

## Things That Pertain To —

### "Just Us"

— Serious And Not So Serious

Last week we stated that we were proud of the sane view of life taken by our citizens, and the sense of values they had retained. Now we are not so sure. Last Saturday we saw fine registered Rambouillet rams sell for twenty dollars in the auction ring, while a bottle of Coca Cola brought five, and a flea-bitten, undersized runt of an opossum sold for eleven dollars sight unseen, and then sold the second time for fifty cents.

Telegrams of congratulation and commendation were received from many places over the nation concerning the wool show and auction sale held Saturday—with particular reference to the fine work being done in bringing about a wider knowledge and more important stressing of the features of wool growing. Management of the club show were pleased to have this recognition given them.

Seventeen Spanish goats driven into the auction ring and sold as a means of diversion found ready takers at prices far in excess of their real value—the idea, being, of course, that such funds would be devoted to the Lions Club welfare work and the Boy Scouts and other such groups in town. It is a little easier, maybe, to give in such a way than would be the case by straight donation—we mean to say that it not only serves a good cause, but provides a little merriment at the same time and a diversion enjoyed by all.

In a short talk just before the auction sale Saturday afternoon, Buzze Stokes stressed the fact that with money derived from the sale, plans were afoot to provide floodlighting at the shipping pens during the shipping season, and hiring a night watchman whose purpose would be not altogether to catch a thief, but to assist truckers and shippers in locating their pens, cars and in other ways help them during the rush of the season. Other money would be divided among the welfare committee of the Lions Club, the Boy Scout building fund and those other charitable projects which every community should support.

## Sutton County Boys Make Excellent Showing At Sale

Sutton County 4-H Club boys carried off the lion's share of the premium awards at the wool show Saturday, and stood higher in the list of winners than any other group represented. At the same time, Sutton county was given first place in the exhibits to lead the other nine counties represented. Out of a total of 52 possible winning awards, Sutton county boys took 28, more than half of the premiums. At the same time, in the county group, Sutton county was awarded three first places out of a possible four, with Tom Green placing first in the other division. Sutton county took first places in county group of five grown mohair fleeces, first in group of five kid fleeces, and first in county group of five wool fleeces. Tom Green county too kfirst in group of five registered Rambouillet fleeces. Sutton county boys won every place in the single grown mohair fleece division, and five out of seven places in the single kid fleece division. In the record book division, Sutton county boys took three of five awards.

## ANOTHER INVASION OF TEXAS

Shovel nose sturgeons are not natives of Texas fresh waters, but one was caught recently in a net by Rex Ferrell of Dallas while he was seining for minnows at Eagle Mountain Lake. The sturgeon was 24 inches long and weighed one and a half pounds.

County agents with their groups of exhibitors were present from many surrounding counties at the wool show held Saturday morning. Dick Homan of Kimble county, Spud Tatum of Rocksprings, and several others were here for the purpose of taking in the show and assisting their boys in their exhibits. The affair was a thoroughly enjoyable one—one of the important things about it being that even such a show as was scheduled drew a large number of women spectators, all of whom appeared to have a deep interest.

Much street work is being done in town—caliche base is still being laid and graded. It is thought that before long the streets of the town which are being prepared for paving will be in condition to receive the coating of asphalt.

The park near the swimming pool is in excellent condition so far as shrubs and trees, flower beds grass are concerned. In addition to the weekly overflow of water received from draining the pool, several rains recently have helped out considerably. The park is a green spot on that side of town.

Installation of a centrifugal pump to empty pool has been of great help in doing that job. Incidentally, it is surprising to find how evenly the water spreads out over the park. Every inch of the grounds receives its share of water. As a result, the entire surface is evenly coated with grass, the tree and shrubs each receive an equal amount of water.

Preliminary report by Jack Neill indicated that the auction sale last Saturday netted the Lions committee the sum of approximately \$1700.00, after all expenses of the show and sale had been deducted. The sum represents a considerable advance over receipts in the past, and serves as an indication that the public generally recognize the fact that offerings at the livestock auction are not only more numerous, but of higher class in every respect, making the animals offered for sale more desirable to those who bid on them.

## Ranch Round-Up Featured By Many Prominent Speakers

Ranchers and livestock men will have their day when the eleventh Ranchmen's Round-Up is held at the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station Sub-Station, near Sonora, June 17-18, according to the program released by W. H. Dameron, station superintendent.

Noted men within the ranching industry, veterinarians, educators, scientists and just plain everyday livestock hands will be on hand for the two-day program.

One of the highlights of the round-up will be the discussion of equine encephalomyelitis (sleeping sickness to any cow hand) by Dr. H. Schmidt, chief, division of Veterinary Science, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station. This discussion will be held on Monday morning, June 17. Other diseases of livestock, their treatment and prevention will be discussed by other veterinarians.

Jay Taylor, Amarillo, president of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers' Association; C. B. Wardlaw, Del Rio, president of the National Wool Growers Association; Edwin Mayer, San Angelo, president, Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association; and Roy Loventhal, Lufkin, chairman, Texas State Livestock Sanitary Commission, all are scheduled to speak on their phase of the livestock industry.

The Round-Up is held biennially to enable those interested in the ranching industry to get together at the Ranch Station for the threshing out of their common problems.

# Show and Sale Saturday Said Most Successful of Series

## To Citizens of Sonora

Unfounded rumors, baseless in fact, are a source of discredit to the persons who start such statements, and an injury to whom they are aimed against. In these present times, when the feelings of the American citizens are wrought up and at a high pitch, and justly so, good judgment is often forsaken and tactics adopted which are dangerous, ill-advised and hurtful in the extreme.

It has been called to my attention that rumors such as these have been aimed against the management (meaning me) and other members of the staff of the Devil's River News. Specifically speaking, these rumors and false statements have been made for the purpose of leaving the impression with listeners that I, and others of the Devil's River News, are pro-Nazi in sympathies, and violently anti-Ally in our desires, simply because we have not been inclined to get out on the street corners and in the homes of our good friends and wave a flag of violent agitation against Hitler and his death-dealing hordes. We resent, with every fibre of our being, all such implications. The people of Sonora have become well acquainted with the Hix Hall family during the past six years or more that we have lived in your midst. We have always been as liberal in our efforts, so far as the community was concerned, as our condition and circumstances would permit. We hope we have never fallen short of the aims which every good citizen should have toward the community in which he lives. We have tried to conduct our private lives, and our business matters, in such a way that the people of the community could remember us as a decent citizens of the town, progressive in both our civic and business life.

To have such things said about me, and my family, and my office forte, causes not only a deep sense of injury, but of downright anger at the unscrupulous person or persons who have been responsible for starting the rumors which have been noised abroad, and broadcast over the town by word of mouth, on the quiet, and accepted in many cases without investigation and without an opportunity being given to plead our side of the case.

I was a World War soldier, serving 26 months in the army during the war, and in the Army of Occupation, I served as well and as faithfully as I could. I was given an honorable discharge from the army. I volunteered for service the 19th day of April, 1917, two weeks after this nation entered the war. Did any of my critics do likewise? What was your service? Since that time, my attitude has always been my own country first.

As regards the rumors circulating in this city—my home and your home—the least I can do is to brand them as falsehoods of the greatest degree—plain lies being circulated by possible enemies, of which every man has a few, and calculated to hurt me and my family, my business establishments and my associates. It is a rather despicable thing to do—have your acquaintances on the street make such an attempt to knife you in the back, and not having manhood to come out openly and make the charges, use such underhand tactics to injure the ones whom they feel they have reason to dislike. To those who have caused such rumors to be scattered over town, I would request that they display enough manhood to come to me personally and in full confidence of a just and patient hearing, and get my own personal and individual statements and opinions. If such is done, the people of this city, whether my enemies, if any, or my friends, can have no reason to feel that I am any different from all others—as patriotic as you, as anxious as you to see right and justic overcome lies and injustice, and as willing to spend my means and my personal advantages to bring about a condition which would mean progress to our own country, and the preservation of the principles of freedom and democracy upon which this great nation was founded.

