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Here and There

By J. Troy Hickman

A LIGHT ON THE MOUNTAIN

It was a clear autumn day with just a hint of coolness in the air. Men in the uniform of The United States Cavalry moved about the grounds of the fort which nestled in a valley edged on one side by mountains. The fort, named for the President of the confederacy, Jefferson Davis, was one of a long line of outposts flung along the frontiers of Texas. Its purpose was to protect the thin ranks of settlers against the Indians, and to insure the safe passage of the overland mail and passenger stages. The straight rows of red adobe barracks stood guard like silent sentinels. Nearby, a grove of big cottonwoods marked the site of a clear spring, the fort's source of water.

Not far away another group of adobe houses, scattered here and there without plan and dominated by the spire of a church, sheltered the hundred or so persons who made up the civilian population of Fort Davis. That part of the settlement where the Mexicans lived was known as Chihuahuas.

The only excitement this frontier village afforded was the coming and going of cavalry units who maintained occasional patrols in the Musquiz and Limpia Canyons, guarding the homes and lives of a few venturesome cattlemen living there. Now and then, units of the stage line came trough, bringing news from the outside world and sometimes the sight of a new face.

In hidden places behind the mountains, whose sharp, redstone monoliths and round boulders came up to the edge of the fort and town, dwell tribes of Apache Indians. And in the fall, when the moon was full and yellow, bands of Comanche raiders returning from forays into Old Mexico often passed this way. Feeling safe within the shadow of the fort, the people of Ft. Davis and Chihuahuas went about the untroubled routine of their quiet and simple lives.

On this particular morning in the fall, a group of Mexican neighbors in Chihuahuas were happily busy at an exciting task. They were preparing a bower and pavillion on a vacant lot near their church. Two of their young people were to be married on the evening of the next day, and there was to be a dance afterward. A visiting padre would perform the ritual, and then everyone would share in the music and merriment of the fiesta.

While the workmen were making the bower where the bride and groom would sit as honored persons while the others danced, the bride and her mother were busy at home with the final feverish details of the girl's veil and dress. They were interrupted by constant visits from neighbor girls and women whose excuse was that they wanted to help, but whose real motive was to see the bride and share her excitement. After all, Chihuahuas did not have a wedding every day.

That night, when he had his flock of sheep securely penned and had eaten and put on his best clothes, Jose came to pay a last call on his sweetheart, Dolores. And because it was the last evening before their marriage, her mother allowed them the special privilege of sitting together in the shadows of a little arbor of vines draped high in the sky and flooded the neighborhood with a silver light, the lovers whispered and dreamed. When at last her mother's voice called from the house that the hour was growing late, Dolores rose. "My Jose, will you be careful tomorrow and not take your sheep too far into the hills? You must be home early, so we will not keep the padre waiting." Jose answered by pressing his lips gently upon hers.

A bridegroom is supposed to sleep on the night before his wedding, and dream of his beloved. But when Jose got home he found three of his friends waiting with

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300 Athletes To Compete In First Annual Track Meet

14 Teams Entered In Invitational Meet Set for Saturday

More than three hundred athletes will be in Ozona Saturday to compete in the first annual invitational track meet staged by the athletic department of the Ozona public schools.

The meet is scheduled to be run at Lions Field all day Saturday. Entries have been received from Sonora, Eldorado, Menard, Big Lake, Barnhart, Lake View, Fort Stockton, McCamey, Crane, Iraan, Del Rio, Christoval, Mertzon and Ozona.

Rains the past week have put the track in excellent condition and a fast meet is expected. Chick Womack, meet director, and assistants Larry Wilkins and J. A. Pelto, have issued a call for helpers in running the meet Saturday. A lot of help will be needed and all who will volunteer to help will be welcomed, the coaches said.

Trophies will be presented to the high point team, high point individual and 440 and mile relay winners. Medals will be given the first three place winners in each event with the first four places counting for points, five for first, three for second, two for third and one for fourth.

Events will include the 100, 220 and 440-yard dashes, 120 and 180-yard hurdles, half mile and mile run, mile relay, 440-yard relay, high jump, pole vault, broad jump, shot put and discus throw.

Census Blanks Being Sent To Parents Here

Parents Urged to Sign And Return IBanks At Once

Census blanks were sent out by children through the schools this week to parents with the request that the blanks be examined for errors, signed and returned to the schools as soon as possible.

The blanks, with all available information from previous year census rolls, were prepared by Miss Barbara Earnest, in charge of the census enumeration this year.

Parents are asked to check the blanks for any errors, to add the names of any children who will be six years old before September 1 this year or those who will not be 18 prior to that date.

Importance of being certain that all children in the family within the scholastic age bracket are enumerated is stressed by school officials. This census total is the basis for the per capita state aid received by the local schools and each child whose name is missed in the enumeration will mean a loss of \$68 from the school funds for next year.

Rotary Club to Sponsor Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Members of the Ozona Rotary Club again will sponsor the annual Easter Egg hunt for Ozona children Easter Sunday afternoon, it was announced this week by club officers.

The hunt will be staged on Tandy hill in a plot which has been used for the purpose for many years. The usual assortment of prize eggs will be included and children divided into age groups in the hunt area. The egg hunt will be staged at 2 p.m.

Earl Van Horn, formerly of San Angelo, has accepted a position as manager of the local Joseph's Department Store. Mr. Van Horn succeeds Neal Yeager, who was transferred to another store. Mr. Van Horn is married and the couple have four children.

Ozona Couple Hurt When Car Overturns On South Highway

Miss Jeanette Trotter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Trotter of Ozona, was seriously injured and Postmaster Floyd Hokit suffered a severe hand injury and bruises when the car in which the two were riding south of Ozona went out of control on a curve and overturned last Saturday.

Miss Trotter, employed as clerk and bookkeeper at the Empire Southern Gas Co. office here, suffered a fractured hip and underwent repair surgery at the Crockett County Hospital early this week. Her condition was reported improved at mid-week. Mr. Hokit was carrying one hand in a sling.

The car, with Miss Trotter driving, went off the road at a sharp curve on Highway 163 about nine miles south of Ozona. Both occupants were thrown from the car, a late model Dodge belonging to Hokit. The car was badly wrecked.

Youth-Led Revival at First Baptist Church Drawing Good Crowds

With the theme "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus," the youth of First Baptist Church are leading in a special evangelistic emphasis this week, March 15-22.

The services are being held each evening at 7:30, and are preceded by group prayer meetings. In addition, a devotional period at 7:30 each morning followed by a light breakfast has been well attended with a substantial increase in attendance.

Following the service on Monday evening, the technicolor film of the Texas-Baylor football game was shown. Jerry Coody, football player and ministerial student from Baylor, spoke in the service and then narrated the film which was shown in the social hall of the church.

Budy Johnson and C. A. Roberts, both of Baylor, will arrive in Ozona on Wednesday afternoon to continue the week of evangelistic effort. Services will continue through Sunday night.

Charles Bledsoe to Manage Baseball Club In Douglas Georgia

Charles Bledsoe, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Bledsoe of Ozona, who played with the Waycross, Ga., team in the Georgia-Florida Class C league last year as catcher, has been signed as player-manager of the Douglas Ga., team in the Georgia State League.

