





**BROBDIGNAGIAN BUSHES, BERRIES BORNE BY BUSY B-1—OH, WELL**

**Quotes From South's Speech Show Stand**

Representative Charles L. South's speech on the Smith Bill is quoted in full:

Mr. South: Mr. Chairman, Ralph Waldo Emerson, who is perhaps the greatest political and religious philosopher this country has ever produced, said:

"Every excess causes a defect; every defect an excess."

He said further: "You cannot do a wrong without suffering a wrong."

Mr. Chairman, it is not necessary for me to point out at this time wherein a few labor leaders who are hungry for power have indulged in excesses and have committed wrongs. Therefore, it becomes necessary for the Congress of the United States to take such action as may be necessary in order that further excesses and further wrongs may not be committed at this crucial time in our Nation's history.

I had hoped that legislation such as this would not be necessary, but the situation has become progressively worse, until a few weeks ago we saw one of these labor leaders defying the President of the United States and threatening to prevent nine-tenths of the honest men in union labor who want to work from doing some, thereby crippling our entire defense program.

Must we permit that situation to continue?

What does the Smith bill, which I am supporting, do? First, it freezes the closed shop as of the date of the passage of this legislation. Certainly this is not a very extreme thing to do. Further, it prevents strike violence or violence on the part of the so-called picketers.

Violence of this kind and character should never be permitted. The States have not been able to cope with the situation; therefore there is nothing left for the Federal Government to do but to step in and prevent it.

The Smith bill outlaws jurisdictional strikes. I submit to you that in times such as we now are passing through we cannot afford to be tied up by disputes as to whether the A. F. of L., the C. I. O. or some other labor union shall carry on the work in the mines and factories of this country.

**Aero Laboratory Set Up At U. T.**

Texas' first aerodynamics research laboratory is being set up at the University of Texas, as part of the school's newly established graduate program in aeronautical engineering. Construction of an air tunnel for checking air forces on a plane in flight has just been announced.

E. J. Mathews, University of Texas registrar, will play a leading role in the convention of the American Association of Collegiate Registrars when the group meets in Chicago April 13-16. He is chairman of the committee on Latin-American educational institutions.

The University of Texas deans will discuss the problems of men students in war time when they attend the Association of Deans and Advisers of Men at Urbana, Ill., April 23-25. Dean V. I. Moore and Asst. Dean Arno Nowotny will attend.

**Luncheon Given For Keene Guests Saturday**

Misses Doris Keene and Jane Dunn were named honored guests Saturday when Mrs. Stella Keene entertained with a luncheon at the Hotel McDonald. Miss Keene and Miss Dunn are student at the University of Texas at Austin.

The table was centered with a basket of pansies and candytuft placed on a large reflector. Pastel shades were used in the table decorations and favors.

Attending were Misses Beth Sheely of Fort Worth, Dunn, Keene, Margaret Sandherr, Elizabeth Elliott, Libby Jo Wallace, Sammie Jeanne Allison, Patsy Gilmore, Guggie Marion, and Peggy Gilmore; and Mrs. Keene and Mrs. Raymond Morgan.

The amazing story of Vitamin B1, as told by promoters of its use for flowers and plants, is seen to be only a dream in the daylight of scientific investigation. Not justified by the evidence, is the scientific verdict upon such claims as "vitamins now discovered to work wonders with plants; tremendously successful results—5 inch rosebuds; daffodils larger than a salad plate; snapdragons 6 feet tall; vitamin B1 releases the plant food in the soil and magnifies it."

The true story of Vitamin B1 for plants and flowers is told by G. S. Fraps and J. F. Fudge in Circular 95 entitled Vitamin B1 (thiamin) and other vitamins as fertilizers. This circular can be obtained free of charge from the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station at College Station. This is summarized below:

Vitamin B1 (thiamin) has been claimed by persons interested in selling the material to produce considerable increases in plant and flower growth. Experiments conducted by qualified scientific investigators in a large number of laboratories, including that of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, have shown that in nearly all cases the application of commercial preparations of vitamin B1 (thiamin is without value.

Most green plants synthesize within themselves sufficient quantities of vitamin B1. Vitamin B1 also occurs in organic matter in the soil and in organic matter in fertilizers, such as manure and cottonseed meal, and may be absorbed from the soil by the plant.

Flowers which have not responded to applications of vitamin B1 (thiamin) include asters, begonias, cinerarias, chrysanthemums, cosmos, dahlias, gardenias, roses, snapdragons, sunflowers, and zinnias. Vegetables include snap beans, beets, cabbage, cauliflower, sweet corn, lettuce, muskmelon, mustard, peppers, radishes, rutabagas, summer squash, and tomatoes. Orange trees, bluegrass, bentgrass, alternanthera, Asparagus plumosus, wheat, and cockleburrs also did not respond.

