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TRAINER LOSES \$1,200 IN BURGLARY

Stephenson Hurt in Crash on Del Rio Road Sat.

Injuries Painful, But Not Serious—Maddox Escapes Injury When Car Turns Flips

Guernard Stephenson was painfully, though not seriously, hurt and Emmett Maddox miraculously escaped injury when the Ford coupe in which they were riding turned several flips at a dip 6 miles south of Sonora on the Del Rio road Saturday night at 8 o'clock.

Both men were thrown through the top of the car, supposedly on one of the last turns. The men were driving at an estimated speed of 45 miles an hour when they met another car, driven by O. L. Richardson, Sonora. Partially blinded by lights, Stephenson, who was driving, got too far to the right side of the road and hit a soft spot in the shoulder of the road.

Richardson helped them up and administered aid, later summoning a doctor from Sonora. Neither man was knocked unconscious, though each was somewhat dazed. The car was not entirely demolished, though badly damaged. The top was broken and the framework bent. Two wheels were broken off and considerable glass broken.

Stephenson suffered bruises about the neck, chest and shoulders, and was cut on top of the head by glass. Maddox emerged with minor bruises about the body and a slight glass cut in the side.

Murray Re-Named Postmaster Here

Has Completed One Term—Worked in Office 13 Years

T. C. Murray, Sonora postmaster, was recently notified by Congressman R. E. Thomason of his re-appointment by President Hoover and the United States senate to the office for a four-year term. Mr. Murray filed his bond by mail Tuesday and is now awaiting final commission of office.

Mr. Murray has lived in Sutton county for 25 years, 18 of them in Sonora. He worked in the postoffice as assistant to his wife, Mrs. Mae Murray, who was postmaster for 9 years. He has been postmaster for the last four years. He is a Democrat.

During the 13 years that Mr. Murray has been in the postoffice here revenue has increased more than 50 per cent.

The local office pays a salary of \$2200 a year. One assistant, Miss Lillian Ramsell, is also employed by the government.

Mr. Murray received a letter from Walter T. Brown, United States postmaster general, commending his administration of the local office affairs.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Trainer were in town from the ranch Thursday.

Mesdames Jack Earhart and Tom White spent Wednesday in San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Vander Stucken were in town from the ranch Thursday.

Miss Peggy Miller, of Ozona, spent the week-end in Sonora with her sister, Mrs. Herman Allison.

Wallace Joiner, of Robert Lee, visited his sister, Mrs. Perry Mittel, and Mr. Mittel, at their ranch home last week.

Messrs. and Mesdames W. R. Nisbet, and little son and daughter, and K. P. Pickrell drove to Menard and back Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Stephen returned Tuesday from Austin, where they went Friday to see Mr. Stephen's mother, Mrs. J. A. Stephen.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Trainer and family, and George E. Smith spent Sunday afternoon visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jap Holman at their ranch home.

Mrs. Totsy Barton and her daughter, Miss Margaret, and Mrs. Lee Labenske and her daughter, Miss Mildred, returned Friday from San Antonio where they went last week. Mrs. Labenske shopped for the Style Shop and Mrs. Barton and Miss Margaret visited Mrs. Barton's sister, Mrs. J. G. Smith.

IT'S A BIG YEAR FOR VOTERS

(An Editorial)

Pay your polltax!

The year of 1932 will be one of the biggest politically that America has ever faced. Serious problems of state lie in the balance. Party lines are drawn with a new tension. Hoover and his Republicans seek an opportunity to vindicate an unfortunate administration. Democrats feel that their opportunity has come, and observers of national politics concede them an excellent chance to win.

From a more local standpoint, politics will also assume an unusually important position. Times of adversity almost invariably bring a flood of candidates for every desirable office, and this may be the case in Sutton county.

At any rate, it will be a big year for voters, and a dollar seventy-five will pay admittance to more voting boxes and permit the scratching of more names than in many years.

State politics are important this year. Sterling will run again and there are many who will welcome active opposition. Rumor has it that Coke Stevenson, our own representative, will seek the chair. Regardless of whether or not he does, every Sutton county citizen should pay his polltax, for great issues will be decided this year. The tax should be paid, not next week, but today. The time draws very short...just one more week, and it is easy to forget.

We may have opportunity this year to vote on prohibition—one issue in which every one is interested in one way or another. Moral—pay your polltax.

Bronchos Down Eagles in First Game; Lose Second

Basketeers Open New Season in Grand Style Here

The Sonora High School Bronchos staged a strong second half comeback here Friday afternoon and downed the Eldorado Eagles, 20-14. Tuesday afternoon in Eldorado it was a different story. The Eldorado boys were in command of the situation all the way through, and trounced Coach A. L. Smith's Bronchos soundly, 21-8. Three Sonora regulars were taken out in the last half of the game at Eldorado because of personal fouls.

Archer played a fast and brilliant game here last week and accounted for half the Sonora points with his five field goals. Hill played a good game at guard, as did Barton. Kring jumped center and

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Bitterweed Aid Denied By House

Thomason Hopeful of Passing in Senate; Texans Are Aiding

Appropriation of funds for hiring federal men to study the bitterweed situation in West Texas was denied by the expense-cutting majority party of the House of Representatives, according to a wire from R. E. Thomason, sixteenth district of Texas, to The News last Saturday. A house subcommittee was forced to rescind an appropriation already granted through efforts of Mr. Thomason, assisted by other Texans.

Efforts were immediately made, however, to get the appropriation reinstated in the Senate, with Texas senators, Morris Sheppard and Tom Connally, as its sponsors.

The bill would provide funds sufficient to send federal men to Sonora, to be started at the Ranch Experiment Station, 25 miles south of Sonora, there to work with men of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station.

Congressman Thomason's wire follows:

DEFINITE PLANS ADOPTED BY MAJORITY PARTY IN HOUSE REFUSE TO ALLOW ANY APPROPRIATION FOR ADDITIONAL GOVERNMENT ACTIVITIES STOP SUBCOMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURAL APPROPRIATIONS FORCED TO RECYCLE AND RETRACT BITTERWEED APPROPRIATION HERETOFORE GRANTED AND WRITTEN INTO DRAFT OF BILL WHICH WAS EVEN IN PRINT STOP HOWEVER FEEL HOPEFUL THIS APPROPRIATION CAN BE REINSTITUTED IN SENATE AND WILL DO MY UTMOST IN REGARD TO HOUSE AMENDMENT.

R. E. THOMASON.

Sonora Schools Approved Again Southern Assn.

Recommended Membership Without Criticism—an Unusual Record Says Covey

Sonora High School was recently approved as a member of the Southern Association of Secondary Schools with highest standing, and without recommendation of any nature. According to R. S. Covey, superintendent, it is unusual for the appointment to be unaccompanied by criticism and suggestion of some nature.

The school was inspected last fall by Miss Katherine Henderson, and it was on her report that the recommendation for membership was made. Notice of appointment was received recently by Mr. Covey from A. M. Blackman, Austin, in the state department of education, and chairman of the Texas group of the Southern Association.

Sonora is recognized all over the state as having one of the best school systems in Texas in towns of its population.

BRONCHOS TO PLAY SAN ANGELO BOBCATS FEB. 5

The Sonora High School Bronchos will meet the San Angelo Bobcats in a basketball game on the latter's floor in San Angelo Friday night, Feb. 5.

Coach A. L. Smith had thought of taking his charges to the Big Lake invitation tournament that week-end, but had opportunity to play in San Angelo, and chose to do so.

The appearance on the Concho court will give the local lads opportunity to get accustomed to the floor before the district tournament which begins there Feb. 29.

The Bronchos meet Ozona there tomorrow.

BRASHERS TAKE OVER GULF STATION FROM H. V. STOKES

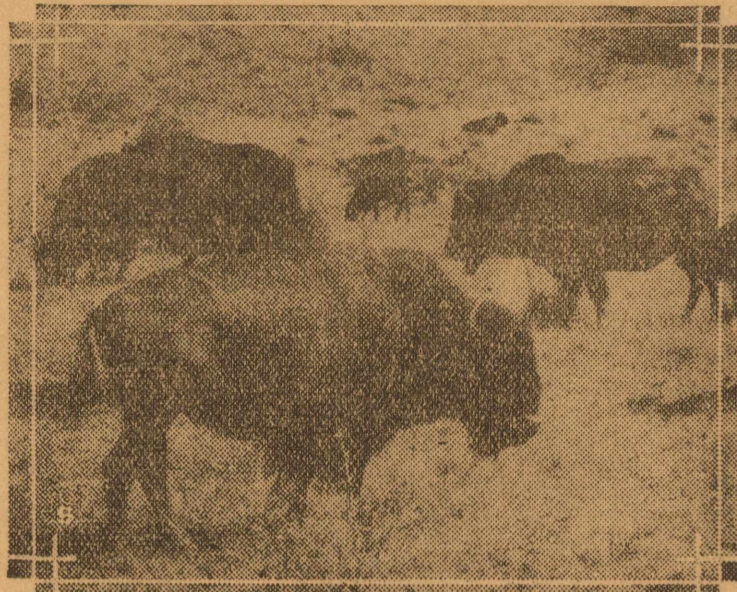
J. H. Brasher and son, Junior, Tuesday took charge of the Gulf Filling Station located just across Lowrey draw in south Sonora on the highway. The station had been controlled by H. V. Stokes, for the S. H. Stokes estate, and had been operated for the last several months by Dave Locklin.

The Brashers were in business at this same station for two years, ending in the early spring of last year when they took charge of the Texas Station across the street. They turned over management of that station to J. T. Penick last month.

First Son Born to Caldwell

Mr. and Mrs. James Caldwell announce the birth of a son Monday night, January 18. The young man had not been given a name when news of his arrival was received. The Caldwell's have three little daughters.

May Keep Goodnight Herd in Texas



Here's a portion of the buffalo herd at the famous Goodnight ranch, near Palo Duro canyon in Texas' Panhandle. This last herd of buffalo on the open range in Texas may leave the state, because the Goodnight ranch was sold last week under foreclosure proceedings. No disposition has yet been made of the buffalo, but a Wichita Falls bank, which holds the mortgage on the animals, has indicated that foreclosure may be postponed to see if some state organization will buy the herd.

MRS. R. A. STEEN BUYS THIRD OF CORNER DRUG STOCK; IS V-PRESIDENT

Mrs. R. A. Steen last week bought one-third of the stock of the Corner Drug Store from L. W. and A. C. Elliott, who own the balance of the stock.

The store was organized a few years ago with three equal ownerships of stock by the Elliotts and the late R. A. Steen. July 1 of last year Mr. Steen sold his stock, and it is his interest that Mrs. Steen has re-purchased. She was also elected vice president of the company. She will continue to serve as clerk and bookkeeper.

Carl Morrow, who succeeded Mr. Steen as manager in July, will continue with the firm as general manager.

SHEEP AND CATTLE ARE SOLD AND SHIPPED HERE

Small sales and shipments of both cattle and sheep were reported here Thursday.

Emery Davis, who ranches in the Vinegarone country, sold 800 lambs to S. J. Smith for shipment to Lometa. Mr. Davis sold 250 lambs to C. T. and J. E. White, who shipped them to Brady.

E. M. Kirkland shipped 78 calves to Frank Bounds at Kingston, Okla. Mr. Kirkland also sold 76 calves, which were shipped to Primrose, Texas to Wiley Allison.

Earwood Again President of Goat Breeders

Other Sonorans Active in 33rd Annual Convention Held in Rocksprings Tuesday

Fred Earwood, Sutton county ranchman who is recognized as Texas' foremost Angora breeder, was Tuesday re-elected president of the American Angora Goat Breeders' Association, in session at Rocksprings in their 33rd annual convention.

Other Sonorans were active during the meeting. W. H. Damerson, superintendent of the Ranch Experiment station between Sonora and Rocksprings, made the response to the address of welcome by W. J. Muller. Dr. O. G. Babeck, entomologist with the U. S. Department of Agriculture, and who lives in Sonora, addressed the meeting, discussing goat lice.

John Ward, ranchman of this county, was a member of the resolution committee.

The mohair mill committee of the association reported that a number of inquiries regarding such a project in Texas had been received.

President Earwood will donate a goat to be mounted and presented to the West Texas Museum at San Angelo.