I trust that this plain spoken statement will meet with the proper reception—for it is spoken in the kindest manner, and with a desire from the deepest part of my heart that misunderstandings shall not arise, or I or anyone else, be injured because of the carelessly uttered rumors and statements of some unthinking person.

(Signed) HIX HALL

## Paving Project Being Carried On Steadily

Work on the street paving project is still being carried on by city officials, and the caliche base has been laid on the greater part of those streets which are marked for paving.

It is reported that as soon as the caliche base work is completed, the paving will be laid immediately, and according to informed persons, the paving itself will be gotten under way by the first of the month. If the paving project is started at that time, the streets of the town scheduled for receiving asphalt will be in excellent condition before the opening of the school term next fall.

At present, streets of the town are dusty and rough, but that condition will soon be eliminated. Paving will also make the town appear the city it ought to be.

Practically every county in Texas has special laws regulating the taking of fish.

## Another Fain Falls In Sutton County

Another good rain, totalling more than an inch, fell in Sonora and Sutton county Thursday afternoon, with indication that more was still to come. Appearances were that the first day of the Rocksprings Rodeo and Race Meet was a wet affair—since the clouds hanging low in that direction pointed to heavy rains in Edwards county.

Additional moisture fell during the night. Visitors returning from Rocksprings Thursday evening confirmed the suspicion that heavy rains fell on the race meet grounds. Races were run in the mud, jockeys had their mounts fall in several instances, and rodeo events were called off for the day account of the mud.

Over fifty courses in oil operating methods are now offered by the Texas State Department of Education co-operation with Texas oil companies to enable Texas oil workers to train themselves for promotion.

## LARGE CROWDS AND GREAT INTEREST FEATURE THIRD ANNUAL AFFAIR; MANY PREMIUMS ARE AWARDED

### LIONS CLUB HEAR GOOD SHOW REPORT

Some forty members of the Sonora Lions Club gathered at the Baptist Church Tuesday and heard reports indicating that the wool and mohair show and sale last Saturday was the most successful since the inception of the affair three years ago; that the money derived from the various sources was greater than at any time in the past; that the Trades Day held in connection with the show and sale was great help by increasing the attendance of people on that day; and that the general attitude of approval on the part of the public concerning the annual affair was better and more pleasing than has been experienced heretofore.

In spite of the fact that previous to the meeting the general topic of conversation was the war situation in Europe and its possible effects on this country, when the business meeting of the club was under way, close attention was given to the various reports, and general expressions of pleasure were heard. County Agent H. C. Atchison stated that many compliments on the show and general approval of the work it is fostering was had from many sources out of town.

He expressed appreciation and thanks for the support and co-operation received, especially with regard to placing the visiting boys' team in the high school gymnasium, where they were able to come and go at will without creating a disturbance in the various homes of the town.

Thanks were also extended to other citizens of the town for the various helps and assistance rendered.

Mr. Atchison reported that ten counties participated in the wool show Saturday morning.

W. E. Caldwell reported on behalf of the Trades Day committee that total receipts of \$655.00 were balanced by expenditures of \$644.75, leaving a cash balance of \$10.25. The trades day, judging from expressions of merchants at the meeting was a very successful affair, since most of the business reported that their sales and collections were greatly helped by the trades day.

Many other expressions of appreciation were passed by the club, including thanks to Nelson Johnson and R. E. Homan for their work in the auction ring, to Fred Simmons for his clerical work, to A. K. Mackey and Russell Martin for their assistance in the wool and mohair show, and for every person individually who helped to make the work easier and the occasion more successful.

Kathleen and Norma Jean Brinkley appeared on the program for the day, singing two numbers which were greatly enjoyed. The Lions, incidentally, did full justice to an excellent meal prepared by the ladies of the Baptist Church.

## County Court House Completely Re-Wired; Jobs Is Contracted

Complete re-wiring of the Sutton county court house has been completed by Stanley and Logan, with the Sonora Electric Company. The contract called for the installation of 730 feet of conduit wiring, and a fluorescent light in every room in the building, so that the county headquarters building is now the best lighted and most adequately wired of any house in West Texas.

In addition to the court house job, the same contractors have just completed wiring the new Mayfield home and installed several fluorescent lights in the home.

## Auction Sale Follows Wool & Mohair Show Saturday Afternoon

Attended by large crowds and featured by an interest larger than ever before experienced, the third annual 4-H Club Boys Wool and Mohair Show and Auction Sale was held here Saturday, with beneficial financial and civic results which cannot be calculated. The list of entries in the wool show and sale doubled that of last year. The number of animals sold at auction by Nelson Johnson, auctioneer of San Angelo, was as large as at any previous sale, and a larger number of purebred and registered animals were sold on consignment from breeders in this section of the state.

The show and sale was sponsored by the Sonora Lions Club, which received 20 per cent of the consignment sales, the remainder going to the breeder. All the animals sold at good prices, and the total reached a respectable sum.

The mohair and wool show was held Saturday morning, with awards made to the various winner in silver dollars by J. D. Prewitt, of the Texas A. & M. Extension Service. Places in the show were awarded in the morning, but the premiums were not given to the winners until just before the auction sale in the afternoon.

The complete list of winners is printed below:

### WOOL DIVISION—

Bag of 12-months wool — Eugene Alley, Sutton county, first; Myron Morris, Sutton, second; Marshall Brown Kimble, third; Billy Shurley, Sutton, fourth; Leon Morris, Sutton, fifth; Lee Drew Arrott, Coke, sixth; Horace Bolt Maddux, Kimble, seventh.

Bag of 8-months wool—Rodney Richardson, Pecos county, first; Howard Simon, Kimble, second; Leonard Richardson, Pecos, third; H. T. Espy, Sutton, fourth; W. Epperson, Edwards, fifth; George and Jack Lee, Pecos, sixth; Tommy Johnson, Upton, seventh.

Best Put-Up Bags, 12-months fleece—Billy Shurley, Sutton, first; Eugene Alley, Sutton, second; Marshall Brown, Kimble, third; Myron Morris, Sutton, fourth; Leon Morris, Sutton, fifth.

Single Market Class Fleece—Billy Shurley, Sutton, first; Norman Holland, Kimble, second; Eugene Alley, Sutton, third; Myron Morris, Sutton, fourth; Tony Joe Willeke, Glasscock, fifth; J. L. Schooler, Coke, sixth; Lee Drew Arrott, Coke, seventh.

Single Delaine Fleeces—Woodrow Mills, Sterling, first; Marshall Brown, Kimble, second; Eugene Alley, Sutton, third; Robert Hunger, Jr., Kimble, fourth, fifth and sixth; Thomas Grant, Bandera, seventh.

Single Registered Rambouillet Fleece — Tommy Johnson, Upton, first; Billy Chris McKenzie, Tom Green, second; Louis Jones, Tom Green, third; G. C. Norman, Jr., Tom Green, fourth; Jim Dan Mason, Tom Green, fifth; W. Epperson, Edwards, sixth; Joe Dusek, Jr., Tom Green, seventh.

County Group of Five Registered Rambouillet Fleeces—Tom Green, first.

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### MOHAIR DIVISION—

Single Grown Fleece—O. L.

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## FLAG DAY IS IMPORTANT AT PRESENT TIME

Today is Flag Day—in our estimation the most important special day on the calendar. It should serve to remind people of this country that eternal vigilance is the price of liberty—and that a lethargic attitude concerning future dangers may lead to consequences which cannot be coped with successfully if too much delay is permitted.

