart of Texas Area.

Baird and surrounding communities can well be proud that we have a family like the Gardiners and their three children in our midst. They are well liked by everyone and are a great asset to us, besides securing for us the best entertainment features that are available for our enjoyment.

Mrs. Ashby White accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Austin Bouchette of Clyde left Tuesday for San Diego, Calif., to visit Mrs. White's son, Dr. T. A. White, who is stationed on a ship there in the U. S. Navy. They plan to be gone for about a week or ten days and will also visit on aunt, Mrs. Effie Harris in Los Angeles, Calif.

Mrs. Lena Sammann arrived here Saturday from Chicago where she has been visiting her son and family since in Dec. She is visiting Mrs. W. H. Bryant.

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Pierce of Cross Plains were visitors here last week.

John Elliott, 91, Dies In Albany

John Hinton Elliott, 91, prominent Moran rancher and a resident of Moran since 1877, died at 5:45 p.m. Saturday at Shackelford County Memorial Hospital in Albany. He had been confined to the hospital since Jan. 1.

Mr. Elliott was born June 23, 1862, in Tarrant County. He has a twin brother, R. A. (Bob) Elliott, who also lives in Moran. His father was a Civil War veteran. Mr. Elliott moved as a child with his parents to a point near Simpson Hole, on Deep Creek, north of Moran in 1877. He was a member of the First Christian Church in Moran.

Funeral was held at 3 p.m. Monday at the First Christian Church of Moran with Rev. J. B. Fowler, pastor, officiating. Assisting was Rev. Arthur Murrell, Moran Baptist minister. Burial was in Moran Cemetery under the direction of Wylie Funeral Home of Moran.

Survivors besides his twin brother include his wife; one son, R. B. Elliott of Albany; three other brothers, Joe Elliott of Lingleville, Aaron Elliott of Rowden, and Frank Elliott of New Mexico; seven sisters, Mrs. W. McLaury, Mrs. Mary Anderson, and Mrs. Bessie Hammond, all of Moran, Mrs. Lillie Grinstead of Granger, Mrs. Mattie Godwin of Brownfield; and Mrs. Nora McMath and Miss Rennie Elliott, both of New Mexico; and one grandson.

Bud Davis Is CPA

The Oklahoma State Board of Accountancy recently announced that among the applicants who passed the November Certified Public Accountants examination was Alvin Arthur (Bud) Davis, of Tulsa, Oklahoma. He has reached the highest mark in the accounting profession.

Bud graduated from Baird High School in 1942 and then entered Hardin-Simmons University. While there he took time out to serve in World War II. Spending many months in New Guinea and Korea. Upon his return to civilian life, he re-entered Hardin-Simmons University and received his Bachelor of Science degree in 1948.

He is the son of Rev. and Mrs. A. A. Davis of Nowata, Oklahoma. Bro. Davis was pastor of the First Baptist Church here for 13 years.

Mrs. "Bud" Davis was formerly Anne Hill, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Hill of Baird.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Davis returned to Baird Tuesday after a week's visit with their son and his wife 2nd Lt. G. E. Davis and Mrs. Davis in Rantoul, Ill. While there they visited many places of interest and also spent some time in Chicago.

Ex-Baird Druggist, H. O. Powell, Dies

H. O. Powell, about 87, former Baird druggist, died Tuesday morning in Kerrville at the home of a daughter, Mrs. J. L. Bullard.

Mr. Powell was born in Louisville, Ky. He had lived in Baird many years. He was a partner in Powell & Powell Drug Store at Baird with his brother, the late Dr. R. G. Powell. He lived in Dallas for a time after moving from Baird. He had lived in Kerrville for about 10 years.

Graveside services were held at 4 p.m. Wednesday at Ross Cemetery in Baird. Rev. W. E. Hamilton, Methodist minister from Quanah, officiated. Wylie Funeral Home of Baird was in charge.

Other survivors are five nieces Mrs. Louie McRee of Trent, Mrs. James Ware of Ballinger, and Jean Powell, Jessie Powell and Mrs. J. A. Dubberley, all of Abilene; and a sister-in-law, Mrs. H. F. Powell of Abilene.

Baptist Revival To Close Sunday

The revival meeting at the Baptist Church has been very well received, with good crowds each night. Bro. Riley Fugitt is conducting the meeting, with Don Love leading the singing.

The revival will close Sunday night, Feb. 7. Everyone is invited to attend the services, with a prayer service beginning at 7:00 p.m. and preaching at 7:30.

Church Of Christ News

Several of the young boys from the Clyde Church of Christ conducted the Wednesday night services at the Church here in Baird on Jan. 27. They were accompanied by Marion Hayes, their teacher, and several other adults.

After prayer meeting the teenagers from the Clyde group and those from Baird gathered in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Towler for a "get acquainted" party. After several lively games, cold drinks and cookies were served to the following: Glynda Gilbreath, Nancy Bryant, Patsy Williams, Tommy Sue Hopkins, Virginia Poindexter, Gayle Walls, Helen Faye Hays, Mary Ann Hays, Karen Towler, Billy Ruth Walls, Jerry Jones, Gene Foster, Wayne Berryman, Howard Dickson, Tony Price, Word Estes, Donald Rutledge, Teddy Ray Poindexter, Jack Goble, Norman Bales, Curtis Alphin, Tommy Goble, Keelon Hays, Ray, Charles and Lonnie Lawrence, David and Warren Lee King, Larry and Alan Towler, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Hays, Mr. and Mrs. Merle King and Mr. and Mrs. John Towler.

Mrs. R. V. Hart and Mrs. Ed Merrill of Big Spring visited Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Ray and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hart on Tuesday.

DIG DEEP FOR THE HEARTS OF TEXAS

GIVE TO YOUR HEART FUND!

EDITORIAL

TEXAS SCHOOLS GET \$32,000,000

The other day the state of Texas' public school fund was fattened to the tune of more than \$32,000,000. And how that happened is a matter of national interest.

Texas offered oil drilling rights on 415,000 acres of its widely advertised tidelands. Anyone who wanted to could bid, and the leases, naturally, went to the highest bidders. Some 1,130 bids were turned in, with every major petroleum company represented. The successful bids totaled \$32,376,060. The money goes to the permanent school fund. And the lessee will pay an annual rent in addition for use of the land.

Some highly important facts are proved by this. One is that the oil industry is an intensely competitive enterprise—the 1,130 bids certainly show that. Another is that the claim that giving title rights to the tidelands to the states, instead of the federal government, would result in a huge land grab by the oil industry, was totally unjustified. This was strictly an issue of states' rights versus federal rights to title to the land. The oil companies concerned will pay heavily for the right to develop the tidelands, and the states will be the beneficiaries. Still another is that the risk element is dominant in oil. All the companies can buy is the privilege of looking for oil. There is no guarantee that they'll find it, or that they'll be able to produce and market it profitably. And they'll have to spend many more millions on manpower and equipment before they get oil.

Development of the tidelands will further increase our known reserves of a vital national resource. The oil that comes from those lands will be sold competitively—which means at a fair price to the buyer—and the state will profit on every barrel.

MEDICINE LOOKS AHEAD

One welcome section of the President's State of the Union message was his reiteration of his determined opposition to socialized medicine. Mr. Eisenhower said, in effect, that he believes our medical problems should and can be solved within the framework of our free system.

The progress that has been made in solving many of the problems involved in a comparatively brief period of time has been tremendous. No major nation can boast of health standards or of medical service equal to ours. And the most intensive kind of work is being done to solve and alleviate the problems that remain.

The attitude of the medical fraternity as a whole was indicated in a recent statement by the head of the American Medical Association. He predicted that 1954 will be a year of great achievement in the medical field. He then urged the nation's doctors to continue to bring the best service possible to all of our people; to make available full service to all rural areas; to solve the problem of indigent medical care and chronic illness through their own efforts; to engage in all civic activities and other non-medical enterprises that are of benefit to their communities, and to faithfully abide by medicine's traditional high ethics.

No one who knows anything of American medicine's past history can doubt that the overwhelming majority of doctors and scientists will live up to these purposes and ideals. The work that medicine has been and is doing is the best answer to the false claims of the socialist-minded.

YEAR OF THE CONSUMER

"This will be the year of the consumer. This will be the year you — as the buyer of everything from autos to houses, from food to furniture — will come into your own. You will be supreme in the market place."

That happy prediction was made by Sylvia Porter, a well known business analyst whose syndicated column runs in many daily papers. She also wrote, "Taxes, prices, supplies, quality, reasearch, competition, advertising, salesmanship — all are moving in your favor."

If all that comes to pass — and most observers in and out of business are in general agreement — it will be for but one reason: the working of the supply and demand principle in a free, competitive business world. Due to the unparalleled efficiency of mass production and its equally important ally, mass distribution, practically all shortages have been overcome. Almost everything is available in abundance — as a glance at the advertisements and shelves of stores in every retail field will demonstrate to you. And when that is the case, the consumer is king.

This is true of the free enterprise system only. Every time we make a purchase, we should give that system the tribute that is its due.



Washington



In November of last year the Supreme Court hit the oil and gas industry, and the prosperity of all Texas, a mortal blow. It upheld the ruling of the Circuit Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia in the so-called Phillips Oil Company Case. The effect was to hold that, under the Natural Gas Act, the Federal Power Commission had the power and the correlative duty to fix the price of natural gas in the field — that is to say, to make the gas business a public utility.

Seemingly, there has been little comment on this matter in the Texas press, and virtually none in the press elsewhere. It could lead one to believe that the press takes the attitude that the matter as an accomplished fact, since the Supreme Court speaks, and since the Congress attempted to clear the question by the so-called Kerr Act, which was vetoed by the then President Truman. To my way of thinking, nothing is settled which is not settled right.

The business of producing oil and gas is extremely hazardous. The chance-taking requires labor, brains, and capital. It is no more like a public utility than is mining for coal or other minerals, or the gambling on crop futures of cotton and wheat. The cold hand of bureaucracy, indicated by the decision in the Phillips Case, could soon wither the oil and gas business. With the stagnation of the industry would come scarcer supplies of these vital commodities, and, consequently, higher prices to the consuming public. In some quarters the public is now lead to believe that the decision is for their benefit and protection.

On Monday, Jan. 18, the Supreme Court granted a motion for rehearing in the Phillips Case. There is considerable conjecture as to why the Court took such action. Some believe the Court wants to render a written decision, since it did not do so in the first action, better to nail down the coffin lid on the oil and gas industry. Others seem to have the opinion the Court wishes to have this case before them while considering the Texas Case, presently before the Court, concerning the tax on gas gathering.

Regardless of speculation, we can only hope the Court can see its way clear to reverse the opinion in the Phillips Case.

The threat to the entire oil industry in Texas is no less than that to the natural gas producing business. By their very nature, the oil and gas business can not be dealt with independently. They are inseparable and are both involved in our State Conservation Program and in every other respect.

