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FROM THE EDITOR'S WINDOW

The Dionne quintuplets have been slightly ailing the past few days and the whole world is attentive. We do not like to hear of anything going wrong regarding the little quints. The world has come to think of them as belonging to us and if ever children were loved by the public the little quintuplets are foremost among the number. Here's hoping for a speedy recovery.

A few days ago we read an amusing article concerning a young man, Glover Sudor, convicted on charges of stealing wearing apparel from a home. He was sentenced to ten months in the house of correction. Elated over the light sentence Sudor drew a sketch of the assistant state's attorney, Frank Donoghue. Glancing at the drawing of his own likeness the attorney handed it to the judge with the remark that Sudor's sentence be changed from ten months to life imprisonment. "On the contrary," the judge replied, "I think it a very good likeness and I will reduce the sentence from ten to nine months."

In Ft. Wayne, Indiana, recently Motorcycle Policeman Aker stopped a speeding motorist and asked the cause of his hurry. The motorist explained that he was a doctor and was rushing to a patient in a serious confinement case. The policeman let him speed on, himself leading the way. Later the doctor told Aker's superior the five minutes he gained by the policeman's aid saved the lives of a mother and a baby and the parents had named the child after the policeman in appreciation of the deed.

The war between Japan and China is still going on from bad to worse. Although war has never been formally declared between the two countries many lives have been lost and the cities involved reduced to vast heaps of destruction. The Premier of Japan announced to the Imperial Diet a few days ago that the Japanese government had been forced to resort to arms to punish repeated acts of Chinese provocation. He was cheered wildly and the Diet unanimously passed a \$30,000,000 war appropriation.

"Sight Schools" for blind children will soon appear, eye specialists have recently declared. They claim that at least half the children classed as blind are able to see with the aid of strong glasses.

Henry Ford observed his seventy-fourth birthday at his home in Detroit a few days ago. Mr. Ford seems very much like a lot of the rest of us as he took no particular notice of it until his attention had been called to the fact. His own words: "Years are a joke. If somebody didn't mention it, I probably would forget I had a birthday."

According to the Rural Social Organization at Cornell University, the "best bet" for a successful marriage is the girl who has had a job, who has been active in community affairs or who has been a responsible housekeeper in her own home before marriage. It also went on to say that marriage between men and women whose social and cultural backgrounds are similar are more likely to be successful than those in which the man and woman have very different backgrounds.

The CIO had a birthday last week, that means the organization has been active and before the public one year and what a year! Looking back in review of its activities one sees turmoil, destruction, and last, but not least, bloodshed. Who is responsible for the lives lost in this wave of destruction we would like to ask? The organization claims a membership of 3,200,000 but is that complimentary? The country is breathing with a little more ease at present since the CIO has slackened its speed. John L. Lewis, its leader, has announced he will speak to the country in a nation-wide hook-up over the radio at an early date in September.

Remember August 23rd is the

PUTNAM GIN GETS FIRST BALE COTTON

Tom Butler, who lives about two miles southeast of Putnam, brought in the first bale of 1937 cotton Wednesday afternoon. G. Q. Geter was close second, coming in before the Butler bales was ginned. Mr. Butler had 1570 pounds of seed cotton and the bale weighed 550 pounds. Mr. Geter's bale was ginned later and we did not get the weight. Both men reported the crop shorter than last year. Mr. Geter stating he gathered 9 bales off of 27 acres last year and he did not think he would get over six this year. He received a premium of about \$20.00.

BOY SCOUTS' COURT OF HONOR

The Boy Scouts held a court of honor in Putnam Monday night at the Fundamentalist church on the north side of town. This was the first court of honor since the school closed.

P. L. Butler had charge of the program, taking the place of J. G. Overton, who was not present. Those present for the meeting were as follows: Billie Gaskins, Allen Nelson, and Louis B. Williams Jr. They were awarded the rank of second class scouts.

Members of the honor court were, Bob Clinton, Hugh Smith, Mrs. Hugh Smith, and P. L. Butler.

Scouts present for the program were Stanley Butler, Billie Gaskins, Alley Nelson, Louis B. Williams Jr., G. P. Jobe, Melvin Crawford, Billie Mack Park, Donald Allen, and Douglas Kelley.

Boys under 12 years present were Stanley Culwell and David Park Clinton.

FIRST BAPTIST HAS RECENT ADDITIONS

Recent additions to the membership of the First Baptist church include G. W. Weeks, Mr. Payne, Ben Brazzell, Mrs. Woodward, Junior Allen, Mrs. Archie Kelley, Mr. and Mrs. Briggs, Miss Willie Mae Stephens, and O. C. Stephens.

ROYAL AMBASSADORS MEET

The Royal Ambassadors met on Tuesday evening, August 17, at the First Baptist church at 8:09 o'clock, for a business session and during the session they elected new officers as follows:

1st assistant counselor, Roy Lee Williams; 1st Ambassador in chief, Billie Gaskins; 2nd Ambassador in chief, Douglas Kelley; 3rd Ambassador in chief, Louis Williams; chapter recorder, Roy Lee Williams; chapter scribe, Calvin King; chapter steward, Cleveland Dunaway; custodian, Stanley Butler; and herald, Billie Gaskins.

The study for the fourth Tuesday, August 24th, will be a Bible study taken from the 8th and 9th chapter of Matthew.

The study for the R. A.s each month will be as follows: The first Tuesday will be a business meeting. The second Tuesday will be a missions study. The third Tuesday will be a mission study from the World's Comrades, and the fourth will be Bible study.

BAPTIST DEACONS MEET SUNDAY

Deacons of the First Baptist church met in their annual conference Sunday afternoon at 3:30, with R. L. Buchanan, chairman, presiding. Recommendations pertaining to the selection of various officers for the church for the coming year were discussed. Other items of business were finished. Those present were E. G. Scott, W. M. Tatom, Otis Tatom, Elmer Dunaway, G. A. Brown, all of whom are deacons. Reverend F. A. Hollis was present a few minutes at the close.

W. L. Yeager and Eldon Smith of the Bluff Branch community were in Putnam Saturday.

J. E. Heslep left Tuesday for Abilene for a few days visit with his son, Milton Heslep. Mrs. J. E. Heslep was already there for a visit.

date set to go to the polls to decide the fate of six amendments. Some study before voting would be advisable for most of us.

Friendship Lasts



NEW YORK CITY . . . The Sino-Japanese situation did not effect these two girl scouts who traveled across the continent together, enroute to the International Encampment of Girl Scouts.

BAPTIST CHURCH SERVICES

Regular services Sunday. Sunday school at 10 o'clock and preaching at 11 o'clock. B. T. U. meeting at 7:30 and the regular singing Sunday night to follow the B. T. U. meeting. All church members are urged to attend the 11:00 o'clock services as this is election of officers day. All officers of the church will be elected at that time. Everybody is invited to attend all services.

GROUP ENJOYS DAY AT MINERAL WELLS

Mrs. W. M. Crosby, Mrs. Fred Golson and Mrs. Louise Crosby Anthony of Chicago spent Sunday in Mineral Wells, where they met W. M. Crosby and Fred Golson. The group enjoyed a picnic at Mineral Wells Lake. The affair was in honor of Mrs. Anthony.

TO VOTE ON BOND ISSUE

Dallas county people have decided they have outgrown their old court house and have ordered a bond issue for \$1,500,000 for the purpose of building a new court house. This will take a very small rate to carry the tax in Dallas county as they have something like \$45,000,000 valuation. They will vote on the bond issue on August 23, the same day that we vote on the six amendments in the state, which will save them the election expense in another election.