Specifically speaking, the troubles in Europe, where defenseless small nations have been swallowed one after another by a power-mad dictator; where powerful nations, fighting for their own existence and for the democratic liberty of the world, have been knifed in the back by the same sort of power-mad political combination, should serve to point out to the people of this nation not only the vast and essential necessity for preparedness for war to an extent never before dreamed of by the people of the United States, but the equally vital necessity of assisting in every possible way the nations and peoples who are even now striving with their life blood to defeat a set of conditions which if allowed to have their way, would regiment the entire world into a series of storehouses for the benefit of one or two conquering nations.

The Texas-Mexican border is a fertile field for Nazi and Italian spies, fifth columnists, and others of that ilk. Words are spoken, plans are made, methods are used to undermine the morale of this country. The people of Texas, if not of the United States, are fully aware of the dangers. Too much care cannot be exercised on the part of citizens in expressing their opinions. Of course, the people of the United States have that right to express their own thoughts, for this is a free country, and always has been. But discretion at times is an essential part of the make-up of good citizens. In his time of hasty conclusions and actions which may lead to drastic steps on the part of the citizenship as a whole, the average man should stress the loyalty he has for his country and the friends of his country. His patriotism should rise to such a high pitch that it will submerge other considerations. For after all, this is our country. We want it to be right, of course. But a good patriot is for his country, right or wrong.

As we said a few weeks ago, let's have a lot more of patriotism, and a lot less of foolish statements concerning the potential enemies which this country has.

## War Conditions Cause Upsets In Wool Market

Activity in the wool goods industry is registering a small seasonal upturn but since the output of heavyweight goods is expected to be below normal, trade interest is centered in prospective government contracts for rearmament purposes. Bids for small quantities of uniform materials already have been requested but the ultimate extent of government buying can not be accurately estimated.

Retail sale of clothing have been disappointing in recent weeks and clearance sales of spring suits and topcoats are being scheduled earlier than usual. Extensive commitments for fall clothing accordingly are being delayed until consumer buying shows an appreciable improvement although some woolen activity has shown only a slight increase. In this situation spinning activity some woolen mills are reported to be sold well ahead on women's wear. Cloth price have been fairly well maintained above the level of a year ago despite unsettlement abroad.

Domestic raw wool quotations have been mostly nominal following the decline in wool top futures when Germany marched into the Low Countries. At that time the market declined by about 12 per cent in two weeks. Distress sales of small quantities of wool have been priced moderately below previous quotations but no substantial quantities have changed hands. The stronger dealers are holding their wools on a fairly steady basis in line with firm asking prices in the West.

The spread of hostilities abroad has encompassed much of France's wool goods industry. She ranks third after Great Britain and the United States in wool consumption, second in exports of yarns and first in exports of wool tops. While there may be but little opportunity to share her export trade since the bulk of her shipments regularly have been to European markets which now are closed, it is possible that her domestic requirements ultimately may need replenishment from outside sources. Great Britain's extensive foreign trade in wool yarns and tops also has been concentrated in Europe but about two-thirds of her exports of fabrics

have been to countries outside the war area.

Definite indications are lacking regarding the extent to which the United States will rearm and so it is difficult to appraise the near-term demand for raw wool in this country. A study of rearmament requirements during the World War indicated that roughly 120 pounds of greasy wool per person were necessary to equip and maintain a large armed force for a year, although the need obviously fluctuates with the type of duty required. On the other hand, domestic wool stocks are about equal to a year ago notwithstanding the fact that consumption during the last six months of 1939 was 80,000,000 pounds, grease equivalent basis, larger than the ten-year average for that period. Naturally, the trade's appraisal of these fundamental demand factors will determine our future imports of raw wool from the primary markets, where prices now are moderately above local quotations, and serve as a guide to prices.

## Sun Tan Can Be Dangerous During The Summer

"Use caution in getting your suntan this season" is the advice of Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer.

"Under a misconception as to the amount of sun they can take without ill effects, many persons thoughtlessly submit their unprotected faces, backs, and legs to over-exposure to sun and suffer painfully, sometimes seriously, as a result," Dr. Cox pointed out.

Restraint in acquiring a suntan is advised. Exposure of ten minutes the first day should be ample, and the amount of time spent in the sun can be increased on a day-to-day basis as the skin becomes accustomed to sunlight.

Advising sun-bathers to "learn their limit," Dr. Cox pointed out that individual differences may determine the length of time that a person can stay in the sun without being burned.

Before becoming too ardent over prolonged sunbathing, one would do well to remember that many a vacation or week-end has been ruined because the blistering and illness-producing power of the sun's rays on tender skin was insufficiently appreciated.

Some persons are susceptible to sunburn but don't tan; other individuals tan over a longer or shorter period, but the same general rule applies to all—"don't overdo."

Most sunburns, according to Dr. Cox, are similar to first degree burns, but some, as the result of over-exposure, reach the blistering stage characteristic of a second-degree burn.

## TURKEY HATCH EXCELLENT

The best turkey hatch in 15 years is reported in Gillespie county by the Game Warden stationed at Fredericksburg. Elsewhere in the Hill Country and South Texas came additional reports of good hatches. A good season is in prospect if the birds are not harrassed by floods or otherwise molested, the Game Department reports.

Proven oil reserves in the United States now total nearly 20 billion barrels, of which Texas alone has 55 per cent.

## San Antonio Livestock Market

Hogs: Estimated salable receipts 300, total 340. Market active, steady to 10c higher than late last week. Most good and choice 170 to 300 lb. butchers \$5.40 and \$5.50, the latter extreme top paid on later rounds for a few choice hogs. Best 140 to 170 lbs. \$4.50 to \$5.40. Packing sows mostly \$4.50 down, odd head above. Feeder pigs around \$3.50 down, few to \$4.00 and above.

Cattle: Estimated salable receipts 600, total 630; Calves, salable and total 1,300. Receipts comparatively light, due partly to rainy weather. Trading fairly active and fully steady with late last week, spots stronger than at the dull close.

Few common and medium steers \$6.50 to \$7.00, the latter scaling 1,025 lbs. Few head of choice 558 lb. fed yearlings to \$10.00, good kinds scarce, few around \$8.50 to \$9.50, most common and medium kinds \$6.50 to \$8.25. Canner and cutter cows mostly \$3.00 to \$4.50, medium to good kinds mostly \$4.75 to \$8.25, odd head good cows to \$6.00, some on the heifer order above. Bulls mostly \$5.50 down, good heavy kinds scarce.

Good and choice killing calves mostly \$8.50 to \$9.50, common and medium kinds \$6.00 to \$8.25, culls down around \$5.00. Stocker steer calves mostly \$9.00 to \$10.50, scattered lots to \$11.00, only few scaling 200 and 252 lbs. to \$11.25, heifers mostly \$8.00 to \$9.50, very few above. Few feeder steers \$7.00 down, including some 755 lb. common kinds at \$6.00; few yearlings \$7.50 down, occasionally above.

Sheep: Estimated salable and total receipts 300. Market slow, about steady with late last week. Spring lambs scaling 58 lbs. cashed at \$6.00. Few stocker spring lambs \$4.50, some unsold. Shorn matured wethers scaling 91 lbs. cashed at \$3.25, few others \$3.00 and down. Old shorn ewes \$2.15.

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9:45 a. m.—Sunday school.  
10:50 a. m.—Laymen's Day Program. W. E. Caldwell, Associate District Lay Leader, in charge. Clay Atchison will speak on "The Stewardship of Life." Dr. Joel Shelton will discuss "The Local Church in International Relations."  
Special music.  
8:00 p. m.—Sermon by the pastor.