Dogs made of mohair, similar to the ones exhibited here last week, will be sent to John N. Garner, Uvalde, speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and to R. E. Thomason, Texas' sixteenth district congressman.

Mrs. Ben Martin and little son, Ben Edward, of Eagle Pass, have been here for several days visiting Mrs. Martin's parents, Dr. and Mrs. A. G. Blanton.

Merchandise and Cleaning Work Removed Friday

Entrance Is Gained Through Back Door; Loss Not Discovered 'Til Morning; No Clues

Merchandise and clothes from the cleaning department valued at \$1,200 were taken from the J. W. Trainer store here sometime during Friday night by unidentified persons. The loss was not discovered until 7:30 Saturday morning, when the store was opened by T. O. Goodner, cleaner.

Entrance was effected by forcing a safety lock on the back door. When the burglars left the door was again closed.

An assortment of merchandise, seemingly chosen with care, was picked up from over the store, and about 10 suits and 3 dresses were taken from the cleaning racks at the back of the shop. The loss in the cleaning department was placed at \$400 and the merchandise missed was valued at about \$800, Mr. Trainer said.

Officers were summoned immediately on discovery of the burglary, but have announced no clues. Sheriff B. W. Hutcherson and his department, and J. E. Grimland, local fingerprint expert, investigated the case.

Merchandise taken included a number of blankets, several dozen pairs of silk hose for ladies, men's socks, gloves, lumberjacks, leather jackets, work clothes, riding pants, shirts, sheep-lined coats, and two pairs of cowboy boots were among the articles taken.

Five dollars in change had been left in the cash register, and it was taken.

Miers Marketing Feed Pen Lambs

Bunch of 16,500 at Brownwood Being Sold at Fort Worth

W. A. Miers, Sonora ranchman, who has been feeding 16,500 lambs from his Sutton county ranches in pens at Brownwood for the last several months, has begun the marketing of his immense flock, shipping them in small quantities to the Fort Worth market.

Most of the lambs have been bringing around \$5, which in several cases has been the top price for the day. In some instances the price has gone a bit higher.

Mr. Miers also shipped some stocker calves to Fort Worth Tuesday. They also sold at \$5 a hundred pounds.

Local Briefs

Woman's Club to Elect Officers

The Sonora Woman's Club will hold its annual business meeting and election of officers at the club house next Thursday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock. The monthly program will also be given.

Mrs. Ira Shurley Ill This Week

Mrs. Ira Shurley has been confined to her bed for a week and was unable to preside in her capacity as president at the Parent-Teacher Association's meeting Tuesday afternoon.

Troy White Back from Christoval

Troy White returned Thursday of last week from Christoval, where he has been undergoing treatment for poisoning which had spread throughout his system. Mr. White is able to be up, but is showing the effects of a painful illness.

Artie Joy Moving Back Here

Mr. and Mrs. Artie Z. Joy and baby are moving back to Sutton county from Lampasas, where they have been ranching for the last year or two. They will make their home on the Alfred Sykes ranch in the Owensville community.

Miss Dorothy Baker Mentioned

Miss Dorothy Baker's name appeared last week in the Fort Worth Star-Telegram in the Texas Christian University column, in a story of an excursion taken by the Brushers, art organization of the university, which made an inspection tour to an antique shop Thursday evening, Jan. 24. The group heard a short talk by the proprietress of the shop on various articles displayed.

Lions Announce Negro Minstrel for February 1

Blackface Skit Will Be Given in Connection; Committees Are Named By Neill

A real negro minstrel and a blackface skit with a cast composed entirely of Lions will be given Monday night, Feb. 1, under sponsorship of the Sonora Lions Club. Committees to do the work of producing the play were named by George H. Neill, president of the club, at its luncheon Monday. Parts were given to those in the cast.

The play, "Can't Live Without You," is described as a hectic "coon" proposal, a one-act blackface skit in two parts. It will follow the minstrel show.

W. C. Gilmore and W. E. James are in charge of the minstrel and show, with George Baker, H. V. Stokes, and Isadore Leaman named by Neill as an advertising committee.

At the Monday luncheon Turner White, teacher of Vocational Agriculture in the high school, was a guest and talked on the work being done in feeding calves for stock shows in San Angelo and Fort Worth. Mrs. George Baker, another guest, talked briefly on "Thrift," the occasion being the opening day of National Thrift Week. K. P. Pickrell, federal agricultural worker of Phoenix, was a guest of W. R. Nisbet.

Next week's program committee is composed of J. W. Trainer, H. L. Taylor, and E. F. Vander Stucken.

FIRST LOAN COMPANY STATEMENT IS GOOD

The annual financial statement of the First Loan Company, owned by stockholders in the First National Bank, reflects a sound condition. The report was prepared by Mrs. Maysie Brown, secretary, and E. F. Vander Stucken, president.

Total assets and liabilities are \$283,293.41. Loans and discounts other than real estate, total \$228,497.85, while \$48,247.38 is invested in stocks, bonds, and warrants which are not pledged. The balance of the assets are made up by a real estate loan of \$600, real estate owned, and cash on hand.

Liabilities include capital stock of \$75,000; undivided profits of \$10,862.46; bills payable, \$5,000; and a reserve for interest of \$788.61. The largest liability is the sum of \$191,642.34, which is the total of rediscunts with the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of Houston.

W'HOUSE STOCKHOLDERS IN ANNUAL MEET FEB. 2

Stockholders in the Sonora Wool and Mohair Company, operators of a warehouse and commission firm here, are being notified today by C. H. Evans, manager that the annual meeting will be held here on Tuesday, February 2.

Election of officers for the coming year and consideration of the manager's annual financial report are among matters to be considered.

Aldwell to Directors' Meeting Roy Aldwell spent Wednesday in San Angelo, attending a meeting of directors of the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railway.

With the Churches

METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday school 9:45.
Morning worship 11:00.
Evening worship 7:30.
Young People's meeting 6:45.
Woman's Missionary Society, 3 p. m. Wednesday.
Stewards meet every first Sunday.
Workers' Council each first Sunday at 2 p. m.

We are very much encouraged by our church attendance since the beginning of the new year. Some have told us that they resolved to make this a church-going year. That is commendable.

Our subject next Sunday morning will be "Looking Ahead." This is a practical subject and one that deserves our careful consideration.
At 7:30 Dr. W. B. Gray, of Eldorado will preach. Dr. Gray and this pastor will exchange pulpits at that time.

E. P. NEAL, Pastor.

MINISTERS TO EXCHANGE PULPITS SUNDAY NIGHT

The Rev. E. P. Neal, pastor of the Sonora Methodist Church, and Dr. W. B. Gray, pastor of the Eldorado Presbyterian Church, will exchange pulpits on Sunday evening and hold services each in the other's church.

The Sonora service has been called for 7:30 at the Methodist church. Dr. Gray has a number of friends here, as well as several members of his church.

NEAL ATTENDS METHODIST MEETING IN SAN ANGELO

The Rev. E. P. Neal, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Sonora, attended a seminar of Methodist pastors of the San Angelo district which was held in San Angelo Tuesday. The meeting was devoted to a discussion of the general program of the church and of problems of the ministry.

On Thursday a general meeting of the district, open also to lay workers, was held. Mrs. L. E. Johnson, Mrs. R. A. Halbert, and W. E. Caldwell attended from Sonora.

Health Club Sees Disease Dangers

Group Takes Steps to Safeguard Children in the Schools

Children exhibiting symptoms which might possibly develop into communicable diseases should be sent immediately from school and refused re-entrance until accompanied by a doctor's certificate of permission, it was decided at the regular meeting of the Adult Health Club Monday afternoon, after members of the organization heard Miss Lucille Stone, district nurse, discuss "Communicable Diseases." Mrs. Clayton Puckett, president of the club, was delegated to present the matter to members of the Parent-Teacher Association on Tuesday for united action on the matter by the two organizations.

For the enlightenment of parents and teachers who desire help in detecting the presence of communicable diseases in their early stages, the following characteristics of three children's diseases were outlined by the club for publication:

Scarlet fever: a seemingly well person is affected by vomiting, high fever, sore throat, headaches, weakness, "strawberry tongue," and rash, spreading over the body. Patients recovering from the disease should be kept strictly isolated from outsiders until all scales have disappeared, since the scaling-off period is the most contagious stage. The period of contraction after exposure is from 24 to 48 hours.

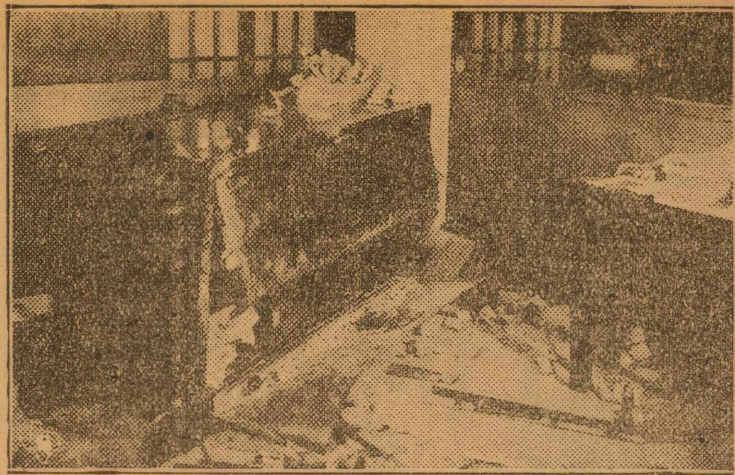
Measles: symptoms are redness of eyes, fever, rash (appearing first in the mouth, then around the hair line of the head, later back of the ears, and finally, upon the body). The disease is communicable by sneezing. Again, patients should remain isolated until all scales disappear. Extreme care in the matter of exposure should be exercised, since a common after-effect of measles is the contraction of pneumonia. Both scarlet fever and measles almost invariably have unfortunate after-effects, notably in ear trouble.

Whooping cough: Difficult to detect. Patient often coughs two or three weeks before the disease is diagnosed. Characterized by hacking cough at first, and running nose. Caught in from six to eight weeks after exposure. Spread by the cougher.

Seven members and one guest, Miss Lucille Dubois, were present at the meeting. A report on diphtheria immunization states that 60 children were recorded for immunization by the club at their two meetings, exclusive of those receiving treatment individually at the doctors' offices.

One hundred fifty rare books from the J. C. Ingram collection Galveston, have been added to the College of Industrial Arts Library, Denton.

\$4,500 Loot in Abilene Safe Cr



Christmas marauders at Abilene, Texas, blew this safe in a department store with nitroglycerine, escaped with \$1,500 cash, \$2,000 in diamonds, and \$1,000 worth of furs and men's clothing. They entered the store through a skylight and have not been captured.

Kleberg Aids in Bitterweed War

Congressman Helps Representative Thomason in Plea for Funds

"A real ranchman from South-west Texas is aiding the fight for a fund to combat the bitterweed and members of the sub-committee of the House Agricultural Committee recently were given first hand information on the poisonous plant that is causing heavy losses of livestock, particularly sheep, over a widespread area," says a report from Washington on January 14, by Robert M. Jackson, capital correspondent.

A general warning to Congress in regard to safeguarding the agricultural industry, was given in a spirited plea for adequate appropriation by Congressman Richard M. Kleberg, of Corpus Christi, recently, according to the article. Congressman R. E. Thomason, who is sponsoring the proposal to appropriate sufficient money to maintain at least three trained experts of the federal government at the Ranch Experiment Station between Rocksprings and Sonora on bitterweed investigation, submitted a comprehensive statement to the committee on the spread of the weed, losses it has caused, and the urgent need for relief. He also passed around among the committee members photographs which he had collected, which showed the weed and the damage it has inflicted.

Mr. Kleberg's address was evoked as a second to Mr. Thomason's proposal, and it was thought in congressional circles that his talk was of great assistance in the fight, since he spoke from first-hand contact with the weed, from the viewpoint of a ranchman.

TRESPASSING FORBIDDEN

My ranch 25 miles southeast of Sonora in Sutton and Edwards counties is posted according to law. All trespassing is absolutely forbidden—hunting, wood-hauling, trapping, etc.—Officer in charge. (47-1-22-32) OSCAR APPELT.

A generous plan—read our ad on page 4. Fields' Dairy.—Adv.

MRS. GLADYS KOTHMANN MADE MEMBER OF T. D. C.

