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IN AND OUT AND AROUND THE TOWN

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Anderson and daughter, Mary, spent the week-end in San Angelo and Coleman.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hudson returned Tuesday from a ten day trip to Temple.

Tom Workman and Beall Barlowe, both of the Ranchers Wool and Mohair Association, flew to Del Rio in Workman's plane Wednesday to attend the wool show.

W. J. (Curly) Cowan is on crutches as a result of a foot injury. He is employed on a drilling rig in the Benedum Field.

Paul Vatterson and Paul Ashby of the Crane and Barnhart schools respectively, were in Rankin on Wednesday.

Roland Conger of McCamey, and Commissioner Joe E. Conner, was here on business Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Scarborough and son, Jimmy Meriman, are moving back to Rankin from Galveston, where they have been for the last several months. The Scarboroughs will remodel a dwelling immediately north of their former home here.

Jimmy Workman left by train Tuesday to spend the summer with relatives at various points in Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Chapman and son were in Rankin on business Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Bell, Roy Bell and Tommy Hall returned Monday night from a two weeks vacation trip to New Orleans and points in South Texas.

Tyson Midkiff and daughter, Evelyn, of Midland were Rankin visitors Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Doc Adams were business visitors in San Angelo Tuesday.

Mrs. Sallie Swafford, who has been visiting in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Walter Herral, called to her home in Weatherford Saturday due to the illness of a sister-in-law.

The rain in and around Rankin this week has refreshed the spirits of all the ranchers and business men. It has rained some every day this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clint Shaw were in Dallas Wednesday by the death of Mrs. Shaw's Uncle.

Miss Louise Merriman of Odessa has been in Rankin with her parents and friends the past week.

Mrs. S. O. Langford has just undergone an operation in a McCamey hospital and is reported doing nicely.

Mrs. Henderson Scarborough is recovering from an operation performed several days ago, and will be home the last of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Omar Warren returned Sunday and Monday in Alpine with their daughter Mrs. Warren attended the commencement exercises at Sul Ross College Monday night when their daughter, the former Mary Jo Warren, received her bachelor science degree.

Sam Holmes was an Alpine visitor this week.

James Turner of Texon was a visitor in the Holmes home on Tuesday.

Mr. H. Wheeler and Miss Katherine Wheeler went to Alpine on Wednesday and will bring Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Norri to Rankin for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Connally are at the ranch in Rankin again. Mr. Connally suffered a fall on the Kin Ranch several weeks ago. He still wears two casts.

Mr. W. Walton Herral is at his home in Van Horn this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Neal have been visitors in Rankin with his parents recently.

An Army Recruiter Explains Operations Of The Combat Arms

The Infantry, Artillery, and Armored Cavalry, which combine to provide the "sharp cutting edge" of the Regular Army's wartime might, offer challenging opportunities to alert, intelligent and ambitious young men, 1-Sgt. Percy L. Burleson, local recruiting officer from Odessa, Texas, pointed out here today.

"Despite the potentialities of the atomic bomb and the forecast of pushbutton warfare, wars still are won by ground soldiers," Sgt. Burleson said. "Scientific advances in the art of war have not diminished the need for a strong and well-trained Infantry, Artillery and Armored Cavalry."

Many important career fields are available in each of these combat arms, Sgt. Burleson explained, and the Army is now training thousands of technicians in specialties which will qualify them for important work.

"The work of a combat soldier isn't easy or soft," he said, "but it is virtually important to the peace and security of America. There is satisfaction in it; the pay is better than most civilian jobs; and there are other things which money can't buy, such as rugged, clear-eyed health and the lasting companionship of real men."

He explained that the Infantry is training men not only for motorized and dismounted operations but also for airborne, mountain, Arctic and amphibious warfare. In addition to fighting men, he said, the Infantry needs technicians trained to practice their specialties in each of these types of operations.

Sgt. Burleson explained that the Artillery affords exceptional opportunities for men interested in radar and other branches of electronics. In addition to these opportunities, men are now being trained for service in Field Artillery, Coast Artillery, and Antiaircraft Artillery batteries, and other tactical units.

The Armored Cavalry, which combines the mobility of motorized troops with the firepower of heavy tanks and the dogged spirit and determination of the Infantry, offers opportunities to men interested either in ordnance specialties or in automotive mechanics, Sgt. Burleson said.

Men who can qualify for any of these Army Combat Arms, he added, may apply for assignment to their choice of several famous fighting divisions in this country or overseas. Openings now exist, he said, in some of the Army's top units, especially among the forces occupying Japan and Korea.

Mrs. Walton Herral received a message this week that an aunt, Mrs. Fred Partin, had passed away at Weatherford. She had been ill for some time.

Mrs. Cecil Merriman and son and Mrs. Tommy Stevenson and Patsy have returned from Arkansas City where they have been with the Stevenson relatives.

Lots are being cleared back of the Robbins home where the Randolph Moore's will erect a new home.

Mrs. Randolph Moore has spent the past week with her parents while Mr. Moore and son Duane have attended the conference and visited the Moore relatives.

Mr. Jap Edwards was in San Angelo Thursday.