The New Electric Organ will remain over Sunday. Come and enjoy the worship with us.  
**R. F. Davis, Pastor**

**Brotherhood Men's Bible Class**

You will enjoy coming to the Brotherhood Men's Bible Class Sunday morning. We meet at 9:30 o'clock in the basement of the Methodist Church. All members are urged to attend. Bring a visitor, if possible.  
Come.  
Preston C. Lightfoot, president

**Baptist Church**

As we face this new Lord's Day I trust that each one will make definite plans to be in all the services of the day. We are making plans for a great surprise to be revealed in the morning service at the eleven o'clock hour and take this opportunity to urge all members and friends of the church to be present.

Sunday School 10:00 a. m.  
Morning Service, Subject: "The Project of Our Hope" 11:00 a. m.  
Evening service to be announced.  
**R. C. Brinkley, Pastor**

**Business Men's Bible Class**

With a very fine attendance last Sunday we look forward with new hope to the service Sunday morning. Come, and bring a new member with you. We hope to see all those who have been absent for any cause back in their place Sunday morning.  
W. W. Gibson, President

**Personals**

Mrs. E. H. Richey spent the week-end in Fort McKavett visiting with her daughter, Mrs. Ira D. Hale and family. She was accompanied home by her grandson, Ira D. Hale, Jr.

T. A. Williams of San Antonio is visiting in the home of his grandmother, Mrs. W. L. Aldwell. T. A. has been enrolled at A. & M. and will work on the Aldwell Brothers ranch during the summer.

Mrs. Ruby Stephens and her mother, Mrs. Cook, were in San Angelo Wednesday on a shopping tour.

Many Sonora people were visitors to the Twelfth Annual Rodeo and Race Meet being held this week-end in Rocksprings. Passing through town also were many race horses and their owners from distant parts of the state. The race meet in the Edwards county capital draws lovers of horse races and rodeos not only from all over West Texas but from out of state as well.

Judge James R. Norvell of Austin, associate judge of the Court of Civil Appeals, was a visitor in Sonora Wednesday. The judge is making a tour in the interest of his candidacy for reelection to the office which he now holds.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Arhelger of Mason have been visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Willman. They returned to their home last Saturday. During their stay in Sonora they visited in Carlsbad, New Mexico and other points in that state, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Willman and their daughter.

FOR SALE—500 ft. of galvanized pipe. See or call Sam Hull, Sonora, Texas. 35-1tc

FOR SALE—My home near school building. See or call G. G. Stephenson, Sonora. 35-3tp

FOR LEASE—11,000 acres Crane County; sheep and cattle. If interested, write Box 125, Pearsall, Texas. 27, 29, 31, 33, 35-5tp

**Sane Rules Given By Game Leaders Are Helpful**

With tens of thousands of fishermen on lakes and streams in Texas, the executive secretary of the State Game Department recently outlined a few simple rules for the protection of the angler from accidents, and at the same time outlined practices in the handling and treatment of fish and minnows that should be followed if Texas waters are to be as productive of these species as every angler expects them to be.

For your own safety and for the producing of better fishing, check these rules and see if you're living up to them:

At a glance one can usually tell whether or not he has caught a fish that must be returned to the water. Catch the fish in the lower lip with your thumb and forefinger, remove the hook and release him easily to the water. If it is necessary to catch the fish with your hands, wet your hand first to prevent the disturbance of the protective slime that covers the fish. Be sure you have a legal fish before it goes on the string. This oversight might make a fishing trip an unhappy one. Check your tackle box for a ruler before you leave home or mark off the lengths on your boat or tackle box. Remember bass must be eleven inches long and crappie seven inches. Don't waste fish. Take only those that can be used, and use those that you take.

Seining may prove to be more expensive than buying it from a bait dealer, if care is not taken. Be sure that you do not seine minnows over three inches long, small bass, crappie and perch are not minnows. All species other than minnows must be released to the water immediately. Minnows that are too small for bait should be likewise returned to the water. They may be large enough for bait next time you go fishing. They are also valuable fish food. It is illegal to injure small fish or leave them on the bank to die.

Never use a boat that is unsafe and always have life preservers for every member of the crew. Boats with rotten boards should never be used. In case your boat does turn over, never get excited. Most wooden boats will support three or four people even if turned over or filled with water. Wait for help and never try to swim a great distance to shore. Many a good swimmer has lost his life trying this stunt. It is necessary to swim, never try to swim with your clothes on. Remove your shoes first and then other clothes. It is better to lose your clothes than your life. Never wade unknown waters with hip boots, because if you go into water over head with hip boots on, it is nearly impossible to remove them. Holes or rock jump-off will cause one to lose balance, and here is where the trouble comes.

Every fisherman should have some first-aid equipment in his fishing outfit. Scratches and bruises should be treated immediately to prevent infection. Never try to get a compete sun tan on a single fishing trip. The pain from sun burns is a poor trade for a sun tan. Every fisherman should have a kit to treat poison snake bites.

Practice safety first and maybe you will not have to use first-aid.

**CAUGHT THREE FISH AT ONCE**

L. D. Flowers of Uvalde, Texas, was plenty satisfied recently when he caught a sixteen-inch bass, but he wasn't amazed until he cut into the fish and found a four-inch bass in its stomach, according to a report to the Game Department. Investigating further, Mr. Flowers opened the smaller bass and discovered a two-inch perch. Both the four- and two-inch fish were whole. Maybe catching two bass and one perch on a single hook is a record.

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**THE SUTTON COUNTY ROUND-UP LIVESTOCK--RANCH DEALS**

R. A. Halbert sold 1122 lambs to Fort Worth market. The lambs weighed at the shipping pens 69.68 pounds, and were sold Tuesday at 9½ cents per pound. The lambs were Rambouillet and Hampshire crossbreeds.

Mr. Halbert sold 375 head of lambs at eight cents. Weights were listed 70 pounds each.

O. L. Richardson purchased through R. A. Halbert from Bob Bayer of Fort Worth 1,000 ewes. No price was reported.

R. A. Halbert sold in Sonora this week 87,000 pounds of wool, the staple bringing 32½ cents.

Halbert & Hoggett of Mertzon sold this week 100,000 pounds of wool, the price being reported at 31½ cents per pound.

Bailey and Darcy Palmer of Houston visited from Thursday to Monday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Carroll.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. McConnell, Jr. left Sunday for Memphis, Tenn. and Pinckney, Ark., to visit Mr. McConnell's parents. They will be gone ten days.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin R. Gregory of Denver City, Texas, are visiting with their daughters, Mrs. Cashes Taylor and Mrs. Palmer West of Eldorado.

Mrs. Sam Karnes and daughter, Anne, and Miss Nann Karnes left Sunday for Corpus Christi, where they will visit Mrs. Karnes's sister.

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**Texas Sportsmen Taking Interest In Game Studies**

Texas sportsmen are taking a bigger interest today in their State Game Department and its attempts to preserve and increase game and fish than ever before. Almost weekly of late word has been received by the executive secretary of the commission from sportsmen's clubs throughout the state which have proposed universal hunting and fishing license laws, regulatory power for the Department and a longer closed season on fish in order to allow them more time to spawn undisturbed.

Included in this group are the San Antonio Anglers Club, Fort Worth Anglers Club, Dallas Anglers and Hunters Association, Dallas Oak Cliff Chapter of the Game and Fish Protective Association, West Texas Game and Fish Association with headquarters in San Angelo and the Taylor County Hunting and Fishing Association with headquarters in Abilene.

Officers of clubs indicated in letters to the executive secretary that sportsmen are recognizing the efforts of the Department to conserve and propagate game on its limited funds and votes taken at club meetings indicate an almost 100 per cent favorable reception of the clubs program of boosting for universal license, longer closed season on fishing and regulatory power for the Commission under proper supervision.

It is interesting to note that sports editors throughout the state are apparently also in accord.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Baker visited their daughter, Mrs. Sidney Millsbaugh and Mr. Millsbaugh of Ozona over the week-end.