Mrs. Gladys Kothmann was voted a member of the Thirteen Dramatic Club at its regular meeting Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Gilmore. Mrs. Marshall Huling, also a new member, was initiated according to the club's tradition.

Two new officers were elected by the club. Miss Lena V. Stokes was made reporter and Cecil Allen, already treasurer of the organization, was asked to assume the secretaryship in addition, becoming secretary-treasurer.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilmore served a delicious plate lunch.

Mrs. Thomas Returns to Calif.

Mrs. J. D. Thomas, and son, J. D., were accompanied to Big Lake Saturday by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rees and her sister, Miss Thelma, for a visit of several days with Mrs. Thomas' brother, Horace Rees and family. Mr. and Mrs. Rees and Miss Thelma spent the week-end there, returning home Sunday. Mrs. Thomas had been visiting here for several weeks, and is returning to her home in Ventura, Calif.

7c Is Second Electric Rate

The rate for the second bracket of domestic electric consumption in Sonora is 7 cents per kilowatt, instead of 9 cents as was stated in last week's News. The first rate is 12 cents, while consumption above the two brackets comes at 3 cents, according to J. D. Westbrook, manager of the local office of the West Texas Utilities Company.

RANCHMEN!

It is good business to treat your bred ewes and bred nannies before lambing and kidding. It gives them an even start with the stomach and tape worms, and they need it. I will treat your sheep and goats for four cents per head during January and February, only.

Remember—I have treated 1,800,000 head of sheep and goats, more than any other man on the face of the earth has ever treated, so I am likely to know a few things about it. Give me a chance.

IRA C. GREEN
Agent for Uncle Sam's Erlyburd

New Uses Found for Mohair Help Outlook for Year

Women's Styles Factor in Increased Demand for Fabric—Motoring Field an Aid

Development of new uses for mohair, the strong position of the fabric in the automotive and furniture fields and its increasing acceptance in women's fashions are among the principal factors supporting an optimistic outlook for 1932, according to a prominent mill head.

"Production has been curtailed over previous years due to the falling off in lines on which the fabric is dependent, but the position of mohair is better in the automotive field this year than it has been for a number of seasons, a survey of the new models reveals," it was declared. "The outlook in furniture is likewise favorable. The material should enjoy its share of the increase in business predicted for both lines. In the automobile and furniture manufacturing fields, is a growing demand for better qualities of mohair. This is particularly true in the hotel world where a nation-wide movement is on foot to redecorate and rejuvenate hotels all over the country as a means of attracting additional business."

Notable among the new uses for mohair are its adaption as upholstery for school seats, for bridge table tops, for "man-made" fur fabrics used in the making of winter coats, its combination with rubber for a new shoe welt and its increasing use in women's dress goods of new patterns and designs. Research recently made has developed interesting and important points showing mohair velvet's ability to absorb sound in office and other interiors and its aid to correct and comfortable posture, particularly in automobiles. The material's practical service as noise-abating fabric and as a help to safer and more pleasant motoring is expected to attract attention to mohair which has been the favorite transportation upholstery for years because of its great durability.

In the automotive world, twelve of the leading car manufacturers are featuring mohair or are carrying it as optional and one of the leading makes introduces this season, a mohair velvet upholstery which is one hundred per cent mohair. This departure from mixed goods is considered an important and constructive movement back toward better qualities of fabric. No-

CAUTHORN HAS OFFICE IN DEL RIO NATIONAL

Bob Cauthorn, Sutton county ranchman, was elected a director of the Del Rio National Bank in Del Rio Tuesday, January 12, when the largest personal vote of stockholders that has ever occurred since the institution was organized, was cast. There were 751 votes cast personally and 606 by proxies.

Mr. Cauthorn was elected one of the vice presidents, with Ross Stafford, at a meeting of the directors in the bank building the same night.

An unusual offer—read our ad on page 4. Fields' Dairy.—Adv.

A generous plan—read our ad on page 4. Fields' Dairy.—Adv.

table outlets for mohair velvet have been afforded in the motor bus field where the material is especially desirable for inter-city traffic due to its great comfort and lasting beauty.

New mohair dress goods feature yarns of striking color and texture, the natural lustrous sheen of the mohair striking a happy fashion note for the spring season, stylists report. For the automobile trade, a short pile mohair velvet known as "suede cloth" has been created as a variation of the customary deep pile fabric. An outlet for considerable quantities of mohair is also being afforded in a new rug and carpet material for automobiles. This product features a sponge rubber back to which the mohair is applied by patented processes.

Fleece of increasingly good quality features the domestic production which is now sufficient to supply practically all American looms.

Entertained at Whitehead Ranch Mesdames R. A. Halbert, L. E. Johnson, M. M. Stokes, Dock Friend, C. E. Stites, and W. E. James spent Sunday afternoon at the Willie B. Whitehead ranch, where they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Whitehead. Mrs. Whitehead served refreshments of salad, saltinas, and coffee during the afternoon. Other guests paying visits to the ranch at different times during the afternoon were Messrs. and Mesdames A. W. Awalt and son, Sidney, and Haynie Davis and daughter, Marjorie; and Mesdames E. A. Bode, Maysie Brown, T. A. Crawford, and Miss Lucille Stone.

SONORA HAS CHIROPRACTOR

Dr. H. H. Cox, Chiropractor, formerly of Stephenville, Texas, and Ozona, has located an office in Sonora, and is equipped to render an efficient Chiropractic health service. If you are seeking health see Dr. Cox, office third door west of postoffice. Telephone 73. Examinations free. Hours 8 to 12; 1 to 6. Other hours by appointment. Adv.

New Spring hats are coming in. The Style Shop.

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West Texas Utilities Company

Camp Allison

(Essie Rode, Reporter)

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Spaulding and Mrs. Burt Rode are visiting friends and relatives in San Antonio this week.

George, Guy and Johnny Andrews, of Junction, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Elward Hight this week.

S. L. Shroyer and son, Lester, were in Sonora on business Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Preston, Hershell Cunningham and Miss Mandy Shroyer, were Junction visitors Monday.

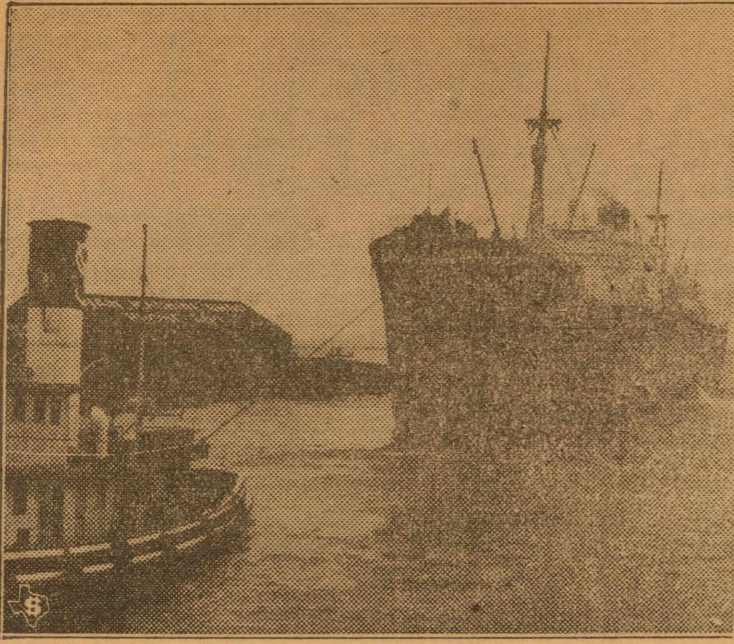
The Ivy basketball girls invaded the stronghold of the Cedar Hill girls Monday and were defeated 3 to 6. The line-up of Cedar Hill follows:

Essie Rode and Bessie Rode, forwards; Fay Shroyer and Dora Shroyer, centers; Nell Adams and Hazel Thiers, guards.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Adams and daughters, the Misses Nina Mae and Shelley Fay, of Cherokee, spent the week-end with Mr. Adam's mother, Mrs. W. B. Adams.

R. L. Hallum, of Sonora, visited his brother, Asa, a part of this week.

S. S. Nemaha Emerging from Mud



This photo was taken just after two tug boats succeeded in pulling the S. S. Nemaha out of the mud a few hundred feet from the Bascule bridge at Corpus Christi, Texas, last week. A high wind blew the Nemaha out of the channel into the mud. No damage was done, but traffic over the bridge was held up for some time. A few hundred feet difference in location would have caused the Nemaha to ram the bridge. This is the first time that a mishap of this kind ever occurred in the port of Corpus Christi.

C. W. Innes Dies Monday in Angelo

Well-known Fence Agent Succumbs at His Home to Weak Heart

C. W. Innes, 70, agent for the Peerless Fence Co. and known by many Texas ranchmen, was found dead by members of his family about 8:00 o'clock Monday morning, when they went a second time to call him to breakfast after noticing that he was sleeping later than usual.

Funeral services were conducted from the Church of Christ at 3:30 Tuesday afternoon, with the Rev. W. M. Davis, pastor of the church, in charge.

One of the first brokers and manufacturer's agents in this section to handle nothing but fence, Mr. Innes had a part in the increasing of wool production in this section, since the development of the woven wire fence was important to that increase.

As the state representative of the Peerless company, Mr. Innes at one time had warehouses in a half a dozen West Texas cities and sold hundreds of miles of fence a year. He was known on every ranch in this section "from the Rio Grande to the T. & P."

Mr. Innes was a Kentuckian, coming to Texas, at Austin, when he was about thirty years old. In 1904 he became the state agent for the Peerless and in 1925 moved his headquarters to San Angelo where he has maintained them ever since.

He is survived by his sister, Miss Ethelene Innes, a niece, Miss Willie Innes, and a nephew, John Gano, with whom he lived at the time of his death. He never married.

It is said that Mr. Innes joined the Church of Christ when he was ten years old and at 12 signed a temperance pledge which he never broke.

Classified ads will get a buyer.

GERMAN REMEDY STOPS 30-YEAR CONSTIPATION

"For 30 years I had a bad stomach and constipation. Souring food from stomach choked me. Since taking Adlerika I am a new woman. Constipation is thing of the past."

—Alice Burns.
Most remedies reach only lower bowel. That is why you must take them often. But this simple German remedy, Adlerika, washes out BOTH upper and lower bowel. It brings out all gas and rids you of poison you would never believe was in your system. Even the FIRST dose will surprise you. Corner Drug Store.—Adv. R-5

The Scout Trail

(Last Week)

Troop 19 held its regular meeting with 16 members present and Jack Earhart in charge. V. J. Glasscock led the Troop with the Scout Oath. Next we had a lively game of basketball. During the half plans were discussed for a hike. After the finish of the basketball game we had a Murphy Drill with Jack Earhart leading. Next the two patrols played "Over the Top." Also the Javelina patrol made plans to change its name to the Silver Fox. To close the meeting Lavelle Meckel led with the Scout Law; Wesley Sawyer with the Scout Oath, and Vincent Roueche with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Kenneth Babcock led in singing "America," after which the meeting was closed.

Wednesday afternoon 10 Scouts went on a hike to Berger's well. There, all Scouts but three passed tests before cooking supper. Rations consisted of one-half pound of steak, 1 egg, 4 slices of bread and an apple, together with a little salt and pepper. The meat and eggs were cooked on hot stones. Most of the Tenderfeet passed their fire-building and cooking tests here, while W. B. Brantley and J. T. Shurley passed first-class cooking. After supper all Scouts gathered around the campfire and told ghost stories. Then all hiked back to town, most of them having been on their first Scout hike.

Twelve Scouts and Jack Earhart, assistant scoutmaster, were present for the Scout meeting Tuesday night. The bird-box building contest

is not yet underway, but most of the Scouts have their plans and materials. The winner will be determined in Boy Scout Anniversary Week in February. Plans were also discussed for a Father and Son Banquet as a means of raising funds for the Troop as it is nearly "broke." Each Scout is to earn money to buy a ticket for himself and his father. Mr. Earhart also reminded the Scouts to start saving their money for Scout Camp next year.

Wesley Sawyer led with the Scout Oath to open the meeting. Many games were played, such as "Steal the Bacon," "Letters," and "Over the Top." Charles Yarnell, who recently moved here from San Angelo, became a new member. Lloyd McGhee was also a new member to join Tuesday night. The meeting was closed with the Scout Laws led by Wilburn Glasscock, and the Scout Oath and "America," led by J. T. Shurley.