Favorable results have been secured with camellia and pansies under certain conditions. Vitamin B1 may also be of value for certain slow-growing perennials or in transplanting.

There is no evidence that other vitamins are of practical importance in increasing the growth of plants or the size of flowers, when applied to the plant or the soil.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture's food stamp plan has been extended to Armstrong, Cottle, Hardeman, Haskell, Knox, Nolan, Throckmorton and Dallas Counties,

Texas farm income during February was double its normal capacity University of Texas Bureau of Business Research reports indicated.

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**OPENS STATION**

I have opened the George Trainer Service Station on the Ozona Highway and will continue operation of the Service Station and Tourist Camp, besides handling MILK, TOBACCO, CIGARETS, CANDY, & COLD DRINKS OF ALL KINDS.

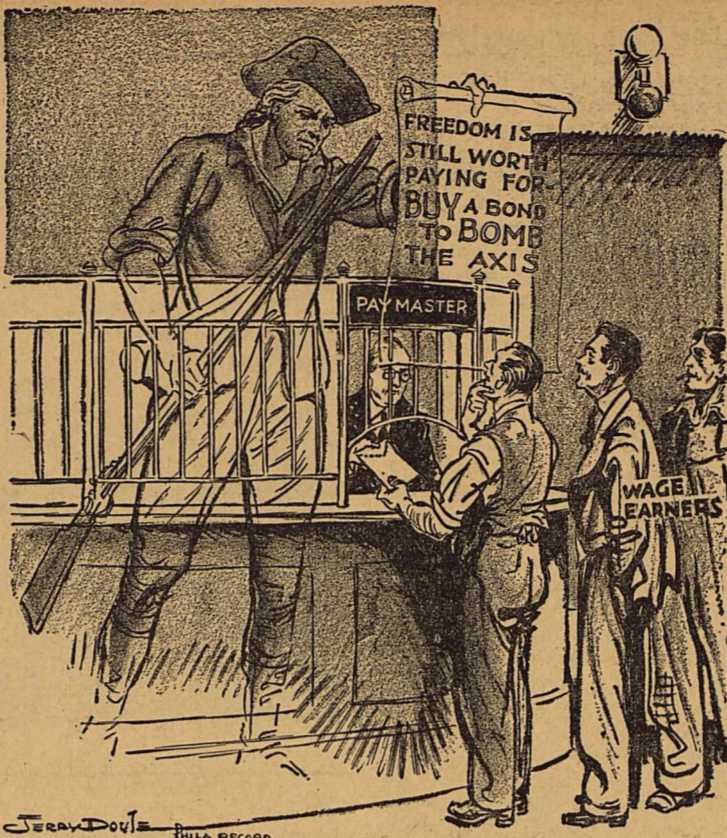
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**\$500 Reward**

I will pay \$500.00 to any person furnishing information leading to the arrest and conviction of anyone stealing any kind of livestock from any ranch in which I am interested.

**SOL MAYER**

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From Philadelphia Record.

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Texas farmers and landowners obtained 933,900 trees in 1940 for starting new woodlands. The trees were distributed by the U. S. Forest Service under provisions of two congressional acts.

A one-day program outlining Texas' part in the effort will occupy the Texas Statistical Council

at a special meeting to be held at the University of Texas May 1.

While 44 per cent of today's college students have never had a course in mathematics, 53 per cent say they generally like the study, according to University of Texas publication of a national poll of student opinion.

**Woman's Club To Donate Books To V Campaign**

The Sonora Woman's Club met at the Club House Thursday afternoon and voted to buy a bond, and all duplicate books of the Library are to be given to the Victory Book Campaign.

A nominating committee, consisting of Mrs. H. V. Stokes, Mrs. J. F. Howell and Mrs. John Fields was appointed. A report was read of buying 96 new books for the Library which will be marked in the near future.

Venezuela and Panama were reviewed by Mrs. Howard Espy and Mrs. W. E. Caldwell.

Those present were Mesdames H. V. Stokes, J. F. Howell, John Fields, Howard Espy, W. E. Caldwell, C. A. Tyler, J. H. Trainer, I. B. Boughton and Earl Lomax.

Seventy-one University of Texas co-eds who have completed their required period of physical training have recently signed up to continue their work in the interest of fitness for war assignments.

**CONTEST POSTPONEMENT READ AT BAND MEET**

At the meeting of the Band Parents Club Wednesday afternoon a letter was read of the postponement of the band concert, which the Sonora Band was planning to enter. The meeting was held in the Band Room of the Sonora High School.

Attending were Mesdames Libb Wallace, J. D. Wallace, Ford Allen, Leonard Gibbs, H. L. Taylor, Clay Atchison, and Cy Ogden; Roland Howell, band instructor.