Mrs. Bryan Hickerson and small daughters, left this week, where she had spent several weeks with her mother, Mrs. B. C. McGilvray, for Waco where she will visit with friends and relatives before returning to her home at Bristol, Va.

Mrs. James Lindsey and sons left this week after spending several weeks with her mother, Mrs. B. C. McGilvray. She will stay in Rulle several days visiting Mr. Lindsey's parents before returning to Buffalo, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Baker were in San Angelo Monday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Vicars left Sunday for Corpus Christi. Mr. Vicars hopes to catch some of those big fish that you hear about but always get away.

A questionnaire sent out by the Dallas Anglers and Hunters Association recently produced some interesting results. Of the first thirty returned, 28 sports editors believed Texas should have a universal hunting and fishing license. Twenty-eight voted for regulatory power while only one dissented. Eighteen thought there should be a longer closed season, but eleven voted no. In answer to the question: "Do the sportsmen in your vicinity have the same opinions on these questions," 21 voted yes and 2 no.

Mrs. G. W. Kisselburg, who is in the Shannon hospital at San Angelo, is reported doing nicely.

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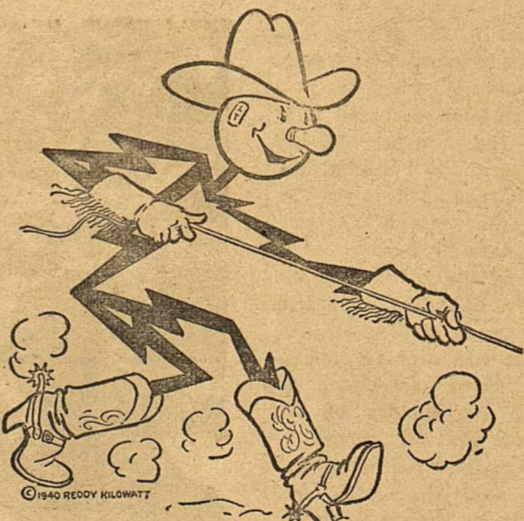
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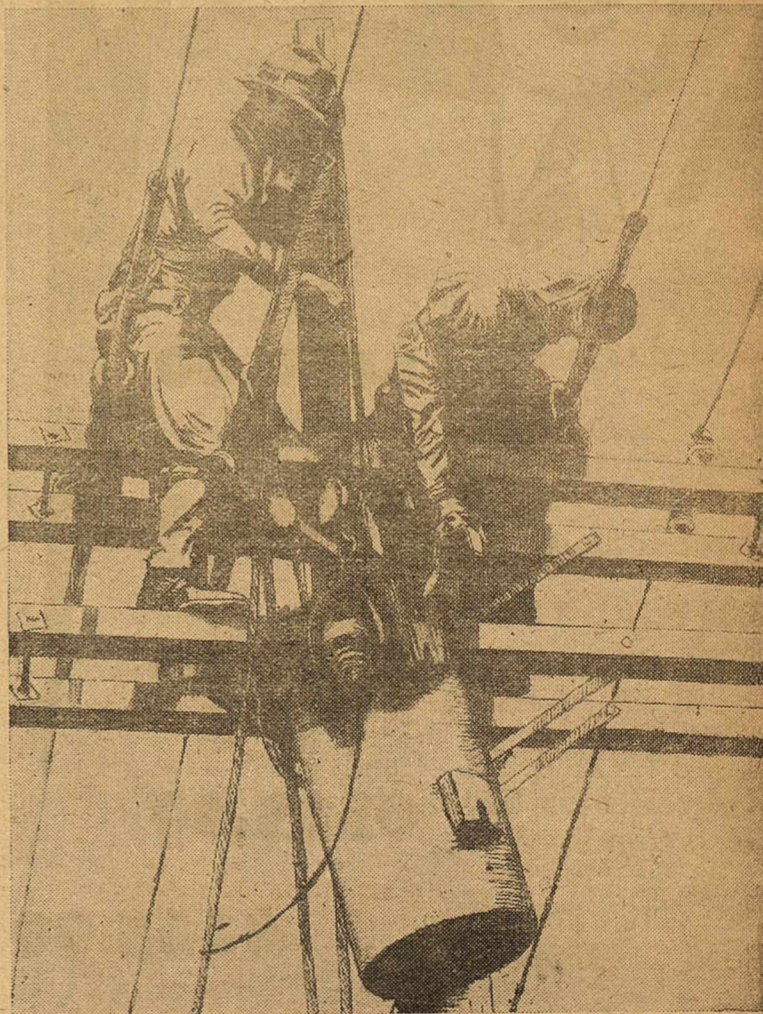
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**Sonora Scouts On Outing Trip To Camp Louis Farr**

Seven Boys Scouts of Sonora Troop 19 left late Sunday afternoon for Camp Louis Farr, near Mertzon, for a week's camping and outing trip. The troops over this district make annual use of the camp, going there in relays for the camping and to receive additional instruction from persons in charge of the camp who are qualified to teach the courses which are offered.

Making the trip from Sonora were the following Scouts: Glen Richardson, O. L. Richardson, Ray Wallace Stephenson, Billy Shurley, Eugene Shurley, and Wilfred Berger. Accompanying them on the outing were Assistant Scoutmaster Jimmie Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Richardson, R. W. Johnson and Claude Thomas Driskell.

In commenting on the camping trip, a letter from Billy Shurley conveys the following information: We arrived Sunday about six o'clock, set up camp and got ready to eat supper. We had a very good meal, and ice cream for dessert. Following the supper, we lounged around our tents until time for the campfire meeting around the council ring. Conversation centered around Indians and their ways, and the advancement we hope to make in Scouting. Later we returned to our camp and prepared for bed.

The next morning we arose and had breakfast, and returned to our camp. We started a tour of investigation, which took us to the river, where we shot turtles with bow and arrows and niggershooters.

After that we took our swimming tests. Following our lunch, we took pictures for a time and spent several hours around the camp.

The second morning in camp was spent in making bows, which is a part of our Handicraft work, and provides lots of fun. But mostly we have been busy eating candy and drinking cold drinks. We expect to be at home again Saturday night.

**TRAIN CREW HELPS DEER**

There is one deer doe still alive in Llano county today due to the thoughtfulness of a train conductor, H. M. Hamilton, it is reported to the State Game Department. Mr. Hamilton stopped the Southern Pacific train running from Austin to Llano recently when a deer was seen entangled in a fence along the right-of-way of the railroad. The crew liberated the doe, which was not badly injured.

Trains crew apparently often assist wildlife. Last year it was reported in Texas a freight crew forced tramps to sweep out grain cars at a spot where turkey congregated. Up in Montana a general order has gone out to all train crews to refrain from tramping around in the grass where a mallard hen had courage enough to build her nest within ten feet of the Great Northern tracks. Engineers are ordered not to blow down boilers or open overflows in the vicinity of the nest.

Taxes paid by Texas oil producers now average 9.8 cents per barrel, the highest average oil tax paid in any oil state.

**E. C. Saunders Gives Gavel To President Of Sonora Lions Club**

At a Lions Club meeting recently, E. C. Saunders, oldest Lion in the local club, made an extremely graceful gesture of interest in the club, when he presented to the president and his successors in office a gavel which was full of interesting historical associations. In making the presentation, Mr. Saunders brought back memories of the early days in Sutton county when the wilderness not only extended to the edge of what is now Sonora, but on through that section of ground and beyond.

The gavel was made with his own hands during his spare time, is beautifully put together and polished. The handle is made from iron-wood picked up on Dolan Creek, in the vicinity of the Hudspeth ranch. The head of the gavel is made from the limb of a liveoak which grew in the place where the Penick home is located. Being hollow, Mr. Saunders was forced to the necessity of reaming out of the piece of wood and enclosing a piece of ironwood in the shell. Driven into the head of the gavel is a nail which was used as one of the points from which surveying instruments were set up to lay off and locate the township of Sonora.