J. T. SHURLEY,
Scribe, Troop 19.

An unusual offer—read our ad on page 4. Fields' Dairy.—Adv.

WATCH REPAIRING

Finest work on American and Swiss-made watches. Prompt service. All work fully guaranteed.

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CARLSBAD ELEVATOR DAY SET FOR SAT., JAN. 23

Saturday, January 23, has been designated "Elevator Day" at Carlsbad Caverns by Governor Arthur Seligman of New Mexico, at the request of Thomas Boles, superintendent of Carlsbad Caverns National Park.

The day so designated is to be one of the biggest events in the history of the national institution and an invitation has been extended to the public of New Mexico, Texas, and all neighboring states, to attend the dedication event.

A few minor adjustments in the power plant are all that are left to be done to the elevator, for whose completion hundreds have watched with eagerness.

Members of the New Mexico Newspaper Association, at whose Annual convention in Carlsbad Governor Seligman is to speak on January 22, plan to be in Carlsbad with him on January 23, when he will speak at the cavern and when their convention program contemplates having a part in the elevator dedication.

Eddy county, New Mexico, has sufficient proven potash area to supply the domestic needs of the United States for many years with an increased demand.

Railroad Cases Affecting W. Texas Heard in Capital

Oral Argument on Winter Garden Is Complete—D.R.&N. Hearing Date to Be Set Soon

The Interstate Commerce Commission in Washington, D. C., last week heard argument relative to construction of two rail lines affecting West Texas, and it was indicated that a preliminary hearing in the Del Rio & Northern Railway case, seeking to build from Sonora to Quemado, will be held shortly in a Texas town. The questionnaire prepared on this road was filed by its president, T. N. Picnot.

Mr. Picnot represented the inter-Garden Belt line, a 70-mile project planned to connect existing stubs of major lines between Asherton and Eagle Pass and Quemado, in its formal application. J. H. Tallichet opposed the effort on behalf of the Southern Pacific, one of the lines serving the area at present.

The second project to be argued was that of the Gulf & West Texas, proposed line from San Antonio to San Angelo, which would use some existing trackage. The Gulf & West Texas, a Southern Pacific project, wants to build a line parallel to the now existing tracks of the Fredericksburg and Northern, since the two companies have been unable to agree on a price for the short line. The I. C. C. has recommended that the line be purchased, if agreement can be reached as to a fair price.

Mr. Picnot left Washington last week after the Winter Garden belt hearing to confer with business interests in New York, Philadelphia, and Chicago. One of his calls was scheduled with Melvin Taylor, Chicago financier who was formerly a Ballinger banker.

A generous plan—read our ad on page 4. Fields' Dairy.—Adv.

Lovely Spring dresses, moderate in price. The Style Shop.

Curry county, New Mexico, farmers are marketing a breakfast cereal made from wheat.

Business men, and especially employees, are asked to turn on window lights, and large inside lights, when entering buildings at night, to enable identification from outside. Beal Freeman, Nightwatchman.

Home Ec. Girls Take New Work

Second Term Brings Change in Lines of Study for Classes

With the beginning of a new term of school work, girls in the Home Economics classes of the high school, whose projects have held much interest for their parents and friends throughout the term just completed, are tackling new home problems.

Home Economics I has completed its first term problem, the school dress, and will now take up Foods I, which covers the preparation and serving of breakfasts and lunches.

Home Ec. II has finished a course in home nursing, and will take up the study of making tailored dresses.

Home Ec. III has finished a study of child care, covering emotions and habits; and will take up, in order, the problems of (1) the afternoon or evening dress, (2) house planning.

Miss Loreen Moursund is the instructor in Home Economics.

UTILITIES COMPANY FINDS SIXTEEN METERS CORRECT

At the suggestion of the Sonora city commission the West Texas Utilities company this week inspected sixteen meters of domestic consumers in the city. H. S. Guthrie, meter man of the San Angelo district, brought his apparatus for testing to Sonora and was assisted by J. D. Westbrook, Sonora manager.

Mr. Westbrook stated that none of the sixteen meters inspected showed any defect, and that none was enough out of adjustment to make correction possible. Mr. Westbrook stated that his company will be glad to make a meter test at any time, simply on request of a patron of the company.

DR. COX, CHIROPRACTOR, LOCATES HERE THIS WEEK

Dr. H. H. Cox, chiropractor formerly of Stephenville and Ozona, this week opened an office in Sonora.

Dr. Cox has established his office at the residence of Mrs. Clyde Gardner.

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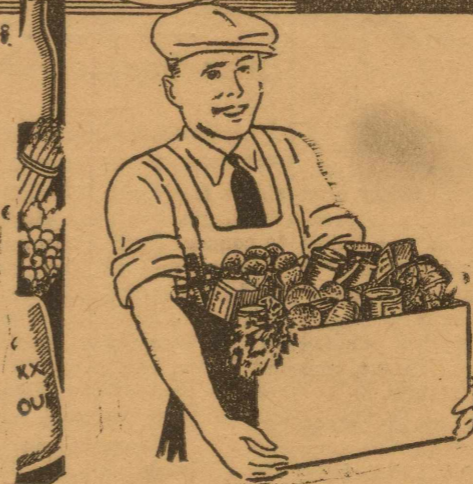


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A REAL TEXAN FOR PRESIDENT

At last! Texas has an even chance to elect a United States president, and what a Texan she offers for that office. John N. Garner, a real native son, born in Texas, reared in Texas, and a Congressman from Texas for a score or more of years, has risen to one of the most commanding posts in the Democratic party.

In addition to Mr. Garner's station as Speaker of the House of Representatives, he is admirably qualified to serve the United States as its president. He is a man of the people, and if elected by the people, would administer the affairs of the office for the citizenry of the entire United States, and not alone for the benefit of Wall Street.

Mr. Garner has had the service, he has had the experience, and he has the insight and keen sympathy which should admirably qualify him to lead the nation back to better days, and permanently better days.

Garner-for-President clubs have been organized in a number of South and West Texas towns. Why not organize in Sonora! It is from just such beginnings that presidential nominees come.

"Devil's Dream"

(By W. E. James)



FATHER KNOWS

My Dad and I, long years ago, were walking down the street, and suddenly a little dog came yelping around our feet. He snapped and snarled so viciously, that measly little pup, it looked to me as though he thought he could eat us up. I turned and threw some stones at him, which always missed the intended mark, and when I tried to drive him off, the louder he would bark.

"Now son," my father said to me, "just go along your way, and pay no heed to yelping dogs; remember what I say. You'll notice if you let him be, and only hold your peace, the little feist will soon grow tired and all his bluffing will cease; but every time that you stamp your foot and shout to him, you show that he is annoying you, and he will bark right on. It takes a dog to fight a dog—just post that over your door. When canines come and snarl at you, don't be a dog yourself. And later, when you have grown to manhood, and petty men attack you, don't stop to pick up stones to throw, don't try to even answer back. Just walk right on and pay no heed to anything they say, and very soon they'll give it up and go another way."

It's an old and very simple trick these petty minds employ—they say the gods will first enrage the man that they would destroy. And little dogs and little men, who snarl behind your back, will only snarl the louder if you answer to their attack. And they'll have done the very thing that they started out to do, if, being yellow dogs themselves, they make one out of you.—Edgar A. Guest.

Two-Gun Ike says he has an old goat on his ranch that has deservedly earned the nickname of "doc." This particular goat, when it observes an ailing kid or nanny, proceeds to hunt the pasture over for some peculiar herb which it noses out of the ground and applies it to the sick animal, and woe be to the kid or nanny refusing to be administered by the "doc" goat. Two-Gun says he keeps the castor oil and turpentine locked up for fear the "doc" will run out herbs and start using his private stock.

the Eldorado victory march went right on—a bit faster.

"Bull" McGinty, of football fame, was Eldorado's high man in the second game, with 10 points. Wes Hill looped two field goals and accounted for half the Sonora total.

Mrs. M. A. Valliant Has Surprise

Mrs. M. A. Valliant, who returned from Mason January 2, after being called there by the death of her sister during the Christmas season, was surprised by her family Sunday when they assembled at her home for dinner in her honor because of the fact that she missed all holiday festivities. Sons and daughters of Mrs. Valliant who

were present with their families were: Messrs. and Mesdames Robert Kelly and son, Robert, jr., Devers Valliant and little daughter; Clarence Valliant, and Messrs. Perry, Arch, and Roy Valliant. Miss Agnes Jones, a granddaughter, and Mrs. Melvin Rogers, of Menard, also a granddaughter, who was accompanied by Mr. Rogers and their little daughter, Charon, were also present.

McKnight Returns from Carrizo

S. E. McKnight returned Tuesday from a brief visit to his ranches in Dimmitt county, near Carrizo Springs, and reports that strawberries are getting ripe on his

places. Mr. McKnight was accompanied on the trip by Walter Tabor and John Yantis of Brownwood, who returned home Sunday from Carrizo.

Mid-Term Exams This Week

Students have been busily occupied in taking their mid-term examinations at grammar and high school this week, after which they will turn to problems of a new semester's work. The honor roll for the first semester will be released next week.

A half million tin cans were used in home canning of foods in Denton county this year.

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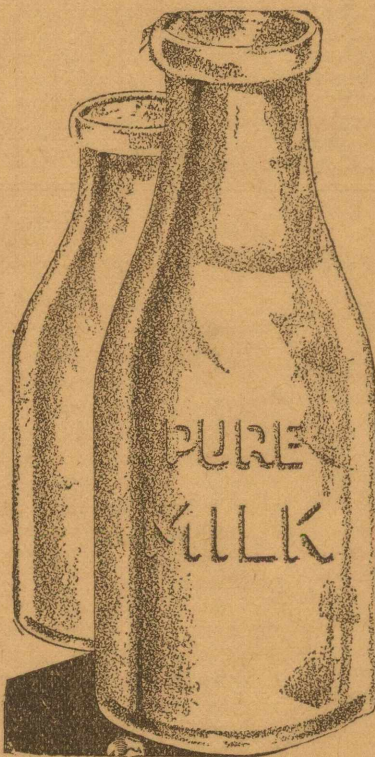
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If you don't say our milk is best after one full month's use—IT WON'T COST A CENT!

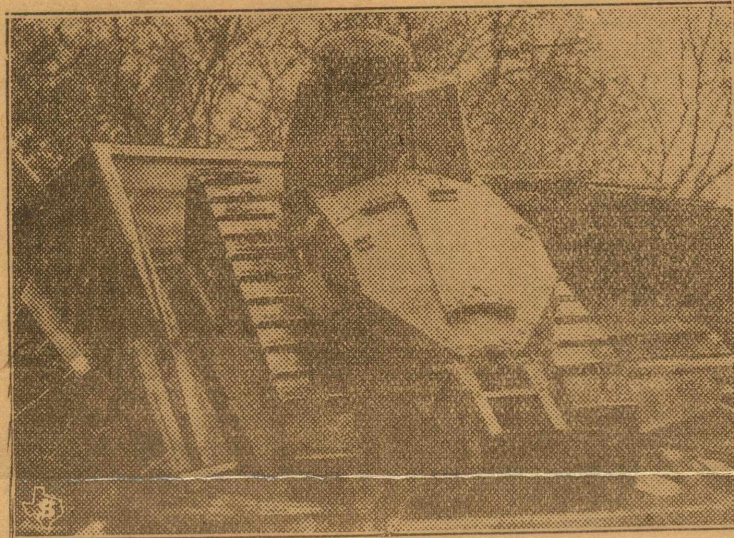


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Chores for the Army Tank



What's so simple as putting an army to work doing odd jobs about the place? When officers condemned this building at Fort Sam Houston, it was an easy matter to be rid of it. This army tank demolished it thoroughly, then it was burned. It was formerly a stable where horses with glanders, a dangerous disease, were quartered, and it was destroyed to obliterate any glanders germs which might be lurking in the stable.

35 YEARS AGO

On Saturday, July 24, 1897, The Devil's River News carried a number of interesting ads, five of which, on the front page, were for saloons or breweries. Various enticing slogans set forth the charms of different types of wines and liquors. "Niagara Whiskey is the Medicine," said one. "Call for XXX Pearl Beer. Now on sale in Sonora in any quantity," proclaimed another. Hagerlund Bros. and Co. announced: "Our New Building Will Soon Be Completed, and We Will Then Be in a Position to Properly Show Our Stock."