Mr. A. H. Lauder is building a new house on Francis Street where he will make his home.

Mr. D. L. Wheeler, Sr., of Goldthwaite has been in Rankin the past week.

Mr. Isbell of Texon was here Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Richardson of Odessa moved to Rankin on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Oxford spent Tuesday in Big Lake.

Santa Fe Railway Streamlines Payments In Cattle Losses



A record of prompt claim payments was established in Texas today by the Santa Fe Railway with \$155,000 awarded cattlemen less than three weeks after an impartial Board was organized to evaluate cattle losses resulting from the recent accidental poisoning of Little Linville Creek. Soon after Railway President Fred G. Gurley assumed responsibility and suggested a Board of local cattlemen to hasten adequate relief, action was inspired. A Board was enlisted by County Judge Thurmon M. Gupton of Brazoria April 28th; it considered first claims May 4th and today settled all but two or three yet to be presented. Shown here is P. J. Reeves Jr., with a check for \$8,050 delivered by E. H. Wilson, general claim agent, extreme left; standing, left to right, Judge Gupton, T. D. Matthews and L. J. McNeill, Board members, and, seated, Reeves.

McCAMEY WELL IN ELLENBURGER RATES 54 BBLs.

The Ellenburger discovery in the McCamey field in southwestern Upton County, in process of completion several months, has been completed with a daily flowing potential of 54.4 bbls. of 43.1 gravity oil and gas ratio of 1.025-1.

The rating by TP Coal and Oil Co.'s No. 62-D-A J. F. Lane, account 2, was based on a yield of 6.8 barrels of oil during the last half of a six hour gauge. The flow was through a 2-64 inch choke on 2 inch tubing set at 8,118 feet and 480 perforations at 8,070 feet in 7 inch casing cemented at 8,213 feet. Flowing tubing pressure was 100 lbs.

The Ellenburger was reported topped at 8,085 feet, 5,487 feet below sea level. It showed gas in the Silurian and drilled to 8,134 feet. Seven inch casing was cemented at 8,213.

The well is 1,980 feet from the south and east lines of section 5, GC&SF Ry. Co. Survey. It is 990 feet west and 330 feet north of TP No. 52-A Lane, account 2, the Silurian discovery in the field, where other wells produce from the Grayburg section of the Permian lime at slightly below 2,000 feet.

He Was Annoyed

NEW YORK.—Raphael Torres, a ship's cook, infuriated because he missed a bus at two successive corners, chased it in a taxicab. When it stopped next, he boarded it and stabbed the driver with a pen knife, police charged.

Vital Ores Arriving

Ten of the twelve principal scarce war materials not available in the U. S. must be transported from overseas sources, according to the American Merchant Marine Institute.

Manganese, chromium, antimony, bauxite, cobalt, lead, tin, rubber, tungsten, vanadium and zinc, all being stockpiled for future emergency, come from thousands of miles across the ocean. Only copper and platinum are being secured in substantial quantities from sources in North America and these are also imported in order to meet strategic requirements.

The transportation of these materials is now providing the American Merchant Marine with one of its most significant tasks, the AMMI stated.

Government surplus buildings are coming into Rankin almost daily and are being remodeled into tourist courts, apartments and other dwellings almost as fast as possible. Even so, there is still a tremendous shortage of houses.

April Report Given By Santa Fe

Santa Fe's net railway operating income for April, 1948 was \$3,280,730, according to a statement released by President F. G. Gurley today. This is a decrease of \$571,432 compared with April, 1947. Net income for the first four months of 1948 was \$13,723,241 compared with \$12,993,188 in the first four months of 1947.

The Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe, which celebrates its 75th anniversary in Galveston June 5, had to hire sea-faring men as dining car waiters back in '83 because the "track at that time was very rough, so that the train rolled and pitched."

In a letter to S. B. Reed, author "The History of Texas Railroads", George Bannerman Dealley, late president of the Dallas News, said "About 1883 the Santa Fe ran on the main line into Galveston a dining car which was a crude affair, made out of a baggage car, I think. To protect the dishes, a board three inches high was nailed around all four sides of the table. The train rolled and pitched so much it was necessary to have waiters who had done such work at sea."

Mother Of McCamey Resident Passes Away

Mrs. Mary Ann Smith Blair, 84, of Pena, Ill., passed away in the Huber Memorial Hospital May 20 at 10:00 a. m. She was buried by the side of her husband who passed away 18 years ago. Mr. Blair was a C&I Railroad conductor, and they were long-time residents of Pena.

The sole survivors are two daughters, Mrs. J. A. McCombs of McCamey, and Mrs. Ruby Cox, formerly of Pena, who came to McCamey several months ago to make her home with Mrs. McCombs. Mrs. Mabel Brewster and daughter Evelyn represented the two daughters at the funeral, as they were unable to make the trip to Illinois to attend.

U. S. Leads Russia In Synthetic Fuels

CHICAGO.—An American expert says the United States is far ahead of Russia in the development of synthetic fuels.