John Shrader of the Scranton community was in Putnam Saturday afternoon and while here added his name to the subscription list of the Putnam News. Mr. Shrader is the cotton census enumerator and one of the teachers in the Scranton high school and has been for several years.

The decrepit old car drove up to the toll-bridge. "Fifty cents," said the gate man. "Sold," replied the driver.

MRS. LOUISE ANTHONY LEFT MONDAY

Mrs. Louise Crosby Anthony left Monday night for her home in Chicago after spending several weeks in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Crosby. Mrs. Anthony has made her home in Chicago for the past three years. She is one of Putnam's most outstanding young women. Charming in her manner and one possessed of many talents, Mrs. Anthony has gone forward to success rapidly. She is a good musician, good in dramatic arts and has the capacity for making friends easily. She has an unusual personality which contributes to her success. She is a sister to Mrs. Fred Golson of Putnam and was born and reared in Putnam.

MRS. NORRED RETURNS FROM DALLAS

Mrs. W. H. Norred and daughter, Eloise, returned from Dallas and Fort Worth, where they had been taking in the Pan American exposition. They also attended the style shows which were going on last week and many merchants from different parts of the Dallas trade territory were there buying their fall stock. Mrs. Norred, who was representing the Clements & Norred dry goods company of Putnam, said she purchased some goods, but the price was high and it did not look very promising out here on account of the drought and she did not buy a big stock.

PEEK'S LEAVE THE CITY

Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Peek and daughters, Misses Louise and Fredda Jean left Thursday for Crane, where they will make their home. Mr. Peek will engage in the feed business.

The Peeks, one of the most outstanding families Putnam has ever had, will be greatly missed and their removal is a distinct loss to the city. Mr. Peek has been a prominent steward of the Methodist church for many years, served as school trustee a number of years, and at the time of his departure was a member of the county board of school trustees.

Mrs. Peek was one of the best civic workers that can be found anywhere, taking active interest especially in church activities. She has served as president of the WMS and at the time she left was president of the PTA of the school. Mrs. Peek has an outstanding personality, is friendly, and a good mixer.

Miss Louise Peek, one of Putnam's most popular young ladies, has been prominent in society and worthwhile activities. She will be missed greatly.

Fredda Jean, who is still a child is not unnoticed by her sister nor by the public in general.

Putnam regrets very much to lose this fine family.

LOUIS WILLIAMS HAS OPERATION

Louis Williams has been a little under the weather for some time, being subject to prostrate trouble, so Wednesday morning he left home to go to Santa Anna, as they thought for treatment and possibly an x-ray while there, but had no idea of him being operated upon at that time, but he decided he would have the operation and did and his folks did not know anything about it until it was done. He was operated on Thursday for prostrate trouble and came home Sunday. He is doing fine and thinks he will be able to attend to his work in a few days.

MARY DUNBAR HEADS PRESS ASSOCIATION

Mary Dunbar, editor of the Palo Pinto Star, one of the oldest weekly newspapers in Texas, was elected as president of the West Texas Press Association at their meeting at Sweetwater Saturday. Mrs. Dunbar was elevated from first vice-president to the office of president, and no doubt she will fill the office with credit for herself and entire satisfaction to the association as she is a live wire when it comes to getting out a newspaper as she gets out one of the best weeklies that comes to the News office. It is chock full of good advertising every week and always on time. Hence congratulations, Mary, on your elevation to the presidency of the association.

PRICES OF FARM PRODUCTS

According to a government bulletin on farm prices just issued, "Prices received by farmers were declined slightly from June to July." The index of farm prices computed by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics dropped one point. Wheat, corn, meat, animals, and livestock products advanced, while most of the other products declined. On July 15, farm prices were up 8 per cent, higher than on July 15 of last year. Prices paid by farmers were seven per cent higher than a year ago. Buying power of farm products was 94 percent of the 1910-14 level, compared with 93 one year ago. This report shows that the farmer can only buy 94 percent as much as he could in 1910-14, when the farmer had a low buying power as everything was pretty cheap. The average prices of cotton was about 10.75 and wheat was about 85 cents from 1910 to 1914.

J. A. Reed, who lives about nine miles south on the Cottonwood road was in Putnam Saturday afternoon and called at the News office for a few minutes. He said it was getting pretty dry in his community. He said his potato and pea crop was going to be awfully short unless it rained pretty soon.

To Foster Parents



CHICAGO, Ill. . . Donald Horst, two-and-a-half, who was kidnapped by his real parents, was returned to his foster parents who had raised him since birth. A Solomon-like decision decided his fate.

W. M. S. MET TUESDAY

The Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist church met Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the church. Mrs. John Cook, president, presided. The meeting was pronounced unusually good. Opening songs were "Rescue the Perishing" and "Let Others See Jesus in You." Mrs. S. W. Jobe led prayer. Mrs. F. A. Hollis was leader of the missionary program, the topic of which was "Indians." "Send the Light" was sung. Mrs. J. Briggs led the devotional reading Acts 13, 1-5; 13:15; 44:52. Mrs. L. B. Williams sang "Pale Moon." The Indian, Our Host, was discussed by Mrs. John Cook; The Red Race, by Mrs. I. E. Cook; Indian Echo and Indian Lullaby, were then sung by Fredalyn Cook. Treaties Made and Broken, were discussed by Mrs. S. W. Jobe; Early Indian Missionaries, by Mrs. S. M. Eubank; Indian Missions Today, by Mrs. L. B. Williams; Present-day Problems, by Mrs. E. G. Scott; Indian Baptist by Mrs. W. A. Ramsey. Mrs. Scott led the closing prayer.

Those present were Mmes. I. E. Cook, F. A. Hollis, J. Briggs, S. W. Jobe, S. M. Eubank, W. A. Ramsey, L. B. Williams, E. G. Scott, John Cook, G. P. Gaskins.

G. P. JOBE AND THE ABILENE REPORTER-NEWS

The Abilene Reporter-News carried the photograph of G. P. Jobe in the Sunday morning edition and had the following to say in regard to his work with papers as a route boy. "He did well enough this summer to earn a trip to the Carlsbad Caverns, offered by the Reporter-News to its agent showing the best increase in business."

"George is an eighth grade student in the Putnam high school and took his paper job February 1st and delivered 81 copies morning and afternoon combined, each day a list which does not include mail subscriptions. His company may lose him in a few years, however, for when he gets old enough he aspires to be an aviator. Just now he is travelling on a bicycle, bought with his agency earnings. Born in Putnam he has spent most of his life in the town and on a farm 6 miles southeast of it. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jobe."

The News is glad to see any of the boys and girls of Putnam make good, and feel that G. P. is making good at the job as he is on the job regularly and always on time.

METHODISTS WILL HAVE REGULAR SERVICES

The Methodist church of Putnam will resume their regular Sunday school and church activities Sunday, August 22nd. Services have been suspended three weeks because of the disease of infantile paralysis.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends for their kindness and help during the illness and death of our darling baby and sister, Mary. God bless every one of you.

Mrs. N. C. Thompson and Children.

"And whose dear little boy are you?" asked the affable stranger of John.

But John was a modern product and unhesitatingly replied: "The court awarded me to my mother."