Bledsoe, Mrs. Bledsoe and their daughter, Cindy, left Monday for his new assignment. This will be the Ozona pro-baseball player's first venture into the field as manager.

Two Candidates Out For Places On School Board

Three Places to Be Filled in Election April 4

Two candidates have offered for places on the board of school trustees this week.

The annual school board election is scheduled for Saturday, April 4, with three places to be filled.

Eugene (Jake) Miller, now serving on the board by appointment to fill the unexpired term of Henry Withers, resigned, has offered as a candidate for a full elective term. The other candidate filing for a place on the ballot this week is G. Dixon Mahon, Crockett county attorney.

Two present members of the board whose terms expire next month, Arthur Kyle and George Bunker, have announced that they will not seek re-election. Hold-over members of the board who will serve another year are Brock Jones, chairman, Richard Flowers, Royal Caswell and Nip Blackstone.

Red Head Cagers Play Independents Saturday Night

Famed Women's Basketball Team Sponsored by Lions Club

The Red Heads are coming! The famous women's basketball team will meet the Ozona Independents, men's team, on the Davidson Memorial Gym court here Saturday night.

The Saturday night event will wind up a full week-end of athletics, the day to be consumed with competition in Ozona's first annual track and field meet to be run off all day Saturday at Lions Field, with fourteen teams competing for honors.

The All-American Red Heads, a team of first class girl basketball players, have played exhibition games all over the country. Their appearance in Ozona will be the only one within a 200 mile radius this season.

The girls play a fast brand of basketball, beating some of the top men's teams of the country, and along with fine basketball they mix a lot of comedy to make a fine evening's entertainment.

The appearance of the Red Heads is being sponsored by the Ozona Lions Club. Admission prices will be \$1 for adults and 50 cents for students.

The girl basketball players play by men's rules and have played nearly 3,000 games against men's teams in 13 years of competition. Featured comedienne on the team is 5' 8" Red Mason, an outstanding performer and entertainer. The team's average height is 6 feet.

San Angelo Operator To Drill Shallow Test East of Vaughan Field

D. D. Thomas of San Angelo has filed application to drill his 1 Mrs. Alfred E. Luckett, a wildcard, 8 1/2 miles northeast of Ozona in Crockett County.

Cable tool drilling to 1,700 feet will begin soon.

Drillsite, on a 160-acre tract, is 330 feet from the north and east lines of the northwest quarter of 62-GHGC&SF.

The prospector is 12 miles east of the Vaughan field which produces from the Grayburg and San Andres at an average depth of 1,501 feet.

It is 1 1/2 miles east-northeast of Humble 1 Harvick, abandoned Oct. 16, 1948, at 9,160 feet. The Wolfcamp was topped at 5,800 feet and the Ellenburger at 8,975 feet on elevation of 2,521 feet.

It is 2 3/4 miles north-northwest of Boyd 1 Shannon, abandoned February 28, 1952, at 1,352 feet.

It is also four miles north-northeast of Humble 1 Smith et al abandoned Dec. 21, 1947, at 9,260 feet. The following tops were reported on elevation of 2,535 feet: San Andres, 890 feet; Leonard, 2,730 feet; Wolfcamp, 5,560 feet; Ellenburger, 7,950 feet; and the Cambrian, 9,985 feet.

Continental Oil Co. has filed application to drill its 33-A J. M. Shannon one location north and east of production on the east side of the (Ellenburger) field in Crockett County.

Rotary drilling to 7,600 feet will begin as soon as permit is approved.

Drillsite, on a 5,315.3-acre tract, is 2,010 feet from the north and 869 feet from the east lines of 21-UV-GC&SF. It is 14 miles north-west of Ozona.

OZONANS HAVE GRANDSON

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. West of Ozona are grandparents. Richard Francis Lambert is the name given a 7 1/2 pound son born last Thursday in Spokane, Wash., to Mr. and Mrs. Francis L. Lambert, the Wests' son-in-law and daughter. He is the first grandchild for the Wests. Mr. Lambert has just returned from military service in Europe.

GLAMORENE, the Rug-Cleaning Miracle, on sale at Ratliff Office Supplies—Stockman office

Light Rains Add To Surface Moisture Left by Recent Rains

Light drizzles which fell during most of the morning here Tuesday, amounting to approximately a tenth of an inch served to enhance the value of last week's general rainfall and to add further to prospects for spring grazing to relieve the heavy feeding which has been the order on West Texas ranches through much of the winter.

The additional rainfall served to wet the top of the ground again and to drive down the previous moisture. The weather had cleared at mid-week and showed little prospects of additional moisture for the moment.

Conoco Producer Extends Elkhorn North And West

3-D Shannon Has Potential of 681 Bbls; Slate Step-Out

The Elkhorn (Ellenburger) field of Crockett county has been extended one location north and west with the completion of Continental Oil Co. 3-D Shannon for a calculated daily flowing potential of 681 barrels of 40.1 gravity oil, no water, with gas-oil ratio of 374-1.

Potential was based on an actual 11-hour flow through a 32-64-inch tubing choke from perforations between 7,308-342 feet in 5 1/2-inch casing cemented at 7,398 feet, the total 7,038 feet on derrick floor elevation of 2,661 feet. Pay section was acidized with 1,000 gallons.

Tubing pressure was 265 pounds casing pressure, 75 pounds.

The Ellenburger was topped at 7,265 feet.

Location is in 20-UV-GC&SF.

Continental Oil Co. has filed application to drill its 4-D Shannon one location north and west of production on the north side of the Elkhorn (Ellenburger) field of Crockett county.

Rotary drilling to 7,600 feet will begin as soon as permit is received.

Location, on a 778.9-acre tract, is 686 feet from the north and 1,980 feet from the most westerly west line of 20-UV-GC&SF. It is 16 miles northwest of Ozona.

Shell Oil Co. has filed application to drill its 16 Chambers csl one location southwest of Queen Sand production in the Midway Lane (Permian) field of Crockett county.

Cable tool drilling to 1,200 feet will begin immediately. Estimated elevation is 2,650 feet.

Location is 6,000 feet from the north and 2,880 feet from the west lines of league 4-Chamber csl. It is on a 1,120.5-acre tract 20 miles southwest of Barnhart.

It is 3/4-mile southwest of Ellenburger production in the same field.

William Wolf of McCamey has filed application to amend location of his Aaren Cohen, Noelke field test in Crockett county.

Cable tool drilling to 1,400 feet on a 50-acre tract, will begin soon.

Location is 2,030 feet from the south and 496.5 feet from the west lines of 27-GG-Martha T. Wilton. It is five miles east of Iraan.

Firemen Answer Three Calls in One Day

Ozona Volunteer Fire Department made three runs in one day Wednesday.

The first morning call was to extinguish a burning truck in the north end of town. About noon, a flaming pan of grease at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Neal Hannah caused a run by the department. No damage resulted.

Wednesday night, fire was discovered in a small house to the rear of the Roger Dudley home. The house was badly damaged before the flames were brought under control.

Swimming Pool Bonds Sold At 2.10 Per Cent

Columbia Securities Successful Bidders Here Wednesday

Around ten representatives of investment firms were on hand here yesterday afternoon to bid on the \$85,000 park bond issue to build two swimming pools in Ozona, approved by the voters of Crockett county by a two to one margin in an election held March 7.

