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Bright Outlook for Wool and Mohair Seen by Lea

Buyers Say Market Is Due for Good Increases

SURPLUSES LOW

Firm Will Advance Up to Fifty Cents Per Head

J. M. Lea, Texas representative for Draper & Co., Boston wool firm, expressed optimism for the spring prices of wool and mohair and told ranchmen of Sutton county that the next few weeks should see sharp price advances in wool, in a conference held Wednesday night in the First National Bank.

Mr. Lea stated that his firm would like to secure the entire spring clip of Sutton county wools, and that they were making preparations to handle it. They are now ready to advance up to 50 cents a head on the spring wool, either contracting it now, taking it on consignment, or reaching a price agreement at the time the wool is delivered.

Mr. Lea advised the local growers not to contract wool now, for he expects the next ten days to show decided gains. He says that prices this spring should be two to twelve cents higher than in 1932, which would put wools in this section at 20 to 22 cents.

Regarding mohair, Mr. Lea is also optimistic. Low prices of the last two seasons were blamed on eastern interests which kept alive (Continued on page 8)

School Attendance Up Since Holidays

Mexican Enrollment Reaches High Point of Year; No Mumps

With the re-opening of Sonora schools a marked decrease in the number of absences due to sickness is noted, according to R. S. Covey, superintendent. High school attendance is good, with grammar school attendance steadily improving. Whereas from 80 to 90 students were out of school during the weeks just preceding the Christmas holidays, only about 40 are out of both schools this week, or about half the total absences recorded earlier.

The Mexican school shows its highest attendance mark for the year, with the return of families from the cotton fields, and in view of the fact that not one case of mumps has been reported and only a few cases of influenza.

This good bill of health is an unusual one for the Mexican section.

Personals

Miss Pauline Rape of Eldorado is visiting her sister, Mrs. C. W. Trainer, here this week.

The Misses Clara Allison and Sally Wardlaw made a business trip to San Angelo Tuesday.

Mrs. Carl Goodman has returned to Sonora after spending Christmas at her former home in Plainview.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Roberts of Del Rio left Friday after a visit here with their daughter, Mrs. E. B. Lomax, and Mr. Lomax.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Vehle and children, Betty Grace, and Dickie, spent Sunday and Monday in Menard as guests of Mr. Vehle's brother, Oscar Vehle, and family.

Edwin Sawyer and John Hull left Saturday for College Station, where they are students in the Texas A. & M. college, after having spent their Christmas vacations here.

Miss Gertrude Babcock was accompanied by her parents, Dr. and Mrs. O. G. Babcock, and family, to San Angelo Sunday, when she returned to Denton where she attends the Texas College for Women.

Nixon to Conduct Methodist Revival Here in February

Del Rio Pastor Well Known in Sonora Because of Lions Club Activities

The Rev. Charles Nixon, pastor of the Del Rio Methodist church, will be in charge of the annual revival meeting of the Sonora church, according to announcement made to the Methodist congregation here Sunday by the Rev. E. P. Neal, pastor.

The meeting will last two weeks, beginning Feb. 19. Dr. Nixon will preach twice each day, at both morning and evening services. A special service for children will be held each afternoon.

Dr. Nixon is well known in Sonora and throughout this area because of his activities in Lions club affairs. He is now district governor of the area in which Sonora comes and has appeared here on several occasions as principal speaker.

There will be no song leaders employed, but special music will be arranged for the meeting by members of the church.

15,000 Furs Have Gone Through Here

Local Buyers Turning Loose Average of 75 Cents on Each

With 15,000 furs handled through two local houses, an average of about 75 cents on each pelt has found its way into the coffers of citizens of Sutton and adjoining West Texas counties in the five weeks since the trapping season opened.

The West Texas Fur Co. is handling now about 3,000 pelts each week, and T. L. Harrison is also buying large numbers. Harrison is local buyer for a New York firm of which Henry Decker is state representative. Mr. Decker last week bought ten thousand furs for his house from a Kerrville firm. Of the big lot 8,000 were 'pommus and 2,000 foxes.