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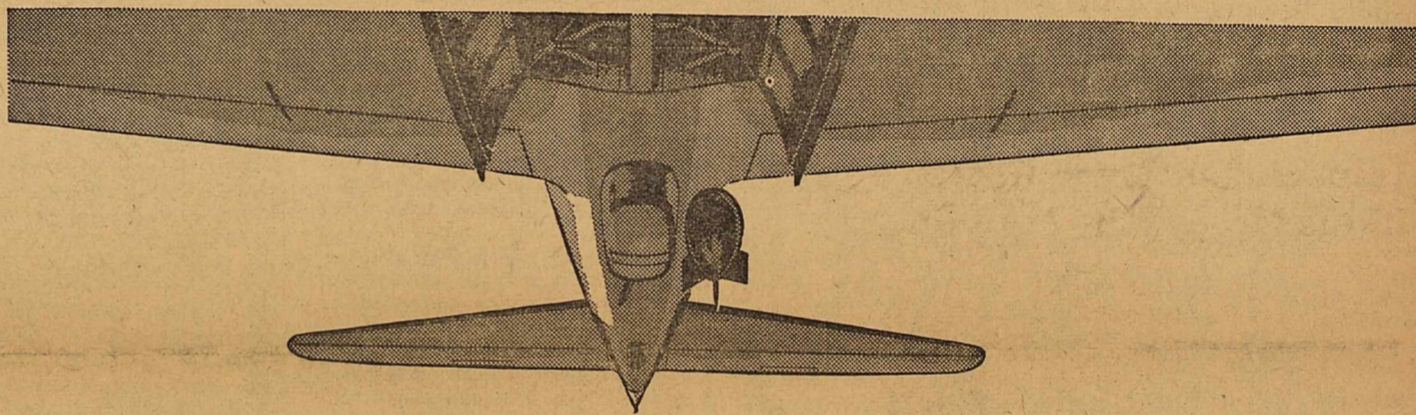
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**BOMBS!**

... after 10 Years of Inaction

WASHINGTON is "concerned" because the country has not awakened to the danger of bombs!

And the people are concerned—nay, alarmed—because Washington has not awakened to the danger confronting the country!

For 10 years the average American has been exposed to perpetual emotion. Each so-called "emergency" has resulted in creation of some new alphabetical bureau or agency until today he has little sympathy for the inconveniences of an over-crowded Washington.

With patience exhausted, the average citizen now is demanding something more than words, something more than cajolery to build up his morale.

He wants examples, actions, in high places.

Why, he is asking, is his money (taxes, bonds and stamps) allowed to be wasted on non-essential activities while boys in the armed forces are dying for lack of guns, ships, tanks and planes?

He ordered fighting equipment to rain bombs on the Axis!

No other country can compare with America's potential war production. No other has

the men, the machines—or the electric power.

America's electric companies, under trained and experienced business men, are supplying power for the vast wartime industries, in addition to your home and business, where it's needed when it's needed and in quantities greater than the combined total of all the enemy countries.

Last year they paid \$510,000,000 in taxes—enough money to equip 2,400,000\* soldiers... enough money to build 9,273\* pursuit planes, 2,429\* light bombardment planes, or 1,522\* flying fortresses!

Here's a business built the American way—by local enterprise and public individual investment—and regulated by the government and dedicated to defending America's freedom and democracy until the last dictator has fallen.

\*Based on War Department figures.



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# Son of a gun

Son-of-a-gun, which will be dished out to paid up customers weekly beginning today, was so named because the column will probably contain items about as distantly related to each other as are the contents of the famous ranch stew. In general, our purpose is to give an over-all view of the goings-on in other ranch towns and communities together with those in Sutton County.

When we were planning the column several weeks ago, we asked a certain pioneer ranchman exactly what "Son-of-a-gun" was.

"Well," he said, "it's a mess, but it tastes good." We rest our case.

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G. C. Sanders, prominent Hereford breeder, will hold a dispersion sale of 145 registered Herefords in San Angelo June 5.

Offered in the sale will be 140 females and 5 herd bulls of the Guggell-Simpson Anxiety 4th line. These are said to be some of the best breeding stock in Texas, the kind that will do for top foundation cattle and herd improvement.

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The Quarter Horse Race Meeting Association of America will hold its first annual Spring meet at Eagle Pass April 16-19, running five quarter horse races and one long race each day. According to W. H. George there will be a \$50 cash purse for each race with entry fee added. Stall fee for the four days will be \$1.50 which does not include feeding or bedding. All entries for the races will be made and the entry fees made at Eagle Pass the night before the races are run. Tickets will be 55 cents, men in uniform one-half price.

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Last Sunday's Standard carried an interesting item in their "Looking Backward Column": "The Fort Worth Gazette reported that it was expected that a Japanese

colony would be established at Sonora." Evidently they decided to try Pearl Harbor first.

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Beginning next Tuesday a livestock auction sale will be held in Junction each week. No quality cattle and only a few sheep and goats were offered for sale last week, but although receipts were light, prices were good on all classes offered. Next Tuesday A. L. Mudge and Son will offer four yearling Hereford bulls.

