

# Polio Vaccine Validity Study Starts Early This Year

Plans are now being made by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis for large scale testing of a polio vaccine to determine how effective it is in protecting against the disease under natural conditions of exposure it was announced today by Basil O'Connor, president.

The head of the National Foundation made his statement following the report on polio vaccine studies presented by Dr. Jonas E. Salk of the University of Pittsburgh at the annual meeting in Miami of the American Academy of Pediatrics. The Pittsburgh scientist's investigations are being supported with March of Dimes funds.

"I know the American people, whose support over the years has made all of this possible, are as gratified as we are with the promising progress in the fight against polio," Mr. O'Connor. "And on the basis of Dr. Salk's recent findings, as well as on the studies of other scientists, the National Foundation is now formulating definite plans for an evaluation of the effectiveness of a polio vaccine."

As soon as plans are complete, Mr. O'Connor indicated, the details of the vaccine validity study will be made known. It is hoped, he said, that the study can get underway in the early part of this year. In general, such a validity test would entail

the vaccination of hundreds of thousands of children during a non-epidemic period and then observing what protection resulted when outbreaks of polio next visited their communities, he explained.

Mr. O'Connor pointed out that since 1949 remarkable progress had taken place in polio research. That year witnessed the removal of a major obstacle which was blocking the efforts of scientists in developing a means of preventing polio. Another scientist supported by the National Foundation — Dr. John F. Enders of Harvard and the Children's Hospital in Boston — accomplished this with the discovery of a method for growing polio virus in test-tube cultures of non-nervous tissue, Mr. O'Connor explained.

In less than two years this was followed by another achievement — the identification of three types of polio virus capable of causing the human disease. That knowledge resulted from the cooperative efforts of teams of scientists from the universities of Southern California, Utah, Kansas and Pittsburgh. These two major discoveries — both of which were made possible by the American public's support — are fundamentally responsible for the recent rapid advances in the fight against infantile paralysis, Mr. O'Connor said.

# The Baird Star

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BOOST BAIRD IN 1953

## East Lamar Trips Eula 49-47, For A.A.U. Title At Duncanville

Diminutive Helen Temple caned a one-handed push shot with two seconds remaining to give East Lamar a surprising 49-to-47 victory over Eula and the championship of the annual Southwest AAU High School Girls Basketball Tournament at Duncanville Saturday night.

Temple stalled for almost a half minute, eyed the clock furiously, decided the worst her

team could expect was an overtime period and let fly. Her aim was perfect and East Lamar, an unheralded entry, walked off with the title.

Eula was runner-up for the second straight year.

Emory, defeating Galatin, 48 to 32, in a surprisingly easy contest, also finished third for the second straight year.

The consolation bracket championship went to Cayuga, 66 to 54, over Karnack.

Temple, who sparked her team through four games—three of them close—was named the outstanding player of the tournament following her clutch performance. She connected for 33 points and game scoring honors.

Eula's Jean Farmer, an all-tournament first team selection for the past two years, was individual scoring runner-up with 28 points. She also was the tournament's high scorer with 123 points in five games.

Twenty-two teams a record entry, competed in the five-day tournament.

Trophies were presented to the first four teams and the consolation champions, and individual awards went to all members of the champion and runner-up clubs.

Jean Farmer and Nancy McClure were selected on the all-tournament first team, with Jo Farmer selected on the second team.

## Mrs. W. H. Miller Rites Wednesday

Last rites for Mrs. W. H. Miller, 69, were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the South Side Baptist Church, Abilene, with Rev. Mack Richardson, retired Abilene Baptist minister, officiating, assisted by Rev. Lenal Hester, pastor of the Central Methodist Church in Dalhart.

Burial was in Depton Valley Cemetery under the direction of Elliott's Funeral Home.

Mrs. Miller died at 10:40 p.m. Monday at her home, 1601 Matarador St., Abilene.

She was born the former Alice Kendrick on Aug. 6, 1884, in the Denton Valley community in Callahan County. She married H. W. Caldwell there in 1904. Mr. Caldwell died in 1945.

She married W. H. Miller in Abilene in 1952.

Survivors include her husband; three sons, Luther Caldwell of Abilene, Howard and Milton Caldwell, both of Bryan; a sister, Mrs. H. L. Willeford of Lubbock; one brother, Elby Kendrick, Gustine; and three grandchildren.

## Cross Plains Girls Trim Baird Teams

Cross Plains Girls' basketball team grabbed two games in a double-header Tuesday, Dec. 29, with the Baird A and B teams.

In the opener Baird B took an early lead and held it for most of two quarters, but the visitors managed to tie the game by the half and again at the third quarter and came out front to win in the fourth quarter 18-16. Scores at other quarters were 6-4, 12-12 and 14-14. High point for Baird was Dorothy Schaf-frina with 9. Caldwell made 4, and Norma Barton 3. High for Cross Plains were Baxter with 10 and Bryan with 5.

Cross Plains took an early lead in the A game and were never threatened. Scores by quarters were 4-16, 11-24, 13-28 and the final score 37-14. Point makers for Baird were Shelmutt with 7, Betcher 4, and Cummings 3. For the visitors Velda Crow was high with 25 and Dillard 6. Baird's main-string forward, Delaverne Simmons, was unable to play.

Outstanding guards in the A game were Rosie Monzello for Baird and McNutt for Cross Plains, with Beth Welch for Baird B and Dillard for Cross Plains B.

## Baird Football Schedule Announced

Coach C. E. Brandon has announced the 1954 football schedule for the Baird Bears. The Bears open the 1954 season on September 3 at home against Class A Cross Plains and close with a District 13-B game with Gorman, November 12.

All of the Bears' non-conference games next fall will be with Class A opposition - Cross Plains, Merkel, Clyde, Rising Star and Bangs.

The complete schedule:

- Sept. 3 — Cross Plains at Baird
- Sept. 10 — Open Date
- Sept. 17 — Baird at Merkel
- Sept. 24 — Bangs at Baird
- Oct. 1 — Clyde at Baird
- Oct. 8 — Rising Star at Baird
- Oct. 15 — South Taylor at Baird
- Oct. 22 — Baird at Strawn
- Oct. 29 — Baird at Moran
- Nov. 5 — Baird at Carbon
- Nov. 12 — Baird at Gorman

## Council Authorizes Issuance Of Bonds

At a Special Meeting held Tuesday night, Jan. 5th, 1954, the City Council passed an ordinance for the issuance of the Electric Revenue and Refunding Bonds voted at the December election.

The bonds were sold to The First Southwest Company of Dallas, Mr. Wm. C. Jackson, President of the company, and Mr. C. M. Smith, Branch Manager from Abilene, were present at the meeting to complete all final details of the transaction.

## Rowden Post Office To Be Discontinued

Postmaster J. Brice Jones has been notified by Assistant Postmaster General, N. R. Abrams, that the Rowden, Texas Post Office will be discontinued effective January 31, 1954. After discontinuance all mail for the patrons of said office will be received, delivered and accounted for by the Baird Post Office through Star Route Carrier, James W. Burks.

## Mrs. Chas. L. Robinson Joined by Sister

Mrs. Chas. L. Robinson joined by her sister, Miss Dottie Wilson of Ft. Worth, spent the Christmas holidays with their sisters, Mrs. Lawrence Jensen and Mrs. Jack Maddox of Holtville, Calif.

# Candidates Open Campaigns Subject to July Primaries

## J. L. FARMER SEEKS RE-ELECTION AS JUDGE

To The Citizens of Callahan County:

In announcing my candidacy for re-election to the office of County Judge, I wish to express my sincere thanks to each of you for the courtesy, goodwill and loyalty shown me. I am deeply grateful for these favors and I have made every effort to fulfill the trust and confidence placed in me.

I feel you are aware of the duties that are required in the County Judge's Office and how it affects every citizen in the County. The importance of these duties have been carefully and closely studied and I have made it a practice to carry out this program for the best interest of all concerned. With this experience I feel that I am capable and better qualified to render the service you are due and expect. I trust I may continue to merit your goodwill and friendly attitude.

If at any time I can help you please feel free to call on me.

Sincerely,  
J. L. Farmer

## J. W. PATTON SEEKS SHERIFF'S OFFICE

To The Voters of Callahan County:

After careful consideration, I have decided to offer myself as a candidate for the office of Sheriff and Tax Assessor-Collector of Callahan County. I am mindful of the duties and responsibilities of the office, having served as a deputy under two different sheriffs in the County and believe the experience gained will enable me to serve you as your Chief Peace Officer.

I have spent most of my life in Callahan County, and am interested in the welfare of all the people of the county. I invite your investigation of my qualifications and record, and assure you that if you should elect me as your sheriff, I shall devote all my efforts to making you a good officer, discharging my duties fairly and impartially. I trust that I shall have the pleasure of meeting each voter personally before the primary.

Very respectfully yours,  
J. W. (Wes) Patton

## L. C. CASH ASKS RE-ELECTION TO OFFICE

To The Citizens of Callahan County:

In making my announcement as a candidate for re-election to the office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, I wish to express my appreciation for past favors and for the cooperation shown me by the school officials and the Citizenry of Callahan County. I have attempted to give the schools the aid they are entitled to get from this office. It has been my aim to give whatever assistance they requested that would in any way contribute to the improvement of their school program.

May I invite you to inquire of the officials of the school in your Community as to whether I have performed the duties of this office in a manner that will merit your continued support. I will always do my best to meet the requirements of this office in carrying out the type of school program you want.

Sincerely,  
L. C. Cash

## I. G. MOBLEY ASKS FOR RE-ELECTION

I. G. Mobley has asked The Baird Star to publish that he is a candidate for re-election for Commissioner of Precinct No. 3. His official announcement will be published at a later date.

## Basketball Game

Baird will meet Slim Willet's Ice Cream Boys, of Abilene, in a basketball game at the local gym Monday night, Jan. 11. Everyone is invited to attend. Game starts at 7:30.

It is not definite whether or not Slim Willet will accompany his team here or not.

## MRS. CORRIE DRISKILL ASKS RETURN AT DISTRICT CLERK

To The Citizens of Callahan County:

I hereby authorize The Baird Star to make public my announcement as a candidate for re-election to the office of District Clerk of Callahan County, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary election. I wish to first extend my sincere thanks to all the people of the county for their loyal support during my previous campaigns as well as the fine cooperation given me during my tenure of office. You gave me a splendid vote in the last election, and I hope you will see fit to show such favor of my candidacy in the coming election.

Being reared in Callahan County and knowing the people of the county so well, I feel that you are aware of the manner in which I have performed the duties of District Clerk's office in the past. The District Clerk's office is of vital importance to every citizen, and it has been my chief desire to do my work well and keep the records of the court efficiently and in order.

While I feel that all of you are my close friends, I do not aspire to the office I seek merely on friendship, but upon my ability to serve you.