Wednesday of this week W. S. Evans, buying for the West Texas, received from trappers 860 pelts in a single afternoon, the biggest number he has ever bought in so short a time. For the same firm Vernon Marion bought 300.

Prices have advanced about 10 per cent since the holidays, and this has worked to the advantage of buyers and trappers.

Oil Leases Made in East End County

Wilson and Murr Get 25 Cents Per Acre

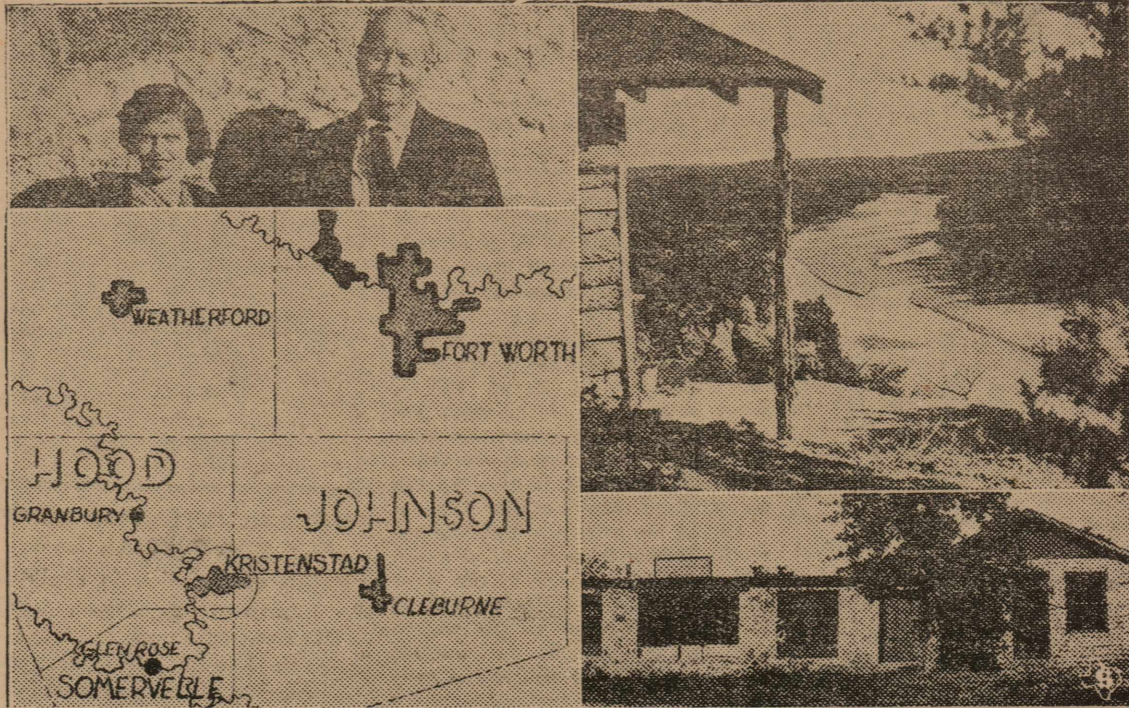
Oil leases on two tracts of land in eastern Sutton county have been filed here recently.

Tom Wilson leased 1500 acres to the Sun Oil company at an annual rental of 25 cents an acre, while R. R. Murr got the same price from that company for 561 acres.

Also on record is the transfer of a lot in the Mexican section of Sonora from Benina Pena to Pilar Garza, for \$25.

Mr. and Mrs. Cassius Taylor were in town from their ranch Wednesday.

Kristenstad, Texas' Principality Within a State



Kristenstad, the little communal community in the Cordova bend of the Brazos river, is the half-formed dream of a man who dares hope that some day his people will be fully self-sustaining and un-mindful of the outside world. The father of the colony is John B. Kristensen, Danish farmer, pictured upper left with his wife. Upper right is a scene from the little printing office down the Brazos. Lower right is the Kristenstad postoffice. Lower left shows the location of this queer little community. The settlement consists of about 300 people, and has its own monetary system, brass pieces being used. The people are all as nearly self-supporting as possible, growing their own food and meat, weaving their own cloth.