Those who understand the nature of the risks involved in the oil and gas business oppose making it a public utility, but the woods are full of public officials here in Washington who would like to see it accomplished, and see in the Phillips decision a green light.

A story appeared in the press a few days ago to the effect that, if the Supreme Court, when it acts, holds that the Federal Power Commission has the duty to fix the field price on gas to the producer, the Federal Power Commission will recommend to the Congress legislation amend-

ing the Natural Gas Act, to relieve it of that duty, and leave that subject to the regulation of the time-honored law of supply and demand. This American principle has worked well to provide ample supplies of oil and gas at reasonable prices — all in competition with other sources of fuel.

Should the Supreme Court not reverse itself, and the Federal Power Commission recommends needed legislation to correct the situation, we Texans in Congress will be faced with the task of selling private enterprise, as against Washington control of oil and gas as a utility. Looking backward to the Kerr Bill and the Tidelands, it will be a hard fight. The sales job will be hard since sales resistance, due to political implications, will be strong.

If we take out of the tax picture of recent years the prosperity engendered by the brains, work, and chance-taking of the oil and gas people, it would be indeed calamitous. Taxes from oil and gas for our State and local government, rentals and royalties to the oil and gas industry, and ranchers, the help to our schools and payrolls for our people, the growing chemical industry are all highly important to Texas and Texans. All these are dependent upon a continuous

Midway Musings

Mrs. Joel Griffin Miscellaneous Melange and Minor Mention of Men and Women (Held Over From Last Week)

C. J. Wilson of Dallas was a recent visitor in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albro Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Barbian and children spent Sunday evening with the Dick Griffins.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy F. Griffin and children visited with the Joel Griffins Saturday.

Little Joe Canada was quite ill last weekend but is greatly improved at this time.

The Merry Quilters met Monday and made a quilt for Mrs. Morton.

Mrs. Cook has returned from an extended visit with Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Cook at Friona. Corky Cook the youngest son of Mrs. Cook is visiting his mother and other relatives in Baird and Abilene and also visiting Mrs. Cooks family in Abilene. Corky has been in the Navy for several years and is being sent to a station near New York for shore duty. He will be here about two weeks.

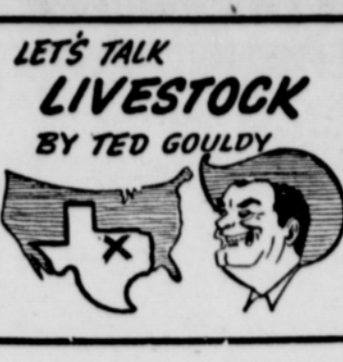
Mr. and Mrs. Griffin spent Sunday visiting his sisters in Abilene. They visited Mr. and Mrs. Lee Anderson and Mrs. J. H. Beeman who is in the hospital. Mrs. Beeman will have major surgery Wednesday or Thursday.

Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Morton were Mr. and Mrs. Claud Orsborn of Abilene and some friends from Phoenix, Ariz.

Mrs. Grady Whitehorn is working at Will D. Boydston Dry Goods Store.

tion of the principle of free enterprise for the oil and gas industry. The time is never too early to start a selling job on the American way of doing things — which, in this instance, is to leave the industry free of government interference. This system has produced abundance at reasonable prices, including oil and gas.

My own efforts shall be dedicated to contacts with my colleagues in Congress to the end that, if legislation must be enacted, and I fear it must, they will see the problem in its true light. The oil and gas industry must be left free of such government regulation, as is involved in the Phillips Case. It is the best interest of our Country's economy, which means the best interest of all people everywhere.



Wooled slaughter lambs advanced sharply at Ft. Worth Monday and prices were 50 cents to \$1 above last week's close. Shorn fat lambs were strong to 50 cents higher, and slaughter ewes sold strong to 75 cents higher. Some 100-pound woolled lambs topped at \$21.50, a new high for the current movement. Fresh shorn ewes at \$9.75 were fully 75 cents above last week's close. Feeder lambs and yearlings were fully steady to strong.

In the cattle division all classes sold steady on the early rounds and in the cleanup sales in the later part of the day some spots were easier on fat cows and on the shortfed beef steers and yearlings.

Calves drew firm prices, some sales of the more desirable kinds stronger. There was some slowness on the medium inbetween fleshed calves of heavier weights that weighed in the light yearling bracket.

Stocker demand was fully adequate to provide strong prices for the class, quality considered. High quality load lots of stockers and feeders were quotable \$1 or more above most sales recorded Monday.

Shippers took about 25 percent of the run of hogs at prices steady to 50 cents lower than Thursday's best prices, or at \$26.75 to \$27.25 and later sales of hogs of choice grades were made at \$26 to \$26.75, or 50 cents to 75 cents lower. Sows ruled fully steady.

Good and choice fed steers and yearlings cashed at \$18 to \$23, and common to medium offerings cashed at \$12 to \$17. There were several loads of well finished cattle in the \$20 to \$22 bracket.

Fat cows cleared at \$11 to \$13.50, and canners and cutters sold from \$7 to \$11. Bulls sold from \$10 to \$14.

Good and choice slaughter calves cleared at \$16 to \$19, with a few fancy heavies to \$20. Common and medium offerings cashed at \$12 to \$15, and culls sold from \$10 to \$12.

Medium and good stocker calves sold from \$15 to \$19, with choice loads quotable higher. Medium and good stocker steers and yearlings cashed at \$14 to \$19.50, with choice loads quotable

higher. Stocker cows drew \$10 to \$13.50.

Good and choice woolled fat lambs sold from \$19 to \$21.50, and shorn fat lambs of good and choice grades sold from \$17 to \$18.75, the higher figure on fresh shorn kinds. Cull, common and medium lambs cashed at \$12 to \$16.50. Stocker and feeder lambs sold from \$13 to \$19, shorn feeders largely from \$17.50 down. Shorn feeder yearlings cashed at \$12 to \$14, and slaughter yearlings sold from \$10 to \$15.

Slaughter ewes sold from \$7 to \$9, some fresh shorn ewes at \$9 representing a new high for that class in the current movement. Old bucks drew \$4 to \$5.50. Old wethers cashed at \$9 to \$11.

Good and choice butcher hogs scaling 190 to 250 pounds ranged from \$26 to \$27.25, late sales \$26.25 down. Lighter and heavier hogs sold from \$24 to \$26. Sows drew \$22 to \$24.

Mrs. J. R. Latimer of Ft. Worth is visiting her mother, Mrs. H. F. Foy and other relatives here this week.

Mrs. Maude Cunningham of Ozona spent last Friday and Saturday with her mother, Mrs. Joe McGowen.

Mr. and Mrs. James Snyder and son, Byron, attended the Fat Stock Show in Ft. Worth on Monday.

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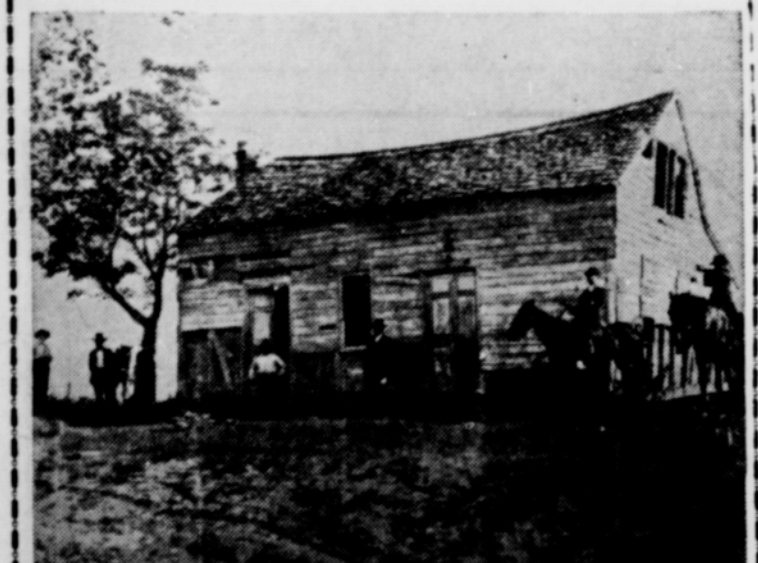
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Rain Fall

The official rainfall for 1953 at Putnam was 28.12 inches. The first part of the year was below normal. The rainfall was: Jan., .05 inches; Feb., .69; March, 1.20; April, 2.96; May, 3.88; June 2.45; July, 2.00; August, 6.73; Sept., 1.20; Oct., 5.83; Nov., .74; and Dec., .39. The rainfall for Jan. this year is .98 inches.

Fredalyn Receives Job In San Antonio

Mrs. Fredalyn Everett moved to San Antonio, Saturday, Jan. 23. She taught school in Abilene, Friday the 22, was interviewed for a teaching job the following Monday and began teaching on Tuesday. She is a fourth grade teacher and being a pianist, states she is thrilled at having a piano in her room at the school. Their home is located at 242 Funston Place.

Women's Study Club

The Women's Study Club met February 1 in the home of Mrs. Franklin Shackelford, with sixteen members answering roll call. There was one visitor present.

A most interesting color film was presented on home beautification, featuring the celanese and acetate materials in home decorating. The film was brought by Mrs. R. D. Williams and Mrs. R. B. Taylor.

After a short business meeting the club adjourned by repeating the Club Collect. A delicious refreshment was served by the hostess who was assisted by Mrs. Homer Pruet.

Bargain!

Say, do you ever turn down a bargain? Well, most of the time I don't and wherever I find a bargain I enjoy telling others about it.

Last week I was in The Baird Star office and chanced to buy some theme paper. THE BEST IS YET TO COME . . . upon opening the package, I found they were the "Old Time" packages. You get "much more" for the same money. I did not inquire as to the number of these packages in stock, but well you know, less paper is now put in each package.

If your children are in school, you especially should take advantage of this opportunity. In fact, I thought it such a bargain that I am going to get several more packages.

Too, I would like to pass on another idea. We bought some "Scrap Books" at The Baird Star office. Boys and girls and grown-ups too, for that matter, enjoy keeping news clippings of interest that concerns his friends or family.

Mrs. Mark Burnam is keeping news of interest to her and the family in a scrap book.

Since Ervon Brown has been away from home, his mother, Mrs. Hershel Wagley, has been making a scrap book for him. She places news items of the family and his friends in the book. This book will be a great treasure for him when he returns from the Navy.

School children will especially find a scrap book handy. What better way can one stay young in his or her heart but to read again the happenings when he or she was growing up? I understand several of the school children are fixing books. They are having some of the pages autographed by their friends and teachers.

The Lone Star Club

The Lone Star Study Club of Putnam met Monday night, Feb. 1, in the home of Mrs. Grady Pruet.