PEANUT GROWERS ASK FOR WAREHOUSES

Below is a letter written Congressman Clyde L. Garrett by W. B. Starr, president of the Southwestern Peanut Growers Association, relatives to making peanuts a basic commodity and including it in the pending farm bill:

"I appreciated very much your favor of June 14, written in answer to my previous letter, asking for your cooperation in making peanuts a basic commodity in the new farm bill pending in congress. Am sorry that congress saw fit to delay the passage of any farm bill until the next session of congress. I look, within the next three months, to see much lower prices in all farm commodities. Had it not been for the very bad crop conditions in Canada with somewhat similar conditions in much of Europe, wheat would have sold this summer for between 70 and 80 cents per bushel. I am advised that oats are now selling on the farms in eastern Iowa for 24c per bushel.

"The peanut growers in the 'Southwestern area', that territory lying west of the Mississippi river, are now completing an organization to be known as the Southwestern Peanut Growers Association. Our first action will be to cooperate with the Department of Agriculture in an attempt to stabilize the price of peanuts for the 1937 crop at a 'fair price' to growers and consumers of that farm product. Am sending you under separate cover a copy of the Cisco Daily Press in which you will find some comments on this new organization. We hope that the future activities of our peanut growers organization will result in a better farm income not only for the peanut growers in their 1937 crop, but also for crops of other years in the future.

"Am writing this letter to call your attention to the very great need, at this time, of farmer-warehouses at various points within your congressional district. It is going to be almost impossible for our farmers to cooperate with the Department of Agriculture in future farm program unless adequate warehousing facilities are obtained. The writer was very much interested several months ago in noticing in a press dispatch that farmer warehouses had been constructed in a number of North Carolina towns through WPA assistance. I am sure that the proper pressure on your part can secure for us warehouses in this part of Texas. These warehouses should be constructed so as to care for several different farm commodities; for instance, peanuts in the fall and winter seasons, and Irish potatoes in the spring and summer. This year our fine crop of Irish potatoes, which as you know under farm storage conditions, deteriorates rapidly, sold mainly at very low figures, much of it moving around 70 and 80 cents per 100 pounds. These prices as you know will not pay wages, to say nothing of returns on money invested in land and equipment. The same potatoes would now bring \$1.75 to \$2.00 per 100 lbs. Warehouses properly equipped to maintain needed humidity, temperatures and ventilation would have enabled our farmers to store that part of their crop, which we ordinarily call a surplus, but which in fact is no surplus at all, so that a reasonable figure might have been secured for the entire crop. Please advise me in the near future as to what help we may expect through WPA funds in building these much needed warehouses."

Mr. Starr, in commenting to the Putnam News on the needed assistance in building warehouses, said: "Surely our country towns will get behind this movement, which is every bit as essential as the building of lateral highways or parks or other recreational centers in our cities. Roads to town will not avail the farmer much, if there is no market when he gets there. Farmers and business men should write Congressman Garrett personal letters regarding this important matter. Let's give him a letter shower."

Bill West returned to Putnam last Friday after an extended tour through Kansas and Nebraska in the interest of his oil interests and trying to interest some northern capitalist in the Callahan county oil field.

THE POWER TO THINK This Is the BANK that SERVICE Is Building If to your mental energy and physical strength you add the money power that comes through systematic saving, your business equipment is complete. You have been developed and utilized the tremendous power of thrift. Save a definite amount for a definite purpose and you will achieve great things. Modern Safety Deposit Service First National Bank In Cisco, Texas Member Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

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ly and fully corrected upon being
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editor.

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Respect, and any kind of entertain-
ments where admission fee or
other monetary consideration is
charged, will be charged for at
regular advertising rates.

**THE FALCY OF GOVT.
CONTROL**

The only way we have forecast-
ing the future is by what has
happened in the past, and accord-
ing to past history this talk of
controlling of cotton or any other
farm product is the greatest fraud
that has ever been put over any
intelligent people. We will take
the cotton loan and subsidy that
Congress is proposing at the pre-
sent time to give the farmer on
this year's crop is nothing more
or less than a scheme to tie the
farmer so tight in a contract that
he will not be able to plant a row
of cotton on his farm without go-
ing to Washington and getting a
permit telling him how much cot-
ton he may plant on his own land.
They are proposing to pay 2 1/2-
cents bonus over and above the
ten cents, but the farmer that
gets this bonus will have to sign
a contract to do anything that the
government wants him to. In other
words, asking him to pledge him-
self to something that is to be
done in the future and no one
knows what it will be.

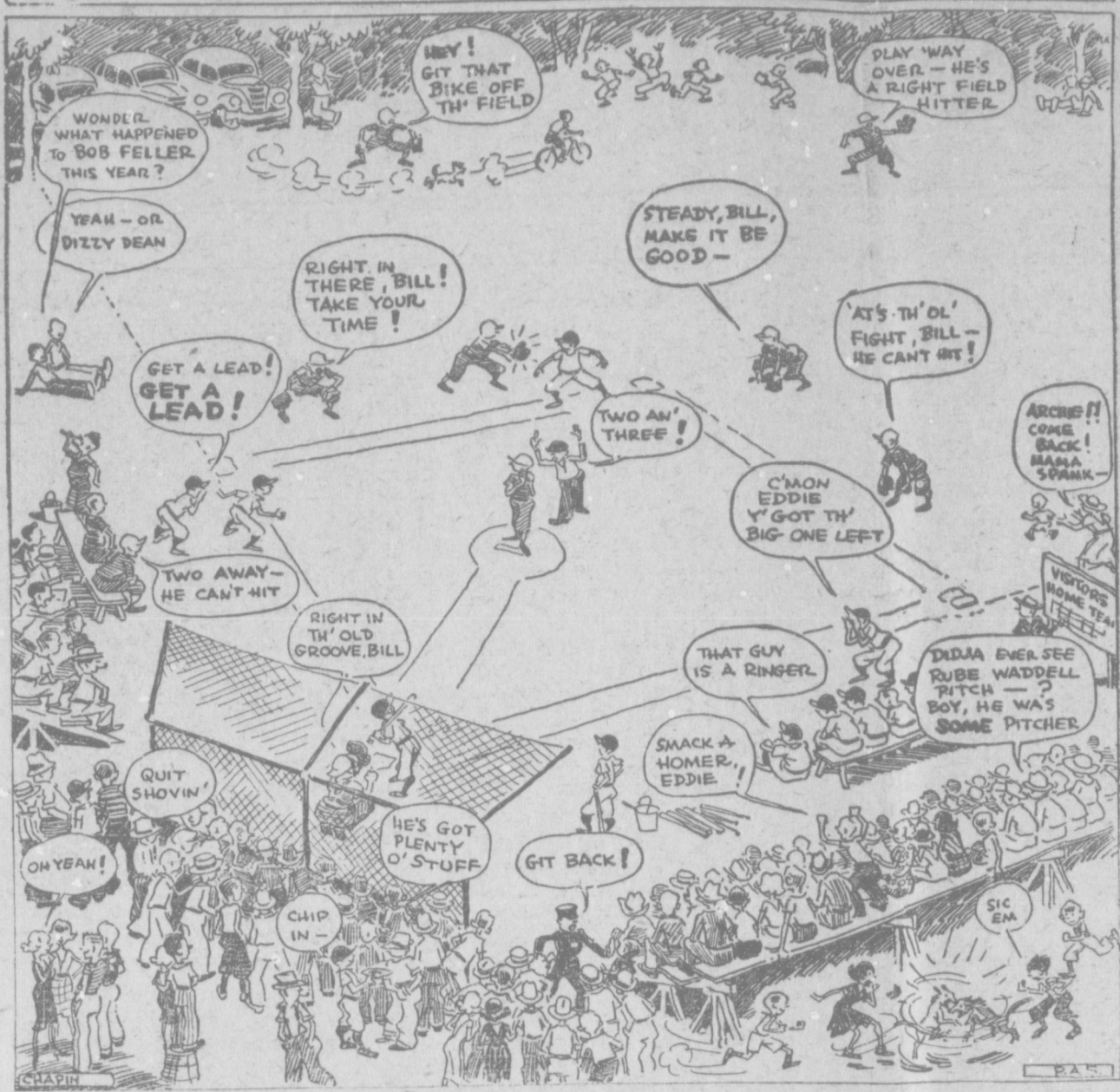
When we express our opinion
we always have something to
back up what we say and unless
we did it would not be worth any-
thing. If I would come out and
tell the people there was no need
for control, without some proof of
what I am saying it would not be
worth the paper on which it is
written, and we are all agreed so
far. When the government comes
out and tells you that the govern-
ment control is the only way to
have prosperity, then you should
demand of them something more
than just a statement from Wash-
ing-ton as a statement from Mr.
Roosevelt or any other politician
is not worth any more to the
country than what I would say.
However they can get more pub-
licity.