"I have been following the progress of Soviet scientists in the synthetic fuel field for 15 years," Dr. V. I. Komarevsky said. "I definitely feel that we are far out in front in the manufacture of synthetic petroleum from natural gas or coal."

Komarevsky is a research professor of chemistry at the Illinois Institute of Technology.

Poage Enters Texas-New Mexico Matched Roping Event

Walton Poage of Rankin will defend the honor of Texas in a matched roping contest between four-man teams representing Texas and New Mexico. This new kind of war between the two states will take place Sunday, May 30, at the rodeo grounds in Hobbs, N. M. Other members of the Texas team are Toots Mansfield, Big Spring, Tom Powers, Ozona, and Sonny Edwards, Big Spring. All the above and Troy Fort and Zeano Farris, two men on the New Mexico team, it will be remembered, were contestants at the matched roping in McCamey several weeks ago.

All loyal Texans in Upton County are rooting for their local hero, Poage, in the coming event.

News From County Demonstration Agent

4-H ANNUAL EXHIBIT

Paula Osborn with a score of 129 out of a possible 150 won first place in the exhibit and judging of work done by 4-H club members during the year. Florence O'Callaghan won second with a score of 117. Both girls had additional work besides the goals set for the year. Maetta Higgons and Alberta Light of Rankin placed third and fourth.

Goals during the year were the making of a dresser scarf, two articles for the bed, three bedroom accessories or storage improvements, three gifts, three clothing accessories, and a dress. In addition the girls baked cookies, made biscuits, worked on nutrition and table service and other phases of food work.

DRESS REVUE

In the dress revue, Paula Osborn of McCamey won first, Florence O'Callaghan second, and Maetta Higgons of Rankin third. Each of these girls will receive a silver medal from the company sponsoring the state dress revue. Paula Osborn will represent the county in this state revue to be held at College Station the week of August 16.

Mrs. E. F. Wesner, Mrs. A. C. Evans and Mrs. F. C. Reimers served as judges for the dress revue and other articles. Many of the girls who have completed a great deal of work for some reason did not bring their articles for display.

4-H ENCAMPMENT

The four girls will leave Tuesday morning for district encampment to be held at Ft. Stockton. Their program there consists of handicraft, swimming, game tournaments, play games, and various other activities. These girls will later assist in the county encampment to be held the last of June.

Fly Navy Pennants

Sixty American merchant ships are now flying the Naval Reserve Pennant, symbol of suitability for conversion to a naval auxiliary. In order to secure such an honor, a merchant ship, whether liner, freighter or tanker, must be of fast and modern design, and must have fifty per cent or more of her officer complement including the master enrolled in the Merchant Marine Reserve of the navy.

Cat Wins Out Over Dog In Mother-Love Clash

WICHITA, Kan.—Tiny, a three-footed cat, is mothering her own litter of four kittens and five terrier pups.

Mrs. R. G. Windham, owner of the pets, said the two litters were born less than 12 hours apart. Tiny and the pups' mother each wanted to care for both litters. "They fought it out," Mrs. Windham said. "Tiny won and now she's nursing all nine."

Principals Told Off

CHICAGO.—Superintendent of Schools Herold C. Hunt called together his newly-appointed school principals for instructions. Hunt told them their first lesson was "to get to work early, stay at it late and give the job your very best."

Buzzards Attacking Living Animals Now

LAKE CHARLES, La.—Cattlemen in Southwest Louisiana are warring on a ravenous flock of buzzards which has been passing up carcasses for living animals.

The buzzards have been attacking and killing all kinds of livestock, but mostly newly-born calves.

W. L. Caldwell, who lives near Lake Charles, reported the flying scavengers had killed 20 of his calves this year, and seven in one week.

J. E. Jackson, Calcasieu Parish agent, has told farmers to set up poultry wire traps in their large pastures, using a carcass and dead buzzard as a decoy.

He said one farmer near Baton Rouge had trapped and killed 3,500 buzzards in one season by using this method.

In most cases, the cattlemen reported, a flock of about 300 buzzards would swoop down and attack a helpless newly-born calf.

War Gap To Be Closed

CHICAGO.—The gap in the continuous stretch of Chicago's famous State Street should be closed by next fall. A bridge over the Chicago River is now scheduled to be completed then. The \$1,125,000 structure was started before the war after the old bridge had been condemned.

Have Pity And Live Long, Specialist Says

CHICAGO.—Pity your enemies rather than become angry with them, and you will live longer, says an eminent heart specialist.

Dr. N. C. Gilbert, professor of medicine at Northwestern University, told volunteer workers in the Chicago Heart Association's 1948 campaign to pity persons refusing to contribute but not to get angry with them.

Heart trouble "may be incited by any emotion except pity," he said. "Anger is the worst enemy of the heart; it causes more anginal pains and attacks than any of the other disturbances resulting from emotions."

Gentlemen's A Gentleman

CHICAGO.—A gentleman named Gentlemen won a \$25 government bond because he is a gentleman. Patrick Gentlemen, 54, a Yellow Cab Driver, was named the winner of one of five Junior Association of Commerce and Industry courtesy week awards for his exceptional politeness.