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Who said horse and buggy days were over? J. D. Estep & Sons, San Saba Hardware, furniture, and vehicle dealers have received inquiries from people all over Texas who wish to buy buggies and buckboards.

Some time ago the Estep store had seven buggies on hand but shipped the last one to a prominent citizen and horseman at Lubbock, and three months ago shipped the last of their side-saddles to a dude ranch in Florida.

However, they have been finally able to receive assurance of a buggy manufacturer in Indiana that they will soon ship the Esteps another consignment of buggies from that state for sale in this area.

Good buggies up to six months ago could be bought for as little as \$135. Now the retail price is somewhere near \$200, Raymond Estep, manager of the store said Saturday.

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Pecos and Terrell County 4-H club boys received some fancy prizes for livestock shown at El Paso last weekend. George Lee of Iraan received \$1.05 per pound for the second place fine-wool mutton lamb and Billy Jo Short of Sanderson received 32½ cents per pound for a second place in the lightweight calf division.

# The Devil's River News



## Screwworm Flies Show Decrease In Southwest Area

ONLY 10 PER CENT FOUND IN SURVEY

College Station, April 9—A phenomenal decrease in the survival of screwworm flies has occurred in the overwintering area of Texas, says Cameron Siddall, entomologist of the A&M College Extension Service.

"According to a survey by the Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine at Menard," "only about ten per cent, or slightly less, of the average normal population for the past seven years were taken in the 37 states and survey traps during December, January, and February. The decrease was most marked on the western Balcones escarpment, where only approximately six per cent of the normal population was indicated. In past years this area had by far the highest population and was the center of high spring and summer population of the screwworm fly to reinfest the remainder of Texas and adjoining States.

On the other hand, an approximately normal population developed during the last half of January and the first part of February in the vicinity of Laredo and Catarina, and a rather light infestation was indicated along the escarpment, except in the extreme east.

Data indicates the lowest early spring population east of the Continental Divide since 1935, and is probably one of the lowest for the past 28 years with the possible exception of four years prior to 1931, Siddall says.

"So far as can be determined this was brought about by the most of the ranchmen on the western part of the Balcones escarpment practicing recommended ranch management procedure at a time when weather conditions were most favorable for the fly."

Regardless of the favorable outlook, Siddall cautions livestock men to treat all early cases of worms in all areas; to clear and haul all wounds before fly dates; and to avoid moving livestock infested with screwworm from Texas, Florida, Arizona or southern California between April 1 and July 1.

## COUNTY 4-H CLUB HAS \$371 IN BONDS, STAMPS

The Sutton County 4-H Club reported 100 per cent participation in the War Bond and Stamp program at their meeting last Tuesday. To date the club has bought \$300 in bonds and \$71 in stamps, Wilfred Berger, club reporter, stated.

Members' record books, giving full particulars on work done to date, were read at the meeting. Those present were Eugene Alley, Eugene Shurley, Jerry Shurley, Glen Richardson, Tommy Bond, Frankie Bond, Lynn Morris, Norbert McIntyre, Jimmy Cusenbary, and Wilfred Berger. H. C. Atchison also attended.

—Try Your Local Product First—

## INTEREST IN GARDENING APPROACHING LEVEL REACHED DURING FIRST WORLD WAR

### INSECTICIDES RECENTLY DEVELOPED TO CONTROL GARDEN INSECTS

The interest in gardening is approaching the level reached in the first World War. Paramount now as well as over a long-time period is the need of improving through the need of improving health through better food habits and the greater use of foods that increase the intake of vitamins and essential minerals. Physical well-being is to have first consideration in improving morale, and is almost the first line of defense. The record of physical examinations of men for Army and Navy service gives adequate testimony to the need for better nutrition. Better food habits should include not only a much wider use of milk, eggs, and meat, but also fruits and vegetables for the protective and health-building elements they yield.

It is recognized that the city or town garden has certain health and recreational values, but it should also be recognized that the money, time and energy expended on city vegetable gardening are often far in excess of the value of the vegetables produced, for several reasons. Poor soil and gardening conditions, coupled with neglect when the gardens need the most attention, drought, insects, diseases, lack of supervision, all may result in disappointing yields and vegetables of poor quality.

The garden spot should be well fertilized and well rotted manure is the best fertilizer which not only adds food nutrients for the plants but also adds humus to the soil and increases the water holding capacity of the soil. Commercial fertilizers can be used but some soils do not respond readily to their use.

Types and numbers of garden insects have increased during the last few years and until two or three years ago we had no satisfactory method of control for many of them. However, manufacturers of insecticides have recently developed and placed on the market practically all of the common garden insects.

## Roy E. Pfiester Enters Training

Beginning training as an Aviation Cadet in the United States Army, Roy E. Pfiester, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Pfiester of Fort Stockton, recently was assigned to the Air Corps Training Center Area in Santa Anna, California.