In commenting on the various pieces of wood and the associations connected with them, Mr. Saunders stated that the ironwood is a rather rare piece of timber, growing only in comparative profusion along Dolan creek where his specimen was picked up. The limb of the tree from which the head of the gavel is made was off a tree on which he hung a deer which he had killed in year of 1888 while he and a party were camped in this vicinity. No water being available from wells, their supply was found in a shallow hole in the fields pasture, holding not more than two or three barrels. This was several years before the surveying party came here to locate the townsite, among whom was Mr. Saunders.

Concerning the nail which he drove into the head of the gavel, Mr. Saunders related an interesting bit of history. It seems that when he and Mr. Adams, who had charge of the surveying, decided to set up their instruments, a nail was driven into a liveoak tree growing near the corner where Trainer's store is now located. The tree still stands. On the opposite side, and at a distance of exactly sixty feet, another tree of like size and age was growing. The surveyors sawed off a limb from each tree at a distance exactly sixty feet apart, and set up their instrument on a line directly between the two nails. From this point the surveys for the townsite were made.

In later years, the tree on the east side of the street died when a hotel which had been built near it was burned to the ground. The stump remained visible, however, for many years afterward. When a dynamite explosion occurred in a store which had been built on the site of the original building, the stump was burned until only a few vestiges of the roots of the original tree remain.

In accepting the gavel from the hands of Mr. Saunders, President Wallace Dameron gave assurance that the gift was properly appreciated and being associated so closely with the history of the town, stated that it would be cherished and guarded. For that reason, he said that while the gavel was in his hands, it would not be carried to the meeting and used until such time as he, the club or his successors could provide some means for properly caring for such an interesting and valuable gift to the service club of Sonora.

Mr. Saunders has passed his mark of eighty years and more, but still has a keen intelligence, a remarkable physical condition with a world of stamina. Despite his advanced age, he is one of the most useful members in the world's largest Lions Club—and one the most respected for his service, his unselfishness and his witty conversation.

**DEER TOLL CONTINUES HEAVY**

The death rate for game killed on Texas highways continues heavy. The latest report received by the Game Department shows 23 deer were known to have been killed on the roads in Gillespie county during the first four months of this year.

**Citrus-Fed Cattle Make Good Gains In Ration Tests**

For the third successive year feeding tests on beef cattle indicate that dried citrus pulp and peel may be substituted for 25 per cent of the ground ear corn ration and the results will approximate the benefits derived from a full-corn ration, it was announced by R. A. Hall, superintendent of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Sub-Station No. 1 at Beeville, Texas, at a field day program May 23.

This year's tests indicate that if the citrus feed is less expensive than corn, the cattle feeder can profit to the extent of the difference in price of the two feeds. The citrus-fed cattle also seem to have a better quality coat, it was said.

The cattle used in the third of a series of tests at the Beeville station in the feeding of varying amounts of dried citrus peel and pulp as a replacement of corn in the fattening ration were 30 head of good quality Hereford steer calves purchased October 30, 1939 at \$9.00 per hundredweight. They were dehorned upon receipt and were grazed and fed for a period of 51 days during which time they gained 96 pounds per head before being started on the test December 20, 1939. The low cost secured prior to placement on the test reduced the initial cost from \$9.00 per hundred to \$8.28 per hundred.

The steers were divided in three lots, one receiving corn cottonseed meal, silage and salt; the second group received 25 per cent citrus, 75 per cent corn, cottonseed meal, silage and salt; while the third group received 59 per cent citrus, 41 per cent corn, cottonseed meal, silage and salt.

It was noted that lot three, receiving approximately 60 per cent of citrus feed as a replacement for corn consumed appreciably less total concentrate feeds than either of the other lots. This result coincided with last year's tests in indicating that a ration containing a large amount of citrus feed is less palatable than a ration consisting largely of corn. During the last 14-day period lot three consumed an average of 9.6 pounds of citrus feed per head daily, which constituted 68 per cent, the maximum percentage of corn replaced by citrus.

It was suggested that the higher percentage citrus feed might possibly be made more palatable by addition of molasses, but no tests have been made of this theory.

All three lots received the same amounts of cottonseed meal and were full-fed silage. An experienced cattle buyer estimated the three lots would bring top price.

Nearly 400,000 Texas school children each year have their entire schooling paid for by the Texas oil and gas industry.

**STUDY GAME LAWS, CONSERVATION**

Dallas county rural students in intermediate grades will study state and fish laws and the conservation of wildlife under 250 teachers, according to word received by the Game Department from Miss Leland Watkins, intermediate supervisor.

Realization of the need of conservation education is spreading, the executive secretary of the Game Department pointed out in congratulating Miss Watkins and County School Superintendent Joe Harris upon their inaugurating the course of study. More colleges and other schools are teaching the subject each year.

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## 35 Years Ago

From the file of the Devil's River News, August 17, 1907.

Mr. and Mrs. John Mayfield and children left for their home in San Angelo Sunday.

W. L. McMasters of Ballinger, representing a flour mill, and a friend of C. B. Wardlaw, was in Sonora Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Myers of Eldorado, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Tom Dean.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Dean and family moved in from the ranch last week.

J. O. Rountree was in from the ranch several days this week visiting his family.

Dock Simmons was in from the ranch Thursday to see and sympathize with his friend, Charles Adams.

C. F. Adams, who arrived Monday from Juno, says Mrs. John T. Cooper, who was in the stage accident, is doing nicely.

W. L. Aldwell and daughter Miss Marjory, left for Canada and Eastern cities Wednesday night. Mr. Aldwell will meet the companions of his youth at a "home coming" reunion at Newbury, Canada.

Wm. Payson of San Antonio is a specialist on the making of good roads as he sells machinery for that purpose. The cost is so small and the benefits so great that all the West should be interested.

Wm. Payson of San Antonio who has the contract to make the District Clerk's room at the Court House fire proof, is here with his assistants, S. Shell and W. H. McCord. They have commenced work and will be ready for the steel when it arrives.

Miss Myrtle Schmidt of Christoval is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Asa Mims at the Decker Hotel.

Mrs. C. A. Trainer is visiting her son, Fred, down on the Llano this week.

George Clements, who ranches about 20 miles south of Sonora, was in town Tuesday trading. George says things are coming his way after so long a time.

W. Bascom Smith, who ranches 20 miles south of Sonora, was in town this week. He is commissioner of Precinct No. 2 and is interested in having good roads for all the people. He knows of nothing that would do more good unless it is a good rain. Good roads and more rain is his motto.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Berger spent last Sunday on the E. E. Sawyer ranch on the head of the Llano. Fred says the country looks good and that stock is doing fine.

W. C. Bryson, who has been up in the Territory for the past few weeks looking after his steers, was in Sonora Wednesday. Wes says his steers are doing fine and he thinks they will be fat enough to ship in about ten days.

Allison Bros., (J. S. Allison and Boss Allison) bought from Peacock & Glascock 125 head of one year old steers at \$15 per head.

Warren & Williams bought from C. H. Smith & Sons, the old Birtstrong Alford ranch of 3 sections, 25 miles south of Sonora for \$4000, and 150 head of cows at \$15.

Allison Bros., of Sonora, bought from Wm. Strakbein 100 head of one and two year old steers at \$15 and \$15. Jas. A. Cope made the trade.

W. C. Thomson sold to F. C. Bates, Jr., of Eldorado, about 500 stock sheep at \$3 for grown sheep and \$2.50 for lambs. Mr. Thomson wants to buy several thousand muttons.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Huey of Schleicher county, are in Sonora this week. Mr. Huey will receive the Robbins and the Whettenburn & Davis steers at Sonora on Aug. 20.

Dr. McCord of Juno was in Sonora this week attending to C. F. Adams, the show man.