Front-page reading matter consisted of an article on hod-hoisting, entitled "Bricks and Mortar," and two shorter articles, "English Naval Troubles," and "Arms and Legs," respectively—the latter dealing with the fact that the right arm in human beings is in a majority of cases longer than the left arm, while, on the contrary, the left leg is longer than the right leg. The remainder of the page was filled with short current events and anecdotes.

It is interesting to note, in the columns of this almost thirty-five-year-old paper, that the practice of exterminating coyotes with strychnine in meat, which is largely used today, is by no means a new practice, though in 1897 it was hailed as "a remarkable good method" for the extermination of coyotes, and was described in The Devil's River News as the method pursued by one S. B. Wipff, of Moore, who reported gratifying results.

Interesting, also, to the sheep man, is the following passage quoted from "The Devil": "A sheep has been found by that renowned scientist, Sir J. B. Lawes, of England, to lay up 12 per cent of the food in weight increase, while cattle only make 8 per cent—so that mutton may be made at 50 per cent less cost than beef. But the markets are eager and ready to take all the mutton they can get, for something handsome more than beef brings. There is a big opening for mutton in hundreds of towns,

and all the villages of the United States are eager for it but can't get it, says the American Sheep Breeder."

Over a half column of space was devoted to an article headed, "Who Will Be Benefitted," and setting forth the advantages of the adoption of the irrigation amendment to "our state constitution on August 3rd." The first argument, savoring of similar arguments in favor of various projects at the present period in our nation, dealt with the benefit to the day laborer, saying " * * * it will cause the investment of millions of dollars for irrigation works and other improvements in that part of the state which is now practically uninhabited."

Other news items follow:

Make a date with your best girl for the Band Boys' entertainment to be given at the courthouse on July 31st.

Services will be held in the new Episcopal church Sunday. Rev. A. Roney, pastor.

The Sonoraites in Mexico are having a fine time enjoying the benefits of the Springs under difficulties.

Bronchos—

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shot a field goal. Hill and Ory, forward, got two each. Sonora failed to connect on free throws.

Isaacs and B. Kerr looped two field goals each for Eldorado. Smith got a field goal. At the end of the half Eldorado was leading 12-10, but in the second half everything went to Sonora, with Eldorado getting just one field goal.

Second Game

Tuesday at Eldorado it was not a Sonora day. The Bronchos were handicapped by the smallness of the Eldorado court, and in addition were off form. Archer, star, and Kring, center, were removed for four personal fouls in the third quarter, and Ory, forward, was taken out by Coach Smith when he collected three fouls. Fields and Troy White went in as forwards. Hill was switched to center, and Ernest Smith saw guard duty, but

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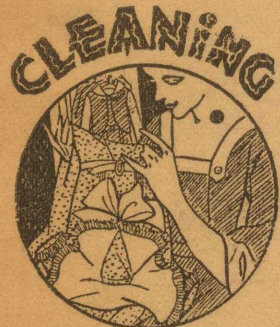
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WOMAN'S PAGE



SOCIETY

Mrs. George Baker, Editor

Mrs. W. E. Caldwell Is Pastime Hostess Saturday Afternoon

Mrs. W. E. Caldwell entertained members and guests of the Pastime Club at her home Saturday afternoon, with four tables of players participating in playing "42." High score went to Mrs. Maysie Brown.

Guests for the afternoon were Mesdames M. G. Shurley, E. P. Neal, and W. E. James.

Members present were Mesdames Sam Hull, W. D. Wallace, W. A. Miers, J. A. Cauthorn, E. E. Sawyer, C. E. Stites, W. R. Nisbet, O. G. Babcock, J. W. Trainer, Rose Thorp, Orion Brown, and Maysie Brown.

The hostess served lovely refreshments of sandwiches, cake, and hot chocolate.

Mrs. Tom White Is Hostess Tuesday to Las Amigas Club

Mrs. Tom White entertained three tables of members and guests of the Las Amigas Club at her home Tuesday afternoon. High scores were won by Mrs. Sam Karnes, for club, and Mrs. Ben Martin, for guest. Low club went to Mrs. J. D. Westbrook.

Guests were Mesdames Ben Martin, of Eagle Pass, and Henry Deckert.

Members present were Mesdames Jack Earhart, P. J. Taylor, J. D. Westbrook, John Fields, Collier Shurley, W. C. Gilmore, Sam Karnes, and the Misses Alice and Nan Karnes, and Ada Steen.

Mrs. White served a pretty salad course.

Country Contract Club Meets With Mrs. L. L. Stuart

Mrs. L. L. Stuart was hostess at her ranch home to the Country Contract Club Wednesday afternoon. In addition to being hostess, Mrs. Stuart achieved high score for the afternoon's play.

Three club members were present, and their husbands were invited to join them for the afternoon. Those present were Messrs. and Mesdames Joe Brown Ross, Joseph Vander Stucken, and L. L. Stuart.

Miss Caldwell Has Two Tables Bridge Saturday Evening

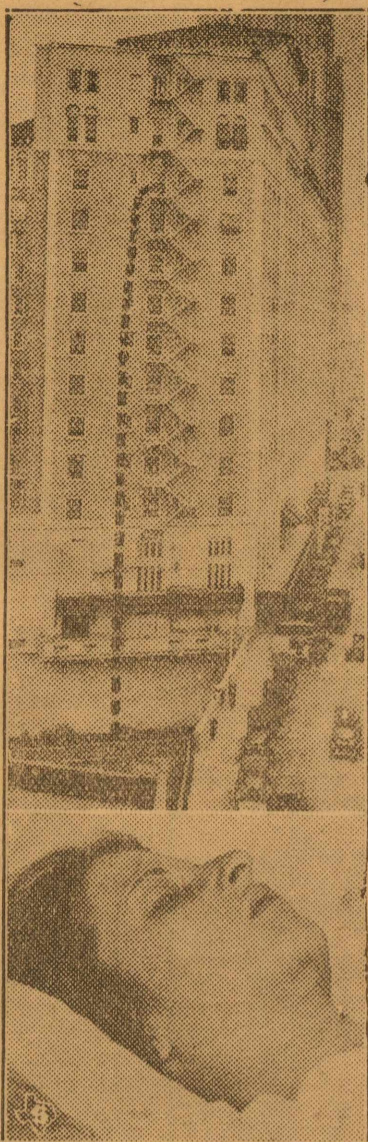
Miss Loula Belle Caldwell entertained two tables of friends at bridge Saturday evening at her home.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Smith, Mrs. Wylie McDaniel, the Misses Loreen Moursund, Maurine Phillips, and Gretta Cawyer, and George E. Smith.

Delicious refreshments were served.

A generous plan—read our ad on page 4. Fields' Dairy.—Adv.

Lives After Fall



Miss Katherine McGlothing, San Marcos, Texas, co-ed, jumped from the fire escape at the eleventh floor of the Plaza Hotel in San Antonio, into the San Antonio river, and, although the water was only three feet deep, lived to tell the tale. Miss McGlothing is shown in a San Antonio hospital, where she lies with the second vertebra of her neck broken. Doctors report no pressure on her spinal cord, however, and her chances for complete recovery good. The scene of her fall is shown above.

P-T. A. Stresses National Thrift

Tuesday Program Recognizes Poster Contest in the Grades

National Thrift Week was appropriately observed at the regular monthly program and social meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association in the grammar school auditorium Tuesday afternoon, when members of the third grade entertained with three special numbers on Thrift, a number of posters on thrift subjects designed by children in the grade school were displayed by Miss Ione Reagan, and Mrs. George Baker gave a talk on the purposes and outlines of thrift work in Parent-Teacher Associations.

In the third grade's demonstration Dock Simmons and O. L. Richardson, jr., gave recitations on thrift and a group of eight children gave a sketch entitled "Two Streets," which pointed out, through short verses repeated by each child, the differences between "Wasteful" (Continued on page 6)

Methodist Zone Meeting Is Held in Local Church

Large Crowd Attends Quarterly Session, Thursday, Jan. 14

The meeting of Zone No. 1 of the San Angelo district of the Methodist Missionary Society, held at the Sonora Methodist Church from 10 o'clock Thursday morning, Jan. 14, to 3:00 o'clock that afternoon drew a crowd of over eighty persons, including representatives from Sonora, Eldorado, Ozona, Christoval, and Mertzon, and was pronounced a decided success by those who attended.

Mrs. P. J. Taylor extended the welcome of the local church to the visiting group at the morning session, which was devoted largely to an officers' training session conducted by Mrs. J. D. McWhorter, of Eldorado, zone chairman.

The ladies of the Woman's Missionary Society of Sonora served a plate luncheon to eighty-three persons at noon in the basement of the church, at which time an entertaining program was rendered by Miss Marie Watkins, new music instructor, who sang two beautiful contralto solos; Mrs. A. L. Smith, who gave two amusing readings; and Mrs. L. L. Stuart, who played two lovely violin selections.

The afternoon session began at 1:00 o'clock, with Mrs. McWhorter presiding. Following a devotional period conducted by the Rev. Mr. McWhorter, Mrs. F. T. McIntire sang a beautiful sacred selection, accompanied by Miss Marie Watkins. This was followed by a reading, "The Lost Word," by Henry Van Dyke, given by Mrs. George Baker.

Turning to the general theme of the meeting, the group heard a paper entitled "Every Woman and World Peace," read by Mrs. S. M. Oglesby, of Mertzon, and containing valuable suggestions of a practical nature concerning the furthering of world peace by women of the nation.

Short talks on the subject, "What Can I Do for Peace," were given by Mrs. Ira Shurley, who stressed the truth that peace lies, first, in the heart; Mrs. L. E. Johnson, who read a beautiful sketch urging more prayer for peace; Mrs. J. W. Trainer, who presented a petition for world peace to be signed by local missionary societies and sent, through the Methodist Christian Social Service Department, to President Hoover; and Mrs. C. H. Evans, who gave an effective reproduction of a letter written by a war mother, urging peace for every nation.

The Rev. J. D. McWhorter read an instructive pamphlet on world peace by Frederick J. Libby, after which Mrs. S. L. Batchelor, district secretary, pointed out the disad-

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Mrs. J. B. Ross Is Saturday Hostess to The Queen of Clubs

Mrs. Joe Brown Ross entertained the Queen of Clubs at her ranch home Saturday afternoon. Three tables participated in bridge, at which Mrs. L. L. Stuart won high club, Mrs. Marshall Huling, low club, and Mrs. Arthur Stuart, high guest.

Guests besides Mrs. Stuart were Mesdames A. L. Smith and J. A. Ward, jr.

Members present were Mesdames L. L. Stuart, John Fields, Marshall Huling, George H. Neill, R. C. Vicars, Joseph Vander Stucken, and the Misses Ada Steen, Bonnie Glasscock, Joanna Stokes, and Alice Karnes.

Mrs. Ross served a lovely salad course.

Mrs. Miers Savell Is Thursday Hostess to the Two-Bit Club

Mrs. Miers Savell was hostess to the Two-Bit Club at her ranch home Thursday afternoon, entertaining four tables of members and guests. High club score went to Miss Addah Miers and low club to Miss Lyda Archer. Mrs. Sam Karnes won high guest score.

The hostess served a delicious salad course to the following: Members—Mesdames Jack Wardlaw, George D. Chalk, Dave Locklin, Allen Adkins, Hilton Turney, Joe Hull, and the Misses Lyda Archer and Addah Miers.

Guests—Mesdames Theo Savell, Roy Baker, Sam Karnes, Hilary Phillips, Ernest McClelland, Dock Friend, and Miss Joanna Stokes.

Mesdames R. A. Halbert, C. H. Evans and little daughter, Mary Jane, L. E. Johnson, and E. P. Neal spent Thursday in San Angelo.

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Benefit Bridge Given By Woman's Club Draws Crowd

Seventeen tables of players of bridge and "42" enjoyed the benefit party given by the Sonora Woman's Club at the club house Friday evening. Winners for the evening were Mrs. Sterling Baker and Charles Harold Evans, for high bridge; Mrs. Will Wilkerson and Ira Green, low bridge; Mrs. Pearl Thomas and J. D. Lowrey, high "42," and Mrs. C. E. Yarnell and Orion Brown, low.