After completing his course of continue primary studies in the West Coast Air Corps Training Center Area. He attended high school in Fort Stockton, receiving

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## STATE LEADERS TEAM UP FOR U. S. NAVY RELIEF CAMPAIGN



GOVERNOR COKE STEVENSON has proclaimed the week of Sunday, April 19th, as Navy Appreciation Week for Texas. The week will be devoted to an intensive drive in every county in the state to raise funds for the Navy Relief Society to care for the dependents of men serving on the firing line with the U. S. Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard. Texas is asked to give \$210,000 as its share of the \$5,000,000 national quota. Attorney General Gerald C. Mann (center) is state chairman for the campaign. Seated beside the Governor as he signs the proclamation is Capt. H. W. Underwood, commandant Naval ROTC, at the University of Texas. Navy men standing with Chairman Gerald C. Mann are (left) Petty Officer Loyd Bahr and Chief Petty Officer E. H. Grill of Austin.

### Killing Cut Worms

Reports are coming in that cut worms are destroying garden plants. This garden insect is easily controlled by using a poison bran mash. The ground which is being prepared for the garden can be treated before any planting is done. Tin cans placed around the plants will protect them while they are tended and subject to damage but will not destroy the cut worms.

The Sonora Lions Club is sponsoring the Victory Garden movement and has appointed a garden committee which will prepare the poison bran mash as well as other garden insect poisons. Residents of Sonora who want this cut worm poison should contact the County Agent who will have a supply on hand at his office.

Other insect poison will be made available when the need arises.

## Action Asked By Mohair Growers At Kerrville Meet

Ceiling O. K. If Govt. Thinks It Necessary

Asking immediate action, and going on record in favor of a price ceiling on mohair, "if the government thinks it necessary," a group of Texas and Oklahoma mohair growers met Tuesday in Kerrville with Sidney Eiseman, wool consultant of the War Production Board, and Dr. John F. Bell, chief of the wool and mohair unit of the Office of Price Administration. The growers proposed that should a ceiling be necessary, the prices should be fixed at 60 cents for average grown, 80 cents for kid, with a 10 cent premium for better than average quality.

President Earwood and Vestal Askew, secretary of the association, expressed themselves well pleased with interest shown by the producers in attending Tuesday's session and said that the meeting was important since the immediate future of the industry might hinge on what government authorities learned here.

Members of the special committee drafting the resolutions include: Young and Sorrels from Arizona; Scott Schreiner, Kerrville; Adolph Steiler, Comfort; Lee Drisdale, Del Rio; Fred Horner, Uvalde; C. B. Wardlaw, Del Rio; Frank Montague, Bandera; Marcus Auld, Leakey; Mickey Stephens, Lometa; B. M. (Busty) Halbert, Jr., Sonora; L. F. Ashton, Fort Worth; Mr. Earwood, Mr. Askew and Ralph Stewart, secretary of the Texas Angora Goat Raisers' Association.

In the first resolution it was also proposed that the base-ceiling on graded hair, mohair matchings, or sorts, be worked out original bag price FOB, the shipping point.

### Planning Your Garden

A garden planted with proper varieties of vegetables and properly worked need not be large to furnish fresh vegetables for the average size family. It has been demonstrated that a home garden can be profitable grown in the City of Sonora. An excellent demonstration was the one grown last year by Dr. Tom White at his home south of the High School grounds. He has another one started this year. He had to locate his garden on a steep and rocky slope where very few people would attempt it, but with some good work and close supervision on the part of E. R. Crumley he raised enough vegetables for 3 or 4 families.

Now since the City Government and the Lions Club are sponsoring the Victory Garden Movement with the help they have offered, there should be many town gardens in Sonora this year.

The writer has been asked for some suggestions as to preparations and planting of gardens.

First of all, to allow proper irrigation the garden spot should be leveled. If well rotted manure is to be added it should be spaded or plowed into a good depth. Be careful about using fresh manure as too much will cause poor germination and burn plant roots. Any added should be well mixed into the soil. The seed bed should be watered and allowed to settle before planting.

Onions, beets, carrots, English peas, spinach, mustard and Irish potatoes should have been planted in February or March, however, it is not too late for some of these kinds if planted soon.

It is time now to plant warm weather vegetables, such as bush and pole beans, squash, okra, leaf lettuce, cucumbers, tomatoes, egg plant, mustard, pepper, and Swiss chard.

