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CONCERNING AAA RENTALS AND BENEFITS IN COUNTY

Colorado county has received $365,477.07 in rental and benefit payments in the three years since the creation of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration, it has been announced by H. P. Drought state director of the National Emergency Council.

Rental and benefit payments in this county for the cotton program totaled $242,967.86; corn-hog, $122,40; rice, $321,986.85.

Rental and benefit payments in Texas amounted to $139,412,186.46 for the three-year period, Drought said.

Cotton rental and benefit payments made for the entire state totaled $114,070,838.73; wheat, $16,541,129.13; corn-hog, $6,403,258.44; sugar, $705,98; rice, $1,975,149.03; peanuts, $331,111.19.

MACK ROGERS ORCHESTRA EAST BERNARD SATURDAY

Mack Rogers and his popular Gunter Hotel orchestra, from San Antonio will be the attraction at the Riverside Pavilion at East Bernard Saturday August 8th. The admission will be $1.50 per couple, tables free.

An old-time dance at the same hall on Sunday night, August 9th, is scheduled to be another big affair. The music will be furnished by Adolf and his Gold Chain Bohemians. The admission is 25c per person. Children free. Souvenirs will be handed at 11 o'clock.

R. B. Wells of Columbus was here Friday afternoon for a brief visit having with him, Earl Hunter, J. H. Bastell, O. J. Holman, F. H. Armstrong, J. N. McCandless, and Bunland Sutherland, all of Brownsville. They are Bob's old hunting pals down in the Border country. And our opinion is that a hunt with that jolly bunch would be a hunt.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Davis, who have been spending some time in San Antonio, returned home last Friday. Friends welcome them back to the best small town in South Texas.

Head of One of Nation's Greatest Advertising Agencies Dies.

Wilfred W. Fry, 61, president of N. W. Ayer & Son, Inc., advertising agency of Philadelphia, and a director of many nationally known organizations, died in Jefferson Hospital, Philadelphia, on July 27th following an extended illness.

It was a gauge of the personality of Wilfred W. Fry that those who knew him best thought of him—not as a civic leader and executive head of large and important enterprises—but as a friend.

Many honors came to him in the course of his busy and useful life. He achieved an unusual measure of success both in business and in public service. But the inherent modesty of his character remained unchanged. He was, and had always been, a simple Christian gentleman.

Even at an early stage in his career, these qualities of heart and mind began to be manifest. He was born August 14, 1875, in Mount Vision, New York. His parents, the Reverend Walter Fry and Eleanor A. Fry, were of English blood. Mr. Fry spent his boyhood in Otsego and Delaware counties, New York, and in 1892 entered the Mount Hermon school. Mount Hermon, Massachusetts, where he was a member of the class of 1896. Upon leaving there, his interest in community welfare led him to the service of the Y.M.C.A. then in a significant phase of its development. He worked with that organization for thirteen years, occupying posts of increasing importance and contributing much through his exceptional administrative abilities toward its present social influence and financial stability.

While general secretary of the Trenton Y.M.C.A., Mr. Fry married, in 1904, Miss Anna Gilman Ayer, daughter of F. Wayland Ayer. There are three children: Mrs. Dena Fry Brer, Miss Eleanor Kemp Fry and Mr. Wayland Ayer Fry.

In 1909 Mr. Fry came to Philadelphia to become a member of the organization of N. W. Ayer & Son. He was admitted to the firm in 1911, made managing partner in 1916 and in 1923, upon the death of Mr. Ayer, became head of the company. When the company was incorporated in 1929, he was made president. He also became president of N. W. Ayer & Son of Canada, Limited; and governing director of N. W. Ayer & Son, Limited, of London, England.

Mr. Fry was, in addition, president of Meridale Dairies, Inc., of New York; Philadelphia and Atlantic City; and master of Meridale Farms, Meredith, Delaware county, New York, one of the largest Jersey breeding establishments in America.

He was also a director of the First National Bank of Philadelphia, the Great American Insurance Company, the Great American Indemnity Company and the Rochester-American Insurance Company, all of New York; also the County Fire Insurance Company of Philadelphia; and president of the Camden and Suburban Railway Company, the Camden Horse Railroad Company and the West Jersey Traction Company.

These business responsibilities did not, however, lessen in any degree his interest in his fellow men. He continued active in those fields which had occupied him prior to 1909. In 1923 he was elected president of the Camden Y.M.C.A., in which capacity he served until 1928. He was also active in the affairs of the North Baptist Church, Camden, New Jersey, serving as President of the Board of Trustees and superintendent of the Sunday School; and he was president of the Religious Press Association of Philadelphia.