Bronchos Start Cage Work with No Games Booked

Practice Begun Tuesday; Team Entering Ozona Tournament Saturday of Next Week

No games had been scheduled as the Sonora Bronchos began their basketball practice for the season Tuesday afternoon under Coach A. L. Smith.

They will meet their first test Saturday of next week at the Ozona high school's invitational tournament, provided no practice games are booked between now and that time.

With a number of lettermen and some promising material, Coach Smith expects to develop a strong squad this year. Ikey Kring has again entered school and is available. He has been shifted from center to standing guard, however, while Wes Hill will take over pivot duties. He was a forward last season.

G. W. Archer, regarded by many as the best forward in this district last year, is being made a running guard, this position still giving him opportunity for good goal looping work. In Troy White, Fields and Ory the team has three fast forwards, all well able to hit the basket. V. J. Glascock, letterman last year also, is a guard. Only man out who has not previously lettered is Clifford Archie, who played last year with Eldorado. He is a guard.

TRUCKS WILL AGAIN BE WEIGHED BY PATROLMEN

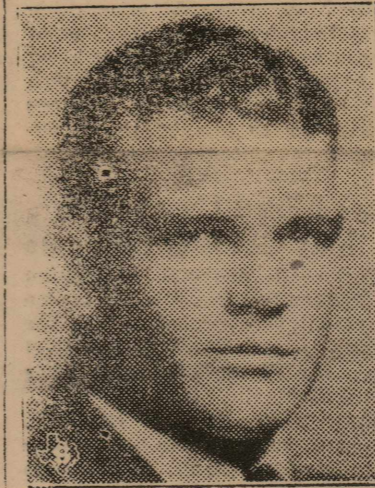
Patrolmen of the State Highway Department will bring portable scales to Sonora Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 16-17, to weigh trucks of ranchmen of the county so that they may be registered for the year.

Truck owners must present a certificate showing weight of their vehicle when they apply for the license, and it is to accommodate local owners that the highway patrolmen are coming. There is no charge for the weighing.

Mrs. Vickers Recovers from Flu
Mrs. R. C. Vickers was able to be up Wednesday after having been confined with influenza for about four days.

Career of Judge Briant One of Unusual Achievements

Rhodes Scholar



Wilson H. Elkins of San Antonio, who received the one Rhodes scholarship of come to Texas this year. Elkins is a government student at Texas university, Austin.

Thirteen Dramatic Club to Support a Guest Artist Here

Mrs. Gladys de Silva Bates Will Have Lead in Comedy, "Meet the Wife," February 20

Mrs. Gladys de Silva Bates, head of the department of dramatic art, of the San Angelo School of Fine Arts and past director of the San Angelo Little Theater, who was one of the judges at the Thirteen Dramatic Club's first annual one-act play tournament here in May last year, has volunteered her services in the leading role of Lynn Starlin's sophisticated 3-act comedy, "Meet the Wife," with members of the local club to constitute the supporting cast. She will be presented, under this arrangement, by the club on the evening of Monday, Feb. 20, as its first production for 1933, it was announced at a meeting of the organization Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Gilmore.

Mrs. Bates is familiar with her (Continued on page 4)

Was Administrator of Vast Sugg Ranch Interests

With the death of Judge E. S. Briant, an end was reached in the career of a remarkably versatile West Texan. Judge Briant, former Sonora business man, at various times held three different Sutton county offices, two elective and one appointive. For the last number of years he had been in charge of the vast affairs of the Sugg estate, including ranch interest in Irion county.

At the time of his death Judge Briant was 72. Death came at his home in San Angelo Dec. 22, two weeks after he suffered a stroke of paralysis. He is survived by his widow and a daughter, Mrs. Myrtle Briant Sturm, both of San Angelo.

Judge Briant was a native of Kentucky, born in Simpson county Sept. 9, 1860. He was educated there, and upon reaching manhood, moved to Coleman, Tex., in 1882. There he taught the first school.

