

## New Mexican School Named in Honor of Board President

L. W. Elliott and School Board Members Break Ground For New Building Tuesday

Selection of the location and breaking of ground for the new Mexican school building was done by members of the board of Sonora Independent School District Tuesday noon.

At a meeting a short time before it was decided that the new building should be known as "The L. W. Elliott School." Judge Elliott has been a member of the board since April, 1918. He has served continuously since that time with the exception of one two-year period, 1920 to 1922. As president of the board he has directed the carrying on of the educational work of the district, including Sonora and several county schools, ever since he became a member of the group.

The school board is composed of Judge Elliott, Mrs. Maysie Brown, Mrs. P. J. Taylor, Joe Berger, Joe Logan and R. A. Halbert.

There are 242 students enrolled in the small frame building which now serves as a school building for Mexican children. It is necessary that part of these attend in the morning and another part in the afternoon. Mr. Covey said yesterday that there are 250 "potential" all day students that will be served in the new structure. Preston C. Lightfoot is principal.

The building which is to be 136 feet by 77 feet will face the Del Rio highway on a knoll where it will be seen by the southbound traveler just before he comes to Sinaloa, Mexican settlement. It is to be of tile, brick and concrete. The front, with one double door in the center, will have cut stone ornaments as a decorative feature. The back of the building will parallel the street which has been established there.

Three hundred students may attend school in the new building being erected by H. H. Myers of San Angelo at a contract price of \$25,691 which includes a part of the equipment but none of the architectural fees. A loan and grant of \$28,100 has been secured from the federal government for the work. A portion of this amount is an outright grant and the remainder is a loan secured by 4 per cent long-time obligation bonds of the school district.

The building is so designed that a two-room addition at the back and a similar addition at the front might be added if it were ever desirable to do so. An oil heating system will be installed in a basement space under the stage of the auditorium—a room which may be converted into classrooms when they are needed. A 2500-gallon fuel oil storage tank will be in the ground behind the building.

John G. Becker of San Angelo is architect. M. D. Hill of San Antonio is supervising construction as representative of the architect and of the school board. A district representative of the Public Works Administration man has been here recently observing the work on the city building. Another PWA representative will be stationed here permanently in a few days to inspect the projects.

## FIRE EARLY WEDNESDAY DESTROYS STOKES' HOME

The property occupied by Guy Stokes on the hill the other side of Dry Devil's River was destroyed by fire shortly after six o'clock Wednesday morning.

Mr. Stokes said Wednesday morning that he had heated a rock and taken it to bed with him to warm his feet. Early in the morning he had had trouble with the mattress and bedclothes catching afire from the heat of the rock. He had thrown water on it several times, he said. While he was dressing in another room the bed burst into flames and the building was quickly consumed.

Mr. Stokes was able to save only a few of his belongings and a few bedclothes. The property was owned by the Patterson estate.

## BUS PASSENGER, SON OF MRS. STEEN'S TEACHER

Native of Pineapple, Ala., Gilliard Melton was a westbound bus passenger through here yesterday afternoon.

That young Melton is a very discerning young man must be admitted. When Mrs. Belle Steen got off of the bus from San Angelo young Melton asked her if she noticed any resemblance of his face to anyone she had ever known. Mrs. Steen confessed she did not. He then told her his mother's maiden name was "Miss Fleming." No one had pointed Mrs. Steen out to him.

Mrs. Steen secured musical instruction from Miss Fleming while in school in Pineapple. She was born eight miles from there. Mr. Melton had engaged in conversation with Hillman Brown and Bob Vickers and had found that Mrs. Steen lived here.

Mr. Melton is on his way to Los Angeles to work with a brother, Frank. He is a personal friend of Mrs. Steen's brother-in-law, Donald Steen, who lives in Pineapple.

Mrs. Steen has decided that the world is not so very large after all.

## Rain Early Sunday Totals 1.30 Inches

Owensville Gets One Inch; Ranches Over County Get Moisture

Rain amounting to 1.30 inches fell Sunday morning in Sonora and in portions of the county outside of town. Some hail fell.

Visitors Sunday at the Whitehead Ranch, in Edwards County thirty-eight miles from Sonora, reported that the rain extended no farther than the Edwards county line. The Ranch Experiment Station had only a shower. Nine miles north of town, at the Nine-Mile Station, no rain fell. It extended only a few miles to the west.

Camp Allison received half an inch. The Aldwell Brothers and Howard Espy ranches had good rains.

Owensville had an inch of rain Friday morning of last week. Ranchmen who are said to have secured one-fourth to three-fourths of an inch are: Dantes Reiley, Cleve Jones, Libb Wallace, Fred Earwood, John Cauthorn, Sterling Baker.

A report Saturday afternoon from the operator at Junction was that Kimble county had received only a shower Friday—hardly enough to lay the dust.

O. P. Albright of Cisco was a visitor at Station A last week.

## President Tells of College Enrollment

Dr. Bradford Knapp of Lubbock State School Here Thursday

"Yes, sir, we're mighty proud of the 2,430 students at Texas Technological College in Lubbock this year," said Dr. Bradford Knapp, president of that institution, who was in Sonora for a few minutes yesterday afternoon while on his way to San Angelo.

Dr. Knapp continued eating his roll and drinking coffee at the cafe counter as he told of his pride in the enrollment this year (it is twenty-five per cent more than ever before). One hundred and seventy-one counties of the state are represented at the school.

The college was established in 1925. Dr. Knapp has been president since 1932 when Dr. Paul W. Horn, who was president, died.

At present, Dr. Knapp said, there are 216 students who are receiving federal aid in continuing their education at his college. Six boys representing the school won the international livestock judging contest in Chicago this last fall. They judged cattle, swine, sheep and horses and ranked as "high team" in the judging of sheep.

Cannon Clements of Lubbock, a student, was selected last week as the Rhodes scholar from Texas. He will begin his study in England next September.

Dr. Knapp last night delivered the principal address at the banquet which concluded the day's sessions of those interested in the Boy Scout movement in this area—the Concho Valley Council. Sonora people who attended were: Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Aldwell, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Trainer, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Nisbet, John Eaton, R. S. Covey.

## Street Work In Progress

Thirty men are at work this week in several parts of Sonora improving streets as part of a work project approved by the state relief headquarters. They are using material furnished by the city. A total of 14,400 man hours was allowed for the project.

## San Angelo Woman Returns

Mrs. Maud Dabney, former Sonoran, now living in San Angelo, has returned to her home after a three months visit with relatives in Avinger, Texas.

## Mrs. Ezell To Dallas

The Rev. and Mrs. W. S. Ezell left Monday for Dallas where Mrs. Ezell will enter a hospital for medical treatment.

## GETS ECUADOR POST



Antonio C. Gonzales, a lawyer of New York city, has been appointed by President Roosevelt to be United States minister to Ecuador. He succeeds Roy T. Davis.

## Bridge Plan Being Revised at Austin

Lowrey Draw Structure Must Have Forty-foot Roadway

Redesigning of the bridge proposed by the state highway department to be erected over Lowrey Draw in Sonora is in progress, according to E. E. Pittman, resident engineer of the state highway department, who was in Sonora Friday.

The original design, providing for a 34-foot roadway and one 5-foot sidewalk was rejected by the Bureau of Public Roads, federal division. In its rejection the bureau indicated that it would approve a design calling for a 40-foot roadway and a 5-foot sidewalk on each side.

Mr. Pittman who is located at Mason now said that it would probably take two weeks to make the new design in Austin and another two weeks for the plans to be approved by the Washington bureau. After that the contract may be let.

The original design for the structure called for fourteen spans eight feet by eight feet. It is likely that the new plan will retain this major detail of design. The bridge will cost in the neighborhood of \$16,000.

## Sick Girl Taken To San Angelo

Willie Nell Hale, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hub Hale, who has been ill of scarlet fever, was taken to San Angelo Thursday morning. She is said to be suffering from a complication resulting from the disease.

## Winnie Mae Trimble and Bobbie Nisbet Make High Grades

Names Given of Other Students Who Excelled in Period and Semester

An average lacking only one-fifth of a point of being 94 was made during the last six weeks by Bobbie Nisbet, sophomore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Nisbet. He will be known as a "Lion" and guest of the Lions Club each Tuesday for the next six weeks.

Winnie Mae Trimble, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Trimble, Me-nard, was among the high ranking girl students with an average of 93½. She is a niece of Mrs. R. E. Glasscock and lives with her. She will be known as a "Lioness" for the next six weeks and will be given a Lions pin to wear for that time.

Although both of the students were surpassed slightly in their averages by other students each is accorded the Lions Club honor—the others not being eligible because of their having had the honor at some previous time. Frances Ezell is a seventh grade student and as such was not eligible.

Other students whose averages were high are: Jim Taylor, 95; Jo Nell Miers, 94 4-5; Richard Vehle, 94 4-5; Rena Glen Shurley, 94 3-4; Jimmie Gwynne Langford, 94 2-3; Frances Ezell, 94 1-3; Wesley Sawyer, 93.

The semester honor roll as announced Wednesday by R. S. Covey, superintendent, is:

Seniors: Joseph Logan, Winnie Mae Trimble;

Juniors: J. O. Mills, Wesley Sawyer;

Sophomores: Nora Gilliam, Lillian Kring, Emmalou Logan, Joyce McGilvray, Jo Ann Merion, Jo Nell Miers, Bobby Nisbet, Richard Vehle;

Freshmen: Kathryn Brown, Rena Glen Shurley, Robert Allen Simmons, Garland Slaughter, Jim Taylor;

Minnows: Claud Thomas Driskell, Katha Lea Keene, Jimmie (Continued on page 3)

Miss Nina Roueche and L. M. Roueche spent the week-end in Rankin. They were accompanied home by their brother, Vincent, who has been visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Binyon.

## Mrs. Green Better

Mrs. Emma Green, who has been ill the past week is reported to be improving.

## Residence Built by Dr. Dodson in '99 Burned Tuesday

Mrs. M. S. Davis' Property and Furnishings Lost in Early Morning Blaze

The large-print family Bible, fifty-three years old, its leaves badly charred but with the family record readable, was one of the very few treasures salvaged by Mrs. M. S. Davis from the ruins of her 6-room home destroyed by fire early Tuesday morning.

The house, located a block south of Lowrey Draw on Concho Avenue, was built about 1899 by Dr. Dodson. It was one of the best houses of its day. Mrs. Davis had lived in it twenty-three years.

The cause of the fire is unknown. Mrs. Davis' daughter, Mrs. M. C. Clark and her children, Clifton, 7, and Martha Rose, 5, live with her. Mrs. Clark awoke about two o'clock and noticed, through the ceiling, a light in the attic. She then saw a light under the door to the living room. Running into that room, she saw flames at both sides of the mantle. She gathered all of the clothes from a closet on each side of the mantle and ran with them to the front porch. They were burned there.

She aroused her mother, asleep on the screened back porch, and Mrs. Pearl Cottrell, an employee of the Sutton County Relief Board, who was rooming in the house. All of them got out of the house just before the roof fell. All of Mrs. Cottrell's personal belongings were burned.

Mrs. Davis says that she does not believe the fire started in the flue. The chimney, standing ghost-like now as if vying for supremacy with the charred pecan tree nearby, was of stone. A stove-pipe entered the chimney through a galvanized plate. Now it is tilted against the base of the chimney.

W. M. McDonough, fire department member working as night watchman for Beall Freeman, discovered the fire and notified Junior Brasher, assistant fire chief, who gave the alarm from the telephone office where he works at night. Newt Potcet, night watchman, and Jesse Powell, night man at Sonora Motor Co., brought the chemical truck. Mr. McDonough, Beamon Speed and other members of the department brought the other truck.

The temperature was below freezing and fire fighting was difficult. Two lines of hose were used. A third reduced the pressure too greatly.

Mr. Potcet ran into the house to see if everyone was out and came from the blazing building just before the roof fell.

Mrs. Clark took her canary in its cage from the burning home but abandoned it by the back steps. It was burned as were goldfish (Continued on page 3)

## MONOXIDE GAS CAUSES ILLNESS OF 2 SONORANS

The dangers of carbon monoxide poisoning were demonstrated in Sonora Thursday evening of last week when the gasoline burner on the linotype in the plant of the Devil's River News was the cause of illness of both Robert W. Jacobs, publisher, and W. E. James, associate editor.

