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The Devil's River News

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SIXTY FIFTH YEAR

Sonora, Texas, Friday, January 14, 1955

FOURTEENTH WEEK

State To Spend \$1,145,000 On US 290, US 277 Projects In County

The report on the local telephone rate situation comes to you this week in the form of two disassociated items.

A. Clinton Owsley, telephone rate expert employed by the city, has made a tentative date with the city council to meet with them Tuesday, February 15.

B. We received a report from Shearson, Hammill and Company, San Antonio stock brokers, which lists General Telephone under a heading titled "We are adding to the current buy list."

Latest earnings released by General Telephone indicate earnings are consistently upward and once again we draw attention to this excellent investment in the telephone industry. For the 12 months ended November 30, share earnings were \$2.82 on average shares now outstanding compared with \$2.99 last year, but the former reflects 1,185,000 more shares than the calculation last year. The actual dollar comparison shows a net income of \$15,763,000 vs \$13,511,000. The company has been generous to stockholders in the past by frequently raising the dividend, last May it paid a 50 percent stock dividend. The percent 1.60 rate is obviously ultra-conservative in relation to consolidated earnings and we anticipate another increase before long.

General Telephone common is reasonably priced at around 34 1/2 and for future growth and satisfactory income it can be included in any list of utilities where some emphasis is placed on growth potentials.

DECEMBER 28, 1954
SHEARSON, HAMMILL & CO.
CA-6-3351
117 East Travis Street,
San Antonio, Texas.

We just don't know what to think. Here we've all been worried sick for fear the telephone company might go broke, and then we find a stock broker who seems to think the company is fairly solvent.

To us, this whole telephone episode can be boiled down into one statement: "Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty." And economic liberty can be just as important as physical liberty.

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Roy Cooper and ourselves had the pleasure Friday morning of showing members of Mrs. Brodhead's and Miss Lewis's third grades through the News office. Several sent well-written thank-you notes, which are appreciated.

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The radar test conducted here last week by State Highway Patrolmen Herman Moore and Bob Brookshire proved conclusively that people are becoming aware of the dangers of high speed.

In the three hours the radar was operated near Sonora on US 290, over 100 cars and trucks passed the zone. All who exceeded the legal speed limits were stopped.

Nineteen vehicles were stopped with 72 miles per hour being the top speed recorded and the only one over 70. Most were around 65 for cars and 55 for trucks. All those stopped were given warning tickets.

Interesting was the variety of license plates seen in such a test. We counted two Arizona, one Guam, several from California, and singles from Oklahoma, New Hampshire and Georgia.

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Mrs. Monroe Decker, who was killed, with her children, in a New Mexico plane crash last week, was a niece of Dee Word, Miss Nettie Word and Mrs. Luella O'Leary. Mrs. Decker's father was Orville Word, who was killed some years ago in a riding accident. She was the former Edith Word, and had many friends in Sonora.

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We jumped the gun on the 4-H Club banquet. It will be held this Saturday night, January 15, at 6:30 at the cafeteria. The Rev. Alanson Brown, rector of St. John's Episcopal Church, will be guest speaker.

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Pepper Buys C. & P. Grocery

J. W. Pepper has bought out the interest of T. R. Chappell in the C. & P. Grocery and changed the name of the business to Pepper's Cash-Way Foods.

Pepper began a remodeling program this week which will include a new store front.

The new owner bought a half interest in the store in March 1952.

Chappell's plans are indefinite at this time, he stated.

Two Offsets Planned Here

Sheardy A. Lamb of San Angelo has filed application to drill two offsets to Blue Bonnet Oil and Gas Co. No. 1 H. Walker Estate, opener and lone producer in the Bluebonnet Field of Sutton County, 13 miles northeast of Sonora near the Schleicher County line.

The projects will be drilled with rotary to 3,000 feet with drilling to begin as soon as possible.

The No. 1 F. P. Bond, one location northwest, is 330 feet from the south and 1,363 feet from the east lines of 64-K-GH&SA.

The No. 1 Ann Tippet Mann, one location northeast, is 330 feet from the south and 340 feet from the west lines of 57-K-GH&SA.

SYKES FAMILY REUNION

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Sykes had their entire family with them, at their home on the ranch, during the holidays. The guests included Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sykes and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Watson and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Barnes and family of Junction. Mr. and Mrs. Artie Joy, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Luckie, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Rode and daughters, and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sykes and sons of Sonora. Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Simmons of La Juanta, Colo., and Mrs. Blanche Martin of Pittsburg.

Mothers March Of Dimes Jan. 29

The Mothers March of Dimes will be held here Saturday night, January 29, from 7 until 8 o'clock, according to Mrs. Norman S. Davis, chairman. Mrs. Davis said citizens wishing to give to the Mothers March of Dimes may let workers know by leaving their porch lights on.

Morning coffee parties are also planned for the March of Dimes campaign.

Mrs. Davis and 16 co-workers met this week to make plans for the drive. M. R. English of Abilene spoke to the group and showed the film, "They Shall Not Want."

Three Named To All-State

George Wright, Sonora's all-star quarterback, was picked last week by the Texas Sport Writers Association for the No. 1 all-state Class A team.

Donald Fuqua, who played tackle on this year's bi-district champion team, and Ted Bailey Joy, who played guard, were named to the No. 2 all-state Class A team.

George Johnson, sophomore back, received honorable mention by the association.

MRS. TIPTON HERE

Mrs. Edward B. Tipton and daughters, Carol and Hilde arrived Wednesday from Jacksonville, where they spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Tipton. Sr. Tipton came down from New York for the holidays.

Mrs. Tipton and daughters will visit her parents Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Babcock for a month before returning to New York.

Soil District Invites Essays On Conservation

Supervisors of the Edwards Plateau Soil Conservation District met Monday, January 10, and agreed to again sponsor the annual conservation essay contest for student of Sonora Public Schools.

The board will provide local prizes of \$10, \$7.50, \$5, \$4, \$3 \$2, and \$1 for the seven best essays written by local students. Each essay will also compete for \$250 in prizes in a 51 county area, and will compete State-wide for an all expense vacation trip. Miss Jackie Wardlaw was the state winner in 1950 and won a vacation trip to Colorado. Sonora has had a number of regional winners.

The subject for the essay contest this year is "Why We Must Conserve Our Soil and Water." "This is a very timely and important subject and I hope we will have a large number of participants," said Joe B. Ross, board chairman.

Essays must not be over 300 words in length, and should be original. They must be completed by February 4 and returned to District Supervisors Joe B. Ross, Fred T. Earwood, Frank Bond, Edwin E. Sawyer, or W. B. McMillan, or to Clinton Langford or E. B. Keng.

Additional details of the contest will be furnished students by school authorities, who have always been very cooperative in assisting with the contest. "Practically all of our food and clothing come directly from the soil, and with our rapidly increasing population it is very important that every American understand the importance of soil and water conservation," E. B. Keng, SCS technician pointed out.

Mr. and Mrs. Pink Glasscock left this morning for Galveston, where Glasscock will undergo surgery to correct a back condition.

Petition Asks Election For Community Bldg.

A petition bearing 156 names was presented to the County Commissioners last Monday by Gay Copeland and Stanley Mayfield, local ranchmen, asking that an election be called to vote \$75,000 to build a community center building here.

Since only 50 names are required for the calling of an election of this type, the election will be called and a date will be set at the February meeting of the court. The petition calls for spending \$75,000 for the building.

Tentative plans are to ask for a building similar to the one in Eldorado.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Elliott had as their guests Monday and Tuesday, Mr. and Mrs. Frank O. Ray of Alpine.