We are going to prove by past
history of the cotton business that
the farm control is a failure
and that cotton would be
selling for more money today if
we had never had any control leg-
islation. The figures we will use
will be found on page 426 in the
year book 1935 put out by the
United States government, and if
you will check you will find that
the price of cotton from 1897 to
1934 inclusive and this takes in
1932-33-34, the lows of the de-
pression up to and including the
present depression, the price was
13.81 and we further find that the
average crop for the same years
was 13,900,000 bales, and that we
exported during the 39 years an
average of 7,590,000 bales.

Our exports for 1936-37 season
was 5,750,000 bales, or nearly two
million below the average for the
past 38 years. We find that the
average price for 38 years is ab-
out 180 points better than the
average from 1932 to 1937, as we
all know that the average has
been less than 12 cents including
all of the subsidy payments of
every kind that have been made
by the government. The idea to
reduce the supply and raise the
price seems to be the thought of
every new dealer, a theory which
is not sound in principle as it has
a tendency to take from one class
and give to another without giv-
ing the class injured anything in
return for the injury done. Quot-
ing from Clarence Owsley in the
Star-Telegram 13 Sunday's edi-
tion: "It is an economic paradox
that the more nature enables the
farmer to produce the less he re-
ceives, less per unit, and less in
the aggregate. A 13,000,000 bale
crop of cotton this year would
have sold for more in the gross
than a 15,000,000 bale crop will
bring. The farmer produces the
fiber cloth, the wheat for bread
and the hogs for bacon. It would
seem that these are real things
of life, the real elements
of wealth." These are facts, the
more we produce the less we get
per unit and that is as it should
be. If the farmer could produce
an average of 500 pounds of
lint cotton per acre he could pro-
duce at much less expense and
naturally could produce it for less
per unit. Let's carry this argu-
ment to its logical conclusion and
see just where it will lead us. We

Saturday Afternoon

—by A. B. CHAPIN



first take the automobile industry
and let them cut their production
in half and raise the price 100 per
cent. Would it not help the auto-
mobile industry? Take the rail-
roads of the country and cut their
tonnage in half and double the
price. Would it not help the rail-
roads in a financial way? Take
the great textile industry and re-
duce their output by one-half, and
double the price for cotton goods.
Don't you think it would aid the
textile industry? As a matter of
fact it would fix it so that all of
these factories could make more
money, but it would play hell with
everybody else, as a program of
this kind would turn millions of
people out of employment and
what would become of them?
Class legislation of this kind
would bankrupt any country that
attempted to do it. It was pon-
ded out some two or three years
ago that if the government com-
menced paying bonuses or sub-
sidies to certain classes it would
only be a short time until all
classes would be calling on the
government to give them some-
thing. How far are we from that
point. We are paying the wheat
man bonuses, have been paying
hog men control money, cotton
farmers subsidy, and the cattle-
man bonuses to kill prickly pears,
and build tanks on his own prop-
erty, and millions of laboring
men fixing to get pensions, and
many other classes that could be
mentioned who are living off of
the other fellow. The question
all want to know is, who are read-
ing and thinking how long can
we go on paying everybody some
kind of a bonus? If this program
is kept up and a bunch of politi-
cians are permitted to write laws
governing the farmer it will only
be a short time until the wheat
farmer will be permitted to grow
only about six hundred million
bushels of wheat per year, and
the cotton farmer will be cut
down to about 6,000,000 bales of
cotton, and he will be walking up
to some government warehouse
and his wheat or his cotton or
whatever he has will be graded
by some politician sent out from
Washington that would not know
wheat from johnson grass or a
bale or cotton from wool and
there will be no argument, as you
will not be able to go to some other
place to sell and if you should
you will find the same thing fac-
ing you at the other point.

DRIVER'S LICENSE LAW

There are lots of people who
are confused over the new car li-
cense law passed by the last legis-
lature. Many think that everybod-
y will have to get new licenses; but
this is not the case. The law goes
into effect on August 22, and then
they will have patrolmen scatter-
ed over the state who will issue
licenses to all they happen to pick
up who don't happen to have a li-
cense receipt, and they will have
to stand an examination. But as
we understand the law, all who
have licenses will not have to get
a new one until 1939, and the
new license will be issued at that
time without cost unless the law
is changed by that time. No
charge can be made for the per-
mits until the law is changed but
it might be a wise idea to get a
permit before getting caught, as
every person caught with a per-
mit will be subject to a fine.

**RAILROADS SIGN UP WITH
THE BROTHERHOOD**

The railroads have signed up
a contract with the railroads, with
a raise of about 8 per cent in-
crease, or an increase of 5 cents
per hour which equals about that.
This will mean that the consumer
will have to dig a little deeper in-
to his pocket to make possible this
raise which will equal around
more expense to the railroads op-
erating expenses each year. And
naturally enough, we will have a
raise in freight and passenger
rates to meet this increase. In
fact we already have a raise on
cotton from two to five cents per
hundred pounds.

**SENATOR BLACK AP-
POINTED ON BENCH**

We have heard a great deal of
talk the last few days from the
Whitehouse about selections on
the different boards, and in the
post office on their merit, and
even the President attempted to
put civil service in operation so
that men could not be appointed
on the standpoint of merit, and
Mr. Roosevelt has scanned the
country over for a man of ability
to place on the Supreme bench.
After a few months investigation,
he has selected Senator Hugo
Black of Alabama, we presume
as he thinks the best qualified
man for the place but it is some-
what strange that Mr. Black was
appointed as the best man avail-
able since his experience on the
bench consists of serving as police
judge in Birmingham, and the
biggest part of his work has been
in that capacity, in placing fines
on negro crap-shooters with no
appeal taken. A persons politics
qualifies a man for any position
under the New Deal.