Columbia Securities Co. of Dallas was the successful bidder with an interest rate of 2.10 per cent. The bonds are to be serial and are to be retired in ten years, the sale terms specifying a five-year option to retire the entire issue after that length of time. The successful bidders were represented by Gordon Charleston of San Angelo.

Meanwhile, the court's designated swimming pool building committee and W. W. Greif of McCamey, employed as engineer to supervise the planning and construction of the pools, are going about gathering information preparatory to letting a contract for the pool construction work. Mr. Greif is employed as the county's engineer in road construction work now in progress in the oil field sector of north-central Crockett county and was given the additional job of investigating the various swimming pool construction firms, to recommend the best type of construction and to finally supervise the construction.

Assigned as the building committee for the Court are Commissioners Ralph Jones and James Childress.

Mr. Grief will spend a day next week in Midland looking over a number of Paddock pools of gunite blown-concrete construction, built by the Texas subsidiary of the famous California pool builders. This type of pool with recirculating and chlorinating system, underwater lights, permanent-finished walls, tile trimmed, with complete equipment and meeting all Health Department requirements was the one submitted to the Commissioners Court by the citizen group in a pre-election meeting and advocated by that group as the most economical and satisfactory plan for local conditions.

Sister of Ozonan Buried in Menard

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Deaton of Ozona attended funeral services in Menard last Wednesday for Mrs. Mattie Ellis Scott, 59, of Marathon, a sister of Mrs. Deaton's, who died Tuesday afternoon in a Fort Stockton hospital after an illness of three months.

Mrs. Scott was born in Menard, April 1, 1883, and resided there until 1946 when she moved to Marathon. She is survived by her mother, Mrs. Easter Ellis of Midland; two sisters, Mrs. F. M. Chiesman of Fort Stockton and Mrs. Deaton of Ozona; three brothers, Ben of Alpine, Resman of Midland and Estes Ellis of Imperial, Calif.

Funeral services were held from the Mission Funeral Home at Menard. The body was brought from Fort Stockton here in a Cody Funeral Home car and prepared for burial here before being taken to Menard for interment.

Mrs. N. E. Smith of Sterling, Colo., and Mrs. Jerry Pace of Austin, visited this week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Baggett. Mrs. Smith left this morning to return home, accompanied by Mrs. Boochie Coates and daughter, Cheri, who have been visiting Mrs. Coates' parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Russell, for several days.

J. D. Mason of Marfa was fined \$50 and costs in justice court this week on a charge of driving while intoxicated. Mason's license was suspended by the court.

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New Officers Named By Woman's Society Of Methodist Church

Officers for the coming year were elected and committee reports heard when the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church met Wednesday morning at the church, with Mrs. Paul Perner, president, presiding.

The following officers were named for the new year:
President, Mrs. Paul Perner; secretary of promotions, Mrs. W. D. Cooper; vice president, Mrs. J. A. Fussell; secretary, Mrs. L. B. Cox, III; treasurer, Mrs. B. B. Ingham, Sr.; Circle chairmen, Mrs. Lindsey Hicks and Mrs. W. T. Stokes; secretary of missionary education, Mrs. Charles Williams, Sr.; secretary of spiritual life, Mrs. Joe Pierce; secretary of Christian social relations, Mrs.

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H. B. Tandy; secretary of student work, Mrs. Stephen Perner; secretary of children's work, Mrs. L. D. Kirby; secretary of supplies, Mrs. Taylor Word; secretary of status of Women, Mrs. S. M. Harvick; secretary of literature and publications, Mrs. Dempster Jones; secretary of music, Mrs. V. I. Pierce; secretary of publicity and printing, Mrs. M. B. Flippen; study leaders, Mrs. T. A. Kincaid, Jr.,

and Mrs. Evert White.
Mrs. Joe Pierce, Jr., gave the devotional. Monthly reports were presented by committee chairmen. The Society made a cash donation toward the equipment fund for Rev. Finis B. Jeffery, who will leave soon to take up missionary work in Korea.
Present for the business meeting were Meses. Paul Perner, Madden Read, V. I. Pierce, W. D. Cooper, L. B. Cox, III, Joe Pierce, Jr., H. B. Tandy, T. A. Kincaid, Jr., Joe Clayton, L. D. Kirby, Charles Williams, Sr., R. A. Harrell and M. B. Flippen.

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NEWS AND VIEWS OF CROCKETT COUNTY HOSPITAL

By C. A. Woody, Administrator

No news is sometimes good news and that is mostly what I have for you today. Of course, you all know of the auto wreck in which Miss Jeanette Trotter was injured last Saturday. She is doing nicely now that she is over her shock and surgery.

Mrs. S. B. Phillips is still with us and to us she shows some improvement. The Old Man Stork again visited us and presented Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bailey with a little boy last Tuesday, March 10, and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Martinez a boy

last Friday. Also this morning a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Preston Williamson (col.).

Patients admitted: Larry Gee, Joe Click, Mrs. Teresa Martinez, Mrs. Forest Lee, Floyd Hokit, Miss Jeanette Trotter, Jonathan Burton, Miss Janice Chestnutt, R. V. Adams and Mrs. Preston Williamson (col.).

Patients dismissed: Miss Maybelle Taylor, Mrs. W. H. Augustine, Mrs. Bob Bailey, Mrs. Willie Taylor, Miss Vickie Montgomery, Miss Sharon Martin, Larry Gee, Joe Click, Mrs. Teresa Martinez, Mrs. Forest Lee, Floyd Hokit, Jonathan Burton.

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**Former Ozona Pastor
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from Howard Payne**

Brownwood (Sp) — Rev. Clyde Childers, pastor of the Riverside Park Baptist Church, San Antonio, will receive the honorary doctor of divinity degree to be conferred on him by Howard Payne College, at the dedication of the Walter Memorial Library, to be held on the campus, March 21 at 10 A. M.

A native Texan, Rev. Childers was born at Ponder. He graduated from Paducah High School and from Baylor University in 1939.

Howard Payne is conferring the doctorate upon Rev. Childers in recognition for distinctive service to the churches. He has served as pastor, together with the outstanding contribution he has made in denominational work.

He has served as pastor of Bebel, Flat and Live Oak Baptist churches in Coryell County, Texas.

brook Baptist Church; First Baptist Church, Ozona; and Riverside Park Baptist Church, San Antonio.

In denominational work he has been a trustee of Paisano Encampment; Executive Vice-President of Paisana Encampment; a member of Advisory Committee, Department of Student Work of Baptist General Convention of Texas; a member of board of trustee of Baptist Memorial Hospital, San Antonio; and is now a trustee of Howard Payne College and the University of Corpus Christi; director of Church Building and Loan Association of Baptist General Convention; member of the Executive Board and Executive Committee, BGC; member of Advisory Committee, Baptist Memorial Hospital, San Antonio; and a member of the San Antonio Kiwanis Club.

Riverside Baptist Church has prospered under Rev. Childers' leadership. A new sanctuary has been constructed, the Sunday school and training union attendance have increased, and two missions have been established.

**Luncheon, Golf Play
For Ladies Golf Assn.**

Members of the Ladies Golf Assn. enjoyed luncheon followed by golf and bridge Tuesday.