Below is listed some varieties which are recommended for garden planting in this section:

- Onions (plants)—Yellow or White Bermuda
  - Beets—Detroit Dark Red
  - Carrots—Red Cored Chantenay
  - English Peas—Thomas Laxton or Little Marvel
  - Spinach — Bloomsdale Long-standing or Noble
  - Mustard—Tendergreen or Florida Broadleaf
  - Beans—Stringless Green Pods or Refugee (bush)
  - Lima Beans—Henderson's Bush or Florida Special
  - Squash—Yellow Crook Neck
  - Cucumber — Stays Green or Straight Eight
  - Okra—White Velvet or Green Prolific
  - Tomatoes (plants)—Stokesdale, Marglobe, Porter or June Pink (do not plant June Pink if wilt is present).
  - Pepper—California Wonder and Long Red Chili (hot)
  - Radish—Scarlet Globe
  - Lettuce—Early Curled Simpson or New York No. 12
  - Swiss Chard—Lucullus
- There are other varieties which will probably do well here but only proven varieties should be planted. Plant a Victory Garden and give it the proper care. With the help that is being offered by the City Commission and the Sonora Lions Club, the time and money spent on the garden should prove profitable to the residents of the town who will carry out their part of the program.

**NEW FLOOR**  
The Court House hall is having an asphalt tile floor put down this week. The work is being done by C. O. Bolen.

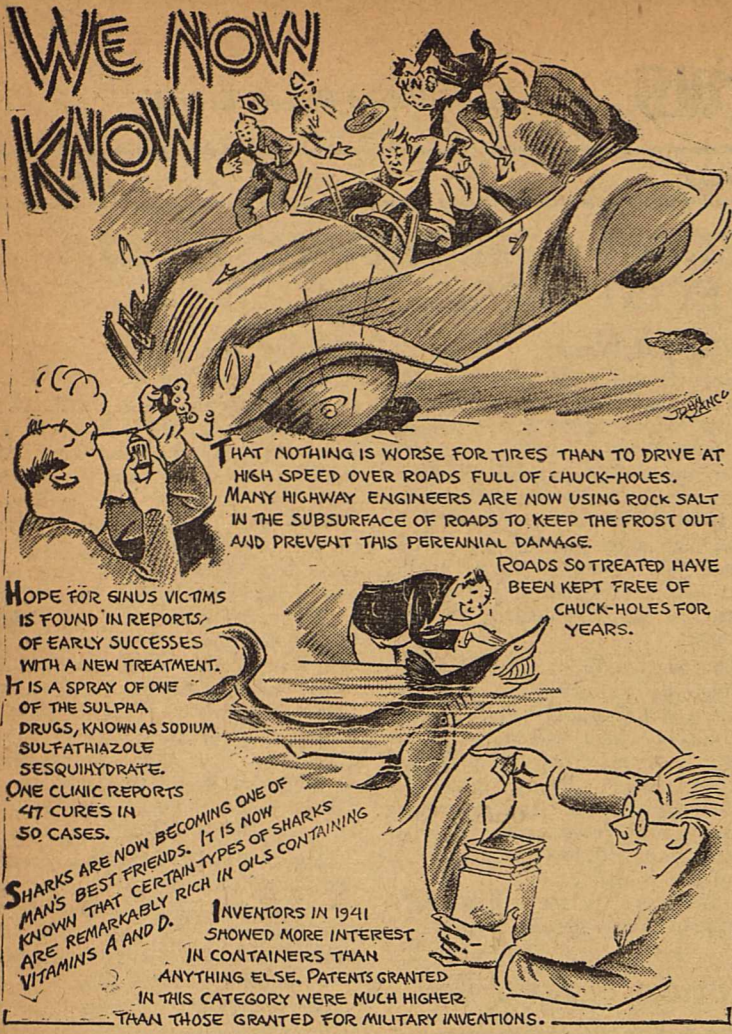
## Happy Birthday

- Friday, April 10—  
Nancy Christie  
Mrs. W. B. McMillan
- Saturday, April 11—  
Mrs. Frank Bond  
Mrs. H. L. Taylor
- Sunday, April 12—  
Lucille Smith  
Artie Zine Joy
- Thursday, April 16—  
Clay Puckett  
Jimmy Hill

J. Frank Dobie, University of Texas author-professor, will speak before the annual session of Texas Junior Historians at their meeting Saturday, April 11.

### APRIL

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### Roger Babson Says . . . . .

**ARE WE HEADED FOR BANKRUPTCY?**  
Babson Says No Cause For Alarm

I have been asked how the Government can continue to spend more than it takes in without going into bankruptcy. The first answer is that the Government can issue legal currency. This is not true of individuals or corporations or even municipalities or states. All these four groups can be "busted;" but this is not necessarily so of a Federal government. Government vs. Private Enterprise

The above is an example of the confused understanding which exists among many people of the operation of government as an enterprise, compared with the operation of private business as an enterprise. The average person has much difficulty in understanding how the Government can continue a financial policy which would be ruinous to an individual, or to a business. We should also keep in mind that our Government is a separate legal entity and operates on an accounting basis which is quite separate and apart from that of its people.