Illness affected Mr. Jacobs early in the evening. As Mr. James was feeding the papers into the press later he became sick. After several attempts to "finish the run" Mr. James sat down until he might feel like continuing the presswork. He suffered a fainting spell but was revived in a short time.

Fumes from the open burner had not been noted. They are now taken from the building by means of a vent pipe through the roof.

## Elmalea Logan Ill

Elmalea Logan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Logan, who has been ill in a hospital in San Angelo since Sunday is reported to be improving. His mother is staying with him.

## Halberts' Anniversary Party Attracts Friends of Many Years

B. M. Halbert knows his stories. A number of those he told Sunday—and this week—may be read on page eight. They're under the heading "They're Basil Halbert Stories."

Friendship heaped to the brim and overflowing the "cup of sociability" was evident Sunday when tried and true friends of the B. M. Halberts gathered at the Whitehead Ranch, thirty-eight miles from Sonora on the Del Rio Road, to observe their fortieth wedding anniversary and to wish them well.

Early in the morning they started coming. Late in the afternoon they still came. At noon a barbecue dinner was served in the shade of two mighty liveoak trees which were small when the Walter E. Whitehead homestead was built between them years ago.

The low temperature that was to come late that night wasn't felt. Nothing chilly about the warm handclaps and the sincere good wishes exchanged at this anniversary celebration.

Hosts were the children of the Halberts—Mrs. W. B. Whitehead, B. M. Halbert, Jr., and Mrs. Lloyd P. Bloodworth of Tucson, A. Z. Their families ably assisted in the day's program.

## Prompted By Sister's Anniversary

Mr. Halbert, in a short talk after the dinner, explained that his first thought of an anniversary cele-



MR. AND MRS. B. M. HALBERT

bration had been prompted by thoughts of the joys of attending the golden anniversary, in 1923, of his sister, Mrs. H. C. McIntyre, who lives in Dallas. He and his younger sister viewed the other sister's marriage from the parlor door. Then as Mr. Halbert related it—"we skedaddled out to

play with the little negroes who had been peeping in the windows."

Stories of days of long ago were told by Mr. Halbert as he stood, broad-brimmed hat in hand, before his friends grouped around him. This one and that one was selected as the "goat" of this story and that other tale about.... Everyone had a good time and memories were

refreshed about events of early Sonora and West Texas days.

Bob Martin, first Sutton County tax assessor and sheriff one term just before B. W. Hutcherson, present peace officer, took office, was present and spoke a few words. He lives in Del Rio. C. B. (Dutch) Wardlaw one-time office boy for Mr. Halbert spoke. Others who were called upon by L. P. Bloodworth, Mr. Halbert's son-in-law, were:

Robert S. Holland, San Angelo, a friend for many years; Dave Woodward, San Angelo, whom Mr. Halbert knew forty-seven years ago while doing surveying work in this section. (Mr. Woodward was one of a group of old friends of boyhood days in Coleman who were there); James Cornell, former Sonora attorney; J. D. Lowrey, veteran Sutton County official.

## In Ten Years Another Party

Mr. Bloodworth commented that he had been in the family about twenty years and that many of those whom he knew when he was married were not present and—"the frost of many winters has touched the hair of many others." He expressed the hope that all might attend he golden wedding anniversary of the Halberts in 1945.

A 40-layer cake, forty-eight inches high, weighing seventy pounds and "weighted" with thirty-

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# Story of Santa Fe Trade One of Men, Indians Adventurers and Host of Varied Hardships

One hundred and thirteen years ago in November commercial relations between the middle west and the southwest were established on a definite, business-like basis by the arrival in Santa Fe, Spanish territory at the time, of William Becknell, "father of the Santa Fe Trade."

Captain Becknell's journey to Santa Fe took ninety-nine days. He arrived there November 13, 1881.

More than a hundred years before, Missouri pioneers learned of Spanish settlements in the southwest. Spanish invaders in 1720 were repulsed by Missouri Indians near what is now Malta Bend. The Mallet brothers with six companions started in 1730 from French settlements in Louisiana to Santa Fe. They believed that they had to go up the Missouri River. When they reached the villages of the Aricara Indians on the Missouri River bluffs they changed to a southwesterly course that took them through the Pawnee Villages in Kansas.

Until 1806, trips to Santa Fe were usually ones of investigation and exploration by adventurers impelled by tales of the glory of the southwest. Fur trading and trapping were substantial excuses for their ventures into the great unknown.

Kaskaskia, Ill., a town that has a population today of 107, is prominent in records of the early trade. William Morrison, a Kaskaskia merchant, sent Baptiste La Lande in 1804 with merchandise to Santa Fe. La Lande defaulted and failed to return to report. His course was an indirect one through Indian villages of northeastern Kansas and southeastern Nebraska and up the Platte River. He sent Indians to Santa Fe to see if trading conditions were favorable and then proceeded southward with his goods. One historian, in explaining La Lande's decision to remain in Santa Fe, writes: "Last and perhaps most effectual, the influence of female admirers turned the scale of the doubtful adventurer."

## Indians a Vital Force

Indian villages of Missouri and Kansas, pueblo villages in the vicinity of Pueblo, Colo., and the Arkansas, Platte and Cimarron rivers played a large part in the struggle to open the southwest to commerce. The Indians were always to be considered and the rivers were more or less known as a result of trapping and trading activities. Most of the journey to the southwest was by land but a river was usually a base of operations.

James Purcell, a hunter, in 1805 started to hunt among the Osage Indians of southwest Missouri and intended to take his furs to New Orleans by way of the Arkansas and Mississippi. Purcell was unfortunate. He was robbed of his furs by Kansas Indians, recovered them only to lose them again to the Missouri River waters while attempting to return to St. Louis. After linking forces with an Indian trader, Purcell did get to Santa Fe where he, too, decided to live and become a carpenter. He was not permitted to write and was kept under strict supervision by the governing force.

The first official expedition was of military character. Zebulon M. Pike set out in June, 1806, under the direction of Gen. James Wilkinson, commander of the United States army. Besides the exploration of the Arkansas and Red rivers, he was to transport captured Osages and Pawnees to their villages in western Missouri and Kansas and to act as good will ambassador hoping to establish peace between the Missouri Osages and the Kansas Pawnees.

## Pike Beset By Many Troubles

There were seventy-five in Pike's party, fifty-one of which were Indians. They left from a point just north of St. Louis and headed for the Osage Villages located in valleys of the Big and Little Osages, in the vicinity of the winding Lake of the Ozarks of today.

The Pawnee villages in Kansas were reached September 29—three months after leaving St. Louis. Pike had crossed from Missouri into Kansas about where Fort Scott is located. Ever pushing westward with an enthusiasm natural to a young man of twenty-seven with an established military career, Pike had little thought of the winter dangers he would en-

counter. Pressing up the Arkansas he arrived in southwestern Colorado in sub-zero weather. The record of the hardships of his party rivals that of Washington's men at Valley Forge.

Pike and his party finally came to the Rio Grande River about at its source in southern Colorado and thought they were at the Red River, the boundary between what is now Oklahoma and Texas. While at this point the Spanish ruler heard of the party and sent a military escort to conduct it to Santa Fe. Although Pike declared that they were shown every courtesy by the Spanish people, the record shows that he and several others were jailed for a time and were always kept under the watchful, distrustful eye of the government.

## Revolutions Became Common

A military escort was provided Pike for a trip into southern Mexico and into Texas where he visited San Antonio before starting back to Missouri. His expedition was successful and he secured valuable information for his government. Trading was not his purpose and it was five years later that trading expeditions on an organized basis were undertaken.

The period between the time of Pike's return, 1807, and Becknell's first trip, 1821, was one of frequent, more or less unorganized trips by adventuring fur traders. Revolutions were becoming the thing in the Spanish territory and rulers were not always friendly to traders from the north. Often a party would go only as far as Taos or some point even further north until information could be secured as to the reception they might receive in Santa Fe. A party of twelve was sent to Chihuahua from Santa Fe and imprisoned there for nine years. Chouteau and De Munn, St. Louis traders and trappers on the upper Arkansas, were most prominent at this time. They made several trips to Taos and to Santa Fe but each was marked with some misfortune such as the confiscating of their provisions and goods, encounters with unfriendly Spaniards or Indians, or the deserting of discouraged members of their own parties to the Spaniards.

The imprisonment of D. Meriwether, an Indian trader who went with cooperating Pawnees to Santa Fe in 1819, has the interesting sidelight that only thirty years later he went back to Santa Fe as the governor of New Mexico.

As soon as Spanish control was ended—in 1821—the Mexican province was more interested in securing goods from the middle west and trade flourished. Santa Fe had silver Mexican dollars and wanted American merchandise of all kinds. Santa Fe and interior points had mules and Missouri farmers and traders needed them.

## River Town Outfitting Point

Franklin (also known as Old Franklin), across the river from Booneville, Mo., is declared by Josiah Gregg in his "Commerce of the Prairies," to have been "the cradle of our trade." Almost all of the earlier trading expeditions were planned and outfitted there. It was not until after 1831 that Missouri River navigation had developed enough for Independence and Westport Landing, 100 miles away, to be popular as headquarters where one might equip and save overland travel to the western border of Missouri.

William Becknell is also credited with being the first to use light spring wagons, known as "dearborns," in the trade. Pack horses had been used ipreviously and in 1829 oxen were used. The grass of the prairies provided fodder but at the same time provided a trail that was hard on the hoofs of the oxen and moccasins "made of raw buffalo-skin" were a substitute for horseshoes.

Although Becknell and his "four trusty companions" left Franklin August 4, 1821, they are not reported to have crossed the river at Arrow Rock, not far away, until September 1. They were to trade with Indians in the western mountains but were induced to go on to Santa Fe where they were well received by the government and people. He and a companion returned to Missouri in forty-eight days—probably a record for that time.

## Mules Bought By Missionaries

Jesuit missionaries who established missions in New Mexico and

other southwestern territory brought with them mules from the interior of Mexico. A stock historian states that records do not reveal anything of mules in Missouri until the days of the Santa Fe Trade on an organized basis. This fact is supported by frequent references to the return of mules with expeditions in newspaper accounts of the time.

The Missouri Intelligencer, third newspaper in Missouri and first one west of St. Louis, was founded at Franklin in 1819 by Nathaniel Patten and Benjamin Holliday. Its files reveal that news of trading expeditions was reported in great detail. Mules were reported to have been part of the cargo of almost every expedition. In an issue of January 15, 1824, there appeared a uniquely worded advertisement of breeding stock:

## Spanish Horses

The subscriber has for sale, on moderate terms, for cash, FIVE GENETS AND ONE JACK.

He may be found at the house of Mrs. John Bloy—upstairs. Franklin, Jan. 25.

Robert W. Morris

The connection of Mr. Morris with the Santa Fe Trade is noted again the following month when he was prominent in a meeting where details of a proposed trip were discussed. It was reported by the Intelligencer:

"The principal question was whether those who packed their goods on horseback would obligate themselves to wait on dearborns in case they should be going too slow, by breaking, or other circumstances rendering a detention necessary. . . It was further recommended that the whole company, preparatory to departure, rendez-vous at Mount Vernon in Lillard (now Lafayette) County, on May 5th, individually equipped with one good rifle, or other gun, one pistol, four pounds of powder, eight of lead, and twenty days' provisions. Also that the company there adopt regulations for its government, and elect an officer, or officers to enforce them. A. Le GRAND, Chairman."

## "Softer Sex" Sometimes Made Trip

The amount of the trade in 1823 is said to have been \$12,000. By 1831 it had grown to \$250,000 and to \$450,000 twelve years later. There was an American duty of \$500 on each wagon load. Iron was contraband but traders sometimes passed the customs house, burned their wagons and sold the iron. Among the prices quoted for American goods were: calico, \$1 a yard; tobacco, \$5 a pound; whisky, \$8 a gallon. Unforeseen dangers in the trade made it a risky one and profits were not great.

Gregg, who has written at length of the trade, engaged in it himself. In May, 1831, he made the trip from Independence, Mo., as leader of a party "consisting of men of every class and grade of society, with a little sprinkling of the softer sex. . ."

It was at this time that traders began using Independence as their headquarters. Gregg reports it in this manner:

"As Independence is a point of convenient access (the Missouri River being navigable at all times from March till November), it has become the general 'port of debarkation' for every part of the great western and northern 'prairie ocean.' Besides the Santa Fe caravans, most of the Rocky Mountain traders and trappers, as well as emigrants to Oregon, take this town in their route. During the season of departure, therefore, it is a place of much bustle and active business."