W. A. Glascock took another reason for the poor catches.

supply of ingredients for the Government Dip for cattle. Mr. Glascock is greatly pleased with the actions of the first dipping and will dip again just to hold the tick back.

Thomas North, father of Joe F. North, is up from Kerr county on a week's visit. Mr. North was greeted by many of his old friends in Sonora and reports his health as especially good. Bob Martin, the tax assessor offered Mr. North \$50 for "Winnie Davis" knowing that \$125 had been refused for her and the old gentleman pulled up his sleeves instancer. Mr. North was accompanied by his grandson, Bias, a fine specimen of the stalwart young sons of Kerr.

Jas. A. Cope, the commission man, is putting up an office building 20x30 ft. on the Allison corner. Tede expects to be in it some next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ben Blakeney returned Thursday from a ten days visit to the E. F. Tillman ranch on Bear Creek in Menard county. They report a delightful visit and outing.

The A. F. Bellows phone line is now in operation from Sonora to Juno and there connects with the line to Comstock and Del Rio. Patrons of this line apart from the improved service consequent on directions, may now talk to Del Rio for 75 cents where the charges formerly was \$1.80. The rate Sonora to Juno is 25 cents. The system will be continued and extended from the Matt Karnes ranch to Ozona via the Friend and Childress ranches and thence from Ozona to Stiles in Reagan county. On completing the system it will be necessary for A. Bert Bellows to move his family to Ozona. The News regrets this feature of the arrangements but wishes the young man the success his perseverance and industry deserves.

J. T. Irwin was in Sonora Saturday for supplies from the ranch formerly known as the J. M. G. Baugh ranch on the line of Schleicher county. Mr. Irwin is pleased with his experiment in planting ccw peas—they are doing well.

County Commissioner Sam L. Merck was accompanied to town Sunday by two of his daughters. The young ladies returned to the ranch Monday.

W. S. McDonald, the rock mason, who lived in Sonora about 13 years ago, is in Sonora prepared to do all kinds rock, cement and concrete work.

W. J. Earls, foreman of the Eldorado Success, was in Sonora this week with his father, Rev. Earls. Mr. Earls says some parts of his country are in fine shape and some very day. He says they have fine prospects for a good town in the near future. He paid the Devil's a friendly call while here.

J. W. Martin left for San Angelo Thursday to attend to some business. John is going to try the commission business with his brother, Sid.

Mrs. Clyde Mills, was in Sonora this week from the J. E. Mills ranch in Schleicher county, accompanied by Harold and Miss Essie Mills. They were the guests of the Commercial.

W. B. Silliman of the Commission firm of Silliman, Campbell & Evans of Eldorado, was in Sonora Tuesday from a business trip to Dry Devil's River Country. Mr. Silliman finds the country in unusually good shape considering the dry weather.

Even a badly broken arm has not subdued the fun loving spirit of Chas. F. Adams. Mr. Adams came home from Juno, Monday, and with his arm in a plaster bandage the result of an accident near Juno when the hack turned over. Charlie says the show business will have to come to an end since the passage of the Anti-Pass Law. Dock Simmons proved that they couldn't jump the board bill and Charlie says there's no use trying to beat transportation.

### FISHERMEN NEED BREAK

Fishing has been fair, but only fair, since the opening of the general fishing season May 1, according to reports to the Executive Secretary of the Game Department, who said bad weather, including heavy winds that prevented much sport, was the principal

## SIDELIGHTS OF SHOW AND SALE SATURDAY

Tom Richey made himself more popular than ever with Sutton county citizens last Saturday, when he again made a donation of \$25.00 to be applied on the premium for the best put-up bag of wool in the wool and mohair show. In addition, he paid a high price of 34 cents for long wool in the show, 32 cents for short wool, \$1.00 for kid hair, and 75 cents for grown hair in the mohair division.

Russell Martin and A. K. Mackey wool buyer and secretary of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association, made themselves generally useful at the show and sale, in pinch hitting for Stanley Davis, of the Texas A. & M. College Extension Service, who was unable to be present on account of an injury received a few days previously.

Ten counties competed in the wool and mohair display and premium competition. Each year the show gets bigger and better.

It was a day for sportsmen in Sonora—and every victim of a prank could take it. Sam Allison bought a pair of toe-fenders for \$15.50 (sales price \$10) and some Spanish goats while talking to some friends away from the auction ring. Unaware of his buyers, Allison later cheerfully agreed to take the purchases.

Bill Fields is a shy a Jersey heifer today. While this wool buyer was in Lampasas Saturday, one of his prize potential milk cows was donated by his friends to the auction sale and sold at \$40. But being a Sonoran, Fields won't mind when he finds out about it, and the heifer will be delivered to its new owner.

Highlight of the Sonora auction sale was reached when Auctioneer Nelson Johnson sold the "grab-bag" at \$11 to Ed Schuch of San Angelo. After the high bid was reached, Schuch was called in the ring to open the cardboard box. After seeing his purchase, he donated it back to the Lion's Club for a re-sale. The first bid was "four-bits" given by Edwin Mayer, Jr., who immediately bought the box and its contents. He opened the box and pulled out a opossum. Tom Bond told the youth to take it to the office of his grandfather, Sol Mayer, and leave it.

Tom Bond is that fellow at Sonora who is always around to lend his assistance and good nature to the occasion. Saturday he helped work the sales ring—pulling bids from the stands—while Nelson Johnson gave the chant of the tobacco auctioneer. Bond knows everyone in the country and always enjoys himself wherever he is.

John Fields bought more livestock through the auction ring by the Sonora Wool and Mohair Co. warehouse Saturday afternoon than Armour or Swift in Fort Worth. When the sale was over his purchases included everything from yearling ewes to Spanish billies. Joe Vander Stucken also bought lots of Spanish goats.

Jack Neill and Fred Simmons clerked the Lions Club sale. County Agent Dick Homann of Junction was the other ring assistant. Fred Earwood did his share of the buying as did Ben Cusenbary, Willie Miers, Buster Halbert, and many others. Arthur Simmons was in charge of getting the animals in the sales ring. And every ranchman in Sutton County, no doubt, contributed animals.

Wallace Dameron reported plans for the annual Round-Up working out as smoothly as can be. No one asked to be on the program has refused and from all indications there will be a library of practical information released during the two days.

Price for Spanish goats in the Sonora auction sale—unreported. Reason: Tom Bond doesn't want George Whitehead to find out as they are planning "to get to him" on a deal to supply barbecuing goats for the Round-Up. (P. S. For George Whitehead only, some of the Spanish kinds brought \$5 a head).

Texas farmers and other land-owners receive more than \$132,000,000 a year from the Texas petroleum industry in lease and royalty payments.

## Dr. Cox Warns Health Officers Of Summer Illness

Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, today warned city and county health officers over the state to take immediate control measures against the spread of diarrhea and enteritis (summer complaint). Widespread outbreaks of the disease have already been noted in several parts of Texas, and unless immediate checks against the disease are inaugurated, there is a likelihood that the 1940 morbidity and mortality total may rise above that for 1939, when a total of 28,338 deaths were reported in Texas.

"June, July and August of each year witness the peak prevalence of intestinal disorders, most of the victims being infants who suffer from so-called 'summer complaint.' Adult are also affected, the aged being quite susceptible," Dr. Cox further pointed out.

Illness is usually of sudden onset, accompanied by fever and severe diarrhea due to inflammation of the lining of the bowel (enteritis). The patient suffers loss of bodily fluids, and the bowel discharge often contains blood and mucus. Convulsions and coma frequently precede fatality, particularly in the infantile type of summer diarrhea.

Of the 1939 total 2,338 fatalities, 1,775 affected infants and children under two years of age, and 563 deaths were among persons over two years of age (chiefly elderly people).