I earnestly solicit your support and influence during the coming election.

Sincerely,  
Corrie Driskill

## MISS HAZEL REYNOLDS SEEKS RE-ELECTION

To The People of Callahan County:

In announcing my candidacy for re-election to the office of County Treasurer of Callahan County, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, first I wish to thank you for your friendship and for the splendid support you have given me in the past. I realize that close cooperation with the other county officials and the public is essential to the efficient performance of the duties of this office, and I have tried in every way to meet these requirements and discharge the duties of this office satisfactorily.

I feel that I am better qualified after having the experience that I have had, and will be able to render a more efficient service as County Treasurer in the future. I will continue to serve you to the best of my ability if you see fit to re-elect me to this office.

Your continued friendship and support in behalf of my candidacy will be gratefully appreciated.

Sincerely,  
Hazel Reynolds

## CLYDE T. FLOYD ASKS RE-ELECTION IN JULY

In announcing my candidacy for re-election to the office of County Commissioner, Precinct 2, I wish to first express my sincere thanks to all the citizens of our Precinct for their loyalty and many favors extended to me during the time I have served in the capacity of Commissioner. I wish also to extend my appreciation to all of the people of Callahan County for their cooperation and many ways in which they have assisted me in performing my duties as County Commissioner for the best interests of Precinct 2 and the County as a whole.

If I am re-elected to this office, I want to assure the citizens of our precinct that I will continue to give the responsibilities of the Commissioner's office my very best thought and effort.

When election time comes around, I will earnestly appreciate your vote. Between now and the primary election, I will greatly value your support and influence.

Clyde T. Floyd  
Commissioner Precinct 2

## W. L. BOWLUS ANNOUNCES FOR JUSTICE OF PEACE

To The Citizens of Precinct No. 1, Callahan County, Texas

My Friends and Neighbors:

In submitting to you, my candidacy for the Office of Justice of the Peace of this Precinct - permit me to say: For the past few months, I have made a diligent effort to familiarize myself with the duties of the Office, so that I could render you a service that would be entirely satisfactory. I have endeavored at all times to be fair, honest and just, and have not permitted partiality or animosity to enter into any of the various phases of my duties.

I have enjoyed the work and the association with the various officers charged with law enforcement and have endeavored to be co-operative at all times.

My sincere thanks to each of you, who can and will see your way clear to support me in the coming Primary, and you may rest assured that I will at all times, so conduct myself and the duties of the office in such a manner as to cause you no regret for having cast your vote for me.

Respectfully yours,  
W. L. Bowlus

## Mr. and Mrs. George Plummer and Mr. and Mrs. Denver Carille and son, Kenneth of Seymour visited Mr. and Mrs. Felix Mitchell last Sunday.

Cleo Ivy ad Mr. and Mrs. Jack Tatum visited Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thompson and children in Clinton, Okla., during the holiday season.

## SWEET 'N SOUR

By A. DILL

Have you boxed up the last of the Christmas ornaments and taken down the remnants of cedar and holly? Wednesday, the twelfth night, was the traditional time for it. Children from most of the Latin countries celebrated Wednesday as the day they received the bulk of their Christmas gifts, delivered not by Santa Claus, but by the three Kings of the Orient, for Wednesday was Epiphany. At our house we scanned the hills for the first glimpse of the silver and gold trappings of the Wise Men's camels and put out our shoes in hopes that the food we tucked in for the camels would be replaced by disappointed gifts. We weren't of thinking, this and to our way to close a holiday is lovely way to spend a holiday season which was never meant to be abruptly over on Christmas morning.

We had lots of wonderful Christmas mall and we want you to know that we appreciated all of it. We loved the card from Curley Seals, but then we love Curley too. There was a note attached that she reads and likes the column and that we are going to keep and on cloudy days we'll read it again and there'll be sunshine all over the place.

There was a lovely letter too, from Sophia Walker Blair way out in California, who remembers her friends and relatives in Baird and keeps up with them via the Star. She was particularly interested in an issue of the paper in which we made mention of Darlene and Johnny Walker's baby son, and in case she hasn't see that young man lately we will pass on the information that he get prettier and smarter all the time.

A Christmas card which pleased Linda was one from "Honey Boy", Edna Yonge's Chihuahua puppy, with a handkerchief inclosed. Linda looks at it each day and always remarks, "Wasn't that nice of him?" So at her request we take this means of wishing Honey Boy a very Happy New Year and a happy any other holiday that may be coming up soon.

We saw an excellent portrait drawing in charcoal which Tommy Stanley did as a gift for his parents and it showed a great deal of talent that Tommy would do well to work on.

Edwin Ault came over the other day and introduced us to the newest member of their family - Bimbo, the cutest little black chow puppy you ever saw.

Arthur Young at the Callahan Insurance Company is to be congratulated on one of the nicest calendars we have seen this year. There is valuable information on the reverse side of each leaf and space of memos. We appreciate the one we received.

By the way, this is school census time. Mrs. Frankie Crow and the Junior Class are in charge of this work and they will be grateful for any help which you may be able to give them. It is certainly to the school's benefit to list every school age child in the community, so if your children haven't been listed won't you please contact Mrs. Crow as soon as possible?

And that seals it up for this week, but you drop in next Friday when the Star comes your way again?

## Rotary Test Set South Of Clyde

Location for a 4,000-foot rotary wildcat was set three miles south of Clyde, Callahan County, as Currie & Wylie and M. D. St. John No. 2 John Windham.

Drill site is 4,350 feet from the north and 2,100 feet from the west lines of J. O. Young Survey 523.

The new test is located three-fourths mile northwest of same operators' No. 1 John Windham, plugged at 4,670 feet.

Morris Mizell & M. D. St. John No. 1 Sam Windham, W. C. Jenks Survey 382, wildcat one mile southwest of Oplin, was plugged at 3,864 feet.

Elm Oil Co., Dallas, staked two new locations on the Loven Ranch Field four miles north of Oplin. Both are slated for 1,700 feet with rotary.

The firm's No. 5 Olivena Loven spots 150 feet from the north and 220 feet from the west lines of the south-half in the southeast quarter in G. W. Denton Survey 363.

No. 6 Olivena Loven is located 455 feet from the north and 195 feet from the west lines of the south-half in the southeast quarter of that same survey.

Location was set in the Mill-iorn Field, three miles southeast of Eula, for L. A. Hedrick of Wichita Falls No. 1-B W. E. Mill-ion, slated for 1,400 feet with cable tools.

Site is 150 feet from the north and west lines of the southwest quarter in the southwest quarter of Section 20, BBB&C Survey.

T. A. Kirk, Eastland, and association staked location for No. 2 C. M. Lelew, contracted for 1,800 feet with rotary.

Location is two miles southeast of Dudley, 1,864 feet from the west and 899 feet from the south lines of G. W. Denton Survey 360.

A wildcat was plugged at 4,262 feet in the area six miles east of Oplin at S. C. Herring, Abilene No. 1 Frank Windham, Section 153, GH&H Survey.

Three miles southwest of Baird, Abe Susman of Dallas No. 1 J. R. Black, wildcat in Sub-division 24, Victoria CSL Survey 336, was plugged at 1,704 feet.

## Clyde Beats Eula In 16-B Opener

The Clyde Bulldogs defeated Eula, 44-34, in their District 16-B basketball opener at Eula Tuesday night.

Jimmy Hicks led the winners with 18 points with Hulen Spurrier and Bill Barr sinking 10 each for Eula.

Jean Farmer of Eula and Shirley Shipman of Clyde tied for high point honors with 28 points each as the Eula girls whipped Clyde, 64-43.

## NOTICE

The American Legion Auxiliary will meet Monday night, Jan. 11, at 6:30 o'clock, in the Legion Hut. All members are urged to attend this meeting.

## NOTICE

There will be a meeting of the American Legion, Tuesday night, Jan. 12th at 7:00 p.m. All members are urged to attend this very important meeting at the Legion Hut.



**HOW STRONG ARE WE?**

As a new year begins, it is the part of wisdom for a nation, like a business, to review its assets and its liabilities.

On the credit side, the United States has an unrivaled standard of living. Our men and women enjoy wages and working conditions superior to those existing anywhere else. The tide of goods and services that flows endlessly along the American production and distribution line staggers the imagination. Materially speaking, business, agriculture and labor are doing well.

We have a political system which comes as close to being responsive to the wishes of the people as any one can conceive of. In the last presidential election the people removed from power a party which had been in control for 20 years and put another in its place. In some future election the party now in power will be replaced. But no heads roll; no purges are held; the losers are not liquidated. All are free to air their views.

We are no longer actually at war, unsatisfactory as the Korean situation is. If recent reports are correct, our military strength and that of Western Europe have shown remarkable improvement. The chance of another world war is less than it was.

So much for the credit side of the ledger. What of the debits?

The most disheartening domestic development of recent times has been the growing dependence of millions of people on government, mainly the federal government, to provide services and benefits that, if a free system is to be preserved, must remain the responsibility of the individual and the family group. There has been a blind seeking for a kind of cradle-to-the-grave security whose end, in the sweep of history, has always been the sapping of moral fiber and spiritual values and ultimate slavery. The most obvious manifestations of super-government are crushing taxes and mounting national debts, and the inevitable undermining of economic and political freedoms.

Another phase of the debit side is found in the long strides that have been made in either socializing outright American enterprises and resources, or in subjecting them to so much government dictation and control that socialization comes ever nearer. And socialism, historically, is but the forerunner of communism or some similar system of government by oppression and terror.

It is true that our present government is pledged to reverse this deadly process. It is true that some heartening steps in that direction have been made. It is equally true that the forces that would destroy our free system and replace it with a very different kind of system are still awaiting their chance.

As a matter of self preservation we must put the welfare of the nation first in considering important national issues, because our jobs, our businesses, our farms, and our liberties depend upon the perpetuation of a strong nation of self-governing people.

What the decision will be depends entirely upon our moral strength. Will we welcome policies and programs that are in accord with we accept the temporary financial associations that such policies and programs may create? It will not be easy to end the era of do-all, give-all government. But, if the traditions and ideals to which we all pay lip service, and which have made us great and strong are to be preserved, it is as necessary as the air we breathe.

Nineteen fifty-four will be a year to test whether the American people will have what it takes to maintain themselves as independent individuals.

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On The Spot

**Down Memory Lane**

January 10, 1913

Mr. P. H. Heeger, principal owner of the Baird Light and Ice Co., spent Sunday and Monday in town.

Miss Ruby Hill spent several days in town last week at the home of her aunt, Mrs. M. Franklin.

Miss Elsie Cheek, who has been spending the holidays at her home in Abilene, has returned to Baird.

Henry Preston and Ed Burleson, of Tecumseh, were in town Monday and Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Ray, of Shaw, Miss., who came out to spend Christmas with Mrs. Ray's sister, Mrs. Lamar Smith, left Saturday for their home.