Soil Conservation District News

Prepared by Local SCS Personnel
News of Edwards Plateau Soil Conservation District

Four years of below normal rainfall have increased erosion hazards on many ranches in the Edwards Plateau Soil Conservation District. The outstanding conservation need, when the rains do come will be careful management to restore a grass cover. Light stocking, coupled with deferred grazing, will help nature accomplish the "regrassing" job.

On most ranches there are small valleys where runoff water will collect during rains, and will rot spread out to seak into the deep soil. Old roads often collect water and channel it down the hill in growing gullies.

Low wire fences, or wire diversions, can be very valuable in spreading water out and slowing it down to soak in the soil. These wire diversions are simply low wire fences, usually built on the contour across small gullies or channels. These fences catch "drift" and cause the water to spread out and slow-down, irrigating the soil. Every rancher has observed instances where ordinary fences have been valuable, in catching drift and preventing erosion.

In earlier days many ranchers constructed "spreader-dams", in an attempt to hold and spread water. These earth structures were largely unsuccessful because they were expensive, hard to maintain, and did not permit any water to irrigate the area just below the spreader. The wire diversions permit some water to trickle through, and irrigate the entire area over which water is spread.

The diversions are constructed about 10 inches high, with doubled sheep wire, and vary in length from one hundred to several hundred feet, depending upon the land and water conditions.

They have been successfully used on ranches in the Marfa-Balmorea-pecos area for many years.

Ranchers can receive cost-sharing assistance for wire diversions from the Sutton County ASC program, at the rate of \$10 per hundred feet. E. B. Keng, SCS technician, will be glad to give interested ranchers additional information on wire diversions and help in laying them out on the land.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Anderson spent several days in Tuscola, the guests of their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Stephens.

4-H Shsw January 22

Lake View Wins Sonora Tourney

The Lakeview Maidens won the fourth annual Sutton County Invitational Girls Basketball Tournament here Saturday night with a 39-26 victory over the Mertzon Hornets.

Harper defeated Barksdale 46-40 in the closely fought consolation finals.

Named to the all-tournament team were Peggie Beck of Barksdale, Marcia Davis of Mertzon, Jo Ann Bierschwald of Rockspings, Betty Keels of Lakeview, Bobbie Gibson of Harper, Betsy Ross of Sonora, Connie Williams of Lakeview and Jo Ann Harkey of Mertzon.

Lakeview entered the finals with a 34-23 win over Rockspings, and Mertzon defeated Sonora 51-41 to enter the final round.

To enter the consolation finals, Harper defeated Junction 47-32 and Barksdale beat Del Rio 38-21.

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She is survived by her husband, a son, Ensign Wayne Ogden, on active duty with the Navy; a sister, Mrs. L. E. Wright of San Angelo; a brother, Hollis F. Miers of Arlington, California; and her mother, Mrs. Maggie Miers of San Angelo.

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Members of the Detroit Lions championship team lined up in Buick Motors' customer driveway in Flint, Michigan, to receive the keys for their 1955 cars from Ivan L. Wiles (right), Buick general manager, director and vice president of General Motors. The players and coaches, all of whom bought their cars from Cloyce Box (second from right) veteran Lions end, and Buick dealer in Belton, Texas are: Carl Karilivacs, Dick Stanfel, Harley Sewell, Laverne Torgeson, assistant coach Buster Ramsey, Gil Mains, Bill Bowman, Bob Dove, Lew Carpenter, Dick Kerscher, and assistant coach George Wilson. The sale was the largest by a single dealer in Buick's driveway history.

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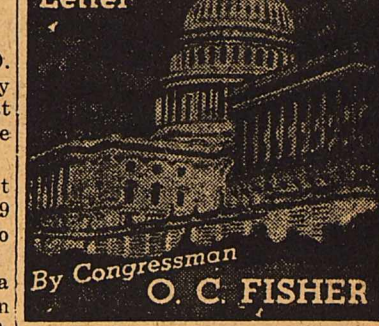
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Our WASHINGTON Letter



By Congressman O. C. FISHER

ANOTHER YEAR is in the making, another session of the Congress has gotten under way, and lines are being drawn for legislative battles that will take place during the next six months.

This being our first Newsletter in 1955, I want to take this opportunity to thank all my friends for their loyalty and cooperation during 1954, and to wish every one a happy, prosperous, and wet New Year. During the past Fall I made around 40 speeches over the district, and regret that conflicts and limitation of time made it impossible for me to accept a number of other invitations. I included my appearances at Brownwood on December 22 at an annual luncheon sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce and attended by the various service clubs and county and city civic organizations. Awards were given to the two outstanding citizens for their civic work during 1954.

WITH DEMOCRATS back in control of the House and Senate, Southern Democrats will be in the limelight. Ahead of other states in that respect will be Texas, Tennessee, and Georgia. Veteran Sam Rayburn takes over again as Speaker of the House, with Lyndon Johnson moving into the key leadership spot in the Senate. Texans moved into chairmanships of two committees with Olin Teague of Bryan heading Veterans Affairs and Omar Burleson of Anson taking over House Administration. George Mahon, next to the top in Appropriations, becomes chairman of the subcommittee that handles all military spending. I advance a bit on the Armed Services committee.

Over in the Senate, Senator Byrd of Virginia becomes chairman of the Finance committee which handles all tariff and tax bills, with Senator George of Georgia taking over the important Foreign Relations. Senator Russell of Georgia heads Armed Services in the Senate and Carl Vinson of Georgia, returns to the chairmanship of the same committee in the House. Agriculture committees are headed by Ellender of Louisiana in the Senate and Harold Cooley of North Carolina in the House.

With a number of other southerners moving up to chairmanships or ranking positions, it can be seen that influence-wise in legislative circles, the South outclasses the rest of the nation. This has happened before and is, of course, due to higher percentage of southerners being repeatedly reelected, whereas in the North and East, where organized labor, liberal, and racial blocs often combine forces to unseat Members who resist their pressures, seniority on committees is difficult to attain. The senior member on a committee automatically becomes chairman.

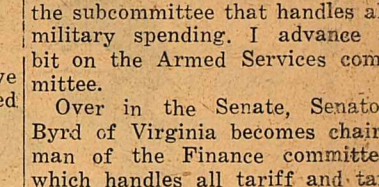
BEGINNING on Sunday, January 16, I will make a weekly radio report over San Angelo's KGKL at 12:45 to 1 p.m. KGKL asked me to do this. Similar transcriptions can be sent to any other stations that desire to use the weekly program.

We wish to express our appreciation and thanks for the beautiful flowers, messages of condolence, and other favors at the time of our loss.

The Family of Otelia Owens.
The Smith Family.

Vic Vet says

SOME POST-KOREA VETS STILL ARE APPLYING FOR GI INSURANCE BEYOND THE 120-DAY PERIOD AFTER SEPARATION... THE LAW GRANTS ONLY 120 DAYS; SO ANY APPLICATIONS RECEIVED THEREAFTER CANNOT BE HONORED



For full information contact your nearest VETERANS ADMINISTRATION office

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79c Size **39c**

Tulip Bulbs
Reg. 10c While They Last
5c Each

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Panties
3 Paid For
\$1.00

MORRISON'S

Your Health

State Health Officer Henry A. Holle believes chronic diseases represent one of the biggest problems facing health officials today.

Recent statistics compiled by the Bureau of Vital Statistics, Texas State Department of Health, show:

1. 23% of all deaths among 15-29 year olds are due to chronic diseases, with malignant neoplasms being the leading chronic disease.

2. "Well over half" the mortality in the 30-44 age group is due to chronic disease, with heart trouble, cancer and vascular lesions being the leaders.