Playing golf were Bonnie Thomas, Nettie Holt, Mary Friend, Helene Wilkins, Ada Pierce, Wilma Friend, Alice McMullan, Jeanie Williams, Gladys Pierce, Velma Marley, Lois Hicks, Wanda Stuart, Marzie Ramsey, Louise Bunger, Dorothy Pierce, Pauline Montgomery, Dorothy Friend, Willie V. Baggett, Jean Scheuber, Marge McMullan, Fae Tandy, Lillie Baggett, Bennie Gail Phillips and Liz Williams.

Winners in trophy play were Wanda Stuart, Nettie Holt, Bennie Gail Phillips, Marge McMullan, Gladys Pierce, Pauline Montgomery, Jeanie Williams, Louise Bunger and Dorothy Friend.

Winning golf balls for high score on Hole 4 were Katy Jones, Dorothy Pierce and Bonnie Thomas.

Playing bridge were Margaret Coates, Posey Smith, Jean North, Frances Albers, Doria Moore, Crystelle Childress, Betty Lou Teague, Mary Bess Harris, Mary Clayton, Jonsey Williams, Blanche Walker and Winnie Williams.

**Bernard Lemmons and
Mary Ann Elledge of
Houston to Wed Apr. 26**

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Elledge of Houston, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Mary Ann, to Lt. Bernard Lemmons, son of Mrs. Ben Lemmons of Ozona.

The wedding will take place April 25 in Berachah Church in Houston.

Miss Elledge attended Westmont College at Santa Barbara, Calif., and Sam Houston State Teachers College at Huntsville, Et. Lemmons, a graduate of Ozona High School, was graduated from Texas A & M College. He is now stationed at Spokane, Wash.

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**Jewel Pin Ceremony
Held by ESA Sorority**

Members of Epsilon Sigma Alpha, Beta Rho chapter, met Saturday evening in the home of Mrs. Greta Isbell for the second degree jewel pin ceremony. The ceremony was presided over by Mrs. Coleta Morris of Coleman, president of district 6.

Jonquils, the official flower of E. S. A., decorated the buffet, which displayed the jewel pins given to each member by Mrs. Morris. Jewel pins were presented in a solemn candlelight ceremony to Miss Barbara Earest, Miss Rosalie Friend, and Mmes. Gussie Schneider, Betty Sue Hoover, Jo Lou Chapman, Mary Katherine Brewer, Greta Isbell, and Nan West.

Pins were held in reserve to be given at a later date to active and inactive charter members who could not be present. These include Mmes. Jane Sweitzer, Mildred Perner, Marilyn Bean, Jeannette Trotter and Kay Kirby.

Coffee and cakes decorated with the jonquil were served and Mrs. Morris was presented with a small gift of appreciation for her kindness in traveling so far to preside at the ceremony.

The next meeting of E. S. A. will be a social on March 26 at the home of Mrs. Gussie Schneider. Plans for spring rushing activities will be discussed. All members are urged to be present and members from other chapters will be welcome.

**Aggie Exies Would
Sacrifice School for
Memories, Says Senator**

AUSTIN — Eventual success for his campaign to open the doors of Texas A. and M. to girls students was predicted here today by Sen. William T. Moore of Bryan.

Senator Moore, an Aggie ex-student himself, reported that he had received tremendous support from all over the state, from Aggies and non-Aggies alike, for his proposal that the tax-supported college become co-educational. His resolution instructing the A. and M. Board of Directors to admit female students was defeated in the Senate, but Senator Moore said today that "the matter of admitting girls to A. & M. is not a closed issue by any means."

In support of his position, Senator Moore pointed out that "A. & M. is supported by taxpayers of both sexes and by the parents of



PROUD PAPA IN ITALY . . . He may look a little worried at the moment, but Salvatore Motta is a proud man indeed as he weighs his newly-born son, who arrived in this vale of tears with enough heft for two babies. The infant weighed 16 pounds at birth, a record

children of both sexes."

A. & M.'s enrollment is declining and will continue to decline, the Senator declared, unless it becomes a co-educational institution.

"In my opinion, all the noise against the proposal is being made by people who think more of their memories than they do of our school's future and the future of our children's," Senator Moore continued. "The professional Aggies, re-living their days of personal glory on the campus, want to sacrifice the future of this great

school for the sake of their own reminiscences."

Mrs. Mark Garver of Little Rock, Ark., and Mrs. Robert J. Meybin of Roanoke, Va., daughters of the late Judge and Mrs. Chas. E. Davidson, were here this week to meet other members of the family in a family business conference. Other out-of-town members of the family who were here last week were Mrs. W. J. Grimmer of Winfield, Iowa, and Mrs. Bryan McDonald of Canyon.

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NOTICE

To Parents of School Children

School Census blanks are being sent out this week through the schools.

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This concerns children who will be 6 years old on or before September 1, 1953 — and those who will not reach their 18th birthday before that date.

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Ozonia Olympics Set For Next Saturday

"Go to your holes! Get set! Go!" and they're off to a good start. Who will win? That's what you'll find out when you attend the big Ozonia Track Meet that will be held here Saturday.

Ozonia Lions have been working hard against the powerful teams they will compete against.

There will be 14 teams in all doing their best to walk away with one of the trophies which will be given to high point man, high point team and the relays. Medals will be given to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners in each event.

100 yard, 220 yard, and 440 yard dashes, the low and high hurdles, the shot, discus, high jump, pole vault, broad jump, the mile and half mile run are the events to be battled out.

Coach (Chick) Womack says, "This should be a fast track with possibilities of breaking records."

The first event will start at 10 o'clock so come out and encourage the Lions enough to break the tape first.

And across the field comes the cry of cold soda pops, hot dogs, etc., from the senior concession stand. So between events walk over and let them serve you some of those delicious senior refreshments.

REAGAN VOLLEYBALL GIRLS DOWN OZONIA GIRLS

The Reagan County volleyball team downed the Ozonia volleyball team here Tuesday night in a hard fought contest. Reagan took games from the Ozonia crew 15-11 and 15-12.

The Ozonia B came out on a winning end of a three game contest, winning two out of the three games.

The girls will engage the Sonora girls Friday on the home court.

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LONG LIVE THE '53 SENIORS!

(Note! These are the un-edited comments of Von Henderson.)

I really got a good griping at the other day. It seems that I've left out one of the big honors given to a senior. For the ones who don't know it, Miss Billie Chandler was elected the Lions Club sweetheart for 1953. There, I've told it.

There was a Senior meeting at the McMullans' house the 12th. Most of the senior mothers were there to help us decide about our Senior trip. The school board has announced that it is too much of a risk to take the school bus into Mexico. But we can take it as far as the border and store it. Then the ones who can't fly will have to walk, I guess. But we're determined to go see the land of the senoritas.

We also were measured for our caps and gowns, and put in our order for invitations. Will I be proud when we start sending out announcements. I'm going to pay back all the seniors who have graduated in years past and flooded me with them.

I would like to remind all you people who never quit raving about those delicious senior refreshments that we will be selling them Sat. at the big Ozonia Olympic track meet which will be held here the 21st. Also, we'll be at the Red Head game that night. So save all your pay checks and come see us.