Another historian writes—"A landing was established at Blue Mills, six miles away (from Independence) but Westport (now Kansas City) having the better landing only four miles away, at once became a rival after the trade had prospered and a customhouse established."

Freighters were now available in western Missouri and merchandise could be shipped to Santa Fe for ten to twelve cents a pound and on to Chihuahua for an additional six to eight cents. In 1860 there

## Gondolas Entrance Betty Grace Vehle On Italy 'Journey'

Home of Christopher Columbus Among Towns "Visited" By Geography Student

Betty Grace Vehle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Vehle, writes the story for the NEWS this week about her imaginary trip to Italy. She is a geography student in the elementary school. Another story will appear in next week's issue of the NEWS.

## MY TRIP TO ITALY Betty Grace Vehle

One day my father came home and said that he must go to Italy on business.

"How would you and mother like to go along?" he asked me.

Of course, we were anxious to go and started packing our things right away.

It took us three days and two nights of hard driving to reach New York in time to catch the steamer for Italy, but we made it just in time.

In just seven days after we left New York we landed at Naples, the chief seaport of Italy. Father asked about a hotel and I guess the man did not understand that we wanted a good one, for he sent us to one for the lower class.

We finally found a better one, and ate our supper for we were pretty hungry by that time. For supper I had two meat balls, a bowl of olives, some spaghetti or macaroni, and a glass of goat's milk. The funny thing about it was that they serve the macaroni and spaghetti by the pound, and I later found out that some of the Italians eat ten or twelve pounds at one meal.

The next day we went sightseeing in and around Naples. We stayed there for nearly a week, and took a trip about town every day. I think I saw different interesting things every day.

From Naples we went to Florence, a city that is famous for its many artists and art galleries. Most all of the buildings are built of white marble and look very pretty in the sunlight.

We only spent two days in Florence, then went to Venice. It was in Venice that I had my first gondola ride. Canals are used instead of streets and gondolas take the place of street cars. The man who rows a gondola is called a gondolier, and he is very polite and usually a young man.

The next day we went to Genoa. It also has many beautiful buildings and a very large harbor. Besides being an important seaport, it is also important because Columbus was born there. Our guide pointed out the little house where he lived.

Another interesting place that we visited was Mt. Vesuvius. Near it is the city of Pompeii which was buried by the volcano nearly 1000 years ago. The city has been uncovered and the houses, pictures, and even loaves of bread are turned to stone.

We saved the most important and interesting city until last. It is Rome, the capital. Here we visited the Vatican where the pope lives and also St. Peter's Cathedral which is the largest church in the world.

There are many old ruins in Rome, but I did not understand what some of them were. I liked the old theater ruins best of all.

My visit to Italy lasted nearly three months and I had fresh goat's milk to drink every day. I know it was fresh because I saw them milk the goats every morning.

I enjoyed my visit, and if you have not been to Italy, I think you would enjoy it, too.

were 7,084 men, 6,147 mules and 29,920 oxen engaged in the trade. Theodore S. Case estimates in his "History of Kansas City," that in 1863 the trade amounted to a million dollars a year and that almost six and a half million pounds were transported annually. Troubles with Indians had not ceased and traders were often protected by soldier escorts from "Fort Larned," 150 miles from Kansas City. The building of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway into Santa Fe in 1880 was a mute warning of the end of a glamorous trade which since that time has become renowned in story and picture. As one writer expresses it, the coming of steel rails to the southwestern section "brought to a close the trail of the covered wagons."—R. W. J.

## Beagle Perfect Little

### Model of the Foxhound

"He sticks to it like a beagle," aptly paraphrases determination. This characteristic marks the work of these popular "sawed-off" editions of the hound family. Once on the line of a lively hare, they stick to it, rarely leaving it until a kill is made.

To the finest detail, writes an authority in the Los Angeles Times, the beagle represents in conformity a perfect little model of the foxhound, from which he is believed to have descended. In a like manner, his work is also carried on in packs, but in the pursuit of quarry befitting his size—the hare and rabbit. Cautious, but not to the point of leisurely investigation that attends the hunt of the shorter-legged basset hound, he nevertheless possesses none of the impatience of the larger foxhound. His training, which comes largely in the form of self-instruction, must be void of confusion. He is not to be hurried. To be taken into a field where a chance rabbit may flash into view, is usually sufficient to make a pack of these beautiful little hounds very busy.

Few dogs surpass him in beauty of conformation or in his thorough workmanship. Nothing escapes his broad, black sensitive hound nose with its well expanded nostrils, nor his brown or hazel eyes. His moderately long pendulous ears hanging in loose folds close to the cheek are typical hound, but unlike the extremely long ears of the basset hound or bloodhound, they reach only to the tip of his nose.

## Stranded Whales Start of the Great Industry

Whaling is an ancient form of hunting. It probably began with capture of whales stranded on beaches by storms. This was followed by small boats putting out when a lookout warned of the approach of a whale near the shore. Such a system, asserts Pathfinder Magazine, was followed by the Basques from the Tenth to Thirteenth centuries, and as far back as the first Norse record, dated 890 A. D.

When the first settlers came to this country they found Indians successfully pursuing whales. Then ships were put out when the animals ceased to come near the shore, and they were in Newfoundland waters before the end of the Fourteenth century. Then they pushed to Greenland and Spitzbergen, finding new lands as they went. For 100 years following 1557 the English and Dutch contested whaling grounds around Spitzbergen.

The golden age of whaling for America's New England was from 1835 to 1890, when at one time the fleet numbered 680 sail. The first Antarctic whaling was done by Norwegians in 1904. Since then Norway, England and Argentina have operated in southern waters.

A Kansas City man has received, from a doubtless well meaning relative downstate, a turnip that weighs eight pounds. A ½-pound turnip is bad enough, ranking as a misdemeanor; but an 8-pound turnip is a felony rising pretty close to a capital offense.—"Starbeams" in Kansas City Star.

## SWISS PRESIDENT



Rodolphe Minger, reorganizer of the Swiss army, who was named president of the Swiss Confederation for 1935 by the federal assembly.

## MENARD CITIZENS TRYING TO SECURE STATE PARK

Menard, Jan. 24.—Menard citizens are active in their endeavor to prepare plans for 1936, the year that will witness commemoration of Texas' Centennial of Independence by many fitting celebrations throughout the state.

The county has about completed its quota of members for the Texas Million Centennial Club and a movement is on to endeavor to assure creation of a state park about a mile from Menard, where is located one of the oldest missions in Texas. In this vicinity also is to be seen old Fort McKavett, one of the early frontier posts of Texas, and one of the most attractive automobile rides in the state is that from this point for 22 miles, crossing and recrossing the spring-fed stream of the San Saba River, to where the buildings of the old fort still are in use today.

Menard is hopeful of being placed on the route of the road from San Angelo to San Antonio, which is expected to be paved in its entirety by the opening of the Centennial year.

The millionaire shoe manufacturer who is ashamed of his wealth can find any number of volunteers to bear the burden of his shame.—Dallas Morning News.

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## TIDE OF MIGRATION GROWING IN NATION

### Hard Times Cause Trek of Americans.

Washington.—Government census officials expect to record for the last four years the largest migration of population in this nation's history. The economic tide has swept millions out of cities in search of employment or subsistence, on to farms, into suburban areas to do part-time farming, into smaller cities and towns. The movement has not been all one way, says the New York Times. From farms and small towns many people have gone to other places in search of jobs or to share in the organized relief in large communities.

#### Farm Population Grows.

The agricultural census to be taken in January is expected to show the largest farm population yet enumerated, exceeding the peak figure of 32,500,000 persons estimated as of January 1, 1934. That total included only persons on commercial farms, as distinguished from those living on plots of land too small to be classed as farms by the census. The migration from cities, towns and villages to farms had slowed down in 1933 and was more than offset by the migration from farms to cities, towns and villages, but the increase in births over deaths raised the farm population figure to a record high.

Had there been no economic depression, the census officials would have calculated on the basis of past performance that approximately one out of every four native white persons in the United States is living in a place other than where he was born. The figure for 1930 was 23.4 persons out of every 100. It has not been more than 24 out of 100 nor less than 21.5 out of 100 at any decennial census date since the year 1870. Outside the depression period the percentage figures have not changed much in 60 years.

#### Move to Farms.

Much of the earlier migration from New England and Middle Atlantic states was to new farming opportunities in states farther west. A considerable part of the earlier movement from older Cotton Belt states to newer ones across the Mississippi river was of similar character. But from 1900 to 1930 there was a rapidly increasing movement into states where non-agricultural industries were making enormous growth, as in New York, Ohio, Michigan, Florida and California.

Although the mobility of the native white population in the mass had not changed much in 60 years, the migration has curved sharply up or down, or fluctuated widely.

### Soviet to Make Gasoline From Peat on Big Scale

Leningrad.—Extraction of gasoline from peat under conditions that make large-scale production practical was announced recently. Such gasoline has just been used in an automobile test run from Leningrad to Moscow and return.

Experts say the new fuel gave more power than ordinary gasoline, made no smoke, caused engines to run more smoothly and cost only half as much to produce as gasoline from petroleum.

The process was recently developed at the Leningrad Industrial Institute by a large research staff headed by Professor Yakovlev. Engineers foresee a great future for this fuel as there are beds containing 2,000,000,000 tons of peat in the Leningrad district.

The commissariat for heavy industry has allotted funds for an experimental refinery.

### Chair-Sitting Sleuth Recovers Wrist Watch

Boston.—Without moving from his chair at Warren avenue police station, Patrolman John Hourihan recovered a wrist watch valued at \$5,000.

Mrs. Dorothy Spaulding reported she had lost her diamond-encrusted watch in a taxicab between a Stewart street garage and her home.

"Try turning the clothes you wore inside out," suggested Hourihan.

Later Mrs. Spaulding advised him that she found the watch in the lining of a sleeve of her evening wrap.

"How in the world did you know it was there?" she asked.

"Intuition," replied the policeman. "I remember the time I found my own wrist watch inside the sleeve of a shirt I just took off."

### Suit Against College Filed Over Stone Wall

Worcester, Mass.—A 373-foot stone wall was moved by mistake from the farm of Fred E. Maynard, according to a suit filed here.

Maynard claimed he presented an old wall on his property to Assumption college to be used in a new college building.

College workmen overlooked the old wall, he alleged, and instead moved his all-important boundary wall.

Inasmuch as the stone already was part of the foundations of the new building, Maynard asked to be reimbursed in the amount of \$5,000.

### Puzzle of Sleep Still Unsolved by Scientists

Although almost a third of a person's life is spent in sleep, the problem of how sleep comes about is still a mystery, observes a writer in the Montreal Herald. It had been supposed that during activity, fatigue substances accumulated in the blood and exerted a narcotic action on the brain, periodically inducing sleep during which they were excreted. Investigation shows that an afternoon nap may come when there is little fatigue, that extreme nervous fatigue often leads to sleeplessness, and that normal sleep, unlike either narcotics, is easily interrupted by noise or other disturbances. Another theory has been that during sleep the conduction pathways in the nervous system are broken by the retraction of small contact points between the neurones, which are the conducting units composing the nervous system. If this actually occurred, it would stop all nervous activity just as effectively as pulling the plugs from a switchboard would stop telephone communication, but there is no evidence to support the theory. Sleeping sickness has been found to be accompanied by damage to a point in the midbrain near its junction with the forebrain, and this region has been found to have an important relation to the alternation of sleep and wakefulness.

### Big Game Hunters Debate Which Beast Most Deadly

The lion, the tiger, the leopard, the buffalo, the elephant—all these and many others have claimed their victims, though which of them is deadliest is a matter that is hotly debated by big game hunters, says the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Some would award this sinister distinction to the water buffalo, for the water buffalo is not only brave, but cunning. Unlike practically all the other creatures of the wild, this wicked animal will turn and hunt the hunter, circling back and hiding in the reeds beside the trail. The leopard is also justly feared.

At least one authority, for 30 years an ivory trader and game warden in Kenya, is of the opinion that the rhinoceros is the most formidable of beasts. So blind that it goes largely by scent, and so courageous that it will charge anything whose scent becomes suspicious, the rhinoceros has been known to gallop up-wind into men, fires, tents and even trains—a jungle juggernaut blind to everything except the impulse to destroy the unknown.