Mrs. M. W. Uzzell left yesterday for her home in Childress, where she will be accompanied by her mother, Mrs. A. Cook, who will spend the remainder of the winter there. Mrs. Cook is recovering from quite a severe illness and we hope the change will benefit her.

January 12, 1934

Mrs. Dock Isenhour of Cisco was in Baird Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Moore of Caddo Peak, were in town yesterday.

Mrs. Looney and daughter, Mrs. Pete Armour of Oplin were in Baird Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Flint of Ranger and Mr. H. F. Jarrett of Big Spring were weekend visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Jarrett. Mrs. Jarrett fell last week and fractured her arm, which is some better now.

Mrs. R. W. Bailey and three daughter, have returned to their home in McLean after spending the holidays with Mrs. Bailey's brother, E. C. Fulton and family. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Percy King, of Baird on Sunday, Jan. 7, 1934 a little daughter, who was named Margaret Ann, being named for her grandmothers.

S. V. Tarrant of Eula was a Baird visitor Wednesday.

B. E. Higgins of Admiral was in town Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cook and son, Don, of Lawton, Okla., visited his mother, Mrs. W. J. Cook and other relatives here during the holidays.

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**CHRISTMAS GIFT EXCHANGES NOT LEGALLY REQUIRED OF MERCHANTS**

The season for returning Christmas gifts to stores for exchange is now upon us. Most business establishments are as cooperative as possible about this annual American pastime, but before getting into any arguments with a reluctant clerk or manager, better take a look at the legal situation involved. You may find that persuasion is more in order than demands for adjustment.

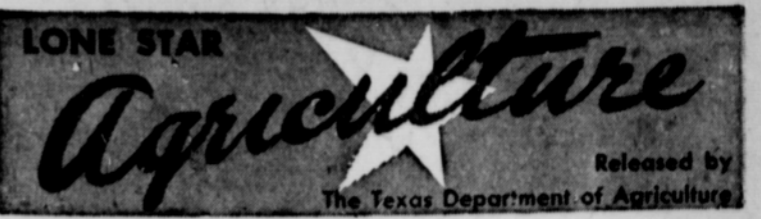
Department stores are under no legal obligation to take back a purchase and refund your money or deliver other goods in exchange just because you changed your mind. Most stores do make refunds and exchanges, but that is because it is their policy to do so—not because they are required to.

However, a promise to refund or exchange merchandise made by the store or the salesman should be honored. Similarly, if a store misrepresents the quality of certain goods or if the goods are defective, you are justified in expecting a satisfactory adjustment. But you have no more legal right to expect a store to refund or exchange because you change your mind about a purchase than the store has to ask you to give back the goods that were sold to you because it didn't want to sell them after all.

Suppose you buy a coat in one store and find that another company has it on sale for five dollars less. Must the store where you bought it take back the coat and give you a refund, or refund the difference in price? The seller is under no obligation to refund the difference, any more than he could make you pay the difference if he discovered that a competitor offered the same coat at a higher price than he had charged for it.

Much the same rules apply to the refund of deposits. Unless it is the policy of a store to refund deposits on articles, or at least apply the amount on the purchase of some other item, the buyer is obligated to go through with the terms of the contract, even though he has changed his mind about the purchase.

When one selects, orders, and deposits money on the purchase of an article, the store is under obligation to deliver the article in accordance with the terms of the sale. If the buyer refuses to accept the articles or pay the remainder of the purchase price,



**OUTLOOK FOR THE NEW YEAR**

The year of 1953 is a past issue, agriculturally speaking, but its effects linger on.

It was a year of extremes, too—extreme drouth, extremely warm weather and extremely cold, extremely good crops in some commodities—extremely poor ones in others.

Many farmers are taking up another notch in their belts to help relieve some of the hardships suffered in the unending dry weather that plagued a large part of Texas this year. Other farmers gratefully remember the rains that snapped the record setting drouth in their own area.

The beginning of another agricultural year is the time, traditionally, for a liberal dose of optimism, judiciously sprinkled with some practical plans based on current situations.

Farm prices took a surprising drop in 1953. But economists tell us that prices in 1954 should average close to current levels. No marked change in the domestic demand for food and other farm products appears likely in 1954 and those all important foreign exports are expected to at least hold their own at the present rate.

This past year has had a sobering effect in some cases. But these setbacks can be remedied.

The farm price drops, the collapse of the livestock market, and further cuts in production goals in several commodities, particularly cotton, calls for more diligent efforts to produce an equal or better profit margin in '54.

Farmers and ranchmen are now taking inventory of their operations to insure themselves of a business with a profit this coming year. This is the time to consider crop changes that can be made in order to produce the biggest return for the dollars spent.

These changes are not new. Yet, they are necessary to keep agriculture thriving. The grower who resists changes in his crop productions may find himself working "in the red".

Taking these changes into consideration, then practical ideas and shrewd planning is a "must" to ensure advancement of agricultural methods that will produce a net result "in the black" for Texas farmers and ranchmen this new year.

**Rowden Round-Up**

By Thelda Crow  
Community Activities Reliably Reported by The Star Reporter

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Odie Smedley and Pearl, Sunday, were Mr. and Mrs. Voncille Gibbs and Judy, Mrs. Lella Gibbs and Mr. and Mrs. Blain Odom and children.

Mrs. Voncille Gibbs and Judy visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Elliott and Pauline Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Crow and Thelda visited Mrs. Crow's mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Cutbirth Sunday.

Visiting in the home of Mrs. Annie Miller and Ray Boen over the Christmas holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Jue Garrett of Austin and Miss Jo Hess Miller of Midland.

Everyone enjoyed the musical held at the Rowden Community Center Saturday night.

Lt. and Mrs. Carl Mauldin of Oklahoma left Sunday morning to return home after spending some time with Carl's folks during the Christmas holidays.

Bro. Hennely of Welch, Texas preached the sermon at the Rowden Baptist Church Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy King of Harlingen, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gloster King, friends and other relatives here during the holidays.

the seller can take legal action against him, according to the terms of the contract.

The same principles apply to a trade-in allowance on used merchandise towards the purchase of a new article. Such a trade-in allowance is considered the same as a deposit.

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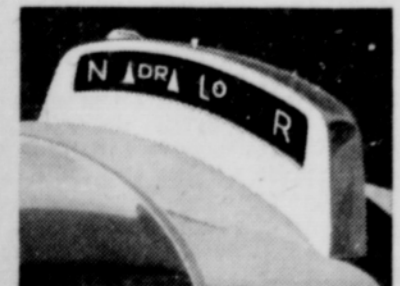
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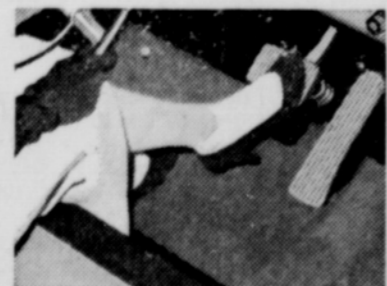
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## SCHOOL NEWS

### THIRD AND FOURTH GRADE

School is about one-half over and we are anxious to begin studying science.

We are singing our winter songs in our room. We are going to make a border of snowmen for decorations. In fact in art we are spatter-painting snowflakes, that we have cut in our own patterns. For story hour, we are reading true animal stories.

Johnny Lee visited William, Saturday. They went hunting but did not catch anything.

Alice Everett of Cisco, visited Gayle Friday night Saturday. Gayle visited Alice in Cisco and rode her new bicycle.

Ricky was shopping in Cisco, Saturday.

Joeroy saw the show in Cross Plains, Saturday afternoon.

Linda went fishing Saturday, but had the usual luck of a fisherman. Gary and Jerry, her cousins from Abilene, visited her Sunday afternoon.

Marvin Wayne helped dehorn cattle, Friday, Saturday he went to the show in Cisco.

Joan spent a quiet weekend at home.

William went down in the sister at his home, Saturday. He said "I felt funny when I looked up at the top."

Carolyn Sue drove down to Cross Plains New Year's Day.

Clifford, with some other boys, went crayfishing Saturday. They caught about 200.

Larry Joe pulled cotton, Saturday. He went to the show in Cisco, Sunday.

Billie Fern spent the weekend in Cisco with her grandmother Helms. While there she went to the show, Sunday she attended church.

### SEVENTH AND EIGHTH GRADE

Marcelle Lynn entertained the 7th and 8th grades at her home Wednesday afternoon with a birthday party for Carolyn Fraser of Buffalo Gap. Carolyn has been visiting Marcelle.

The elementary boys played Clyde and lost 29-23.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. West and son James and daughter, Elsie Lee spent the weekend in San Saba, visiting Mr. West's mother, Mrs. J. F. West, brother Mr. and Mrs. T. H. West and sister Mrs. D. B. McCall.

## Putnam Personals . . .

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

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Taylor and sons, Wayne and Carrol and daughter, Patsy, of Rankin, spent the Christmas holidays in Denver, Colo., visiting Mrs. Taylor's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Burno of 4870 Tejon St. They report a wonderful trip, seeing lots of snow and ice. Bryant stayed home to take care of the business - which business Bryant? Seems as though headquarters seemed to have been over Cisco way.

Fred Graham and Dale Wirt went to Glen Rose Saturday and visited friends and relatives there. They drove home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Perkins spent New Year's Day in Abilene with Mrs. Perkins' parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Zuber.

M. N. Thorne was a business visitor in Eden Monday.

Delores Sargent gave a New Year's party for Putnam High School. Twenty-three attended. Those visiting at the party were Carolyn Bint of Cisco, Joe Ellison Pruet, Abilene, Homer Taylor and Wayne Taylor. All report a wonderful time.

Walter Burch, professor at ACC spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Perkins. Mr. and Mrs. Lynn and family visited in their home Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Earl Jobe went to Abilene Saturday to visit her daughter, Mrs. Troy Caraway. Sunday she went to Clyde and spent the night at her son's George Jobe who has recently made his home in Clyde.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Black spent Friday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jobe.

Mrs. Lula Dixon was a business visitor in Baird, Monday morning. She was purchasing material in order that she may have her roof fixed. That is perhaps a good idea for anyone for we will have high winds soon and everyone knows what that means to a roof that isn't properly fixed. Mrs. Dixon believes a stitch in time will save nine.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Halcome and children of Midland, were weekend visitors with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Sar-

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## Chapping Conditions Now Prevalent

State Health Officer Geo. W. Cox looked at the calendar today and saw chapping weather ahead.

"Two weather changes—dew point and barometric pressure—cause skin to chap and crack," the season-conscious Dr. Cox pointed out. "Chapping is always more frequent and severe from December through February."

That is the time of year when weather forecasts are likely to read: "low barometric pressure, moist air followed by sudden high pressure and dryness with low dew point." It adds up to real chapping conditions.