The meeting came to order and Mrs. John Cook gave the opening prayer. The program topic for the evening was "Youth Speak Out." Mrs. Dale Wirt was program leader, and we were honored to have the youth of our community on program. Delores Sargent, Madge Reed and

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Betty Jo Rutherford spoke on "Improving Our Home, Social and School Relationship." Mary Helen Isenhower, Vernetta Davis and Nancy Hutchison spoke on "International Friendship League."

The Club's project for the year was to donate three library books to the Elementary Grade and those books were presented at the meeting. They were "We All Go Away" to first and second grades, "Flat Tail" to fifth and sixth grades and "Animals Through the Year" to third and fourth grades.

Those present were: Mmes. Floyd Bell, Charles Davis, E. V. Ramsey, W. P. Reed, M. H. Sargent, Bill West, Dale Wirt, Burette Ramsey, Henry Boatman, John D. Isenhower, S. S. Pruet and Miss La Verne Rutherford. Visitors were Mrs. John Cook, Misses Charlene Davis, Nancy Hutchinson, Betty Rutherford, Vernetta Davis, Mary Helen Isenhower, Madge Reed, Delores Sargent.

CHURCH NEWS

R.A.'s will meet at the Baptist Church Feb. 8 at 4:00 p.m. This is a regular meeting but an important one to all the boys.

Sunbeams will meet Feb. 11, 2:30 p.m. The theme of their program will be "Visiting Grandmother."

Our other church activities are available to all members and visitors in which all of you are welcome.

You are invited to worship at the Church of Christ every Lord's Day and Wednesday evening.

SCHOOL NEWS

GRADE SCHOOL
The boys played in a basketball tournament at Moran and won consolation. The boys played Scranton Thursday night and lost 26-18. They played Leuders Saturday morning and won 54-29. Then they played Cisco and won 37-33. They play in Cisco tournament Feb. 11, 12 and 13.

FIFTH AND SIXTH GRADES

Today was ground hog day and Mr. Ground Hog saw his shadow. Of course we do not believe this could possibly have any effect on the weather these next few weeks . . . but don't you kids come to school without your coats.

We have received the official spelling list for the Interscholastic Spelling Meet and are just beginning to study it.

We are working on two plays, one for Abraham Lincoln's birthday and the other one is a Valentine play. We hope our parents will visit us to see these plays. James went to Moran Saturday to the basketball game. He said he was lucky enough to get to play. He got the ball twice, shot once but missed it.

Roy Petty went to Abilene, Saturday, to see the boxing matches.

Billy Don Bell went to see his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Bell, at Cross Plains, Saturday.

Edna Lynn went with her parents to Buffalo Gap, Saturday to visit with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Tally.

THIRD AND FOURTH GRADES

We are studying about birds

that make their winter homes in our community. We are drawing a picture of each bird and will make them into a booklet with a story about each bird.

Clifford spent Friday night with Johnnie Lee. They went coon hunting. Sunday Jim Bob Moore, a former classmate, visited Clifford.

Joeroy's Aunt and Uncle Hamp and Joy and two children visited him Sunday. They live in Jal, N. M.

Johnnie Lee spent Saturday night with Clifford. They hunted sparrows with their BB guns. William worked during the weekend.

Carolyn's cousins, Barbara and Bobby of Jacksboro visited her Sunday afternoon.

Larry Joe went to the show in Baird Saturday.

Gayle visited with Linda, Monday evening.

Billy Fern went to the show in Cisco Saturday.

Ricky's Grandmother Isenhower from Cisco spent Sunday night with him.

Linda spent a quiet weekend at home watching her favorite TV programs.

As usual Marvin Wayne went to the show in Cisco Saturday afternoon.

Joan spent a quiet weekend at home.

Gayle spent Friday night with Alice Everette in Cisco. Alice spent Saturday night and Sunday with Gayle.

Union Usuals and Unusuals

Veda Yarbrough


Hi everybody! Isn't this a beautiful Sunday? Yesterday was such awful weather. Couldn't see anywhere for the fog and today is a real summer day.

We went to church today and had dinner with Mrs. Mary Ramsey and Miss Eula. Really did enjoy visiting with them. We had a lovely dinner. Miss Eula is a real good cook too. Before we had finished with dinner, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Everett came in to visit awhile. Then after awhile Walter and Reba came. Then in a few minutes Jack and Mary Everett and their little daughter, Dian came. Then later on Mrs. Fay Wood and her daughter, Mrs. Tommie Wyatt and Bob, Mrs. Wanda Suggs and children came and Mrs. Lula Isenhower came in so . . . just this reunion. We had a good time looking through the family album. We enjoyed seeing the pictures. Hope it wasn't too tiring on Mrs. Mary.

Dovie Pruet tells me she has the nicest and sweetest neighbors of anybody. Dovie said one day last week she was busy as a bee at her ironing and she heard a car drive up. Looking out the window she saw Mr. and Mrs. George Brown getting out of the car. She goes to invite them in and they began to get pots and bowls of stuff out of the car. She wondered why all this. So Mrs. Brown said Dovie I had cooked a good dinner and said to George I wish someone would come and eat dinner with us. As no one was there to help them eat all the good things she had prepared.

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she said lets take the dinner down to Homer and Dovie's and we will have someone to eat with us. I think that about the nicest thing I have heard of in a long time and the most neighborly deed anyone could do. Maybe we all should do things like that and we all would be much happier. The dinner consisted of roast beef, beans, potatoes, salad, dessert and everything that goes with a good dinner and of course Dovie made a big pot of coffee. Congratulations to you, Mr. and Mrs. George Brown on being the good neighbor of the month.

Last evening Jim and I went down to see how Mrs. Enoch McCollum was getting along. She came out of the hospital last Monday. She still has to stay in bed but is feeling a lot better she says. When we got to the McCollums we found the Punk Thorntons of Cisco there and they had brought their supper out to eat with the McCollums. They too had a nice supper. Of course they asked us to eat but we had eaten already so we didn't eat anymore but all the victuals looked so good. Was hard to say no and besides I am getting to fat for my clothes. If you can imagine that of me and Jim has been too fat a long time.

Jim is sowing oats today. He is getting ready to set the fence back for the new highway which definitely is going through now. Mrs. Pearl Peterson left Saturday to visit her daughter in San Angelo for a few days. We really miss her dashing in and out every day or so. Also Miss Dickie too. He and Donald Bowne returned to A&M College last Friday.

We are glad to say Mrs. Bertie Bowne is at home now and is doing reasonably well.

The E. W. McCollums got one of the cute little dogs from the Mobbles and they are crazy about it. Mrs. Mc named it Frisky. She says it is the most playful dog she ever saw but still kinda shy of them. I believe it recognized me last night when I went out to see it. Don't tell me dogs don't have sense. Any way she will get the best of care in the new home she has.

We were very sorry to read in the paper of the death of Mr. John Elliott of Moran. He is an uncle of Mrs. Leonard Alvey. A very dear friend of ours. We saw Clyde Coats the other day. He is still having trouble with his knee where he struck a thorn several days past. Says

he may have to walk with a walking cane. No fun with a bum knee. Clyde, we hope you soon get ok.

Johnny May Ramsey was hostess to a Stanley Party in her home last Tuesday afternoon. Wasn't very many there but we had a good time anyway. Mrs. Edna Buchanan was the Stanley representative. How well we remember Mrs. Buchanan's first Stanley Party. By the way it was at Johnny May's house also. Mrs. Buchanan has come a long way since then. We enjoyed the first one and the last one too.

Mrs. Henry Bailey is still in Alabama visiting with the new grand baby. Mr. Bailey says he and Margie are getting kinda tired batching. Now Grandpa, no use fretting, you and Auntie will probably have to do a lot of batching. It want hurt you or at least I don't think it hurt Jim to batch when I used to go see the Grandson so much.

Don't know any news so guess better hush for now but remember I'll be seein' you next week.

Putnam Personals . . .

Flowers for all occasions. Call Mrs. I. G. Mobley, 35, Putnam, Texas. Representative Philpotts Florist, Cisco, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown are visiting Bentley's. Mrs. Brown is Armo Bister.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ebert and Mrs. Andrew Jackson of Baird spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Eubank Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Pruet of Ranger spent the afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Eubank.

Mrs. S. M. Eubank visited with Mrs. Bertie Bowne Monday.

Mrs. E. G. Perkins and Blaine were in Abilene taking care of her dad's business while he and Mrs. Zuber were away on a trip last week. Mrs. Perkins and Blaine came home Sunday night.

Mr. E. G. Perkins attended a Teacher's Meeting in Abilene Tuesday. Mr. J. D. Isenhower taught school in his place while he was gone.

Mrs. E. E. Sunderman was taken to the hospital early Wednesday morning. She was on the verge of pneumonia. She was dismissed from the hospital Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Sunderman came to see her while she was ill. Mrs. Chris Sunderman stayed in Putnam the rest of the week.

Bryant Taylor is driving a brand new Pontiac. The kids say it is a beauty, Bryant.

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Mr. and Mrs. Max Kennedy and children, Sharron and Gary drove down to Putnam from Ft. Worth Sunday to visit with their friends. They were visitors at the First Baptist Church Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Hughes and family of Rankin were here this weekend visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Burette Ramsey.

Mr. and Mrs. Olen White and children drove down from Jacksboro to visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee White.

Mrs. E. E. Sunderman was brought home from the hospital, Monday. She was ill this past week with an awful cold that nearly ran into pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Everette and family were visiting with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Everett and Mr. and Mrs. Mark Burnam.

Miss Vernetta Davis visited in Moran with her aunt Vernett, over the weekend.

Mrs. Bill West of Cisco visited with friends in Putnam, Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Clinton and children of Snyder and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Dale Lowry were visitors here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. U. L. Lowry and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Clinton, Sr.

John Doyle Isenhower will leave for Houston, Saturday, where he will enter the Calf Scramble held there for the 4-H Club boys, Sunday evening.

Clovis McCollum was visiting friends in Putnam Sunday.

Mrs. H. E. Donaway drove down from Abilene, Friday night to visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Speegle. She attended the basketball game here, Friday night. Her sister, Terelia, returned home with her, Friday night.

Mrs. Helms returned to work in the lunchroom Monday. She was ill this past week with the flu.

Mrs. Veda Yarbrough and Mrs. Ollie Burnam were visitors, Monday evening with Mrs. John D. Isenhower and family. In a report to the Study Club on Monday afternoon, Mrs. Burnam told from memory the article that

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was in the February issue of The Farmer Stockman concerning Mr. C. M. Isenhower of Valley Mills. She was able to make this report more interesting because she could tell of some of his life as he grew up here at Putnam.

Rowden Round-Up

By Thelda Crow
Community Activities Reliably Reported by The Star Reporter.

(Held Over From Last Week)

Everyone enjoyed the party given at the Rowden Community Center Saturday night for the purpose of raising money for the March of Dimes. Forty-two was enjoyed by several. Cookies and punch was served.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Crow visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Sikes Sunday afternoon.