Leaving Coleman two years later he joined the United States surveyors and with them surveyed the boundaries of the states of Colorado, Wyoming and Arizona. While (Continued on page 8)

\$5000 Delinquent Taxes Paid Here

Special Period Ended Dec. 31; Penalties Now Apply

Five thousand dollars in delinquent taxes was received on Sutton county property by J. E. Grimland, deputy tax collector, in the period ending Dec. 31.

Special legislation provided that back taxes could be paid during that period without taxes and without interest. Now, however, all taxes remaining delinquent, are again subject to 10 per cent penalty and six per cent interest over the entire period of delinquency.

Bonding Firm to Receive Bids on Archer Contract

Activity Shown After Long Shut-down; Vann Starts Work on Former Murdoch Job

The Public Indemnity Company of Newark has asked bids from contractors for the completion of the grading contract formerly held by the Archer construction company on Highway 27 for the first ten miles west of Sonora, and action is promised following a shut-down on the job since October.

When the Archer company failed, the bonding company started the work, but soon suspended activity in an effort to refinance the project. It is now ready to award contract for the completion of the job, and this should be underway within the next few weeks.

Work was started this week by the W. W. Vann Construction Co. on the section of the same road just west of the Archer job. This project had also been held up, when (Continued on Page 8)

Local Lions Going to Ozona Meeting

To Waive Own Luncheon and Attend Group Affair Jan. 16

The Sonora Lions club on January 16 will not eat at home, but its members plan instead to drive to Ozona for the luncheon and quarterly meeting of Group 23. A large attendance from Sonora is planned, with the local officers desiring attendance of at least 20. The entire club has been invited.

At the luncheon Monday the feature of the program was an address by the Rev. Z. E. Parker, which in keeping with the New Year season, centered about an appeal to his hearers to make full use of the days of 1933 and concentrate all efforts toward making themselves and others happier through increased friendliness and activity.

The club voted in favor of holding district convention in San Angelo (Continued on Page 8)

Miers Sells More Lambs at 3 1/2 Cents

2000 Head Go to Humphries for Shipment to Kansas City

W. A. Miers this week sold an additional 2000 head of mutton lambs at 3 1/2 cents per pound, this week's bunch going to W. A. Humphries, Kansas City. The lambs will likely be shipped to that point.

Mr. Miers had previously sold lambs from two of his ranches, about 2,600 head from his Black ranch to Roy Hildreth, and 4,000 head from his lower McMullen ranch to Utah feeders. The latest sale is from the upper ranch near Sonora. They will likely be shipped today.

Local Briefs

Mrs. Hi Eastland Improving
Mrs. Hi Eastland is improving after an illness with influenza.

Mrs. J. A. Cauthorn Better
Mrs. J. A. Cauthorn, who was up from a severe case of influenza for the first time Christmas Day, is improving steadily.

Drs. Boughton and Hardy Away
Drs. I. B. Boughton and W. T. Hardy, veterinarians of the Ranch Experiment Station, left Wednesday afternoon for San Antonio to attend a meeting of the Texas Association of Veterinarians there. They are expected to return today.

Johnsons Lose Baby Daughter
The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alvis Johnson, who died about two hours after her birth at 3:00 o'clock Friday morning at the home, was laid to rest in the Sonora cemetery Friday, with the Rev. E. P. Neal officiating at a brief service at the grave. The mother is doing as well as could be expected, it was said.

County's Official Family Returned in Full; Lowrey Begins 14th Term as County Clerk

The official family of Sutton county for the coming two years was sworn in Monday, and not a single new face appeared in the group. Sutton county will be headed by a group of veteran officials, of whom J. D. Lowrey is dean, with his thirteen terms of experience as district and county clerk. He enters

a fourteenth term.

George J. Trainer and E. C. Saunders are other courthouse veterans. Mr. Trainer begins his 10th term as county tax assessor, while Mr. Saunders becomes surveyor for the 11th time. B. W. Hutcherson, tax collector and sheriff, starts his 8th period, while Mrs. A. J. Smith

became county treasurer for the 7th time.