WAGE AND HOUR BILL DEAD

It appears that the wage and
hour legislation is dead for the
session, since there is majority of
the committee who oppose the leg-
islation and are refusing to report
it to the house for action. If the
committee refuses to report the
bill, the only way the house can
get it out is by a petition of 218
signers asking for a discharge of
the committee. They say they've
a majority of the house and could
pass the bill if they had the op-
portunity but they are not going
to make any effort to get the bill
out of the committee, of course
they will not as they do not want
to go on record as voting for the
bill or against it for several rea-
sons. Our predictions at the pre-
sent time Congress will not pass
the bill this session or at the next
either, as it looks as though that
most congressmen are beginning
to assert their rights again after
a lull for the past five years, and
that congress would again be re-
cognized as a part of the law mak-
ing body, and put an end to this
one man government, that we
have for the past five years.

Mrs. Pierce Shackelford re-
turned from Dallas Sunday night
where she had been to see her
brother who has been seriously ill
for several days. Mrs. Shackelford
said he seemed to be considerably
improved when she left Sunday
and the attending physician
thought he would come out of it
all right.

**THE REST
OF THE RECORD**

BY JAMES V. ALLRED
Governor of Texas

MEXICO CITY, August 14, 1937
—By the time you read this, we
will be back in Texas, and not-
withstanding the wonderful privi-
lege it has been to visit Mexico,
happy to be back home. We are
particularly anxious to see little
David, our second-son, and baby
Sam Houston.

It is difficult for us to realize
that it is so hot in Texas. Mexico
City is 7500 feet high and the
weather is ideal. They tell us it's
this way the year 'round—little
cooler in winter than in summer.
It was a little chilly for at first
—believe it or not, we asked for
a fire at lunch, now however, we
are accustomed to it and the weather
is lovely. Occasionally when the
mountain tops are clear of clouds,
we can see two snow capped vol-
cano peaks in the distance.

Although Ambassador Josephus
Daniels is in Europe, he wired his
assistants here to insist upon our
staying at the American Embassy.
So here we are—and we've never
been privileged to stay at a lov-
elier place. Our own government
officials have been almost as mar-
velous to us as those of the Mex-
ican government.

Last week I told you how hos-
pitable these people had been to us
in the early stages of our visit;
this hospitality has increased in
warmth at every stage. We have
been entertained by seven govern-
ors in as many state capitols, and
by officers of the President's cab-
inet here in Mexico. It clearly
demonstrates that these people
believe in the Good Neighbor pol-
icy inaugurated by President
Roosevelt.

President Cardenas of Mexico is
absent from the capitol. He is in
the state of Yucatan, which is the
most southern Mexican state,
working on agrarian, or agricul-
tural problems. He sent us a warm
telegram of welcome, then com-
missioned the Governor of this
Federal District to call on us of-
ficially as his representative. Mrs.
Allred is visiting the President's
wife today. Everywhere these peo-
ple seems to realize that they have
more in common with Texas than
perhaps any other state; I think
if we take the same position, it
can only result in more and bet-
ter relations for all of us.

It would be impossible in this
short space to even refer to all
the interesting places we have
seen on this trip. I really believe
we could spend a month right
here in Mexico City and not see
half of all we should see. The
old churches or cathedrals, the
palaces, the public buildings, the
theatres, the gardens, the parks,
the flowers, the schools, the pub-
lic markets—the people. It is
the people who most interest me.
They are picturesque with their
music everywhere, their arts,
their dress which has changed
but little for centuries, yet all
this maintained alongside a twen-
tieth century civilization of mod-
ern highways, railroads, hotels,
tourist camps and conveniences of
every kind. We have driven over
highways as well constructed
and maintained as any in Texas,
yet in fields adjoining they still
plow with oxen; and peons trudge

alongside the road plying whips
over the backs of burros loaded
with wood or cargoes larger than
the beasts themselves.

This history of Mexico is as in-
teresting as that of any nation.
The struggles of the people for
liberty and freedom have been
just as brave, if not braver, than
our own. It has been such a privi-
lege to us to journey over the
very ground travelled by Cortez,
the Spanish Conqueror, hundreds
of years ago; to see the palaces
and the churches he built. One of
the most inspiring and stupendous
things we have seen was driving
over the mountains to Puebla,
looking out upon a valley where
Cortez had built a church for ev-
eryday of the church year—260
of them, beautiful, massive things
of stone with shining burnished
domes; one built on top of a pyr-
amid.

I shant tell you of the bull fight
they staged for us. I am glad I
saw one—in fact, I enjoyed it, but
I can't say that I want to see one
again. One of the nicest entertain-
ments given us yesterday
at the Department of Communi-
cations. First, of course, a nice
luncheon; then young ladies who
worked in the department parad-
ed before us dressed in the color-
ful native costumes of each of the
28 Mexican states. Then they en-
tertained with music, songs and
dances. It was better than a
professional show since those
who played the parts actually
came from the states they repre-
sented.

We have met lots of people
here from Texas. I hope more
will be able to come in the fu-
ture. We were particularly happy
to find the Cowboy Band from
Hardin-Simmons College at Abi-
lene playing at one of the local
theatres. They are also going to
play at a reception given for us
here at the Embassy tomorrow.

We will, of course, be back in
time to vote at the election Mon-
day, August 23rd. Six constitu-
tional amendments are to be vot-
ed on: All of them are impor-
tant, and I hope my friends will
vote for them. I am particularly
interested in seeing the one adopt-
ed which will authorize the leg-
islature to provide for paymt of
county officers by either salaries
or fees. The present salary sys-
tem hasn't worked as satisfactor-
ily as the old fee system. It costs
the taxpayers of the state as a
whole 70 percent more—and I'm
interested in trying to save that
money!

Mrs. Lee Ingram and children
of Baird were visiting in the home
of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Nettles
Wednesday.

"MUSIC HATH CHARM"

(By R. G. Martin, Stephens-
ville, Texas).

Music festivals are the greatest
assets to community life. They
are entertaining, educational and
spiritual. Men who frequent them
are better neighbors and view life
more optimistically. St. Cecilia
sang at the piano, Stradavarius
made music with his violin and the
golden voice of Highland Mary
mingled with the song of the har-
vest. The invisible heard St. Ce-
cilia, proletaria Stradavarius and
Robert Burns listened in rapture
and meditation to the harvest song
of his Highland Mary. The old
world was made better.

At a singing convention years
ago I heard a well known jurist
make the assertion, "Singing is
one of the greatest assets in
causing men to believe in God and
do good." The judge was evidently
correct in his contentions. Good
music unconsciously creates with-
in man the better things of life
here and hereafter. Life is real,
life is earnest. We are all crea-
tures of our environments. If it
be we are surrounded with things
wholesome, elevating and uplift-
ing our lives among men will be
worth while, otherwise void or
empty. Voltaire told us, "Every-
thing is for the best in this best
of possible worlds," but good
behaviors as we walk down the
trail are like apples of gold in
platters of silver. The housewife
who sings "Lead Kindly Light,"
is worth more to her home and
the world than the one interested
in the high notes of jazz. Across
the desert of death the sphynx
forever gazes, but never speaks.
Robert Ingersoll who used these
words, at that time was uncon-
scious of the fact that the soft
strains of music create within the
breast of man the desire for eter-
nal life and cause him to vision
beyond the pale of death the golden
dawn of a better day. Music
is the voice of love and love is
the morning and evening of hap-
piness.