The seniors have been getting their go-to-Mexico shots. We got two the 5th and one the 12th and all of us are looking forward to getting our last one this Thursday. Those shots sure separate the men from the boys. For instance, Don Cooper, Jimmy McMullan and Roger Gotcher nearly cried when they got their shots.

Well, that's all the news from Ozonia's pride and joy class. See you next week.

GOOD-BYE OLD TESTS

By Georgiana Ball
 Good-bye old nine weeks tests! See you next nine weeks. Until then, stay out of my sight!

Some people are still recuperating from their tests, otherwise, all is well. Half of the tests were very easy while the other half, well, what if I did fail one or two?

I'd like to banish tests from this earth forever, but that's impossible. At least we'll be rid of them until next nine weeks.

HEARD FROM THE TEST TUBE

By Jerry Currier

Here we are again with the science news for this week. We'll drag out the "News Letter" again and find some more oddities.

The Air Force has developed a long range plane that uses a short runway. It is the new assault freighter, C-130, built by Lockheed. Performance details are secret.

Now we've got a wonder wonder drug. It's a new type of penicillin used to fight boils and typhoid. It is called cephalosporin N. How's that for a name?

I've got news for you girls who wait anxiously for your boy friends. Anxiety doesn't make your heart beat faster. In fact, it slows it down. This discovery was announced by Drs. Joseph M. Notterman, William N. Schoenfield and Phillip J. Bersh of Columbia University. 250 male students were used in the experiments.

Here's something for all you veteran beard growers here at school. You can get an electric shaver that runs on 3 flashlight batteries. That's to make it portable. So you won't be late for Mr. Pelto's class, just bring it along and shave here.

Warning, air raid, call out the DDT. The flies are coming. Yes, it's getting onto fly time. Better get your screens up and swatter ready. If you spray your screens with a residual type insecticide, it helps keep them away. Get rid of all your garbage or cover it.

Flying saucers are old stuff. They are even in the Bible. The prophet Ezekiel stated seeing wheels within wheels. Dr. O. H. Menzel says that Ezekiel was a top-flight scientific observer. Dr. Menzel is a professor of astrophysics at Harvard Observatory. "This observation of wheels within wheels" is a wellknown meteorological phenomenon of solar halos, produced by ice crystals in the sky.

If you see a 3 foot man from Mars coming down the street, don't be surprised. It's probably a little boy or girl with one of the newest toys, a space helmet made of shatter proof acetate plastic.

Here we are again and the old test tube refuses to tell anything else. But we'll be back next week, if one of our fans doesn't assassinate us first.

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Fads and Fooie

By K. Phillips
 Yesterday, a few of the people

down town asked me why my column didn't appear in the Lions Roar last week. Here is the answer — I figured that flunking four tests was enough funny stuff (Continued on Page 5)

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that week. Good enough reason to give you an example, was talking to one of the prosecuting attorneys and my grades were so low that I wouldn't have to take 126 on my final test to have an average.

But enough about me and my troubles. This week I am going to compete with Jerry Curving in other words, I am going to tell you what the inmate are wearing and in the same stroke you amazing scientific facts. And, gosh, what's the first brilliant fact this week? It is brought out by none other than the brilliant senior, La Von Henderson. That boy really has it bad. Why do you know what he has done? Robbie? He went home and changed pants. Now, that goofus has been wearing them for a long time. Anyone can wear pants from the start of school til now. But La Von's — whenever he takes them off at night they walk off themselves and lie down in the air.

And now, for a Scientific Poole did you know that out of thirty girls asked in high school, 95% take a bath every week? It proves that no matter how you are, if you hang around in a place you may never have a bath.

About seventeen years ago, a volcanic eruption made a mistake. The eruption of Mt. Vesuvius and the San Francisco quake were the little things compared to this. For on this dark cold day another depression is on its way. This was the day when Scott took his ugly little into our modern existence and pushed civilization back to where even the Indians wouldn't go.

Speaking of Indians, it is rumored that Hicky used to be a member of the Blackfeet tribe. But his eyes were bigger and blacker so they had to get rid of him. But no matter what you say about Scott you must admit that he has great athletic ability about him. Why aren't he and Bill Schneemann the all-tournament team at Ozon? Just goes to show you a shooting pool will help sharpen the eye.

I am not going to say anything about how he is dressed this week. It is just a few friendly lines to let him know I think of him every day and then.

And speaking of thinking, I think I had better get outta here. After all, you should read the other articles in this paper.

Ozona Teachers Attend Meeting in Brownwood
By Lynn Parker

On March 12 and 13 the eleventh district of Texas State Teachers Association held its meeting in Brownwood. The association composed of twenty counties in

Central West Texas.

Outstanding speakers spoke to the general assembly Thursday night and Friday morning and night. Among the speakers were Attorney General John B. Sheppard, Dr. Logan Wilson, president of the University of Texas; R. L. Proffer, president of the State Teachers Association. Also Clyde Miller, president of New Mexico Western College spoke Thursday night.

After the general session Friday, sectional meetings were attended by more than twelve hundred teachers, to discuss various phases of education. The sections were composed of secondary principals, science teachers, both social and natural, math teachers, intermediate and primary teachers and many others.

All in all it was a very profitable meeting in which many of the Ozona faculty attended.

The counties attending the meeting were: Brown, Coke, Coleman, Comanche, Concho, Crockett, E. Rath, Glasscock, Irion, McColloch, Mason, Menard, Mills, Reagan, Runnels, San Saba, Schleicher, Sterling, Sutton and Tom Green.

Limber Up Your Smile for Smile Week

What — do you mean sour puss has actually got a smile on his face today? What's the occasion? Why, don't you know he's getting in practice for Smile Week?

Yes, March 30-April 3 has been designated Smile Week. It is being sponsored by the Ofa Club as one of its projects. The club will give an assembly program April 1 and wind the week up with a dance for all high school and dates April 3.

Smile Week doesn't mean that you have to go around for a week with a strained, forced smile upon your face. It simply means that for a week, you think twice before you bite someone's head off; you try smiling first instead of being determined you're not going to smile unless he does first. Try putting the other person and his feelings first and see if things don't run smoother. With all of you backing the Ofa Club 100% Smile Week is bound to be successful.

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Dear Mae:
The same ole things are happening here in good ole Ozona. Still no boy friend. I gave myself a permanent and cut lots of my hair off like Susie and Shirley have done, but still no date material. Lots of the girls already have dates to the Junior and Senior banquet, but I don't even have a date to show Saturday night. Oh, well, I guess this is life.

Helen went to the ranch last week-end and all of us girls were gonna get Maness while she was gone but he and Whitley hid with Walter Weaver's sister and we never did find him!

Scott asked Vivian for a date Sunday night, but she couldn't go. Gee, I wonder if I'll ever get the chance to turn a boy down? I doubt it.

Thursday night after the Senior meeting at McMullana where they had a real hot discussion about Mexico, Don took Billie to the show and Jimmy took Ann. Some more dates for that night were Georgiana and Kenneth (getting to be a habit), Rosie and Ronnie (already a habit), and Charles and Vivian.