In 1923 Mr. Fry was made chairman of the international committee of Young Men's Christian Associations of the United States and Canada.

His interest in education and in the advancement of youth was maintained and amplified with the passing of the years, and many institutions have been helped and encouraged by his generous benefactions.

Those years of devoted service in the cause of humanity have received their due recognition. In 1927 Mr. Fry was awarded the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws by Colgate University (of which institution he was a trustee) with the citation "... Able organizer and administrator, capable and inspiring leader, man of fine intelligence and strong character, he had not been content to reserve these powers for his own personal advantage, but had felt the obligation to use them for the service of his fellow men." He was also a trustee of Brown University, vice president of the board of trustees of Crozer Theological Seminary and a member of the board of managers of the Franklin Institute of Philadelphia.

In 1935 Mr. Fry received the signal honor of election to the presidency of the Jefferson Medical College and Hospital, Philadelphia, of which he had previously been a trustee, succeeding the late Alba B. Johnson. He was also president of the board of trustees of the Northfield Schools, East Northfield, Massachusetts, comprising the Mount Hermon School for boys and the Northfield Seminary for girls.

Mr. Fry was a member of the Pilgrims Society; vice president of the Society of the Genesee; member of the American Jersey Cattle Club; member (in Philadelphia) of the Art Club, Midday Club, Union League; (in New York), the Union League Club, Downtown Association, Park Avenue Club; Cooperstown (N. Y.) Country Club; Honorary Associate of the American Guild of Organists; Honary president of the Musical Art Society of Camden, N. J.

His homes were at 406 Penn Street, Camden, New Jersey and at Meredith, Delaware County, New York.

WARFARE ON CRIME IS STRESSED AT CENTENNIAL

Crime doesn't pay.

Neither can crime be perfect. If you think otherwise examine some of the machines and the systems exhibited at the Texas Centennial Exposition which the federal and state governments use in crime detection.

There is an electrical sorting machine, capable of sorting 24,000 cards per hour, sifting from as many as 760 different combinations, which is used in the larger identification bureaus, among them the United States Department of Justice. Thousands of criminals and leave it to the machine to ferret out the type they seek. If the criminal has blue eyes, brown hair, stands five feet nine and limps, the machine will pick out the cards of criminals answering such a description. There is no but a matter of minutes before the list in a crime is narrowed down to a few suspects.

There's the state's scientific crime detection laboratory, which shows the rapid strides of Texas in the past 18 months toward solving its crime problems. The exhibit is in charge of M. T. Gonzaullas, former Texas Ranger, now head of the state's Bureau of Intelligence. In this exhibit are hundreds of guns, ranging from machine guns to tiny pistols, all of which were taken from criminals. There is a complete file of data on firearms, bullets and fired cartridges, dictaphone set, ultraviolet lights, finger-print cameras, enlarging cameras and a nice display of fingerprints.

Directing youths activities to keep him away from crime is another feature to be found in this connection at the Centennial Exposition. The Civilian Conservation Corps and the Boy Scouts, both of whom have exhibits at the Exposition, are examples. In each organization the activities of the youth are directed to make better citizens of the youths in their ranks.

The Centennial Exposition's free exhibits explaining the ceaseless warfare on crime are worth a separate trip to the Exposition in themselves.

JOHN BACA ORCHESTRA HERE TUESDAY NIGHT

The original John Baca orchestra of Fayetteville will furnish music for an old-time dance at the Austin Hall in Eagle Lake on Tuesday evening, August 11th. The Baca orchestra is a favorite among the dancers of this section and always draws a goodly attendance. The admission will be 55 cents for gentlemen, ladies free.

"WHAT AILS YOU?" IN CHURCH BASEMENT HERE

You are invited to come to the basement of the First Baptist Church on next Monday night at 8 o'clock to see "What Ails You?" It will be a comedy presented by the Ladies' Missionary Society, with music by the young people. A free will offering for Buckner Orphan's Home.

M. L. Anderson motored to Kerrville Saturday, and was accompanied home Sunday night by Mrs. Anderson and children, David and Judith, who had been spending several weeks near that place. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson like the Kerrville section so well that they purchased a lot near the river there and will build a permanent summer camp.