School was turned out for two days because of snow and ice.

Several people are still sick in the community.

The women of the community met at the Rowden Community Center Wednesday and quilted.

Miss Marjorie Mauldin and Miss Pearl Smedley spent Thurs- and Friday nights in Cross Plains.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Gibbs of Baird visited in Rowden Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Terrell Williams spent last Sunday in Ranger visiting his cousin, Mrs. Leola Martin, other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Stiffler visited his daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Williams, Judy, Betty and Jimmy in Henrietta last weekend.

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Mrs. E. C. Fulton
Mrs. W. D. Chisenhall
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CARD OF THANKS

I wish to publicly express my appreciation to everyone who visited me while I was in the hospital and for everything that was done for me. To Dr. Griggs and all the nurses I am deeply grateful. May God bless you all.

Carl E. Smith
Clyde, Texas

Mrs. Susie Gabbart of Lubbock is visiting her daughter, Mrs. D. C. Cox and Mr. Cox. Mrs. Cox is recuperating from recent surgery.

Mrs. L. E. Dudley Is Club Speaker

Mrs. L. E. Dudley of Abilene, president of Texas Federation of Women's Clubs, was guest speaker when the Wednesday Club of Baird entertained clubwomen of Callahan County and Moran for the Annual Federation Day program at the Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. M. D. Bell, president of the host club, welcomed guests. Mrs. M. L. Stubblefield led the reading of the Club Collect Mrs. Bell introduced Mrs. W. P. Brightwell, state chairman of Texas Composers, who played "Nocturne in E Flat" by Chopin.

Mrs. Brightwell then presented the guest speaker, Mrs. Dudley, who used for her subject "Is Federation Worthwhile?" She briefly reviewed the history and aims of the Federation and discussed the various branches of the organization. The speaker called attention to a recently created department, that of Texas Heritage. She complimented people of Callahan County on the progress made in collecting articles for the County Museum which have been used by pioneer families in this area. Mrs. Dudley closed her address with an appeal to Texas Clubwomen to observe the administration's motto "We Go From Strength to Strength."

Following this, Mrs. Bell introduced Mrs. Hart Shoemaker of Abilene, president of Sixth District, T.F.W.C., who announced plans for a Mental Health Workshop to be held soon in San Angelo. She also presented Mrs. J. F. Boren of Abilene, a former member of the Wednesday Club, immediate past president of Sixth District, and present editor of the official magazine, "The Texas Clubwoman."

Mrs. Clyde White registered guests. On the tea table, laid with an Italian cut-work cloth, was a unique arrangement of individual favors, tiny scrolls in green and gold, the Wednesday Club colors, bearing the motto, "We Go From Strength to Strength." Gold and green baubles and Cambridge crystal hurricane lamps holding green lucite candles completed the table decorations. Napkins and cakes further emphasized the two colors.

Mrs. L. L. Blackburn poured, and Mrs. J. R. Jackson and Mrs. Ace Hickman served. Assisting were Mmes. E. J. Hill, N. M. George, M. L. Stubblefield, A. E. Dyer, and W. A. Fetterly. Other members of the host group were

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Mrs. Carrico Hostess To Reynolds Circle

The Emma Reynolds Circle met Tuesday, Feb. 2, in the home of Mrs. Wilburn Carrico, with Mrs. J. V. Thompson as co-hostess.

Mrs. H. W. Martin presided over the meeting. Plans were made to help with the football banquet Thursday night.

We were happy to have Mrs. C. M. Peek bring our devotional for the evening, "Our Master Calls Us To Service." Mrs. Irvin Corn gave an interesting story, "Rural Negroes in a Methodist Church."

Refreshments were enjoyed by Mmes. Lowell Boyd, Wilburn Carrico, Irvin Corn, Cliff Curtis,

Clyde Latimer, H. W. Martin, C. M. Peek, J. V. Thompson and Miss Sarah Parks.

The next meeting will be in March, with Mrs. A. N. Johnson and Bessie Mae Borden as hostesses.

Junior Wednesday Club Meets

The Junior Wednesday Club met Monday night, Jan. 25, 1954 in the home of Mrs. Jay Ashlock.

The program consisted of a panel discussion by all the club members on "Radio and Television."

We voted to make ten scrap books for the U.S.O. and Mrs. Cecil Stroope was appointed as chairman.

Mrs. Arthur Young and Mrs. Dale Gibbs were welcomed as new members.

Those present for the meeting were: Mmes. Cubelle Sorrels, Cecil Stroope, Sonny Betcher, Arthur Young, Wilburn Carrico, Glenn Green, Bill Alexander, Lee Brown, Frankie Crow, Dale Stroope, Catherine Cooper, Foy Ashlock, Ray Black, Coleman Walton, and Misses Sarah Parks, Floy McCaw and Dora Eubanks.

Mrs. C. B. Snyder, Sr., of Moran was a visitor in Baird on Tuesday.

Midway Musings Mrs. Joel Griffin Miscellaneous Melange and Minor Mention of Men and Women

Mrs. Sue Faircloth of Abilene visited her mother and brothers Mrs. Mosley, Monroe and Henry Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Selan Canada entertained with a March of Dimes party Saturday night in their home. A very nice time was had by all who attended and a nice collection for the March of Dimes fund.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Webb have returned home after a 6 weeks visit with their children in Marfa and El Paso.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Griffin Saturday and Sunday was Mrs. Virgie Smedley, Jane and Larry of Big Spring, and Mrs. Foy, Nancy and Jancy of Brownwood and Tony Kendrick of Farmington. N. M. Sunday visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Rex Jones, Butch, David and Stevie and Lee South of Abilene and Mrs. Dick Griffin and children, Tom, Jolie and Gayle.

Mr. and Mrs. Buck McClure of San Angelo visited the Webbs Sunday.

Mrs. J. T. Lawrence was a business visitor in Abilene last Friday.

Denton Doings Jean Farmer

Comer Ogle, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Ogle, spent a few days with his parents the past week.

Those visiting the Hubert Farmers Tuesday were Mrs. Winfred Scott and Roberta, Loyd and Rose Farmer and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Johnson and Pat.

Several of the Denton people attended the play, "Two Dates Tonight" which was presented by the high school students for the March of Dimes.

The Denton Valley High School went to Ft. Worth Friday to attend the Fat Stock Show.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Farmer of Cisco, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Farmer and family Sunday.

Mrs. W. E. Melton of Coleman, was visiting in Baird Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Manion visited friends and relatives in Abilene last Sunday.

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February 7, 1913

Arthur and Will Young from the Bayou, and Tom Cross, of Oplin, were in Baird Saturday. Dr. R. R. May, of Whitewright, is visiting Dr. Allen Shackelford, an old college mate.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Swartz will leave Saturday night for St. Louis, where they go to buy their spring goods.

Spike Blakley, was in from the Dyer Ranch Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Chris Johnson of Oplin were in town one day last week.

Mrs. S. T. Fraser, Misses Elizabeth Frazer, Myrtle Boydston, Cookie Works, Corinne Barringer and Mr. Everette Driskill went to Abilene last night to see the play, the "Third Degree."

Rev. H. M. Peebles from West Lafayette, Ohio, the new pastor of the Presbyterian Church, preached his first sermon here last Sunday.

Mrs. Maggie Sheffield and Mrs. Hannah Livingston and little son, Eugene of Bangs, mother and sister of Mrs. C. H. Mahan, are visiting Mrs. Mahan and family.

February 9, 1934

W. D. Boydston has bought the H. F. Foy stock of dry goods and now has the stock on sale.

Harold Ray attended a meeting of Chevrolet dealers and salesmen at Abilene Tuesday. The meeting was held at the Hilton Hotel.

Mrs. S. P. Rumph returned Wednesday from a two week's visit with her daughter, Mrs. Slatten and Miss Polly Rumph in Ft. Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Boren, Judson Atchison and Junior Jackson spent the weekend in Austin.

Mrs. Dee Orr and Mrs. John Orr of Big Spring spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. G. M. King and family.

Miss Bessie Mae Browning returned Tuesday from a three week's visit with relatives in Ft. Worth. She was accompanied home by her grandmother and aunt, Mrs. Emma Browning and Mrs. J. F. McGlaughlin.

Nuff Arvin of Cottonwood is visiting his son, Joe Arvin and family. Mr. Arvin has been ill for sometime and came up for medical treatment.

Baird Lunchroom

February 8 - 12, 1954

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THURSDAY, Feb. 11th:
Pimento Cheese Sandwiches
Silver Potatoes Sliced Tomato
Fruit Jello
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FRIDAY, Feb. 12th:
Dupar Dogs
Potato Chips Cabbage Salad
Ice Cream
Milk and Chocolate Milk

April 15 Is Deadline For Car Inspections

Captain G. L. Morahan, commanding officer of District 3 of the Texas Highway Patrol, with headquarters at Abilene, announced today that Highway Patrolmen would begin issuing tickets to persons who operate an auto on the streets and highways after April 15 without a current inspection sticker.

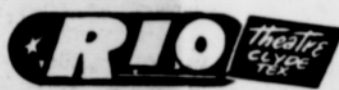
Miss Sarah Parks Luncheon Honoree

Miss Sarah Parks was honoree at a luncheon Saturday, Jan. 30, in the home of Mrs. C. M. Peek.

The women employees of the First National Bank were hostesses for the occasion and presented Sarah with a lovely gift.

The luncheon table was pretty, with the center piece of red and white glads and mums. Place cards marked the places and the guests enjoyed the delicious luncheon prepared by the group.

Guests were Meses Frank Hodson, L. B. Lewis, Irvin Corn, Cliff Curtis, Miss Burma Warren and Miss Sarah Parks.



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Oplin Observations

By Mrs. Daphne Floyd
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The community felt rather proud of itself last Thursday night, Jan. 28, when everyone met at the Community Center in answer to the call of the March of Dimes. According to the number of families represented in our little community, the amount of \$124.35 raised seemed to exceed the expectations of everyone.

Entertainment was furnished by a lively band, with Richard Sikes, M. C., Mrs. Joe Sikes at the piano, George Sadler with his fiddle, Nila Kirby, vocalist, and special talent from Coleman was the Harmony Trio which was composed of Royce and James Gentry and Mrs. Helen Alvey. The Trio have been recent guests on the Louisiana Hayride. Special mention should be made of another entertainer too and that is Pat Sadler, six year old son of Mr. and Mrs. George Sadler who joined the group for a few numbers on the fiddle. He especially brought the house down with his "Orange Blossom Special." To this group the community extends a most sincere "Thank-You" for your part in making the rally a huge success.

A word of gratitude is extended to Mrs. E. E. Durham, chairman of the rally, assisting her were Mrs. A. D. McWhorter, Mrs. Will Johnson, Mrs. Charlie Tom Straley and Mrs. Ray Floyd.

