

BROWN COUNTY'S TAXABLE VALUATION SET AT \$13,595,463; TOTAL DIVIDED FOR STATE, COUNTY, COMMON SCHOOLS

Assessed Valuation in Brown County Has Dropped in Past Five Years

According to a summary of the county tax rolls recently completed by Tax Collector-Assessor Winston Palmer, Brown county's 1937 total taxable valuation is \$13,595,463. This amount does not include city, school and water district taxes. Property owners in the county will pay \$247,379.04 in county, state and school taxes.

The total is divided as follows: county taxes, \$135,954.63; state taxes, \$49,747.78; and common school taxes, \$61,676.63.

Assessed valuation in Brown county has dropped over \$5,000,000 in the last six years. By years the assessed valuations were: 1930, \$13,874,090; 1931, \$16,358,435; 1932, \$14,645,657; 1933, \$13,955,854; 1934, \$14,865,000; 1935, \$13,788,985; and 1936, \$13,617,530.

A total of \$6,565.50 also has been assessed in poll taxes. The county will receive \$1,094.25 of this amount and the state will receive \$5,471.25. Brown county assesses its taxes on a basis of 50 per cent of the total value. The rolls show the average value of land assessed for taxes is \$3 per acre.

Summary of Rolls

A summary of the rolls shows renditions in the county as follows: Land, 583,168 acres valued at \$5,150,705; town lots valued at \$5,187,761.

Horses and mules, 4,150 head valued at \$117,000; cattle, 19,294 head valued at \$192,480; sheep, 27,260 head valued at \$58,160; goats, 700 head valued at \$1,050; and hogs, 10 valued at \$100.

Carriages, buggies, wagons, automobiles, motorcycles, etc., 2,438 valued at \$195,340.

Goods and merchandise valued at \$226,240; materials and manufactured articles valued at \$140,600; manufacturers' tools, implements and machinery valued at \$60,300; steam engines and boilers valued at \$43,000.

Amount of money in banks, etc., \$10,000; amount of credits other than in banks, etc., \$10,000; value of all property of companies and corporations, \$553,795; miscellaneous property, \$121,550.

Railroad Valuation

State and national banks, \$115,632; Railroads, 69 miles of track valued at \$479,285; value of rolling stock, \$81,455; intangible assets, \$78,530; telephone and telegraph lines valued at \$2,550; pipelines, 174.28 miles valued at \$460,060.

The rolls listed no property under the following headings: jacks and jennets, dogs, amount of credit on banks, amount of money other than in banks, money on hand or on deposit, etc., amount of value of bonds and stocks, etc., and steamboats and sailing vessels.

Rendered rolls showed a valuation of \$10,437,611; unrendered, \$1,031,690; railroads, \$669,490; state and national banks, \$282,682; all public utilities, \$1,165,510; and supplemental rolls, \$8,480.

TRAVELING MEN HONOR WIVES WITH BANQUET

Wives of members of Brownwood Traveling Men's Club were honored at a special Christmas banquet in Hotel Brownwood Friday night.

A Christmas tree, on which were presents representing the different lines of the traveling men, was the main feature of the evening. Women present selected their dinner partners through their selection of gifts from the tree.

Mrs. Leta Newby Shelton was presented in vocal selections.

FARMERS' MARKETS

Growers' prices quoted in Brownwood, Thursday, Dec. 22:

Vegetables	
Bunch Vegetables, doz.	40c
Butter and Cream	
Sour Cream, lb.	29c & 31c
Sweet Cream, lb.	37c
Country Butter, lb.	25c
Poultry and Eggs	
Heavy Hens	13c
Light Hens	11c
Eggers	18c
Chickens	15c
Roosters	16c
No. 1 Turkeys	16c
No. 2 Turkeys	10c
Old Toms	13c
Old Hens	14c
Eggs, dozen, No. 1	23c
Hay and Grain	
No. 1 Milling Wheat	87c
No. 1 Durum Wheat	82c
No. 2 Red Oats	35c
No. 3 Oats	34c
No. 2 Barley	60c
No. 2 White Corn	68c
No. 2 Yellow Corn	65c
Mixed Corn	60c
White Ear Corn	60c
Yellow Ear Corn	55c
Mixed Ear Corn	50c
No. 2 Milo, cwt., bright	85c

ELIGIBLE COUNTIES FOR FSA LOANS ARE NAMED THIS WEEK

Only 23 Counties Are Eligible For Program Now; More Funds Are Anticipated

Texas counties in which loans will be made to tenant farmers for purchase of land were announced this week by the Farm Security Administration, and other counties will be announced in July.

"Only 23 counties in the state could be handled, under the first year's appropriation of \$820,000," C. M. Evans, regional director, said. "But two and one-half times as much money will be available under present plans on July 1, and the following July, five times as much." The program is called "experimental," and is to be the basis of a larger program at a later date under which FSA officials have expressed confidence that "every qualified tenant farmer will be helped to own the land which he cultivates."

The first year's allocations provide loans for only one tenant out of each 2,000 in Texas. Apportionment of funds among states and counties was based on prevalence of tenancy and value of land in proportion to the yields from it.

Counties were distributed among various types of farming areas, as follows:

Areas adjacent to cities: Bexar county, eight farms at \$2500 each. Lower Rio Grande Valley: Hidalgo county, five farms at \$4250 each. Southwest woodlands, grass lands and semi-desert: Reeves county, five farms at \$1,200 each.

Edwards Plateau: Tom Green county, five farms at \$5,000 each. Range livestock and cotton areas (Southwest and Northwest Central): Nueces and Baylor counties, ten farms at \$5,100 each.

Large-scale cotton areas: Jones and Haskell counties, ten farms at \$7,500.

General farming areas (cross timbers type): Johnson county, eight farms at \$5,000 each.

Black Waxy area: Dallas, Falls, Hunt, Lamar, Williamson and Navarro counties, 30 farms at \$8,000 each.

Post oak and upper coastal areas: Fayette and DeWitt counties, 18 farms at \$6,500 each.

Northeast piney woods, Bowie, Cherokee, Houston and Van Zandt counties, 32 farms at \$5,000.

Southeast piney woods: San Augustine County, ten farms at \$3,400 each.

Specialized crops: Wharton county, five farms at \$7,400 each.

Total: 146 farms, \$820,250.

Registrations Of New Cars In State Decrease Sharply

Registrations of new automobiles in Texas during November declined sharply in comparison with the corresponding month last year, and there was a moderate decline from the preceding month, according to the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research.

Reports from fifteen representative Texas counties indicate a total of 4,528 new automobile sales during November, a decrease of 8.6 per cent from the preceding month and 29.1 per cent from November last year. Aggregate sales for the year-to-date, were 60,393 a decline of 3.6 per cent from the like period last year.

"The decline in sales in comparison with last year was least in the intermediate price bracket, and it was greatest in the lowest price bracket," the Bureau's statement said.

FIRST UNIT OF WATER PROJECT BIDS OPENED

More Than Twenty Contractors Secure Plans For First Unit of Project

Brown county's dream of a million dollar irrigation project from Lake Brownwood was a step nearer realization this week when bids were opened Wednesday morning on the \$175,000 unit one project of the system.

Bids were opened in Hotel Brownwood after a meeting of the Board of directors of Brown County Water Improvement District No. 1 at 10 a. m. in the office in Citizens National Bank Building. More than 20 contractors secured plans and specifications on the project. Seven bids were submitted. Deadline for submission of bids was 10 a. m. Wednesday.

Unit No. 1 includes clearing of right-of-way, fencing right-of-way, excavations and construction of approximately seven miles of main canal from Brownwood dam south toward Brownwood.

The canal will be 12 feet wide, four feet deep and lined with 2-inch reinforced concrete. The contract also will include construction of an inlet structure at the dam to release water from the lake into the canal.

District officials expect final announcement soon of placing \$600,000 in water district bonds to finance the district's share of the project. The Public Works Administration has made a grant of \$450,000 toward construction of the irrigation system.

KIWANIANS AND LIONS TO HONOR CHILDREN AT CHRISTMAS PARTY

Brownwood Kiwanis and Lions clubs will play Santa Claus to approximately 350 underprivileged children of the city Thursday when they will honor them at a Christmas luncheon in Memorial Hall.

Through the advice of school teachers and welfare workers, the clubs will invited selected children between the ages of 6 and 12. The youngsters will be given tickets and dismissed from school in time to attend the luncheon.

Food for the event is being donated almost entirely by Brownwood merchants. The public is invited to attend the program, according to Kiwanis club officials.

Charter Grants For Corporations Show Decrease This Year

New corporations chartered in Texas during November declined moderately below the number of the corresponding month last year, but the capitalization of these establishments was sharply above that of a year ago, according to the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research.