Martin Roberts, with the Independent Exploration crew, stationed at Wharton, spent several days here during the early part of the week. Martin dropped a heavy piping on his foot, and was with relatives here while the injury mended.

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5.50-17	10.70
5.50-19	11.20
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7.00-20	29.10
7.50-20	35.20
30x5	21.30

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An outstanding value in its price class—backed by the Firestone name and guarantee. Made in sizes for passenger cars and trucks.

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SIZE	PRICE
4.40-21	$6.60
4.75-19	6.40
5.00-19	6.80
5.25-18	7.00
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6.00-20 H. D.	$14.60
32x6 H. D.	18.05
34x7 H. D.	25.30

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5.00-19	5.35
5.25-18	5.45

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FINER COTTON WHICH WILL THRIVE IN TEXAS

(San Antonio Express)

Winning back the export cotton market and holding it against increasing competition from other producing countries, are the basic problems facing Texas farmers today.

The farmers either must sell cotton abroad or reduce the acreage permanently and turn to other money crops—but what else can Texas grow more easily and cheaply than cotton? Certainly the normal season this State cannot compete with Iowa or Kansas in corn production.

To be sure, many factors affecting foreign trade are beyond the farmer's control. He has little to do with commercial treaties, tariffs, buying-power, international rivalry, the development of new cotton country, wars and rumors of war.

For all that, the cotton-grower can do something to help himself. He can improve the quality of the staple. Perhaps tropical Brazil, Argentina, India or China can grow cotton more cheaply than Texas—but none of those countries can match the staple which this State is capable of producing.

Formerly Texas upland cotton was a favorite with spinners everywhere—sought for the length of the staple and the spinning qualities. Since the boll weevil came, that prestige largely has been sacrificed.

Farmers took to growing early maturing, but short-staple varieties. Besides, until the Government's classification standards were adopted, the grower of fine cotton was not paid for his trouble.

However, during recent years movements have been initiated to restore Texas' standing in that field. The United States Department of Agriculture lately called attention to one such enterprise, which it holds up as an example to cotton growers generally.

The Gonzales county one-variety community project is characterized as "workable and satisfactory." Initiated some years ago, the Gonzales plan expanded season by season until it covers practically the entire county. Encouraged by the co-operation they have received from farmers, the promoters now look forward to the day when all Texas cotton growers will be organized for single variety production.

That does not necessarily mean that the State would grow only one kind of cotton. It might develop that a variety adapted to the Red River country would not be the best for the Lower Rio Grande Valley. In that event the State could be zoned for the different varieties—of course, keeping production as nearly uniform as possible.

Besides improving the staple, that system might simplify marketing. Again—as, in former times—the spinner who bought "Texas upland" cotton would know exactly what he was getting. Doubtless he would be glad to pay more for such cotton and, with the Government's grades in effect, that premium would be paid the grower.

The Gonzales plan is not concerned with developing new varieties, but with keeping a proved strain pure. Other groups—including the Texas Certified Cottonseed Breeders Association and the State Agricultural Experiment Station—are developing finer varieties which will thrive in Texas. Encouraging results can be reported. For example, the new Acala cotton—being grown experimentally in 19 Central Texas counties—may prove the much sought "ideal" upland long-staple variety.

Dr. and Mrs. A. R. Autrey and daughter, Miss Ida Mae, of Port Arthur, came up Saturday for a visit to the family of her sister, Mrs. W. E. McRee. Dr. Autrey returned to Port Arthur Sunday. Mrs. Autrey and Miss Ida Mae remaining for a week's visit.

Miss Kathryn McRee, having attended the first session of summer school at the University of Colorado, at Boulder, and who is spending this week in Dallas at the Texas Centennial Exposition, is expected home during the week-end.

Joe Stafford of Columbus was a business visitor in the city Saturday.

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THE JOKESMITH

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Slink—Did Ginko take his bad luck like a man?

Snoop—Exactly; he blamed it all on his wife.

Sockman—I had no idea that you were going to marry that little widow.

Hankins—Neither did I.

Sneed—Does your wife ever listen to your advice?

Gnagee—Yes; and that's all she does—just listen.

Goolsby—But I thought Prof. Gunbusta was a free thinker?

Beeseet—He was until he got married.

Stingo—I wonder why people call it the Almighty Dollar?

Gopher—Because it is so almighty hard to get, I suppose.

Diner—This is a very small piece of steak you have brought me.

Waiter—That's all right, sir. You'll find it will take you a long time to eat it.

Stranger—Is Shortleigh well known around here?