Opinions of the great cats differ. By nature even the lion is shy of man to the point of timidity. But another authority, whose judgment carries weight, considered the lion the most dangerous animal in Africa.

### Postmaster Issued Stamps

Following a reduction of postal rates in 1845, the postmaster of New York with the consent of the postmaster general, introduced stamps of his own in an effort to convince congress that they would be a convenience in the handling of the mail. His experiment was of his own volition and at his own expense, but it demonstrated the value of the use of stamps. Soon other postmasters followed the lead of New York, and one by one, Baltimore, St. Louis, Providence and others of the larger cities were issuing their own stamps. These in turn were followed by a number of the smaller towns such as Brattleboro, Vt.; Millbury, Mass., and Boscawen. Of these the most complete record is that of Brattleboro, where the postmaster avowedly issued stamps in hope of increasing his receipts and by selling his stamps for cash, cutting down the accounts of his patrons. He was rather disappointed when he found the public asked to have the stamps charged the same as they had been in the habit of doing with their letters.

### Language of the Fan

The fan supposedly originated with the palm leaf which was used for changing the air. War fans, ceremonial fans, practical fans and, of course, fans for coquetry, all developed in no time. The legend recalls that Cupid made the first fan from the feathers of his wings. In Spain, by the Eighteenth century, there was a complete fan language spoken with the beguiling gestures of the fan wielder.

### Where Emperors Are Crowned

Until 1868 Kyoto was the capital of Japan for more than a thousand years. The city and vicinity are rich in historic association with the ancient life of the empire, and hundreds of old temples still remain. To Japan it is the center of the fine art industries. Kyoto still retains its ancient prestige, for the new emperors of the nation always are crowned there.

### Vibrations Determine Pitch

If you go to a piano and hit middle C, the key moves a felt hammer which strikes a wire inside the instrument. The impact sets the wire in motion and it vibrates back and forth 256 times a second. The rapid motion disturbs the air with a like frequency and the human ear recognizes 256 vibrations each second as the pure tone C.

### Tentative Designs Drawn for Buildings

State Building at Centennial Will Have "Reception" Room

Dallas, Jan. 24.—Tentative designs for four of the proposed permanent structures to be erected here for the central exposition to be held in connection with the series of historical celebrations throughout the state in 1936 in commemoration of the Centennial of Texas independence, have been completed. These are the Hall of Agriculture, the Hall of Education, the Hall of Natural Resources and the State of Texas Building. These it is proposed to erect contiguous and complementary to one another.

The Hall of Agriculture will have sections for grain, cotton and citrus fruits with ample provision for each division of these products. Statewide angles are given full consideration in the proposed designs and every part of Texas and every angle of its development is to be accorded recognition.

The Hall of Education will allow for representation of the common schools, high schools and higher institutions of learning. Provision will be made for exhibits from all over the state with ample room for laboratory and class room presentations. This hall will be surmounted by a globe and a campanile tower that may be fitted with carillon bells.

The Hall of Natural Resources will afford space for exhibits of the vast gifts bestowed upon the state by nature, including granite, coal, oil, sulphur, gas and others.

The State of Texas Building will be monumental in character, embracing a rotunda where will be exhibited statues of the Fathers of Independence and other pioneers figuring notably in Texas' early history. In it recognition will be accorded each county of the state and there will be a reception hall to be used in welcoming dignitaries to the exposition.

Romantic and historical sides of Texas' progress will be emphasized in the State Building and provision will be made for stressing features of various sections of the state as well as those of individual counties.

### Clergymen Talk To Civic Club Members

Musical Program Given By Boy and Two Girls

Talks by the Rev. Joe Burton, pastor of the Baptist Church at Big Lake, and by the Rev. Ralph Grant of Park Heights Baptist Church, San Angelo, constituted the chief part of the program at the

### Birthday For Boy Scouts of America

Week of Feb. 8-14 To Be Observed All Over United States

Extensive plans for the observance of the 1935 Anniversary Week for Boy Scouts of America are being made by a Concho Valley Council committee of which W. R. Nisbet of Sonora is a member.

The week of Feb. 8 to 14 will mark the twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of the Boy Scout movement.

On Friday night, Feb. 8, Boy Scouts all over the nation will gather to renew formally their Scout Oath and Law. The mobilization over the United States is a new "wrinkle" in anniversary programs.

Almost every town of the Concho Valley Council will promote Parent-Scout nights on this night. Troops will contest for a Council banner, based on the total number of guests and old Scouts out at the meetings. Scout Sunday is February 10th.

School day is Monday, Feb. 11, with all schools promoting Anniversary Week Scouting programs. Tuesday is Pioneer Day, the committee recommending memorial services of Lincoln and local pioneers. Wednesday is Home Day with civic programs being scheduled and civic buildings being toured by Scouts.

Members of the Anniversary Week committee are George Stengel, Menard; Edward Geeslin, Brady; Walter Nisbet, Sonora; the Rev. E. W. McLaurin, Ballinger; Dr. A. E. Arnfield, Texon, for the McCamey district and Ed Blanton, San Angelo, for the Angelo district.

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Lions Club luncheon Tuesday.

The entertainment program was made up by two solos by A. W. Awalt, Jr., who sang "Naturally" and "Rain," by Peggy Gilmore who played a piano solo and by Wilma Hutcherson who also played the piano.

A proposal was made that the Lions Club sponsor a basketball team. Basketball is being played in the Sonora Wool & Mohair Co. warehouse each day by students and others. Winnie Mae Trimble and Bobbie Nisbet were introduced as the "Lioness" and "Lion" for the next six weeks period.

R. E. Taylor, county relief administrator and the two ministers in town for a meeting at the Baptist Church, were the only guests. Twenty-nine Lions were present.

## PERSONALS

Mrs. R. W. Nance and children, of Station A have been visiting her parents in Dublin, Texas, this week.

Miss Bobbie Mae Halbert and Miss Wilma Hutcherson visited Mrs. R. A. Halbert Saturday in San Angelo.

Mrs. R. C. Vicars, Mrs. Belle Steen and Miss Johnnie Allison visited Mrs. R. A. Halbert in San Angelo Sunday.

Mrs. Lula Karnes, Miss Nan Karnes, Miss Jamie Gardner and Mrs. Vernon Marion were in San Angelo Saturday.

Mrs. Will Wilkinson has returned from San Angelo where she visited her sister, Mrs. Albert L. Krueger, and Mr. Krueger.

Mrs. G. B. Rankhorn and daughters, Miss Audrey and Betty Gene, Mrs. Beal Freeman and Miss Edith McGhee visited in San Angelo Saturday.

### Reason for the Curfew

The reason for the curfew was that in the early days all the houses were made of wood and thatched straw, says the Montreal Herald. There were no chimneys, and the smoke had to escape through a hole in the center of the roof, and thus fires often occurred. To prevent this happening at night the rule of putting out all fires was strictly enforced. They were usually extinguished by placing over them a large copper hood.

### Brilliance, Brilliance

The words brilliance and brilliancy are so closely synonymous that the dictionary records them as interchangeable. An exception to that interchangeability might be taken in the event that two colors were to be compared. In such instance, brilliancy is regarded as having degrees of quality. One would say, "The comparative brilliancy of two colors" rather than "The comparative brilliance of two colors."—Literary Digest.

Jamie Kelly, who has been visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. James, returned with his father, B. B. Kelly, to Texon Sunday.

Mrs. B. C. McGilvray and daughters, Joyce and Mrs. Otis Murray and son, Max Darrell, and Miss Jo Nell Miers spent Saturday in San Angelo.

Mrs. B. W. Hutcherson and children, Wynona and Rex, Mrs. Edna Wheat Beam and Mrs. W. B. Keese were San Angelo visitors Saturday.

Mrs. W. E. Caldwell and Miss Thelma Rees were in San Angelo Saturday. James Caldwell accompanied them home after spending the week with his grandmother, Mrs. L. B. Briggs.

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Sonora people could well afford to consider thoughtfully the public service given by the members of the volunteer fire department. In addition to considering the matter thoughtfully a word of encouragement and praise to the men who make up the organization would not be amiss.

Twice this week they have answered alarms and done excellent jobs considering the disadvantages under which they were working. In the instance of the Davis fire they could do little because of the headway that had been made by the fire. At the Stokes fire nothing could be done as water service was lacking.

But in each case owners of surrounding property may thank the fire department members for "standing by" and being ready to protect from fire the houses in which they were sleeping peacefully.

It isn't a pleasant thing, most anyone can imagine, to come out from under bedclothes at either two in the morning or at six-thirty, run to a fire, help in any way possible and likely get thoroughly soaked with water. Below freezing temperature doesn't help a bit. Nor do smoke and fumes and falling ceilings.

Truly the services the fire department renders is a worth while one that most people do not fully appreciate. It will help every member of the group if now and then a word of encouragement or an expression of gratitude is given.

It is to be hoped that the city administration has in mind the purchase of more and better equipment than the fire department must work with at present. Motor equipment might well be replaced or improved. Better fire fighting facilities of several types might be added to make more efficient the efforts of a band of men trying their level best to protect the life and property of their fellow citizens.

The new city building will be worth while as a permanent home for the equipment and for the organization's activities. The bettering of the department's facilities will be an additional aid. True it will cost money. But we feel that money spent on fire fighting facilities is money invested that may at any time return a dividend of a hundredfold to most any taxpayer or resident.

Let's recognize more often and in more ways the meritorious work of those who try their best to protect Sonora people and property.

ADVERTISING AND THE "SMALL" RETAIL DEALER

Small merchants—the infrequent advertisers—are beset by the opinion that the cost of advertising is abnormally high; that income, overhead, stock on hand precludes the impossibility of promotion to advance sales. Especially is this misinformed member of the retail field fearful of newspaper space on the ground that the expense is much too great for him.

Misinformation disseminated by the uninformed implying that cost of advertising is beyond the small merchant has tended to make the public over-estimate to such an extent that newspaper groups throughout the country are organizing educational units to prove the fallacy of this belief.

Recently Ivory soap was presented to a class of merchants who were asked to guess at the amount per cake of this soap was expended on advertising promotion. The average guess placed the cost of every seven-cent cake of soap at 1.4 cents for advertising. The company exposed the estimate with the statement that it spent just 1-5 of

**Halbert's Party—**  
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nine pennies and a Texas Centennial half dollar, was cut for dinner guests and for "coffee and cake at four" in the afternoon. After the noon meal the guests chatted on the porch of the ranch home and in the yard—the ladies on the former and the men perched on the stone fence of the latter.

Fiddle tunes were played by Walter E. Whitehead of Del Rio from his chair on the porch of the distinctive home of his son. Several ladies who could not resist the tunes he played once more danced as they had in days gone by. Three boys from McKavett added their musical ability to the afternoon's entertainment.

**Married at Boarding House**  
Mrs. Halbert wore the black satteen dress with high white collar she had worn that Sunday night forty years ago when she had become the bride of Basil Manly Halbert at Mrs. Hoffman's boarding house in Sonora. It was where Wm. Cameron and Co. is built today.

She had been Miss Kidie Ellis, attractive daughter of an Edwards county justice of the peace. Young Halbert had met her on the 4th of July at a platform dance where the schools are built now.

Halbert was a bookkeeper at the DeBerry and March store but he had found time to campaign for Sam Stokes who was running for county clerk. Mr. Stokes got the job and showed his appreciation by giving Halbert a marriage license that January day. His county judge friend, J. M. Bell, performed the ceremony and his "boss," Dr. John Abe March, gave him a \$20 bill on his wedding night.

Many beautiful gifts of various types were received Sunday by the Halberts. As it was the ruby anniversary many of these were in red glassware. A desert scene, constructed by Cecil W. Knauff of Tucson, attracted much attention. Very small photographs of Mr. and Mrs. Halbert were placed in central positions in the "setting."

In the afternoon, pictures were taken of various groups. These included:—old Coleman friends of Mr. Halbert; the three "B. M.'s"—B. M., B. M. Jr., of Sonora and B. M. ("Rooster"); Mr. and Mrs. Halbert, their children and grandchildren; all of those present when assembled to hear the short talks.

**Children "At the Helm"**  
The Halberts' children and their families who were in charge of the party are:

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Whitehead and children, Rose Mary, Bill and Walter; Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Bloodworth and children, Bettye Jo, Halbert, Lloyd P. Jr., and Mrs. Harry M. Price, Jr., of Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Halbert, Jr., and son, B. M. III.