3. "Almost 8 out of 10" deaths in the 45-59 bracket are caused by this disease classification, with the proportion rising to 85 per cent for those 60 to 74 years old.

4. For those 74 and over chronic diseases cause 84 per cent of the total mortality. The slight decrease in percentage over age 75 is because of the high susceptibility to accidents, pneumonia, and influenza among the aged.

"When chronic disease is mentioned, all too many people think of the problem as being confined to the middle-aged or older," the

health chief said, adding that such an idea was not consistent with the facts.

"The term chronic," Dr. Holle explained, "means the opposite of acute. When applied to a disease, chronic means of long duration. That would mean cancer or tuberculosis in chronic, while smallpox or poliomyelitis is acute."

"The significant thing," Dr. Holle indicated, "is that the Chronic disease classification causes 23% of all deaths among young people in the 15-29 age bracket." "Obviously, that makes the teen ages the first age at which the diseases assume a major mortality role."

Attend Church Sunday!

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CHARTER NO 5466 RESERVE DISTRICT 11
REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE
FIRST NATIONAL BANK
SONORA, TEXAS

In the state of Texas, at the close of business on December 31, 1954. Published in response to call made by comptroller of the currency, under section 5211, U. S. REVISED STATUTES

ASSETS

1. Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection	\$1,165,887.77
2. United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	573,760.00
3. Obligations of States and political subdivisions	794,372.89
4. Other bonds, notes, and debentures	151,200.00
5. Corporate stocks (including \$9,750.00 stock of Federal Reserve bank)	9,750.00
6. Loans and discounts (including \$32,612.39 overdrafts)	2,213,394.11
7. Bank premises owned, None, furniture and fixtures \$3,000.00	3,000.00
12. Total Assets	\$4,911,364.77

LIABILITIES

13. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$3,712,212.64
14. Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	3,010.99
15. Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	56,339.74
16. Deposits of States and political subdivisions	611,288.31
18. Other deposits (certified and cashier's checks, etc.)	69,762.02
19. Total Deposits	\$4,452,613.70
24. Total Liabilities	\$4,452,613.70

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

25. Capital Stock:	
(c) common stock, total par \$150,000.00	\$ 150,000.00
26. Surplus	175,000.00
27. Undivided profits	73,751.07
28. Reserves (and retirement account for preferred stock)	60,000.00
29. Total Capital Accounts	458,751.07
30. Total Liabilities and Capital Accounts	\$4,911,364.77

MEMORANDA

31. Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and for other purposes	615,000.00
32. (a) Loans as shown above are after deduction of reserves of	20,306.28
33. (a) (1) Loans to farmers directly guaranteed and redeemable on demand by the Commodity Credit Corporation, and certificates of interest representing ownership thereof	None
(2) Real estate loans insured under Titles II, VI, and VIII of the National Housing Act	17,617.00
(3) Loans insured or guaranteed by Veterans' Administration—insured or guaranteed portions only	17,999.30
(7) Total Amount of Loans, Certificates of Interest and Obligations, or portions thereof (listed above), which are fully backed or insured by agencies of the United States Government (other than "United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed")	35,616.30

I, Clayton Hamilton, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Clayton Hamilton, Cashier.

Correct—Attest: Lea Roy Aldwell, Geo. H. Neill, Joe M. Vander Stucken, Directors.

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF SUTTON, ss

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 5th day of January, 1955, and I hereby certify that I am not an officer or director of this bank.
(SEAL) Dorothy Baker

My Commission expires June 1, 1955

REPORT OF AN AFFILIATE OF A NATIONAL BANK

Published In Accordance With Section 5211, U. S. Revised Statutes

Report as of December 31, 1954, of First Loan Company, Sonora, Texas, which is affiliated with First National Bank, Sonora, Texas.

(Charter number) 5466 (Federal Reserve district number) 11
Kind of business of this affiliate:
Mortgage Company

Manner in which above-named organization is affiliated with national bank, and degree of control:

Officers and Directors of Bank are Officers and Directors of First Loan Company.

Borrowings from affiliated bank, including acceptances executed by affiliated bank for account of affiliate and securities sold to affiliated bank under repurchase agreement \$17,000.00

I, Maysie Brown, Secretary of First Loan Company, Sonora, Texas, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Maysie Brown

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 4th day of December, 1954.
(SEAL) Dorothy Baker, Notary Public.

FIRST again!

Humble Oil & Refining Co. announces

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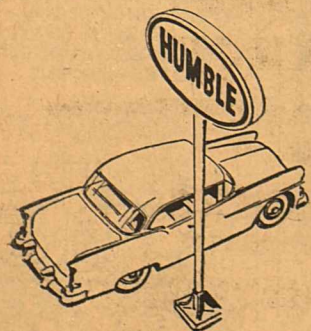
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45 YEARS AGO

Ira Glasscock was up from the ranch near Juno Wednesday, for supplies.

Max Luckie, who ranches near Owensville, was in Sonora a few days this week visiting his family.

Miss Nettie Smith, teacher of Elocution, returned Monday from a visit to her home in Georgetown.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Walker of San Antonio, arrived in Sonora Monday, and are staying at the Decker Hotel. Mr. Walker is the new dry goods man with the Sonora Mercantile Co.

The 42 Club entertained their gentlemen friends at Mrs. J. A. Cope's home Thursday evening.

Prof. Woodford and daughter, Miss Marian Woodford, returned Monday from a visit to their home and kindred at Tiago.

Misses Jenny and Beatrice

Brown, Fannie Cook, and Louella Robins spent New Years at El-dorado. Randal Robins accompanied thme.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Taylor and children, were in from the ranch several days this week, guests of the Commercial.

Miss Rita Ross left for Austin Sunday, to resume her studies at the St. Mary's Convent.

The stockholders of the First National Bank of Sonora met Wednesday, and elected E. F. Vander Stucken, G. S. Allison, Will Whitehead, E. E. Sawyer, D. J. Wyatt and W. L. Aldwell directors. The directors have not met for the election of officers, which due to the death of Mr. Jackson, will necessitate the election of a new president. They will meet Wednesday, January 31.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS FROM VETERANS ADMINISTRATION

Q - I forgot to pay my GI insurance premium on time, and mailed it to VA toward the end of the 31-day grace period. What does VA go by, in determining whether the premium was mailed in time-the date on my check or the date the premium reaches VA?

A - Neither. The postmark on the envelope is considered as the date on which the premium was paid.

Q - If the widow of a serviceman killed on active duty remarries, may she still receive the \$92.90 monthly insurance or indemnity payments?

A - The legal widow at the time of the serviceman's death has entitlement to the indemnity; her remarriage, under the law, does not bar her continued entitlement.

Q - What is the largest amount of money a veteran can borrow to buy a home under the GI loan program?

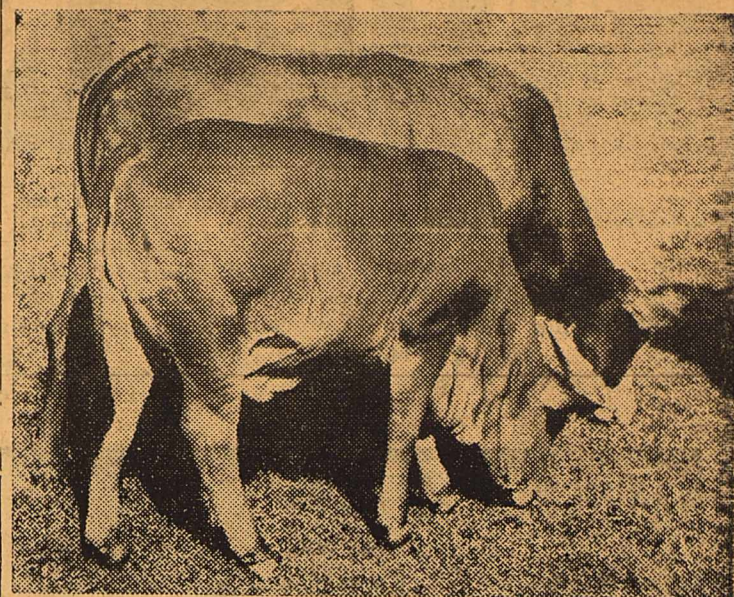
A - There is no limit on the amount of money a veteran may borrow. It all depends on what the lender is willing to lend him. The maximum applies only to the amount of VA's guarantee that can be issued upon the loan.