Committees in charge of details of the party were: Refreshments—Mesdames Roy Aldwell, Sam Hull, and W. E. Caldwell. Invitations—Mesdames C. H. Evans and E. F. Vander Stucken. Hostesses for the evening were Mesdames John Fields, P. J. Taylor, and W. L. Davis.

Refreshments of salad, potato chips, saltinas, and coffee with whipped cream were served to the following: Messrs. and Mesdames R. S. Covey, B. C. McGilvrey, R. C. Vicars, Sterling Baker, W. R. Barnes, George D. Chalk, W. L. Davis, A. C. Elliott, B. W. Hutcher, M. M. Stokes, George H. Neill, A. L. Smith, Orion Brown, Robert Rees, J. P. Pickrell, C. E. Yarnell, G. H. Davis, L. E. Johnson, C. H. Evans, Jack Earhart, R. A. Halbert, Dave Locklin, F. O. Harrison, Roy Aldwell, W. R. Nisbet, Will Wilkerson, P. J. Taylor, Ira Green, and George Baker; Mesdames Ben Martin, of Eagle Pass, Sam Hull, W. E. Caldwell, Ed Mayfield, Ira Shurley, Rose Thorp, Clara Murphy, T. A. Williams, A. W. Awalt, Pearl Thomas, E. F. Vander Stucken, C. S. Keene, Tom White; the Misses Loula Belle Caldwell, Audrey Rankhorn, Lillian Ramsell, Thelma Rees, Jessie Louise Evans, Maurine Phillips, and Loreen Moursund; and Messrs. J. D. Lowrey and Charles Harold Evans.

'Silver Bridge' to Be Given Jan. 30

Library Committee Woman's Club Announces Afternoon Affair

The library committee of the Sonora Woman's Club this week announced plans for a "Silver Bridge," to be given Saturday afternoon, January 30, at the club house, for the benefit of the Sonora library fund.

Both Auction and Contract will be played at the party, reservations for which will not be priced, but will be taken care of through a silver offering. Players of Contract are asked to make up their own tables for the afternoon. Reservations may be made by calling any member of the library committee, composed of Mesdames E. F. Vander Stucken, chairman, W. D. Nisbet, B. M. Halbert, E. E. Sawyer, and O. G. Babcock.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Wallace Home

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Wallace returned Thursday from a week's visit to Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Bryson, at Uvalde. During their visit, they made trips to San Antonio and Crystal City.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Sykes had as their guests Thursday at the Sykes ranch Mrs. George and daughter, of San Angelo.

Social Calendar

Friday, Jan. 22
JUST US CLUB at 2:30 p. m. with Mrs. J. D. Wallace.

COMMUNITY SOCIAL CLUB at 7:30 p. m. with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Thomas.

Monday, Jan. 25
CONTRACT CLUB at 2:30 p. m. with Mrs. A. G. Blanton.

THIRTEEN DRAMATIC CLUB at 7:30 p. m., with Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Gilmore. Final check-up of third play.

Tuesday, Jan. 26
MERRIMAKERS' CLUB at 2:30 p. m. with Mrs. Paul Turney.

Wednesday, Jan. 27
W. M. S. SOCIAL MEETING at 3 p. m. with Mrs. W. E. Caldwell.

Thursday, Jan. 28
TWO-BIT CLUB at 2 p. m. with Mrs. Jack Wardlaw.
WOMAN'S CLUB election of officers, at 3 p. m. at the club house.

Friday, Jan. 29
PASTIME CLUB at 3:00 p. m. with Mrs. Maysie Brown.

Saturday, Jan. 30
LIBRARY COMMITTEE'S SILVER BRIDGE at 2:30 p. m. at the club house.

Mrs. Sterling Baker Is Contract Hostess Monday Afternoon

Mrs. Sterling Baker was hostess at her home to the Contract Club Monday afternoon. High score was won by Mrs. Clara Murphy.

Members present were Mesdames Murphy, E. F. Vander Stucken, T. A. Williams, and Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. Hi Eastland went to the ranch Thursday.

Smart New Spring coats are in. The Style Shop.

Mr. and Mrs. Mittel Give Apron-Overall Party for Their Club

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Mittel were host and hostess at a clever farmer-farmerette party, at which all guests wore either aprons or overalls, Thursday evening at their ranch home. The occasion was the regular weekly meeting of the Community Social Club, and all members of the group were present. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Pierce Hoggett, of Junction, and Wallace Joiner, of Robert Lee.

High score at bridge went to Sam Thomas, and low to Mrs. W. L. Davis.

The hostess served imitation "school lunches," consisting of chicken sandwiches and cookies wrapped in paper napkins; these being served with hot cocoa.

Members of the club are Messrs. and Mesdames W. L. Davis, Sam Thomas, Perry Mittel, Gene Lightfoot, and Archie Mittel.

W. M. U. PLANS BEAUTIFY CHURCH LAWN WITH SHRUBS

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Baptist church made plans to beautify the church lawn with grass and shrubs, at its regular meeting Wednesday afternoon, at the home of Mrs. R. D. Trainer.

Mrs. W. D. Martin presided, and eight members of the society enjoyed a mission study.

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SALAD WAFERS—One-pound box for	14c
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W. M. S. TAKES UP NEW STUDY COURSE ON KOREA

Mrs. L. E. Johnson, superintendent of study, presented the introduction of a foreign mission book, "Korea, Land of the Dawn," which the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist church has chosen for its next period of study, at the regular meeting of the organization Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. R. A. Halbert.

Mrs. W. L. Davis gave an interesting report of a lecture which she heard recently in San Angelo on "Christian Education in the Local Church."

Twenty-one members were present at the meeting. Announcement was made that the next meeting will be the monthly social gathering and will be held at the home of Mrs. W. E. Caldwell next Wednesday afternoon at 8:00 o'clock.

Classified ads will get a buyer.

Two Killed, Eight Injured in Eagle Lake Tornado



A tornado in Southeast Texas, near Eagle Lake, last week claimed two lives, ruined farms and demolished many farm homes. Pictured above are scenes of the Eagle Lake tornado. Upper left shows the debris scattered over the fields in wake of the twister. Lower left is all that was left of two farm houses where Mrs. Veto Gyano and her small baby were killed and eight were injured. Upper right shows the injured being removed from the stricken area, and lower right shows injured being loaded into a baggage car for removal to hospitals.

Hearst Defends Garner from Attack of New York Evening Post; Says He Is Champion of America, Not Europe

Editor's Note—William Randolph Hearst, at times radical in his policies and opinions, occasionally sounds a really true note. In his defense of John Garner against attacks from the New York Evening Herald he brings out a number of features which emphasize Garner's importance in the present political situation, and of his qualifications for the Democratic nomination for president. Mr. Hearst's discussion follows: The New York Evening Post, Wall street organ, attacks Mr. Garner, speaker of the house of representatives, formulator of Democratic policies in the one Democratic branch of our national government, and consequently the natural, and responsible and the actual leader of the Democratic party in the nation. The Post rules Mr. Garner out of the running for the Democratic nomination for the presidency, because, as it says, he is like Champ Clark, one of those "sloppy minded, easy going Southerners."

It ill behooves Wall street, which has raided, robbed and wrecked the country with a most liberal disregard of sectionalism, to raise the sectional issue in politics.

This Wall street organ's knowledge of American principles and constitutional provisions is not very good when it attempts to eliminate any presidential candidate because he is a resident of any state or section.

Its knowledge of American geography is not very good when it classifies Texas as especially a Southern state.

Texas, the greatest state in the union, begins over a hundred miles west of the Mississippi river and extends farther west than Oklahoma or Kansas or Nebraska or the Dakotas, and farther west than the middle of New Mexico.

And finally, this Wall street organization is peculiarly false in its knowledge of American history when it refers disparagingly to "sloppy minded, easy going Southerners" and the mistake of putting "the lazy South in the saddle."

The American nation is celebrating the bicentennial this year of one of those "sloppy minded, easy going Southerners," George Washington, the man who made it possible for the United States to have a president of any kind.

Without that particular representative of the "lazy South" this country might now be ruled by a British governor general; and sometimes sad to say, it seems as if it were so ruled.

Thomas Jefferson, who gave us our Declaration of Independence was another one of those Evening Post's "sloppy minded, easy going Southerners."

And so was James Monroe, who gave us the inspiring Monroe Doctrine and gave notice to Europe to keep off the American continents.

And so was James Madison, who did not know enough to stop fighting, but walloped the British at New Orleans after the war of 1812 was over, and after quite a few pretty able generals from other parts of the country had been soundly beaten by the British.

We needed that representative of the "lazy South" to wipe out the humiliation of having our capitol and our White House at Washington burned by the British troops—as they may be burned again if Mr. Hoover succeeds in completely destroying our army and navy.

President Polk was another representative of the "lazy South," and he added the area of California, Nevada, Utah, Texas, Arizona, New Mexico, Oregon, Washington and Idaho to our country.

And, by the way, when you come to think of it, it was presidents

from the "lazy South"—"sloppy minded, easy going Southerners"—who added to the nation the states of Florida, Louisiana, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Nebraska, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Colorado, Wyoming and Montana.

Now where would Wall street be without all these states to plunder and exploit?

Where would New York be if it were not the commercial metropolis of this greater United States?

The Post should not write American nonsense.

Its attack of Mr. Garner under such circumstances does not do him any harm; and its defense of Mr. Smith does not do him any good.

Wall street does not object to Mr. Garner because he comes from the West or from the South.

It does not object to him because he and Nick Longworth were friends.

It does not object to him because he is a moderationist on the liquor question.

It does not object to him because he belongs to the Democratic party.

It objects to him because he does NOT BELONG to Wall street.

Mr. Garner is of course not hostile to any legitimate element of the community, but he does not intend to be owned by any element. He will be a president like Jefferson, for the greatest good of the greatest number.

He will be a president like Lincoln, of the people, by the people and for the people.

He will not be a president primarily for Europe.

Nor will he be merely the official representative of the international bankers.

Mr. Smith, Mr. Baker, Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. Young are all good men, all very good men, but all internationalists, all peculiarly acceptable to the international bankers. Mr. Garner is NOT an internationalist.

HE IS NOT more concerned about European peoples than he is about his own people.

He is Not in favor of giving the American people's money away to Europe.

He is NOT in favor of having our federal reserve banks develop European enterprises and have no money left to develop American enterprises.

He is just a true American—like Champ Clark.

That's all, and that's enough. He may NOT be acceptable to the international bankers.

He may NOT be acceptable to Wall street and Wall street's organ.

That is sort of too bad. But perhaps he will be acceptable to the rest of the country.

The rest of the people have not much money these days, thanks to Wall street, but they still have votes.

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Street" and "Thrift Street." The children were directed by Miss Dora Petmecky.

The posters displayed by Miss Reagan were free hand work exhibiting unusual ability on the part of the young artists, who had been promised a prize by Mrs. S. T. Gilmore, sixth district Parent-Teacher Association president, for the best thrift poster submitted. A committee appointed at the meeting, consisting of Mesdames T. A. Williams, L. E. Johnson, and George Baker, chose as the winning poster a piece of work by Young Newsom, of the sixth grade. All posters are on display in the windows of the Gilmore Hardware Company.

Following the portion of the program devoted to National Thrift Week, Mrs. W. L. Davis gave an informative talk on "Fear," continuing a course in child psychology which has been under way for several months in the organization.

Mrs. Clayton Puckett, who was to have discussed "Jealousy" resigned her place on the program in favor of Miss Lucille Stone, district nurse, who addressed the group on "Communicable Diseases of Children."

In a business meeting following Miss Stone's talk Mrs. Clayton Puckett, president of the Adult Health Club, presented a plan of that organization whereby children exhibiting suspicious-looking symptoms which might develop into communicable diseases be sent home from school and refused re-entrance

into school until accompanied by a doctor's certificate of acceptable health. A committee, consisting of Mrs. L. E. Johnson, representing the Adult Health Club, and Mrs. R. S. Covey, representing the P.-T. A., was appointed to take up the matter through the county health board and the commissioners' court.

A letter of appreciation for flowers received, was read from Mrs. S. T. Gilmore by Mrs. E. E. Sawyer, who was officiating in place of Mrs. Ira Shurley, president, who was absent on account of illness.

