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Here and There

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THE BLACK WATCH

In the town of Brackettville, Texas, and scattered through the outwest on both sides of the Rio Grande live a few survivors of an ethnic accident little known in history—The Seminole Negro.

From their tribe a band of dusky warriors called The Black Watch was recruited in 1871 to fight for the U. S. Cavalry stationed at Fort Clark and engaged in warfare with Indians.

On hilly ground besides Las Moras Spring in the old Sam Mavrick League, long a watering place on the Chihuahua Trail, the government established Ft. Clark to protect settlers and travelers from Indians. In the grassy valley of Las Moras Creek between its waters and confluence with the Rio Grande, Comanche, Lipan and Kickapoo tribesmen kept more than a thousand head of horses and mules. Some were tamed muskies, others had been stolen from Indians. In the grassy valley of Las Moras Creek between its waters and confluence with the Rio Grande, Comanche, Lipan and Kickapoo tribesmen kept more than a thousand head of horses and mules. Some were tamed muskies, others had been stolen from Indians. In the grassy valley of Las Moras Creek between its waters and confluence with the Rio Grande, Comanche, Lipan and Kickapoo tribesmen kept more than a thousand head of horses and mules. Some were tamed muskies, others had been stolen from Indians.

The Ft. Clark troops did reduce Indian depredation in the immediate vicinity, but a few miles away massacres went on unchecked. The government's troops had been sent in from northern and eastern states and their officers had been trained in academies which taught them little about how to find and fight a native enemy. The Indians retreated always to rough, semidesert terrain where the troops could not follow.

The objective of this frontier post went unrealized until Lt. John L. Bullis, then commanding Ft. Clark, heard of the Seminole Negroes and organized them into a company of scouts to lead the Cavalry to Indians hideouts. The story of this unique group and how they were recruited goes back to the time when Florida belonged to Spain.

The swampy forests of northern Florida was inhabited by Seminoles. Negro slaves from plantations in adjoining states sometimes fled their masters and took refuge with the friendly Indians. Firmishes between parties of white planters who invaded the Seminole country to recover their property and the tribesmen with their adopted negroes led to the Seminole Wars. After more than thirty years of conflict most of the Seminoles and their black friends moved to what is now the state of Oklahoma.

Here they were soon involved in disputes with indigenous Indians who looked upon them as invaders. They moved again, this time southward across the Rio Grande into the state of Chihuahua, Mexico. Several generations prospered and multiplied, the Indian and negro bloods mingling. The culture of the Seminole Negro race took in elements of Mexican, Apache, and old South language and customs. The men adapted quickly to the luscious life of the border bedouins, learned to live off the meager desert resources, and became superb horsemen.

A party of 150 moved back to the river and settled on the Arroyo Creek near Eagles Pass. Here they were waging a discouraging fight for a foothold when Lt. Bullis found them and enlisted a party of their men in the Fourth U. S. Cavalry.

Under treaty with Mexican authorities, Bullis engaged others from the Coahuila group. Members of The Black Watch did not distinguish themselves in the formal and exact routines of military discipline. But in less than a year they proved their mettle as experts in Indian warfare by leading the Ft. Clark troops into a skirmish around Kickapoo Spring where Indian confidence was badly shaken. The allied Comanches, Spaniards and Kiowas suffered such losses in this battle that they desisted of their dead by piling men and horses together in heaps and covering them with brush.

At its greatest size the Fort (Continued on Last Page)

Frank James In Commission Race In Precinct 1

Auto Dealer, Former Sheriff Again In Politics

Frank James, proprietor of James Motor Co., local Dodge and Plymouth car dealer, and former sheriff of Crockett county, this week authorized announcement of his candidacy for the office of County Commissioner in Precinct No. 1, subject to action of the Democratic primaries.

Mr. James has been a resident of Ozona 24 years and served four years as sheriff, tax assessor and collector. In making his announcement for the Commission post, Mr. James issued the following statement:

"In announcing for the office of Commissioner of Precinct 1, I would like to state that I have lived in Ozona 24 years as a taxpayer citizen, am a graduate of A&M College and have had 18 years experience in business management, including four years in that of county office.

"With that background, I am qualified to handle the duties of a Commissioner's office and if elected, will always strive to see that county expenditures are correctly spent and economically so, whereby we can hold tax valuations at present levels and whenever possible to reduce the tax rate.

"It will be my aim to cooperate with the other Commissioners to the fullest extent and see that each precinct gets an equal share of road work and use of road machinery. I will strive to carry out the desires and needs of the citizens of the county and vote accordingly on their issues in the court.

"I would also like to state that I am not running for the salary of the office. As far as I am concerned, that can remain at the old figure. I am running because I think I can discharge the duties of the office efficiently, with my business experience and due to the fact that I am in town 95 percent of the time and will be available for duty anytime I am needed and called on."

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Annual Red Cross Fund Drive Opens Here Next Monday

\$1,000 Goal Set For Local And National Fund Here

With an assigned goal of approximately \$1,000 for local and national Red Cross budgets, the annual Red Cross fund drive in Crockett county will get off to a belated start next Monday, Vernon H. Ratliff, drive chairman announced this week.

The Red Cross drive has been under way nationally since March 1 and is due to be completed by the end of the month. A corps of workers is being recruited by Mr. Ratliff this week in preparation for a one-day drive in an effort to raise the quota starting next Monday.

The local chapter budget for the coming year has been fixed at \$425 while the national quota has been set for the chapter at \$560.

Local chapter expenditures last year were \$552, mostly in behalf of service men and their families. Of this total expenditure, \$395 was spent on behalf of local service men and their families and other non-service local needs. Since January 1 of this year, loans and other expenditures totalling \$260 have been made from local chapter funds.

The local Red Cross chapter did not add a local chapter need to last year's goal, making the drive entirely in behalf of the national organization.

FOR RENT — Unfurnished house, 4 rooms and bath. Phone 186-J or 3420. Ip

Bank Robbery Scare Here 45 Years Ago

Attempted hold-up of the Ozona National Bank here Tuesday afternoon recalled to old timers another "bank robber scare" in Ozona about 45 years ago.

That time, it was recalled, officers and bank officials received a tip from a Pandale mail carrier that an attempt was to be made on a certain day to rob the bank here.

As was the case here Tuesday afternoon, the citizenship was ready. Armed men were stationed atop the bank building, hidden behind the hedge in the park across the street and at other strategic points.

A car, believed to be bearing the robbers, arrived in town. The car itself would have attracted plenty of attention in those days, but this one got some very special attention as it cruised down the street. When nothing happened and the car bearing the supposed robbers left, the armed citizenry presumed that a look-out had been stationed to signal whether or not the "coast was clear." It being anything but clear, the "skip it" signal must have been given.

Tuesday's unsuccessful robbery attempt was the first in the bank's 49-year history.

One-Act Play, World Series Film Tonight

Public Invited To See Double Entertainment Bill

A "double feature" entertainment, all free, is in store for Ozonians tonight in the high school auditorium.

The Ozona High School one-act play cast, directed by Claude H. Leath, will present its contest play, Eugene O'Neill's "Where the Cross Is Made", which will be presented in district Interscholastic League one-act play contest on March 20.

The one-act play presentation is scheduled for 7:30 o'clock, following which Byron Stuart will show films of all of last year's World Series baseball games, secured on behalf of the Ozona Teenage Baseball League through the courtesy of the Waco Pirates baseball club of the Big State League.

Members of the one-act play cast include Georgiana Ball, Graham Childress, Kent Chapman, Lynn Parker, Jerry Beasley, Charles Garlitz and Bobby Halydier.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

Set Outpost In Pure Bean; Noelke Oiler Is Finaled

Noelke Pecos River Oiler Good For 330 Barrels Daily

Barron Kidd of Dallas has filed application to drill his 2-A Pure Bean as a 3/4-mile northwest outpost of production in the two-well Pure Bean field of Crockett County, 9 1/2 miles northwest of Ozona.