Q - In figuring out my annual income for VA pension purposes, am I supposed to count only my take-home pay or my gross salary?

A - You must include your total salary and not just your take-home pay. Your total salary included money withheld for retirement plans and income taxes.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Hallum, Mrs. Ellen Ray, Mrs. H. V. Morris spent last Sunday in Del Rio, visiting relatives.

More Beef With Brahman Blood



A PRODUCTIVE COW AND A BIG CALF. The 3/4 Brahman calf out of Brahman crossbred cows is finding increased favor among beef producers. This picture, taken at the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station at Lufkin in August, shows a Brahman-Hereford crossbred cow and her 3/4 Brahman calf. The cow is 13 years old. Earlier, she had produced 10 quarter-Brahman calves by Hereford bulls, averaging 535 pounds. The eleventh calf, shown here, born in February, weighed 550 lb. August 2. Keith Crouch, superintendent of the station, said the August weighing was 50 pounds per head lighter than the average for the station's 13-year history, due to drouth. The weaning

weight of this calf pushed the total calf production to near 6000 pounds.

Said Professor J. K. Riggs of the Texas A & M College department of animal husbandry: "The cow is living evidence that long, productive life, regular calving, heavy weaning weight and environmental adaptability can all be rolled into one with a very good calf thrown in."

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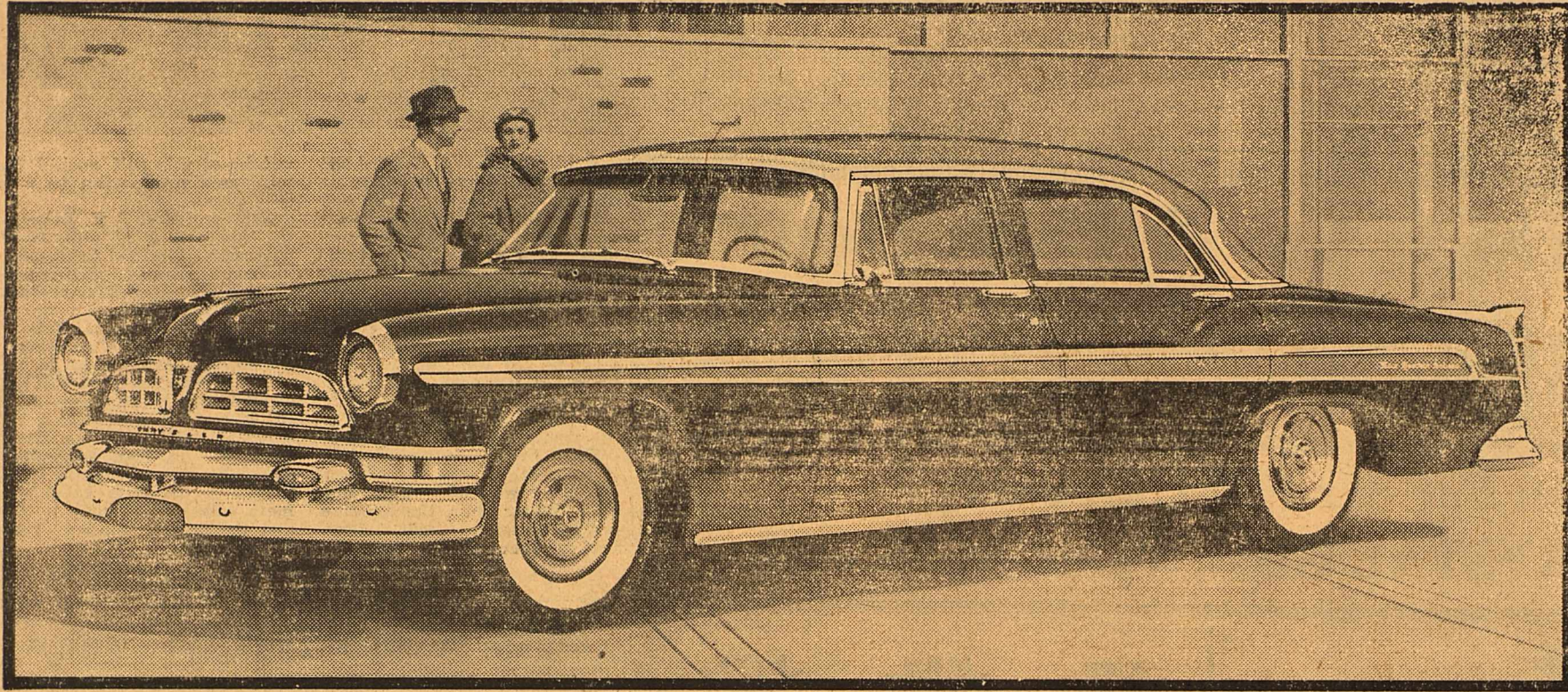
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MRS. MCGILVRAY HOSTESS TO THURSDAY CLUB

Mrs. B. C. McGilvray was hostess to the Thursday Bridge Club at her home last Thursday night.

Potted plants and pyracantha were used in decorating. A sandwich and desert plate with hot punch were served.

Mrs. O. G. Babcock won high score, and Mrs. J. W. Trainer won second high. Mrs. Joe Berger won at bingo.

Those attending were: Mesdames Robert Rees, Lee Labenske, Teresa Friend, C. E. Stites, Berger, Trainer, and Babcock.

Mrs. B. W. Hutcherson and her mother, Mrs. J. E. Grimland are in Fort Worth this weekend to visit Mrs. Hutcherson's son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James Ed Hutcherson. They will be accompanied home by Mrs. Hutcherson's sister, Mrs. H. N. Sneed of Seattle, Washington.

Mrs. G. B. Rankhorn left Wednesday to visit her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Fields of Junction, and her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Rankhorn of Kerrville.

MRS. NANCE HOSTESS TO CLUB TUESDAY

Mrs. Cleveland Nance was hostess to the Twice Tuesday Club at the home of Mrs. R. G. Nance. Cherry Pie with whipped cream and coffee were served.

Mrs. Nolan Johnson won the high score prize, and Mrs. J. W. Pepper won low. Mrs. Jack Kerbow won the slam prize, and Mrs. Sid Awalt won bingo.

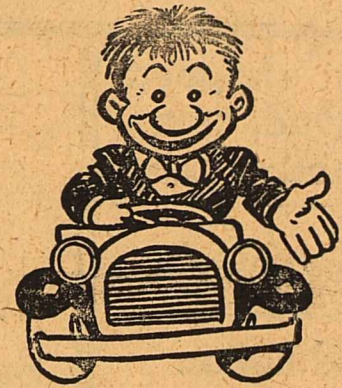
Those attending were: Mesdames Francis Archer, D. C. Langford, Joe Nance, W. A. McCoy, Reggie Trainer, R. G. Nance, George D. Wallace, Clayton Hamilton, Johnson, Pepper, Kerbow, and Awalt.

Staff Sergeant Oscar Drennan arrived home Monday on a four days leave from Carswell A.F.B. at Fort Worth. He was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Drennan.