Diarrhea and enteritis as a rule results from the use of contaminated food products or contact with a patient or carrier. Dysentery bacilli or germs are often found through laboratory examination of intestinal discharges. Laboratory studies demonstrated that many patients with diarrhea and enteritis (summer complaint) are really suffering from bacillary dysentery. This infectious disease is very similar to typhoid fever in its method of spread from person to person.

Prevention of diarrhea and enteritis is dependent on positive control factors such as: (1) Safeguarding food, milk, and water supplies. Foods should be covered at all times to prevent access of flies; raw vegetables and fruits should be thoroughly rinsed before using, and should never be sprayed either in transit or in commercial establishments with water other than that approved as being free from

contamination.

(2) Improvement in sanitation, methods of excreta disposal, and fly control. Breeding places of flies should be destroyed to prevent propagation; houses and commercial establishments should be thoroughly screened to prevent their entry; garbage should be placed in covered containers to prevent access of flies, and collection and disposal of the garbage should be more frequent in the summer during the fly-breeding season. In localities where approved sewage disposal systems are not available, surface toilets should receive special attention as to sanitation. It is recommended that excreta be covered with waste oil, sand, ashes, or lime frequently during the summer season for satisfactory sanitation.

(3) Ready access of food handlers to soap and water so that strict cleanliness in the preparation and serving of food may be had.

(4) Scrupulous attention to the matters of infant care and home hygiene. It is urged that special care be taken in the preparation of the infant's diet. Unless the home is fully screened against flies, the baby's crib should be screened or covered with netting.

Citizens are urged to report to their local city and county health officers any cases of diarrhea and enteritis of which they have knowledge so that immediate control measures may be inaugurated to prevent the further spread of the disease. Persons contracting diarrhea and enteritis (summer complaint) are further urged to get in touch with their family physician for immediate medical care.

### FARMER FINDS A FRIEND

Should armadillos be destroyed?

The Game Warden for the Lampasas district reports that a farmer near Gail, in Borden county, is thoroughly opposed to harming a single one of the clumsy creatures.

In fact, the farmer imported over a dozen armadillos from East Texas and released them on his South Plains farm, hoping that they would thrive and multiply and assist him in controlling insects that damaged his crops.

It is a matter of record that the diet of an armadillo is made up of 94 per cent insects, such as cut worms, beetles and ants. Ants especially are heavily devoured. Since ants are one of the greatest enemies to quail and turkeys, because they destroy the young birds at pipping time, the arma-

dillo, in addition to being the farmer's friend, is also the friend of the sportsmen because of his service in destroying quail predators.

The armadillo is not native to the plains region of Texas. One of the armadillos the farmer imported to Borden county was killed by a sportsman near Gail and this gave rise to the erroneous impression that these animals be longed to the South Plains as well as the more eastern portions of Texas.

## Recommendations To Be Made For 1941 Range Program

Representatives of the Federal and State agricultural agencies operating in Texas have been invited to assist in the drafting of recommendations for changes in the 1941 AAA program at a meeting in College Station, June 14.

Meanwhile, tabulation of the recommendations sent to the state office by the community and county AAA committees is underway so that a complete picture of the farmers' wishes in regard to the program may be presented to the meeting. Questionnaires were sent to every county in the state to be answered by county committees, following recommendations made by farmers in community meetings.

At the conference in College Station, the final draft of suggested changes will be drawn up, George Slaughter, chairman of the State AAA committee, said. Conferees will study the compiled results of the questionnaires and will make recommendations on the basis of the county suggestions.

Texas delegates to the National AAA Conference to be held in Washington in July will attempt to get the suggested changes incorporated in the AAA program for 1941.

### INSPECT HARDWARE

Locks, bolts, hinges, and window fastenings of the home require occasional inspection. Loose fixtures should be tightened, and broken ones should be replaced, say FHA officials. If the hardware has started to rust, sandpapering and refinishing will lengthen its life and improve its appearance.

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- Ben Cusenbary, 1 yearling ewe, John Fields, \$10.00.
- W. R. Cusenbary, 2 yearling ewes, John Fields, \$16.00.
- Paul Turney, 5 yearling ewes, John Fields, \$33.75.
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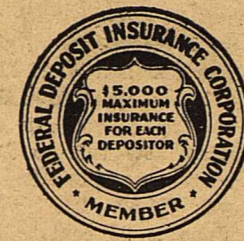
- Ram, Ben Cusenbary, \$12.00.
- Joe B. Ross, 2 Angora Does, Bryan Hunt, \$18.00.
- Velma Shurley, 7 Angora Does, Love and Vander Stucken, \$28.00.
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- Ed Schuch, 3 Corriedale Ewes, Cauthorn Bros., \$63.00.
- E. C. Garvin, 1 Angora Billie, Joe Berger, \$10.00.
- Gibbs and Friess, 3 mutton goats, Mrs. N. B. Wilson, \$18.00.
- Sam & Lula Karnes, 2 fat lambs, Moore and Neill, \$13.00.
- C. T. Jones, 1 fat calf, Self Serve, Eldorado, \$48.57.
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- Geo. S. Allison, 1 fat steer, Self Serve, Sonora, \$66.50.
- Bill Fields, 1 Jersey heifer, Fred Earwood, \$40.00.
- Howard Espy, 1 filly, E. D. Shurley, \$30.00.
- Thomas Espy, 1 saddle horse, Jack Mann, \$60.00.
- T. A. Bond, 1 fat mutton, G. D. Chalk, \$10.00.
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- Perry Mittel, 1 mutton.
- M. M. Stokes, 2 muttons.
- Lloyd Earwood, 1 sow and 2 pigs.
- Ed Willoughby, 1 fat lamb, Hix Hall.
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- A. Schneider, 1 mutton, B. M. Halbert, Jr., \$15.00.
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- Fred Earwood, 1 yearling Ram, Thos. Bond, \$6.00.
- Ben Cusenbary, 1 Ram lamb, W. E. Glasscock, \$10.00.
- Alfred Schweining, 1 mutton, Self Serve, Sonora, \$7.00.
- Mrs. N. B. Wilson, 3 mutton goats, U. S. Salt, \$15.00.
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- 2 Spanish Kids, Lloyd Earwood, \$11.50.
- 2 Spanish Kids, Lea Allison, \$18.00.
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- Robert Massie, 1 bottle Coca Cola, Ben Cusenbary, \$5.00.
- 1 opossum to Eddie Schuch, \$11.00.
- Hank Bowman, 1 kid, Joe Vander Stucken, \$13.00.
- Gus Love, 1 yearling ewe, Ben Meckel, \$10.50.
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- J. D. Cowsert, 1 mutton sheep, Park Inn Cafe, \$8.00.
- Moore and Neill, 2 fat lambs, J. D. Lowrey, \$20.00.
- Shannon Hospital, 2 yearling ewes, John Fields, \$16.00.
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The report of the entertainment committee is as follows:  
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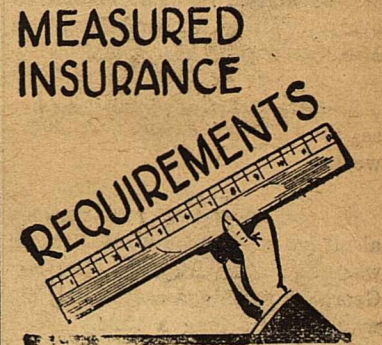
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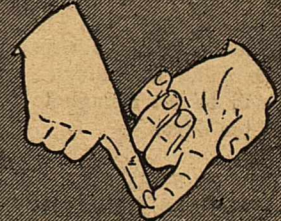
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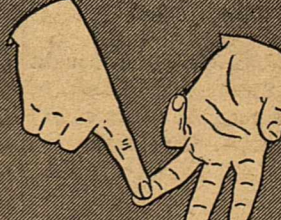
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