Alvis Johnson county judge, has served 5 terms, and now starts his 6th. The other members of the commissioners' court are relative newcomers, with Joe Logan heading the list, from point of time, this being his 5th time to take the oath. It is C. W. Adams third time, and

second time for Ben Cusenbary and Lee R. Morris. Tom Thorp is also a second-term constable.

Mr. Lowrey administered the oath of office to the candidates. His own oath was administered by county Judge Alvis Johnson.

So it all works out that Sutton county has a new governing body, —but it's just like the old one.

With the Churches

Church of Christ Bible Study, Sunday 10 a. m. Worship, 10:45 a. m. Ladies' Bible meet class, Wednesday, 3:30 p. m. Everyone cordially invited.

Methodist Church Sunday school 9:45. Morning worship 11:00. Young People's meeting 6:45. Woman's Missionary Society, 3 p. m. Wednesday. Stewards meet every first Sunday. Workers' Council each first Sunday at 2 p. m. E. P. NEAL, Pastor.

Baptist Church Sunday school, 10 a. m. Preaching, 11 and 7:45 each Lord's day. B. T. S. Sunday, 6:30 p. m. Prayermeeting and choir practice Wednesday, 7:45 p. m. Z. E. PARKER, Pastor.

Wool-Mohair Blend Wanted by Goat Man

Believes Surplus Adult Hair Could Be Absorbed by Mixture

To the editor—I am still in the goat business, and though I have operated at a loss for some time, I have not lost hope, believing that the cheapness of mohair will stimulate its use to such an extent that the producer of mohair will soon find himself in a position to realize a reasonable profit on his investment. Am wondering if the present surplus of adult mohair could not quickly be absorbed by a wool-mohair mixture.

We are told that if the consumption of wool continues at the present rate, it will be necessary to import wool before the spring 1933 clip is available.

If these two materials can be combined into an article of real merit for which there is a demand, manufacturers should be, and I suppose are, alive to the opportunity presented by mohair selling at 1/2 the price of wool.

Frank Montague has sold his accumulation of kid mohair for 35c

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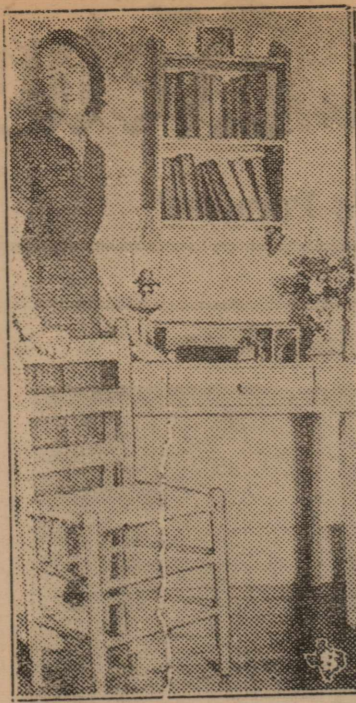
What Is

ATHLETE'S FOOT

Over 30 Million Americans Now Have It—Is This Dreaded Disease Becoming a Plague?

Athlete's Foot is a fungus germ (Tinea) which appears on the feet in the form of a little yellow blister, causing severe irritation and itching—especially between the toes. This disease is very contagious and is spreading with alarming rapidity among all classes of people. The failure to successfully treat Athlete's Foot in the past has been due largely to the fact that these germs hibernate in the pores of the shoes. Salves and liquids applied only to the feet DO NOT PENETRATE THE PORES OF THE SHOES. Medical Science has recently de-

Keeps Neat House



Alice Hunter of Margaret, Texas (Board county) is shown here by her writing table and chair, which she made with the help of her mother out of discarded furniture. As a result, Alice was one of the winners in the Bed Room contest for Texas 4-H club girls.

for fall kid and 33c for spring kid. That is encouraging. Summer rains were very spotted in southwestern Mexico this year, and we have had no fall rains. I think, though, that goats will winter fairly well.—P. M. Ewing, New Mexico.

Editor's note—Those who have not lost confidence are sure to be the saviours of the industry. It is hard to say why blending wool and mohair is not more practiced. It works out marvelously, and if the wool men were less intolerant of mohair, both branches would thrive better.—Angora Goat Journal.