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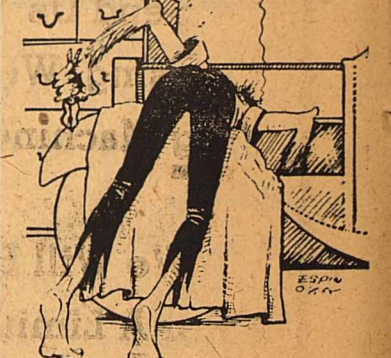
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4-H CLUB BARN

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Lamb Show 9:30 A.M. - Calf Show 1 P.M.

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LIVIL'S RIVER NEWS

Sonora, Texas, Friday, January 14, 1955

**WESLEYAN SERVICE
GUILD MEETS TUESDAY**

The Wesleyan Service Guild met at the Methodist Church Tuesday night for the regular monthly meeting.

Mrs. Billy Galbreath, program leader, took "Family Worship in The Home" for her topic. Mrs. Zephia Wheelis and Mrs.

S. A. Bridges were elected to attend the district Guild meeting in San Antonio on the 5 and 6 of February, and Mrs. W. D. Bradley and Mrs. Lloyd McMullen alternate.

Coffee, cookies and nuts were served to twenty members, by the hostesses, Mrs. Bill Magee, Mrs. Maxine Ellingson and Mrs. George D. Wallace.

**AUXILIARY MEETS WITH
MRS. BILL MCGILVRAY**

Mrs. Bill McGilvray was hostess to the Firemen's Auxiliary at her home Wednesday night.

Arrangements of cut flowers were used in decorating the party rooms. Sandwiches, strawberry delight and spiced tea were served.

Mrs. Lee Patrick won high score at bridge, and Mrs. Wesley Granger won high at 42. Mrs. Ford Allen won the bridge bingo prize, and Mrs. Gomer Minnick won the 42 bingo.

Those attending were Mesdames Ervin Willman, Katie Brasler, B. C. McGilvray, Allen, Minnick, Granger, and Patrick.

Mrs. G. H. Hall returned Sunday from Abilene where she was a patient at Hendricks Memorial Hospital.

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**Club Endorses
Community
Center Plan**

The Sonora Womans Club voted last Thursday to endorse a petition requesting the County Commissioners Court to call an election for the purpose of building a community center building.

Miss Annella Stites, president, presided at the meeting.

Mrs. B. H. Cusenbary gave a report for the federation counselor, Mrs. Thomas Morris. Members were asked to bring cartoons for a scrap book being made for the USO.

Mrs. Gerene Stansberry, Scout executive director of San Angelo, spoke on "Conservation of Youth."

Tea was served to nineteen by the hostesses, Mrs. W. T. Magee, Mrs. Leo Merrill and Mrs. Sid Rogge.

Mrs. G. H. Hall returned Sunday from Abilene where she was a patient at Hendricks Memorial Hospital.

**STUDY GROUPS TO
MEET TUESDAY**

The Parent Study Group will meet Tuesday morning at 9:15 o'clock at the cafeteria, for school age and teen age groups.

Pre-School groups will meet at 2:30 o'clock the afternoon of the same day.

Full attendance is urged by chairman of each group. The Rev. Alanson Brown will speak on "Sex Education That Makes Sense." The topics for the school age group will be "Some Get Along and Some Don't" and "Journey Toward Freedom".

**PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH
MEETS HERE SUNDAY**

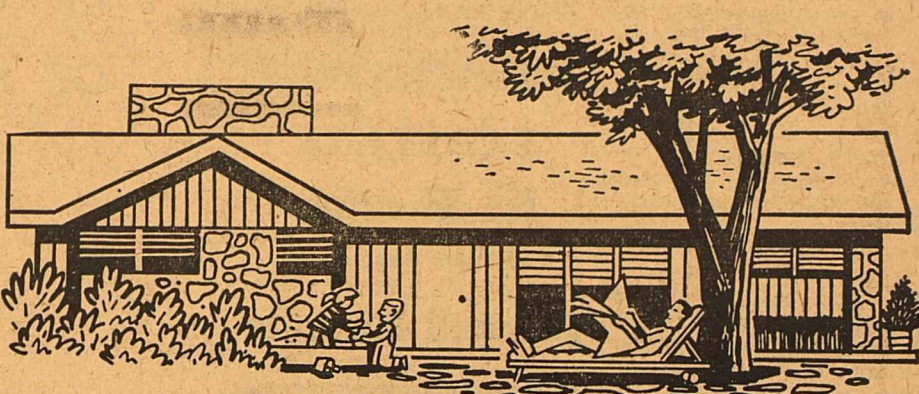
The Presbyterian Youth Fellowship of Eldorado will hold a religious meeting at the Sonora Fire Hall at 3:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon, according to Miss Martha Dell Williams, president.

The program is a worship program and will be in charge of the young people. Sonora young people are especially invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed McGinn of New York are visiting her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Merck.



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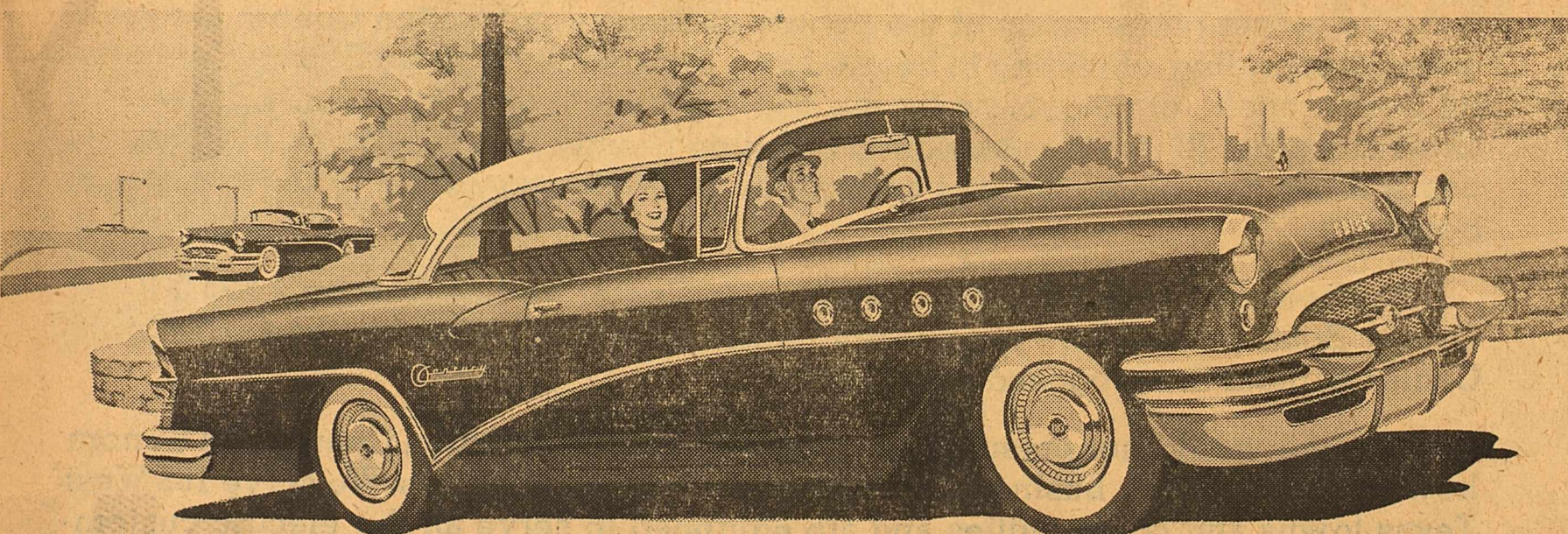
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ART CLUB MEETS