The project will be drilled to 1,600 feet with cable tools. Operations are to begin at once.

Location, on a 120-acre tract, is 330 feet from the north and 2,488 feet from the east lines of 81-OP-GC&SF.

The Noelke 3565 field of Crockett County, eight miles southeast of Iraan, has been extended one location west with the completion of Ledge Petroleum Co., Inc., 2 Noelke, for a daily flowing potential of 330 barrels of 43.6 gravity oil plus 50 percent water, with gas-oil ratio of 850-1.

Production was through a 3 1/2-inch choke and perforations between 3,634-652 feet in 7-inch casing set at 4,234 feet on total depth of 4,250 feet. Top of pay was picked at 3,634 feet on derrick floor elevation.

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Govt. To Halt Drought Feed Program April 15

County Committees Ordered To Send Final Orders Pronto

Telegraphic instructions were sent out from state headquarters of the government's drought emergency feed program this week indicating that the program will be brought to a close on April 15, except that "consideration will be given" to advancing the date in limited areas where drought conditions persist.

The Crockett County ASC committee was instructed to immediately take steps to receive and approve feed applications of ranchmen for needed supplies of feed up to April 15.

"Instructions are now being amended to provide that no applications for feed or mixed feeds shall be approved by County Committees to meet needs of ranchers beyond April 15, 1954," the telegram received by the local committee read. "We will give consideration to advancing date in limited areas where extreme drought conditions persist. County drought committees shall immediately take steps to receive and approve feed applications for a supply needed up to April 15. Any applications filed prior to March 15 may be increased to furnish feed through April 15. Current applications shall be approved for number of pounds needed from date of application to April 15."

Mrs. Mary Dunlap, executive officer of the local ACS office, urged Crockett county ranchmen to call at her office as soon as possible to make application for feed needs to carry their stock from now until April 15. Plans are to compile all remaining orders by Friday of this week.

Jim C. Langdon Seeks Election To 112th Bench

Incumbent Judge Recently Appointed By Gov. Shivers

Jim C. Langdon, McCamey attorney, who was appointed Judge of the 112th district court on March 1 by Governor Allan Shivers to succeed Judge Garland Casebier, resigned, was a visitor here Tuesday and made formal announcement of his candidacy for the office which he now holds, subject to action of the Democratic primary, July 24.

Judge Langdon, who will hold court in Ozona for the first time next Friday to dispose of some minor civil matters, said that he will make an active campaign for the office and that he hopes to be able to contact as many voters as possible between now and election time.

Formerly a special agent for the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Judge Langdon has practiced law in McCamey since 1946. As F. B. I. special agent, he was assigned in 1941 to South America where he served as legal attache and special assistant to American embassies in Argentina and Uruguay. He was commissioned a Lieutenant (j.g.) in the U. S. Naval Air Corps in June, 1943, and served in the South Atlantic and Pacific theatres and participated in the invasion of Okinawa.

Judge Langdon was McCamey city attorney from 1949 to 1954, is a member and past president of the McCamey Lions Club, former member of the board of trustees of the McCamey Independent School District, member and former director of the McCamey Chamber of Commerce and a member of the First Methodist Church.

Mexican Dinner will be served Sunday, beginning at 12 noon at the Catholic Church Hall, at 50 cents per plate. Eat there or take it home with you.

TWO MEN ARE ARRESTED IN BOLD DAYLIGHT ATTEMPT TO ROB OZONA NATIONAL BANK

HOLD-UP MEN ATTEMPT ROOFTOP ESCAPE, CAPTURED BY CITIZENS

An alert citizenry and law enforcement officers foiled a bold daylight attempt to rob the Ozona National Bank Tuesday afternoon and minutes after two men had fled from the scene of the bank robbery attempt they were captured by two Ozonians who spied them fleeing across the rooftops of adjoining business buildings and gave chase when they dropped to the ground and ran.

Held in Crockett county jail on charges of attempted armed robbery are Billy Bruce, 21, and Henry L. Smith, 21, both from Junction. Both signed voluntary statements to Sheriff V. O. Earnest admitting the robbery attempt and its planning as long ago as last Christmas.

Still carrying a .22 calibre revolver which they used in holding eight bank employes and one customer at bay while they scooped all paper money from tellers cages into a cheap suitcase, the men were captured behind the D. C. Ratliff home, about two blocks from the bank, by Byron Williams, Ozona oil broker, and Dick Henderson, rancher. Williams and Henderson were among scores of Ozona citizens who quickly gathered around the bank when word flashed that a robbery was in progress. Many guns miraculously appeared in the hands of these alert citizens but fortunately not a shot was fired. The two men stopped when Williams, armed with a .45 calibre pistol he had borrowed from Sheriff V. O. Earnest's car, called to them, and meekly handed over the .22 pistol to Henderson and marched back with hands up to be turned over to officers.

The two men walked into the bank at 8 minutes before 3 o'clock while bank employes were preparing to close the bank at 3. One was holding a cocked pistol (Bruce later admitted that he held the gun) and announced.

"This is a stick-up. Everybody get your hands up and come on out," bank employes quoted the robber. Lowell Littleton, active vice president of the bank, was seated at his desk just off the bank lobby talking with the only customer in the bank at the time, Chas. E. Davidson, Jr. Behind the tellers cages were Cashier J. W. Howell, Bud Russell and Roy Thompson, assistant cashiers, and in the bookkeeping room were Mrs. Louise Duggan, Mrs. Marion Bledsoe, Miss Sandra Augustine and Miss Doris West.

"Won't Hesitate to Kill" All eight bank employes and Mr. Davidson were ordered "into that room," the director's room opening into Mr. Littleton's office area. Mr. Davidson, who said he thought at first it was a joke, hesitated. Looking at him the man holding the gun said, "I don't want to kill anybody but I won't hesitate to. And I don't like your attitude." Mr. Davidson said later that he didn't like the gunman's attitude either, "but I didn't tell him so." The men had locked the front door with a key which they demanded from Bud Russell.

While the man with the gun held the nine persons at bay with his pistol, his companion was busy scooping up all available cash from the teller cages into the suitcase. A rag wrapped bundle, which was left, along with the suitcase filled with money when the robbers were scared away by noises from outside, contained pieces of rope with which the men evidently intended to tie up any recalcitrant bank employes.

Mrs. Royce Ballinger, bookkeeper for the West Texas Utilities Co. here, is believed to have been the first person to discover the robbery in progress and to give an alarm. Mrs. Ballinger was on her way to the bank with a deposit shortly before 3 p. m. but stopped to telephone the bank about a check. She talked with Mr. Littleton, she said, and got the desired information and then immediately

walked out of the office toward the bank.

Arriving at the bank she pushed the door and was surprised to find it locked. Mrs. Ballinger said. Thinking perhaps her own clock was slow and that the bank had closed for the day, she peered through the glass door at the bank's clock above the vault door. It was seven minutes before three, she recalled.

"Then I saw a man wearing a brown hat rise up from behind the teller's cage near the vault," she said. "I could not see any of the people of the bank staff and I just stood there puzzling. Then the man with the hat on came around into another cage and I saw he was wearing brown gloves and it dawned on me what was happening."

Mrs. Ballinger ran into the Ratliff Hardware store and notified Mr. Ratliff, who called the sheriff's office.

Williams Sees Robbers

Meanwhile, Byron Williams had gone to the bank door also and seeing none of the bank employes and a man wearing a hat working (Continued on Page Two)

Sidelights On The Bank Robbery . . .

It was a silent but an amazingly speedy signal that flashed from one end of the business section of Ozona to the other a short few minutes after the two would-be bank robbers entered the Ozona National Bank Tuesday afternoon.