The records of the Secretary of State show 95 new corporations were chartered during November, a decline of 3.1 per cent from the month before and 6.9 per cent below that of November last year. Total capitalization \$1,397,000, was 32.8 per cent below the preceding month, but 50.2 per cent above that of the like month last year.

Compared with November last year there was a 12 per cent increase in new merchandising charters, and substantial increases in public service and real estate building, the Bureau's report said. Three firms were capitalized at \$100,000 or more, against only one in November last year.

Harrison Is Guest Speaker Monday at Hotel Conference

Chester Harrison, manager of Brownwood Chamber of Commerce, was guest speaker at a meeting of thirty members of West Texas Charter 56 of Hotel Greeters of America in Hotel Brownwood Monday night.

Representatives were present from Abilene, San Angelo, Fort Worth, Big Spring, Lubbock, Sweetwater, and Brownwood. Next meeting of the group will be held in Abilene January 14, when Crawford Noble, of Jonesboro, Arkansas, national president, will be present.

MISS ELLIS ELECTED
Delta Delta Delta, social sorority at the University of Texas, held initiation services for fifteen pledges recently. Frances Ellis of Brownwood was one of the new members initiated.

Golden Wedding Observed



MR. AND MRS. GRANT THOMAS

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Thomas, above, residents of Brown county since 1898, recently celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary at their home seven miles west of Brownwood.

Mr. Thomas was born in Illinois, December 14, 1864. Mrs. Lolsa Armstrong Thomas was born in Alabama, March 1, 1868. They were married November 27, 1887, in Milam county, Texas, and moved to Brown county in 1898 to the place where they now reside.

When Mr. Thomas was four years old he came with his father to Austin. When he was 5 the family moved to Northeastern Iowa, and when he was 9 the family moved back to Austin. All trips were made in a covered wagon.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas' children are: Mrs. Mabel Collier, Dallas; Roy L. Thomas, Hale Center; Miss Esther Thomas, Brownwood; W. G. Thomas, Brownwood; Francis G. Thomas, Brownwood; and Mrs. Ruby Welch, Bangs.

ORIGIN OF CHRISTMAS TREES IS BURIED IN HISTORY OF ANCIENTS

GOVT TO CONTINUE RANGE PROGRAM IN 1938, SAYS HEAD

The range feature of the Agricultural Conservation Program, which was started in Texas in 1937 will be continued in 1938, according to Geo. Slaughter, chairman of the Texas Agricultural Conservation Committee.

The 1938 program will be similar in most respects to the preceding plan, Slaughter said. Some practices have been dropped from the present plan, and others have been added.

The deferred grazing practice, whereby part of the range is withheld from grazing for a six month period to allow natural reseeding, long recommended by Texas A. and M. College pasture authorities, was popular with ranchmen. Increased emphasis will be placed on this practice and ranchmen in 1938 may earn 60 per cent of their range-building allowance by this method instead of 33 per cent as in 1937 Slaughter indicated.

The range building allowance has been changed from a straight \$1.50 per animal unit to \$1 per animal unit plus two cents per acre of range land.

Erosion and runoff control will again be featured through payments for contour listing, furrowing or subsoiling, and by construction of spreader dams and terraces.

The construction of dams for water reservoirs, one of the most universally popular practices this year, will be continued under the 1938 program and will be enlarged to include payments for drilling wells, which cannot, however, be located at the range headquarters.

Slaughter indicated that all points of the proposed program were subject to change by Congress in its present session, although only minor details are expected to be affected by such changes.

Installation of Parking Meters Delayed 2 Weeks

Brownwood will not have parking meters until around January 1, according to notice received by city officials from McCammon & Thomas, Dallas, distributors for the meters.

Delay in installation is the result of failure of distributors to secure delivery.

City Council voted two weeks ago to install the meters for a trial period of 120 days.

POTATO GROWERS MEET IN CISCO SATURDAY

May Farmers Plan Extensive Use of Commercial Fertilizer In Future Crops

Seventy-five potato farmers of Brown and Eastland counties met Saturday afternoon in Cisco for a discussion of plans for buying seed potatoes and fertilizer.

W. R. Chambers May, and W. D. Thurmond, O. P. Weiser and W. B. Starr, of Cisco, were named as a committee for purchasing. One carload of seed potatoes was subscribed at the meeting, and additional orders will be taken until January 3, when the potato growers will meet again in Cisco.

At the January meeting, orders for fertilizer also will be taken. Fertilizers recommended for potato growing are: 16-20-0, 11-48-0, 0-32-0, and 0-21-0. These fertilizers are priced at from \$37.50 to \$50 per ton.

Fertilizer Orders

May section growers who wish to place orders for seed and fertilizer may see Mr. Chambers. Growers in other sections of the county who wish to place orders may see County Agent C. W. Lehmburg. Price of state certified seed potatoes is \$2.20 per hundred pounds, and on table stock potatoes is \$1.80 per hundred.

Between 250 and 300 acres were planted in potatoes by May farmers last season, and although unfavorable weather reduced production and the price was low, farmers made more per acre on their potato crop than on any other crop they planted. County Agent Lehmburg estimates that between 400 and 500 acres in Brown county will be planted in potatoes this season.

Farmers at May also plan to increase use of fertilizer on other crops besides potatoes this year. Farmers who used fertilizer on peanuts this year made one-third more nuts and 50 per cent more hay than those who used no fertilizer.

Commodity Value of Raw Cotton Pointed Out By Economists

Demand for raw cotton, in the final analysis, results from the fact that it can be made into commodities which satisfy wants, and that the products made from cotton are cheaper than satisfactory substitutes made from other materials, it was declared by Dr. A. B. Cox, director of the Bureau of Business Research of the University of Texas and internationally known cotton economist.

"This suggests that the huge demand for cotton has been built on its desirable qualities as a raw material for manufacture, and because of its cheapness," Dr. Cox said.

"Raw cotton itself is used for manufacture and for nothing else. Almost 100 per cent of the raw cotton must be spun into yarn before it is usable, and a very large per cent of the yarn must be woven into cloth. Since this is the case, it is a universal custom to measure the demand for cotton by the volume of cotton spinning mill consumption. All spinning mills do not use the same amount of cotton per spindle, as that is determined largely by the fineness of yarn made and the hours per day the mill is operated. In the main, however, the locations of the cotton spinning spindles of the world locate the world's demand for raw cotton."

"Demand in foreign markets for United States cotton fell tremendously during the depression and as yet is showing no signs of recovery. Average exports of cotton from the United States during the five years ending August 1, 1929, were 8,514,000 bales, compared with an average of 5,404,000 bales during the last three years. Where has this loss in foreign demand occurred? During the five years ending August 1, 1929, Europe took an average of 3,512,000 bales of United States cotton; Asia, 1,320,000 bales, and all other countries, 321,000 bales.

During the three years ending August 1, 1937, Europe took an average of 3,512,000 bales of United States cotton; Asia, 1,571,000, and all other countries, 321,000 bales.

ROAD CONTRACT LET

The State Highway Department has awarded a contract for 12.7 miles of grading, drainage structures and select material on highway 23 from Brady north.

The contract was awarded to Cage & Turner, Bishop, at a price of \$77,442.

DAVIS URGES SEPARATION OF CROP CONTROL, SOIL CONSERVATION AT MEETING OF FARMERS SATURDAY

FARMERS AT BANGS FORM ASSOCIATION TO IMPROVE COTTON

Mathews Named President; Fifteen Charter Members Attend Meeting Friday

C. S. Mathews was elected president of the Bangs One Variety Cotton Association at an organization meeting at Bangs Friday.

Other officers are Walter Brooks, vice-president; Tom Hall, secretary-treasurer; and Newell Bruton, and Ed Weems.

Fifteen farmers of the Bangs section comprise the charter roll of the organization, purpose of which is to improve the staple of cotton. The association was formed through the cooperation of County Agent C. W. Lehmburg and V. P. Riley, vocational agriculture instructor at Bangs high school.

Noah McGaughey, Mark Boler and Bryan Harris were named as an arrangement committee. A field inspection committee is comprised of Newell Bruton, Moss W. Sikes and O. B. Strange.

To date, enough orders already have been placed for registered seed to plant 400 acres. The association has set a goal for at least 1,000 acres in the cotton improvement program. Arrangements have been made with the First State Bank at Bangs, to assist grower members who need financial help to buy their seeds.

Arrangements also have been made with the same bank whereby members of the association who place their cotton in the pool can get a loan which will enable to pay the landlord, and for picking and ginning.

Charter members are Chas. S. Mathews, T. J. Hall, Moss W. Sikes, Jack Early, O. B. Strange, J. Martin, Willie Martin, Ed Weems, A. T. Cooper, R. L. Baugh, Louis Garms, Bryan Harris, G. A. Howard, W. R. Brooks, and L. D. Rutherford.

Farmers in Bangs and adjacent communities who are interested in the program should leave their orders for seed with any of the members of the finance committee, or see Mark Boler, at the First State Bank at Bangs.