To celebrate Robbie's birthday Saturday night, Robbie and La Von, Mary Beth and Don went to Angelo to celebrate. They say those charcoal burgers are sure good. I wonder if Mary Beth could tell us. I heard she ate two of them! I hear Robbie's in the hospital in Sonora after an operation Monday morning at 7:30. I wonder if that trip to Angelo was a frame up deal. You know, these boys are always doing something. She should be home at the end of the week. I know La Von will be glad. Say, reckon I could go with La Von while Robbie's gone? No, that wouldn't be nice, would it?

Marion and Bobby H., Mary Beth and Buster were together again Friday night at the show and then again Sunday afternoon at the show. Those four are certainly seen together these days. I wish I could ever be seen anywhere with anyone. I wonder if the pool hall got burned up where the boys would go. Think they'd get dates? . . . I'm contemplating setting some dynamite off. Nope. Guess I won't after all. At least when we're riding around we know where to look for them.

Monday night the First Baptist Church honored the football boys and showed a film of the game between Baylor and Texas U. It sure was good. Shirley was with Richard Reed at church, Mary

Beth with Buster, and Alena with Bob King. Don also had a date with Charles G. Goodness, he sure is getting to be a Romeo. I sure wish he'd roam my way. Ha.

The other day Bill and Susie wanted to go to Angelo but were

afraid to ask "the warden." Bill said, "Susie, you go ask Mother if we can go." Susie replied, "Heck, no, you ask her. You've known her longer than I have." Pretty cute of Susie, wasn't it? Billie Chandler, after the foot-

ball film Monday night, was talking to Jane Adams. This is their conversation. Billie, "I just don't see how those football players ever get clean." Jane, "Well, Billie, my goodness, don't you even know (Continued On Page 6)

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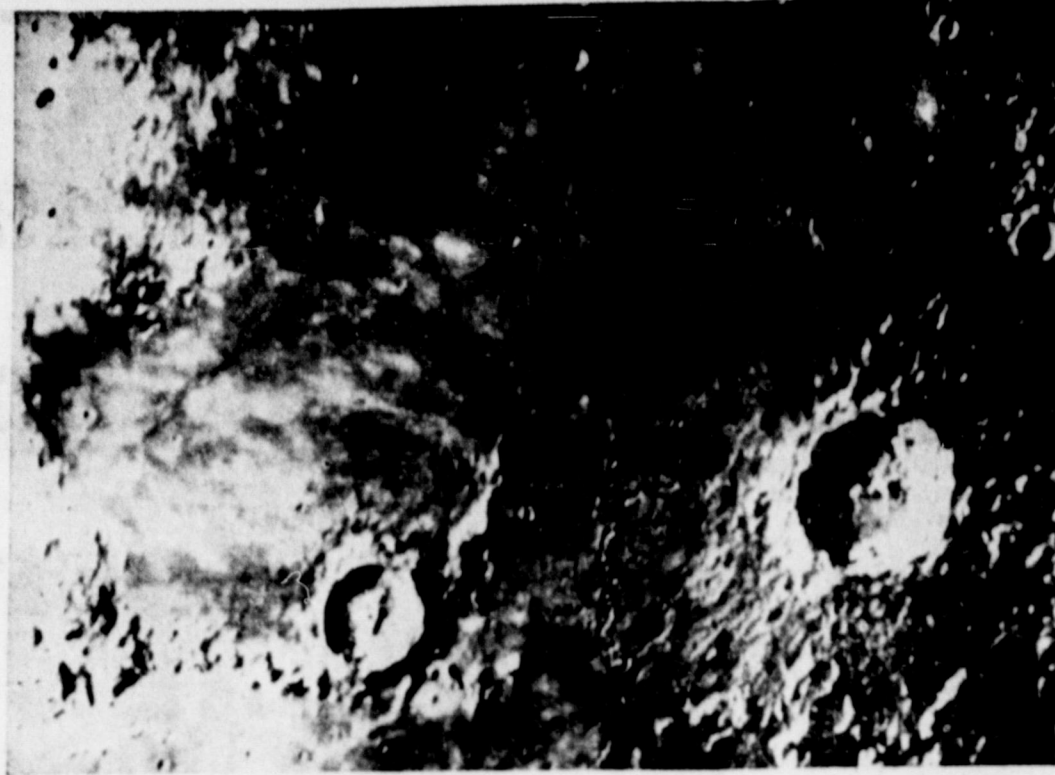
what the scrub team is for?"

La Von wheeled up to the filling station Saturday night and Tom Pine was to be the one to wait on him. La Von said, "Please give me a quart of water for the radiator, a pint of oil for the motor and a gallon of gas." Tom looked disgusted and replied, "Are you sure you don't want me to cough in your tires?" Pretty good! No?

Well, Mae, I guess all good things must come to an end. So, for now,

Love you,
Dot

Lin Hicks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lindsey Hicks of Ozona, is home on a furlough from military service. Young Hicks is stationed at Fort Sill, Okla., where he is an instructor in a phase of artillery training.



CELESTIAL PHOTOGRAPHS SHOW MORE . . . This is a photograph of the moon taken with the 200-inch Hale telescope at Palomar observatory operated jointly with Mount Wilson observatory by the California Institute of Technology and the Carnegie Institution of Washington. In 8 x 10 size, this reproduction is a contact print from the original plate. Shown is a flat region covered with many small craters. The large crater at lower right is Copernicus, one of the best known features of the moon. The sun is illuminating the moon from the left.

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D. C. Greer, State Highway Engineer, explained that work was being programmed as funds would permit to lower these obsolete concrete railing. The reason for this construction is twofold — safety and economy. Greer added, Trucks with overhanging beds or with a protruding load are continually striking the tops of the high banisters, causing costly damage to both bridges and vehicles. In addition to these physical damages suffered by the Highway Department and truckers alike, often times serious injuries and wrecks are caused as a direct result of these high railings being sideswiped. Greer continued that these tall banisters have a psychological effect, causing drivers to shun the

massive railings and in doing so, encroach on the adjoining lane of traffic. Many head-on collisions have resulted from a "fear complex" of these high banisters.

Greer concluded that the solution to these obsolete narrow bridges with high railings would be to widen all such structures. However, due to limited funds, this is impossible since the Department is only financially able to provide a remedy and not a cure for these deficient bridges at this time.

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Eight local men completed processing and were sworn in by Captain Cooper. The young men were assigned to a squad led by veteran Marine Sergeant Thomas

James of San Angelo. Captain Red Eddy, Inspector-Instructor, talked to the parents of the men being sworn in, telling of the duties and training their sons would perform and about the eight year obligation that each boy has.

The Marine Reserve will meet every Thursday night at 7:30 at the Naval and Marine Reserve Training Center, 419 West Avenue B, San Angelo. The public is always welcome to drop in and see how their Marines are being trained.