Mrs. Tommie Windham visited with her niece and family, Mr. and Mrs. Vardle Dale of Novice last Sunday.

The old mean flu bug visited several homes last week. Grandma and Pat Poindexter were down with the flu but are up and about now. Mrs. Phil Yost was a victim too and Dad and Mrs. Hopkins of the B. G. Poindexter household were on the list a few days.

Mrs. A. B. Byers, who has had a seige of colds, flu and bronchitis since Christmas is feeling some better.

Nancy McIntyre, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Zack McIntyre, celebrated her fifteenth birthday last Saturday, Jan. 30. She was showing members of her Sunday School class a lovely new birthstone ring last Sunday. Many happy returns of the day, Nancy.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Pierce of Melrose, N. M., visited his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lucian Pierce, last Sunday night. Monday they visited at Novice with his sister, Mrs. C. B. Pentecost and his father, Willard Pierce. Later they visited with her sister, Mrs. Rob Roberson of Baird. There the Pierces were joined by their son, Teddy who has just returned from Korea.

By mutual consent the community agreed to change its monthly meeting to the third

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Wednesday night of each month. This was to avoid conflicting with school plans.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Mason and Sonny visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. McWhorter last weekend.

Belated congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kirkindoll who celebrate their 43rd wedding anniversary last Friday, Jan. 29.

Questions and Answers

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Progressive Business And Civic-Minded People Of Abilene And Vicinity

This department has been worked up largely as a reflection of public opinion. No person has written of themselves or their business. All articles have been compiled by a representative of The Baird Star as he saw conditions. These people are all leaders in their various lines of endeavor and the co-operation of those citizens in Abilene who helped make this department possible is sincerely appreciated.

Joe And Jack Speed

Two of the more progressive business men of Abilene and men who deserve the respect and good will of a great many residents of the city, are capable, friendly, Joe and Jack Speed of The Abilene Sewing Center, whose wide knowledge and long experience in the sewing machine sales and service business have raised them to positions of prominence in their line.

It is because of this that The Abilene Sewing Center has earned a reputation for reliability - second to none.

Joe and Jack Speed are also civic minded and have always been ready to contribute their time and energy to any plan which promises to benefit the city. And the people of Abilene may regard with particular satisfaction the many services which they have performed for the community in the interest of progress and civic betterment.

We urge our readers to look to Jack and Joe Speed as progressive business men of whom we may well be proud. Their devotion to the city has been constant and their achievements well merited. We wish for them both continued success.

Derward Nollner

Derward Nollner of Holiday, Inc., has a well earned reputation for progressiveness because he has consistently forged ahead in his business, never letting up in his efforts to make the service he renders to the people more valuable. This invariable policy has made Holiday, Inc., outstanding in its field, furthermore, it is the only complete gift and card center in West Texas.

But Mr. Nollner has accomplished much more than just making a success of his business and private affairs, and we take this opportunity to pay tribute to him for devoting what time he could spare to the general welfare not only to his own city but this entire district as well.

It is such men as he, who are both successful in business and appreciative of their civic obligations that are deserving of recognition. We take pleasure in publicly giving Derward Nollner the credit for his accomplishments which his friends and associates have so long accorded him.

Al Hughes

Al Hughes of The Al Hughes Engine Service, is one of those progressive business men who has always done his bit to maintain the prestige of the city of Abilene as the leading metropolis of this section of the state. He has always worked for the development of the city and his many services are worthy of sincere appreciation.

His well earned success as a business man is easily understood, knowing as the people do, his widespread reputation for the honesty which characterizes all of his business dealings. And it is a combination of technical knowledge, professional skill, and business ability which has elevated Mr. Hughes to the position of leadership in the diesel engine repair and maintenance business.

He is completely aware of his civic responsibilities and is wide awake to the many opportunities for service, and always ready and willing to lend his support to any project which promises to benefit the community as a whole.

We compliment Al Hughes on his accomplishments, and wish for him continued success.

H. M. Nesmith

In mentioning some of those men who are taking a progressive part in the evolution of the business and civic life of Abilene, we would be censured if we failed to include H. M. Nesmith of Floorcraft, a firm that has long been recognized as a leader in the floor and wall covering business.

Mr. Nesmith is that solid type of citizen whose fairness and friendliness and sincere desire to be of service are accountable for a large measure of his success. As time goes on his personal interests have become more closely interwoven with the business and civic affairs of the city. As a result he has, quite naturally, become accepted as a man who can be called upon and who will cheerfully do his part to further the development of those community activities to

which he is best fitted to lend assistance.

H. M. Nesmith has, by the conduct of his business and his attention to civic affairs, earned the friendship and good will of his fellow citizens. He is to be complimented for his activities and we only express the desire of his many friends and associates in wishing him continued success.

Mr. And Mrs. H. V. Nettles

Good motels and tourist courts are indispensable to the progress and development of a growing city such as Abilene. And The Blue Top Courts, combining the best features of both, has accommodated a great many tourists and business men in a manner that assures them of the continued patronage and good will of the motoring public.

The management of The Blue Top Courts has maintained an ideal of service which is thoroughly exemplified by the manner in which every need of the traveling motorist has been anticipated and prepared for. Nothing is taken for granted; nothing is forgotten, and hospitality and service is always their first and last consideration.

Much of the credit for the splendid reputation of this modern drive-in court is due to the executive ability of Mrs. and Mr. H. V. Nettles, whose untiring efforts, foresightedness and careful attention to detail, have maintained a standard of hospitality and service which would be difficult to surpass. It is a pleasure to say these few words of praise about The Blue Top Courts and its friendly operators, Mr. and Mrs. Nettles.

W. S. Cooper

Recognized as one of the more progressive business men of Abilene, W. S. Cooper of The Abilene Auto Clinic, authorized United Motors Service, performs a real service for the people of his city and his contributions to civic betterment are too well known to require repetition in these columns. His personal success has been achieved, in a large measure, because he never misses an opportunity to further the service he renders to the public. A policy which has and continues to build up good will for the Abilene Auto Clinic, throughout this entire district.

Mr. Cooper is deserving of praise and this small tribute is but a just recognition for the many services which he has performed in the way of both business and civic activities. Also his reputation for the successful conduct of his business affairs is no greater than his reputation for the honest practices which characterize his every transaction.

We congratulate W. S. Cooper on his splendid record and trust he shall continue to serve the people of Abilene and vicinity.

B. F. And J. Howard Austin

When a city like Abilene has gained recognition for being the trading center for many square miles of the surrounding country, it is because of the foresight of those pioneers of earlier days who had the vision to realize the possibilities of their city and who also had the ability and courage to work for the fulfillment of that vision, and B. F. Austin is a man who belongs in this category.

Abilene owes much to those pioneers of early days, but each succeeding generation must produce its share of business and civic leaders to assure the continued growth and prosperity of the city.

It is also the purpose of this review to call the attention of our readers to some of these present day leaders, and in this instance we particularly wish to point out and pay tribute to J. Howard Austin who is associated with his father in the management of B. F. Austin & Son, distributors of refrigeration equipment and butcher supplies.

Mr. Austin and his son are not alone in their efforts to increase the prestige of the city, but they are fine examples of the type of people whose combined efforts are responsible for Abilene's past and future prosperity.

J. F. And John F. Brooks

When a man gains recognition for the progressive and straight forward manner in which he has managed his busi-

ness affairs and also for his generous contributions to civic projects, he is to be complimented for his achievements.

A man belonging to this category is J. F. Brooks of The Brooks Oil Company, a business man of Abilene, who is regarded with respect and admiration by a great many residents of the city and the surrounding country.

We also think it appropriate in this review to give credit to some of the younger generation who are carrying on so ably in the footsteps of their fathers. And one who certainly deserves such credit is John F. Brooks Jr., who now shoulders his full share of responsibility in the management of the oil business established by his father. It is because of the efforts of such men that, year after year, Abilene continues to grow and prosper and to become an even better place in which to live.

It is men like Mr. Brooks and his son John, who have a distinct value to their city and we take pleasure in paying them this brief but sincere tribute.

John Brown

Because this is a period of growth and expansion for Abilene, those progressive business men who had the foresight and ability to lay their plans so as to be able to take advantage of these conditions are entitled to more than ordinary acclaim. We are, therefore, glad to pay tribute to John E. Brown of The B & J Variety And Trading Post, located at 242 Chestnut, for he has become a well known figure in the business and civic life of the city.

Mr. Brown's persistent optimism and steadfast belief in the continued prosperity of the people of Abilene and vicinity are characteristic which are deserving of our highest praise.

He has always shown a willingness to do his part in civic advancement and has contributed his bit, in one form or another, to projects promoted for the welfare of his city. We believe that a business man of this type is entitled to our sincere praise, both because he has achieved success in his private affairs and because he is willing to contribute to the public good.

O. D. Dillingham And O. C. Williams

Abilene has attained a prominent position in the business and civic life of this section of the state because of the foresight of those men who had the ability to envision the possibilities of the community and the trade area it serves. And two wide awake progressive men who justly should be included in this category are O. D. Dillingham and O. C. Williams of The Banner Division of Foremost Dairies.

Such men have, many times over, proven their worth to the community, both as business men and as active workers in the civic betterment and progress of the city. And Mr. Dillingham and Mr. Williams have earned the good will and respect of their fellow citizens for contributing their bit to the general welfare of the city and the people as a whole.

It is our duty to include O. D. Dillingham and O. C. Williams in that group of progressive and civic minded people who have done so much for Abilene and to express the wish that they will continue for many years to forge ahead with the success which they have enjoyed in the past.

J. K. Webb

It is fitting in this review of progressive Abilene business men that we acquaint our readers with the man to be credited with having maintained The Central West Texas Milk Producer's Association, in the enviable position it holds in the business and civic life of this area. That personality is J. K. Webb, whose genius for organization and for converting new ideas into actual deeds has played a vital part in the distinctive reputation which the association now enjoys throughout this entire district.

Mr. Webb has found time, in addition to his business interests, to give thought and energy to community projects. He is a citizen whose talents have been steadfastly devoted to the best interests of the city. He has been successful in his own business and in the promotion of the general welfare of the community.

We are glad to pay this brief tribute to him and to say that

this district owes much to the many benefits which J. K. Webb and The Central West Texas Milk Producers Association have rendered to the people of this entire area.

O. C. "Red" Fulkerson

In paying tribute to some of the more progressive business men of Abilene, we would be remiss in our duty should we fail to include O. C. "Red" Fulkerson of The Red Fulkerson Garage, whose business ability is no greater than the "know-how" and mechanical skill which has contributed to his well known success in the automotive repair and maintenance business.

He has also contributed generously to the welfare of his city and the community for many miles around. And his civic spirit is evidenced by the many services which he has performed and will continue to perform in the interest of the people as a whole.