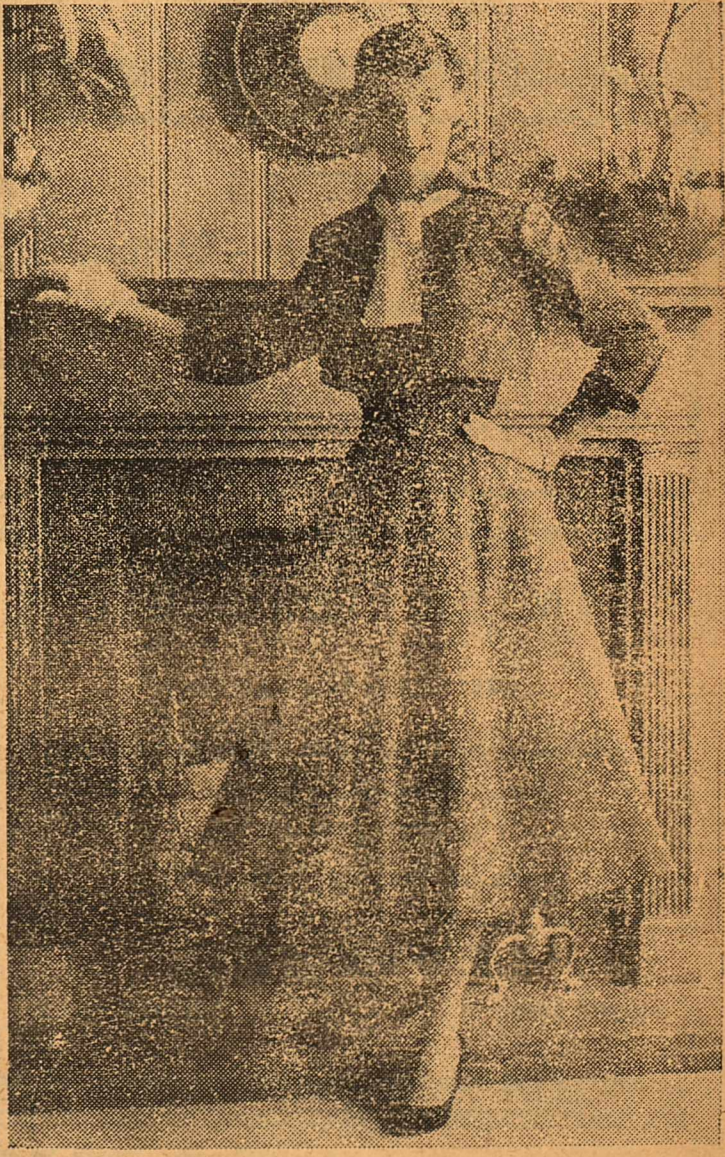
Mrs. B. B. Kelley was hostess to the Art Club at her home last Thursday night.

Mrs. Armer Earwood had charge of the program for the evening and the group studied net weaving.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Sanders of San Antonio were guests of Mr. Sander's sister, Mrs. B. C. McGilvray, last week.

Sandwich and coffee were served to Mesdames Maysie Brown, O. C. Ogden, Louie Martin, Lloyd McMullen, and Armer Earwood.

Texas Trends
dallas fashion center



Justin McCarty of Dallas fashions a costume suit of imported English cotton. The princess jumper has a gently full skirt and a short jacket with three quarter sleeves. A white linen ascot is pulled under the collar and held with a rhinestone pin. Sizes: 8-18. Colors: Brown, black. Style #9934—Retail price about \$35.00.

LET'S TALK LIVESTOCK

BY **TED GOULDY**

Fort Worth—Highlight of the Monday business at Fort Worth's livestock market was the sale of the farm-to-market feeding project sponsored by business men and the Chamber of Commerce of Waco and McLennan County. 4-H and FFA boys of that county marketed their steers at prices of \$18 to \$24 per hundred.

The visit to the market by the group and sale of their calves is an annual feature at the yards. The project is one of the best in the Southwest and teaches participating young people the commercial side of the livestock finishing business. They are encouraged to keep accurate records, strive for cheap gains by using home grown roughages and pasture and to learn fundamental business principals. In many cases bank loans provide the initial capital.

Cattle and calves were strong to 50 cents higher at Fort Worth Monday. Rain and snow over much of the territory cut the receipts in all divisions to well below normal and gave salesmen an advantage in the trade.

The Mexican government announced late last week that quotas permitting 346,000 cattle, or their beef equivalent, would be permitted to the United States in 1955. Detailed quotas for the year, by states, are: Chihuahua 100,000 head; Sonora 132,000; Coahuila 40,000; Durango 29,000; Tamaulipas 10,000; Zacatecas 10,000; Nuevo Leon 10,000 and Northern Vera Cruz 14,000. Mexican officials pointed out that quotas are needed to insure a supply of beef in their own county. Average imports in years past when the border was open have been around 450,000 cattle per year.

Despite some weakness in the lamb trade at Corn Belt points the market at Fort Worth Monday held steady to strong. Again there was evidence of strong demand from midwestern feeders for fleshy to fat lambs of handy weights of around 80 to 85 pounds, where the lambs had long enough pelts credits to ship safely to the colder climes.

Clipped and woolled fat lambs of good and choice grades drew \$18 to \$19. Feeders sold from \$17.50 onward, but buyers in-

dicated that suitable quality and weights in load lots were quotable 50 cents or \$1 above that figure. Slaughter ewes were quoted from \$6 to \$7, and aged wethers \$7 to \$12 yearling muttens drew \$10 to \$16.

Mrs. Tom Sandherr has returned from a visit with her nephew and family, Mr. and Mrs. Arleigh Owen of Uvalde, and her sister in law, Mrs. Russel Dunbar of San Antonio.

New shipment of office supplies at News Office. Adv.

**HAPPY—
—BIRTHDAY**

Friday, January 14,
Ford Allen
Mrs. Jim Perry
Saturday, January 15,
Billy Bryan Savell
Joe Brown Ross
Jack Henderson
Mrs. J. R. Taylor
Mrs. Henry Greenhill
Sunday, January 16,
Jim Perry
Tommy Bond
Monday, January 17,
Raymond H. Morgan
Mrs. Francis Jones
Tuesday, January 18,
J. R. Caldwell
Phillip Cooper
Wednesday, January 19,
Vincent Rouche
Robert Clark
Thursday, January 20,
Mrs. L. P. Bloodworth, Jr.

Personals

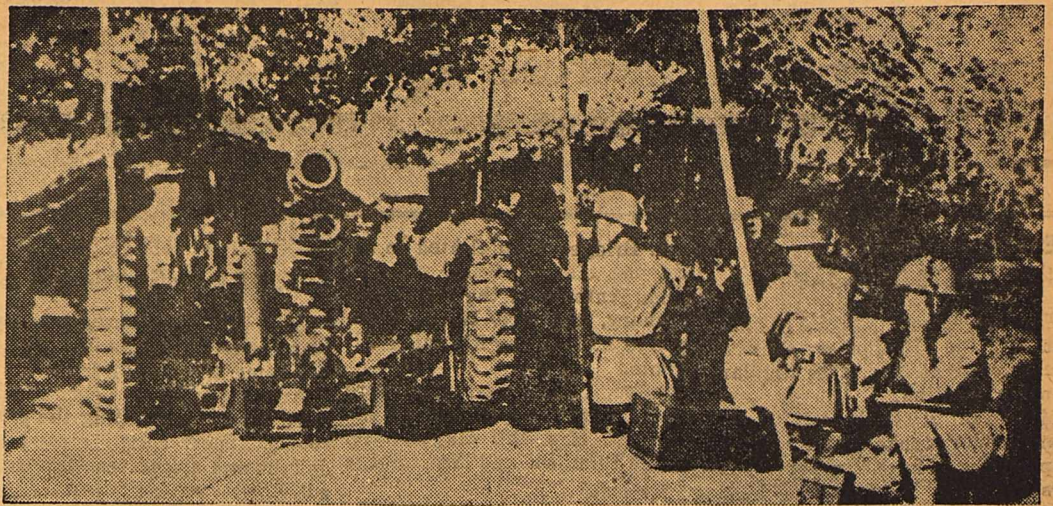
Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ray and Kimra Lynn of Lubbock were guests of his mother, Mrs. Ellen Ray, and his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Theo Cahill.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Sanders of San Antonio were guests of Mr. Sander's sister, Mrs. B. C. McGilvrey, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvis Johnson have returned from a two weeks visit with their son and family, Dr. and Mrs. William R. Johnson, Cecilia, and Cynthia, of Phoenix, Ariz.