The sixth grade received the banner for attendance at the meeting.

A particularly enjoyable portion of the program was the beautiful Schubert selection, arranged by Hellar, played by Miss Marie Watkins, music instructor.

Refreshments were served in the school cafeteria by Mesdames M. G. Shurley, Ralph Trainer, and Lib Wallace.

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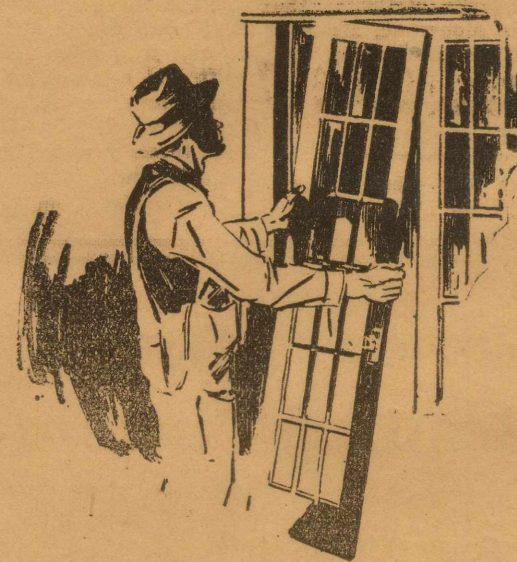
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When C. T. Watson, chamber of commerce secretary at Big Spring, Texas (left), and W. T. Strange, Jr., Big Spring architect went hunting recently, they bagged a deer each and considered it a very successful day. Then on the way back to camp they encountered the big black bear shown in the center of the picture, and it took their last shells to kill this belligerent fellow in self-defense.

When Barbed Wire Came to Texas It Almost Caused a Civil War; Fencing Was Big Political Issue in 1878-1885

Editor's Note — The Texas Industrial Review, published in Austin, tells an interesting story of the coming of barbed wire fencing to Texas. It is an accurate portrait of events in the pioneer days in the ranching business.

There is no one in Texas now who is opposed to the use of barbed fence wire. But if one turns back to the times fifty years ago, he will find that the political welkin of those days rang with denunciations of the barbed wire fence.

John W. Gates who became, "Det a Million Gates" in after years, first introduced the new-fangled barbed fence wire into Texas in 1878. Free ranges and free water holes, regardless of the ownership of lands were believed in strongly by those who did not own the lands. These fought the introduction of the new fence bitterly. Then there was a considerable number who thought the new fence would tear the "poor steers" to pieces. In fact, this latter element had a big influence in shaping legislation so barbed wire fence could be erected in Texas.

The first legislature that met after the Constitution of 1876 was adopted, the Fifteenth legislature, met that year, and a statute was enacted relating to fences, and it was provided that the people of counties and sub-divisions thereof, could by a majority vote, prevent live stock from running at large therein, and this law which was approved August 15, 1876, provided for a lawful fence as, "Any fence which is sufficient to keep out ordinary stock permitted to run at large under this Act shall be deemed a lawful fence."

When the barbed wire fence came to Texas that was the law, and the barbed wire fence was lawful as it would surely keep out "ordinary stock." The next legislature did not meet until January, 1879, this being the Sixteenth legislature, and in the meantime the odious barbed wire fence had shown up.

In those days many of the prominent cattlemen of south and west Texas had their homes in Austin. In fact Austin was headquarters for all those who drove cattle "over the trail" to Kansas and the Northwest. The deals to buy the cattle were made in Austin, and thence came John W. Gates to show his new-fangled fence.

It is reported on good authority, that after some of the big cattlemen had poopooed the idea that such a fence could hold a bunch of long-horn steers, that Gates proceeded to show them. He built a fence around a ten-acre lot, and there was an exciting time when it came to prove the stability of the fence. That some of those wild steers were pretty badly scratched in their efforts to get out of the pen, goes without saying.

But the fence stood the racket and at once came into favor with ranchmen who owned land, and especially good water holes.

S. H. Houghton, an old-timer still living near Dallas says that the first big order given Gates for wire was given by Col. Ike T. Pryor, then living in Austin, now living in San Antonio.

Colonel Pryor does not remember the circumstances of having given the first order, but he does remember that he, Reek and Thad Thomson and Judge Rector, all citizens of Austin, owned a 120,000-acre ranch in King county and that they fenced it with barbed wire.

There was considerable demand for wire in 1878, and considerable opposition to its use also.

When the Sixteenth legislature met in January, 1879, the fence

question was a big issue politically and otherwise, but the March of Progress although much buffeted, kept on its way as a statute was enacted, after a fight, particularly permitting the erecting of barbed wire fences.

The first statute approved March 26, 1879, provided a lawful fence to be, "three barbed wires, or two strands of barbed wire," and provided that when only wires were used, "the owners of the fence shall be required to fasten a board not less than four inches wide and one-half inch thick between the wires." But this statute was succeeded by another one approved April 18, which provided, "three strands of barbed wire, with posts not further apart than 15 feet, with a board not less than four inches wide and one-half an inch thick hung to the top wire; or two strands of barbed wire and a board not less than five inches wide and one inch thick."

The Fence Cutting Era
Very soon began the fence cutting war. Some would build fences and others would cut them. Much blood was spilled, and as fence cutting then was only a misdemeanor, the fence cutters had the bulge on the fence builders.

The situation became so serious that in 1884, Governor Ireland called a special session of the Eighteenth legislature which enacted a statute making the cutting of a fence a felony. This same legislature also provided that gates should be provided every three miles on any straight line of fence.

Looking at the situation today,

it is almost inconceivable that in that day, in this new country, with no transportation facilities between the timber regions of east and southwest Texas and the vast prairies and plains of the west and northwest, that any one would object to the introduction of such a great boon to industrial development as a cheap and substantial fence material. But then, as now—and always — political leadership was ever present to lead where there could be obtained a pull with people, and political prominence regardless of how far-reaching the injury would be in case of success.

The barbed wire fence had of course, its stout defenders. If it had been the case that those wanting the fence had been corporations or foreign investors, the fence would have gone into the discard with a whoop.

The coming of the wire fence into Texas caused one of our biggest political wars, and with it a whole lot of group and personal war in which powder and lead played the leading part.

Some jokester, by the way, has reported that the fight became so fierce that a law was passed prohibiting a person from having in his possession a pair of plyers. While the possession of a pair of cutting plyers may have been circumstantial evidence of a fence cutter, no statute relating to the possession of plyers was ever enacted.

For several years, Sanborn and Warner of Houston, Texas, were state agents for the wire manufacturers and they made a fortune out of its sale, but after the wirecutting era had passed out, so great was the demand for fence wire, that dealers were allowed to buy direct from manufacturers. The biggest dealers in Texas were then Ed Steves & Sons, and Martin and Schryver of San Antonio, and these firms literally sold millions of miles of barbed wire.

Before the Wire Fence Came
Before the barbed wire fence came to Texas, the only fences in Texas west of the Colorado River were stone fences, or rock fences, built up laboriously from the plentiful supply of limestone rock found in the great Edwards Plateau region. But in the great plains region north and west of the Edwards Plateau there was neither rock nor timber for fence purposes.

Northwest of Austin on the west of the Colorado River the country was and is covered by cedar brakes that cover a considerable territory, and the fence builder accessible to this area built his fence by using cedar poles set in a trench and fastened at the top by a board or wire. Many of these early cedar pole fences are still in existence, as is the case, where an early agriculture started in the west, of the rock fences. San Antonio, Castroville, Fredericksburg and New Braunfels and smaller communities on the San Saba and Llano Rivers, were the sole dependencies for agriculture in western Texas before the coming of the barbed wire fence.

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Methodist Zone—

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advantages to world peace of Reserve Officers' Training Corps and military training camps. The Rev. J. H. Meredith, of Ozona, stressed the need for a new sort of evangelism which, he feels, should bring about world peace. The Rev. E. P. Neal emphasized the need for action, and urged the signing of the petition presented by Mrs. Trainer. A large number of signatures were added to the petition. The Rev. Mr. Neal also echoed the welcome extended earlier in the day by Mrs. Taylor.

A count of those present in the afternoon revealed the following totals present at that session: Sonora, 26; Mertzon, 5; Ozona, 22; Christoval, 4; Eldorado, 18.

A business session took up the following points: officers' training—the special event for this quarter's work—presented by Mrs. S. L. Batchelor; the possibilities of assuming a "special," or the support of a Bible woman, a missionary, or some similar obligation, by the zone; distribution of "The Missionary Voice," possibilities of employing a worker among the Mexicans, and appointment of a committee consisting of the Rev. S. S. Davis, Mertzon, and Mesdames Scott Peters, Ozona, and Ira Shurley, to investigate these possibilities; reading a letter from the Big Lake auxiliary; decision to hold the next meeting at Eldorado on April 14.

An offering of approximately \$10 was taken, after which Mrs. Joe Pierce, Ozona, read the outline of the program for next time, of which the subject will be, "Dry America."

Complete registration was not available, but the following attendants at the meeting registered: Eldorado—the Rev. and Mrs. J. D. McWhorter, Mesdames D. E. DeLong, A. H. Green, Jim Patton, J. E. Tisdale, Abe Millar, V. M. Humphrey, Orville Berry, O. E. Conner, J. E. Hill, J. F. Isaacs, Ben L. Isaacs.

Mertzon—The Rev. and Mrs. S. S. Davis; Mesdames Mans Hoggett, G. W. DeLong, J. R. Smith, and S. M. Oglesby.

Ozona—The Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Meredith; Mesdames W. R. Baggett, E. B. Baggett, Jr., N. W. Graham, C. L. Williams, Hugh Chil-

dress, B. B. Ingham, O. G. Pape, Paul Perner, George Montgomery, R. R. Dudley, H. P. Vaughn, Scott Peters, Joe Pierce, Fred Deaton, Johnnie Henderson, F. T. McIntire, Charles Williams, Ted M. White, J. M. Curry, Mary Perner.

Christoval — Mesdames Mildred Spencer, B. T. Welch, and the Misses Emma Carroll, and NaDell Welch.

San Angelo—The Rev. and Mrs. S. L. Batchelor.

Sonora—The Rev. and Mrs. E. P. Neal; Mesdames P. J. Taylor, J. D. Lowrey, J. W. Trainer, J. M. Puckett, W. E. Caldwell, Joe Logan, B. W. Hutcherson, Claude Keene, C. H. Evans, Rose Thorp, R. A. Halbert, J. E. Johnson, Haynie Davis, George B. Hamilton, M. M. Stokes, J. C. Stephen, Thomas Espy, W. J. Fields, Clayton Puckett, C. E. Stites, J. S. Glasscock, Ira Shurley, Robert Rees, Paul Turney, W. E. James, Hi Eastland, Nettie Marion, Tom White, J. D. Westbrook, George Baker.

W. A. MIERS LISTED AS OF HEAVILY INSURED

Dallas, Jan. 21.—The name of one citizen of Sonora appears in the list of Texas' Greater Patrons of Life Insurance, just released in the 1931 edition of "The Texas Index." It is William A. Miers, one of 313 Texans with \$100,000 or more in life insurance.

At least four men in Texas are insured for \$1,000,000 or more, according to the Index. They are James M. West, of Houston, with a total of \$1,480,000; Col. Ernest O. Thompson, of Amarillo, \$1,178,000; Edward A. Landreth, of Fort Worth, \$1,130,000, and Clarence E. Linz, of Dallas, \$1,036,000.

The list also indicates that a total of 28 are insured for \$500,000 or more.

An unusual offer—read our ad on page 4. Fields' Dairy.—Adv.

Read the Classified Ads.

LOAN & BROKERAGE COMPANY
Official statement of financial condition of the
FIRST LOAN COMPANY

at Sonora, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 31st day of December, 1931, published in The Devil's River News, a newspaper printed and published at Sonora, State of Texas, on the 22nd day of January, 1932.