Word reached this editor at the postoffice. Looking toward the bank, one could see doors of business houses open one by one in quick succession from one end of the street to the other as customers and shop keepers peered out or dashed out on the sidewalk.

Mrs. Royce Ballinger, who arrived at the bank a minute after the robbers entered, and who ran next door to sound the alarm, said she still didn't know whether to trust her eyes or not.

"I thought as I ran to the Ratliff store, 'what if I'm turning in a false alarm. I'll be the laughing stock of the town.' But the scene in the bank was too strange to be 'in order.'"

After seeing all the guns that miraculously sprang into the hands of a dozen or more citizens crowded in front of the bank, everybody agreed they were mighty glad they were dealing with amateur bank robbers instead of the desperate kind.

J. W. Howell said of the 22 pistol the unwelcome caller held, "The more I looked at that little gun the bigger it got."

And some wag inquired anxiously, "Did they get any notes?"

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THURSDAY, MARCH 18, 1954

Texas Day Program By Woman's Forum

The Ozona Woman's Forum met Thursday, March 11, with Mrs. Joe Clayton and Mrs. Austin Mills presiding as hostesses. The Texas Day Program was led by Mrs. W. T. Stokes, who conducted the Texas Fashion Round-up, speaking on "Big 'D' Fashion Center." Others on the program were Mrs. Jack Williams, who spoke on Made-in-Texas Clothes and Mrs. P. C. Perner, whose subject was Texas Designers.

Those present were: Nemo, Carl Appel, Charlie Black, Nip Blackstone, Joe Clayton, Pete Janzby, Demp Jones, Jess Marley, Austin Millepaugh, Beecher Montgomery, Jess Odum, P. C. Perner, Joe Sellers Pierre, III, W. T. Stokes, W. H. Whitaker, Charles Williams, Jr., Jack Williams, Joe Tom Davidson.

PHOTOGRAPHER from Price Studio in San Angelo will be in Ozona Monday, March 22, to make portraits. For appointment, call Mrs. Joe Friend, local representative for Price Studio, Phone 389-2.

Church of Christ

E. M. Steph, Minister CHURCH CALENDAR

Lord's Day: Bible Study for all ages-10 a. m. Worship - 11 a. m. Training Class - 6 p. m. Worship - 7 p. m. Wednesday:

Ladies Bible Class, Senior-10 a. m. Ladies Bible Class, Junior - 4 p. m. Bible Study and Prayer - 7 p. m. Radio Program Sunday:

Herald of Truth - EGEL - 1 p. m. This is a good program that appears each Sunday over a nation wide hook-up. James A. Wilford is the speaker. Be sure and hear it. The Gospel Hour - KEG - 8:30 p. m.

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THE RIGHT TO WORK

The story of the fight for human freedom would fill endless volumes. A notable page recently was added in Texas.

Some time ago a small group of railroad workers sued for an injunction to prevent their employer and a union from signing a union shop contract, which would have prevented a man who didn't want to join from earning his living. Judge Nelson of the 108th District Court now has ruled that "Congress has no right to enact legislation making union membership a test of the right to work."

He said further, "That which denies a person the right to work... denies to him his liberty, the pursuit of happiness, and... life itself... There was a period of union busting and head busting and of 'yellow dog' contracts. That was wrong, but that time, thank God, has passed. But it is just as wrong now that unions should endeavor to compel men and women to join a union at the price of holding their jobs."

How can anyone who believes in liberty refute that?

OZONA LODGE NO. 747 A. F. A. M.

Regular meeting on 1st Monday of each month.

BANK ROBBERY-

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at the teller's cage, he dashed down the street seeking help. He found Deputy Sheriff Billy Mills who was cruising by in his car. Deputy Mills dashed to the bank door and peered inside.

The man inside holding the gun reached back and unlocked the door and invited the deputy to "come in." Mills, seeing the gun in the man's hand, stepped back out of the line of sight and drew his own gun. Thinking that the man or men would come out the front door, Mills stood still for a moment and when they did not come out he ran to his car and got a sub-machine gun and raced back to the bank. Word had been flashed by that time that the men had gone out the bank's back door and were on the roof. Mills raced to the Masonic hall stairway at the rear and ran up and out on the roof but the fleeing men had disappeared.

Sheriff Earnest, who was at his office when the call came, raced in his car to the bank. Crowds were gesticulating toward the top of the bank. Williams asked for a gun and the sheriff handed him a pistol and joined in the milling search for the fleeing bandits.

Bank employees said that when Deputy Mills appeared at the door, the two men inside the bank exchanged worried glances and then demanded to know if there was a back door to the bank. Told there was, they asked for a key. They were told that the key was in the door.

Ordering all back into the side room, the man with the gun was quoted as saying:

"Wait five or fifteen minutes. If anybody sticks his head out he'll get shot." After cutting the telephone wires in the room, the pair disappeared toward the rear of the bank.

Climbed To Roof When the two men made their exit behind the bank, they found

themselves at a "dead end." The only avenue of escape was around the bank and over the low wall which would have led them back to the front of the bank, or over the Williams Grocery building. They found a light meter on the wall a convenient handhold to start their ascent and climbed to the roof top and hurried over the buildings to drop off on the awning in front of the old City Cafe and to the sidewalk.

Smith suffered a broken bone in his left foot in the jump from the building and the break was set and the foot placed in a cast at the Crockett County hospital after the arrest.

Both men told essentially the same story when they were questioned by Sheriff Earnest, except that Smith said they had planned the robbery since about last Christmas while Bruce said since a week ago. The pair said they left Junction Sunday and drove to San Angelo in Bruce's car, a 1950 Ford. They spent the night in the car on the outskirts of San Angelo and Monday morning went to town and bought the pistol. They drove to Ozona Monday afternoon and spent a few hours here, going into the bank during the afternoon to get a dollar bill changed, and admitting to the sheriff that their object was to look the place over with the robbery in mind.

They drove to Sonora where they spent the night, again in the car, at a roadside park east of Sonora, and returned to Ozona about noon Tuesday. They drove a few miles south on the Del Rio road, they said, drank a bottle of beer and then shortly before 3 o'clock drove back to town and on to about the country club road turn off where they turned around and returned to town. They turned left at the high school and stopped for a few minutes on the north side of the square before proceeding to the bank where they parked their car directly in front. The car was parked headed into the curb and with the motor turned off. Bruce worked out of Ozona for

about four months on an oil well drilling crew. Sheriff Earnest said. Both men are reported to have received five-year suspended sentences in federal court some time ago on charges of transporting aliens.

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Saturday - March 20

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Sunday and Monday - March 21 & 22

BOB HOPE, ARLENE DAHL, TONY MARTIN, ROSEMARY CLOONEY "HERE COME THE GIRLS"

Tuesday and Wednesday - March 23 & 24

CHARLESTON HESTON and LIZABETH SCOTT in "BAD FOR EACH OTHER"

TRIANGLE DRIVE IN

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Announcements Political

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Ottawa County

M. C. LANGDON
Ottawa County

Congressman, 16th Dist.:

State Representative 78th Dist.:

DE BURKETT
Ottawa County (Re-election)

County Judge:
DUSTON SMITH (Re-election)
ED M. WHITE

Sheriff, Tax Assessor and Collector:
O. EARNEST (Re-election)
RAY BLACK
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LET'S TALK LIVESTOCK BY TED GOULDY

Fort Worth — Movement of sheep and lambs to market continued at a fairly heavy pace at Fort Worth as the week's trade opened around 7,500 sheep in the yards. Woolled fat lambs of good and choice kinds sold from \$21 to \$22.50, the higher price on some club lambs from Cottle County, and some other choice woolled club lambs from Dickens and Kent Counties topped at \$23. Shorn fat lambs of good and choice grades sold from \$19 to \$21.75. Cull, common and medium shorn slaughter lambs sold from \$12 to \$18. Stocker and feeders shorn lambs sold from \$15 to \$20.25 and woolled feeders reached \$21. New crop milk fed lambs of good and choice kinds sold from \$23 to \$25, and the medium and lower grades sold from \$16 to \$22. Yearling and two-year-old wethers sold from \$15 to \$17.50, and aged wethers cashed at \$10 to \$14. A few slaughter ewes sold from \$7 to \$9. The apparent scarcity of lambs for current marketing has led some observers to express the view that some of the fleecy lambs would do well with a quick turn in the feed lot here in the Southwest. Reasoning behind this is the fact that the next liberal offering of fat lambs is due to come from the Southwestern area and the big movement of the Tennessee and Kentucky lambs will not be felt until late May or early June in the view of present conditions. Cattle trade was again featured by highly sensitive reaction to supply and demand. Fed steers and yearlings were steady to 25 or 50 cents lower, and some of the medium to good kinds of lighter yearlings were fully 50 cents off and instances more. Many of these apparently had a wheat or oat pas-

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ture background and they were relatively numerous.