Native—I'll say he is. He is so well known that he has to go out of town to borrow a quarter.

Mrs. Meeker—John!

Mr. Meeker—Yes, my dear.

Mrs. Meeker—There's a corner lorn off your pay check. What did you spend it for?

Henry—I've a good mind to propose to you.

Mabel—Oh, please do. I need one more proposal to beat my last year's record.

Bill—Have you ever realized any of your childhood hopes?

Pete—Yes; when mother used to comb my hair I often wished I didn't have any.

She—I will never marry until I find a man who is my exact opposite.

He—Darling, you will never find a man as perfect as that.

So she capitulated and answered yes.

Mrs. Guppy—I suppose that if you should meet some pretty young girl you would cease to care for me.

Mr. Guppy—Nonsense. What makes you think I care anything for youth and beauty?

Baggsby—Barker beats his wife every week-end.

Billings—Why the inhuman wretch!

Baggsby—Yes, he ought to be human enough to let her win a golf game once in awhile.

Little Leona—Mama, do dogs get married?

Mother—Certainly not, dear.

Leona—Then what makes old Towser growl so at Bessie—when they are eating their breakfast?

"Your face seems familiar. Have I ever met you before?"

"Possibly. I've been warden of the penitentiary for the past 10 years and I had charge of the poorhouse before that."

Chubb—I am surprised that Parker has made such a phenomenal success as a weather forecaster.

Duff—I'm not. He threw away all his scientific instruments and depends on his corns to tell him when it is going to rain.

Pall—You should have seen the fish I caught last week. It was so big it pulled me into the river.

Dowell—Got a good wetting, I suppose?

Pall—Oh no; thank goodness I landed right on top of the fish.

Miss Elderly—That insulting watch asked me if I remembered the cold winter of 1888. Just think of it!

Miss Blunt—Oh, I am sure he didn't mean to offend you, dear. He just didn't realize what a bad memory you have.

Lawyer to colored client—Well, Hank, I can probably get you a divorce, but it will cost you $50.

Hank—Fifty dollars, boss?

Lawyer—Yes, that includes court fees and other expenses.

Hank—Well, boss, I guess I don't want no deevorce. There ain't no difference between dem two wimmen.

"Most interesting," said the sweet young thing to the motor-car salesman, "and now show me the depreciation, please; I hear it is heavy in these cars."

"As a matter of fact, madam," replied the salesman, "we found it as source of worry and had it removed altogether!"

The schoolmistress was giving her class of young pupils a test in natural history.

"Bobby Jones," she said, "tell me where the elephant is found."

The boy hesitated a moment—then his face lit up.

"The elephant, teacher," he said, "is such a large animal it is scarcely ever lost."

Wife—How dare you deny that you had been drinking last night? Here you are in bed with your shoes and pants on.

Hubby—But you see, my dear, lately I have become addicted to walking in my sleep and I thought it best to go to bed prepared.

Two babies were conversing in the approved 1935 baby style. Said the first infant, "What changes would you make if you could be born all over again?"

"Well," said the second youngster, "the first thing I'd do would be to insist upon taking my food from a bottle. I'm sick and tired of getting cigarette ashes in my eyes."

Mrs. Stupe—I had a notice from the bank today that I had overdrawn my account by $2.

Stupe—What did you do about it?

Mrs. Stupe—I sat down and wrote right back that if they would make it $1.98 I would send them a check at once.

Teacher—Danny, if strawberries were 25 cents a basket how much would your mother pay for three baskets?

Danny—Sixty cents.

Teacher—I am afraid you do not know your arithmetic very well.

Danny—No, teacher; you don't know mother. She's a whiz when it comes to beating those hucksters down.

Mrs. Jawson had gone to see about getting a divorce from her husband on grounds of cruel and inhuman treatment. "Do you think your husband will fight the case?" asked the lawyer.

"Fight it?" replied Mrs. Jawson. "Why that little shrimp doesn't even dare come into a room where I am."

A Washington mother was very much put out because the teacher insisted on a written excuse explaining her son's absence from school following a severe snowstorm. Whereupon the mother sat down and dashed off the following note:

"Dear Miss Kitty: Little Eddie's legs are 14 inches long; the snow was 18 inches deep. Very truly yours, Mrs. Johnson."