Mr. Fulkerson is a man of wide acquaintance, whose many friends admire and respect in him those virtues which inspire confidence and promote good feeling. And his upright business methods are a credit to his inherent sense of fair play.

We congratulate "Red" Fulkerson on his splendid record of service and trust he shall continue to assist us for many years to come.

J. P. Shelton

It is a well-known fact that a man's true character must come through in his work; whether in business or professional activities or in public life. So when a man conducts himself in such a manner as to cause the public to recognize in him certain qualities, over and above the average, he is deserving of a few words of praise. Such a personality is J. P. Shelton of The J. P. Shelton Oil Well Servicing, a recognized leader in the business and civic life of Abilene.

In addition to being one of the city's more progressive oil field service men, Mr. Shelton was never one to shirk his civic duties. More than that he enters cheerfully and with enthusiasm and optimism into those civic affairs in which he has time to take a part. And seldom does he fail to find time to do his share.

J. P. Shelton deserves his share of credit for being one of those progressive citizens of Abilene who has contributed so substantially to the onward progress of his city. It is a pleasure to include him in this group.

Elton R. Compton

It is because of the unflinching optimism and faith which he so consistently displays toward the future of Abilene and vicinity that we are prompted to call the attention of our readers to the fine service which Elton R. Compton of The Compton Transports Company, performs in the successful conduct of his business.

Mr. Compton is an aggressive and resourceful personality whose progressive policies have earned for him a widespread reputation as a business man of more than average ability; and his apparent willingness to devote some of that ability to the promotion of civic activities further enhances his value to the city.

The safety and efficiency of the operation of The Compton Transports Company, reflecting as it does the executive ability of this man, has earned for the company a well deserved popularity among the people they serve. We are glad to give Elton Compton the credit he so well deserves for his achievements and to wish for him a continued successful career as one of Abilene's more progressive business men.

Charles B. Miller

In all business and professional pursuits there are men who have met with success because they have honestly deserved it, and such a man in his field is Charles B. Miller of The Independent Eastern Torpedo Co., who well deserves the reputation he has earned for being one of Abilene's more progressive business men. His thorough knowledge of everything pertaining to oil field activities is exemplified by the manner in which he fulfills each and every demand made upon him in line with his business.

Furthermore, such experience as Mr. Miller has gained in the successful management of

his business has been turned to the advantage of his fellow citizens by applying the same principles to the promotion of those civic projects to which he has been called upon to lend his able assistance. Thus his success in business has further enhanced his value to the city.

We appreciate the opportunity of including Charles Miller in this group of progressive and civic-minded people who are actively taking part in the evolution of the business and civic life of Abilene.

Glynn Sanford

Abilene owes much to those progressive citizens who have taken an active part in the growth and progress of the city and who have helped to make it the business center for this section of the state, and who also have contributed, in some manner, to the exploration and development of the petroleum resources of the state. In mentioning some of these men it is only fair to include Glynn Sanford of The S & W Well Servicing Company, well known and reliable Abilene oil man.

He deserves a great deal of credit for his success in both business and civic activities.

Mr. Sanford is wholly deserving of our sincere praise and these few words of commendation are but a just recognition for the many activities he has conducted on behalf of the general welfare of the community. The honest and successful conduct of his business affairs is but a reflection of his character. We trust that Glynn Sanford will continue to serve Abilene and vicinity for many more years to come.

B. C. Turner

It is not always the kind of a business which determines its importance to the community. But, more or less, the methods used in its management. The services rendered to the public. And the way in which it meets both business and civic obligations.

The cheerfulness of the entire personnel of The Vogue Cleaners, in their contacts with the public. And the ready acceptance of all business and civic obligations by B. C. Turner, proves conclusively that he is a man who is well-versed in the principles of successful business management.

As most people know, this firm is a leader in the dry cleaning business. This is partly so because of their long experience but also because of a never ending policy of keeping abreast of the times in their particular field.

It is a pleasure to compliment Mr. Turner for the successful management of The Vogue Cleaners, and for his many contributions to those civic projects aiding in the growth and progress of Abilene and the adjacent territory.

J. Allen McChesney

The true value of a citizen is not gauged by his personal success, but rather by the manner in which he shares that success by his contributions to the community in which he lives. A city grows and flourishes according to the number of public spirited men and women who compose its population.

J. Allen McChesney of The McChesney Insurance Agency, is one of those men who has given much toward the development of Abilene and vicinity. He has turned his personal success in the business field to the advantage of the people as a whole and has accomplished much toward making his city a better place in which to live.

Mr. McChesney's thorough knowledge of the every phase of the insurance business has raised him to a position of leadership in his field of activities and gained for him recognition as one of the city's more progressive business men. We compliment J. Allen McChesney in this Abilene review and wish to offer him this small evidence of public esteem.

The Personnel Of The Independent Wholesale Grocery

It is no coincidence that more frequently than not the people who take a progressive part in the civic and business life of their city are the same ones who are pre-eminently successful in conducting their own private affairs. We refer to the entire per-

sonnel of The Independent Wholesale Grocery Company, and to whom we take this occasion to pay well deserving tributes.

They have all proven that they are business people of more than average ability, for it is largely due to their progressive methods, coupled with their sound and practical ideas, that The Independent Wholesale Grocery Company, holds its high position in the public's opinion in this area.

It is also true that George Sallee, the manager, and his personnel do their share toward community improvement and have given freely of their time and energy to the promotion of those enterprises which have benefited the city at large. We are glad to voice our praise of this group of people who are successful in the operation and management of their business and who also have time to give toward community development.

Doyle Bowen And Norman Pinkerton

Due to the efforts of a group of wide awake business and professional men, the city of Abilene has attained a dominant position in the commercial life of this section of the state. And two of the men who have justly earned credit for being progressive members of that group are Doyle Bowen and Norman H. Pinkerton of The Doyle & Norman Trim Shop.

It is because of the successful operation of such a business as theirs that the city of Abilene has earned the reputation of being one of the more progressive communities in this district.

Mr. Bowen and Mr. Pinkerton have been conspicuously successful in spite of the fact that they have repeatedly neglected their own private affairs to devote a part of the time and efforts to the successful promotion of civic projects.

It is considered a privilege to include Norman Pinkerton and Doyle Bowen in this Abilene review and to publicly give them credit for their success in business and for their many contributions to the general welfare of the city.

John M. Griswold And William Kountz

Every progressive and successful business man in Abilene contributes in some manner to the growth and progress of the city. And two men who are always willing to do their part in both civic and business activities are John M. Griswold and William L. Kountz of The Griswold Pipe & Equipment Company, who are well known and have many friends and customers throughout this entire district.

The prominent part that The Griswold Pipe and Equipment Company is playing in the business and rural life of Abilene and the surrounding country, mirrors the progressiveness and ability of such men as these. Furthermore, Mr. Griswold and Mr. Kountz have at all times been steadfast in their devotion to the city, and surrounding country, and on many occasions have lent their support to the successful promotion of meritorious civic projects.

Abilene and this district are fortunate to have such men as William Kountz and John Griswold in positions of responsibility and service and this newspaper feels that it is merely reflecting public opinion in paying this brief tribute to two of Abilene's more progressive business men.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Kyker

To serve the public honestly, efficiently and cheerfully is the basic foundation many progressive business men and women of Abilene have found to be the shortest route to success. In making this statement, the two people we have in mind are Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Kyker of The Fabric Mart. The popularity and patronage enjoyed by their many services accentuates the ideals of courtesy and efficiency which they have consistently applied in the management of the business.

The conduct of such businesses and the people who operate them have done much to make Abilene the business center for many miles around, and it is fitting that we give credit where credit is due to such people as Mr. and Mrs. Kyker for their part in the onward progress of the city. In doing so, we are merely putting into words the

opinions of those who know them.

The Kyker's have earned their success by the method in which they have accepted both civic and business responsibilities, and we trust they will continue to prosper.

James H. And Jimmy Griffin

Our issue today proposes to call the attention of our readers to some of those progressive and civic-minded people who have contributed their share of time and energy to the building up of Abilene and the surrounding territory to the position of prominence which it now enjoys.

Two of these men whom we wish to present to our readers are James H. and Jimmy Griffin of The Griffin Radio & TV Lab., whose success can be equally attributed to their business acumen and their knowledge of electronics, with special emphasis on radio and television. They have never spared themselves in their aggressive march forward in both business and technical fields and are qualified experts in the service and installation of all types of television sets and antennas.

Mr. Griffin and his son Jimmy, are at all times conscious of their civic responsibilities and may be depended upon to meet in every detail the many opportunities which present themselves to be of service to their city.

Their records of achievement is one of which they may well be proud. Their value to their city and this district is an established fact and we are happy to give them the credit which is their just due.

B. Frank Boyce

It is a privilege in this Abilene review of progressive men and firms that have been such a great aid to the growth and development of this section of the state to place such a man as B. Frank Boyce of The Boyce Auto Stores, 190 Chestnut, on an equal plane with all others in this rank. In the past, few men have exceeded him in contributing of their time and energy to the onward progress of Abilene.

Mr. Boyce is generally recognized as one of the more progressive Automotive part dealers in this district, and still retains that distinction in the admiration and respect of his wide circle of friends. Also his interest in, and the very valuable assistance he has rendered to the many projects of a civic nature, reflects the principles which he has always so successfully applied to his business affairs.

We congratulate Frank Boyce on his record, and sincerely hope that his career will be as useful and completely successful in the years ahead as it has been in the past.

Dan And Elba Daniel

We wish in this edition to pay tribute to Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Daniel of The H. A. Daniel Office Machines, now located at 1034 Butternut, for their many services to the city of Abilene and their splendid record of achievement in the business life of the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel probably have as wide a circle of friends as any other two people we could name, because they are just naturally the kind of people who make friends with almost everyone and conduct themselves at all times in such a manner as to deserve the respect and good will of all who know them. A city is fortunate in being able to number among its more progressive citizens business people of this type.

They are distributors in this area for R. C. Allen, Remington-Rand, Burroughs, Underwood, and Victor typewriters and adding machines as well as The Rex Recorder dictating equipment, sales and service. They may be depended upon and their services to the people are too many in number to be described here. It is sufficient to say that we consider Dan and Elba Daniel as assets to the community and progressive business people of whom their city should be proud.

J. W. Bass

To those progressive business men who have also taken a part in civic affairs we owe a debt of gratitude that we often find difficult to repay. However, we can do so in part by publicly acknowledging their many services and we take this opportunity

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Baird Couple Worked 2 Times To Help Tame New Wilderness

By Hamilton Wright
Reporter-News Staff Writer

BAIRD, Jan. 29. — Taming the wilderness was twice the lot of William Vincent Walls, native Alabamian and 70-year-old Baird resident, still active in today's affair. His wife, the former Melba Farmer, born in Cross Plains Dec. 23, 1885, has shared with him the early-day privations of the region.