Cows were largely steady, though some buyers talked lower and bought a few that way. Bulls were steady. Slaughter calves got away about like late last week, some of the not-so-good heavies inclined lower with light yearlings of the same calibre.

Stocker trade was again featured by narrow outlets for most kinds. Choice quality got good action at steady prices, and the others were inclined to trail along with the slaughter market, and sell at or near their packer values.

Good and choice fed steers and yearlings drew \$18 to \$22 and some club steers drew \$19 to \$25.75. Medium and lower grade butcher cattle sold from \$12 to \$17. Fat cows drew \$10.50 to \$13, with some better than 900 pound young Brahman cows with an obviously high yielding ability to recommend them, topped at \$14.50, and were on the heiferette type. Canners and cutters sold from \$7 to \$10.50. Bulls drew \$10 to \$14.50, with odds above and below that range.

Good and choice slaughter calves drew \$16 to \$19, with some of the best heavies to \$20 and \$20.50. Common to medium kinds drew \$13 to \$15, and cull sorts sold at \$10 to \$13.

Stocker steer calves and steer yearlings of good and choice quality sold from \$16.50 to \$19, and a load of choice around 500-lbs. yearlings from L. M. Staley, Jr., of Montague County, cashed at \$19.50. Stocker cows drew \$10 to \$13, a few above and below those marks.

Set Outpost —

(Continued from Page One)
vation of 2,552 feet. Pay section was treated with 2,000 gallons of acid.

The project topped the San Andres lime at 1,900 feet, the Glorieta at 2,460 feet, and the Clearfork at 3,060 feet.

Tubing pressure was 250 pounds, with packer on casing.

Location is in 56-GG-TCRR. James H. Snowden et al of Fort Worth have filed application to deepen their No. 1 Wayne Martin, Crockett County cable tool wildcat located nine miles north of Ozona. The project will drill to 1,100 feet. Original application was filed to drill to 1,000 feet.

Elevation is 2,550 feet. Location, on a 321.5-acre lease, is 2,310 feet from the south and 330 feet from the east lines of 14-OP-GC&SF.

Scott Hickman, student at Texas Tech in Lubbock, is among 261 Tech student pledged by the eight social fraternities on the Tech campus. Scott, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Troy Hickman of Ozona, pledged Alpha Tau Omega.

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Fads and Foie

By Big Phil

Flash! Extra! Read all about it. In case you haven't heard as of yet, our little branch of the Federal Reserve system was momentarily shaken to its foundations Tuesday when two toughies decided that crime does pay.

But, who saved us from utter ruin? ?? Who kept the mean old bad men from ringing up a no sale on the till ?? Who else could of uttered these immortal words, "We'll head 'em off at Figgies!" None other than our little home town hero, Mustard Williams. It all started out very simple. . . Mustard went up to the bank to see if somebody would lend him a match, of course he needed a cigar to use the match on, but that's besides the point. Anyway, he figured the bank would be as good a place as any to bum a weed. Well, he put on his usual warm smile, and started in the door.

But before starting in he sorta looked around. Here is when he got suspicious. . . you know, its not every day that Bud Russell makes miniature snowstorms with canceled checks, and Roy Thompson tries to unscrew light bulbs without the help of a ladder. Still not realizing the danger old Marble pushed on the door. Then it struck him. . . that guy wasn't the new janitor. . . besides, janitors don't carry pistols, fly swatters are cheap.

So, came the dawn, it must mean that there was dirty work afoot. Then turning on his heel he skipped merrily down to the Beals Barber Palace, and ask any body if they wanted to make a fast buck! Old Mustard, always kidding. By that time somebody saw through his plan, and decided to get the law in on the deal. So Mr. Mills broke out his little Thompson sub. But, ah but, the robbers had started out the back door. Mustard saw through this evil plan, and started after them.

By the time they got to the draw, he was in hailing distance of the desperados, so in his best West Texas draw he called out, "If'n you'all podnas don't drop that thea six shooter, I'ama gonna blow your from one side this heah draw to the other. . . I reckon!" Nobody is dumb enough to resist Mustard Williams when he gives a command so they put on the brakes.

After it was all over, and the crooks were in jail and Mustard go home he became his old natural self again. Back to his usual chair in the barber shop. I had to get a first hand account from him so I ask him what his thoughts were when he found out that somebody was trying to stick up the joint? His answer?

"Well, I was just walking around minding my own business as I always do, when I see these cha-

acters looking wishfully at the bank. I turns to Dick, I say "Dick, Dick Henderson" and I says, "Look at them guys." Right then, and there I knew something was gonna happen cause these guys just didn't look right to me. After waiting around for the developments which I knew was gonna happen, well I don't wanna brag, but I just did my duty as any depositor would have done. After all, I got six bits, in that cracker box, and I ain't gonna let nothing happen to it!"

"Now Phil, I don't want everybody to think that I did everything by myself. . . no sir. Why if Dick Henderson hadn't of come along with me behind Figgies to hold my hat, and cigar while I stopped those boys, why they might of got away, them I wouldn't had to go after them on horseback."

So friends, as you can see, Mustard is really modest about it, and if you want the full details, which I haven't got room to write all of them, why Mustard is selling pamphlets for 15 cents, and I am sure he still has some left.

Now, I would like to congratulate the crummy Juniors for the wonderful banquet they gave us wonderful Seniors! I enjoyed every bit of it. The strong tea, the spoiled ham, the burned yams, the cold beans, and the hard hot rolls! Besides. . . that was some of the best oleomargarine that I've ever laid a TOP lip over. Then I went to one of the best dances that I've been to in a long time. The "shuffle twins" were there. . . Beasley, and Bookey.

Also present was "Mr. Loudspeaker of 1953-54" in a blue suit, socks, shirt, undies, and shoes. . . also hung around his muscular neck was a red tie. Naturally there was no use wasting all these good looks on a mere girl so "Old 63" was stag! Unlucky women, they had to fight over him all during the John Paul Joneses.

Others present at the "Big Orange Table" were Harold "Hot Lips" Gibbs, following on the respective leash was Lill' Thrill, Toosie, and Charlie. (cute huh?) Hugh Dow was matched up with

Jane, Shoebrouek took Ronnie, and Sandra took Vivian! Kinda mixed up. . . I got a little mixed up before the night was over with. It seems as though I was going by Pacific standard time, and the people in Ozona were going by Central standard. Anyway, I didn't get home, not my home anyway till Sunday morning.

So — Big Phil is now grounded. Visibility Zero! You know though, it isn't the humility that hurts its the buckshot. But I guess we have to learn to take the bitter with the sweet though.