I cranks da car,
Bawt she won't run;
These automobile
She's a sawn of a gun,
Shesa stop da middle
Of da stret upa town,
I lock in da carburator,
But shea no drown;
I pusha da clutch,
Shaka da wheel,
Knocka da brake,
Da horn I feel;
I look in da tank—
What I see——yas!
Sawn of a gun!
Shesa outa da gas!

The conductor and a brakeman on a Montana railroad differ as to the proper pronunciation of the name Eurelia. Passengers are often startled upon arrival at this station to hear the conductor yell:

"You're a liar! You're a liar!"

Then from the brakeman at the other end comes the cry:

"You really are! You really are!"

A bricklayer was building a wall when a man in overalls came along and passed some remarks about brick-laying in general. The bricklayer, somewhat annoyed, asked sarcastically, "And wot do you do fer a livin'?"

"I'm a precision fitter," the other replied, "and in our trade we have to work to a thousandth of an inch?"

"Really?" said the bricklayer, "and om many thousandths are there in an inch?"

The fitter scratched his head and replied, "Blimey, millions of 'em."

"Look at that one—the one starting through the bars. Doesn't he look intelligent?"

"Yes. There's something uncanny about it."

"He looks as if he understood every word we're saying."

"Walks on his hind legs, too, and swings his arms."

"There! He's got a peanut. Let's see what he does with it."

"Well, what do you know about that! He knows enough to take the shell off before he eats it, just like we do."

"There's a female alongside him. He doesn't seem to be paying much attention to her, though."

"She must be his mate."

"They look kind of sad, don't they?"

"Yes. I guess they wish they were in here with us monkeys."

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Larson of Frost spent Saturday here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Walker. Mrs. Larson, a recent bride, was formerly Miss Virginia Walker of this city. They also visited relatives at Rock Island during the week-end.

Mr. John Baxter, a prominent citizen of Rock Island, was a visitor here for a few hours Friday afternoon while en route home from a business visit to Houston.

Mr. H. W. Carson was here for a brief visit Friday afternoon, en route to his home at Rock Island from a day's business visit to Houston.

SOUTH TEXAS RAMBLERS AT MENTZ HALL ON 9TH

The South Texas Ramblers will furnish music for an old-time dance at the Mentz Hall in Mentz on Sunday night, August 9th. The admission price will be 40 cents for gentlemen and 10 cents for ladies.

Dr. and Mrs. J. O. Rogers and Miss Lucy Kate Rogers returned home last week from a visit to the Centennial at Dallas and to relatives in Oklahoma. Mrs. Rogers says if a person sees nothing but the "Cavalcade of Texas" at the Centennial it will more than be worth the visit to Dallas.

Cards have been received in Eagle Lake announcing the birth of a son, Howard Randolph, to Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Williamson, at their home in Hempstead on July 26th. The young man weighed in at 7½ pounds.

Mrs. Norma Allen spent Sunday visiting at her home in Weimar.

DURING the long, warm Summer days, while all Nature is busy preparing the Harvest, give a thought to preparing your savings account here.

The First National Bank
Eagle Lake, Texas
MEMBER F. D. I. C.

Uncle Sam And Weather Man Partners In Crop Control—The Cost And The Results.

(United States News)

Government, in four seasons has tried to reduce major farm crops by about 15 per cent at a cost to taxpayers of nothing.

The AAA set out in 1933 to reduce the amount of wheat and corn and cotton and hogs grown by farmers. Check on the Treasury were offered in return for an agreement to grow less.

The weather joined up almost immediately, reducing not alone the crops for which farmers were paid to reduce, but other crops as well.

Out of that combination came smaller amounts of foodstuffs, higher prices, imports of wheat and corn and butter, and drought relief expenditures adding hundreds of millions to the billion and a half subsidies.

Today the Crop Reporting Board of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics advises officially that the 1936 drought is proving much more destructive of crops than any in the country's history except the one in 1934.

Attempted Government crop control started with the creation of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration in 1933.

First controls were applied in 1933 when 10,000,000 acres of growing cotton were plowed up to help meet the problem created by a surplus amounting to one whole year's normal production, and when 6,000,000 pigs were killed to help cut down on the supply of pork.

Weather that year cut into the output of wheat but the country continued to have hundreds of millions of bushels more than it needed.

Then came 1934.

Over 3,000,000 farmers contracted to reduce their production of wheat and corn and cotton and hogs.

Before their cuts could be registered the worst drought in the history of the country settled over much of the land.