NOTICE TO TRUCK OWNERS

Those wishing to have trucks weighed for registering should have them in Sonora Monday or Tuesday, January 16 and 17, to be weighed by a representative of the State Highway Department. There is no charge for this service, but your truck must be weighed before it can be registered. Remember the dates and save a weighing fee.

B. W. HUTCHERSON, Tax Collector, Sutton County.

Mrs. Taylor Returns Home

Mrs. P. J. Taylor, with her small daughter, Jobeth, accompanied by the former's brothers, Leo and Fred Hubbert of Los Angeles, Calif., returned Friday from a Christmas visit with their parents in San Saba. The Messrs. Hubbert went on Saturday to a ranch near Dryden, where they expect to spend about a month before leaving Texas.

Rent it with a classified.

NILE WILL ENGULF EGYPTIAN TEMPLE

Was Erected to Isis, Goddess of Fertility.

Cairo, Egypt.—Again one of those extraordinary coincidences between the supernatural mythology of ancient Egypt and happenings in the land of Pharaohs in the present day has come to startle believers in the occult. When the late Lorn Carnarvon, who, with Howard Carter, brought the relics of Tut-Ankh-Aman's tomb to light, died as the result of the bite of an insect, mystics pointed to the fate of the great archeologist as the fulfillment of a dire prophecy. The modern world considered the death of Lord Carnarvon as merely a strange coincidence.

And now those conversant with Egyptian mythology point to the forthcoming submergence of the temple of Isis, ancient Egyptian goddess of fertility, which is so oddly linked with the mythology of the goddess.

For the mysterious temple of Isis, which is located on the most beautiful island of all Egypt, Philae, seven miles south of the great Assuan dam, will be completely submerged when the Assuan reservoir, now being enlarged, is filled by the annual flood waters of the Nile.

And as the waters of the Nile annually recede from the flood stage, this great temple, one of the most beautiful ruins of antiquity, will, as if having imparted to the waters the fertility which the ancient Egyptians believed was in the power of the goddess to bestow, again for a season, appears in its former glory.

Isis, the patron goddess of the Pharaohs, was the goddess of nature and fertility, and the greatest goddess of Egypt, who, with her husband Osiris, legend relates, dwelt when on earth on the fruitful island of Philae. Osiris was a kind and beneficent god. He was the first to teach his children, the Egyptians, how to grow barley and wheat and how to make wine. He also built banks along the Nile to prevent it from destroying life and property at flood times and constructed irrigation canals to make richly productive the barren lands near the Nile valley.

In addition to being worshiped as the god of agriculture, Osiris was looked upon as having the same powers as Hep, the divine keeper of the Nile. When the mineral impregnated waters of the great stream made fertile the lands along its banks so that the crops grown thereon were bounteous offerings were made to him by the priesthood in the temple of Isis.

Boys Mixed Up at Birth May Get Right Parents

Berlin.—A mother's recognition of familiar features of a son twelve years old may restore to her her rightful boy in place of the child given her by mistake at the time of his birth.

Frau Marie Donk of Gladbach, Germany, has a suit on file to force Frau Mathilda Beuth to exchange sons born 12 years ago in a maternity clinic. The prospects for the exchange are favorable, but the happiness of the boys, in finding natural parents whom they do not know, is being considered.

Though Frau Donk declares she protested to nurses in 1920 that they had given her the wrong baby, it was not until a few months ago when she chanced to meet Heinrich, son of Frau Beuth, on the streets, and found his resemblance to her eldest son so striking that she became convinced she had been given the wrong baby at the hospital.

Blood tests, fingerprints, and facial features seem to prove Frau Donk's judgment. If the court confirms the scientists' judgment, the Beuth family has agreed not to challenge the decision.

Aged Man Trades House for Perpetual Income

Newark, N. J.—When George von Eff was seventy he had a three-family house but no income. So he traded his home for a life income of \$1 a day, a meal a day, the privilege of living in a small building in the rear, and the promise of a decent burial.