Enough about the dance, and my trouble. Let's not cry over spilt oranges! I didn't go see the one-act plan Monday night but I heard it was a huge success—everybody forgot their lines on cue, and Beasley, along with Garlitz, were called back for two rounds of applause.

Well, my little fuzzy faced friends, the time has come for me to run along to Algebra class, and listen to the "Mad Swede" rage. So till next week take care of yourself, and remember that old saying, "Be sure 63's right, then go ahead!"

JUNIOR - SENIOR BANQUET

All the excitement has passed and everything is back to normal now that the Junior-Senior Banquet is over.

The theme of the dance and banquet was "Oriental Gardens."

At the dance, large various-colored lanterns hung from a ceiling of silver stars. Red bud blooms

and posies decorated walls, tables, mirrors and windows.

At the banquet the tables were set with huge Chinese menus as favors. Chinese figurines and ming trees decorated the tables. Speeches were made by Kent, Kenneth, Lynn, Mr. Sikes, Graham and Ann pertaining to the Chinese theme.

Everyone seemed to enjoy both the banquet and dance.

Fads and Fashions

By JANE ADAMS

The food, decorations and music were all wonderful at the Junior-Senior Banquet and Dance. The dresses were beautiful. Georgiana Ball wore lots of white ruffles, a silver beaded top and long white gloves. Carol Friend's dress was aqua with an overskirt of ruffles and with it she wore big earrings of eggshell colored beads. Vivian Trotter sprinkled rhinestones in her hair and on her shoulders above a dress that was many shades of pink ruffles. Shirley Kost wore a gold colored dress and big, big gold rhinestone hoop earrings. Wanda Carden's dress was flame colored net with a soft fluff of net around her neck. The fullest dress there was Barbara Field's white and gold one. Barbara Bonn's dress was beautifully draped aqua and brown tulle, and she has a new hair cut that is the most casual of the casual Italian haircuts. And there were lots and lots of others; Sandra Brewer in blue organdy, Betty Walley in red, Rosie Walley in white eyelet, Jan Jones dancing in a blue dress and high heels, Ann Ratliff had her picture taken by the Woo Hut in a pink dress with a beaded, halter top, Billy Ann Larvin in a strapless dress of tiny ruffles.

What If? *

The bank was robbed. The Juniors showed up to decorate.

The newspaper was written up by Tuesday afternoon. Wanda Armstrong got most beautiful girl.

Ozona had a volleyball team. Everybody passed Geometry. All the Seniors get to New Orleans.

Big Phil's credits didn't show. Steiny went to Algebra with paper and pencil. Goodman could run the hundred in 9.5.

Mike could broad jump 25 feet. Larry could pole vault 15 feet.

PRACTICE MEET HERE FRI. By Larry Lewis

There will be a practice track meet here Friday at 4:00 p. m. Six teams will compete in the meet. The teams are: Eldorado, Big Lake, Winters, Sonora, Lake View, and Ozona. The meet is staged so that the boys from all the schools might get some experience and competitive spirit from one another. The Lions are hoping to place high in some events. Favorites of the meet are Winters and Big Lake. Everyone come out Friday afternoon at 4:00.

NEW DARKROOM EQUIPMENT

The Ozona High School has just received a new Kodacraft roll film tank, which can be used in the development of most of the popular sizes of roll film. The tank was presented to the school by Rev. J. Troy Hickman, who is also one of our more enthusiastic camera fans. This tank will be of great help in processing this type of pictures.

First Presentation Of One-Act Play In Auditorium Tonight

This year's one-act play, which is to be given for the district contest on March 20th, is another action packed drama.

You remember last year's play, "Minor Miracle," won three first places and went to the state meet. Mr. Leath says he thinks that he has another good play this year.

"Where the Cross is Made" was written by Eugene O'Neill. The story deals with the madness of an old sea captain who after several years drives his son mad too. The old man's daughter is trying desperately to hold her family together. In one final burst of madness the old sea dog dies and leaves his daughter at the mercy of her crazy brother.

Georgiana Ball plays an effective daughter and her father, Graham Childress, is "real gone". Kent V. Chapman tries to convince the doctor, Lynn Parker, that his father should be taken to the asylum. Jerry Beasley, Charles Garlitz and Buskey Halydier are the supporting cast.

The play is to be given next Thursday at 7:30 sharp at the auditorium. Everone is invited—there will be no admission charged. You will enjoy this rugged drama, so don't miss it. Also, immediately after the play is over, Byron Stuart will give a last year's movie of a world series game. Everything's free so be sure and come.

VOLLEYBALL NEWS

By Joyce Henderson

Eldorado girls' volleyball team came over to play our girls in a volleyball game Monday after- (Continued on Page Five)

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On this, our fifth anniversary, we give thanks for being privileged to have the finest folks on earth for friends and neighbors. And we pledge to serve all as best we can regardless of the time or place.

Sincerely yours,

KEN CODY

Lions Roar

(Continued from Page 4)

It was a good game, but the score ended up, 29-23, in favor of Eldorado. Ozona led in the scoring up until about the middle of the first half. Then the visitors caught up and the Ozona girls could never pull ahead.

Sandra Brewer and Barbara Bonn tied for the honors of high point girl with six points. Cecilia Cooke followed them with five points.

Melba Dewey, a freshman, was the high point girl for the visitors with nine points. In the first half, the local team couldn't break her nerve, however, during the second half, she only made one point. Both teams were handicapped by illness among members of the team.

Those playing Monday on the Ozona team were Sandra Brewer, Cecilia Cooke, Carol Friend, Sarah Hicks, Barbara Bonn, Ann Ratliff, and Darlyne Aiford. The team is managed by Joyce Henderson.

A return game will be played at Eldorado, Thursday afternoon at 4:30. Be sure and come if you possibly can.

On Tuesday, March 23, the volleyball teams in this district will meet here in a tournament to determine the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners in the Interscholastic League meet. The schedule has not been set up definitely but will start in the afternoon about 1:00 o'clock. The finals will be held at same night. Listen by way of grapevine for the schedule and come support your team.

Heard From The Test Tube

By Jerry Currier

I guess I better start out with defensive for Phillips because threatened to slander me this week. So, any thing you might read in his column (?) is purely incidental.

It seems that the ol' testtube is bored this week, he's just been the dentist. Sorry.

The testtube tells me that he says the British are doing wonders with plastic bags and a zipper. It seems that they are zipping hand in jets that when they are closed are inclosed in plastic bags and are zipped up with zippers. If you believe in reincarnation and you are afraid of cancer try to see if you have some of the qualities of a salamander. The reason for this is that the testtube tells me that a salamander has a resistance to cancer. It would seem to this person that cancer

is the least of the salamander's worries. After all he has to worry about all sorts of his yellow wild animals that are hungry, especially for salamanders. Ah well, science must march on.

Well, it seems that I'm about out of paper so I'll see you next week when the ol' testtube is ready to talk again.

MANNERS

By Cecilia Cooke

Thursday the Homemaking girls had the assembly program. Thanks to Mrs. Hull, it was an enjoyable and likeable program.

The program was based on manners in general. A few girls from each class participated in it. Jane Adams was the master of ceremonies.

Some of the manners were first shown bad and then the way it should be.

Of course the program was not all girls for some of the girls needed boys to help demonstrate their part. So thanks, boys for helping out.

Manners shown were manners we should think about each day. I am sure the program was as helpful as interesting to all.

ORCHIDS AND ONIONS

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George to Peggy — orchids
Benny to Ann — onions
Liz to J. R. — orchids
Peggy to Jesse — onions
Seniors to Juniors — orchids
Sandra to Charles onions
Ozona Volleyball to Eldorado Volleyball — onions

Joyce to Fail — orchids
Vivian to Ronnie — orchids
Betty to Tom — orchids
Billy to Ronnie — onions
Ann to Jimmy — orchids
Kent to Algebra I — onions
English I classes to "Treasure Island" — onions
Mary Lou to Lynn — orchids
Freshman boys to Jacquelyn — onions

W. T. WATER NEED TOPIC FOR ROTARY SPEAKER

Frank Kelley of Colorado City, former president of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, will be guest speaker next Tuesday at the regular luncheon of the Ozona Rotary Club. T. J. Bailey, president, announced this week. Mr. Kelley's topic will be "Water Needs of West Texas."