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts, other than R/E	\$229,497.85
Loans, Real Estate	600.00
Bonds, Stocks, Warrants and other Securities not pledged	48,247.38
Real Estate Owned	2,237.50
Cash on Hand and Due from Banks	2,710.68
TOTAL	\$283,293.41

LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock Paid in	\$ 75,000.00
Undivided Profits, net	10,862.46
Reserved for Special Account, Interest	788.61
Bills Payable	5,000.00
Other Liabilities, Rediscounts with Fed. Intermediate Credit Bank, Houston	191,642.34
TOTAL	\$283,293.41

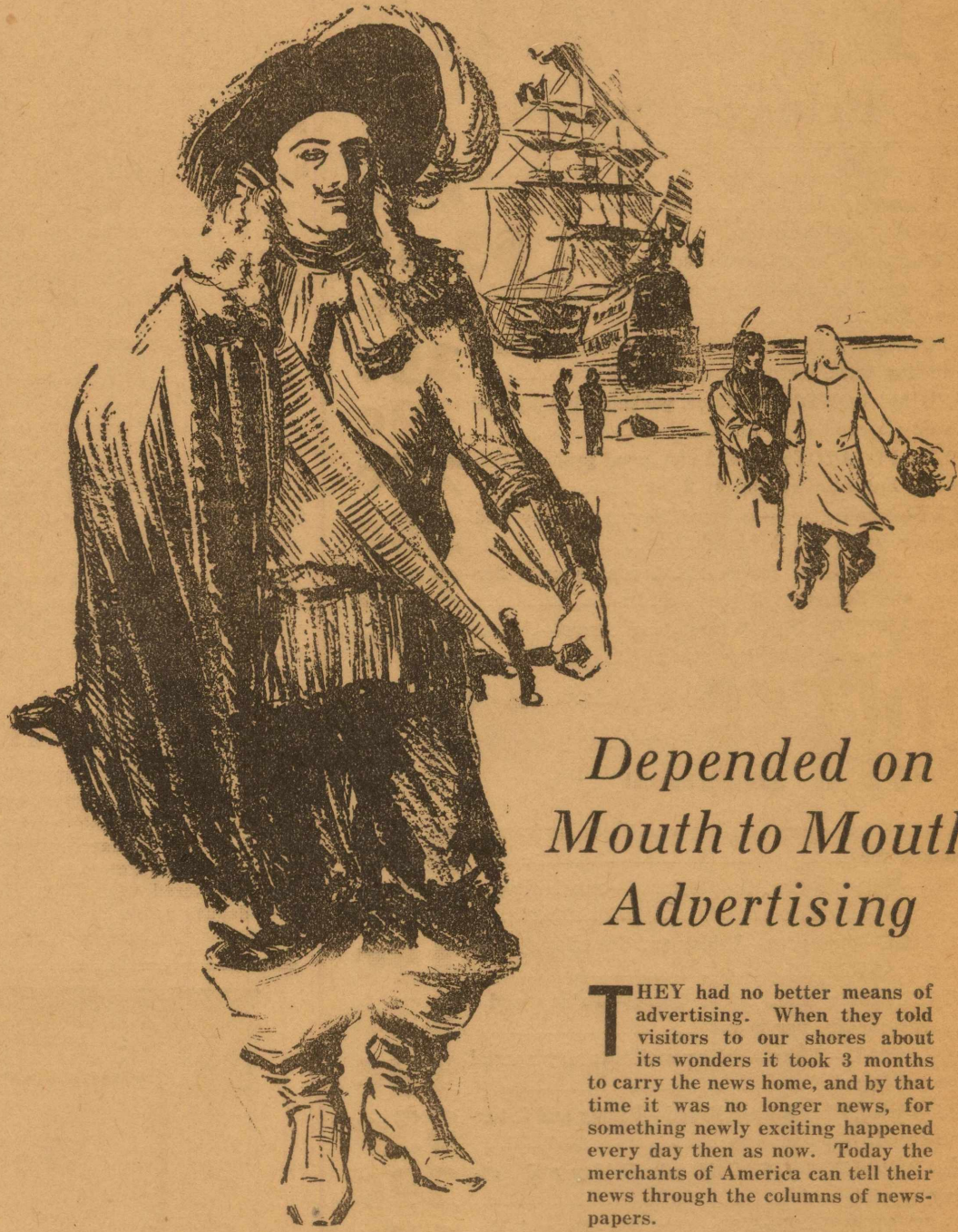
State of Texas
County of Sutton
We, E. F. Vander Stucken as president, and Maysie Brown as secretary, of said company, each of us do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

E. F. VANDER STUCKEN, President
MAYSIE BROWN, Secretary
COORECT—Attest: Roy E. Aldwell, S. H. Allison, E. E. Sawyer, directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16th day of January, A. D. 1932.

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The Devil's River News

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Bran, cwt.	90c
Cottonseed Hulls, cwt.	60c
Oats, bushel	30c
Crimped Oats, cwt.	\$1.25
Crimped Barley, cwt.	\$1.30
Ground Milo Heads, cwt.	75c
Ground Kaffir and Milo, cwt.	80c
Dairy Feed, cwt.	\$1.40
Horse and Mule Feed, cwt.	\$1.40
Lasses Feed, cwt.	85c
Steel Cut Corn, cwt.	\$1.30
Sheep Cubes, cwt.	90c
Medicated Salt, 50-lb. block	65c
Mortons Salt, 100 lbs.	75c

We will be glad to figure with you on any kind of feed.

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Sonora, Texas

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Ten years ago cotton was stacked out on the ground, people flocked around the rare airplane like ants around a lump of sugar, farmers all rode horses to town, or came in wagons and buggies, and no one knew what a depression was. Now the cotton bales are all stacked under sheds, airplanes are as thick as buzzards, every farmer has his automobile, and everybody is panicky. Call it depression if you want to! The pictures were taken 10 years ago at Gonzales, Texas.



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P.-T. A. CONFERENCE TO BE HELD IN SAN ANGELO

The Sixth District Child Welfare Conference of the Parent-Teacher Association, including a total of 25 counties, will be held March 31 and April 1-2 in San Angelo, it was learned here Sunday by Mrs. S. T. Gilmore, president of the Sixth District.

Mesdames P. J. Martin, of Brackettville and W. P. Riley, of Junction, spent Sunday here visiting Mrs. Gilmore, to whom they had

brought a report from the state executive board meeting of the P.-T. A. held at Austin January 14. Mrs. Gilmore, who is state chairman of Thrift, was prevented by illness from attending the meeting.

Invitations were received from Midland and Abilene, in addition to the one from San Angelo, for the spring meeting.

Twenty million dollars for new buildings and public improvements have been spent in Fort Worth during the past two years.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Grenhill, who are moving from Alpine to Littlefield, spent Saturday night here with Mr. Greenhill's mother, Mrs. W. B. Brantley.

Mr. and Mrs. Pierce Hoggett, of Junction, left for home Friday after a visit here with Mr. Hoggett's sisters, Mrs. W. L. Davis and Miss Ruth Lee Hoggett.

The Misses Loreen Moursund, Maurine Phillips, and Johnnie Allison spent Sunday afternoon at Ozona visiting Miss Allison's sister, Miss Norine Allison.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Baker were accompanied to San Angelo Wednesday by Mrs. Sam Karnes, who remained there for a few days' visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Drake.

Mr. and Mrs. Orion Brown and little daughter, Kathryn, spent Sunday afternoon visiting the Ranch Experiment Station with Dr. and Mrs. O. G. Babcock and their little daughter, Edith Mae.

Mrs. Alfred Cooper Returns Home
Mrs. Alfred Cooper returned home Thursday from Del Rio, where she underwent a major operation. She was visited on the week-end by her sister-in-law, Mrs. W. R. Phillips, of Fort Stockton.

W. C. Gilmore to Hardware Meet
W. C. Gilmore left early Sunday morning for San Antonio, where he attended the 34th Annual Convention of the Texas Hardware and Implement Association, held at the Gunter Hotel January 19-21.

Baby Son of Alton Archie Dies
B. E. Archie, four months and eight days old, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Alton Archie, of the G. W. Stephenson ranch, died at the home early Friday morning, January 8th. Burial was made the same day.

Mrs. Tom Driskell Has Operation
Mrs. Tom Driskell underwent a minor operation at a Temple hospital Wednesday morning, it was learned here this week. The operation was not considered serious as Mrs. Driskell sent word to her family for none of them to join her.

Car Registration Still Slow
Registration of Sutton county cars continued slow this week, with a total of only 185 cars on Wednesday afternoon. Forty trucks had been registered with J. E. Grimland, deputy tax collector, and 210 poll tax receipts had been issued.

ANNOUNCEMENTS POLITICAL

The following candidates announce for the offices designated, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, July 23, 1932:

For Sheriff and Tax Collector:
B. W. HUTCHERSON
D. Q. ADAMS

For Tax Assessor:
GEO. J. TRAINER, SR.

Highway Men to Return

J. B. Draper, lieutenant, and E. L. Posey, patrolmen, both of the Abilene district of the Texas Highway patrol, were in Sonora Tuesday with portable scales for weighing trucks and plan to return Tuesday of next week for the same purpose. A total of about 75 trucks was weighed here Tuesday.

Pecos County Contract Let

Contracts for grading and small drainage structures on 10.9 miles of highway 27 in Pecos county from 50 miles east of Fort Stockton to 10 miles west of Sheffield was awarded Tuesday by the Texas Highway commission in Austin. Sanders & Hurlburt of Fort Stockton got the contracts for \$47,403.

A radio broadcast by the Mineral Wells Chamber of Commerce offering a tire cover to the first person responding from each state in the union brought two hundred and fifty letters.



LOST — Female Walker Hound, white—black and brown spots. Lost Sunday from ranch. Reward. C. W. Trainer. 12-1tp

FOR SALE—bicycle. May be inspected at Sonora Cleaners. Phone 103. 1tp

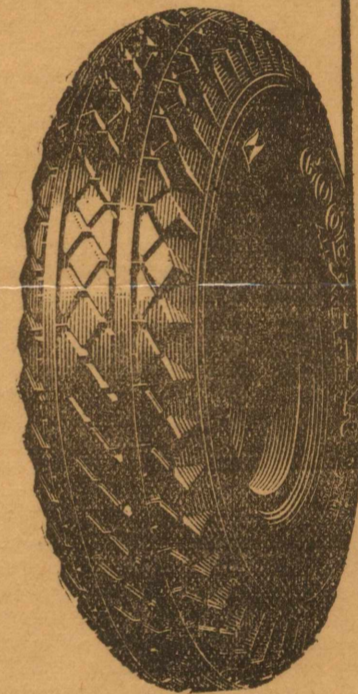
FOR SALE—Kerr county sorghum. Any amount at 90c gal. Robert Rees. 12-2tc

FOR SALE—New Hoover vacuum cleaner, with attachments. HALF PRICE! See it at Sonora Cleaners. 11-2tc



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- SHORTENING—Armour's White Cloud or Vegetole, 8-pound pail **65c**
- SHORTENING—Armour's Vegetole—45--lb. can, special Friday and Saturday **\$3.49**
- MILK—Small cans—Friday and Saturday special 7 cans for **25c**
- MAYONNAISE and SANDWICH SPREAD—Special for Friday and Saturday, 8-oz. size—2 for **25c**
- WASHING POWDERS—43-oz. package, Friday and Saturday special at 3 for **39c**
- SWEET POTATOES—No. 2 can, good grade—Friday and Saturday special at 2 for **25c**
- JELLY—small glass—assorted flavors, Friday and Saturday special at 3 for **25c**
- APRICOTS—White Swan—No. 1 can—special for Friday and Saturday, 2 for **27c**
- RED RASPBERRIES—White Swan Brand—No. 2 can, Friday and Saturday special **27c**

COFFEE Folger's—5-lb. can **\$1.79**
Friday and Saturday Special

- CHEESE—full cream—Friday and Saturday special 2 pounds for **33c**
- HAMS—Wilson's Certified, skinned—small size, per pound **16c**
- SAUSAGE—pure pork—Friday and Saturday special at per pound **15c**
- BUTTER—Dairyland, Sweet Cream—Friday and Saturday special, per pound **33c**
- CORN MEAL—White—Friday and Saturday special 20-pound bag for **39c**
- FIGS—Dried, Blue Ribbon Brand—Friday and Saturday special, 3-pound bag **33c**
- BREAD BOARDS—of inlaid oak, Friday and Saturday special, each **39c**
- HORSE SHOES—Sizes No. 00's, No. 0's and No. 1's, per pair **15c**
- OATS—White Swan, 3-Minute—Friday and Saturday special, 3 for **24c**

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