OIL OPERATIONS ARE RESUMED AFTER RAIN

Oil operations in Brown county were delayed last week due to rain, but work was resumed this week on several wells in the Byrds field. Unken & Frazier No. 1 on the Cox & McCluskey tract, center of the northwest 40 acres of the northwest quarter H. T. & B. Railway Co., section 88, has been shut down on top of the Ranger lime at 2,365 feet with a showing of oil and gas.

The McDonald & Campbell et al well on the Low tract in Coleman, 2 1/2 miles west of the Fry field, set 8-inch casing at 1,120 feet and is expected to drill into the Fry sand within a few days.

S. B. Roberts No. 1 Angel, center of the south half of the B. H. Garvin survey, is fishing for tools at 2,368 feet in caddo lime.

Indiana Oil Company No. 1 on the Moore tract, J. J. R. Moore survey, has recomenced casing at 2,410 feet and is ready to drill the plug. The well is bottomed at 2,469 feet with a good showing of oil and gas. Acid treatment will be given.

R. M. Ragdale has spudded a well on the Cox & McCluskey land, 330 feet south of the north line, and 330 feet west of the east line, J. H. Rider survey. The new well is 660 feet south of the Indiana Oil Co. test.

MAY INFANT

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Cook, May, announce the birth of a son, Saturday, December 16.

NEW AUTOMOBILES REGISTERED

No.	Owner	Make	Dealer
K57-351	Buick Motors Div., Bwood	Buick	Brownwood Motors
K57-352	A. E. Baggett, Bwood	Ford	Weatherly Motor Co.
K57-353	Wendell W. Mayes, Bwood	Ford	Weatherly Motor Co.
K57-354	Leona Hill, Bwood	La Fayette	Nash Sales Co.
K57-357	J. W. Phillips, Jr., Bwood	Chevrolet	Holley-Langford Co.
K57-358	B. C. Cox, Indian Creek	Plymouth	Harris Motor Co.
K57-260	Dr. A. M. Bowden, May	Plymouth	Harris Motor Co.
Registered this week		1937 Registrations to date	735
This week one year ago		To date one year ago	741

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After a rather slow start, Christmas buying in Brownwood during the past week, when the weather gave us better shopping days, has been up to early expectations of Brownwood merchants. Indications now are that, despite rather slow business in October and November, the year as a whole will be a better one for Brownwood merchants and for farmers in this section than was 1936.

Christmas Buying

There was no indication of any business recession in this part of the country during the past week. A record breaking turkey crop brought much money into the country and proved again that this particular section has been wise not to depend entirely upon cotton for a money crop. With a reasonable amount of spending money in hand, everybody is happy, the person able to make a few purchases as well as the individual who is so fortunate as to make a few sales.

Christmas buying, after all, is a fair indication of the temper of the people. We were reminded of that during the years when the gloom of the depression all but snuffed out the holiday spirit. When the future is uncertain, there is little incentive to be liberal.

With the completion of the irrigation system of the Brown County Water District in sight; with business and agricultural conditions pointing toward better times, this should be a Happy Christmas for Brown county. To each individual we extend the wish that such might be your condition at this season.

The death of John G. Hardin in Dallas the latter part of last week removed from the scene of Texas activities one of the greatest philanthropists in the history of Texas. Very likely there were those whose benefactions had been greater than those of Mr. Hardin, but none lived with a greater spirit of unselfishness and with a greater desire that his money be put to a useful purpose; that it, so far as was possible, go toward the improvement of this and future generations.

A Great Benefactor

Brownwood has occasion to feel an obligation to Mr. Hardin through his interest in Howard Payne College. Along with a number of other leading Baptist institutions in Texas, Howard Payne will share in a trust fund established during the last few years of Mr. Hardin's life. The amount which he contributed to Howard Payne is not determined at this time, but it is known that it will exceed a quarter million dollars. Other institutions in Texas share in his benefactions, several to an even greater extent.

The value of Mr. Hardin's philanthropies was great; the value of his life was even greater. It was his desire that the wealth which he accumulated be used after his death in a way that it would perpetually do good. Much of that wealth came through the accident of the discovery of oil on his properties, but before oil made him a millionaire, Mr. Hardin was a wealthy man. Before he became known to all Texans through his philanthropies, he had been helping his own community and his neighbors in every way possible.

So long as the institutions of learning and of mercy to which he contributed exist, which is to say so long as this country and this civilization might survive, the wisdom, the kindness and the generosity of this man will be felt.

Within the next few months the two greatest projects undertaken in Texas as a part of the New Deal will have been completed. Buchanan Dam, and its companion project, Inks Dam, are nearing completion now, and the Lower Colorado River Authority last Sunday entertained newspaper men who live along the Colorado River with a barbecue and inspection trip over the projects.

The Buchanan Dam

Buchanan Dam was a gigantic undertaking. It is the largest dam of its type in the world; the twelfth largest dam in the United States. The overall length of the dam, including the dikes, is two and one-half miles. The highest point from bottom of foundation to the top of the dam is 150 feet.

The Inks dam is approximately three miles downstream from Buchanan Dam. These two dams are a part of a series of dams to be built on the Colorado River by the Authority, others already planned including the Marshall Ford Dam about fifteen miles above Austin and the Austin Dam about five miles above Austin. It is possible that other dams will be built in the future. The Austin Dam originally was built by the City of Austin but was partially destroyed by floods and never used for the purpose for which it was constructed.

The construction of these dams offer an interesting study into the government financing of projects of this nature. Their primary purpose is the generation of hydroelectric power for re-sale. Whether they will be self-sustaining is a matter for the future to disclose. But there is no question as to their recreational value to Texas. They are creating in Texas a series of lakes that will be of untold recreational value to Texas for all time to come.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

In the Far East, the march of civilization has been quickened to a sly-ride—Buffalo Courier-Express.

A political theorist is a person who thinks good soup can be made from bones without any meat on them.—Dallas News.

Cathedrals ravaged in the last war are now restored. In fact, everything is back in place for another, except money.—Detroit News.

Haile Selassie insists he is still ruler of Ethiopia, and so, for that matter, does Victor Emmanuel. And Il Duce, he laffs and laffs.—Atlanta Constitution.

The Japanese are resenting an increase in the price of public bathing. Just wait till they get the bill for public fighting in China.—Newark Advocate.

The MARCH OF TIME

A New BANNER Feature by the Editors of TIME, The Weekly Newsmagazine

Farm First . . .

WASHINGTON—Chairman Marvin Jones of the House Agriculture Committee last week maneuvered his 86-page Farm Bill toward the first vote taken in either house on any part of the President's program for the current special session.

Relentlessly sidetracking members who tried to introduce unwanted amendments, the House leadership apparently had matters in hand when Wisconsin's Progressive Gerald Boleau managed to introduce an amendment outlawing benefit payments to farmers who among other things, used converted cotton fields to graze cattle. But dairy farmers rose in strength against cotton farmers and the Boleau amendment was adopted 202-to-188. Then the House Farm Bill, complete with Boleau amendment, passed 267-to-130.

Since the House bill is destined to be rewritten in Conference after the Senate passes the Pope-McGill Bill, Administration leaders completed the first month of the special session with the hardest part of their No. 1 job still ahead. Both the House and Senate bills authorized Secretary of Agriculture Henry Wallace to draw up annual marketing quotas in advance for wheat, corn, cotton, rice and tobacco; to obtain observance of them by means of benefit-paying voluntary contracts. Both bills agree in principle that when reserves on hand grow too large and two-thirds of the producers involved consent through a referendum, compulsory marketing control can be invoked and penalty taxes levied on further sales. Beyond that the House and Senate bills have little in common.

Chief certainties in the Farm Bill situation last week were that the eventual compromise would cost more than the appropriations of \$500,000,000 already made under the Soil Conservation Act, that no new farm bill would be ready soon enough for any 1938 crop.

K-K-K . . .

WASHINGTON—Major social event of the Presidential week was the Gridiron Club Banquet (for press and politicians) at which the President's remarks are, by strict rule, completely off the record. Sharpest of the six skits written by Washington newspapermen last week concerned Associate Justice Hugo LaFayette Black of the Supreme Court who, unlike Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes, Associate Justices James C. McReynolds and Harlan Fiske Stone, did not attend. Except: "K-K-K-Klanman."

"We have not forgotten and we will not forget the approbation attempt to throttle the Italian people (by sanctions during the war in Ethiopia) that was perpetuated at Geneva." Then, having given his audience an adequate cue, the Dictator asked whether Italy should remain in the League: "Shall it be inside?"

I knew before; When the m-m-m-moon shines Over the White House We'll be watching at the K-K-K-Kourthouse door!

"Scorched Earth" . . .