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American Heritage Is Topic For Woman's Club Program Tuesday

Mrs. Charles Williams was hostess to members of the Ozona Woman's Club in regular meeting Tuesday. Assisting Mrs. Williams as hostess was Mrs. Lowell Littleton.

"American Heritage" was the program theme. Mrs. John Bailey as leader introduced the program. Mrs. Stephen Perner discussed the Four Freedoms and their origin. Jim Ad Harvick sang three songs, "Danny Boy," "Carry Me to Old Virginia," and "The Blue Tail Fly."

Mrs. Hubert Baker led a round table discussion on the Federation structure and made an interesting talk on the Livingston Indians.

Shirley Kost played a piano solo. Old costume jewelry contributed by members was boxed and sent to the Indians in Livingston, Texas.

Members present were Meses. J. W. Henderson, John Bailey, Hubert Baker, P. O. Hatley, N. W. Graham, M. B. Flippen, L. B. Cox, Jr., Max Schneemann, Stephen Perner, E. E. Ingham, Sr., Lowell Littleton, Will Baggett, J. A. Fussell, S. M. Harvick, Taylor Word, A. C. Hoover, H. B. Tandy, W. N. Hannah, Mrs. Davenport and the hostess, Mrs. Williams. Guests were Mrs. C. W. Farr, Mrs. Paul Perner, Jim Ad Harvick and Miss Shirley Kost.

CALENDAR

OZONA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

- March 12 — Teachers to San Angelo, Area Texas State Teachers' Assn. Meeting.
- March 13 — Junior-Senior Banquet.
- March 20 — Band to Sweetwater - 1 day.
- March 20 — One-Act Play - Menard.
- March 23 — District Volleyball Tournament.
- March 27 — Ozona Relays.
- April 13 — Band Concert.
- April 15 — District 23-B Track Meet.
- April 16 & 19 — Easter Holidays.
- April 30 or May 1 — Band Contest - San Angelo.
- May 7 — Mrs. Montgomery Recital.
- May 14 — Spring Recital - Miss Quiett.
- May 16 — Baccalaureate.
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Ladies Golf Assn. Has Luncheon Tues.

The Ladies Golf Assn. held its monthly covered dish luncheon Tuesday noon. There were 28 present.

In team play, Team No. 1, captained by Jonsey Williams, won, to go ahead 3 to 2 over No. 2 team. There will be team play three more sessions before a winner is declared.

Blind bogey winners for the day were Dorothy Pierce, Jonsey Williams, and Charlotte Phillips. Among three tables of bridge players, Wanda Stuart won high score award, Mae West, second high and Nettie Holt, low.

Those attending the luncheon were Donna Beth Davidson, Charlotte Phillips, Charlotte Montgomery, Katy Jones, Alice McMullan, Dorothy Friend, Velma Marley, Jonsey Williams, Pauline Montgomery, Gladys Pierce, Dorothy Pierce, Wilma Friend, Mae West, Nettie Holt, Rachel Childress, Bonnie Thomas, Mary Clayton, Frances Albers, Jane Black Roberta Cooper, Liz Williams, Emma Adams, Winnie Williams, Wanda Stuart, Helen Wilkins, Eileen Childress Marge McMullan and Jeanie Williams.

Ozonia Music Club Presents Program For Sonora Group

The Ozonia Music Club presented a reciprocity program Thursday night in the Woman's Clubhouse for the Sonora Club.

Mrs. Edwin Mayer, president, conducted the meeting and Mrs. W. T. Hardy introduced the guests. Mrs. H. B. Tandy of Ozonia was director and Mrs. R. A. Harrell was accompanist.

Mrs. Ted White told a history of the hymn of the month, "Oh Sacred Head Surrounded," and a chorus sang the hymn. Others on the program were Misses Becky Davidson, Shirley Kost, Wanda Carden, Jeannene Thompson and Cleona Quiett, Mrs. Clifford Tubbs, Mrs. S. M. Harvick, Mrs. Vic Pierce, Mrs. Frank James, Mrs. George Russell, Jr., Corbett Smith, Roy Thompson, L. B. Cox, III, Jim Ad Harvick, Vernon Harlan, Don Lott and Jim Harris.

Ozonia guests were Miss Wanda Watson, Mrs. Neal Hannah and Mrs. Jim Ad Harvick.

Hostesses were Mrs. D. L. Locklin, Mrs. Maxine Ellingson and Mrs. W. P. McConnell. The table was laid with a linen cloth and was centered with an arrangement of white flowers in a green bowl.

When the little girl in green comes knocking at your door this week, her hopes will be high as she invites you to fill your cookie jar with fresh, delicious Girl Scout Cookies. Her smile will be genuine for she is proud to be a Girl Scout and it's thrilling to be a real Sale-Scout working to raise funds. Show these girls that you appreciate their eagerness to help themselves by purchasing a box of Girl Scout Cookies and be proud to display the Trefol in your windows! The sale closes Saturday March 20.



DALLAS — The burdensome job of running the affairs of state was forgotten for a few minutes today when Governor Allan Shivers lifted a smiling, brown-eyed little girl to his knee. Five-year-old Karen Albrecht of San Antonio, the National Easter Seal Child called on the Governor to ask him to buy the first sheet of Seals in the 21st annual Easter Seal Campaign which begins today.

Karen, victim of cerebral palsy due to a birth injury, was selected to represent the thousands of crippled children who have been aided by the Easter Seal Societies. Her face will appear on billboards, car cards, in newspapers and on television during the 30-day appeal.

One of four children, Karen is

the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Albrecht and regularly attends the San Antonio Cerebral Palsy and Crippled Children's Center where a staff of specialists are training her to walk with the aid of braces and crutches. The San Antonio center is only one of 23 such facilities over the state supported by Easter Seal dollars.

During the campaign over a million letters carrying the Easter Seal message will be mailed to homes throughout Texas. Organized in 1921, the Easter Seal Society is a nationwide federation of more than 1,200 state and local affiliates in the 48 states, District of Columbia, Alaska, Hawaii and Puerto Rico. The state affiliate is the Texas Society for Crippled Children, with headquarters in Dallas.

service. Employees of the firm include L. M. Spurgers and Cuco Zamarippas.

ELECTION NOTICE:

Notice is hereby given that there will be an election for four trustees to serve on the board of the Crockett Consolidated Common School District on Saturday, April 3, 1954. Candidates must announce their intention to run not later than ten days before that date, except that candidates may be filed by petition of voters up to five days before election date. Crockett Consolidated Common School District, L. B. T. Sikes, Supt. 50-3c

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Winners Named In Soil Conservation Essay Contests

The Crockett Soil Conservation District has awarded cash prizes to students in the Ozonia Junior High School and Ozonia High School for the best essays written on "What I Can Do About Soil Conservation." The Crockett Soil Conservation District sponsored this contest in conjunction with the Fort Worth Press Awards Conservation Essays Contest. The local winners in the local contest sent their essays on to Fort Worth to be entered in the state wide competition. The following students were winners in local contest:

Junior and Senior Division, Ozonia High School: Shirley Kost, first; Graham Childress, second; and Jane Adams, third.

Freshman and Sophomore division, Ozonia High School: Carol Blackstone, first; Roy Seymour Mann, second; and Naomi McElvane, third.

Junior High School: Joe Clayton, first; Jimmy Williams, second; Genelle Childress, third; Stanley Williams, fourth and Becky Davidson, fifth.