A book bound in red leather was made up this week by Mr. Halbert—somewhat after the fashion of the one he made at his sister's anniversary in 1923. Those who called during the day were asked to sign their names and the number of years they had been in West Texas. Many of the ladies signed their maiden names—the names by which Mr. and Mrs. Halbert had first known them. The book shows the following names and "years in West Texas." Greetings from those who could not be present but who sent their expression of congratulation have been put in the book for safe keeping.

The book this week showed that the following had attended either the dinner or the "open house" in the afternoon. Many more attended who did not sign in the book.

Sonora: Mrs. Lula Karnes; Mrs. C. E. (Dona Allison) Stites; Mrs. G. B. (Janie Wyatt) Hamilton, 46; Mrs. L. E. (Jessie Smith) John-

a cent per cake for advertising.

Several non-advertisers were asked to estimate the cost of promotion used on a suit of clothes. Their average estimate was \$6.21 for each \$50 suit. The actual cost of advertising was only \$1 per suit.

Governmental figures for 1928 placed the gross sales of all corporations in the country at \$142,000,000,000. In the same year the national advertising bill was approximately \$2,000,000,000, or 1.4 per cent of the gross.

Newspapers of the country know these figures. They know the minds of their local dealers. They know whence comes the misinformation that usually prevents advertising growth. It seems opportune with business generally bettering for advertising managers of weekly and daily papers to clear up this situation.—Newsdom.

son, 29; Mrs. J. W. (Laura Stokes) Trainer, 44; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Kring, 10; Mrs. W. D. Wallace, 36; W. J. Fields, 45; Mrs. Zadie Baker Wyatt.

Mrs. Rena Wallace Mayfield, 47; Mrs. E. F. (Bessie Wyatt) Vander Stucker, 55; Mrs. Theo (Alma Miers) Savell; Mrs. Edna Wheat Beam; Mrs. Ed C. (Zena Wheat) Mayfield; Mrs. Josie McDonald; Mrs. J. A. (Ada Earwood) Cauthorn, 30; Mrs. J. D. (Ellen Awalt) Lowrey, 35; Jim Cauthorn, 49; Lem. E. Johnson, 45.

Mrs. Clara Lee Murphy; Miss Alice Karnes; Raymond Barker; Theo Savell, 43; Ed C. Mayfield, 57; J. D. Lowrey, 35; J. W. Trainer, 49; George B. Hamilton; C. E. Stites, since 1897; E. F. Vander Stucken; J. A. Kring, 10; Mrs. D. B. Cusenbary; Mrs. Tom Bond, 7; Mrs. Fred Simmons, 43; Robert W. Jacobs.

Mrs. Sterling Baker, 42; Mrs. Clyde Gardner, 47; Mrs. Estelle McDonald McConnell, Jr.; H. V. (Buzzie) Stokes, "from first to last"; C. D. Wyatt; Mrs. Ruby Murray, 4; T. C. Murray, 27; Howard Espy, 23; O. L. Richardson, 14; Fred Simmons, 45; Miss Edith Babcock, 15.

Mrs. Maysie Brown, 17; Mrs. O. L. Richardson, 39; Mrs. Robert Rees, 14½; Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Caldwell; Fred T. Earwood, 30; Mrs. Mary Armer Earwood, 15; Lige Long; Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Hull, 23; Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Babcock, 19; Mr. and Mrs. Ben H. Cusenbary; Mrs. John (Winnie Wyatt) Fields; John Fields; Robert Rees, 64.

Del Rio: Mr. and Mrs. Bob Miers, 50; Mrs. Red Martin, 45; Mrs. Belle Martin Whitehead; Mrs. Emma Whitehead Wardlaw, 47; Walter E. Whitehead, 56; C. B. (Dutch) Wardlaw, 30.

George Whitehead, 40; Mrs. George (Jennie Graham) Whitehead, 40; Louis Dell Whitehead; Miss Lois Nell (Topsy) Whitehead.

San Angelo: D. J. Woodward, 50; Robert S. Holland, 51; Mrs. George Brockman; Mrs. Anna Gurley Briant; James Cornell, 57; Mrs. Abe Mayer; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Brown, 50; Mrs. R. S. Holland; Abe Mayer, 57; Mrs. Phinnie Mayer Alexander.

Rocksprings: Mrs. Annie L. (Bradford) Hough; Ira L. Wheat, 57; Sam A. Hough, Jr.; Eldorado: Mrs. May Wyatt Dabney and daughter, Cleone; Junction: Mrs. Bird G. Woodward; Sam P. Woodward; Vinegarhead: Mrs. W. R. (Dora) Whitehead, W. R. (Lee) Whitehead; Sam Marcos; Miss Myra Lott; Houston: Mrs. Sue Wallace Keesee, 20. Los Angeles: Mrs. Myrtle Briant Berquist, Harvey E. Berquist.

Greetings and expressions of regret that they could not be present were received from the following:

"Gen." U. S. Grant; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Turney, Del Rio; Judge and Mrs. William U. Halbert, Belleville, Ill.; Judge and Mrs. S. G. Tayloe, San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. George S. Allison, Menard; Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Garrison, Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Gopher, Coleman; Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Halbert, San Angelo;

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Byrd, San Angelo; Mrs. J. J. North, Ozona; Mr. and Mrs. R. Walter Davis, Austin; Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Patterson, Blue Mound, Kas.; Mrs. Belle Steen, Sonora; Miss Minnie Kennedy, Freeport; Miss Maggie Richards, Whitney, Texas; "The Unknown Soldier" (from someone who failed to sign);

Mr. and Mrs. Squire Boone, San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Francis H. Whitehead, Del Rio; Charlie Whitehead, Del Rio; Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Glascock, Sonora; Mrs. J. H. Randolph, Jr., Dallas.

**Winnie Mae Trimble**  
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Gwynne Langford, Maida Ruth McKee, Frances Ezell.

**Six Weeks Honor Roll**  
Seniors: Viba Holland, Joseph Logan, Winnie Mae Trimble;  
Juniors: Kenneth Babcock, Lu-  
netta Marion, J. O. Mills, Wesley Sawyer;

Sophomores: Nona Gilliam, Janie Lee Jackson, Lillian Kring, Emmalou Logan, Joyce McGilvray, Jo Ann Marion, Jo Nell Miers, Bob-  
by Nisbet, Richard Vehle;

Freshmen: Kathryn Brown, Alma Louise Glascock, Jack Shurley, Rena Glen Shurley, Robert Allen Simmons, Garland Slaughter, Jim Taylor;

Minnows: Claud Thomas Driskell, Katha Lea Keene, Jimmie Gwynne Langford, Maida Ruth McKee, J. C. Norris, Margaret Sandherr, Margaret Fay Smith, Robby Jo Wyatt, Frances Ezell.

**GALAPAGOS ISLANDS  
REGION OF MYSTERY**

**For 400 Years Were Used as Hideout by Pirates.**

Washington.—Discovery of two bodies on waterless Marchina (also called Bindloe) island, in the Galapagos, focused world-wide attention on these lonely bits of land, which lie about 600 miles west of Ecuador in the Pacific.

The tragedy adds another kind of mystery to a region noted for many puzzling forms of plant and animal life. A century ago Charles Darwin, then a youthful scientist, pointed out that half the flowers and half the birds of the islands are to be found nowhere else in the world. Scores of scientists and explorers, among them Dr. William Beebe, have since stumbled through thorny undergrowth, scaled lava rocks, and found the Galapagos to be an incomparable natural history museum.

"More than 2,000 volcanic cones besprinkle the archipelago, and the islands' volcanic origin accounts for the peculiar interest they hold for science," says the National Geographic society. "Darwin deduced that the group has never been nearer the mainland, nor have the 12 principal islands been closer together, than they are today.

**Chance to Study Evolution.**  
"Hence, the many species of flowers and birds, and in some cases, sea life, that have drifted to the islands have slowly developed along lines very different from those in their original homes. In few places has nature provided such a splendid chance to study the processes of evolution.

"The Galapagos have also lured treasure seekers and a few colonists from Ecuador, the country to which they now belong. Tales of hidden treasure have come down through the centuries. Pirates who looted the rich ports and churches of the west coast of South America are supposed to have buried much of their loot in these islands. These stories seem to be borne out by the unearthing of two caches of silver ingots and pieces of eight a number of years ago.

"The islands lie astride the Equator, but the cold Antarctic currents which bathe the coast of Peru, strike seaward at Cape Blanco and surge across the Galapagos group. Strong gales temper the climate, and often the air is quite chilly. Up to 800 feet most of the islands are barren, but above that level they are usually swathed in clouds whose moisture aids heavy growths of tropical plants and trees. Although they appear to be only a few dots on a map of the broad Pacific, the islands have a combined area equal to that of Delaware, and the largest island, Albemarle (also called Isabella), is about the size of Long Island, New York.

**Officially Known as "Colon."**  
"Before the Panama canal was dug the Galapagos were even more remote from shipping lanes than they are today. The islands were discovered, in fact, by a Spanish bishop, whose ship was blown off its course from Panama to Peru. For 400 years they served as a pirate hideout, a "post office" for American whalers, and an Ecuadorian convict station. Most of the 2,000 inhabitants of the group today are Spanish-speaking Ecuadorians like those seen in any port in Ecuador. Officially, the islands are known as the Territory of Colon, of Ecuador.

"The few 'villages' consist of thatched huts and small iron-roofed buildings, clustered near small sugar, coffee and tobacco plantations in the areas not covered with lava rock. Only two of the islands are inhabited. Each island has at least two names: one an official Spanish name, and the other an English name. The English names are generally used by explorers and scientists describing the islands.

"Galapagos wild life is tamer than the dogs, cats, goats, pigs, donkeys, and cattle which were 'planted' on the islands by early explorers and have increased in numbers until they have become a nuisance to the inhabitants. By destroying eggs and newly born tortoises, reptiles, and wild birds, these 'visitors' threaten with extinction many rare forms of life which scientists still wish to study.

"A ride on a giant tortoise's back is as much a feature of a visit to Galapagos as a sleigh ride down a dry, cobblestone hill of Finlunch is a feature of a visit to the Madeiras. The archipelago got its name from the giant tortoise; the Spanish word for tortoise being 'galapago.' Some of these huge creatures are estimated to be from 300 to 400 years old and are probably the world's oldest living animals."

**Boy, 18, of 60 Broken Bones, Enters Business**

Shadyside, Ohio.—Billy Newhart, whose multiple bone fractures have won him national fame at eighteen, is about to launch into business. Billy has suffered more than sixty broken bones in his short lifetime. He's going to start a magazine sales organization, has rented an office, will supervise a sales force of solicitors. Billy's bones, lacking the proper formation, are so brittle they broke easily.

**35 YEARS AGO**

Bob Martin and Walter Childress were in Sonora Saturday for supplies.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Beckett were in town this week the guests of the Decker Hotel.

There was a large attendance at the Vander Stucken-Wyatt dance Wednesday night. The evening was thoroughly enjoyed and everyone danced in honor of the bride.

Mrs. B. M. Halbert is visiting her parents, Judge and Mrs. J. J. Ellis, of Rock Springs.

The regular meeting of the fire department will be held on Thursday, Feb. 1. All members are requested to attend.

Henry Vander Stucken general merchant of Menardville was in Sonora this week accompanied by Mrs. Vander Stucken.

Jack Drago, the young stockman who is pasturing his cattle at Dock Simmons' ranch, was in Sonora Tuesday on his way to London after cotton seed.

Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Gillespie were in from the ranch Saturday shopping.

Ed Martin, the young stockman from the Luckie neighborhood, was in Sonora Monday.

**MANY BANKS LONG LIVED**

In the United States—  
168 Banks over 100 years old.  
2,472 Banks over 50 years old.  
10,391 Banks over 25 years old.

There are in the United States 168 banks that have been in continuous existence for more than one hundred years. There are 2,472 banks over fifty years old, while 64% of all the banks in this country, or 10,391, are twenty-five years old or older.

In other words, practically two-thirds of the banks in this country have come through several successive periods of depression and panic, including 1907, 1914, 1920 and 1929-33.

The oldest bank in the country is in Boston, having been chartered February 17, 1784.