NANKING, China—Around China's erstwhile capital, Nanking, raw, undrilled Chinese youths were last week flung against advancing Japanese regulars, and were horribly butchered. The crack, German-trained Chinese 88th Division, under ruthless officers and conserving its own strength, drove the Chinese recruits forward and shot in the back those who broke and ran. Twelve miles from Nanking, 300 Chinese were surrounded atop a hill by Japanese who set fire to the long grass. It burned fiercely, completely around the hill, and slowly forced the 300 Chinese to the top. There Japanese machine guns, firing into the ring of fire and smoke, killed them almost to a man.

In Shanghai, Generalissimo Chiang's big banker brother-in-law, T. V. Soong, still remaining in the International Settlement, despite reports that he had fled, declared: "I predict that within three months—providing we can hold out, which I am sure we can—Japan will be on the verge of bankruptcy and facing revolution." To achieve this aim, Chinese were burning down whole cities, such as Chinkiang, 40 miles east of Nanking, destroying millions of dollars worth of Chinese property in a "scorched earth policy" to make conquest as difficult as possible for Japan. It took 48 hours of steady slugging at the walls of Nanking and bitter hand-to-hand fighting in the streets before Japanese announced at week's end that they had captured it.

"No! Yes! Boo!" . . .

ROME, Italy—In such democratic European strongholds as London and Paris, there has been much talk lately of making "concessions" (restoration of war-lost colonies) to Germany to induce her to return to the League of Nations; and if Italy were also out of the League she too might secure "concessions" (recognition of her conquest of Ethiopia) for rejoining. But although Benito Mussolini has often been on the point of quitting the League in form as he has in spirit, Italy was still a member last week when Fascists in Rome were suddenly summoned to their local clubs. Marching 100,000 strong in pouring rain to the square in front of Il Duce's Venezia Palace, they heard Orator Mussolini declaim from his balcony: "We have not forgotten and we will not forget the approbation attempt to throttle the Italian people (by sanctions during the war in Ethiopia) that was perpetuated at Geneva." Then, having given his audience an adequate cue, the Dictator asked whether Italy should remain in the League: "Shall it be inside?"

"NO!" shouted his 100,000 listeners. "Shall it be outside?" "YES!"

"Now," bellowed Benito Mussolini, "we draw away from the tottering temple where they are not working for peace, but paving the way for war! . . . The herds of the great Democracies leave us profoundly indifferent." As usual, the moment Il Duce uttered the word "Democracies," the whole 100,000 cried "BOO!"

It requires two years for any member state's notice of withdrawal from the League of Nations to become legally effective.

Accidents . . .

CASTLECARY, Scotland—As darkness settled down on the little hamlet of Castlecary late one afternoon last week, the local train from Dundee pulled into the London & North Eastern Railway station. Around it swirled a December blizzard that blotted out the lights of the village, stalled the train. Without a second's warning the mile-a-minute Edinburgh-Glasgow express following the local crashed into it. Poking in light from the burning debris of shattered wooden coaches, rescuers removed 91 injured, 35 dead. It was Britain's worst railroad disaster in two decades.

Meanwhile, en route from Kobe to Manila, and steaming down the rock-strewn coast of Formosa, to avoid the Japanese-controlled zone in Taiwan Strait, the Dollar Line's 21,935-ton "President Hoover" crunched a few hundred yards off Japan's Hoishoto Island 500 miles north of Manila. There, with 1,900 passengers and crew safely ashore and on other ships, the \$8,000,000 liner was soon slowly being battered to pieces.

Meetings . . .

NASHVILLE, Tennessee—Dudley Leigh Aman Baron Marley, deputy speaker of Britain's House of Lords last week watched his first U. S. football game in Nashville. Comedy crashed into it. The game is considerably slower than our rugby because of the frequent committee meetings in which the players indulge."

Eye For an Eye . . .

NEW ORLEANS, Louisiana—In New Orleans' Charity Hospital last week two destitute farmer-patients—John Wesley Amos, 68, and Frank Chabina, 19, both suffering blindness in their left eyes. Quicklime had seared the youth's a cataract had bleared the older's. Said John Wesley Amos to Charity Hospital eye surgeons: "Frank's been very good to me. Not many young fellows would bother to cheer up an old man like the way Frank's done. If you figure one of my eyes can help Frank see, I want you to take my eye and give it to him."

Ophthalmologists therefore enucleated the old man's left eye, stripped it of part of its transparent cornea which they immediately substituted for the young man's opaque cornea. So commonplace has this eye operation become (corneal grafts may be taken from the eyes of stillborn babies or persons who have just died) that Charity Hospital surgeons assured young Frank Chabina that within two weeks he would probably see as well as ever. Commented the grateful old donor: "It looks a lot different to an old man like me than to a young fellow with all his life ahead of him."

Worst Foot . . .

NEW YORK—Sitting in solemn convention in Manhattan's Hotel Waldorf-Astoria last week was the "Congress of American Industry," annual session of the National Association of Manufacturers attended by some 2,000 delegates, most of whom were representatives of the employers of one-half of the country's industrial labor. With the U. S. currently suffering a sharp business recession, most of the topics discussed by the N. A. M. were politically important. In one of the most sense-making of the orations Lamont du Pont

Side Glances - - - - - By George Clark



"Well, personally, I wish you hadn't sold your drug store."

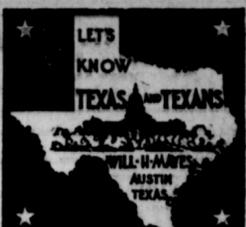
pointed out that for private industry to create jobs for 2,000,000 workers required investment of at least \$25,000,000,000—money invested "a year, two years, perhaps even ten years in advance of any hope of return." And Business could probably raise the money if given "a reasonable degree of certainty" on such things as labor taxes, legislation. Added he: "Business needs more than a mere breathing spell from legislative experimentation. It needs positive, reliable assurance that the complicated terms and conditions under which it must function are finally determined . . ."

The manufacturers, drawing up a labor platform, asked that Federal and State restrictions on the use of labor injunctions be eased. They asked that the Byrnes Act be amended to ban interstate transportation of "strike-makers" as well as strike breakers. They asked that a long list of strikes be declared illegal, including sit-down strikes, general strikes, strikes for a closed shop or the check-off, strikes where grievances have not been presented in advance, strikes accompanied "by continuous and systematic acts of violence and intimidation," strikes in violation of contracts, "strikes to prevent the use of materials, equipment or services."

The conspicuous knock of Business for putting its worst foot forward whenever it touched the subject of labor was observed by General Hugh Johnson, who wrote: "Its heart was right but the draftsmanship was terrible . . . This is a pity because in my talks with important individuals I could plainly see the most astonishing change in thinking. Some of the worst old hardshells have softened up."

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In this column answers will be given to inquiries as to Texas history and other matters pertaining to the State and its people. Address inquiries to Will H. Mayes, Austin, Texas.

Q. What part did George Fisher have in precipitating the disturbances at Brazoria and Anahuac in 1830-32?

A. Fisher, a Serbian and naturalized United States citizen, came to Texas in 1820 as customs collector for Mexico at the Galveston port. He issued customs regulations that were very objectionable to the Texans, was removed by Gen. Teran, and later secured a secretarial position at San Felipe, from which he was dismissed for abstracting papers. He was reinstated at Galveston, renewed his obnoxious regulations and joined Bradburn in his activities that brought on the trouble at Brazoria and Anahuac and resulted in the Texas declaration of opposition to Bustamante and allegiance to Santa Anna and the "Plan of Vera Cruz."

Q. What was Austin's attitude toward the "Fredonian Rebellion?"

A. When he first heard of the revolt, Austin issued a personal appeal to both Mexicans and Americans to support the Mexican state government and induced the government to offer the rebels who had taken up arms a general amnesty and an investigation of their grievances, which they rejected. He then issued a call to arms to his colonists and had a small force to join the Mexican troops on their way to Nacozoches to suppress the rebellion, and promised more if they were needed. The rebels, however, fled across the United States line at the approach of the Mexicans.

Q. How did Vicente Guerrero when president of Mexico, attempt to reward ex-Texas settlers for their loyalty to Mexico?

A. Many settlers in the Atascocelta, Ais, Tenaha, Sabine and San Jacinto districts had located and improved their homes either under promises of getting titles to their lands, or without authority. Guerrero, when president in 1829, undertook to have their lands surveyed and titles perfected under approval given by the Federal and State governments in 1828 and as rewards for their loyalty in opposing the Fredonian Rebellion.

Q. Did the United States ever endeavor to fix the line between it and Mexico at the Rio Grande after Mexican independence from Spain and before the Texas revolution?

A. Negotiations to purchase the territory between the Sabine and the Rio Grande were initiated in 1828-29. The United States based its hope of making this purchase on efforts of Spain to invade and reconquer Mexico and on its depleted treasury, but the proposal never passed the initial stage. Mexico rejected suggestions of such a sale, evidently believing that the United States designed to acquire the entire country.