His \$1 a day went for magazines and knick-knacks. Now the Bridgln family, who got the house, has kept the final clause of the contract—they have given the old man a decent burial.

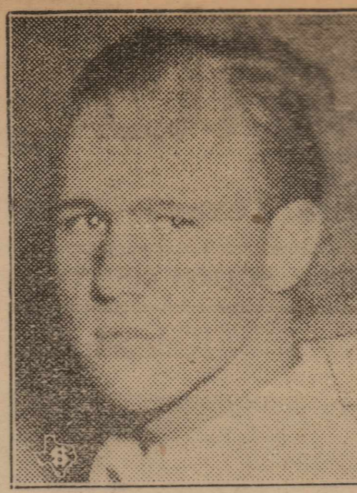
Von Eff upset a kerosene lamp and burned to death.

Perfect No Trump Hand Dealt Player

Buffalo, N. Y.—Mrs. George C. Lehmann was dealt a perfect bridge hand in a recent game with her husband and two other players. Mrs. Lehmann kept a straight face when picking up her cards and with no trace of emotion bid a grand slam at no trump to the astonishment of the other players.

The unusual hand contained every ace, king and queen in the deck, together with one jack.

"Much in Demand"



Wanted in Wharton, Texas, on charges of assault to murder. Wanted in Lufkin, Texas, for robbing filling stations. Wanted in Hillsboro, Texas, for murder. Wanted in Carmine, Texas, for bank robbery. Caught in Dallas where he was wanted for robbery of Cedar Hill bank, Grand Prairie, interurban station, and a packing plant in Dallas. That is the record of young Raymond Hamilton (above) hardly out of his teens. He is also wanted in Oklahoma and New Mexico, and perhaps elsewhere—quien sabe?

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR SPECIAL LAW

Notice of intention to apply to the Legislature of Texas, which will convene in January, 1933, for the passage of an Act or Acts authorizing Panhandle and Santa Fe Railway Company to purchase or lease the properties now owned, or hereafter acquired by Clinton-Oklahoma-Western Railroad Company of Texas, Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railway Company of Texas and North Plains and Santa Fe Railway Company.

The undersigned will apply to the Legislature of Texas, which will convene in January, 1933, for the passage of an Act or Acts, authorizing the Panhandle and Santa Fe Railway Company to purchase or lease the railroads or other property now owned, or hereafter acquired by Clinton-Oklahoma-Western Railroad Company of Texas, and to purchase or lease the railroads and other property now owned or hereafter acquired by Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railway Company of Texas, and to purchase or lease the railroads and other property now owned or hereafter acquired by North Plains and Santa Fe Railway Company, such lease or leases, if executed, to include the branches and extensions of such railroads, and each of them, that may be hereafter constructed.

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NORTH PLAINS AND SANTA FE RAILWAY COMPANY, By (Signed) W. B. Storey, President.

Ten-mile portion of new paving on state Highway No. 33 and U. S. Highway No. 60 between Miami and Pampa, officially opened.

Ozona Lions Would Mark O. S. T. Points

Club Discusses Plans to Place Legends at Historic Spots

A committee from the Ozona Lions Club, headed by Rev. J. H. Meredith, which has been at work for the last several months seeking erection of suitable markers at places of historic interest along the Old Spanish Trail through this county, received considerable encouragement recently in a letter from Gibb Gilchrist, state highway engineer, who proffered the service of the department in bringing about a realization of the project.

Mr. Gilchrist wrote the committee to offer his co-operation in erecting the markers and asked that legends which the club wished to appear on the markers be submitted to him, promising to investigate the possibilities of having the state highway department erect the markers.

A marker to be placed at the crossing of the highway over the Pecos river, one at old Fort Lancaster, one nearest Howard Wells and one on the north road at the site of an historic Indian fight, one of the last in this section, were designated by the committee. The marker at the Pecos river will re-site that Cabeza de Vaca crossed the Pecos near that spot in the sixteenth century. At Howard Wells, the legend will recite some of the massacres and other events of historic interest connected with this locality, and some of the history of Old Fort Lancaster will be included in the marker at that spot.—Ozona Stockman.