Rankin-McCamey Boys To Receive Degrees

Four Upton County Boys are candidates for bachelor degrees at the 22nd annual commencement exercises at Texas Technological College in Lubbock on June 7. The boys are among 508 candidates for the degrees.

Harold Lee Grigsby, McCamey, finished his degree requirements August 1947, and is a candidate for a BBA degree in General Business. Richard M. Sheehan, McCamey, will receive a BA degree in Government. Davis Knapp Workman of Rankin will receive a BBA degree in General Business. William D. Price, of Rankin, who finished his degree requirements in February, 1948, will receive his BS degree in Civil Engineering.

Pileated Herons Look Odd

CHICAGO.—The Brookfield zoo now has four pileated herons and claims to be the only zoo in the country that has them. Pileated herons come from South America and this is what they look like: white with a black cap and a long dishing feather on the back of the head; bright blue feathers around the eyes and the bill.

YOACHAM ANNOUNCES

Mr. H. G. Yoacham, well-known resident of Rankin, has announced his candidacy for the office of Commissioner of Precinct No. 1. He solicits your support and influence.

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Truck Operators Choose 1948 Beauty Queen As 'Miss Courtesy and Safety' of the Highway



Mrs. Maxine Caker, "Miss Courtesy and Safety" who was chosen at the annual convention of the Texas Motor Transportation Association in Fort Worth, stands beside the truck which pulled the Association's safety exhibit on a recent tour. The driver is M. M. "Hank" Thompson of Lufkin.

CLASSIFIED ADS

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Work Begins Soon On McCamey-Iraan Road

News was received the first part of the week from Ft. Stockton office of the Texas Highway Department concerning the new road to be built between McCamey and Iraan. The road has been officially designated as Farm Highway 395. It begins at the end of the pavement South of McCamey, at the Upton-Crockett County line, and extends to U. S. Highway 290, 13 miles east of Bakersfield, a distance of 20 miles. Bids on the project were received May 12, and the low bid of approximately \$126,000 was submitted by Collins Construction Co. of Austin. The work will consist of grading, drainage, structures, which includes repairs to the Pecos River Bridge, a flexible base and asphalt surface. The project should get under way within the next 30 days.

Grand Theatre

McCAMEY, TEXAS

Friday and Saturday, May 28 and 29

"MY DOG RUSTY" with Ted Donaldson

PLUS SECOND FEATURE Eddie Deen, Ken Maynard in **"WHITE STALLION"**

"SEA HOUND," NO. 2

Sunday and Monday, May 30 and 31

Dennis Morgan in **"MY WILD IRISH ROSE"**

Tuesday Only, June 1

"ESCAPE ME NEVER" with Errol Flynn

Wednesday and Thursday, June 2 and 3

Joan Crawford **"DAISY KENYON"**

HOLLYWOOD FILM SHOP

By PATRICIA CLARY United Press Staff Correspondent
HOLLYWOOD—It is hard on a baseball wife to hear fans screaming, "Take that bum out of there," at the man she loves.

"A baseball player is the only persons who is constantly cursed out for doing his best to earn a living," says Claire Trevor, who is acting the part of a baseball wife.

"And where is his wife while her husband is being booed? Up in the stands, listening to it all."

Miss Trevor talked to lots of baseball wives before playing the part of Mrs. Babe Ruth in the Allied Artists' production of "The Babe Ruth Story."

"I thought it would help me to understand her if I made a study of baseball wives, their problems and their lives during baseball season," Miss Trevor said. "I talked to many of the wives of the big league players who trained in southern California this spring and watched their reactions during the exhibition games."

LEARNS A LOT

"And I learned a lot of things that even sports fans don't often think about."

Most of the wives told Miss Trevor that the most important thing in their lives was self-control.

"Everybody—a clerk, a salesman, or a butcher—makes an occasional mistake in his work, but most of them make it in the privacy of their office or shop," the wives told Miss Trevor. "But a ball player makes his mistakes in front of thousands of fans who boo him loudly for missing a grounder or striking out with men on base."

"Any loyal wife wants to answer right back at those bums who insult their husbands. But you learn with experience to control yourself. It's best just to keep quiet and let the fans have their fun."

A baseball wife has to know the score—literally—when her husband comes home at night.

PSYCHOLOGY NEEDED

"It takes a lot of psychology to handle a husband after a hard day at a ball park," Miss Trevor said she learned. "Some husbands like to talk about their bad days—it enables them to get rid of their troubles and clear the air for the rest of evening."

"But some players don't want even to hear baseball mentioned after they have gone hitless or their team has suffered a heart-breaking defeat."

A baseball wife prays just as hard as the fans for her team's victories. A husband on a losing team is a hard man to live with. "Occasionally a player doesn't care about how the team makes out but just how many hits he gets," she said, "but most men hate to lose."

The life of a baseball wife is sometimes a lonely one," she added. The men are on road trips half the season and the wives can't go along. They get together and talk over the fielding and batting orders.