It is not the Government which is short on merchandise and has a well-filled till but rather our businessmen and investors. The \$70,000,000,000 in bank deposits in the country belong not to the Government but to the individuals. The businessman is oversold, not the Government. We all know that Washington has been spending far more money than it has gainfully received from taxes, revenue duties, and other sources. It will take considerable time to raise sufficient funds to anywhere near balance expenditures and income. Hence, our Government, but not necessarily our businessmen and investors, will continue operating upon a deficit basis.

**Appropriation and Debt**

Since September 1939, when World War II got under way, Congress has appropriated 170 billion dollars for armament and other purposes. Of course, not all of this has been spent. Furthermore, receipts have been secured from tax payments and



**WAR WORKER GIRLS** in uniform—Eight young women employees of the Philadelphia Ordnance District Headquarters are shown in their new uniforms which they designed and purchased with their own funds. Wearing of the uniform is optional, but many girls prefer it because it is practical and military in appearance. Adoption of similar uniforms is considered by the thousands of women and girls in War Department Offices in

Washington and elsewhere in the country. Overseas caps are Army type and the jackets are single breasted, have four buttons, epaulets and slit in back, similar to Army officers' blouses. Buttons are Army type. The skirts are flared, have deep single "kick pleat" in front and back, with zippered side fastener and a belt overlapping. Shoes are Army officer style with strap and buckle over instep and with spectator heels. Shoe color is "turf."

other sources which have about paid 50 per cent of the amounts actually expended so far. In this connection, March income tax receipts permitted the budget to be balanced temporarily. Now however, greater deficits than heretofore will shortly follow.

**Our national debt** is crossing the old 65 billion limit. By the end of the calendar year it will probably be 80 billion. The debt will continue to rise and ultimately reach much higher figures. Many feel that we are headed for financial bankruptcy and ruin. "Why not ultimately write it all off through bankruptcy proceedings and start all over again with a new set of books?" they ask.

**Government Bonds Safe**

There is a vast difference between the bankruptcy of an individual and that of a government. Many honorable men have been forced into bankruptcy by causes over which they had no control. Faith among individuals in society is not disturbed under such circumstances. It would, however, be very wrong for our people to declare their Government bankrupt and wipe out its debt that way. Regardless of the power of the Government or the weakness of the minorities who are its creditors, this should not be used as a convenient excuse for repudiation. I have no fear that it will be. I continue to be an optimist on the United States and Canada.

The procedure which Washington and Ottawa has been following is taking care of our rising debt. It is not necessary for a government or an individual to pay a debt when the interest charges are promptly and repeatedly honored. In fact, creditors seldom want repayment when repayment is possible. They prefer to remain invested in such sound securities. If the interest rate continues to remain low, the debt can easily

be met for years to come. Hence, holders of government securities should not be fearful of the intrinsic worth of their investments.

**Sales Tax Coming**

The present rate at which taxpayers' money is being spent does not mean that the debt cannot be reduced after the war ends. Following the close of the war, the budget can be balanced if the Party in power truly desires to do so. My reason for this is not alone that armament spending will decline. The point is that we will continue to be taxed after actual hostilities are over. This means that a surplus should pile up. In time this could equal and surpass the national debt at the beginning of the war.

The Government will continue during the war to spend much more than it takes in. To shorten the deficit period, Congress is now considering a new tax bill far heavier than anything we or any other country has ever known. Washington is sound in seeking new tax sources, which—unlike the inheritance and high income taxes—are not destroying our "seed corn." I believe that an honest sales tax is the answer.

For a federal or state government to depend wholly on a sales

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letters for performance in both football and basketball.

Cadet Pfiester is a grandson of Mrs. Beulah Pfiester and a nephew of Mrs. Elmo Johnson of Sonora. Mrs. Pfiester has two other grandsons serving our country, Willis Pfiester who is stationed in California studying to be a cadet and Lawrence Cuthals,

### Happy Feet

Use Our MODERN, EFFICIENT SHOE REPAIR SERVICE for the benefit of your Shoes and Feet.

**H. B. WAUSON**

SADDLE SHOP

—Expert Shoe Repairing—

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Halbert were in San Angelo Monday on business.

## BANK REPORT

CHARTER NO 5466 RESERVE DISTRICT NO.11  
REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE  
FIRST NATIONAL BANK  
In the State of Texas, at the close of business on April 4th, 1942.