Dew point is the temperature

gent. Karen Halcome is now visiting with the Sargents.

Mrs. Mary Ramsey went to Abilene with Walter and Ollie, Monday morning for an X-ray check, which showed her hip to be healing nicely. The doctor stated she could start in the walker but not to put any weight on her leg as yet. She will be able to put her weight on her foot in about two months. She is feeling wonderful.

Mr. Orville White of Andrews and Mrs. Lynden White of Formington, Okla. were weekend visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Lee White.

Mrs. Veda Yarbrough visited with Mrs. John Isenhower, Monday afternoon.

Miss Ruth Mobley and Mrs. Mable Carrico drove to Gorman over the weekend to visit with their sister, Mrs. Mary McHaffey. Pfc. Bill Everett returned to San Antonio, Sunday.

Mrs. A. J. Hurst and Lesley and Stanley Caldwell returned Sunday from a two week visit with her daughter, Mrs. Melvin Stewart, at Electra.

Mrs. Milton Sargent drove to Cross Plains Monday night to attend the initiation of her niece and nephew. Mr. and Mrs. John Allen Pruet, into the Eastern Star Lodge.

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at which moisture begins to condense into visible form. It makes a useful index of actual humidity. When it is low, chapping can be severe.

Wind hastens chapping, too, Dr. Cox commented, especially when skin is wet. Quick evaporation is the big factor here. Dryness might actually be increased by hot water, soap, or the so-called protective oils, lotions, and creams. A day's injury sometimes takes weeks to heal.

A chapped condition can run the gamut from plain dryness and itching to splits and fissures which bleed and crust.

An artificial humidifier in the house would be a big help, the health officer said, but you could probably get the quickest relief by checking with your doctor.

And if you happen to have a psychrometer, an instrument which determines humidity, you'll be able to foresee chapping weather ahead and take precautions. Don't think in terms of "relative humidity," though. That indicates the percentage of atmospheric saturation at a given temperature, and is unreliable because warm air can hold more water vapor than cold air. For example, relative humidity of 80 percent indicates far less moisture at 40 degrees than it does when the thermometer stands at 60 degrees.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Gray, of Snyder, spent New Year's Day in Baird visiting the C. E. Andrews and the S. L. McElroys.

Mrs. John McClendon returned home Sunday after spending a week in Coleman with the Bates Baugh family.

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## Scout News

The Boy Scouts met Monday evening with their Scout Master, P. L. Butler. All Scouts were present.

This was a very interesting meeting. Carrol Taylor came before the Board of Review for his Eagle Scout Rank and came through with flying colors. The other Scouts cheered and congratulated Carrol for his achievement, it being the highest rank in scouting. A total of 21 merit badges was required and Carrol had 27, six above the required number. Carrol joined the Scouts in April, 1950.

The Board of Review was composed of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Francisco and Mrs. J. O. Taylor, Carrol's mother. All were well pleased with Carrol's work, including the Scout Master, who complimented him very highly. This makes two Eagle Scout sons for Mr. and Mrs. Taylor. We can imagine how proud they must be of them. We too, are proud of them. This makes a total of ten Eagle Scouts for Putnam. We are looking forward to several more in the future. Special thanks to Mr. Butler, who is so faithful and persistent with the boys.

## The Lone Star Club

The Lone Star Club met in the home of Mrs. Charlie Davis with Mrs. Charles Davis, Jr., as hostess. There were eight to answer roll call.

The program was well presented and was very interesting.

The same officers were re-elected to office and will be named at a later date. After adjournment refreshments were served and the ladies enjoyed visiting until time to go home.

Mrs. Burette Ramsey visited in Dallas last week with her nieces Lillian and Edwina.

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## FREE PROGRAM FOR FARM FAMILIES ON JOHN DEERE DAY

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Choosing the guest of honor for the Mapleton centennial celebration provides occasion for all kinds of conflict in the picture "Mr. Christmas," feature presentation of the forthcoming John Deere Day.

"Mr. Christmas," a full-length, full-color entertainment feature, will highlight the John Deere program planned for farmers and their families by The Shackelfords, local John Deere dealer. The program is to be held at the Putnam High School on Jan. 13. The affair is scheduled to start at 7:00 p.m.

The picture, "Mr. Christmas," is filmed specially for John Deere Day, is the story of a small community's centennial celebration and how it affects the lives of the people who live there.

Erville Alderson as Abijah Dean heads a cast of outstanding Hollywood players that includes B. G. Norman, Barbara Woodell, Lloyd Corrigan, Minor Watson, Chic Chandler, Milburn Stone, Kirby Grant, and Emory Parnell.

"Mr. Christmas," is filmed in beautiful color and the story runs the gamut of emotions from the touching to the tickling, and promises the audience many moments of suspense. Other films included on the program are "The Job Ahead," telling of the

## W. A. Everett's Granddaughter Wed

In a Christmas setting at Baptist Temple, Thursday, Dec. 24, in San Antonio, Miss Lou Beth Harris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Edwin Harris, became the bride of Kenneth Earl Jackson, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hardy Jackson.

Dr. Vernon Elmore read the wedding ceremony. Sam Prestidge was soloist, accompanied by Miss Eleanor Woodard.

The bride was very beautiful in her wedding gown of Chantilly lace and tulle. Folds of tulle formed a V-neckline above the fitted bodice of lace. Long sleeves tapered to petal points over the wrists. The lace skirt was scalloped at the hemline and dust ruffles of tulle fell to the floor and ended in a sweep train. A half hat of satin and velvet leaves held her fingertip veil of illusion and she carried white carnations and stephanotis with lace bells.

Miss Kay Harris was her sister's maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Misses Jaynet Brantley, Pat Sandlin and Wilma Lou Bonham. Clyde Emmons served as best man. Groomsmen were George Riley, Morris Whitehead and Billy Jim Everett. Ralph Minear, Bobby Hairston and Bruce Neatherlin ushered.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held at Baptist Temple Chapel. Miss Jo Ann Lindsay presided at the bride's book. Assisting in serving were Misses Pat Stanley and Jane Browning.

Out of town guests included Clyde Emmons of Midland, Fredalyn and Bill Everett, Mrs. J. C. Sandlin and Pat Sandlin of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Jackson of Oklahoma City, Okla.

The couple will reside in Panama City, Florida.

Mrs. Kenneth Jackson is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Everett of Putnam. Her mother was the former Miss Onnie Everett.

## Women's Study Club

The Study Club met in the home of Mrs. Tex Herring with fourteen members answering roll call. Mrs. R. B. Taylor, presided. The program was "Parliamentary Drill." Election of officers was held. The Club adjourned. Refreshments were served by the hostess, Mrs. Tex Herring.

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## CHURCH NEWS

In the absence of Bro. Keith Justice, the speaker at the Church of Christ was Bro. Walter Burch of Abilene Christian College. His morning subject was "The Challenges of Christianity" 1. inward pureness, 2. contentment with what we have, 3. discontentment with what we are, 4. preach and teach the word. His evening subject was "The Mind of Christ." He will be with us next Sunday. Won't you?

## Union Usuals and Unusuals

Veda Yarbrough

Hi! Hope everyone had a nice New Year's Day. We did. Fay and Emmitt Wood, and their two daughters from Cisco spent the day with us. So glad to see them especially at this time as Roma and John had just left for St. Louis, Mo., and we were lonesome. Of course we had black-eyed peas and corn bread for dinner. Jim said he wasn't going to eat any peas for dinner but I told him he must so he said well I will eat one so I can say I ate peas. We told him that wouldn't be peas so he says well I will eat three peas so I can say I ate peas. Treva told him he would only have three days good luck. She said she was going to eat a lot of them so she would have lots of good luck.

Now as Christmas has come and gone makes one have a let down feeling as everyone has been in such a hustle bustle to get everything ready for Christmas and now hardly know what to do guess I will just do nothing.

We went to church yesterday. Hope everybody went to church. We had quite a nice crowd. Mr. and Mrs. Marcellus Tatom of Cross Plains were there. We are always happy to have them. Haven't gotten use to them being away. Oh, I forgot to ask Mr. Tatom what old Santa brought him. Will do that next time I see him.

Jim is plowing this morning. The ground is getting a little bit on the dry side. Grain really needs rain I think.

Don't see the hired hand plowing. He may be sick. He has been on the punny side for the past few days. Don't know if it was what he ate at Christmas or what he didn't eat. Anyway hope he gets to feeling ok soon.

Marvin Eubank got sick Saturday. Had to spend the weekend in the hospital at Baird. Jim and I and several others went up to see him Sunday afternoon. He had already come home so we just went to see him anyway. Hope he is feeling ok, but am afraid he didn't stay up there long enough. He said he felt pretty good yesterday afternoon. Kinda think he just didn't want to take those pills the doctor sent home with him. Better take them Marvin. You might have to go back to the hospital if you don't. Here is hoping you soon get well.

I started out visiting on New Year's Day so guess I will visit all year. Don't suppose makes any difference. Jim says that is all I do any way.

Ruth Mobley spent the day with us last Thursday and she brought over some of those good old peas we talked about last summer and some okra. They both came out of their deep freeze and they really were good. Ruth knows to bring something to eat when she comes to see us. But we fooled her one time. We were eating high on the hog we killed. Boy, the country ham really was good.

John built Duke a new house while he was here. Kinda on California style. He really does like it I know. Duke had a good Christmas. He got to go hunting several times. He really does miss John.

Dickie Petersen came by Saturday to see Jim and I. Dickie is a grown man now and is in A&M College. This is his last year there. Dickie used to come see us a lot when he was a little boy and lived with his grandpa and grandma, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Park. Dickie is Mrs. Pearl Petersen's son. We were so glad to see him and have him visit us. He used to come to see us horse back but now he drives a good looking car. He plans on working for some airplane company when he finishes school.

My this sure is a beautiful afternoon. Makes me want to go fishing which I may do pretty soon. No guess better go to the club. Be seen you next week.

Mrs. Homer Pruet visited Mrs. George Brown and states she is doing nicely and is able to do a little light work.

Mrs. Lula Dixon and Mrs. J. O. Taylor were shopping in Baird, Saturday and while there visited Mrs. S. T. Abernathy and sons.

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#### Delphian Club Meets In Brightwell Home

The Delphian Club met Jan. 5 in the home of Mrs. W. P. Brightwell, for the business meeting. The president, Mrs. E. C. Fulton, opened the meeting by leading the group in the Lord's Prayer. After roll call Mrs. M. L. Stubblefield gave the story of Dorothy Thompson.