I maintain that community lead-
ers are never hurt by sponsoring
these festivities more freely. As

I have already said please allow
me to reiterate. Things that ap-
peal to the spiritual nature of
man make a better creature of
him—the vulgar is lost. Had the
man whose hand is crimson with
human blood frequented musical
festivals the shadow of the gal-
lows would have not fallen across
his pathway. The country side
madden dressed in home spun,
capable of singing a little hymn,
will do more for humanity and the
world than the metropolitan Ven-
us with high breast, standing be-
fore the multitudes appealing to
the wild beast in man. The for-
mer will come in possession of a
little cottage by the side of the
road. She will see the races go
by. Flowers with hearts of gold
will encourage her all the days of
her life. The latter, also, dis-
couraged—the spade and coffin
her midnight phantom. "The
wages of sin is death." Precilla
sat at the wheel singing as the
day died away in the west. The
race you see is not for the swift
nor the battle, the strong, Nature,
and Nature is God, Nature rebels
against sin. "Be ye perfect" said
the man of the hill country, "As
your Father who art is heaven is
perfect." Music helps to make it
possible.

IT'S A LONG ROAD

The Hall county crop reporter
who lives at Memphis has to make
a 92 mile trip once a month. There
is one lone bale of cotton in the
government warehouse at Turkey
46 miles southwest of Memphis
and the agent has to make the trip
over there each month and check
that one bale to see that it is
still there.

J. L. Hudson made a business
trip to Ranger Wednesday.

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Local Happenings

Miss Eloise Norred is visiting with Mrs. Blain Odum this week.

Mrs. W. M. Crosby and Mrs. Fred Golson were in Eastland Wednesday on business.

Clinton Waddell is spending several days with his aunt, Mrs. E. P. Scarbrough, at Coleman this week.

Mrs. A. A. Dodd and Mrs. G. C. Williams of Scranton attended the zone meeting of the Methodist church at Baird Wednesday. Ross Ryan went along with them and visited with Emogene Lamar while there.

Hon. W. M. Everett of Hickory, Mississippi, a cousin of Warren and Bill Everett who has been touring the West for some time, out in Colorado and New Mexico and back down through the Panhandle of Texas, is visiting the Everett this week on his return home.

L. D. Maynard and V. M. Teague made a business trip to Blackwell Friday.

Morris Harper left Monday for Fort Neches, where he expects to find employment.

Miss Ora Clinton is spending several days in the home of Mrs. O. D. Harwell of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Francisco have recently moved to Abilene from Cisco. Mrs. Francisco is a daughter of Mrs. W. E. Pruet.

Mrs. S. M. Eubank, Velma Eubank, Mary Lou Eubank and Mildred Yeager were Cisco visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Duran Cox of Moran are happy parents of a baby son, born this week. Mrs. Cox is the former Miss Edna Brazell. She is resting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Brazell of Putnam.

Ernest Nettles is visiting Mrs. Lee Ingram at Baird this week.

Miss Hortense Rogers of Big Spring has been visiting friends and relatives in Putnam this week.

Miss Dolores Brandon has returned from an extended visit in West Texas.

Sam Maynard and V. M. Teague made a business trip to Cisco Thursday.

Reverend F. A. Hollis and E. G. Scott were business visitors in Baird Monday.

Miss Velma Eubank spent the week-end in Abilene with Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Francisco and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Miller.

Mrs. E. C. Waddell and daughter, Aura Frances, and Miss Ora Clinton were Abilene visitors Tuesday.

Miss Hortense Rogers of Abilene is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Ida Rogers and friends, this week.

Mrs. A. A. Dodd, Mrs. Rosa Ryan, and Misses Lillian and Frances Cook were Abilene visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. Gus Brandon is visiting relatives in Big Spring this week. She expects to go from there to New Mexico where she will visit for several weeks before returning home.

Mrs. H. L. Burnam and daughter, Mary Louise, have returned to their home at Silverton after spending three weeks with Mrs. Burnam's mother, Mrs. W. E. Pruet and other relatives.

Mrs. Claiss Stovall of Hobbs, New Mexico, and Mrs. Wade Anderson and daughter, Anna Both of Waco, spent several days in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Stephens.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Russell and daughters, Mary Ellen and Jo Ann of Galveston, have been visiting relatives and friends in Putnam. They are now visiting relatives at Stanton. The Russells are former Putnamites.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Waddell Sunday were Mr. Waddell's mother, Mrs. J. P. Waddell, his brother, Vernon Waddell and family, and his sister, Mrs. E. P. Scarbrough and Mr. Scarbrough of Coleman.

Will Orr of Abilene and Perry Clements of Midland were in Putnam one day last week and while here they went fishing on Deep Creek and Mr. Orr was taken along and they returned that night and said they caught plenty of fish.

Truett Little has accepted a position in the Rotan high school as football coach. Truett has had three years experience in this work outside of his training in college, and no doubt will make good in his new work the coming 1937-38 term of school.

Mr. and Mrs. Neal Moore, Mrs. Jane Moore, Miss Eva Moore, Mrs. Buford Allen of Lueders, and W. P. Everett left Wednesday morning about 3 o'clock for points in California, where they will visit relatives. They expect to enjoy sight seeing at other places also.

Mrs. Lee Collins of Monahans spent the week-end with Mrs. F. L. Armstrong and other friends of Putnam. She was accompanied by Hollis Collins, who spent the time Brownwood trying to make arrangements to enter Howard Payne College in the fall. Hollis will be a senior this year. The Collins are former residents of Putnam.

"Do you know anything about this case?" the juror was asked. "No." "Have you ever heard anything about it?" "No." "Have you read anything about it?" "No, I can't read." "Have you formed any opinion about the case?" "What case?" "Accepted."

WASHINGTON NEWS



FROM CONGRESSMAN
CLYDE L. GARRETT

VISITORS—This week we have had many visitors in the office from the district. They include Mr. and Mrs. Dan Gallagher, David Sutton, Mrs. P. P. Bond and daughter, Augusta, of Abilene; Dr. and Mrs. P. M. Kuykendall and Miss Alla Ray of Ranger; Mrs. D. E. Waters, of Cisco; Mrs. Roy Speed and son formerly of Eastland; Mrs. Lee Knight of Ranger; and Mrs. H. E. DeLane and daughters of Breckenridge.

ADJOURNMENT—Last week we had some hopes of an early adjournment but at this time there is no means by which anyone can tell when it will come. The fight on the Wage and Hour legislation and the battle being made for crop loans to take care of the present peanut crop makes a long session seem possible.

STABILITY—President Roosevelt and Chairman Eccles, of the Federal Reserve Board, were not in favor of action at this time on Senator Thomas' (Dem., Okla.) monetary stabilization bill. They based their opposition on the "complexity of the rapidly shifting international scene," and said the need was for economic stability and that it could be attained by coordination of government activities.

WAGE, HOUR LEGISLATION—So far has the action on minimum wage legislation gone that scouts for the Administration are looking for material to build the new Labor Standards Board, L. Metcalf Rolling of Rhode Island, who now administers the Walsh-Healey Act, will probably be the new head of the agency if plans are carried out as they stand at present.

BATTLESHIPS—The authorization to build two more battleships and two more cruisers will be sought next year, was announced by the Navy Department. In the meantime the State Department moved to economic disarmament with its new commercial treaty with Russia.

SUGAR QUOTA LAW—The House passed the sugar quota law which restricted the importations of refined sugar from Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands. If the Senate concurs in this legislation it is believed that the White House will veto.