Mrs. Pearl Martin spent about three weeks in Greggton, visiting her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Reece, Michiel and Janice.

Don and Kenneth Freeman of Keeline Wyoming, were New Years guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Artie Joy.



FREE CHINA—An American-made Howitzer stands registered on Communist positions in its camouflaged emplacement on Nanchisan Island, ranged on Communist positions on the nearby China coast. Recent reports from Taipei have described strengthening Nationalist defenses on Nanchisan in the face of firmer invasion threats from Red sources in Peiping.

**AN OPEN LETTER TO THE PEOPLE
OF SONORA AND SUTTON COUNTY—**

**West Texas Utilities
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Your Electric Servant

January 12, 1955

To Our Friends And Neighbors:

At the present time many of the people of Sonora and Sutton County are interested in providing a building to be used as a Community Center. Such a Community Center could, of course, be for the use and benefit of all the county. However, since more than 70% of the population of Sutton County live in Sonora, the greatest use and the greatest benefits of a Community Center would be to the citizens of Sonora.

It has been suggested that this Community Center be financed by a \$75,000, 3% County Bond issue. There are possibly other means of obtaining the Community Center without the proposed bond issue.

While we would not presume to advise the people of Sutton County and Sonora how to conduct their business, electric service is our business. We serve 168 West Texas towns and communities and are equipped to serve all the electric customers here in Sonora.

If the people of Sonora are interested, we are sure that arrangements could be made whereby my Company would make an offer to purchase the Municipal light system for a price that would be attractive to the City, which could also include providing the desired Community Center.

In addition to such sale of munny system, there would be other benefits such as immediate lower electric rates, improved distribution system, and additional ad valorem tax payments to the City, County, and Schools.

I shall be glad to discuss the matter further if there are sufficient people interested.

Sincerely Yours,
Boyd Lovelace
Local Manager

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District Manager

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TASTE MAIN PROBLEM IN PHENOTHIAZINE FOR CATTLE GRUB CONTROL

Free-choice feeding of phenothiazine may someday help control cattle grubs but several problems regarding its use must first be solved.

Main drawback to phenothiazine is its taste. Cattle do not like it and a practical way to feed the product has not been found.

Its future may hinge on whether research can "chocolate coat" phenothiazine and guarantee that animals on the farm will consume

enough to produce a grub killing effect, says Dr. C. M. Patterson, extension veterinarian.

In preliminary tests, a definite drop in the number of grubs was noted among cattle fed 2 grams of phenothiazine daily free-choice in protein supplement.

"With need for further testing, no recommendations are being made now," Dr. Patterson says.

If phenothiazine should prove an effective grub-killer, it would be a significant step in the control of the costly parasites.

A recent report from Fort Worth says meat packers are re-

ceiving more "grubby" cattle now than a year ago. In some cases, infested calves are running 10 percent above last year. Grubby calves usually sell \$1 to \$3 a hundred pounds less than those without grubs, Patterson adds.

BLUEBEARD DRAWS THE LINE

By W. H. Marshall

We make spiritual progress by putting God into every corner of our lives. Most people, spiritually speaking, are willing to give God ninety-five percent of their lives, but there is often one little corner that they keep back. There is something or other they do not want to change. There is one corner into which they do not wish the Divine Light to shine.

We are not always conscious of this, because the Old Adam is so subtle that he persistently keeps our attention from the weak point. We refuse to contemplate the fact, we make some feeble excuse to ourselves—we postpone. And of course always there is this door of escape—there is no harm in this—everybody does it.

Bluebeard, you remember, kept open house, with the exception of one little room—but there he drew the line. His current wife, or any of the neighbors could go all over the premises and welcome, until they came to that one little room, the bluebeard chamber; but that was forbidden. Yet that one little locked-up room contained the tragedy of the house.

How many of us have a Bluebeard chamber, a little room in our lives which God is never allowed to see or visit? The contents of the Bluebeard room need not be anything that we usually call horrible. It may just be selfishness—well, you name them.

Yes, too many of us stay at the old trick of trying to laugh God out of our lives. He means so little, and the little means so much to so many of us. Really, the way so many of us look at life, it is hard to believe that this is 1955.

Mrs. R. V. Cook spent New Year's Day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Turner in San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Saunders and their six-weeks-old daughter, Janet, of Wichita, Kansas were here last week as the guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Saunders.

Jimmy Green, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Pink Classecock, has volunteered for three years of Army service and is in training at Fort Bliss, El Paso. He has been assigned to the engineers.

CITY of SONORA Annual Financial Report

ANNUAL REPORT BY SUPERINTENDENT OF UTILITIES
FISCAL YEAR
SEPTEMBER 30, 1953 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 1954
TO THE MAYOR OF CITY OF SONORA:

As Superintendent of the General Department, and the Light, Water and Sewer Systems of the City of Sonora, Texas, I make and file with you a detailed report of the operations of such departments, plants and systems, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1954, as follows:

GENERAL DEPARTMENT:	
Revenue from taxes, sales, etc.	\$40,642.71
Expenses and costs of sales	\$31,630.99
Interest on Warrants & Notes	298.32
Bad Debt Expense	108.97
Depreciation Expense	\$ 5,216.42
Total Expenses	\$37,254.70
Excess of Revenue over Expenses	\$ 3,388.01
Accounts Receivable (Less Bad Debt Reserve)	\$ 1,205.04
Delinquent Taxes Receivable (Gen. & Gar, War. funds)	19,882.18
Receivable from Other Funds	5.10
Notes and Warrants Payable	6,000.00
Accounts Payable	799.75
Payable to Other Funds	10.00
Surplus Account	62,773.48

FIRE STATION BUILDING FUND:	
Revenue from Taxes	\$ 3,332.89
Interest Expense on Bonds	296.25
Excess of Revenue over Expenses	\$ 3,036.64
Less: Depreciation	428.26
Net Revenue	\$ 2,608.38
Delinquent Taxes Receivable	\$ 1,933.19
Bond Indebtedness	12,000.00
Surplus	19,976.81

LIGHT AND POWER SYSTEM:	
Revenue From Power and Sales	\$ 98,263.60
Expense and Cost of Sales	\$58,934.54
Bond and Note Interest	3,362.44
Total Operation Expenses	62,296.98
Excess of Revenue over Expenses	\$ 35,966.62
Less: Bad Debt Expense	\$ 1,666.32
Depreciation	\$ 5,933.46
Net Revenue	\$ 28,366.84
Accounts Receivable (Less reserve for bad accounts)	\$ 14,996.83
Due from Other Funds	50.00
Accounts Payable	2,450.74
Due to Other Funds	173.81
Bonded Indebtedness	137,000.00
Surplus Account	181,289.00