At the business session, reports from officers were given, the advisory board presented the officers for the coming year. Those elected for the advisory board were: Mmes. E. C. Fulton, C. H. Siadous, Glen Green, Clyde Latimer. Mrs. S. L. McElroy was elected President; Mrs. Bob Norrell, Vice-President; Mrs. L. C. Cash, Second Vice-President; Recording Secretary, Mrs. M. L. Stubblefield; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Frank Windham; Treasurer, Mrs. Frank Gardiner; Mrs. Tee Baulch, Reporter; Mrs. W. P. Brightwell, Counselor.

Refreshments were served to the following members: Mmes. Tee Baulch, T. P. Bearden, M. D. Bell, W. P. Brightwell, E. C. Fulton, Frank Gardiner, Glen Green, Brice Jones, Bob Norrell, S. L. McElroy, M. C. McGowen, C. H. Siadous and hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Haile and daughter Sondra Sue of Wichita, Kansas, are visiting his parents here and other relatives at Kermit, Monahans, Lubbock and Slaton.



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#### Mrs. Elliott Hosts Study Club

The home of Mrs. R. L. Elliott was the meeting place Monday evening for the Corinné Blackburn Study Club, with Mrs. Horace Elliott as hostess.

Mrs. C. M. Peek, President, called the meeting to order and gave the invocation. Seventeen members answered roll call.

This being our Federation Day, a most interesting panel discussion was given by Mrs. Peek as leader and Mrs. Jack Gilliland and Mrs. Manion as speakers, on "How the General Federation of Women's Clubs and The Texas Federation Are Living Up to Their Heritage."

During the social hour refreshments were served to Mmes. L. L. Blackburn, Terrell Williams, Margie Ray, C. M. Peek, Roland Nichols, C. S. McGowen, A. A. Manion, Eddie Koneczak, Jack Gilliland, Horace Elliott, Juanita Danielson, D. C. Cox, Lowell Boyd, Eunice Brock, Lynn Ault, and Misses Burma Warren and Edith Bowlus.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Monsey and sons of Lubbock spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Haile.

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#### Eula Episodes

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It is a busy week for the basketball girls at Eula this week. They are trying to get back to that bookkeeping and history. Last week they entered a little heavy competition in the Southwestern Amateur Athletic Union's basketball tourney at Duncanville, Texas, about six miles out of Dallas.

The girls left Eula last Monday evening after classes in order to get there for their first game with Karnack Tuesday. The score of that game was 67-23 in Eula's favor. Wednesday they beat Golden. Score was 42 to 35. Thursday, playing Mesquite, it was win or go home. They won 51-19. The hardest game was with Gallatin Friday evening. Gallatin had a determination that was hard to beat. Jean Farmer's 24 points in the first half helped save the day with a score of 59-53.

Saturday night, playing East Lamar for first place in this twenty-four team tournament, Eula had a 17 point lead at one

time. East Lamar's score kept creeping up on us until it was time out and less than 5 seconds in the game. Score was 57 to 57 and East Lamar had the ball at center. Final score was 57 to 59 in East Lamar's favor. Jean Farmer and Nancy McClure were on the first all-tournament team and Jo Farmer was on the second all-tournament team.

#### W.M.S. Selects Name For Circle

The W.M.S. of the Baptist Church met Monday, Jan. 4th at 3 o'clock in their regular business meeting. At this meeting the circle selected a name for the group. The new name is The Katy Foy Circle, in honor of Mrs. H. F. Foy, a long-time active member of the W.M.S.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Manion spent the Christmas holidays visiting relatives and friends in Worth.

Mrs. Ethel Henderson of Ft. Riley, Kansas, visited Mrs. Lester Farmer, Thursday of last week.

#### Oplin Observations

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

1954 marched in with grand splendor. The first few days have been nice spring like weather. I remembered to eat my black eyed peas on New Year's Day, so I know I'll be sure to have good luck the new year.

My sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Geisinger and daughters, Sandra and Sherri spent Friday night with us, the Ray Floyds. At our home last Sunday we had a family gathering, or you might say a second Christmas. Those present were my parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Barrett, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Barrett, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Barrett and Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Geisinger, Sandra and Sherri.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Harville reported their Christmas was extended also as their daughters, Mrs. Ernest McIntyre, daughter Sandra, Mrs. Henry Settle and children, Linda, Harville, and Larry all of Big Lake came home the first of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bird were visitors at the Baptist Church last Sunday. They have recently moved to the Tommie Windham ranch where they are employed.

Funeral Services were held at Coleman Monday, Dec. 28 for Willis Windham. Burial rites were at the Tecumseh Cemetery.

Mr. Windham was a former resident of Oplin and was well known by most everyone.

Mr. M. C. Miller was on the sick list last week with the flu.

Melton Morse, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Morse was visiting in Oplin last Saturday.

#### Baird Luncheon

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MONDAY - Jan. 11th:  
Pimento Cheese Sandwiches  
Cole Slaw Potato Chips  
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TUESDAY - Jan. 12th:  
Beef Pie  
Tomatoes Buttered Corn  
Bread Vanilla Pudding  
Milk and Chocolate Milk

WEDNESDAY - Jan. 13th:  
Red Beans  
Onions Pickles Tomatoes  
Baked Potatoes Corn Bread  
Butter Fruit Jello  
Milk and Chocolate Milk

THURSDAY - Jan. 14th:  
Hot Tamale  
Mashed Potatoes English Peas  
Bread Spice Cake  
Milk and Chocolate Milk

FRIDAY - Jan. 15th:  
Hamburgers  
Lettuce Tomatoes Onions  
Black Eyed Peas  
Fritos Strawberry Jello  
Milk and Chocolate Milk

Mrs. J. H. Weeks of Putnam was a business visitor in Baird on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Caperton and sons of Monahans were holiday visitors in the homes of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Haile of Baird and Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Caperton of Clyde.

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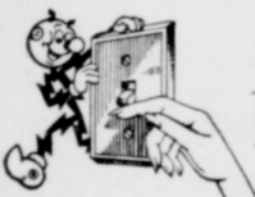
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## Double Ring Ceremony Friday Unites Carolyn Crofts And James Webster

Wedding vows were exchanged at 4 p.m. Friday between Carolyn M. Crofts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sutton P. Crofts and James H. Webster of Cisco, son of Mrs. R. A. Webster of Baird.

Double ring rites were read before the family and relatives of the couple in the Eastland Holy Trinity Episcopal Church by Rev. Arthur E. Hartwell, pastor. Poinsettias and greenery flanked by candelabra were altar decorations.

Best man was Jack D. Ramsey of Abilene. Mrs. Frances Estes of McKinney was matron of honor.

Mrs. Lowell Phillips, organist, played traditional wedding marches. Robert Crofts, brother of the bride was usher.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. Her light blue faille suit was trimmed with gold braid and pearls. She wore a white satin veil and white satin slippers. She carried a prayer book covered with white

orchid and lilies of the valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Crofts honored the couple with a reception in their home. Laid with a pale green damask cloth, the bride's table was centered with peach gladioli flanked by crystal candelabra. A miniature bridal couple topped the three-tiered wedding cake. White flowers and fern were on mantels.

Present were guests from Baird, Abilene, Ft. Worth, Sweetwater, McKinney, Lufkin and Alice.

The bride wore a smoke blue wool suit with a poodle cloth box jacket and black accessories when the couple left on a wedding trip. They will be at home at 402 West Fifth St. in Cisco.

The bride attended North Texas State College. Webster, who attended McMurry College, is employed at Wylie Funeral Home and is a member of the Cisco Lions Club.

## Waco To Host Farmer's Meeting

Texas farmers, ranchers, dairymen and anyone else interested in agriculture are invited to attend a public meeting in Waco January 13 of the House Agriculture Committee of Congress to give their ideas on a farm program.

Congressman W. R. Poage, ranking Democrat on the House Agriculture Committee, has completed arrangements with the help of Waco Chamber of Commerce. Poage said he expected between 15 and 20 members of the committee to attend. Clifford Hope, R. - Kansas, Chairman of the House Agricultural Committee and ranking committeeman, will preside at the Waco meeting.

"This will be the first meeting of the full committee in Texas since 1947 when the group met at Temple. Anyone who wants to appear before the committee is welcome and invited to do so. He should write to the clerk, House Agriculture Committee, Washington, D. C., giving his name and stating he wants to appear before the Waco hearing. The clerk will prepare a list of the names, and these names will be heard first. It is not necessary to do this, however. The committee will stay in session until everyone who wishes to be heard has been," Poage said.

Poage has traveled some 7,000 miles in similar hearings throughout the nation, seeking farm advice from farmers and others interested in agriculture. The Waco meeting will be the only one scheduled for Texas. "And it will be the first time we have held such a hearing while the Congress is in session," Poage added.

At the Waco meeting, Poage said he believed that the most discussed topics will be cotton allotments, support prices (including cattle support prices), reorganization of the Soil Conservation Service, and reorganization of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. "But, of course, we want to hear anything anyone has to say on the agriculture situation," Poage added.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Rouse of Ft. Worth visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Mitchell during the holidays.

Visitors in the home of Judge and Mrs. J. L. Farmer during the holidays were: Mr. and Mrs. Harold Henderson, Vivian and Lex of Crane, Mr. and Mrs. Benja Pillans, Reggis and Gayle of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Julian Farmer, Judy and Nancy Lou of Clyde, Mrs. Leonard Farmer, Patricia, Ann and Glenda Gayle of Cisco, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Farmer of Eula and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Barton and Cathy of Baird.

## Gov. Declares Jan. Hand Signal Month

Gov. Allan Shivers again has designated January as hand signal month in Texas and he urges automobile drivers to cooperate in the campaign to promote "more courtesy and greater safety on the thoroughfares of this state". Theme of the traffic safety project is "Right turn - hand up. Left turn - hand out. Slow or stop - hand down."

Mrs. E. L. Wood had as her guests during the holidays her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. O. V. Murphy of Kilgore, four brothers, and their wives, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Caperton and Mr. and Mrs. Ed L. Caperton of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Caperton and Mr. and Mrs. Orville Woosley of Clyde, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Caperton of Brady. Her sisters, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Reeves of Brady, Mrs. R. H. Harwell and daughter Myrtle of Roscoe and her niece, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Stallings, Jr., of Sweetwater.

Mrs. I. G. Mobley visited Mrs. J. L. Farmer Monday.

P. G. Freeland of Ft. Worth is visiting in the Felix Mitchell home this week.

Mrs. Ruby Russell of Dallas visited in the F. E. Mitchell home last week.

Mrs. E. L. Wood spent last weeked with her brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Ed L. Caperton in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cosper and Myrtle of Lockhart spent Monday night and Tuesday with his sister and family, Mrs. Virgil Halle.

Miss Hazel Reynolds was a business visitor in Cross Plains last Monday morning.

Dr. and Mrs. M. L. Neithercutt spent Christmas in Midland in the O. J. Kniffin home. All of their children but one son, Ray, who is in South America, joined them. They were: Geo. Neithercutt and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ace Neithercutt, of Hobbs, N. M., Cahl Neithercutt and family of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Neithercutt of Denver, Colo., Mr. and Mrs. Dean Neithercutt, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. McMellars of Snyder and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Neithercutt of Baird.