Q. What was the colonization law of April 6, 1830, and what prompted it?

A. It was an act of the General Congress of Mexico prohibiting emigrants from nations bordering on Mexico from locating in Mexican states adjacent to their own nation—an amendment of the law of Aug. 18, 1824. It was prompted by the report of Gen. Manuel Teran of his visit to Texas in 1825, when he saw such rapid development of Texas by people from the United States that he feared a continuance would imperil Mexican domination of Texas and possibly the government of Mexico itself.

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By COWAN



WHY, SWEETIE! WHAT'S THE MATTER?

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HERE YOU PRETEND TO BELIEVE ME, WHEN ALL THE TIME YOU KNEW I WAS FIBBING TO YOU!!

News of Brown County Communities

Regency

(Intended for last week)
Many hearts were made sad of the passing away of Grandmother Egger, 84, Saturday morning at 3:30 at her home near Regency, after a long siege of illness, which she endured with patience.

She often remarked to her constant nurses: Jennie Roberts and Mae Egger, that she could never repay, but God would reward them for their untiring efforts to relieve her, while the tear drops of love stood in their eyes.

May the reflections of her life, as a devoted mother, Christian and friend reign in our memories in the future as she has been in us in the past.

Her children were all present: Sons: Jess, Noah, Henry Ira, and Ben Egger. Daughters: Mrs. Wood Roberts and Mrs. R. M. Haynes, besides several grand-children, great-grandchildren, nephews and only sisters living: Aunt Tee Purcell.

Funeral services in charge of Bro. S. S. Rives, were held at her home where she has resided for about fifty years, before a host of relatives and friends.

She was laid to rest beside her companion, Charley Egger, who preceded her in death forty-three years, on a level, elevated spot overlooking the Colorado river, one mile north of Regency, formerly known as the "White Church Cemetery".

Aunt Tee, 90 years of age, has lived with her sister for the past several years, and loved by all who knew her, will make her home with her nephew and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Riggs of Brownwood.

Perhaps the death of Mrs. G. A. Egger will be sent in by several for publication, and I am glad that I have the opportunity to fill the column for Regency news, with only the life and death of this dear one. As the Apostle Paul, she kept the faith, fought a good fight and now a crown of righteousness is laid up for her.

Glasses correctly made give service. Dr. R. A. Ellis, Optometrist.

Bethel

(Intended for last week)
Grandmother Hollingsworth of Brownwood is visiting her son Chas. Hollingsworth and family this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Baker and son, Don Ray of Winchell are visiting Mr. Joe Baker and family Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Horner, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. McKinzie and son, spent Sunday afternoon in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Turman Gunter near Goldthwaite.

Mr. Barney Parson and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Will Rice at May Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Stovall Jr. of

Comanche spent the week-end with his mother Mrs. C. D. Stovall. Little Joyce and Layce Horner have been sick the past week.

Mrs. Burman Black and son of Brownwood visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hollingsworth Monday. Her sister Geraldine, accompanied her home to spend the week.

Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Matag and family, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Dupree and family and Mr. Deal of Ranney were visiting in the home of H. H. Stages, J. B. Dupree, and Mr. and Mrs. Eggar McKinzie Sunday.

Mr. Robert Edward Swarts, Miss Swarts and Mr. Pratt of Blanket attended B. T. U. here Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Ola Hart and sons of Brownwood visited relatives here Sunday.

For your next pair of glasses see Dr. R. A. Ellis, Optometrist.

Bangs

(Intended for last week)
Mrs. W. S. Stacy, teacher of the Intermediate B. Y. P. U. entered her class with a party at the home of Mrs. Edgar Owen, Wednesday night. Popcorn was served and games played throughout the evening. At a late hour hot chocolate was served to the twenty-five present.

Miss Annie Marie Hall, a student at T. W. C. F. L. Worth, was among the five who made the highest grades in the freshman class recently. Miss Hall makes five A's.

We are glad to see that she is keeping up the same high standard that she made in high school.

Mrs. R. L. Hall has gone to Ft. Worth and Dallas for an extended visit with her sons and other relatives.

The Baptist Ladies are preparing a box of cookies to be sent to Buckner's Orphans Home in time for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Arthur Rochester of San Angelo were recent visitors in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Layman.

My eye examination different. Try Dr. R. A. Ellis, Optometrist.

Salt Branch

(Intended for last week)
Several from here attended the Gipsy Smith revival during the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Laughlin and sons were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sheffield at Brooksmith Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gay McMurry and Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Dribred and daughter, visited Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dixon at Brooksmith Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Yarbrough and daughter spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Yarbrough at Bangs.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Storm of

Brownwood were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Storm Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Cole and son visited relatives in Brownwood Sunday.

Sammie Cole has been real sick. He was bitten by a black widow spider last week. He returned to his home Sunday.

Comfort and satisfaction in glasses fitted by Dr. R. A. Ellis.

Brooks and Macedonia

(Intended for last week)
The League Social held at Macedonia Saturday evening was most attended and all reported a well enjoyable evening.

Rev. Estell Allen filled his regular appointment Sunday evening after the League program was rendered.

Miss Annie Haynes spent Saturday night with her sister, Mrs. Jessie Woody of Rising Star.

Mrs. Julius Watkins was shopping in Cisco Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Everette Harris were shopping in Brownwood Wednesday.

Miss Doris McBride of May spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mrs. Cyrus Vernon.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Busbee moved to the Blake community last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Boggs were the Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Haynes.

Mrs. F. A. Haynes and daughter, Annie, were shopping in Brownwood Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Harris left Friday for Wichita Falls where they will make their home. We regret to lose them, but wish them much happiness in their new home.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Vernon have moved to the Ross Harris place.

Rev. Estell Allen spent Saturday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Boggs.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Vernon and son, Gene, spent Sunday afternoon in the Cook community.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lee are spending a few days with relatives in Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Rogers and daughters, Bessie and Jessie visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Harris Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Everette Harris celebrated their Crystal Wedding anniversary Friday. They dressed in their wedding clothes and were fixing to spend the evening out when a large number of friends and neighbors came in and surprised them with lots of good things to eat and a number of beautiful and useful gifts. All reported a most enjoyable evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Haynes entertained in their home Wednesday evening with a farewell party for Mr. and Mrs. Ross Harris. A large number was present and spent a pleasant evening together.

My eye examination different. Try Dr. R. A. Ellis, Optometrist.

Ebony

(Intended for last week)
This week marks the passing of Grandmother Egger, 83, pioneer mother of this community. She died early Saturday morning at her home, and was laid to rest Saturday afternoon by the side of her husband in the White Church cemetery not far from her home.

She is survived by the following: Seven children, Jess, Henry, and Ben, of Regency; Noah of Doran, Mrs. Wood Roberts, and Mrs. R. M. Haynes, of Ebony; one son Will, died in 1929; a sister, Mrs. T. Purcell, known as Aunt T, who has lived with her for many years; twenty-five grandchildren; forty great grandchildren; two great great grandchildren.

Before her marriage, she was Miss Georgia Ann Bailey. She was born in Washington county, March 15, 1854. She married Charlie Egger and they came from Lee County to these parts and settled in this community in 1889.

In February, 1894 Mr. Egger died leaving her with eight children. She knew all the hardships of widowhood, and of pioneering in this part of the country. But in spite of her bereavement, out of her thrift and good management she was able to bestow upon each of her eight children 100 acres of land. This she did years ago, keeping only a small tract for herself. She was justly proud of her family, for the Eggers are noted for their moderateness, their clean living and their freedom from bad habits. As she was devoted to her children

so were they devoted to her. They gave her every care. Only a few days before her death, as her daughters-in-law waited on her, she told this writer that she knew she had the best set of daughters-in-law of anybody.

On account of inclement weather the funeral was held at the house. Bro. Rives of near Brownwood officiating. A host of friends and relatives thronged the house and yard. Seven grandsons, Charlie Roberts, Carl Egger, Clayton Egger, Noel Haynes, R. D. Egger, Orville Egger, and Ben Egger, acted as pallbearers.

At gatherings, we had often seen Grandma Egger, a bent familiar figure, most often dressed in black with her black sunbonnet, but in death loving hands wrought a transformation. She lay in her beautiful casket, straight and slim as a girl, clad in a silver grayorgette shroud matching her silver hair, under a blanket of flowers. Thus did her children, with hands unstinted, make the form of "Mother" what her life had meant to them—a thing of beauty.

Aunt T. Purcell has gone to live with her niece, Mrs. Sam Riggs, at Brownwood.

Earl Day, who was sick with flu last week, was able to be out at church Sunday.

We were also glad to see Mr. and Mrs. Bob Egger at church Sunday. It has been a long time since Mrs. Egger had been able to be out.

A good rain fell here Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Orville Egger have moved into the house on the P. R. Reid farm.