**ASSETS**

1. Loans and discounts (including \$6952.67 overdrafts)	\$529,123.46
2. United States Government obligations	40,000.00
3. Obligations of States and political subdivisions	387,728.43
5. Corporate stocks (inc. \$6,000.00 stock of Fed. Res. Bank)	6,001.00
6. Cash, bal. with banks, reserve bal., cash items	215,802.61
7. Bank premises, \$14,700.00; furn. and fix. \$3,700.00	18,400.00
8. Real estate owned other than bank premises	1.00
9. Investments indirectly representing bank premises	5,000.00
11. Other assets (Premium on Bonds)	17,713.69
<b>12. TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$1,219,770.19</b>

**LIABILITIES**

13. Demand dep. individuals, partnerships, corps.	807,385.25
14. Time dep. individuals, partnerships, corps.	40,343.18
16. Deposits of States and political subdivisions	64,514.63
17. Deposits of banks	2,099.33
18. Other deposits (certified and cashier's checks, etc.)	5,058.83
<b>19. TOTAL DEPOSITS</b>	<b>\$919,401.22</b>
20. Bills payable, rediscounts, and other liabilities for borrowed money	62,716.55
<b>24. TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$982,117.77</b>

**CAPITAL ACCOUNTS**

25. Capital Stock:	
(c) Common stock	100,000.00
26. Surplus	100,000.00
27. Undivided profits	34,652.42
28. Reserves (and retirement account for preferred stock)	3,000.00
<b>29. TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS</b>	<b>245,472.53</b>
<b>30. TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; CAP. ACCT.</b>	<b>1,219,770.19</b>

**MEMORANDA**

31. Pledged assets (and securities loaned) book (value):	
(b) Other assets pledged to secure deposits	82,000.00
(e) <b>TOTAL</b>	<b>82,000.00</b>
32. Secured liabilities:	
(a) Deposits secured by pledged assets	32,792.72
(b) Borrowings secured by pledged assets (including rediscounts and repurchase agreements)	25,000.00
(d) <b>TOTAL</b>	<b>57,792.72</b>

STATE OF TEXAS,  
COUNTY OF SUTTON, ss:  
I, GEO. H. NEILL, active vice-president and cashier of the above-named bank, solemnly swear the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
GEO. H. NEILL, Active Vice-President and Cashier.  
CORRECT—Attest: E. F. Vander Stucken, S. H. Allison, Edwin E. Sawyer, Directors  
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of April, 1942.  
(SEAL) H. C. KIRBY, Notary Public.

REPORT OF AN AFFILIATE OF A NATIONAL BANK  
—Published in Accordance With Section 5211, U. S. Revised Statutes—  
Report as of April 4th, 1942 of  
**SONORA CONSTRUCTION COMPANY**  
SONORA, TEXAS

—which is affiliated with FIRST NATIONAL BANK, Sonora, Texas, Charter No. 5466, Reserve District No. 11.  
Kind of Business:

**CONSTRUCTION OF BANK BUILDING**  
Manner in which above-named organization is affiliated with national bank, and degree of control:  
Stock held by First Loan Company, Trustee, for stockholders of First Loan Company, an affiliate of the First National Bank of Sonora, Texas.

Financial relations with bank:  
Obligations held by affiliated banks—Bonds \$5,000.00

STATE OF TEXAS,  
COUNTY OF SUTTON, ss:  
I, GEO. H. NEILL, active vice-president and treasurer of the Sonora Construction Company, do solemnly swear the above statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
GEO. H. NEILL.  
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day April, 1942.  
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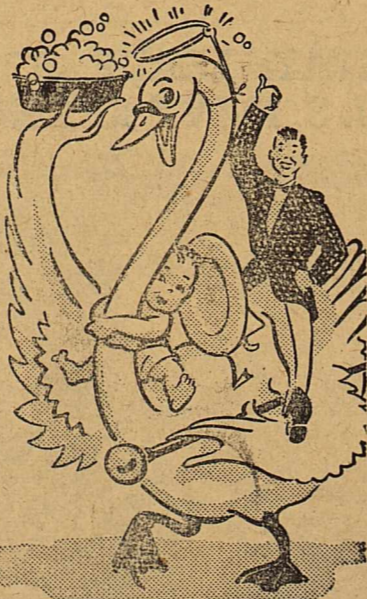
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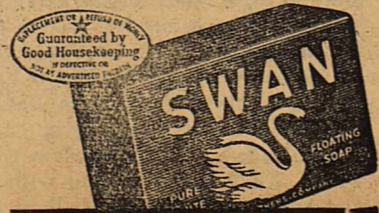


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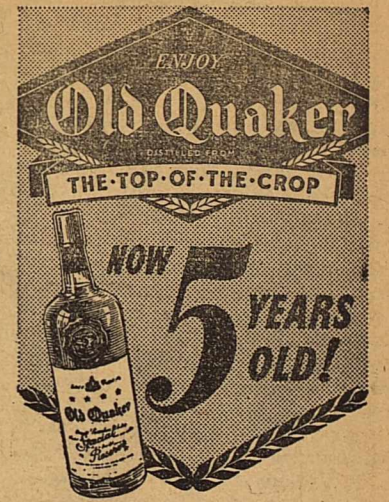
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tax would be very unfair to people with small incomes. A sales tax—however—superimposed on present income taxpayers is not unfair to those who pay no income taxes. In fact, such a sales tax could be more of a hardship on those who are also paying high income taxes in addition.