In the 64% of banks that are twenty-five years old or older is lodged a major portion of the banking resources of the nation. In commenting recently upon the stability of a great majority of the banks in the United States, Dr. Harold Stonier, Educational Director of the American Bankers Association, said:

"The fact that we have so many banks that have been in existence a long period of years is an eloquent tribute to the genius of American managerial ability, for no other country has experienced such wild gambling eras and resultant periods of business stagnation as those through which our country has passed at frequent intervals during the past century"

Apparently what Mr. Roosevelt has done is to move way over to the right, taking the left and middle with him.—Boston Globe.

**WORD ORIGINS**

It used to be that if you were an **ASSASSIN** you were a drinker of hashish...

In eleventh century Persia, a secret order was founded among the Ismaili, a Mohammedan sect, by Hassan ben Sabbah. The absolute head of this order was the Old Man of the Mountain. Its members indulged in the use of the oriental drug hashish, and, when under its influence, in the fanatical practice of secret murder.

This terrible organization spread terror over Persia, Syria and Asia Minor for nearly two centuries. The murderous drinker of "hashish" came to be called "hash-shash," "one who has drunk of the hashish," and from that origin comes our English word assassin. (Copyrighted by G. & C. Merriam Co., Springfield, Mass.)

**Residence Built By—**  
(Continued from page 1)

given Mrs. Clark Sunday by Mrs. Ben F. Meckel, her sister.

As Mrs. Davis and her relatives hunted here and there in the ashes of her home Wednesday her daughter, Mrs. Meckel, recalled that Mr. Davis had lost his life as a result of exposure at the time of a Mineral Wells hotel fire twenty years ago. A fireman tells that the heat Tuesday morning was so intense that a nickel and a penny in a child's bank were melted. Thirty or thirty-five quilt pieces were among the possessions Mrs. Davis lost.

Herman Allison of the fire department suffered a hand injury when his wet hand stuck to a fire nozzle and was torn as he pulled it from the cold brass object. Several members of the department suffered from the smoke and from the chill of their water-soaked clothing.

Mrs. Davis said Wednesday that her household goods was insured for \$500 and the property for \$2000. She is living now with her daughter, Mrs. W. E. Wallace, who lives across the street from her home site.

**We Thank You All!**

We are sincerely grateful for the service of the boys of the Sonora fire department and all citizens who helped us when Mrs. Davis' home burned Tuesday morning. We particularly want to thank Herman Allison who was slightly hurt.

Mrs. M. S. Davis  
Mrs. M. C. Clark  
Mrs. W. E. Wallace  
Mrs. Ben F. Meckel  
J. R. Davis adv-ite

Those who take off their shoes at the movies, run the risk of having them kicked two or three yards away by people going out. Those are the folks who will fully appreciate television.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

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Music . . . Art  
Women's Interests

Society Notes

FAYE JAMES, Society Editor

Parties . . . Clubs  
Future Events

Mrs. Shurley  
Given Party At  
Clubhouse Friday

Complimenting Mrs. Edgar D. Shurley, who was married Jan. 6. Mrs. Merton Shurley and Mrs. Collier Shurley entertained at the woman's clubhouse Friday afternoon with twelve tables of bridge and two tables of guests who came in later in the afternoon.

In the receiving line were the hostesses and the honoree.

Lovely white carnations and ferns were used to decorate the room in a green and white color plan.

Bouquets of white carnations were given to Miss Alice Karnes for high score and to Mrs. S. A. Allison for second high.

Awards for high cut at each table were also bouquets of flowers.

The honoree was presented with a gift of a set of coffee spoons and Mrs. Rip Ward, a recent bride, was given a pair of silver bud vases.

A salad plate was served with hot punch.

Guests for bridge were: Mesdames R. D. Trainer, Richard Vehle, Maysie Brown, W. E. Caldwell, O. G. Babcock, W. R. Nisbet, Sterling Baker, Sidney S. Mills-paugh, Jr., of Ozona.

Bryan Hunt, J. H. Brasher, E. E. Sawyer, W. D. Wallace, R. C. Vicars, N. S. Patterson, F. T. Jones, W. L. Davis.

W. C. Warren, J. A. Ward, Jr., A. W. Awalt, G. H. Davis, Rip Ward, Alton Hightower, B. M. Halbert, Jr., S. H. Allison,

Fred Simmons, John Fields, John Hamby, J. C. Morrow, Nolan Kennedy, Tom White, Andrew Moore, Hilton Turney,

P. J. Taylor, E. F. Vander Stucken, Joseph Vander Stucken, Mike Murphy, Sam Karnes, E. C. Mayfield, A. C. Elliott,

Nannie B. Wilson, Duke Wilson, W. C. Gilmore, W. J. Fields, Jr., and the Misses Nan Karnes, Alice Karnes, Ada Steen, Marie Watkins.

Guests who came in during the afternoon were: Mesdames C. E. Stites, R. S. Covey, Robert Rees, the Misses Thelma Rees, Gertrude Babcock, Jamie Gardner, Harva Jones and Margaret Hull.

W. M. S. Meets  
With Mrs. Caldwell  
On Wednesday

The members of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church met Wednesday afternoon for a study and social at the home of Mrs. W. E. Caldwell with Mrs. G. B. Hamilton and Mrs. Willie Ross as co-hostesses.

Mrs. J. F. Howell read a hymn and Mrs. Robert Rees gave two topics on the Case Institute and the Institute of Seoul in Korea.

Mrs. H. V. Stokes conducted the study on Japan.

After a short business session refreshments were served to Mesdames C. E. Stites, O. G. Babcock, Robert Rees, W. E. James, J. D. Westbrook, M. M. Stokes, H. V. Stokes, A. P. Prater,

J. W. Trainer, J. F. Howell, Rose Thorp, E. E. Sawyer, J. T. Shurley, J. T. McClelland, J. D. Lowrey, A. W. Awalt.

COIFFURES for YOUNG SOPHISTICATES



The smartness of restrained sophistication is evidenced in the coiffures of seven students at Texas State College for Women, Denton, who offer the latest styles in hair dressing. The pictures were posed by: top row, left to right, Mary Helen Johnston, San Angelo; Mary Eugenia Dunn, Abilene; Winifred Crump, Waller; second row, Gladene Parr, Waelder; Mary Catherine Beck, Winfield; bottom row, Christine Chandler, Troup; Cleo Manley, Houston.

Coiffure Designs  
Bring New Thrills

Seven Students Portray As Many Types of Hair Dress

Denton, Jan. 24.—Just as the new year brings an abundance of resolutions, it also sets up new ideas for unusual coiffures, and the interest manifested in them by young sophisticates is fast equaling that incited over a new frock.

Coiffures, like clothes, offer an unlimited number of styles, and for handling that so-called "mop" on your head, girls at Texas State College for Women give their ideas.

One of the most popular ways is the impish "boy cut" (top left) that has only a suggestion of femininity in the long roll that winds from the forehead toward the back. The closely chopped hair over the ears and at the back certainly gives a mischievous look.

Depicting a young street urchin, the gamin style (top center) of hairdressing, which shows a mass of curls playing low over the left eye, might also be termed a "saucy" coiffure. Nothing is more suggestive of pertness or impertinence than this way of dressing the hair.

Then the smart sophisticated appearance of a young modern is best expressed in the coiffure featuring a braid encircling the head. This braid can be effectively worn with a knot (top right) swung low on the neck or with a mass of curls (second row center).

The hairdress showing a mass of curled bangs (second row right) is a clever adaptation of smartness without the lacquered "wood effect" that is usually so obvious. This coiffure is strictly 1935.

The "jeune fille" bob shows bangs curled up (bottom left) into a close roll while the long bob (bottom right) set in loose waves gives an ultra-modern restraint in sophistication that certainly denotes "up-to-dateness."

Mrs. Halbert Improving

Mrs. R. A. Halbert who has been ill several weeks in a hospital in San Angelo is reported to be a little better

Mrs. Ward  
Honored at  
Party Thursday

Mesdames Nannie B. Wilson, John A. Ward, Jr. and Lloyd Earwood entertained Thursday afternoon with a party for Mrs. Rip Ward at the clubhouse of the Sonora Woman's Club.

A color scheme of gold and white was used in the decorations, bridge appointments and refreshments. White carnations and yellow and white narcissus were used throughout the room.

A salad plate, with golden baskets filled with mints for plate favors, was served.

Miss Alice Karnes and Mrs. L. W. Elliott won the awards for high and second high scores which they presented to the honoree.

Guests included: Mesdames J. S. Glasscock, Fred Earwood, Stella Stanley, E. E. Sawyer, E. F. Vander Stucken, J. H. Brasher, S. H. Allison, S. R. Hull,

E. C. Mayfield, Paul Turney, Sol Kelley, W. D. Wallace, J. A. Cauthorn, Virgil Powell, Roy E. Aldwell, Henry Decker,

Libb Wallace, J. F. Howell, B. W. Hutcherson, Theo Savell, Sterling Baker, Sidney Mills-paugh, Jr. of Ozona, Joe Brown Ross, W. J. Eields, Jr.,

L. W. Elliott, John Fields, B. M. Halbert, Jr., R. C. Vicars, Mike Murphy, W. R. Cusenbary, Maysie Brown, J. C. Morrow,

Fred Simmons, A. W. Awalt, Josie McDonald, W. P. McConnell, Jr., Bryan Hunt, Miers Savell, Sam Karnes, W. R. Nisbet,

John Hamby, A. P. Prater, R. D. Trainer, B. H. Cusenbary, and the Misses Ada Steen, Alice Karnes, Nan Karnes, Annella Stites, Zella Lee Thorp and Jamie Gardner.

Mrs. Neill  
Hostess To  
Contract Club

Mrs. George H. Neill was hostess to two tables of contract bridge Monday afternoon when she entertained the Contract Club at her home.

Mrs. P. J. Taylor held high score for guests and Mrs. Will Wilkinson for club members.

Those participating were Mrs. George Brockman of San Angelo and Mrs. P. J. Taylor, guests, and Mesdames E. F. Vander Stucken, Mike Murphy, S. R. Hull, Will Wilkinson, Nannie B. Wilson and the hostess, members.

Pastime Club  
Meets With Mrs.  
Wallace Thursday

Including one table of guests, Mrs. W. D. Wallace entertained the Pastime Club Thursday afternoon, Jan. 19, at her home.

Mrs. James D. Wilson held high guest score and Mrs. Orion Brown high club score.

Refreshments of pie and coffee were served to Mesdames Libb Wallace, Willie Ross, J. S. Glasscock, and James D. Wilson, guests.

Members present were: Mesdames Rose Thorp, Robert Rees, C. E. Stites, W. E. James, E. E. Sawyer, Richard Vehle, Hi Eastland, Orion Brown, O. G. Babcock, B. W. Hutcherson, W. E. Caldwell, R. D. Trainer.

SONORA MAN SECURES  
THEATER IN ELDORADO

Completion of a deal Wednesday in Eldorado gives to Hix Hall, owner of La Vista Theater here, the ownership of the Palace Theater in that town.

Purchase, according to Mr. Hall who made the announcement Wednesday night, was from Hodge and Hodge. They operate theaters in Anson, Ballinger, Winters, Stamford, Merkel, Midland and Odessa. The Palace has been managed by Frank Cameron.

Mr. Hall has owned the Lone Star Theater in Eldorado for some time. That show was closed and its managers, for Mr. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Suther, will operate the Palace.

Just-Us  
Club Entertained  
By Mrs. Glasscock

Mrs. J. S. Glasscock was hostess to two tables of contract bridge Monday afternoon when she entertained the Just-Us Club at her home.

Mrs. W. D. Wallace held high score for guests and Mrs. W. C. Warren for club members.

Refreshments of pineapple cake and whipped cream and coffee were served.

Guests were: Mesdames O. G. Babcock, W. E. Caldwell, B. W. Hutcherson, and W. D. Wallace.

Members attending were: Mesdames Russell Long, W. C. Warren, Libb Wallace.

MADIE FERN HARNED HAS  
BIRTHDAY PARTY SUNDAY

School children at Station A were entertained Sunday afternoon by Mrs. Madeline Harned at her ranch home when she was hostess at a party for her daughter, Madie Fern, who was eight years old that day.

Games entertained the small guests. The table was decorated in pink and white, with a birthday cake having lighted candles on it. Refreshments of cake, frozen dessert and lemonade were served.

WOMAN HONORED ON  
HER 97TH BIRTHDAY

Mason, Jan. 19.—Honoring Mrs. Clarintha Draper on her 97th birthday, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Draper entertained a number of her friends and relatives near Pontotoc.