Next Sunday is the last Sunday before Christmas. We want all the children to be present for Sunday School Sunday morning. We will have a little treat for them. Parents, bring them or send them. Don't forget.

Your eyes should have the best. See Dr. R. A. Ellis, Optometrist.

Zephyr

(Intended for last week)
Rev. Wilkerson of Blanket filled his regular appointment at the Methodist church Sunday.

Mr. Johnnie Driskill of South Dakota is visiting his sister, Mrs. D. F. Petty.

Mr. and Mrs. Burl Gist are the owners of a new Ford Sedan.

Mrs. Garland Boland is visiting at Fort Worth this week with her sister, Mrs. Lowell Vanandt.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Kesler and Mr. Allen Kesler of Big Springs are visiting their mother, Mrs. Lattie Kesler this week.

Miss Pauline Glass of Brownwood attended the Junior play here Saturday night.

Miss Lucille Reasoner of Brown-

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Early High

(Intended for last week) Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Murphy Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Cross, Mrs. Lucy Meek and son, Arthur, Miss Edith Moore and Miss Lois Bledsoe all of Brownwood and Mrs. Mrs. Della George of May, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Kinard, who live a few miles out of Brownwood on the lake Brownwood road and Mrs. Maude Bledsoe and son Fred, the dinner was given in honor of Mr. Henderson Murphy's birthday.

A good rain fell here Tuesday which will be fine on grain and will put out some stock water, however it fell too slow to put out much water.

Ben Gibson of Ft. Worth was here Friday for a little while in the home of his uncle and aunt Mr. and Mrs. Cull Earp.

Mrs. L. W. Roscoe spent Saturday night with Mrs. Cull Earp. She spent the day Sunday at Burkett, Coleman County, going there with Mr. and Mrs. Claude Roscoe where they visited the latter's parents Mr. and Mrs. Taylor.

Several from the community attended the Gipsy Smith revival at Brownwood which closed Sunday night.

Jesse Graham was sick most of last week with Flu, but is up and about this week.

Mrs. Sallie Black is back home after nursing a patient last week at Mullen.

Mrs. Hurley Campbell visited with Mrs. George Griggs a while Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Tuck Henson and son of Zephyr visited here a while Sunday with Mrs. Garry Black and Mr. T. H. Lea. The Hensons were leaving Monday for Portales, New Mexico, their home, we wish them luck.

Mr. Horace Lea of Sweetwater

has been here the past few days with his father, Mr. Tom Lea.

Mrs. Tom Flowers and daughter Gwen, visited Monday afternoon with Mesdames J. W. Vernon and Everett Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Rodgers of Blanket visited relatives here Sunday.

Indian Creek

(Intended for last week) Mrs. Scott Keeler and daughter of Oklahoma are visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Keeler.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Wine of Brookersmith spent Thursday with her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Hawthorne.

Rev. George Greebon preached at the Methodist Church Sunday morning. There was no preaching here Sunday night.

James Otis and Nelma Gene Jones spent Saturday night in Brownwood with Delbert and Myra Lee Duffer.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Dixon of Lubbock spent the week end with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Tallant announce the birth of a daughter.

The Early Home Demonstration Club met Wednesday, December 8, with Mrs. Bill Lightsey. It was decided to have a Xmas party on the night of December 22 at the Gorman home.

Members are to bring their families with gifts for the children and a pound of candy. Women bring women's gifts and men bring men's gifts.

We will meet again the second Wednesday in January. But we have not decided where.

McDaniel

(Intended for last week) Our community was visited by a good rain Monday night and Tuesday, which will be very beneficial to the grain.

Mr. C. A. Cavel and children, Vernon and Lora, and Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Haynes of this community and Mrs. W. F. Haynes of Brownwood took dinner in the home of Mrs. H. E. Haynes and daughters, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ferrell Warren spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and B. O. Boler.

Rev. Wade of Brownwood filled his regular appointment at Rocky Saturday night, Sunday morning and Sunday night. The services were well attended.

Mrs. Oren Tervooren spent one evening last week with her friend, Mrs. E. E. Haynes.

Several from our community attended the Gipsy Smith revival in Brownwood Sunday evening and Sunday night.

Miss Marjorie Triplett spent Sunday with her friends, Misses Willie and Lucille Browder.

There will be a Brotherhood meeting at the Rocky Church Friday night. Every man in the community is urged to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. New Wolverson of the Jordan Springs community visited in the home of his daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Oren Tervooren Monday.

Mrs. Leroy Sanderson entertained the McDaniel Happy Hour Club last Thursday. An enjoyable time was reported.

LAST CALL: This is the Banner's last call to readers to come in and obtain their Christmas gift, a handsome pen and pencil set.

Union Grove

The oldest inhabitant does not remember so much cold weather in December. But what has the north encountered?

Mrs. Scharock received a message telling of the death of a relative at Mineral Wells last week.

Miss Annie Innes had a new gas heater installed in her home recently.

Mrs. F. M. Crownover has been spending some time with her daughter, Mrs. Beulah Lee Robison and meeting a new grandbaby.

Mrs. Pearl Miller of Ixey, spent a pleasant week-end with her cousin, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Waldrep.

Mr. J. L. Yancey of Ranger was attending to business here last week.

Mr. Omer Reed of Tahoka was a visitor with the family of his aunt, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Howel last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Webb and baby of Ixey visited relatives here recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cannon of Rising Star were callers with Miss Annie Innes Sunday.

Oval Clark is out at San Angelo where he has employment.

Mr. and Mrs. Gresham Holamon and baby and Leland Holamon returned Saturday from Tahoka where they had employment.

Mr. E. R. Patterson visited his friend, Mr. Tom Allen in Eastland county.

Ebony

A good crowd attended Sunday School and church Sunday. We hope more will come next Sunday. Why not make a New Year's resolution to attend regularly through 1938? Bro. Ellis Grubb of Brownwood will preach for us the first Sunday in January.

We are glad to see our young people returning for the holidays.

Misses Vivian and Earlene Day and Lucille Wilmetts of Abilene Christian College came in Friday to spend Christmas with homefolks.

Hubert Reeves went to Denton Saturday after Mrs. Reeves' sisters, Misses Jessie and Shirley Guthrie who are attending Texas State College for Women there. On the way back they stopped at Stephenville for Miss Edith Thompson of John Tarleton College who will spend her holidays at her home here.

Lillard Wilmetts of A. & M. College came in Friday for Christmas with homefolks.

Mrs. Alice Rosson of California, sister of Mrs. Horace Reynolds has come to make her home with Miss Dolly Reynolds. Mrs. Rosson was one of the Shafer girls. She married in the late eighties and left here. She has lived a good part of her time in California. We are glad that after all she chooses to come back here to live.

Dewey Smith left Saturday to go to work on the oil well which is being drilled on the Bayou in Mills County.

Mrs. Kelly has received word that Will Kelly is in a San Angelo hospital not expected to live.

Mrs. S. L. Singleton is still in a hospital in Eureka Springs, Arkansas. She writes that she is still improving.

Miss Sybil Guthrie, who is in a hospital in San Antonio, is still improving, and may be able to leave the hospital by the first of the year.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hardin are at the Stanley Reeves home. They will make their home there this coming year.

Mrs. John Holder left Tuesday to join her husband at O'Donnell where they will make their home. Mr. Holder runs a truck from O'Donnell to Lubbock.

Bangs

The monthly meeting of Brown County B. T. U. was held at the First Baptist Church Sunday afternoon at 2:30. A program of music by the orchestra of First Baptist Church, Brownwood; accordian solo by Mrs. Karl H. Moore; male quartet, from Lancaster B. A. U. of First Baptist Church, Brownwood; girls quartet from Bangs, devotional by Rev. Ben Morrison, Value of B. T. U. by Rev. E. L. Sparks, Reports of Convention by Rev. J. M. Cooper, and three young people who attended, was greatly enjoyed by a large crowd.

Glenna Bruton, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Bruton, had her tonsils removed at a Brown-

wood hospital Saturday.

Elbert Pierce and Quinton Matthews, students at A. & M.; Ben Sullivan at John Tarleton; Bill Stephens, who teaches at Coleman, and Charles Matthews at Santa Anna, are home for the holidays.

Mr. J. H. Hutcherson has returned from a two weeks visit with his daughter, Mrs. Fowler and family of Sabinal.

The Junior and Senior Choral Clubs under the direction of their teacher, Miss Ellen Wilson, rendered Christmas carols Sunday night at the Baptist church.

Mr. and Mrs. Cook Sheffield of Concord, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Yarbrough and son and Mrs. Lula Leach of Brownwood visited Mr. and Mrs. John Stephens Sunday afternoon.

The Baptist W. M. S. met at the home of Mrs. Clyde Langley Monday afternoon in a Royal Service Program and social. Refreshments of hot chocolate and cake were served.