WATER SYSTEM:	
Revenue from Sales and Investment Bonds	\$44,043.69
Expenses and Cost of Sales	\$20,975.52
Bond and Note Interest	2,447.50
Total Operating Expense	\$23,423.02
Excess of Revenue over Expenses	\$20,620.67
Less: Depreciation	\$ 3,494.04
Bad Debt Expense	1,175.09
Net Revenue	\$15,951.54
Accounts Receivable (Less reserve for bad accounts)	\$ 10,575.81
Due from other Funds	158.71
Accounts Payable	918.55
Due to Other Funds	10.00
Bonded Indebtedness	61,000.00
Warrant Indebtedness	10,727.81
Surplus Account	146,443.73

SEWER SYSTEM:	
Revenue from Taxes, Rentals, Etc.	\$ 13,459.05
Expenses and Cost of Sales	\$6,413.16
Bond Interest	1,132.08
Total Operating Expenses	7,545.24
Excess of Revenue over Expenses	5,913.81
Less: Depreciation	895.39
Bad Debt Expense	\$ 186.95
Net Revenue	\$4,831.47
Accounts Receivable (Less Reserve for bad Accounts)	\$ 1,682.50
Delinquent Taxes Receivable	3,923.12
Accounts Payable	205.16
Bond Indebtedness	20,000.00
Warrant Indebtedness	4,907.19
Surplus Account	77,460.21

GENERAL SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS- GENERAL DEPARTMENT, CITY OF SONORA	
RECEIPTS	
Current Advalorem Taxes	\$29,316.91
Delinquent Advalorem Taxes	2,886.83
Occupation Taxes	1,362.64
Penalty & Interest on Del. Taxes	796.79
Nightwatchman Fees	1,520.00
Garbage Collection Fees	6,986.60
Sales of Merchandise	19.04
Receipts for Paving Assessments	5,280.11
Miscellaneous	332.55
Transfers from Utility Funds	8,000.00
Total	\$56,500.47

DISBURSEMENTS	
Amount Expended in Gen. & Paving Fds.	\$50,851.81
Amount Expended in Fire Sta. Int. & Bond Ret. Fd.	2,315.00
Amount Expended in Street Warrant Fd.	1,785.00
Amount Expended in Garbage Warrant Fd.	2,320.00
Balance on Hand, Sept. 30, 1954 (General & Sink Funds)	\$ 6,118.23
Total	\$63,390.04

GENERAL STATEMENT OF THE UTILITIES DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF SONORA, SEPTEMBER 30, 1954	
ASSETS	
PERMANENT INVESTMENT:	
Real Estate	\$ 4,035.13
Buildings	36,741.97
Furniture & Fixtures	170.95
Easements	1.00
Electric Distribution System	103,527.41
Water Works System	100,949.51
Sewer System	74,060.24
Electric Power Plant	144,675.04
Water Plant Machy. & Eqpt.	\$ 67,451.83
Total	\$531,613.08

FIRST NATIONAL BANK:	
Current Checking Accounts	\$21,443.67
Sewer Sinking Fund Tax Bond Ac.	8,283.46
Revenue Bond Sink. Funds	17,073.75
Meter Deposit Bank Accounts	\$ 5,025.00
Investment Bonds	15,000.00
Accounts In Course Of Collection	\$27,255.14

Delinquent Taxes-Sewer Department	3,923.12
Due From Other Funds	208.71
INVENTORIES:	
Waterrr Mdse. & Supplies	\$2,721.09
Sewer Mdse. & Supplies	482.39
Electric Mdse. & Engine Supplies	7,580.47
Fuel & Lub Oils	438.34
Tools & Other Equipment	\$,311.49
Automobiles & Trucks (Book Val.)	\$2,164.56
Gas Meter Deposits	\$21,698.34
Deferred Charges: Prepaid Ins. & Ins Deposits	\$620,137.30
Cash on hand & Retd. checks to be collected	40.00
	1,508.01
	121.32
Total Assets	\$653,193.60

LIABILITIES & SURPLUS	
Sewer Tax Bonds Outstanding	\$ 20,000.00
Revenue Bonds Outstanding	198,000.00
Bank Warrants Payable	15,635.00
Customers Service Deposits	8,850.00
Sundry Creditors (Sept. Accts.)	3,574.45
Accrued Interest Payable	1,757.40
Due to other Funds	183.81
Surplus (Present Worth)	\$405,192.94
Total Liabilities & Surplus	\$653,193.60

OPERATION STATEMENT UTILITIES DEPARTMENT SEPTEMBER 30, 1954	
GROSS OPERATION INCOME	
Electric Sales	\$97,906.65
Water Sales	43,772.11
Sewer Sales & Rentals	9,107.41
Sewer Tax Revenue	3,936.03
Miscellaneous Revenue	1,044.14
Total	\$155,766.34
DIRECT OPERATION EXPENSE:	
Salaries & Labor (All Depts.)	\$39,462.59
MAINTENANCE:	
Buildings	\$ 24.67
Trucks and other Equipment	1,168.52
Electric Lines	465.65
Sewer Lines	169.70
Plant Maintenance & Supplies	4,403.34
Water Line	615.51
Fuel & Lub Oils	\$20,590.03
Less: Supplies on Hand	438.34
Total	\$20,151.69
Natural Gas at Power Plant	\$ 5,498.64
Electric Current by Water Dept	\$ 6,079.93
EXPENSE:	\$ 6,783.22
General Expense	\$ 6,783.22
Plant Production Expense	1,499.76
INDIRECT EXPENSE:	\$ 8,282.98
Interest	\$ 6,942.02
Uncollected Accts. Chgd. to Reserve	\$ 3,028.36
Total Operation Expense	\$96,293.60
Depreciation on all properties	10,322.89
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OUTSTANDING TAX BONDS AND TAX WARRANTS				
Kind of Bond	Date Issued	Interest Rate	Amount Standing	Out-Amount In Sinking Funds
Sewer System	11-1-27	5 1/2%	\$20,000.00	\$ 8,283.66
Fire Station	5-1-47	2 1/4%	12,000.00	4,831.43
Garbage Disposal				
Warrants	5-1-50	4%	6,000.00	147.43
Total			\$38,000.00	\$13,262.52

GENERAL TAX STATEMENT	
Total Taxable Valuation for 1953	\$2,515,156.00
Total Tax Levy @ \$15.00 per \$1,000.00 Valuation	37,727.34
Current Taxes Collected to Sept. 30 1954	\$32,817.44
Current Taxes Delinquent on Sept. 30, 1954	4,909.90
Current Taxes Collected to Sept. 30, 1954	\$38,217.44
Delinquent Taxes Collected to Sept. 30, 1954	3,923.12
Occupation Taxes Collected to Sept. 30, 1954	1,362.64
Percent of 1953 Taxes Collected	86.5%
Percent of 1953 Taxes Delinquent	13.5%
Per Capita Tax Levied for 1953	\$14.34
(Based on 1950 Fed Census of 2,630)	

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Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Scott spent several days in Evant, guests of his aunt, Mrs. Odis B. Faubion. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lomax and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Mittele.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hudson have returned from a trip to Amerillo, where they were the guests of his mother, Mrs. B. E. Hudson.

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11:00 A. M. Morning Prayer and Communion
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Pork Chops Lean - lb.		47c	

VEGETABLES	MEATS		
Turnips & Tops - fresh - bu.	9c	Bacon - Korn King sliced lb.	48c
Mustard Greens - Bunch	8c	Sirloin Steak baby beef lb.	59c
Fresh Onions - Bunch	5c	T-Bone Steak - baby beef lb.	59c
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