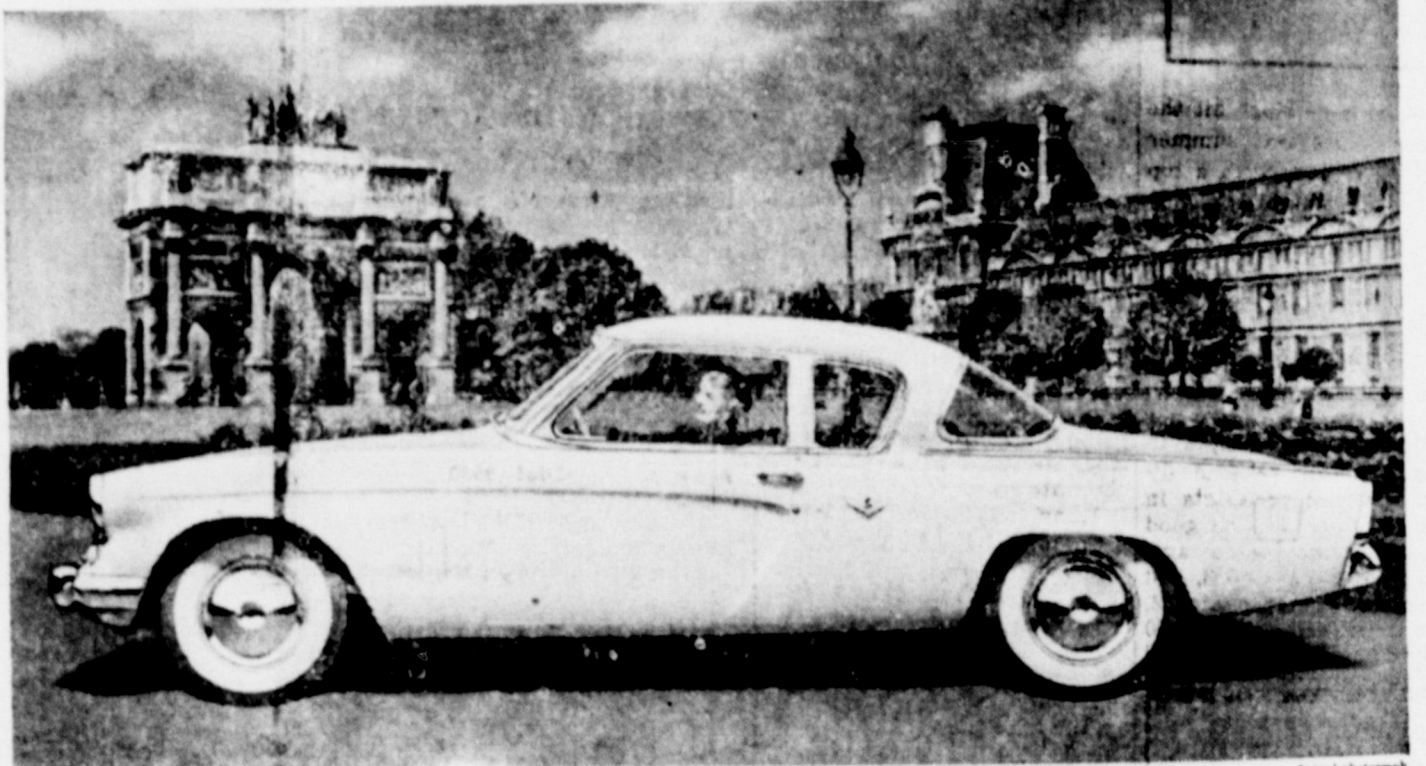
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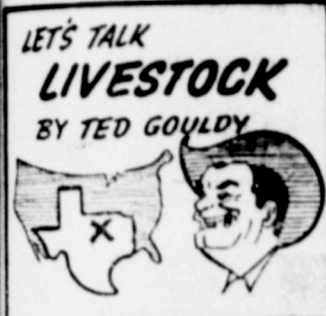
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FORT WORTH — Hogs hit the highest point since last summer at Fort Worth Monday with a top of \$22.25 and the bulk of the good and choice 185-250 pound butchers selling 25 to 75 cents above last week's close and in the \$21.75 to \$22.25 range.

Easter lambs shared the spotlight with breeding ewes Monday. Some pairs of ewes and small lambs sold around \$25 and \$26 per pair, a new high for months in this class, and this reflects directly the enhanced prospects in the sheep country since the good rains of about two weeks ago. Milk fat lambs reached \$23, old drop woolled lambs topped at \$22, and shorn lambs cashed at \$19.50 down. Some aged wetters sold

for \$15. Slaughter ewes were scarce, a few from \$7 to \$10.

Cattle trade was fairly active and generally steady. Some cows and fat yearlings stronger.

Good and choice fed steers and yearlings sold for \$18.50 to \$22, some weighty steers at \$21.50. Common, plain and medium butcher cattle sold for \$13 to \$18.50.

Fat cows drew \$14 to \$16, and canners and cutters cashed at \$10 to \$14. Bulls sold for \$13 to \$18.

Good and choice slaughter calves sold for \$18.50 to \$22, and common and medium offerings sold for \$13 to \$18.50, and culls drew \$10 to \$13.

A few stocker calves and yearlings sold for \$15 to \$21, and stocker cows sold from \$12 to \$16.50.

It is believed that virtually all of the X-Disease cattle, (those poisoned and suffering from hyperkeratosis) will have been destroyed within 10 days or two weeks. Most observers feel that at least 80 per cent have now been slaughtered.

Many cattle suffering from malnutrition have been marketed as "suspected" of having been pois-

oned. Old-timers are recalling the old saying that in this part of the country, a cow will live all winter and then die in the Spring, hundreds we have seen here. We are sure this is the case with hundreds we have seen here.

Woman's Forum Has Texas Day Program

The Ozona Woman's Forum met Thursday, March 12, in the home of Miss Benny Gail Phillips, with Miss Phillips and Mrs. Joe Clayton as co-hostesses.

Mrs. Clayton was leader of the Texas Day program. A film, "Texas — The Big State" was shown, and roll call was answered with Texas Brags.

Other members present were Meses. Joe Williams, Pete Jacoby, Austin Millepaugh, Jack Williams, H. A. Gustavus, Charles Williams, Jr., Martin Harvick, Jess Marley, Charlie Black and Beecher Montgomery.

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Here and There

By J. Troy Hickman (Continued From Page One)

their guitars. "This is too pretty a night to sleep," they said. "You must go with us on a serenade." The moon had almost completed its trip across the sky when the young men separated and went to their homes for a few hours of sleep. They had sung the plaintive Mexican melodies outside the house of every unmarried girl in the village. Last of all, they had stopped by the home of Dolores whom they had honored with their favorite, "La Paloma."

Jose was up early the next morning. As he urged his flock of sheep along the level ground between the Limpia Creek and the foothills, he was singing, as a man on his wedding day will do. The animals drifted slowly along, grazing where the grass was long and green. Jose was lost in his reverie.

As sundown came and the shadows cast by the hills and trees grew longer, life in the little town began to move the quickened pace of anticipation. The little sister of Jose came to the house of Dolores with a question. "Jose has not returned with the sheep. Mother says to ask if you have seen him?"

The girl's dark eyes were troubled. "No!" she answered, alarm rising in her voice. "He has not been here! I supposed he would be home dressing by now." As the little girl sped home to take this startling news to her mother, Dolores sobbed and buried her face on her mother's shoulder.

"There, there, little one! Do not cry. He will soon be home. Perhaps he took the sheep a little farther into the hills than he intended."

Dolores ran to her room and her mother went to the house of Jose's mother to seek assurance. As soon as her mother was out of sight, the frantic girl wound her black shawl about her head and shoulders. Then she took from the kitchen fire a few coals and put them in a clay bowl. Glancing to see whether anyone had observed her, she slipped quickly between the houses and ran out toward the foothills.