Walls came by train to Dallas in 1895 when boosters could jack-up population figures — 65,000 they estimated then.

"I remember Commerce Street was paved with bolts d'arc blocks," he reminisced.

Walls' parents, seeking land and better opportunities, took their 10 children west in a covered wagon drawn by a horse and a mule. After an eight-day wearisome journey they stopped at Admiral, Callahan County. An added incentive to go west was the fact some of the Walls' relatives lived in the new region. They struck their roots into the soil at Admiral, Dec. 4, 1899.

Taught School

Walls attended school at old Cedar Grove, between Admiral and old Cottonwood. Later the family moved to present Denton Valley, where one of Walls' brothers—Ted—still lives. Walls returned to Cedar Grove in 1901 to teach school. In a one-room building he taught 21, including Bill Smartt, his two sisters, Mrs. Will Dawkins and Miss Gladys Walls, both of Abilene. Still later he taught at old Iona, between Clyde and Baird. Walls possessed a four-year second-grade teaching certificate.

On Aug. 14, 1906, he went to New Mexico to homestead 160 acres, his second pioneering expedition. He was situated nine miles north of Mountain Air, with the nearest store at Manzano. He built a one-room shack to live in.

"When I started there the nearest other house was three miles," he observed. "Eventually there was a family on every 160 acres." He walked four miles to the store, worked in a small sawmill to stave off the stalking wolf. His land lay in a level valley, with heavy timbered mountain land adjacent. He spent seven years eking out a living. After being there eighteen months, he was offered \$1.50 an acre. Later he sold the tract for \$1,600.

"It was situated in high altitude," he said. "It was 5,750 feet. And I saw one tremendous snow—42 inches on the level—and several falls of two feet."

Walls said he grew Pinto beans, potatoes and millet. Neighbors looked askance at his attempt at agriculture. "But I made pioneer history," he remarked. "In 1910 I had ten acres in spuds that yielded 100 sacks to the acre."

Proved Up

After he had "proved up", Walls returned to Callahan County after working for a time in a sawmill near Gallup, N. M. It was 1914 when he returned. His brother George, now living in California, had submitted his bid to carry mail from Baird to Admiral, but his eyes gave him trouble, so Walls took over the job. From 1914 to 1918, he daily except Sundays, made the round trip of 22 miles. For two years he drove a team, then acquired an automobile. The mail did not go through several times when



Mexia Creek, at southeast edge of Baird, went on a rampage.

Mail patrons, especially women used him as a convenience, too. "Many a spool of thread I bought and delivered to housewives on the route." And he had petty extras to do for the 100 patrons on the star route. But there were occasional remembrances of good deeds done. Frinstance, Will Varner, finding the Walls liked hogsheads, left him four one day after "hog-killing." His wife and her mother made plenty of souse meat, he recalled.

On Sept. 13, 1914, while still operating the star mail route, Walls was married. Minister Jesse P. Sewell, then president of Abilene Christian College, performed the rite.

During the oil boom at Putnam, Walls lived there from 1925 to 1930. He was engaged in the garage business as a mechanic. In 1930 he returned to Baird, continued his work as a mechanic in a garage, later purchased the Home Laundry, which he now operates.

The story would be incomplete without a biography of his wife. Her father was the late J. W. Farmer. She is a first cousin of present County Judge Lester Farmer and a niece of Abilene attorney Dallas Scarborough. She was born in Cross Plains, lived there five years, then moved to Miles, Tex., and a year later went with her parents to Lawn. Still later they moved to Abilene—in 1902—and her father built the first residence in the Valley View addition, now densely settled. At that time he worked at the postoffice in Abilene. In 1904 they moved to Coates, a small station now defunct just north of Tuscola, on the Abilene & Southern Railroad. The village contained a drugstore, grocery and postoffice. Her father served as its postmaster.

In 1905, to benefit her mother's health, the family moved to Clyde, and on June 6, 1907, to Baird, where her father was employed by the Texas & Pacific Railroad on "the rip track." He died June 3, 1943.

Oplin Observations

By Mrs. Daphne Floyd
Odds and Ends Opportunity Offered in Open Order

(Held Over From Last Week)

I stayed awake most of last Wednesday night hoping our weather forecast of snow would come true. Sure enough everything was blanketed in snow and sleet on Thursday morning and it stayed on the ground for three days. But typical of Texas weather, we didn't even need fires by Sunday afternoon.

One family of the community who did not enjoy all of the cold weather were Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Miller who ran out of butane late Thursday afternoon. They did not think it so bad to go to bed at 7:30 p.m. but Mrs. Miller had a different opinion on Friday morning when she had to dress in the cold and drive to Oplin to put in a call for butane.

Mr. Herbert Rogers might have a few regrets also as he had the misfortune to slip and fall on the ice last Thursday night. In his fall he hit a five gallon can and rebroke several ribs. Mr. Rogers had broken the ribs several years back in an accident.

Mrs. Paul Ray McIntyre of Brady thought she chose a poor time to visit with her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Zack McIntyre and with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Johnson of Clyde. The folks seemed to enjoy her extended snow bound visit.

Mrs. Herbert Rogers is now employed at the State Hospital at Abilene.

Donna Sue Pierce who is a student at Lawn High School regretted missing her first day of school for this year. But due to road hazards last Thursday the school buses did not run.

Aunt Chris Johnson visited a few days back with her daughter, Mrs. Mallie Johnson. She was joined in her visit by her brothers, Ed and Thad Buchanan of Big Spring.

Funeral services were held for Mr. G. W. Grantham, Sr., at the Baptist Church on Monday, Jan. 25. Mr. Grantham died at his home in Premont from a sudden heart attack. He had been a long-time resident of Oplin and Callahan County until several years back when he sold his home here and moved to Premont.

Son Killed

The Walls were parents of six sons and two daughters. A son, Lt. Robert Walls, 25, lost his life March 8, 1944, in New Guinea in a B-24 Bomber attack. He was missing in action for 22 months. He had worked in a local grocery for several years.

Other sons are Billy, city mail carrier here, and vice-president of the Mid-West Texas Firemen's Association; James Walls, cashier of the Texas & New Mexico Railroad, Hobbs, N. M.; George Fred, laboratory technician for Dr. C. R. Cockrell, Snyder Hospital; and Gene, an oil-well "shooter" living in Fairfurlas. The daughters are Mrs. W. E. (Morea) Davis, Odessa; and Gayle, a junior in Baird High School.

"All our boys are graduates of the Baird High School," Mrs. Walls said proudly. The Walls have seven grandchildren.

Mrs. Walls has been a "hello girl" for the Home Telephone Co. here for the last year and a half. Her "trick" is from 3 to 10 p.m.

Dudley Dabble

Mary Ann Varner
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(Held Over From Last Week)

We are proud that Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cockrell and boys of Ovalo are moving back to Dudley.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Cochran and family from Mexico is visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Moore and Lyndon.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Crawford visited Mr. and Mrs. Grady Jones Friday night.

William Culpepper from Johnson City, Texas visited Gerald Varner and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Culpepper over the weekend.

Bro. and Mrs. Lewis Burnett visited Mr. and Mrs. Holt Welch and Rosie Sunday.

Mrs. Henry Preston visited Mr. and Mrs. Leo Chrane, Kathleen and Gary Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Taylor from Abilene visited Mr. and Mrs. Hawk Roberts Sunday.

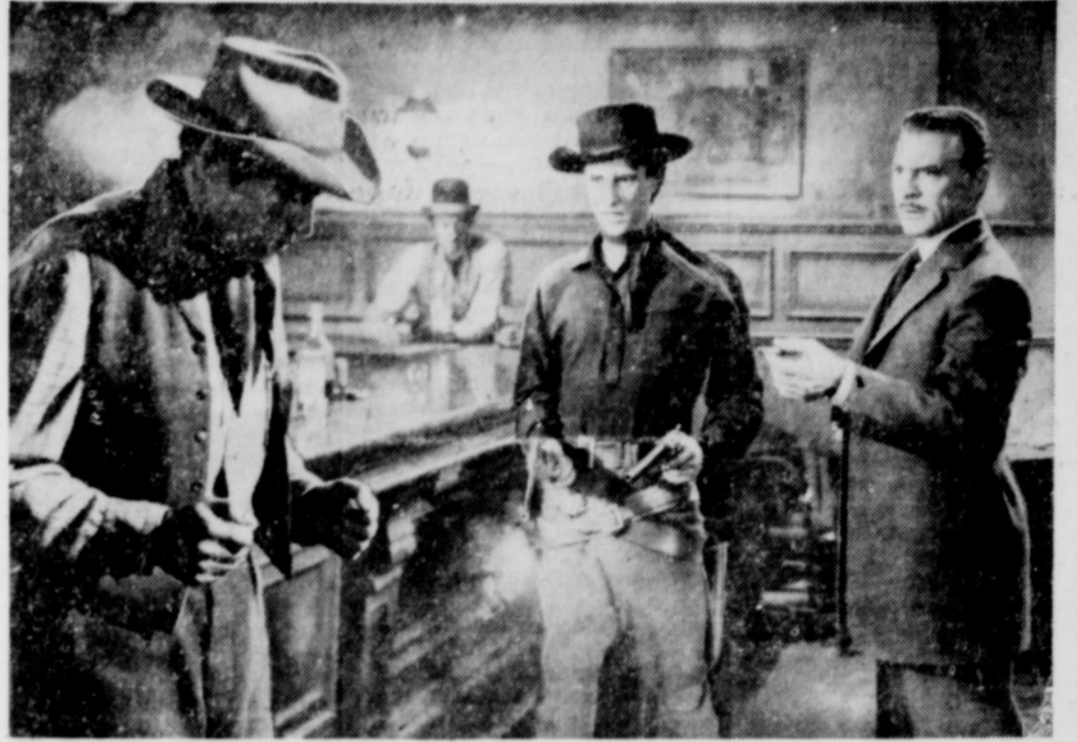
Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bryant from Wichita Falls is visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Lilly and family.

Una Breeding visited Betty Coughran Wednesday night.

Mrs. Bryant and Weldon from Baird, and Mrs. Salmon from Abilene visited Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Summerour Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Fillmore and children, Jerry Lou and John of Midland, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Denney and Linda Sue last weekend.

Jack McCarty, owner and publisher of The Cross Plains Review was visiting in Baird last Thursday.



Deadly Tyler MacDuff, as Billy the Kid, gives Will Rogers, Jr., an example of his shooting skill in "The Boy from Oklahoma" as Tony Caruso watches warily. Young Rogers co-stars with Nancy Olson in Warner Bros.' forthcoming WarnerColor picture.

Great Humility Of Rogers, Clinched "Oklahoma" Role

Humility is a funny word these days, but movie fans will be given a chance to see a truly humble man when Warner Bros. "The Boy From Oklahoma," starring Will Rogers, Jr. and Nancy Olson, has its special area premiere Feb. 7-8-9 at the Plaza Theatre.