INCREASED BENEFITS—The provisions of existing laws governing service-connected benefits for World War veterans and their dependents, H. R. 6384, passed the House. Compensation of widows of World War veterans who died from service, connected disabilities is increased in several ways. Compensation of widows between 53 and 65 year of age is raised to \$37.50 per month; for widows above 65 years of age it is raised from \$40 to \$45 per month. It also increases compensation of dependent fathers and mothers whose sons died in the war or from service-connected disabilities to \$45 per month. Where two parents are living, \$25 for each per month is provided. If a parent is drawing \$57.50 insurance a month he will not benefit under the law but if only one parent is living and he is drawing below \$45 per month this amount is increased to \$45 a month which the parent shall receive during the remainder of his life.

CANCER INSTITUTE—A bill authorizing the erection of a \$750,000 National Cancer Institute was accepted by the President. The bill is for the purpose of revitalizing the Federal fight against the dreaded death dealer, cancer.

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GRIGGS HOSPITAL

N. C. Smart Jr. of Abilene, 13 year old son of N. C. Smart, entered hospital Monday and underwent an emergency appendix operation.

Mrs. Herbert Rogers of Lawn underwent surgery Tuesday.

W. P. Barr of Eula underwent a severe bone operation Sunday. Dr. Clayton of Fort Worth performed the operation.

W. M. Johnston of Conalche county was brought to the hospital Tuesday suffering from bruises, cuts and lacerations over his body caused from car wreck.

Wade Johnston entered hospital Saturday for medical treatment. Is doing as well as could be expected.

Mrs. Bob Griggs of Bell Plains entered hospital Saturday suffering from pus on kidney. Is still very sick.

Lavada Abernathy, 7 year old daughter of W. P. Abernathy of Moran, had tonsilectomy Tuesday.

Miss Leota Alexander of Baird left the hospital Monday following a surgical operation.

J. C. Grantham of Oplin left the hospital Tuesday following abscess appendix operation.

Mrs. John Miller of Rowden left the hospital Tuesday following a surgical operation.

Mrs. A. L. Price of Cross Plains left the hospital Wednesday following a surgical operation.

TAX LOOPHOLES

The Joint Committee on Tax Evasion and Avoidance has recommended plugs for 8 important loopholes in the tax laws. Domestic personal holding companies, incorporated yachts, country estates, city residences, incorporated talent, artificial deductions for sales or exchange of property losses, artificial deductions for interests and business expense, holding companies, multiple trusts, non-resident aliens; were the loopholes that were taken care of.

AGREEMENT RENEWED—Mr. Roosevelt has proclaimed a renewal for a year of the special commercial agreement between Russia and this country. During the coming 12 months, the Soviets will purchase a minimum of \$40,000,000 worth of American products.

WAGE, HOUR LEGISLATION—The wage and hour bill which has passed the Senate is due for a great deal of changing. It is a bill that will affect only a part of the people. Some groups of workers have been excluded by this bill. Those workers in service trades and in many kinds of distribution, are not included in this regulation.

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ATWELL

Mrs. S. A. Black and daughter, Roma Lee, are visiting with Mrs. Black's brother and mother in El Paso this week.

Mrs. Black's mother is from Portersville, Calif., and is visiting her son in El Paso and Mrs. Black met her there.

Howard Pillans and Miss Vera Foster were married last Sunday, August 8th.

The Atwell baseball club went to Denton last Friday, stayed through Saturday, playing two games with the Denton club. Both games were in Atwell's favor.

The boys reported a nice time and how well they were entertained by Denton.

Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Freeland and children from West Texas are visiting with Mrs. Freeland's sister, Mrs. Owen Rouse, this week.

Mrs. Leta Tatom who has been on the sick list for several weeks and just back from the hospital, is reported to be improving.

Mrs. Don Lavender was called to Slaton last week to be at the bedside of her father who is very sick.

Mr. and Mrs. Lovelady and children attended the funeral of Mrs. Lovelady's little nephew, Friday near Rockwood.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Foster and family attended a Primitive Baptist Association at Alexander this week-end.

Mrs. Meda Sessions' sister, Mrs. John Tonstiff from Oklahoma City, is visiting her this week.

Mr. Willie Culwell and children of San Antonio spent the week-end visiting among friends and relatives in Putnam.

Henry McDermitt and wife of Lubbock are visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McDermitt this week. Mr. McDermitt is a son of J. D. McDermitt, the blacksmith of Putnam.



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FARM NOTES

ROSS B. JENKINS, County Agt.

Copper Carbonate Saves Wheat From Smut—

If the southeastern wheat growers had treated their seed wheat with copper carbonate before planting the severe losses being charged against farmers from smut could have been prevented, plant scientist at Oklahoma A. & M. College said Tuesday.

A check was made on 300 carloads of wheat delivered this week and it was so badly infested that the loss will reach nearly \$50,000. This situation is general throughout Oklahoma and most of Texas. Soon it will be time for

farmers to begin planting wheat and other small grains. The small cost of treating seed against smut is so negligible that every producer should treat his seed before planting.

Copper carbonate may be bought at any reputable drug store at from 30 to 50 cents a pound, depending upon its purity. A trademarked product called Ceresan may also be secured at about the same cost and is actually proving more satisfactory in this section and will prevent smut in the small grains and will in addition strengthen the small plants at germination time so that a better stand is obtained. It is widely claimed that the poison thus placed on the seed will successfully combat nematodes and other injurious insects found in the soil. A barrel or keg may be used for treating the seed — one ounce of Ceresan will treat a bushel or 2 ounces of copper carbonate will treat a bushel, so if you plan to plant wheat, oats, rye, or barley, this fall or next spring be sure that your improved practice includes seed treatment.

Tenmarq Leads All Others—

In the past few years such experimentation has been carried on in developing strains of wheat that will withstand rust, drought, and make a good yield. Of course those are the things every wheat grower wants.

The nearest strain now developed that meets all of those requirements is Tenmarq. It has consistently outyielded Turkey, Black Hull, Kanred, and other leading strains. Coleman county farmers report 5 to 10 bushels increase on Tenmarq over any other. Any grower who is interested in securing some of this fine seed may do so by ordering through the county agent's office which is able to secure wheat that was grown at the Kansas Experiment Station at \$2.25 per bushel. The purity is 100 per cent, the quality is excellent. Since this seed has proved itself superior to all others in taste in Oklahoma, Kansas, and Texas we foundation plantings for all who wish to produce seed for sale or feel this seed should be used for a bounteous yield. We must have the order for this wheat by September 1st to receive this rate.

Vetch and Austrian Winter Peas For 1937 AAA Compliance—

August 15th was the last day on which to qualify under the 1937 Agricultural Conservation Program, but vetch, Austrian winter peas and the clovers may be planted during the remainder of August, in September and in October. These crops are known as winter legumes and from many experiments have been found to increase the yields of crops to a very marked extent.

The Alabama Experiment Sta-

tion at three different stations covering periods of from 7 to 9 years—23 crops in all—show a response of vetch on phosphate fertilizer. The average vetch on this land unfertilized made 1473 pounds to the acre as compared to 5923 pounds produced by the vetch which received 400 pounds of superphosphate to the acre.

This county agent has many times recommended that superphosphate, to set the fruit. Tomatoes always need it where poor fruiting is being obtained.

In another experiment conducted by the Alabama Experiment Station it was found that when cotton and corn were grown continuously, vetch and Austrian winter peas (turned under) increased the yield of seed cotton by 628 pounds and of corn by 15.6 bushels to the acre. In a two-year rotation (cotton, winter legume, corn), the legume increased the corn yield 18 bushels to the acre at a cost of 14 cents a bushel, and the residue from the legume in the second year increased the yield of seed cotton by 213 pounds to the acre. These figures are shown in order that farmers may more fully realize the value of planting winter legumes.