The AAA had planned to cut about 20 per cent from the output of wheat. Weather cut 40 per cent. Government had planned to cut 15 per cent from the production of corn. Weather cut nearly 50 per cent. A cut of 25 per cent was planned in the output of hogs. When drought got through its work the cut was near 50 per cent. Cotton production and marketing were to be cut 40 per cent and approximated that amount.

Half a billion dollars went out to farmers who had contracted in that year to reduce output, many of them to find that drought had obliterated their crops.

In 1935, the AAA asked for a 10 per cent reduction in hogs, 10 to 20 per cent in corn, 10 per cent in wheat and 20 to 40 per cent in cotton.

But weather again cut heavily into wheat production. Cotton was held down by compulsory marketing controls. The corn crop was good and hog production started to come back after the unprecedented reduction of 1934. Again a half billion dollars went from the Treasury into the pockets of farmers.

Plans for 1936 were laid in the Fall of 1935. They called for a nominal reduction of 5 per cent in the acreage planted to wheat. Other plans were tentative when the Supreme Court on January 6, ruled the AAA control programs invalid.

Congress then enacted a Soil Conservation law, designed to pay farmers a continued half billion dollars a year in return for a shift of part of their land from the growing of corn and wheat and cotton to the growing of grasses and clovers and other "soil conserving" crops.

Before this new plan of crop control could be put into effect, weather again has interfered to cause a reduction of output much greater than any planned by the Government.

A wheat crop that was to be reduced a nominal 5 per cent from normal, is knocked down by drought to a crop 30 per cent below normal. A corn crop over which the Secretary of Agriculture expressed concern because of its probable size, faces disaster.

Officials, who two months ago were predicting $5 hogs within a year, were worried by the prospect of $15 hogs if the corn crop should fail and a new problem of feed supplies rise during the next few months. Imports of wheat and corn and butter that had been dwindling back toward normal threatened once more to increase as food prices moved higher.

The AAA paid its money—a billion and a half by the end of this year—but, as Mr. Wallace points out, it did not get its test of the policy of nationwide, voluntary crop production control.

Weather, on its part, paid no bounties and collected no taxes but forced farm production far below anything planned by the Government.

Where does that leave the country with regard to food and feed supplies?

The answer is: close to the edge of scarcity in some products; not so close in others.

There now is not enough of some grades of bread wheat, and imports will be required. There is enough cotton, but surplus supplies are back toward normal. There is enough in the way of meat products to go around this year, but a corn crop failure would create problems next year. There are enough dairy products, but at higher prices.

Those appraisals are from official reports.

The question which officials are seeking to answer is:

Did or did not the vast Government expenditures for planned crop control aggravate the unplanned control exercised by the weather?

Mr. Wallace and his aids in the AAA insist that without the control plans applied by the Government, the effect of the drought would have been much more severe.

Opponents of the AAA argue that without the controls the people would have had more food, animals would have had more feed and the consumer-taxpayers of the country would be a billion and a half dollars ahead.

Judge B. S. Fox, county judge of Aransas county, and Sheriff Albert Brundett of the same county, both of Rockport, were guests of H. S. Vineyard here last Friday. They were en route to Dallas to take in the Centennial.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Morgan and two children, Gene and Jack, of Victoria, spent Sunday here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Y. Morgan, and other relatives.

L. D. Roberts and Cliff Woods, with other local fishermen, have been spending a portion of the week fishing on the coast, near Rockport.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Emmons of Beaumont spent the week-end here visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Turner. Mrs. Emmons was formerly Miss Edna Neta Turner of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Autrey and daughter, Evelyn, of Houston, and Mrs. W. D. Morse and son, Bobby, of Beeville, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Morse. Mrs. Autrey is Mrs. Morse's sister and Mrs. Morse her sister-in-law.

Miss Rosalie Hayden, who is attending the Houston Business College in Houston spent the week-end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Hayden.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Smith left Sunday morning for their annual visit to the St. Louis markets, where they are buying their stocks of merchandise for the fall and winter trade. They expect to be absent from home for about ten days.

Mr. J. R. Wade, Miss June Wade, Mrs. Bryant Moseley and two children, William and Mary Log, and Miss Lucille Blaylock of Granger arrived Tuesday for a visit to Mrs. W. P. Wade and family.

Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Haley returned home last Friday from a week's visit to the Centennial Exposition at Dallas and the dry goods markets of that city, where Mr. Haley bought fall and winter merchandise stocks for the Frank Stephens Company store dry goods department.

Former state ranger captain, Bill Sterling, was a visitor in Eagle Lake Sunday.

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