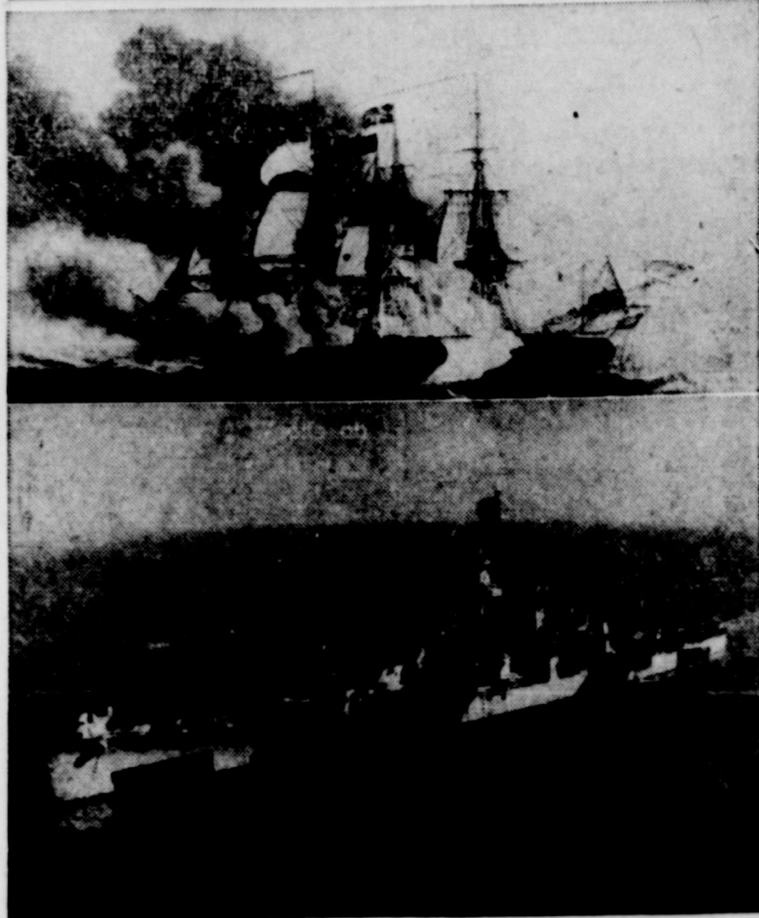
"Baseball is a great game—for the players and fans," Miss Trevor said. "But I think it's kind of tough on umpires and wives."

Positively No Smoking

SALEM, Mass.—From the Essex Register of March 13, 1811: "The selectmen having received very many complaints against this growing mischief, be it ruled that no persons shall smoke any pipe or segar in any street, highway, lane or public building, within the town, by day or by night, under penalty of forfeiting for every offense, the sum of 3 DOLLARS."

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SEA FIGHTERS CHANGE ARMOR - - NOT HEARTS



From the inception of the Navy Department a century and a half ago American warships have vastly changed from wooden frigates and privateers to steel-hulled battleships, cruisers, and carriers, but the will to fight in defense of America has undergone no transition. The veteran USS Constitution, shown in upper photo in battle with the British ship GUERRIERE in 1812, rests in retirement in Boston, content to repose the security of her country today in such craft as the USS Alaska (lower), American version of the German pocket battleship. Construction began on the Alaska 10 days after the Pearl Harbor attack, yet she had ample time to participate in many strikes against the Japanese in World War II. (Official Navy Photograph)

★ ★ ★ Fashions ★ ★ ★



Ideal swim suit which is attractive and yet permits the freest action in the water is shown above as pictured in the June issue of Good Housekeeping magazine. The bright-in-the-surf stripes are starred, and the rope straps are feather-light on the shoulders. Elasticized cotton. Available in red, green, and brown.

Mint Juleps Aid For Heart OK, Says Prof.

ALANTA.—(AP) — And now comes Dr. George R. Herman with a good word for mint juleps.

They "dilate the arteries of the heart," the doctor explained. For that reason, he went on to say, it might be a good idea for more—and taking things easier people to start sipping them—to help ward off an alarming

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Lists A Few Things That Cause Divorce

MEIDA, Pa.—Joseph Mielcerek of the Delaware County probate office made these comments on a divorce in the quarterly report to the court:

"Quite a few men these days are accusing their wives of being selfish, immature, spoiled, pampered, lazy, incompetent, and exploiters of their hard labors. In addition to calling them idlers and parasites, men complain that their wives are too irresponsible to bring up children. On examination we found that both parents had lost directional influence and were lacking in disciplinary authority."

"According to the general complaint, wives today are demanding and expensive, wanting a lot for the return they give."

"Many newly married men expressed their disappointment of the marital status with the bride, 'I thought woman's place was in the home.'"

"Yet they were the first to criticize when their wives failed to look like beauty contest winners or were too tired by household duties to go 'pub crawling.' Too quick to judge their wives by superficial standards, these young benedicts realized something was lacking in the marriage, but were too impatient to let time and experience round out the relationship."

Ships Good Customers

America's 2000 merchant ships are not only important for the cargoes they carry, they are big buyers every time they reach port. The average cargo ship spends approximately \$60,000 each time she visits her home port at the end of a voyage, according to the American Merchant Marine Institute.