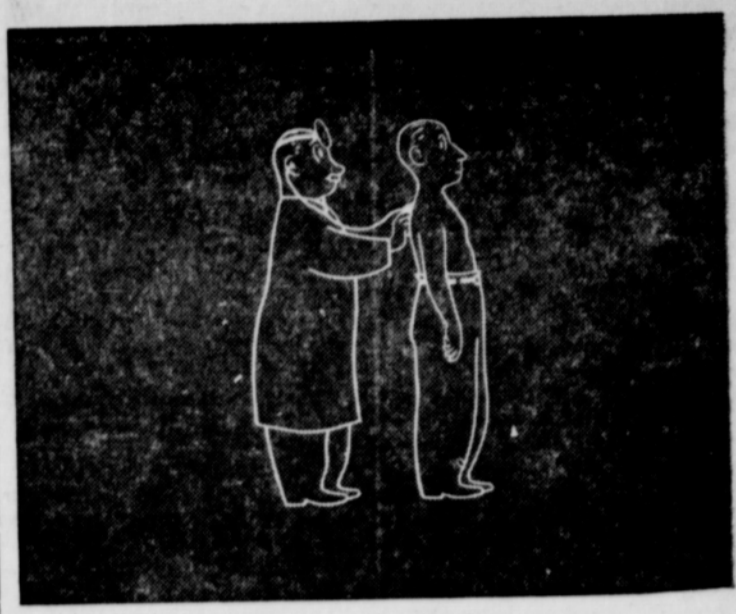
Miss Betty Waldman of New York City, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Blondy McIntosh.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Kimmell and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Dickey of Houston visited Mrs. Kimmell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Alexander during the holidays. Mrs. Dickey is their granddaughter.

Dr. and Mrs. Jim T. Lawrence and daughters of Cisco and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Melton of Breckenridge visited Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Lawrence during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Ace Hickman took their daughter, Betsy, to Austin last Thursday. She had been visiting her parents for the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Felix Mitchell visited in the Walter Bellamy home in Roswell, N. M. during Christmas. Returning home they visited in the V. V. Scarpelli home in Midland. Mrs. Scarpelli and two children returned to Baird with her parents and while here, John had his tonsils out on Tuesday and the family returned home on Friday.



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### TFWC President Issues Call For Official Meeting January 7-8

Mrs. L. E. Dudley, Abilene, President of The Texas Federation of Women's Clubs has issued the official call for a meeting of the Board of Directors at Headquarters, Austin, January 7-8, 1954.

Detailed plans for the work of the ten Federation departments and their divisions will be discussed and approved during the two business sessions scheduled for the afternoon of January 7th and the morning of January 8th.

The administration theme, "We Go From Strength to Strength" will be carried out through emphasis on four projects that have already been approved. These projects exemplify the diversity of club work.

The pursuance of adult education by groups working through the Epsilon Sigma Omicron Division of the Department of Education will be channeled from the Extension Divisions of accredited colleges or universities.

Indian Affairs, a division of the Public Affairs Department, will be directed to the Alabama-Coushatta Indian tribes on reservation near Livingston, Polk County. The Federation is one of the first organizations in the state to offer cooperation with the action of the 53rd Legislature which authorized the State of Texas to assume full trusteeship for the Alabama-Coushatta tribes. When Congressional approval of this transfer is accomplished through pending legislation, Texas will be the first state to assume the full responsibility for the development of the Indians living within its boundaries. The Texas Federation project will be to supplement existing recreational facilities; to provide scholarships that will allow Indians students a choice of colleges or universities for their higher education; to offer material assistance to the indigents; and to open an avenue of trade for the products and handicraft of the Indians.

The second step in the series of programs planned for the study of Mental Health for Effective Living, initiated at the eight district workshops at the beginning of the present club year, has been planned in the form of specialized meeting for areas interested in this program.

To encourage new club members to develop leadership, prizes will be awarded for award to those who have developed worthwhile projects in their communities. The field of competition is for women who have been members of a federated club for at least two years, but not more than ten years.

Texas' further participation in the GFWC 1952-54 administration theme, "The Preservation of Our American Heritage", through a project to promote study of American History and assist in the restoration of Independence Hall, Philadelphia, will be presented through the Americanism Department and its related committees.

Other items scheduled for planning are the Federation's participation in the celebration of the Centennial of Education in Texas, as directed by the Texas Education Agency; and cooperation with the State Historical Survey Committee, created by the 53rd Legislature with an assignment to make an inventory of the historical records in need of attention and to suggest means of conserving them for future generations.

Mrs. A. T. Carleton, Houston, State Program Chairman, has arranged for Mrs. Lois Smith Douglas, head of the Human Relations Department of Baylor University, Waco, to be the speaker for the dinner program, January 7th, and for Dr. Blake Smith, pastor of the University Baptist Church, Austin, to address the group for the closing luncheon, January 8th.

### Poultry, Rabbits To Be Feature Of Stock Show

One of the most popular departments of the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show, both in the number of entries and in the number of visitors, is the poultry-turkey-rabbit show.

Poultry, including bantams, will be shown the entire length of the exposition, Jan. 29 through Feb. 7, as will turkeys. New Zealand and Californian rabbits will be exhibited Jan. 29 through Feb. 3 and will be followed by all other breeds of rabbits. The pigeon show will be held Feb. 3-7.

Ducks and geese also will be shown in competition, single classes only. Varieties of ducks will include Pekin, Ayelsbury, Rouen, Cayuga, Call, East Indian, Muscovy, Swedish, Buff, Crested and Runnger; geese: Toulouse, Emden, African, Chinese, Canada, Egyptian, Sebatopol and Pilgrim.

Turkeys will be in three divisions: U.S.R.O.P. breeders; Junior; and standard and non-standard.

Game and exotic birds, such as pheasants, peafowl and Cherkar partridges, will be exhibited but not in competition. Deadline for poultry-turkey-rabbit entries is Jan. 15.



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### Health Examination Good Resolution

At this time of the year when everyone is making their New Year resolutions, Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, urges that one be included to do something about personal health. That resolution would be to have a complete physical examination.

This is the time for the person forty and over to take stock of the situation as far as he is concerned. The best way to prepare for a continuing happy life is to begin early. An important thing is the periodic check-up by your doctor. A health problem discovered early is always easier

to correct. Prevention is the watchword. The principal foes of health to confront in the middle years are heart disease, cancer, high blood pressure, hardened arteries, diabetes and arthritis.

Heart disease is the leading cause of death. A person with a damaged heart should learn his limitations and not exceed them. Many persons with heart disease lead useful and productive lives by following their physician's instructions.

Cancer is the second leading cause of death. Many types of cancer can either be cured or brought under control if found early and diagnosed. This is another important reason why

the periodic medical check-up is a "must."

Diabetes is a condition in which the body cannot use sugar. If you have not been tested lately to see if this has developed, you should do so at once.

Three of the diseases common to the after-forty group are concerned with the circulation of the blood. There are apoplexy, hardened arteries, and high blood pressure. You will want your physician to check your blood pressure.

A great deal can be done to arrest certain forms of arthritis. The person may be put on a special diet. The doctor may advise the removal of some hidden infections.

### Cancer Research Grant For Hospital

The American Cancer Society today announced a cancer research grant of \$75,000 to M. D. Anderson Hospital for Cancer Research in Houston, for use during the next 12 months.

The grant, the seventh consecutive annual ACS allocation to the hospital, will be used in many phases of cancer research, ranging from studies of cancer patients in research beds to basic investigations into how cancer starts.

The grant to M. D. Anderson, a branch of the University of Texas, is one of 39 American Cancer Society institutional awards made by the Society's Board of Directors as part of the 1953-54 research program. The Society has appropriated \$4,825,000 for research this year.

This year's award makes a total of \$340,776.52 granted to the hospital by the American Cancer Society since 1947. The Society also has made grants to individual scientists working at the hospital.

The central theme of the entire research program undertaken with grants at M. D. Anderson has to do with the study of certain factors which influence either normal or abnormal growth.

"This grant will provide funds for a program of cancer investigations, rather than single specific projects which receive support from grants-in-aid," said J. Louis Neff, executive director of the Society's Texas Division.

"In this instance, the grant will be used to help finance groups of researchers working in a number of sciences, all of which, however, are involved in the problem of growth. Insti-

tutional grants make it possible to coordinate the research activities of a whole institution from a basic to the clinical level."

The American Cancer Society each year makes grants to scientists in several hospitals, universities and other institutions over the state. Counting the M. D. Anderson award, a total of \$140,595 in ACS research funds is now at work in Texas. New grants-in-aid to individual scientists will be made next July 1.

Money for the ACS program is contributed each April by the American public during the Society's annual Cancer Crusade. More than \$19,500,000 was given this year. The money is used for research, public and professional education and service to cancer patients.