1954 will be the scene of many conservation activities with the youth of the country. The Boy Scouts of America have adopted Soil Conservation as their theme of the year. Most of the scout camps in this area will sponsor soil conservation projects for both boy scouts and cub scouts.

All of these projects are serving to make the youth of our country aware of the wonderful heritage that is theirs.

Ozonia Seniors Given Preference Tests By San Angelo College

Superintendent L. B. T. Sikes and High School Principal P. O. Hatley have just announced that the Ozonia high school graduates for 1954 have been given the Kuder Vocational Preference Test provided by San Angelo College without cost to the local students or to the local high school. The test was given March 17.

This test is one of the guidance services for high school graduates

of this area which San Angelo College has been giving for the past six years.

As a follow-up to this test, the College will send a team of its expert counsellors Miss Ruth Gray and R. B. Dooley to the local High School to explain the results of the test with specific interpretation to each boy and girl and at the same time point out use the information whether he goes on to College or enters business.

The San Angelo College Counsellors will be here March 25 at

10 a. m. Thus Kuder Test is not an intelligence or aptitude test. It simply indicates the students' preferences in nine different types of vocations. This information is of vital importance to each boy and girl in planning future studies or activities.

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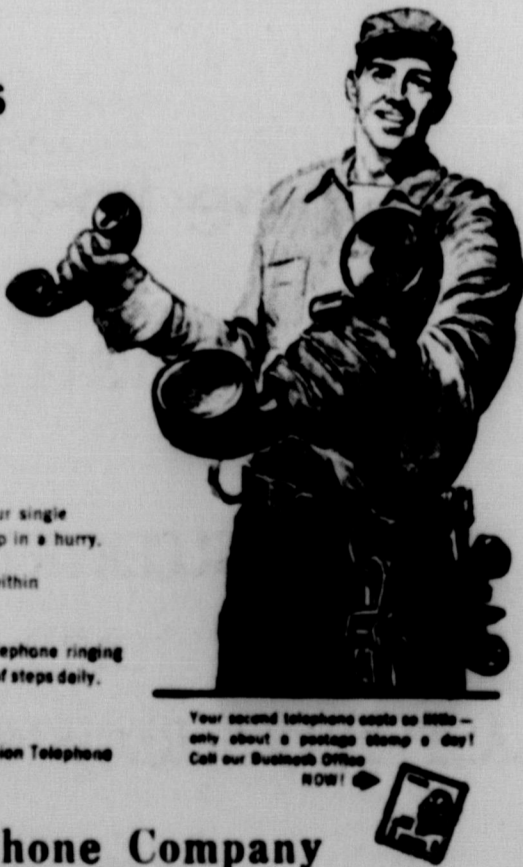
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Water Dist Directors Postpone Outfitting New Well On West Hill

Directors of the Crockett County Water Control District, meeting Tuesday night, decided to postpone indefinitely the development and outfitting of the new water well recently drilled on top of the hill on the west side of Ozona.

Present wells on water works are keeping well ahead of the city's needs and the new well was drilled in the hope of finding a new source of water in the event of need. The new well produced at the rate of 200 gallons per minute on a four-hour test immediately after being drilled in. It would cost approximately \$10,000 to develop the well, install the pump and storage, the directors reasoned, and Manager Bill Cooper was ordered to cap the well until such time as the directors may decide to take further action. The district acquired by purchase from E. D. Stahl the 100x200 foot lot on which the well was drilled.

CROCKETT COUNTY HOSPITAL NEWS

C. A. Woody Administrator

Patients admitted: Mrs. Jerry Hayes, Miss Carol Coates, Mrs. Marguerite Scott, Mrs. Mary Dunlap, Mrs. Serafin Maskill, Mrs. Lou Scott, Miss Patsy Ramos, Miss Leonilla Martinez, Mrs. Reyes Cisneros, Santos Porras.

Patients dismissed: Mrs. Jo Lou Chapman and Baby, Mrs. Jerry Hayes, Mrs. Marguerite Scott, Mrs. Serafin Maskill, Miss Patsy Ramos, Miss Carol Coates, Miss Leonilla Ann Harvick, Sylvester Lott, Miss Leonilla Martinez.

Mr. and Mrs. James Chapman were the proud parents of a baby girl born Saturday the 13th at 12:27 a. m.

Mrs. Graham Hostess To Methodist WSCS

Mrs. N. W. Graham was hostess to members of the Methodist WSCS meeting Wednesday morning. Assisting Mrs. Graham as hostesses were Mrs. J. M. Baggett, Mrs. S. M. Harvick, Mrs. Charles Williams, Sr., and Mrs. Paul Perner.

The program topic was "Our Spanish Speaking Neighbors in the Southwest," under the leadership of Mrs. R. A. Harrell, she spoke on the three categories of Spanish-speaking peoples and their cultural contributions to America, and what Protestant Christianity has done to raise their social, educational and economic standards of living.

A panel discussion was participated in by Mrs. Max Schneemann, Mrs. T. A. Kincaid, Jr., and Mrs. W. D. Cooper.

W. H. Stockard, South Elementary principal, was guest speaker, speaking on school affairs that were of especial interest to the group.

Miss Mildred Ralston gave the devotional and Mrs. H. B. Tandy sang "Father of Men".

District Conference will be in Menard April 7 and annual conference in Austin March 23, with Mrs. T. A. Kincaid, Jr., and Mrs. S. M. Harvick attending as delegates from the local Society. Mrs. R. A. Harrell will be the secretary of Spiritual Life for the coming year.

Members present were Mmes. Lindsey Hicks, T. A. Kincaid, Jr., Hugh Childress, Jr., B. B. Ingham, Sr., Joe S. Pierce, III, R. A. Harrell, Pete Jacoby, L. B. Cox, Jr., Tompster Jones, Ralph Jones, H. B. Tandy, Jack Holt, E. B. Baggett, Jr., W. D. Cooper, Tom Harris, N. W. Graham, C. V. Tubbs, W. T. Stokes, Evert White, M. B. Flippen, Floyd Henderson, Max Schneemann, Taylor Word, O. D.

West, Paul Perner, J. A. Fussell, George Harrell, Stephen Perner, Charles Williams, Sr., and Miss Mildred Ralston.

On March 24 the Jennie King Circle will meet with Mrs. Wayne E. West, the Sunshine with Mrs. Ele Hagelstein and the Willing Workers with Mrs. M. B. Flippen.

Far West Crockett Test Shows Oil, Gas

Bankline Oil Co. and Hurt Oil Co. Ltd. 1-41-Renee Mayberry-Fornistall, Crockett County wildcat in 41-31-H&TC, 11 miles southeast of McCamey, recovered gas and shows of oil on a drillstem test in an unidentified formation between 4,452-4,585 feet.

On the two-hour test, recovery was 360 feet of gas in the drill-pipe and 240 feet of heavily oil and gas-cut mud.

Earlier, on a one-hour test between 4,333-4,410 feet, recovery was 140 feet of drilling mud, no shows.

At last report, operator was drilling below, 4,625 feet in an unidentified formation.

DAUGHTER TO CHAPMANS

Mr. and Mrs. James Chapman are the parents of a daughter born in the Crockett County Hospital Saturday morning. The baby weighed 7 pounds 11 ounces. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Brewer and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Chapman, all of Ozona.

Lt. Max Word, son of Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Word of Ozona, was promoted to First Lieutenant in the U. S. Army Veterinary Corps on Feb. 11 and assigned to the Quartermaster Inspection Service Command, Field-Buying Office, at Kansas City.

Annual Convention of Cattle Raisers Assn. In San Antonio 23-24

A number of distinguished speakers well acquainted with problems confronting the beef cattle producer are scheduled to give a wealth of information to members of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association meeting in annual convention at San Antonio, Texas March 23-24.