This may be broken down into \$17,000 for crew wages, \$12,600 for fuel, \$12,000 for stevedoring, \$8,700 for food, \$4,700 for ship stores, \$1,690 for towage and pilotage, \$1,080 for slip chest items, \$725 for maintenance and another \$850 for odd expenses.

"Don't be downhearted," said the steward to Gene, who was suffering greatly. "Nobody ever died of seasickness."

"Don't say that," moaned Gene. "It's only the hope of dying that's kept me alive so far."



From where I sit ... by Joe Marsh

It's Leap Year, Girls!

First girl in our town to "get her man" on Leap Year was the Cupper's daughter, Jane, who wed Bill Webster's boy last Saturday.

I know it's usual for older folks to shake their heads over the youngest generation. (It's gone on for hundreds of years, now.)

When I asked Bill Jr. if it was true that Jane really did the proposing, Bill said: No, but she made it plain she'd make an ideal wife. Instead of looking for diversion or excitement every evening, she was content to chat beside the fire.

But from where I sit, young people of marrying age today are every bit as commendable as their elders were—in their temperance (a glass of beer for instance), tolerance, and common sense. So to Jane and Bill—the best of luck!

"I could plainly see," says Bill, "that we'd really have a happy home life—which is just exactly what I want from marriage."

Joe Marsh

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EMINENT SCIENTIST PROCLAIMS OWN BELIEF OF DIVINE RULE OF UNIVERSE

By J. L. MYLER
United Press Staff Correspondent
WASHINGTON—A life time scientific research has convinced Dr. R. A. Millikan that there is really a divinity that guides a man's destiny.

Many men of science have been agnostic. They believed that life and the universe could be explained without recourse to God.

But the 80 year old Nobel prize winner, retired now as president of the California Institute of Technology, holds that a "purely materialistic philosophy is . . . the height of unintelligence."

Millikan proclaimed his views at a meeting here of the American Physical Society. No scientist has delved more deeply into the mechanisms of matter. It was Millikan who first determined the charge and mass of the electron, the tiniest known particle in the universe.

He told the country's leading physicists that "wise men in all the ages have seen enough to at least make them reverent." He quoted Dr. Albert Einstein as saying:

"It is enough for me to contemplate the mystery of conscious life perpetuating itself through all eternity; to reflect upon the marvelous structure of the universe, which we can dimly perceive, and to try humbly to comprehend even an infinitesimal part of the intelligence manifested in nature."

"That," Millikan said, "is as good a definition of God as I need."

But belief in God is not to be the man," Millikan believes.

"For while the Great Architect did direct alone the earlier stages of the evolutionary program," Millikan said, "that part of Him that became us—for we are certainly inside, not outside,

creation's plan—has been stepping up amazingly the pace of vegetable, animal and human evolution since we began to become conscious of the part we had to play.

"It is our sense of responsibility for playing our part to the best of our ability that makes us God-like."

Millikan cited instances in the war when, in his view, "something other than any demonstrable superiority of the allied performance tipped the scales in our favor."

"Almost a turn of a hair in some, if not most of these events," he said, "and civilization might have been doomed. But it was saved."

"Shall I say by human agents? Yes, in part, for we are certainly a part of the great evolutionary scheme."

"Just how we fit into the plans of the Great Architect and how much He has assigned us to do, we do not know, but if we fail in our assignment, it is pretty certain that part of the job will be left undone."

"But fit in we certainly do somehow, else we would not have a sense of our own responsibility. A purely materialistic philosophy is to me the height of unintelligence."

McCamey Study Club Has Air Travel Theme

The McCamey Study Club last week held a banquet with a theme of air travel. Each table was laid out with figures and pictures representing a foreign country, to give the impression of a trip around the world by air.

Mrs. H. E. Stoker was master of ceremonies of the banquet, which was attended by about 40 ladies.



The clearance of surplus in the El Paso area by WAA and slated for June 10 will involve materials originally costing \$200,000. In addition to about \$100,000 worth of machine tools released by a government defense committee, some auto parts, cafe equipment, tents, heaters, coolers and medical furniture and supplies will be among 88 lots to be offered the various classes of buyers.

Veterans will be invited to bid on two setside items at this big clearance: A revolving truck-mounted crane and a laundry trailer complete with equipment. Inspection will continue through June 9 at Warehouse No. 22, Ft. Bliss. The selling period for veterans, all other priorities and commercial purchasers will begin at 9 a. m. June 10.

Forty-seven buildings and fixtures at Majors Army Air Field, Greenville, will be offered first to priorities, then to the general public in a disposal program announced this week by WAA. Schools and the other institutional and government groups will have until May 31 to make their

claims, and remaining buildings will be marketed to non-priority purchasers by means of a sealed bid offering to close June 21. Offers should be directed to the WAA regional office of real property disposal. This property, including finance, supply, barracks, post exchange, storage, and similar structures, is for offsite use only.