The combined ages of the honoree and four of the invited guests totaled 444 years. The four guests were Mrs. Kate McLeod, 89; Mrs. L. P. Banner, 89; Mrs. Julia Ann Shaw, 85, and Mrs. Dell Panky, 84. Children present for the occasion were Dawson Draper of Lohn, E. A. Draper of Field Creek, Tom, Miller and Lee of Pontotoc, and Mrs. Katie Sessom of Langtry.

Mrs. Draper is the grandmother of Miss Grace Draper and the great grandmother of Miss Merle Draper of Sonora.

Workers' Council,  
W. M. U. Have Meet

Baptists From Ozona, Big Lake and San Angelo Attend

The members of the Workers' Council of the Concho Valley Association and the Concho Valley Woman's Missionary Union met here Tuesday in an all-day session at the Baptist Church.

In the morning session the devotional was led by the Rev. Joe Burton of Big Lake. Following this discussions were led by the Rev. J. R. Grant of San Angelo, the Rev. A. J. Quinn of Eldorado and the Rev. A. D. Forman of San Angelo.

A vocal number was given by the Rev. and Mrs. Leon Gamble of Ozona.

Following the luncheon, given by the Woman's Missionary Union of Sonora, the W. M. U. Association met for the quarterly reports. Miss Elizabeth Woolworth of San Angelo, president of the W. M. U., presided.

The devotional was led by Mrs. Joe Burton of Big Lake. Mrs. P. C. Lightfoot and Mrs. B. C. McGilvray gave a vocal number.

The next meeting of the two associations will be in San Angelo in April.

Mr. Elliott Improving

L. W. Elliott is reported to be improving from an attack of influenza.

Leaves For School

Frank Kelly Ezell left Monday for Weatherford where he will enter Weatherford College.

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Diagrams of Danger—No. 8



No one is more active in the campaign to persuade the automobile driver to exercise the care, courtesy and common sense which will reduce the appalling number of accidents than Motor Vehicle Administrators. They know the facts. Ten of them, officers of National and Regional Associations, have described the most common driving and pedestrian faults.

by LEW E. WALLACE

Superintendent, Motor Vehicle Department, Iowa. Secretary-Treasurer, American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators.

THE glaring headlight still continues to be one of the great menaces to night motor driving. The casualty insurance companies, engineering committees, automobile manufacturers and headlight designers have worked for years to discover some device which will take the glare out of the eyes of meeting drivers and at the same time sufficiently illuminate the roadway. They have discovered a system of lights which appears to accomplish this purpose, but motorists are slow to use them or to keep them adjusted after they have installed them.

It cannot be said definitely how many lost their lives or suffered injury last year because drivers were blinded by headlights. It has been estimated that more than 7,000 cars were involved in accidents due to this cause. We do know from figures supplied by the National Bureau of Casualty and Surety Under-

writers that from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m., the normal hours of darkness, last year 342,610 accidents resulted in 16,230 deaths. This death rate per accident was 43.5 per cent worse than during the hours of daylight. In other words, there were 413,890 automobile accidents during the daylight hours but they resulted in only 13,670 deaths.

It is up to the motorist to avail himself of every possible improvement in headlights. Every driver knows when his lights are glaring, and it is an easy thing to dim them as he approaches another motorist. Indeed, the police in many localities forbid the use of glaring lights. Out on the country roads, where the trouble is the greatest, it is up to the conscience of the driver.

If you haven't modern headlights, dim yours when you approach a driver. You will find in a majority of the cases that he will respond in kind.

Ran Charge Accounts on Incoming, Outgoing Mail

One of the most mysterious of all stamps was that issued by Worcester Webster, postmaster of the little town of Boscawen in Merrimac county, New Hampshire, some time in 1846, says the New York Herald Tribune. At one time, although postage stamps had been in successful use in England since 1840 and by private companies here beginning in 1842, congress had been unable to see the great advantage of this method of preparing letters and all efforts of the postmasters to obtain a general issue of stamps for the convenience of the public had been lost in futile debate.

The action of many of the postmasters in seeking stamps was not entirely disinterested, for they saw in them a means of increasing their revenues and their pay, since the pay of many officials was dependent on receipts; and anything which would increase the latter would be welcomed. In the absence of stamps or any similar device for prepayment, all letters posted out of office hours had to go collect, except in a few cases where well known people ordered their outgoing letters charged to their account.

And strange as it may seem postmasters then allowed patrons to run charge accounts for postage on both incoming and outgoing mail and from some of the long bills and duns which have been found in old correspondence, some of the patrons were none too quick in their settlements. The sending of unpaid letters, although a custom in vogue from the earliest days of the post, was often not only a source of loss to the postmaster in the town of origin but to the one on the receiving end and the government as well for should the addressee refuse the letter or not be found everybody's trouble went for naught.

Kitty Was in Disrepute Away Back in Old Times

It can be said that during the Middle Ages the cat fell into complete disrepute, according to a correspondent in the Philadelphia Inquirer. Cats were seen to dance in sacrilegious glee around wayside crucifixes. Satan himself would occasionally assume the shape of a black cat to confound pious Christians. Lilith, the serpent woman who tempted Adam, was pictured in the sixteenth century with the body of a cat. The thrice mewling of the "brindled cat" summoned the weird woman in "Macbeth."

The cat naturally came to be regarded with superstitious awe. Blood drawn from a cat during favorable phases of the moon was said to break spells of bewitchment. Hair from the tail of a cat cured a sty if applied on the first night of a new moon. Blood from a black cat was considered a cure for ringworm.

Many superstitious beliefs associated with cats are current today, some of them being modifications of those held during the benighted days of sorcery and witchcraft.

Told by the Ring

There is an amusing old theory that a ring worn on the first, or index finger, was a sign that the wearer was willing to marry, but not "bespoken"; when the engagement took place, a ring was worn on the second finger. On the third finger, of course, it said that the wearer was married; while those independent people who desired to publish to the world that they were neither desirous of, nor interested in, marriage put a ring on the little finger. But, apart from engagement and wedding rings, to which the third finger of the left hand is now dedicated, most people put rings on any finger they fancy.—Answers Magazine.

Early Glass Windows

Glass windows were not universal in the Seventeenth century, either in the American colonies or in England. The "current shutting draw windows" of Symond's house in 1638 were probably sliding panels of board. In "Leah and Rachel" (1656), Virginia buildings are spoken of as having "if not glazed windows, shutters." Edward Winslow, writing from Plymouth in 1621, says: "Bring paper and linsed oil for your windows." Leaded panes existed in many of the better houses after 1650.

The Magic Carpet

The "Magic Carpet" is one of the stock properties of eastern tales. In Arabian Nights it is Prince Housain's carpet. But the chief magic carpet was that of King Solomon, which, according to Mohammedan legend, was made of green silk. King Solomon, his throne and courtiers were transported upon it to any place the king chose to go. To screen the party from the sun, the birds formed a canopy over it as it fled through the air.

Neatsfoot Oil

Neatsfoot oil is made by splitting the feet of cattle and boiling them over an open fire, or, commercially, in cylinders by superheated steam; then, skimming the oil off the mixture while still hot. The oil is allowed to stand for some days when part of it solidifies into a heavy grease. The lighter oil is then separated from this by filtering; this is known as "neatsfoot oil."

Pot-Roasts and Stews Always Savory

Pot-Roasts Can Be Delicious and Stews Can Be Individual

When the husband longs for "mother's cooking," ten chances to one it is the savory pot-roast and the delicious brown gravy that he recalls.

Of course, mothers have no monopoly on pot-roasts. It is only that they have prepared a pot-roast so many times that they have learned what cuts to buy and how to prepare them. Anyone, by using a little care, can make a delicious pot-roast, says Inez S. Willson, home economist, and here's how:

Pot-Roast

First, dredge the pot-roast with flour, season with salt and pepper and brown in hot lard. Add a small amount of moisture, either water, meat stock, tomato puice, or dilute vinegar, cover and let simmer slowly, until done, about three hours.

It is very important that the meat be well browned, and that only a small amount of liquid be added at a time. As this cooks out more may be added in small quantities. As the liquid cooks down each time, the meat becomes a richer brown and the gravy ever so much better.

All meat is best when cooked at a low temperature, and a pot-roast is no exception. After browning, a good pot-roast must be cooked very slowly at a simmering, not boiling, temperature.

Cuts to Use for Pot-Roast

The cuts usually used for pot-roasts are the chuck, rump or heel of the round. These may be boned and rolled if desired. If their fat covering is thin, they may be wrapped with either cod or back fat and tied in shape.

Stews Have Individuality

No doubt the preparation of a savory stew is as great an accomplishment as the baking of a fluffy angel food cake. In fact, there is a chance to express individuality in a stew while an angel food, to be right, is always the same.

One famous chef once said that all stews should be good, but no two alike. According to Inez S. Willson, this is true, for there are as many different kinds of stews as there are people who make them. There are brown stews, light stews, stews with vegetables, stews with dumplings, oven stews, and so on ad infinitum. The combination of vegetables and the different seasonings make a large part of the variety.

The following recipes for stews make use of unusual seasonings:

Spiced Stews

Two pounds beef chuck, cut in pieces; flour for dredging; lard for browning; 3 onions; 1/2 cup vinegar; 4 tablespoons sugar; 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon; 1 bay-leaf; salt, pepper.

Cut the meat into cubes, dredge with flour and brown in hot lard. Slice the onions over it and add enough water to nearly cover. To this add the seasonings after mixing the cinnamon and sugar with the vinegar, cover and bring slowly to the boiling point and then let simmer until the meat is tender, about two hours.

Lamb Stew with Vegetables

Two pounds lamb shoulder; flour for dredging; lard for browning; 3 or 4 carrots; 2 cups green

Black Marble Under Chalk

In the chalk mines of Nagyvisnyo, near Miskolcz, rich layers of black marble are found under the chalk, writes the Budapest correspondent of the London Sunday Observer. According to expert reports, this marble is equal in quality to the famous black marble of Belgium. The mountain ranges which surround the mine also contain quantities of black marble streaked with white. This stone has in the past been employed by the villagers for paving the highways, so the villages of Nagyvisnyo, Uraj and Susa bear the unusual distinction of being approached by marble roads.

or wax beans; 2 fresh tomatoes or 1 cup canned tomatoes; 1 clove garlic; salt, pepper.

Have lamb shoulder cut into pieces for stew. Dredge with flour and brown in hot lard. Add 1 cup boiling water and let simmer for one hour. Then add carrots cut in quarters lengthwise, green or wax beans and tomatoes. Add more water if necessary. Cover and let simmer until done, about one hour longer. Add the cut clove of garlic to the stew just long enough for a little of its flavor to permeate the stew.

Mrs. W. J. Fields, Sr. returned Monday from Austin where she has been visiting for several days.

The old-fashioned housewife who wouldn't let her husband smoke anywhere in the house except in the kitchen, probably is dropping cigarette ashes on the parlor floor today.—Mexico (Mo.) Ledger.

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**PERSONALS**

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Martin of Caterina were here Tuesday.

Mrs. W. C. Warren and Mrs. Russell Long were in San Angelo Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Stites and daughter, Annella, were in San Angelo Saturday.

Woodrow Norris of Iraan spent the week-end here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Norris.

Frank Burtle of Houston is visiting his daughter, Mary, and Dr. and Mrs. Tom White this week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Johnson and R. A. Halbert were in San Angelo Saturday visiting Mrs. Halbert.

Miss Sally Wardlaw, Miss Clara Allison and Mrs. James D. Wilson were in San Angelo Wednesday. From there Mrs. Wilson went to Temple and Dallas to visit relatives.

**Elementary Honor Roll Pupils Named**

**Disease Affects Scholastic Work of Pupils in Grades**

Scarlet fever had an ill effect on the scholastic work of a number of the elementary school students during the last few weeks and several who are ordinarily on the honor roll each time did not attain that honor for work done in the last six weeks.

Honor roll students for the last six weeks of the semester and for the entire term were announced Wednesday by N. S. Patterson, elementary school principal. The fortunate ones are:

**Semester Honor Roll**

First grade: Lena Kathryn Roye, Gene Cliff Johnson, Betty Gene Rankhorn, Geraldine Morrow, Davy Dean Locklin, Lila D. Chalk, Mary Burtle, Sammie Jeanne Allison, Perry Ray Henderson.