The lingering dusk had become darkness as she reached the creek. She stopped to call, but nothing answered except a bird. With her heart in her throat, she ran over rocks that bruised and through thorns that reached for her clothes and flesh. Again and again she called; but each time the silence was broken only by the sound of her voice.

Ahead was a mountain with a flat top. From that point a light could be seen for a long distance, she thought. Climbing as best she could in the dark, the girl made her way up its side, pausing to pick up every stick her feet encountered on the way. Once she

stumbled and dropped her bowl of fire, but quickly scooped it up again and went on. On the very top she made a small pile of the sticks and dry grass and fired them with the coal. As a flickering flame crept up and pushed the circle of the dark back, she groped for more wood. Then she took up a sad and lonely vigil, listening to hear the sound of a beloved voice. Drawing the shawl closer against the sharpening air of the night, she waited and prayed.

In the small hours of the morning her father found her there, shivering and forlorn. With a promise that a search would be made for Jose, the kindly old man persuaded the girl to return home. Dawn found her kneeling before the crucifix in her room.

The entire male population of the town and fort fanned out over the hills that morning in search of the lost bridegroom. At last they found him, — dead and scalped.

A crowd of grieving friends who on the day before had anticipated a wedding fiesta filled the small church where the body of Jose lay in a box before the altar. When the priest had read the service for the dead, the young men who had gone with Jose on his last serenade carried his casket to the rude cemetery. The mound was heaped up, rocks were laid on it, and a few wild flowers that had been gathered to deck the bower for the dance were fashioned into a cross for his headpiece. Back at the desolate pavillion, tattered paper streamers fluttered idly in the wind.

Dolores and her mother folded the white dress and long veil and laid them away. The days dragged wearily by. Despite the kindness and sympathy of her loved ones and friends, Dolores grew more pale and sad. Finally, word was whispered about in Chihuahua that the girl had lost her mind.

One night a light was seen on the mountain. A neighbor reported the fact to Dolores' father, and he went to her room. It was empty.

They tried never to leave her alone at night. But now and then she managed to elude them and slip away into the darkness. For thirty Autumns the light appeared occasionally on the mountain. And they would find her standing by a little fire, peering out into the night, her shawl drawn about her head and shoulders. Then the light showed no more on the mountain. There was a new grave beside Jose's

Many years have passed. The town of Chihuahua is no more. The once-erect rows of military barracks that were Ft. Davis are a mass of ghostly ruins. The big cottonwood trees have died beside the spring which has ceased to flow. No morning bugle can awaken the cavalymen from their everlasting sleep.

And sometimes when the autumn moon is full and yellow, a light shines from the top of Dolores mountain. Perhaps it is only a star hanging low. But there are some who believe it is the spirit of faithful Dolores, tending the fire and waiting for the return of her lost Jose.

BAPTIST W. M. U.

Members of the Baptist W.M.U. met Wednesday morning at the church for Bible study, presented by Mrs. Frank Noe of Todd Field. Reports were given on the coming banquet honoring the Senior Class by committees in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Melvin Semmler and Mrs. Bill Holden served coffee and rolls to the following: Mmes. H. R. Mock, J. T. Keeton, Blake Woolbright, Pleas Childress, S. L. Butler, J. C. Stricklin, Ivy Smith, Jr., Frank Noe, Ben Williams, J. T. Patrick, Gerald Vest, Garland Allen and Roy Sewell.

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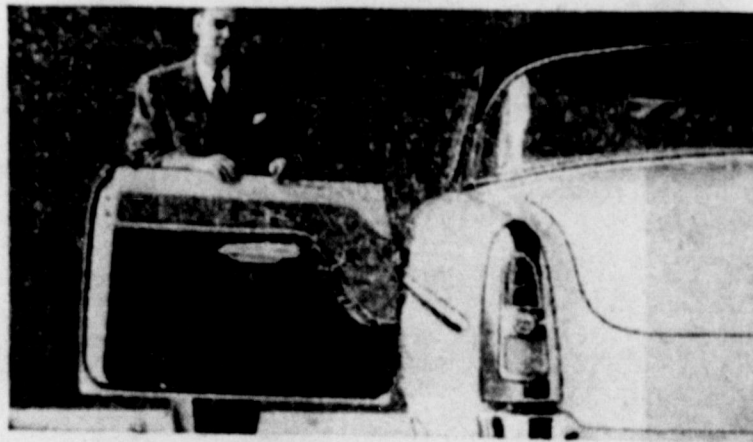
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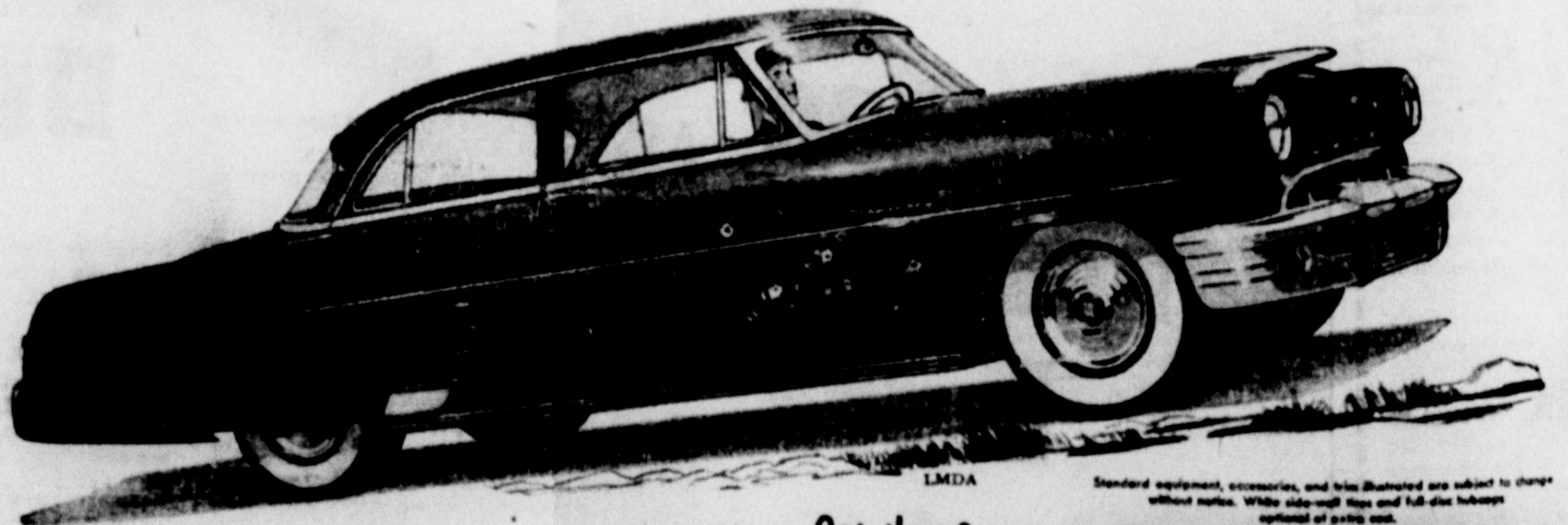
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