Some odd things still come up from time to time in WAA's inventory of government-owned surplus. Buyers are now being solicited for 117 oil paintings and original water colors by leading American artists. This internationally famed collection was assembled by the government in response to requests from foreign countries for a showing of contemporary American art. Sale will be by sealed bid on each piece, subject to the standard priority sequence. The collection is on display at the Whitney Museum of American Art, New York City.

Latest in the parade of Texas cities to acquire municipal airports under the provisions of Public Law 289 will be Harlingen, which will soon take over its adjoining surplus air force camp, the Harlingen Army Air Field. It has been pointed out that the southwest is particularly fortunate in being able to secure fine airports for its municipali-

ties, since the Grand Prairie WAA region contains nearly half of all surplus airport property in the U. S.

The sales program for war surplus personal property in Texas and four adjoining states has already been tentatively scheduled for 112 different locations. This advance scheduling carries WAA up to June 30, and involves virtually all such surplus in inventory, aside from real property and related material. WAA has, partly by virtue of the withhol-

ding of new surplus declarations by the armed forces, already been able to reduce its inventories in the Grand Prairie region to approximately \$40,000,000, \$75,000,000 in hand in March.

Two locations in Baton Rouge, La., will be the scene of a WAA clearance on June 3. Items such as electrical supplies, valves and fittings, cafeteria equipment, office machines and furniture, lumber, and timbers, tenting, medical supplies, paints, hardware, pipe

insulation and scrap metal, will be offered the bidders. The surplus stocks, worth about \$300,000 originally, will be inspected at the Baton Rouge Permanent Metal Co., and the Engineer Depot, where awards will be made beginning at 9 a. m.

Erlene's house is getting so old and shaky that every time a car passes by the termites have to hold hands to keep it from falling down.

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Celebrity Parade

By Earle Ferris

A CHURCH group spokesman put the stamp of approval on daytime radio serials as "Pepper Young's Family," broadcast over NBC week-days, received the 1948 National Family Week Radio Citation.



Mrs. Harper Sibley

This was when Mrs. Harper Sibley, national president of the United Council of Church Women, told the radio audience: "It makes me particularly happy to give this (award) to a daytime serial program. I happen to know how much these programs mean to women all over the country—to shut-ins and to housewives both young and old—who listen as they do their daily chores."



Elaine Carrington

The award, made by Mrs. Sibley, was accepted by Elaine Carrington, author of "Pepper Young's Family." It marked the second successive year that the program received this award from the Intercouncil Committee on Christian Family Life.

New Honor

It's hard to keep track of the awards and citations given to "The Greatest Story Ever Told," ABC Sunday series dramatizing stories from the Bible. Latest is the special award in the religious program classification by the Ohio Institute for Education by Radio.

Laugh of the Week

The Great Glidersleeve's entry: With the current high prices, the fellow who used to put in his two cents now has to dig up a nickel.

New Radio Spot

"The Lassie Show" now heard on ABC Sundays with Lassie, the M-G-M dog star, will be moved by the sponsor to NBC on Saturdays at 5:15 p.m., e. d. s. t. starting June 5. The series, which spotlights R u d d Weatherwax, Lassie's owner-trainer, as narrator, was recently renewed for an additional



Lassie

52 weeks and will be heard all summer. Weatherwax is delighted over the switch because now he'll get a chance to sleep late on Sundays.

Internationally Busy

Efrem Kurtz, music director and permanent conductor of the Hous-

ton Symphony Orchestra, has been named musical director of Orson Welles' screen production of "Macbeth." Upon completion of this assignment, Mr. Kurtz will sail for Europe, where he will guest-conduct orchestras in England, France and Switzerland.

Unusual Books

Bob Garred, CBS newscaster, keeps a day-by-day record of outstanding news events, listing them in what he considers their order of importance, and plans to cross-index them for ready reference. In another book, Bob keeps clippings of stories that are strange, humorous or otherwise unusual.

Old Friends

Tom Brown, handsome movie actor, is heard frequently as a member of the cast of "A Date With Judy," Tuesday NBC comedy-drama. The program's producer-director is Helen Mack, and she and Brown have been friends since they were children. They met when both were child film stars in the silent screen days, and for many years they lived on the same street only a few houses apart.



Tom Brown

Weekly Swing of South West Farm Markets

Many southwest farm markets developed marked easiness during the past week, the Dallas area office of the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Production and Marketing Administration reports.

Spot cotton dropped \$2.25 to \$4. a bale for the week. Middling 15 16 inch closed Monday at 37.30 cents a pound at Dallas and 37.45 at Houston and New Orleans.

Wheat harvest got under way in North Central Texas last week and new wheat sold on the same basis as old wheat. Most grains sold lower, with very marked weakness in Monday's trade. Milo dropped 32c a hundred for the week, to sell Monday at \$3.63 to \$3.68 at Texas common points, with wheat at \$2.47 a bushel.

Rice markets held firm last week, as milling of the 1947 crop neared completion. Millfeeds advanced sharply, reflecting increased commercial feed sales. Seed peanuts found good demand at 22c per pound treated, with planting in full swing.