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

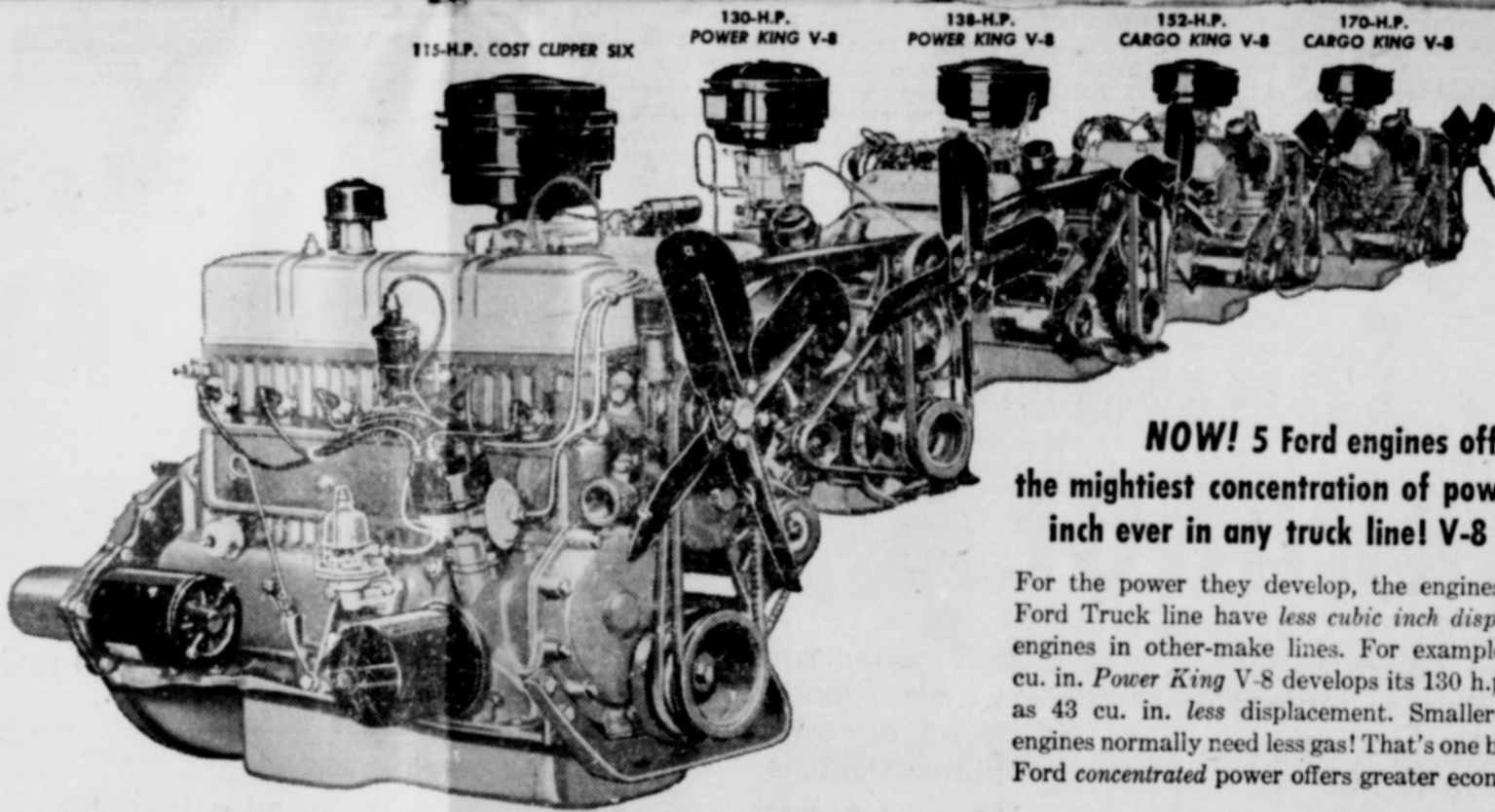
Mr. and Mrs. Ross Clark and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Smith of Abilene visited Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Stiffier and Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Rocky on New Year's Day.

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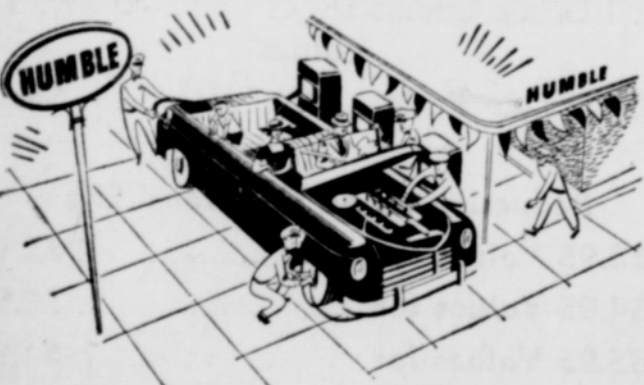
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Billie Sol Estes, 28-year-old Pecos man of many talents, attributes whatever success he has achieved to (1), Friends; (2), Imagination; (3), Hardwork.

Mr. Estes has just been named by the National Junior Chamber of Commerce as one of the ten outstanding men of the United States.

This is not the first national recognition to be awarded this versatile young man. In 1943, when he was 18 years of age, he was named the National 4-H Club Achievement Winner. He was the first - and so the only - Texan to achieve this particular laurel. He was presented a chest of silverware from President Franklin Roosevelt, a chest which incidentally still today serves as the household silverware in the Estes home.

And, in 1952, Mr. Estes was named by the Jaycees as one of the five outstanding young men of Texas.

Mr. Estes is a farmer . . . a big-time salvage operator . . . a manufacturer . . . a large-scale landlord . . . an independent oil operator . . . and, as he has been since he was a tiny youngster, a trader.

He finds time also to be an active member of the Church of Christ, in Pecos; and to be a good citizen of his state and community.

Billie Sol Estes was born on a farm in Callahan County, Texas. His first regular job was at the age of 12, on a dairy, at 50 cents a day. Since that time he has been a trader, with usually adults across the bargaining table. His first business was trading, principally in sheep and cattle.

Mr. Estes attributes this business start principally to the friendship and confidence of the late Homer Kennard, livestock man of Clyde, Texas; and to Bob Norrell, president of the First National Bank of Baird, Texas, who also aided in these earlier operations.

Mr. Estes received the 4-H Achievement Award for his 4-H work generally, but particularly for a drouth relief program which he organized through a co-op store in the Baird and Clyde areas. Through this program, hundreds of carloads of feed were shipped into the section and delivered to hard-pressed ranchers and farmers on a cost basis.

Right now, Mr. Estes is taking quite a hand in independent oil operations. He has production in Winkler county - has mineral

lands in Reeves, Winkler, San Saba, Johnson and Callahan Counties and is an indefatigable trader in leases and royalties.

His Surplus and Salvage business are probably the most far-reaching of his activities. He got started in this when as a teenager he raised money by selling junk metal. The idea stuck in the back of his head that this was a good way to raise money and in about 1948 - after a 2-year trick in the Merchant Marine - he got into the salvage and surplus business in earnest.

He now operates such business in Dallas, Austin, Bastrop and Orange, Texas; and in Santa Fe, N. M. He has offices and local managers in each place, but directs the far-flung operations personally. Some of his company names are the United Salvage Company of Pecos; and the Sabine Salvage Co., of Orange, Texas.

He has bought and sold a lot of government surplus housing units. Two of them, however, he has retained and operates now as rental property. These are a 150-apartment project at Port Neches, Texas; and a 30-unit deal at Frederick, Oklahoma.

Then, too, he heads a steel-building manufacturing venture. This is handled through the Est-tes House Company of America, headquartered at Pecos; and the Pecos Steel Building Company. The firms manufacture and sell steel buildings of both the square and quonset type.

While headquartered in Pecos . . . Mr. Estes' home town . . . most of these operations are carried on out of Port Neches.

Then, of course, he is . . . first and foremost . . . a farmer. With his brother, Bobby Estes, he operates a 1440-acre irrigated cotton farm in the Verhalen area southwest of Pecos. This year the brothers ginned about 2100 bales of cotton . . . averaging a bale and a half to the acre. In connection with this phase of the aggressive young man's activity, he is a partner in the Verhalen Mercantile Company . . . a big general store that does a land office business among the farmers and bracers of the southwestern Reeves County area. Incidentally one of his partners in this particular venture is Fred Chandler, Sr., one of the three members of the Texas PMA committee.

The Cotton Allotment program has, of course, dealt a mighty blow to 1954 crop prospects in the newer western cotton producing areas, of which Reeves County is one. For instance, the Estes Brothers have been cut down to 27 percent of their 1953 acreage. This would mean only about 400 acres that they can plant in cotton this year.

However, Billie Sol is undaunted.

"We will diversify and we will experiment with other crops this year," he says. "The surface has hardly been scratched on the agricultural possibilities of the Pecos basin. Actually, we are limited only by the limits of our own imagination and our own courage."

Billie Sol took time out from his active career to marry a childhood sweetheart from Clyde, Texas, about eight years ago: They have four children . . . three daughters, Pam, 6; Jan, 4; Dawn, 2; and a brand new one-month-old son, Billie Sol Estes, Jr.

Billie Sol attributes his success to faith in God, his friends and to hard work.

"When people comment on something they think I have done, I want to tell them that

by himself, a man can accomplish nothing."

"Ever since I was a little kid, people have helped me . . . particularly when I needed help the most."

Billie Sol singled out a few individuals whom he says have helped him tremendously. Among these, Mr. Norrell and Mr. Kennard; Dr. Harold Lindley of Pecos; W. H. Holcombe, executive vice-president of the security State Bank of Pecos; various officials of Western Cottonoil Company; and Joe Bozeman, business man at Amherst, Texas.

And of course, the constant loyal support, counsel and confidence of Mr. Estes' parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Estes of Clyde, Texas. Mr. Estes also wanted to thank Mr. and Mrs. John Berry of Clyde, old time friends and neighbors.

Billie Sol keeps his fingers on his scattered enterprises to some extent by commuting by air in his Beachcraft Bonanza plane. However, he doesn't have a pilot's license.

"Again, I have to count on my friends," he says.

This reporter asked Billie Sol how he found time to do all the things he does.

"It's easy," he said. "Take last night for instance, I went to bed at 4 o'clock . . . got up at 8 this morning."

He summed up his philosophy in these words:

"A man can never do more than he can visualize, he can do."

## 2 Texas 4-H'ers Win High Honors

MERITORIOUS achievement records in the 1953 National 4-H Entomology and Recreation-Rural Arts programs have brought state honors to two club members from the Lone Star State. The winners and some of their achievements follow:



Ellen Denson

The Texas Club office has selected Ellen Denson, 15, Brownsville, as having the best all-around 4-H Entomology program in the State during 1953.

In recognition of this honor, she was awarded a 19-jewel watch, provided by the Hercules Powder Co. New vistas and experiences have been opened to Ellen through the study of insect life and community projects relating to insect control.

She has collected 250 insects in two years. She made her own display cases, caught and mounted about 140 moths, grasshoppers, beetles, butterflies and bees of many different species. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Denson.

Ellen has given four individual demonstrations before 211 people and 49 talks, 3 over the radio. She has held all offices of her 4-H Club.

These programs are conducted under the direction of the Cooperative Extension Service.



Evelyn Robinson

Leadership and achievement in the 4-H Recreation and Rural Arts program have brought statewide recognition to Evelyn Robinson, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Robinson of Graham. Evelyn will be presented a Certificate of Honor as well as a \$37.50 cash scholarship for recreational training, all provided by United States Rubber Co.

Cash awards of \$25 for the purchase of recreational equipment also go to counties in which the local 4-H Clubs have reported outstanding accomplishments in recreation and rural arts.

Evelyn belongs to the Indian Mound 4-H Club, which she serves as president and junior leader. Her interest in recreation leadership has brought increased interest in school and in other 4-H projects. She plans to study recreation and social development in college.

Bailey Johnson of Clyde, Paul Whitten of Cross Plains, L. C. Cash and K. H. Rowland are attending the school administration advance conference on education, that is being held in Austin the 7 and 8 of January.

Mr. and Mrs. Gaines Short and children, David and Barbara, of Abilene and Ralph Short of Ft. Worth, visited their mother, Mrs. Bessie Short, during the holidays.

## Putnam Has New Growing Business

A very unusual business is growing right here in Callahan County. A group of artists have a weekly get-together at an old farm house in Putnam. The farm house is owned by Mrs. L. A. Williams of Putnam. For two years the group has been meeting every Tuesday for informal painting sessions.