This humility belongs to young Rogers who, with a candor rare these days, has stated publicly that "I'm no actor." That this self-assessment is something less than the truth it attested by Mr. Rogers enormously successful portrayal of his famous father, Will Rogers, in "The Story of Will Rogers," and by young Rogers' latest - and unpremeditated - characterization of "The Boy From Oklahoma" his second motion picture.

Both parts were done for Warner Bros. whose production head, Jack L. Warner, is responsible first for convincing Will Rogers, Jr., to act in his father's screen

biography and then for persuading the reluctant Rogers to change his mind about never acting in another movie.

It was the script of "The Boy From Oklahoma" which put the clincher on the argument, however. When Mr. Warner showed Rogers the screenplay, the non-actor was convinced that it was a part he could do - "just comes naturally - after all, I'm a boy from Oklahoma myself," he says - and that it was worth doing.

"What I like about the story," said the part-Indian Rogers, who was brought up in the West and who is raising three boys in his childhood surroundings, "is that it's a true kind of story about your kids to see. No mock heroics, nothing like that. Why the hero never carries a gun in the entire picture. He uses logic and persuasion and decency to see him through, and when the worst comes to the worst, his lariat. That's something westerners will really appreciate because it's real."

Will Rogers, Jr., who has inherited his father's warm per-

sonality and homespun charm fits the role of Tom Brewster, the earnest young law-student-sheriff like a glove, and vice versa. Blond and blue-eyed Nancy Olson, in blue jeans or crinolines, is the perfect foil as the tomboyish Katie Brannigan whose main purpose in life is avenging the murder of her father, the late Sheriff Brannigan.

Denton Doings Jean Farmer

(Held Over From Last Week)

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Farmer, of Cisco, visited Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Farmer and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ogle and Sybil Myers visited Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gleason and Terry, Friday night.

The Denton-Eula basketball games which were to be played Friday night, the 22nd, were postponed.

Due to bad weather, the Denton school was out last Thursday and Friday.

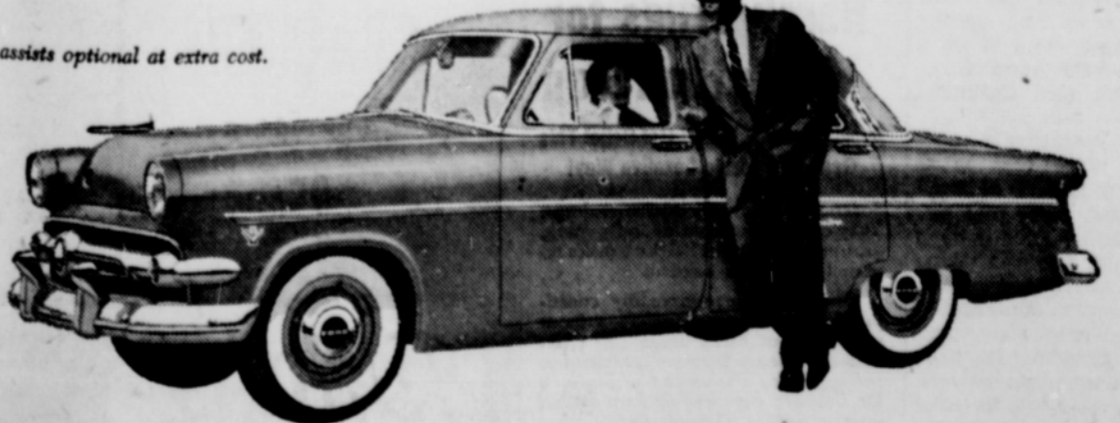


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For District Clerk:

Mrs. Corrie Driskill
 Re-election

For County Judge:

J. L. Farmer
 Re-election

For Sheriff, Tax Assessor-Collector:

Homer Price
 J. W. (Wes) Patton

For County Clerk:

Mrs. Chas L. Robinson
 Re-election

For County Treasurer:

Hazel Reynolds
 Re-election

For County Superintendent:

L. C. Cash
 Re-election

For Justice of Peace, Prec. 1:

W. L. Bowlus

For Commissioner, Prec. 1:

I. A. (Hoot) Alphin
 R. R. Shelnett
 R. L. Luceford

Carl Ray Hass
 J. A. McKee

For Commissioner, Prec. 2:

Clyde T. Floyd
 Re-election

Business Review . . .

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tunity to pay a brief tribute to J. W. Bass of The Bass Soap Co., and The Central Hide Company. In doing so we express the sentiment and feelings, not only of the community, but also those people who have been actively associated with him in business or civic affairs.

Mr. Bass' time is almost wholly occupied by his own affairs. Yet there has never been an occasion when he has been called upon by the people of Abilene and vicinity to assist some civic project, that he has not responded and helped to the fullest extent of his ability to further that project. Thus he has frequently sacrificed his personal interests to promote some worthy cause.

Because of this, J. W. Bass has proven himself to be a good and loyal citizen of whom his city and this district have every reason to feel justly proud.

Jack H. Tucker

It isn't the size or volume of a man's business which determines its value to the community in which he makes his living. But rather by the manner in which it is conducted. Which, to a greater or lesser degree, reflects the personality and character of the individual. The value of Jack H. Tucker's business to his city is a reflection of his progressiveness and a determination to render the utmost in service, a policy which has caused The Commercial Refrigeration Service, to be so well thought of and so widely patronized by the people of Abilene and the surrounding area.

That same progressiveness and ability which has made him so successful in his own business has also fitted Mr. Tucker to be of assistance on community projects and public drives. And he takes pleasure in helping, in one way or another, whenever he can on such projects. Furthermore he does so cheerfully and with a friendly spirit of cooperation that is always more than welcome.

It is a pleasure to include Jack Tucker in this Abilene review and to wish him further success in his line of endeavor.

John E. Hyde

One of the better informed real estate, mortgage loans and insurance executives of the city is John E. Hyde of the agency bearing his name, who is in a position to offer GI loans to residents of Baird and Callahan County.

He has been operating a complete service for his large clientele over a period of time and during that time he has made a great many friends both for himself and for the companies his agency represents.

Mr. Hyde has also contributed considerable of his time and energy to the growth and progress of Abilene and this district, and has been content to take his reward in the quiet knowledge of a work well done and the respect and admiration of his many friends. The value of such a man to his city and the surrounding territory cannot be overestimated when considering the many personal sacrifices he has made in order to contribute to the general welfare of the community as a whole.

We congratulate John Hyde on his splendid reputation and wish for him a continued successful career in the real estate, mortgage loan and insurance field in the Abilene area.

Z. Oswalt

Successful business and professional men, as a rule, show their appreciation for their success by their often repeated demonstrations of civic pride. This is a fortunate fact. Otherwise a city would be lacking in that progressive element which advocates and develops various projects of a civic nature which are indicative of a progressive community.

Z. Oswalt of The Clinic Pharmacy is a man who has never failed to lend a hand when it comes his turn to help on some worthy project promoted for the general betterment of Abilene and the adjacent territory.

Mr. Oswalt takes genuine pleasure in this method of showing his appreciation for his success, and in so doing recognizes his civic responsibility to the home community.

It is such men as Z. Oswalt who become acknowledged leaders in both business and community activities, and we compliment him on having attained that position in his city.

John Graham And Fred Bell

Most cities, if they amount to much, are man made. They do not just happen. It has been the realization of its more progressive citizens that their city must grow and prosper and be something other than just another place on the map that has brought results and made it possible for the city of Abilene to be an outstanding one, and for those within it to prosper.

John Graham and Fred Bell, general superintendents for Harry Campbell, Contractor, are two of those men to whom much credit must go for playing no small part in the growth and development of Abilene and the surrounding area.

Mr. Graham and Mr. Bell would be the last men to mention the matter, but when the call goes forth to rally round something worthwhile for the community, they are among the first to volunteer. But their friends are outspoken in paying them this well deserved tribute, and they do so because of a thorough knowledge of their activities. Successful in their own business, Fred Bell and John Graham are equally successful in the promotion of civic progress.

Thomas Graves

The city of Abilene has assumed its place of importance in this section of the state because of the efforts of farseeing business and professional men who have helped in developing its industry or in some manner, extended the trade advantages of the locality. One of the men who has taken an important part in many progressive movements is Thomas Graves of The Thomas Graves Company.

Mr. Graves has devoted his share of time and energy to the growth and development of Abilene and this district and it is

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fitting at this time that we attempt to express in a small way, our appreciation for his unselfish contributions to the general welfare of the community. He is a man of wide acquaintance whose many friends admire and respect in him those virtues which inspire confidence and promote good feeling. His upright business methods are but an outward reflection of his inherent appreciation for fair practices. We congratulate Thomas Graves on his splendid record of service and wish him continued success.

Belle Plain Club News

The Belle Plain Community Club met at the Community Center, Jan. 26 with Mrs. John

Hughes as hostess. Mrs. Dick Young was co-hostess.

Mrs. Young was acting president in the absence of the president and vice-president who could not be present due to illness in their family.

It was voted to have a Valentine box at the next meeting which will be in the home of Maurine Eubanks, Feb. 9.

There was a March of Dimes party at the Community Center Saturday night, Jan. 30 with Mrs. S. N. Dunlap as hostess, Mrs. Dick Young and Mrs. W. R. Stroope were co-hostesses.

We were proud to welcome Mrs. Alma Lewis and Mrs. Mabel Atkins as new members.

After the business meeting we placed quilt blocks for the host-

Those present were: Mmes. Dick Young, Earl Hughes, W. R. Stroope, Jesse Gilliland, Roy Higgins, S. N. Dunlap, Jr., J. O. Warren, Alma Lewis, Mabel Atkins, and John Hughes.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Farrell and daughter of Abilene, were visiting friends here last Saturday.

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BLACK'S

RECIPE OF THE WEEK
By Mary Lee Taylor
Meat Ball Stew

FRESH DRESSED FRYERS, lb. 49c

CHOICE BEEF ROASTS, lb. 49c

1 lb. ground lean beef
 1/2 cup fat
 1/2 cup Evaporated Milk
 2 teaspoons salt
 1/4 cup raw rice
 1/4 teaspoon pepper

2 Tablespoons hot fat
 1 can tomato soup
 1 1/4 cups water
 2 cups cut-up carrots
 8 small onions

Mix well the beef, milk, 1 teasp. salt the rice and pepper. Shape into 8 balls. Brown slowly on all sides in hot fat. Remove meat balls and drain fat from skillet. Mix in the skillet the soup, water and remaining 1 teasp. salt. Add carrots, onions and meat balls. Heat to boiling, cover tightly and cook over low heat 45 minutes, or until vegetables are tender. Turn meat balls twice while cooking. Serve hot. Makes 4 servings.

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