Cucumber season neared an end in the Coastal Bend District, but heavy corn movement in the Lower Rio Grande Valley. Bantam corn was becoming scarce at higher prices, but the plentiful white variety sold lower. Tomato shipments increased, but many were of the smaller sizes which found slow demand. Lug boxes of six by seven size brought \$3. to \$3.75 over the week-end on U. S. No. 1's. First Texas cantaloupes reached New Orleans, and Texas peppers replaced Florida kinds at Denver.

Cattle showed strength early but later turned unevenly weaker to net some gains and some losses for the week. Common to medium cows sold from \$17.50 to \$21.50 at Houston and San Antonio, \$16.50 to \$21. at Fort Worth, and \$19. to \$22.50 at Kansas City. Medium and good grades brought \$18.50 to \$22.50 at Wichita, and up to \$23. at Denver.

Sheep markets began the week fairly firm, and even set some new records, but later trade dropped prices well below the high time. Spring lambs touched new all time high levels of \$29. at Fort Worth and \$25.50 at Kansas City Tuesday. By Monday this week, medium goods grades sold at \$22. to \$25 at Fort Worth while bids stopped at \$28. on good and choice at Kansas City. Goats sold firm, but kids fell sharply.

Choice Texas 12 months wools met strong demand at higher prices of 65 to 77c per grease lb. Hogs furnished a notable strong spot in southwest markets, with gains of \$2 to \$3 around the market circles. Good and choice medium weight butchers topped at \$24.50 at San Antonio, \$26 at Denver, \$25.50 at Kansas City, and around \$25 elsewhere.

Spring chickens strengthened slightly during the past week, and other poultry held firm. Arkansas growers received mostly 39c a pound for fryers and broilers while other markets ranged from 38 to 41c. North Texas cities paid 28c for heavy hens, and New Orleans 32 to 34. Government support held eggs around 37c.

SHEFFIELD NEWS

W. C. (Shorty) Walters died in Sonora Tuesday and was buried there Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. He was survived by his wife, one son, Scotty, and one daughter Barbara. Mr. Walters was a former resident of Sheffield and will be remembered by a host of friends in this community. He was mail carrier at one time.

The Sheffield School closed their year's work with a program Thursday night. Diplomas were given those finishing the sixth grade. Those finishing the sixth and ready for school in Iran next year are Leroy Lowrance, Wayne Holmes, Shirley Hartley and Dorothy Greer.

The teachers, school children and community enjoyed the annual picnic and barbecue held on Friday on Live Oak Creek.

Miss Pitts, school principal, left Sunday for Denton where she will attend the first six weeks at North Texas State Teachers College.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Campbell had as their guest this week Mr. Campbell's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Seth Saul from their ranch south of Las Vegas, N. M.

Mrs. Nip Blackstone and children Carole and George Edward of Ozona have moved to the ranch to the summer vacation.

Miss Betty Mitchell, principal of the Latin-American school will leave Sunday for Huntsville where she will attend the first term at Sam Houston State Teachers College.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill McKinley had as their guests for the week-end their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Parks and baby son of Knox City.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Sandel and baby son left Friday for Madisonville where they will visit Mrs. Sandel's parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. A. McKay.

Mrs. Vestor Porter and children of Barnhart have moved to the ranch south of Sheffield for the summer.

H. C. Noelke has just returned from Gatesville where he attended a meeting of the Pure Bred State Breeder's Association. It was decided at this meeting to not have their sale at the Fort Worth Stock Show but to have it at a later date.

McCamey Personals

Mr. Fitzgerald and his family were well known and well liked while they were here and many residents regret seeing them go.

Mrs. Lloyd McKinney left Sunday night for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Elmore of Blum, Texas.

C. W. Brown plans to fly to Detroit soon to attend the graduation of Mr. W. H. Carter, who has been attending General Motors School.

C. W. Brown flew to Houston Thursday morning, then to Tulsa, Okla., Friday morning, where he attended the Oil Show. He returned home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Noel left a week ago last Wednesday for the Oil Show in Tulsa.

Mrs. G. N. Irvine, Jr., and son left Monday morning for Dupont, Ind., to visit her parents there. She will be gone for about a month.

Visitors in the home of Mrs. Dovie Teel and children Ann and Earl Vaughn were Earl Teel of Earlimart, Calif., Jim Teel of San Bernardino, Calif., Will Teel and family of San Angelo and Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Curry of Midland. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Forbus. Era Vaughn accompanied his father, Earl Teel to California for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Duncan have left on an extended vacation.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Babcock Sunday were Mr. Babcock's mother Mrs. O. G. Babcock, and Mrs. Ed Tipton and daughter, Patricia Carole, all of Sonora. Mrs. Tipton and daughter will leave soon to join their husband and father in Cairo, Egypt. He is employed by a subsidiary of Standard Oil.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Shirley have gone to Sonora to meet Mr. Shirley's family there. They left Tuesday noon and expect to be gone three days.

Mrs. Walter Collett entertained her friends with another Stanley party and barbeque Wednesday afternoon at the roadside park west of Sheffield.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Knight have just returned from an extended visit in Artesia, N. M.

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