Mrs. Tunnell, of Cross Plains, has given generously of her time and talent. As a result the group has turned out some fine pictures, some of which have won prizes in exhibitions. A year ago Mrs. Williams arranged for a demonstration of picture frame finishing. This was given by Mr. Richards of Houston, Texas. After that the farm house has been used for finishing picture frames as well as painting. Around noon the group stops and cooks steaks.

Mrs. Williams is one of those fortunate people who are gifted with real talent in the use of their hands. She attended a beauty school in Abilene and opened a beauty shop in Putnam called the Art Beauty Salon. During this time the demand for picture frames increased so rapidly that Mrs. Williams bought and kept a stock of frames on hand, at no profit to herself, but as a convenience to the group of artists.

However, more and still more frames were needed so Mrs. Williams now has a picture frame business on her hands as well as a beauty shop. The man who gave the original demonstration now has a picture frame factory in the resort town of Ruidosa.

New Mexico right in the heart of the lumber country. Together with Mrs. Williams his company is trying out a novel method of merchandising.

Instead of selling through stores as they do in most parts of the southwest they are dealing direct with the artists here through Mrs. Williams. A mark up of three hundred per cent is common in the picture frame business according to Mrs. Williams and Mr. Richards. With this new method the artists can buy the frames at what amounts to almost wholesale prices.

Artists are already driving in from a radius of sixty miles to buy frames at the Art Beauty Salon so it looks as though Mrs. Williams is going to have the distinction of being the only beauty shop in the United States that does a rushing picture frame business.

The art group meets every Tuesday morning. If you would like to take up a new hobby or feel the need of a change in the routine of your life perhaps you would like to drive out and become one of the group. There is no charge of any kind and a cordial invitation is extended to business places in Putnam and you. Just stop at any of the ask where the artists meet or drop in at the Art Beauty Salon and ask Mrs. Williams.

The children and grandchildren of Dr. and Mrs. M. L. Stubblefield, who visited them during the holiday season have returned to their homes. They were Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Stubblefield and daughters, Carol and Susan of Kensington, Md. and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bishop of Bloomington, Ind.

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# NOTICE

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: WHEREAS, the City of Baird owns an undivided one-half (1/2) mineral interest in and to the following described land located and lying in Callahan County, Texas, to-wit:

A. The Southwest one quarter (S.W. 1/4) of Survey No. 92, B. B. B. & C. Railway Co. Lands, Abstract No. 1867, containing 160 acres of land, more or less.

AND WHEREAS, the City of Baird owns all of the mineral interest in and to the following described land, located and lying in Callahan County, Texas, to-wit:

B. The North 40 acres of the Northwest one quarter (N.W. 1/4) of Survey No. 90 of the B. B. B. & C. Railway Co. Lands, Abstract No. 754 in Callahan County, Texas; and

C. The South 30 acres of the South 60 acres of the Southwest one quarter (S.W. 1/4) of Survey No. 89 of the B. B. B. & C. Railway Co. Lands, Abstract No. 43, in Callahan County, Texas.

AND WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Baird in regular session on the 14 day of December, 1953, determined that it was advisable to execute a Texas Form, Producers 88 special oil and gas lease to their interest in and to all of the aforesaid land, tract A in one lease and tracts B and C in a separate lease;

NOW, the City Council of Baird, for the said City of Baird, does hereby give notice that at a regular meeting to be held on 11th day of January, 1954, at 7:30 P.M. in the City Hall of said Town, the City Council of Baird will receive and consider bids for such mineral leases, or lease, as the Council may determine to make. Said lease, or leases, shall be made to the highest and best bidders, and the Council may reject all bids, or lease a portion or all of aforesaid lands, all in accordance with Article 5400A of the Texas Revised Civil Statutes (1925), reference to which is made for full description of the hearing and proceedings to be had on the aforesaid date.

WITNESS our hands this 22nd day of December, 1953.

THE CITY OF BAIRD

BY: J. T. Lawrence, Mayor

SEAL:

ATTEST: James C. Asbury

Dec. 25, 1953, Jan. 1, 8, 1954

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Webster, Jr., and daughter, Sandra of Lufkin and Mr. and Mrs. David Webster of Alice visited their mother, Mrs. R. A. Webster, last weekend. While here they attended the wedding in Eastland of their brother James Webster and Miss Carolyn Crofts, which was Jan. 1, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Atchison of San Diego, Calif., visited his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Atchison during the New Year's holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Johnson spent the holidays with their son, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Johnson in Hampton, Va.



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The Baird Star is authorized to publish the announcements of the following candidates for office subject to the Democratic Primary election.

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. Bowlius

For Commissioner, Prec. 2: Clyde T. Floyd

Re-election

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JANUARY FIFTEENTH INCOME TAX DEADLINE FOR MANY

Have you planned on waiting until March 15th approaches before doing any thing about your 1953 Federal income taxes? If so, it might be wise to make a quick check right now. For practical purposes January 15th, rather than the March deadline, is the last day of grace for many individuals.

This is due to the Federal laws requiring certain persons to file Declarations of Estimated Income Tax — or the pay-as-you-go plan. Under those laws several million people are required each year to estimate their total annual income in advance, making quarterly tax payments based upon such estimates. The final quarterly payment for 1953 is due on or before January 15th, 1954.

A Declaration of Estimated Income Tax must be filed by every citizen or resident who receives annual wages (subject to withholding) in excess of \$4500, plus \$600 for each exemption claimed.

For example, a single person with no dependents who last year received wages in excess of \$5100 is required to file a declaration. If he has one additional exemption, he need not file unless his wages exceeded \$5700 during 1953. This latter figure would also apply to a married couple without dependents filing a joint return.

In other words, the amount goes up \$600 for each exemption the taxpayer is entitled to claim, including any exemptions for age or blindness.

A Declaration of Estimated Income Tax must also be filed by any person with annual income from sources other than wages (subject to withholding) in excess of \$100. This is true even though their total income did not exceed \$4500 plus \$600 for each exemption. Of course, individuals whose incomes did not exceed \$600 during 1953 need not file, even though no tax has been withheld.

Those falling into the required category who have failed to file declarations at quarterly intervals during 1953 may make amends by filing either a final declaration or an income tax return by January 15th. At the same time they should pay any balance of tax owed the government on their entire 1953 income.

Now, if paying the entire balance of your tax prior to January 15th is going to be a difficult matter, due to a quirk in the tax laws you may avoid penalties by paying at least 80% of your total tax at that time and the remaining balance by March 15th. This would involve filing both a declaration (by January 15) and a tax return (by March 15).

The first quarterly declaration on 1954 income is due on or before March 15th.

(This column, based on Federal law, is written to inform — not to advise. No person should ever apply or interpret any law without the aid of an attorney who knows the facts because the facts may change the application of the law.)

Mrs. R. E. Bounds returned Saturday from a two weeks visit with her daughter, Mrs. Arnold Coileasure and family of Longmont, Colorado.



same date a year ago. Fed beves predominated in the runs at all markets.

At Ft. Worth cows were mostly steady, and bulls sold at fully steady prices. Stocker cattle and calves of good and choice quality were steady, but those of less quality were dull and usually sold at their butcher value. Slaughter calves drew weak to 50 cents lower prices, some heavyweights off more.

Hog prices dropped sharply. Butcher hogs were 50 cents to mostly \$1 lower, and top hogs sold at \$24 to \$24.50. Sows were \$1 to \$1.50 lower at \$22 down. Slaughter lambs were highly uneven. Some sales of fat lambs were steady, while others were 50 cents lower. Fat lambs topped at \$18.50. Feeder lambs were strong to 50 cents or more higher. Some shearing type feeder

lambs topped at \$18.75. Old sheep and yearlings sold at strong prices.

Good and choice fed steers and yearlings cashed at \$16 to \$21, a few higher. Common and medium slaughter steers and yearlings cashed at \$10 to \$15, with cutter grades from \$8 to \$10. Fat beeves were sold Monday at prices in accord with the low time in the pre-Christmas trade.

Fat cows sold from \$9 to \$11, a few heiferish kinds to \$12. Canners and cutters cashed at \$6 to \$9.50, with some thin, emaciated lightweight canners down to \$5. Bulls sold from \$8 to \$13, individuals up to \$13.50.

Good and choice fat calves sold from \$15 to \$19, a few top heavyweights to \$20 and above. One load of 564-lb. calves sold at \$20.50. Common and medium

slaughter calves drew \$10 to \$14 and culls sold from \$8 to \$10.

Good and choice stocker calves cleared at \$14 to \$19. Stocker and feeder steers and steer yearlings sold from \$13 to \$17.50. Stocker cows cashed at \$9 to \$13.

Good and choice butcher hogs weighing 190 to 250 pounds topped at \$24 to \$24.50. Lighter and heavier hogs sold for \$22.50 to \$23.75. Sows cashed at \$20 to \$22.

Good and choice fat lambs sold at \$17 to \$18.50, both woolled and shorn lambs at the top figure. Cull, common and medium slaughter lambs sold from \$10 to \$16. Stocker and feeder lambs sold from \$15 to \$18, with some woolled shearing lambs of around 90 pounds at \$18.75. Ewes sold at \$6 to \$8. Stocker ewes sold at \$10 down. Yearlings drew

\$12 to \$15. Old wethers sold from \$8 to \$10.

Rev. and Mrs. A. A. Davis and Miss Jewel Sims, of Nowata, Okla., had lunch and visited in the W. B. Atchison home last Wednesday. They also visited several other friends while they were here.

Mr. and Mrs. Irby Smith and children of Waxahachie visited his mother, Mrs. Sam I. Smith during the holidays.

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### BLACK'S RECIPE OF THE WEEK

By Mary Lee Taylor

#### Cherry Pie Supreme

Broadcast: January 9, 1954

1/2 cup Pet Evaporated Milk	2 Tablespoons butter
3 Tablespoons cornstarch	1 Tablespoon lemon juice
1/4 cup sugar	few grains salt
1/8 teaspoon salt	1 cup powdered sugar
1/4 teaspoon cinnamon	9-inch baked pastry shell

No. 2 can sour, pitted cherries

Put milk into ice cube tray and chill until ice crystals begin to form around the edges. Mix in a saucepan the cornstarch, sugar, 1/8 teasp. salt and cinnamon. Drain cherries and save juice. If necessary, add enough water to juice to make 1 cup and stir into cornstarch mixture. Cook and stir over medium heat until very thick, about 7 minutes. Cool thoroughly. Melt butter in a small saucepan. Remove from heat. Mix in lemon juice, few grains salt and the powdered sugar until smooth. Let stand to cool. Put cold milk into a small cold bowl. Whip until stiff. Beat in butter mixture just until mixed, about 1/4 at a time. Do not overbeat. Add cherries to cooled juice mixture, then take out 18 cherries to decorate top. Put filling into cold pastry shell. Put whipped mixture around edge. Decorate with cherries. Chill an hour before serving.

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