Mrs. Ruth Garms, who teaches at Wilson, is home for the holidays.

A box of cookies was sent to Buckner Orphans home Monday by the Baptist W. M. S.

Miss Edna Merle Smith of Alexander is spending the holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Stewart announce the birth of a daughter. She has been named Peggy Ann.

Rev. L. D. Ball filled his regular appointment at the Baptist Church Sunday.

Mrs. George M. Snow of Douglas, Arizona, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Dixon.

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May

Miss Lucille George is teaching in the Eldorado school.

Bud Harms and family, Charles Lappe and family of Blanket, and J. H. Hardy and family of Wolf Valley spent Sunday with J. D. Harms and family.

Albert Palmer and family of Mercury visited his father and mother here a few days ago.

E. A. Robison is down with pneumonia. We hope for him a speedy recovery.

Rev. Page filled his church appointment Sunday.

Mr. N. J. Singletary made a business trip to Blanket Monday.

Othella Vanderveer of DeLeon attended the A. F. & A. M. Lodge meeting here Saturday night.

Mr. B. Porter of Brownwood visited his daughter, Mrs. M. Gibbs Tuesday.

Prof. Heflin Bowler is at home from Breckenridge for Christmas. James McDaniel from John Tarleton is home for the holidays.

Miss Iloa Bowden and Miss Iris Shults from Georgetown are spending the holidays with their parents.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ben Cook, on Dec. 15 a boy.

It is reported that they have struck oil on the O. A. Angel place, four miles west of May.

McDaniel

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Friday night, Dec. 24. Everyone is invited to come and be with us.

Mrs. Oren Tervooren spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. Buster Flores of Brownwood.

Mr. C. A. Cavel and children Lora and Vernon, spent unday with Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Spivey.

Rev. Wade of Brownwood will fill his regular appointment at the Rocky Church Saturday night and Sunday.

Miss Kate Tervooren of Brownwood attended Sunday School at Rocky Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Cropp spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Spivey.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Tervooren and Mr. Emmett Haynes spent Monday with Mrs. Bessie Haynes and daughters.

Gap Creek

The rain last week was fine on grain. Farmers can now finish breaking their land.

Derwood Goodby was calling on his mother at Brownwood a while Monday.

Mr. Preston Heptinstall of Comanche county has been visiting his mother, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Patterson spent Sunday night with the lady's mother, Mrs. G. W. Faulkner of Blanket.

Mr. Barney Parsons is doing carpenter work on Mr. Patterson's house since the weather has cleared up.

Mr. and Mrs. Orie Faulkner, Mr. and Mrs. Dock Crane and children of Jones Chapel were Sunday visitors with Mrs. Mary Chambers.

Mr. Wilmot Baker visited home folks one night last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Faulkner and baby of Blanket spent last Thursday night with the lady's mother, Mrs. Soucy.

Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Williams were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Alexander of Salt Creek.

Mr. Ed Faulkner of Blanket was out at the farm Monday. He is helping with Mr. Patterson's new house.

Mrs. G. G. Heptinstall who is teaching at Woodland Heights was a week-end visitor at home.

Zephyr

Mr. and Mrs. Elton Cornelius announce the arrival of a son, Saturday morning, Dec. 18. Weight, 8 1/2 pounds. Named him R. Elton.

Mr. Clayton Coffey of A. & M. College is spending the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Mollie Coffey.

Mr. and Mrs. Milford Cornelius and children of Brownwood visited here Sunday with their mothers.

Mrs. Bonner Thompson and children, Patsy Nell and Otis Rae, of Comanche, visited her mother, Mrs. Mae Williams last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Roberts of Ebony were the guests of her mother, Mrs. Mae Williams Saturday.

Mrs. J. E. Couch and daughters, Emogene and Anita were shopping in Brownwood Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Burl Gist and Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Locks, Jr., were shopping at Brownwood Friday.

Mr. Charles Vanzandt of the CCC camp of Burnett, is visiting his mother, Mrs. Nora Vanzandt.

Mr. Harvey Dudley of Mullin was here visiting Tuesday.

Stagg Creek

Mr. J. B. Chambers and family and Mr. Jack Cagle and family are spending the week with their sister, Mrs. Joe Bailey Claborn, of Kilgore.

On account of the piano getting wet last week the singing class went to Henry Dremson's Sunday night and sang till a late hour.

On account of the bad roads and cold weather the Primitive Baptists failed to have church Saturday but had a large crowd Sunday.

Mrs. J. D. Morrow has returned home from Brownwood where she has been visiting her sister, Mrs. H. D. Fish.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Rush visited his father Sunday near Hasse.

Mr. and Mrs. Ocie Ward spent Sunday night with the lady's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Chambers.

Mr. Will Perkins of Brownwood attended church here Sunday.

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By virtue of the aforesaid Act of the Legislature, the Board of Directors of the Brown County Water Improvement District Number One have made, adopted and ordered published and promulgated, in addition to its rules and regulations already made, published and promulgated, the following rules and regulations, to be known as Rules Nos. XIII, XIV, and XV.

SECTION XIII. Sub-Section 1. Subject to the qualification stated in Sub-Section 2 of Section XIII, the starting or setting of fires on any of the lands owned by the Brown County Water Improvement District Number One in Brown County lying below sea level elevation 1425 feet, is hereby forbidden; and it shall be unlawful for any person to set or start any fire on any such lands where such lands adjoin lands owned by individuals that have been posted according to law by the owners thereof, as hereinafter provided. The line of said elevation of 1425 feet above sea level is now shown on the ground by a line of stone monuments or markers painted white, and such line is at the same elevation of the spillway of Lake Brownwood, and the lands referred to lie below this line and the water-edge of Lake Brownwood.

SECTION XIV. The firing of rifles, pistols or other firearms of a range of more than 400 feet, and the firing of any other gun loaded with shot above the size of Number 2, on, over or across or along the shore line of any part of Lake Brownwood belonging to said District is hereby forbidden; and it shall be unlawful for any person to fire any rifle having a range of more than 400 feet, and it shall be unlawful for any person to fire any other gun loaded with shot above the size of Number 2, on, over or across any part of Lake Brownwood, or along its shore line.

SECTION XV. Any person who violates any provision of the foregoing rules and regulations shall be subject to the penalties as prescribed by the foregoing Act of the Legislature relating to water improvement districts. The appropriate penalty prescribed by said law being as follows: Any violation of the provisions of this Act, or such rules and regulations, after due promulgation thereof, shall be unlawful and shall be punished by fine not to exceed the sum of \$100.00, or imprisonment in the county jail of the county for a time not to exceed 30 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

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PLANTING EXPERT DISCUSSES COTTON ROOT ROT DISEASE

By Walter N. Evekil, Plant Pathologist, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station

The cotton root-rot disease has been estimated to cause around \$100,000,000 annual loss in Texas alone. As the worst enemy of

plants in the Southwest, this disease has been the subject of scientific study by Dr. J. J. Taubenhaus chief of the Division of Plant Pathology and Physiology, and other workers, for more than twenty years. While this work is not finished, the information accumulated has already furnished a basis for four suggestions for cutting down much of the loss from the disease. The first study of root rot showed that the roots of diseased plants

are always covered by a fungus growth. Experiments proved that this fungus which is known technically as *Phymatotrichum omnivorum* causes the disease by decaying the roots; the tops of the plants can then no longer obtain water from the soil, and soon die. The fungus attacks the roots of susceptible plants, going down below the soil surface as far as the roots go—often twelve feet or more. Deep below the surface, the fungus spreads from plant to plant.

From the almost encyclopedic mass of other information obtained in our studies of root rot, two facts are the foundation of present control measures. On important clue was the discovery by Dr. Taubenhaus that the fungus spreads only on the decaying roots of the plants. It did not spread by growing through the soil away from roots, but merely went from one root to the next root, and one to the next root.

Another basic fact was proof that while many plants are attacked by root rot, some plants are not susceptible. The monocotyledonous or grass plants are immune. This group includes plants like the sorghums, corn, wheat, and oats. These plants are not injured by the disease, and it was proved that the fungus could not grow nor be nourished on their roots. And among the susceptible dicotyledonous plants, some individual plants or small families of plants were found to be resistant to root rot.

First of the control measures de-

veloped from these facts, and successfully tested in field experiments, applies to the disease as it affects the cotton crop in areas where root rot is well established. This is the most spectacular aspect of root rot; the loss runs in some years as high as around 900,000 bales in Texas alone. The answer here is based on use of the immune sorghum and other grain and grass crops. When cotton or other susceptible crops are kept off the land for three years or more, the percentage of root rot in the next cotton crop is greatly reduced. Wherever there is great loss from root rot, and profitable use can be made of feed crops, a more diversified system of cropping in which sorghum or other grass or grain crops are grown at least three years out of four, is then recommended for bad root-rot areas.