This year marks the 77th annual convention of the Association which has more than 10,000 members located in several states in the Southwest. The convention will be held in the Grand Ball Room of the Gunter Hotel in downtown San Antonio.

After a welcome to the Alamo City from J. W. (Jack) Beretta, president of the San Antonio Clearing House Association followed by a response by former Association president Dolph Briscoe of Uvalde, Texas, Gov. Allan Shivers will deliver the first principal address of the convention. The program gets underway at 9 a. m., Tuesday, March 23. Gov. Shivers

has been a speaker at many conventions held previously and is expected to bring information of vital concern to cattlemen.

Following Gov. Shivers will be Ross Rizley, assistant Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D. C. Rizley will report on events concerning the beef industry on the national level. Other prominent speakers will be heard during the two-day meeting.

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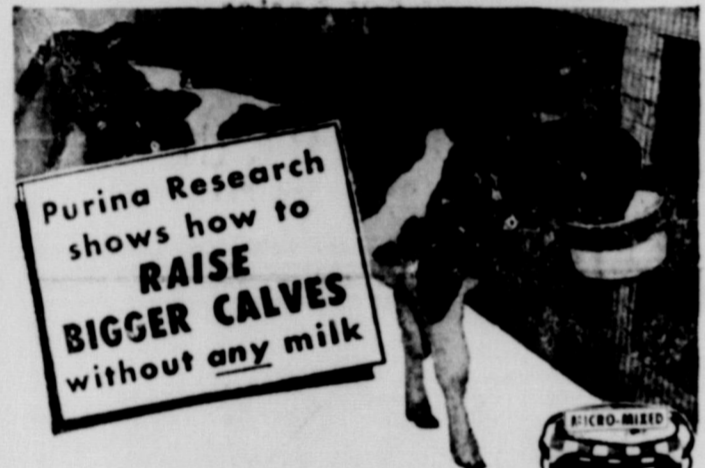
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Here and There
By J. Troy Hickman

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Clark colony of Seminole Negroes numbered between four and five hundred men, women and children. On the reservation around Las Moras Spring and the creek they built adobe huts with dirt floors and grass roofs. The women fished for perch, little boys shot rabbits, and old men raised goats.

Scorning the regulation army mules which were preferred by the Cavalry for their surefootedness on rocky slopes, the scouts had their remudas of favorites ponies, some of them mustangs taken from Indians.

The town of Brackettville grew up at the edge of the post grounds. Because of Las Moras Spring, it became an important stopping point on the Chihuahua Trail, a trade center for ranchmen and trappers, and the haunt of freight drivers, friendly Indians, and soldiers of fortune.

The Seminole Negro religion was strangely compounded. Calling themselves Mt. Zion Baptists, they prayed for their dead, held fast seasons and had pageantry during Christmas and Easter, and attended three prayer meetings a week in addition to Sunday services. Although fond of pork, they had a taboo against using it at church dinners. Table tea instead of wine was used in the observance of The Lord's Supper. They believed that God sometimes revealed something to a person in dreams.

The black soldiers had a reputation for courage in battle. Yet when death came to a Seminole Negro it had the intense and protracted attention of the whole colony. Work halted. The people would gather at the home of a dying or dead member for around-the-clock sessions of prayer and hymn-singing. At the cemetery they marched around the corpse, weeping, chanting, and dancing Indian-style. They erected a frame church on a rocky hill just out of town. Some say it resembles in design the famous old First Church in Salem, Mass. This became a center of their group life.

In an eye-witness account of the Seminole Negroes at Ft. Clark, Mary Louise Clark some thirty

years ago described Renty Grayson, a veteran of The Black Watch who had been with the cavalry in the battle of Palo Duro Canyon on the upper plains. Here the last effective power of the Quahada Comanches and their Kiowa allies was broken.

On the way to the canyon, Grayson said, the company stopped several times to break up big buffalo herds, lest the animals should run ahead and warn the Indians.

The fight at Palo Duro was strung out more than a mile along the deep canyon floor. Grayson got separated from his outfit. He found himself facing a Comanche warrior who carried a cap and ball rifle. The negro had a sharp carbine, a better gun. Each had cover behind a boulder and was trying to force the other to show himself. The scout finally put his hat on a ramrod and raised it above the rock. In a flash the warrior put his one bullet through it, then ran. As he crossed an opening, Grayson brought him down.

When the Comanches and their allies had been driven from Texas ground northward beyond the Red River, the Lipan Apaches from Lases deep in the rough terrain of the Guadalupe, Davis, Chisos, and Carmen mountain ranges of Texas and Mexico harassed frontier settlers for another decade. The Seminole scouts were in a campaign where the armies of the U. S. and Mexico collaborated in defeating the last Apache force.

In the final years of the last century several local incidents disturbed the precarious peace on both sides of the Rio Grande. Bandits from the mountains of northern Mexico raided ranches on the American side. The black scouts were called out to guide federal troops into these locations. One of the few scouts still living, George Kibbetts, was one of them. Now 79 years old and blind Kibbetts spends his time sitting in the sun at Brackettville.

The Black Watch was demobilized soon after the turn of the century. The veteran scouts were pensioned. Grayson's allotment of twenty dollars a month was delayed for five years by a clerical mistake. The error was righted through intervention of white friends and the accumulated pay gloriously rescued the old man from an existence eeked from post

garbage cans. His money went for a little piece of land with an adobe shack in the mesquite flats just off the post grounds, where he settled down to raise a garden and enjoy his grandchildren.

Families of the demobilized scouts at first were allowed to live on the ample reservation. But in 1914 the War Department ordered their removal. A few squatted on unused lands nearby, some returned to Mexico, others just disappeared.

Two miles from Ft. Clark is the Seminole Indian Scout Cemetery, established in 1872, where many

of the veterans and members of their families are buried. The graves of each scout is marked with a white stone.

Among the descendants of Seminole Negroes still living at Brackettville are Dorothy Wilson, a teacher in the negro school both of whose parents were Seminoles. And there is Tony Ward, living alone in a rock hut, and the men of the Daniels family, several of whom are famous as rodeo performers.

Ft. Clark is abandoned. The old rock buildings and part of the grounds are privately owned and

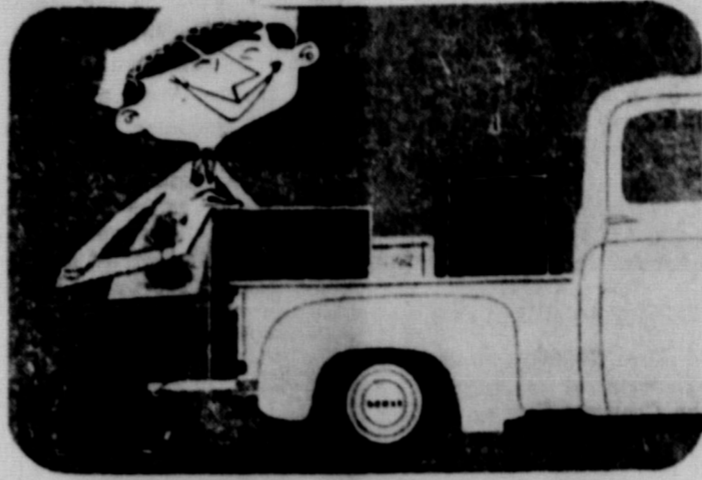
operated as a guest ranch. All adobe huts inside post grounds where the scouts and their families once lived have been razed, although a few, such as the former home of Joe Dickson, may still be seen in Brackettville.

Lonely and crumbling, the little frame church sits on the rocky

hill. No services have been held there for years. Pigeons roost in the belfry.

The racial identity of the Seminole Negro tribe is dissolving in the erosion of time. Soon yesterday's unrecorded memories will become the archives of oblivion.

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