Second grade: Sybil Burleson, Billie Cartwright, Geraldine Meckel, Don Nichlos, Edwin Nixon.

Third grade: J. T. Jackson, Billy Shurley, Margie Crowell, Lois Morris, Patsy Nisbet, Peggy Reming, Betty Lou Shoemake, Edna Lee Wilson.

Fourth grade: Sue Gilliam.

Fifth grade: Billy Sid Evans, Doris Meckel.

Sixth grade: Dorothy Henderson, Lillie Owens.

**Six Weeks Honor Roll**

First grade: Earnest Smith, Perry Ray Henderson, Sammie Jeanne Allison, Lila D. Chalk, Lena Kathryn Roye, Gene Cliff Johnson, Margaret Pearl Smith, Martha Jo Moore.

Second grade: Sybil Burleson, Billie Cartwright, Marguerite Howell, Geraldine Meckel, Don Nichlos, Edwin Nixon.

Third grade: Billy Shurley, Edith May Babcock, Juanita Chadwick, Margie Crowell, Lois Morris, Patsy Nisbet, Peggy Reming, Betty Lou Shoemake.

Fourth grade: Peggy Gilmore, Sue Gilliam.

Fifth grade: Doris Meckel.

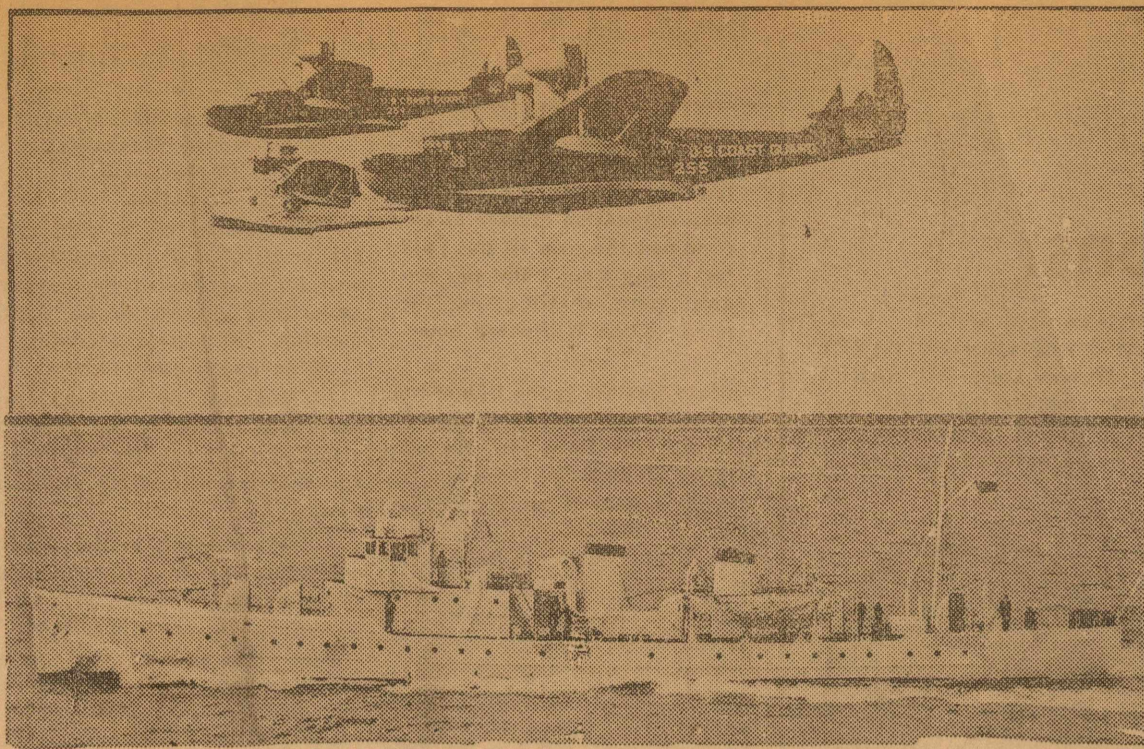
Sixth grade: Dorothy Henderson.

"I'll tell you what he is," said a booming voice. "If he settled on an abandoned farm it would still be an abandoned farm." We assume, of course, that Senator Long was under discussion. Trenton, (N. J.) State Gazette.

"Five Hundred Dams Required in New Power Plan."—Headline. That's the job for General Johnson.—Los Angeles Examiner.

Things are returning to normalcy. The office boy is so secure of his job now that he has developed a superiority complex. — Atlanta Constitution.

**Miami Coast Guard Planes Salute the Pandora**



Three of the Miami coast guard planes, the Arcturus, Acanar and Sirius, saluting the Pandora, newest of the government's coast guard patrol boats, as she nears Miami, Fla., where she will make her permanent base.

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Ladies' Bible Class, Wed., 3:30 p.m.

**Baptist Church**  
Sunday School ..... 10 o'clock  
Morning Service ..... 11 o'clock  
Evening Worship ..... 7 o'clock  
B. Y. P. U. ..... 6:15 o'clock  
W. M. U. ..... Monday 3 p. m.  
Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Frank Nixon, Pastor.

**Methodist Church**  
Sunday School ..... 9:45  
Morning Worship ..... 11 o'clock  
Young People's Meeting 6:30 p. m.  
Evening Services ..... 7:15 o'clock  
W. M. S. .... Wednesday, 3 p. m.  
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The man who devised the English judicial system probably little dreamed that some day a standard question for prospective jurors would be, did they listen to Walter Winchell on the radio?—Boston Evening Transcript.

Disagreement before marriage becomes a fuss afterwards.—Dean E. V. White.

## THEY'RE BASIL M. HALBERT STORIES

The following are just a few of the many that Mr. Halbert likes to tell. At his anniversary celebration Sunday he entertained the men in the yard for a long time while the women were chatting on the porch of the Whitehead home.

There was the young fellow from Galveston who came to Sonora to live with the DeBerrys. He wore English ("toothpick") shoes and was the object of much scorn because of them.

He worked in the DeBerry store by day and stepped "high and handsome" at night. In his best bib and tucker one night, ready for a dance, three cowboys determined to "get him." Attempts, interspersed with drinks at the bar, failed to start a fight with him. Then one cowboy spit on the highly polished surface of his "toothpicks."

A "toothpick" came straight up under the would-be prankster's chin. He "took the count." Before the other two could realize what was happening a fist hit each of their chins. They, too, went out. The fight was over. "Toothpicks" were vindicated for that time at least.

Major DeBerry liked his blackbird pie, Mr. Halbert declares. Early one morning he came out of his store with his shotgun, bird shot loaded, and fired into the mass of blackbirds which were always about in the day.

As soon as he shot he realized he had made a mistake.

People decided murder was being done, a brawl had started or any of a hundred other things. They came to see what it was all about.

Major DeBerry went to the courthouse at once, paid a fine and then returned to "set up" all who thought they were to be first on the scene after a murder.

He got his mess of blackbirds, Mr. Halbert declares but adds quickly:—"they must have cost him \$25."

And here's one for Ripley! You can believe it or not—Mr. Halbert doesn't care.

Many remember his matching nickel with two heads. A Coleman jeweler fixed it for him years ago. It almost cost the friendship of Dave Woodward, one of his Coleman friends who was his guest Sunday. After a "session" young Halbert took the last \$18 Woodward had with the aid of his "two-faced" nickel. Woodward discovered it. But they "ironed out" their differences and have always been friends.

The nickel got away from him. Two years later, while he was a bookkeeper in Sonora the same nickel showed up in \$100 worth of change secured from a San Angelo bank.

Mr. Halbert used it and showed it to many Sonorans after he got it back. Then away it went again. To this day he examines nickels carefully. Can't tell, it might show up again.

When the firm Mr. Halbert kept books for was known as Jackson, Cramer & March, a statement went out one day and the one who received it was puzzled by the abbreviation "Dr." after the firm name. He and a friend came to the store and proceeded to bet.

One knew it meant "doctor," the other that it meant "debtor." It was left up to young Halbert, the bookkeeper, and he found for the man upholding the "debtor" side of the argument.

Then there's the one about the black Stetson hat that Mr. Halbert ran down on the ocean.

Halbert and his partner, a pal of eight Padre Island days, shipped on a 3-mast lumber schooner plying between Corpus Christi and Lake Charles, La. They put in at Velasco, on the Brazos River, at Galveston ... back to each the second time. A "northwester" kept young Halbert at the pump seven days and nights.

As the storm ended his prized hat blew off. He watched it for a long time (he says it was an hour) and finally it washed back to the ship's rail where he picked it up.

The rest of the crew cursed the storm while he prayed. That, he says, was the reason for the return of the beloved headgear. Such good fortune must be an act of Providence, he affirms.

## Discussion of Game Proposals Set For Austin Wednesday

C. H. Jennings Tells of Meeting Sponsored By Izaak Walton Organization

Those interested in wild game preservation and propagation as well as all lovers of the outdoors have been invited to an Austin meeting Wednesday, according to C. H. Jennings, game warden.

All members of the legislature have been invited by the Texas division of the Izaak Walton League which is the sponsoring organization.

At seven o'clock in the evening a banquet dinner will be held on the roof garden of the Stephen F. Austin Hotel. Governor James V. Allred will deliver an address following talks made by Dr. Preston Bradley of Chicago, national president of the Izaak Walton League and C. A. Wheatly, president of the Texas division of the organization.

The day session will be conducted on the order of a conference between individuals and representatives of sportsmen and outdoor conservation groups from all over the state. A large number of bills pertaining to fish, game, forests and streams have already been offered for passage and many more are in the making. Some of these bills are considered highly beneficial, while others are detrimental, as far as the general public is concerned.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss these measures, as well as ways and means of the conservation of fish, game, forests and streams and all that part of our outdoor natural resources that brings health, recreation and enjoyment to the citizens of Texas. State-wide interest has been aroused in this conference as the bills that are already offered have wide effect. All individuals will be privileged at the day session to speak of any subject in which this organization is interested. Sportsmen are anticipating the largest gathering of this kind that has ever been held in Texas.

Among some of the bills to be offered are: the regulation of the killing of doves and quail; for the gathering of statistical information on the catch of various marine products along the Texas coast; protection of the Antwerp homing messenger pigeon; requiring resident fishing license; declaring the Collard Peccary (or

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The Dionne quintuplets are the first serious threat to the prestige of the Floradora sextette.—Omaha World-Herald.

javelina) a game animal; regulation of fish dealers license; more adequate penalties provided for using explosives for taking fish; resident hunting license bill.

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We want to thank all who were so kind to us during the illness of Mr. Kirkland and at the time of his death. We are truly grateful for all the kind expressions of your sympathy.

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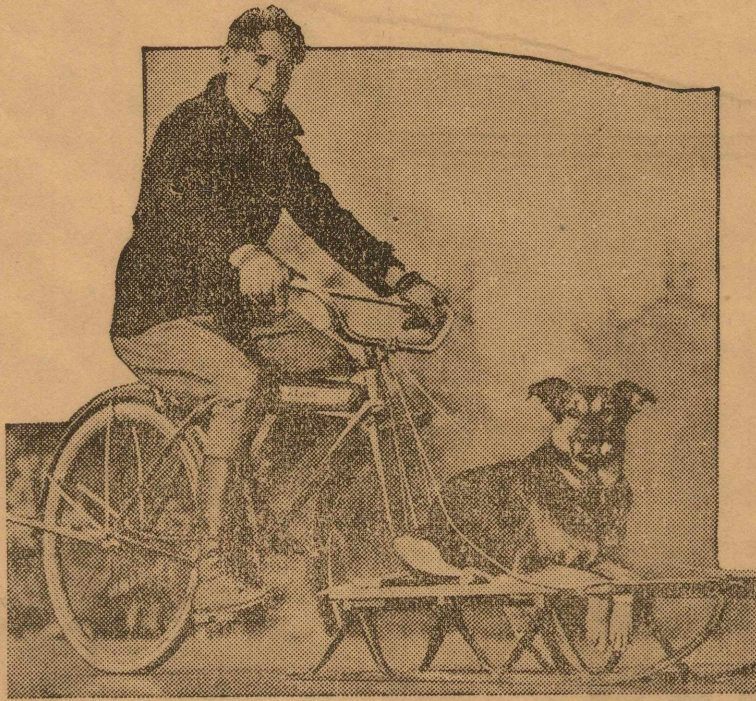
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