In a recent article it was pointed out that specimens of hairy vetch, annual yellow clover, and burr clover could be seen in the office at Baird. In an article last fall the county agent pointed out that W. G. Black of the Elmdale Community had demonstrated that Austrian winter peas would come up and thrive in our winter climate. Vetch and winter peas can be planted now in rows or broadcast and certify the producer for compliance under the AAA Program and in addition the AAA program will be materially increasing the fertility of his soil. It has long been stated that we should kill 2 birds with one stone if possible and this is a case where it is possible.

Any further information relative to these legumes will be gladly discussed if a visit is made to the county agent's office.

Compliance supervisors will soon take the field to ascertain those farms that have finished compliance and are ready to be paid off. They will also fill in the measurements that were not ready to be made at the time the plane table mapping crews visited the farms earlier in the year. As soon as this compliance check up has been made these farms will be checked as completed and certified to the State Board for their certification and then an application for a grant will be made by every producer who has complied with the 1937 AAA Program.

Cotton Crop Loan and 12 Cent Guarantee—

A crop loan and price guarantee similar to that of 1935 was assumed Friday when the Senate Agricultural Committee agreed to ask for such a program, President Roosevelt said, however, that loans and crop guarantees would be extended only to those who sign a pledge to cooperate with the government crop control measure that has been promised by both houses of congress on its first order of business in January or sooner if a special session is called.

During the working of the Bankhead act and the voluntary crop control program a few years ago it was freely talked by men who opposed the measures that if the government would get out of the picture that cotton would go higher and that the market would be able to take care of any amount of cotton that the American producer could produce. When the government forecast of 15,593,000 made August 8th came out there was a quick drop in price and farmers began seeing the paper profits that were expected from cotton prices, such as were received last year, fade into thin air. It was then that an appeal was sent up to the President to do something—save the cotton farmer from his folly. It is pretty definite now that a crop control measure will be the first bill to pass the new session of congress and the farmers want it. The same old howl from the cotton handlers will surely set in about that time to tell us how many people are taken out of the fields and how that the farmer's rights are being abused but the farmer knows that low price cotton won't buy high priced necessities that he is compelled to purchase. So it is to be control and a fair price for the South's cotton.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Townsend of Brownwood and daughter, Mrs. Carter, spent Sunday visiting in the home of W. C. Teague and family.

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ZION HILL NEWS

Mrs. Hattie Stewart visited in the home of her mother, Mrs. J. A. Heyser, the past week.

Joseph Bentley is working in Ballinger this week.

R. B. Taylor and E. V. Ramsey made a business trip to Abilene Monday.

M. L. Tatom left for Stanton Friday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Penhouse and family of Lamesa, Mr. and Mrs. Buck Sills and Mr. John Sills of Franklin spent Saturday and part of Sunday visiting in the home of their sister, Mrs. Jack Ramsey.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Clemmer and family left for Stanton Sunday night.

R. B. Taylor and Jack Ramsey made a business trip to Cisco Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Taylor and family spent Sunday at Bell Plains with Mrs. Taylor's mother. Miss Evelyn Blakely returned to her home.

ECHOLS MUSICAL CONCERT

Odis Echols is just closing a school of music at Cross Plains on the 20th of this month, and will give a concert featuring the NBC quartet of Abilene. These boys are real comedians and can keep you entertained. Marie Clark, accordion, of Abilene, Odis Echols Jr., singer and tap dancer, also the Hall Sisters of Sweetwater, sweet singers. Odis Echols will be in charge of the program. This is Mr. Echols' last program for Texas this year as he is moving to Greenborough, N. C., to join a quartet and do radio work. Home talent to be presented here this week. Mr. Echols put on a concert here at the close of a ten-day school of music, which was enjoyed very much by all who attended, and any one wishing to attend a real concert should go to Cross Plains Friday night, the 20.

PUBLISH REPLY

We publish below a letter from a former representative in the Texas Legislature in reply to an old friend:

"I have read over and over your doleful letter about how the New Deal is playing hell with your business. You got where you are by fighting up hill. If you quit that and begin griping, the boss may say kinda sudden, 'Good old Bill.'

"I like some of the New Deal and some of it I don't like. I am probably wrong on both counts. Right or wrong I enjoy life too much to bother. If everything that's different since I was a kid is wrong, then we are in a heluva mess. Nearly everything is different, but death and taxes and they're both higher.

"Governments come and go, but we got to make a living anyhow. Texas has been under five or six flags, but the land and water and everything is here. We go along doing things—some of them right.

"Politicians never make anything—but taxes. They have to do that to support more politicians. Then can't stay in office unless they give people jobs and they can't give people jobs without more taxes. Why worry? We like it or we wouldn't do it. There is solace in history. When taxes get too high we blow up the whole thing and start over. It is not bad yet, only one-third of the national incomes goes for taxes. In other words, you and I together support only one government employee. When it gets to where we have to support about two a piece then we may do something about it.

"Get your back to the wall and fight."

COLEMAN DEFEATS COURT HOUSE BONDS

The tax payers of Coleman defeated the \$200,000 bond issue that had been submitted Saturday by a vote of nearly two to one. This would have provided funds for building a new court house to take the place of the one they now have which is more than 60 years old. Totals Saturday night were for the bonds 389, against the bonds 632. The totals were from 24 of the 26 boxes in the county, and it was estimated that not more than 100 ballots were uncounted. The vote at Coleman was 202 vote for the bonds, and 116 against the bonds. Gouldbusk cast 5 ballots for the bonds, while 41 votes were against them. Santa Anna had a vote of 20 to 123 against the bonds.

Miss Mary Douglas Williams returned home Monday from an extended visit with relatives in Marlin and other places.

FROM OUR EXCHANGES

"Flapper Fanny says that you can fool all of the men some of the time and that you can fool some of the men all of the time; but if you'll leave them alone they'll all make fools of themselves most of the time.

The most satisfied married man is the one who thinks he's as smart as he thinks his wife thinks he is.

The Duke forbade photographers to take pictures of Wally in her bathing suit, but he didn't say what was the matter with the bathing suit.

It is an unforeseen congressman or at least a very dumb one who would vote vast billions to a president to spend as he pleased and not realize that in effect he is giving to his ruler a bludgeon to be brandished against him and with which he might also be beaten to death. Imagine a congressman placing himself in a position where he could be told how he must vote on all bills, the alternative being that patronage will be withdrawn from him and his district, the club being the very billions he voted. Would that situation be a government of coercion and bribery for politicians? Imagine a Supreme Court appointed and committed under similar conditions. Just what state of monarchy could it be called.

In a recent case that was on trial a judge told a woman to speak just as if she was at home. The case is still proceeding.

S. S. TEACHERS MEET

Teachers of the First Baptist Sunday school met at the church in their regular monthly meeting Sunday afternoon at 2:30. Various plans for the coming year's work, which will start soon, were discussed. Superintendent R. L. Buchanan presided. Those present were Mrs. John Cook, Mrs. E. G. Scott, Mrs. F. A. Hollis, G. A. Brown, R. L. Buchanan and Reverend F. A. Hollis.

Mrs. W. M. Tatom is spending several days in the home of her son, Ray Tatom and family, of near Atwell. Mrs. Ray Tatom has been quite ill for some time.

Ode Johnson of the Scranton community was in Putnam Saturday morning and while here called at the News office, and presented the editor with a nice watermelon, which was very much appreciated.

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