Another aspect of the root-rot problem is seen around Corpus Christi and in other places where the root-rot fungus is invading fertile new areas not previously infested. An answer to the problem of keeping the disease out is found by planting "sorghum barriers" in front of the advancing edge of the infestation. A sorghum barrier is simply a few rows of sorghum, planted beyond the present edge of the invading root-rot zone. It must be replanted year after year in the same place; and so far as we now know, will then prevent further spread of root rot in cotton fields. Root rot attacks fruit trees, as well as cotton, and a third point

of attack against the disease is proper selection of root stocks for orchard plantings. The sour orange stock has been found to be highly resistant and has enabled the citrus plantings in the Valley to withstand root rot. In the same way, Champagne and Vitis champini grapes are resistant and may come into use as stocks on which more susceptible grape varieties may be grafted.

The fourth point at which root-rot losses can be avoided is in proper selection of shade and ornamental trees and shrubs. Root rot is highly destructive to chinaberry, elm, maple, poplar, and most oak trees. Repeated attempts to plant such trees, in cities in the root-rot area, have resulted in repeated losses. This loss is quite unnecessary, since it has been found that there are trees highly resistant to root rot. In areas where root rot is prevalent, plant hackberry, sycamore, bois d'arc, mosquito or live-stock trees, and very few will show any injury from root rot. Instead of planting susceptible privet hedges or susceptible shrubs such as redbud or crape myrtle, it is possible to plant the resistant pomegranate, or yaupon, or snowberry.

A list of more than 2,000 plants, giving their relative susceptibility to root rot, has been prepared as bulletin 527 of the Experiment Station, and should be consulted for further information as to the susceptibility or resistance to root rot of plants that are to be set out in root-rot areas.

Renfro, and Harris Renfro, all of Brownwood.

MITCHELL—Funeral services for Miss Wanda Marie Mitchell, 24, of Indian Gap were held in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Mitchell, Indian Gap, Sunday afternoon, at 3 o'clock. The Rev. Mr. West officiated at the services. Burial was in Indian Gap cemetery.

Miss Mitchell died in a local hospital Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock. She was born November 7, 1913 at Indian Gap.

She is survived by her parents, and the following brothers and sisters: Marshall Mitchell, Hamilton; Weld Mitchell, Indian Gap; Bain Mitchell, Indian Gap; Rallie Mitchell, Indian Gap; Bill Mitchell, Indian Gap; Junior Mitchell, Indian Gap; Murl Mitchell, Indian Gap; Edgar Mitchell, Dallas; Marcelette Mitchell, Iris Mitchell and Maginell Mitchell, of Indian Gap.

Miss Mitchell's brothers were pallbearers.

LATIMER—A resident of Bangs for a number of years, Samuel E. Latimer, 76, died in the home of his son, Jesse Latimer in Bangs, December 15.

Funeral services were conducted by the Rev. Mr. Owens and burial was made in the Bangs cemetery. Mr. Latimer is survived by his wife, two sons and one daughter.

TOMPKINS—Funeral services for Roland Tompkins, 23, son of E. V. Tompkins of the Thrifty community were held at Rocky church, by the Rev. Mr. Dunsen, pastor of the Bangs Methodist church, Mr. Tompkins died at 5 a. m. December 16. He was born August 24, 1914.

Survivors include his wife, his father, three brothers and two sisters.

HILLMAN—Funeral services for George Walter Hillman, 68, who died in the home of his daughter, Mrs. R. E. McAllister, at 10:30 p. m. December 15 were held Friday morning at 10:30 o'clock in Austin-Morris Funeral Chapel. Rev. Karl Moore, pastor of First Baptist church, officiated at the service. Interment was in Greenleaf cemetery.

Pallbearers were Wilson J. Lambert, S. B. Sims, W. B. Green, Frank Munselle, R. Rowell and Tom Butler.

Outstanding Movies Of 1937 Are Named

The National Board of Review of Motion Pictures announced recently its selection of the 10 best films of 1937.

In the order of preference they were: Night Must Fall, The Life of Emile Zola, Black Legion, Camille, Make Way for Tomorrow, The Good Earth, They Won't Forget, Captains Courageous, A Star Is Born, Stage Door.

Vacation time in the Kona District schools in Hawaii comes in the fall, because the children are needed to pick coffee.

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RENFRO—Funeral services for Albert Morris Renfro, 17, who died in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert N. Renfro, 112 So. Greenleaf, at 1:25 p. m. Monday, were held Tuesday afternoon in Pleasant Valley church with the Rev. Johnnie Haynes, Baptist minister, officiating.

Young Renfro was born in Grayson county, April 16, 1920, and had been a member of the Baptist church since 1933.

Survivors include his parents, and the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. Lillian Parkman, Comanche; Mrs. Velma Green, McKinney; Mrs. Rosie Petty, Brownwood; Fay Robertson, Groesvenor; Mrs. Beulah Holhouse, Brownwood; Miss Pearl Renfro, William Thomas Renfro, Cecil Renfro, Elmo

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Early High Notes BANNER MAKES ITS LAST GIFT CALL

The little sewing club Christmas party Saturday night at the home economics room given by Mrs. Boyd was a great success. Nineteen members were present, including the hostess, Mrs. Boyd. Those attending were Mesdames Cull Earp, Estelle Black, Cora Alexander, Graham, Anita Anderson, Janie McLaughlin, Ruby Griggs, Minnie Lightsey, Lena Flowers, Martha Byrd, Ellen Gaters, Lucy Gober, Mary Ellen Cunningham, Nellie King, Emma Graham, Mamie Cason, Ellice Lovelace, Tempie Chrane. Games of various kinds were played and a lot of fun was had. Gifts were presented and everybody found out who their Fairies were. In refreshment cocoa, tea, sandwiches, tea cakes, and pop corn balls were served. The hostess was assisted in serving by little Audrey Jane McLaughlin.

Mrs. W. D. Alexander and daughter of San Antonio are here for a visit with her mother, Mrs. Willie Meichinger.

Mrs. L. W. Roscoe and son, Claud and wife, went to New Home for a visit with relatives Friday returning Sunday. Mr. Roscoe returned home with them after working there the past three or four months.

Mrs. Fembrough left for her new home at Lamesa last Friday. She has recently sold out here. We wish her great success in her new home.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Boyd and daughter, Clyda Jon, visited a little while Saturday afternoon with her brother, Battle Moore and family near Blanket.

Mrs. J. B. Kirksey and three daughters, Marie, Evelyn and Sadie Ray, and a Mr. Palmer Tucker, all of Elgin, spent the week end here in the home of Mrs. J. W. Vernon.

Mrs. Jim Alexander spent Friday night and Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Cull Earp.

Fred Day and family of Brownwood were callers in the Earp home Sunday.

Mesdames Estelle and Sallie Black attended a relative's birthday dinner Sunday near Mullin at the home of Mrs. Myrtle Garner.

Rob Wyatt and family of Zephyr visited with relatives here Sunday. Mesdames Jim Alexander and Cull Earp visited at Eastland Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Scott.

Mr. and Mrs. Preston Tucker and daughter, Ruby Jo visited with Mr. and Mrs. George Griggs on Thursday night of last week.

Edward D. Smith of John Tarleton College is at home to spend the Christmas holidays.

Worth Lea came in Tuesday from Ozona, Texas, for a week's visit with his father, Mr. T. H. Lea and other relatives.

Mrs. Howard Heard and son, Howard Jr., of Stephenville, came in Saturday to spend the holidays here with relatives.

Mrs. J. H. Jackson suffered a fall on Tuesday of last week when she fell off some high steps on a back porch. However no bones were broken but she is still confined to her bed.

Still Has a Few of Those Beautiful Pen and Pencil Sets as Christmas Gifts for Its Subscribers

With a few sets remaining on hand, the Banner is making its last call to readers to come in and select their Christmas gift. It is our earnest desire that every subscriber receive one or more of these beautiful fountain pen and pencil sets. And the majority already have. Too busy as yet to check up as to the definite number, but it has run into a good many hundreds, considerably more than we have estimated at the start of the offer. And indications point to a large number more of the sets being placed the next two days.

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Get Your Sets Now A limited supply means that all may be gone before the end of this week. Your logical move is to come in today and select your set or sets. Remember, they are free, the Banner's Christmas gift to you. One set with each yearly subscription, new or renewal, at the regular rate of \$1.00 if you live in Brown or adjoining counties, \$1.50 if you live elsewhere.

Our Last Appeal This is our last appeal for readers to come in and select their Christmas gift from the Banner. Hundreds have already done so but we would like to have everyone in our big family of readers obtain this gift. It is truly a present worthwhile. Those who come in late for their gift are going to appreciate our insistence that they do call and our efforts to obtain sufficient sets for all.

We are most certainly pleased with the response and very happy to have this opportunity to make such a splendid gift.

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