Missions: Texas Citrus Fiesta held recently.

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Defendants in Wierd Etx Murder



Coy Oakley Paul Oakley Sherman Clayton

These three men have been accused of murdering a little three-year-old girl at Linden, Texas. The little girl, Bernice Clayton, crippled with infantile paralysis, was strangled to death, allegedly by Paul Oakley, who claims he is a divine healer and immortal. His brother, Coy Oakley, watched the door while the little girl's father, Sherman Clayton, aided Paul Oakley. Paul stated that he was driving the devils from her, and that he thought her unconsciousness was a "religious coma."

Visit Vander Stuckens Here

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Spiller, and their daughters, the Misses Rilla and Nancy, of Menard, spent last week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Vander Stucken at their ranch. Mrs. Spiller is Mrs. Vander Stucken's sister.

Bank Stockholders to Meet

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Sonora will be held Tuesday of next week in the directors room of the bank. Officers and directors for the coming year will be chosen at that time.

DISAPPEARANCE OF JUDGE IS MYSTERY

Two-Year Search for New York Jurist Unavailing.

New York.—Two years ago Supreme Court Justice Joseph Force Crater sauntered casually out of Haas' restaurant, 332 West Forty-fifth street, Manhattan, stepped into a taxicab, waved a jovial farewell to the friends with whom he had been dining, and drove off into oblivion.

Not only have the police been unable to find any trace of him, dead or alive, but they have been unable to locate the taxi driver or cab in which many of his friends believe he took his last ride.

But whatever his fate, he left behind him a baffling mystery that already has taken its place beside the mysterious disappearance of Dorothy Arnold and Charlie Ross.

Intensive Search Futile.
Never in recent years has there been so intensive or so futile a search for a missing person. Coming in the midst of the investigation of charges that District Leader Martin J. Healy had accepted a \$10,000 bribe for obtaining George W. Ewald an appointment as city magistrate, it created a political sensation.

The attorney general's investigation into the Healy-Ewald charges was extended to cover other charges which were sent from various sources to the attorney general affecting higher and lower courts. The attorney general dug deep into the Crater disappearance in an effort to learn whether his mysterious absence had any connection with the judicial probe. He could find none.

The police, personal friends and members of the family of the jurist were equally unable to find any reason why he should vanish. The board of aldermen offered a reward of \$25,000 for information as to his whereabouts. Mayor Walker offered \$5,000 reward. Other rewards were offered by the newspapers.

It was estimated that in all some \$250,000 was spent in running down will-o-the-wisp clues in various parts of the United States, Canada, Mexico and Cuba. The search is still on.

Legally Justice Crater is still alive. His wife, Mrs. Stella Crater, still clings to a tenuous hope that he may actually be so.

If he is alive, a secondary mystery is how a man with such unusual characteristics can remain undiscovered after his photograph and description have been spread so widely throughout virtually the entire civilized world.

For Crater's appearance was such as would attract attention anywhere. Although he was six feet tall and weighed 185 pounds, his head was so small that he wore a 6 1/4 hat. With all his bulk, he had a long, thin neck, and wore a size 14 collar.

Crater was appointed to the Supreme court bench on April 8, 1930, by Governor Roosevelt to succeed Joseph F. Proskauer.

Spending the summer of 1930 with his wife at Belgrade Lake, Maine, where they had been going for 15 years, Crater received a telephone call on August 2 and told his wife he was going to Manhattan on important political business.

Never Saw Him Again.

On August 4, 5 and 6 he was in his chambers in the New York county courthouse, according to his personal attendant, Joseph Mara, son of John Mara, Tammany leader. On August 6, Mara said, Justice Crater spent most of the morning tearing up papers and putting others in a brief case and in four cardboard boxes.

Then he sent Mara out to cash two checks totaling \$5,100. Mara returned with the money and helped the jurist to carry the boxes of papers and the brief case to his apartment at 40 Fifth avenue, Manhattan. He told Mara he was "going up in Westchester for a swim" and would be back the next day. That was the last Mara ever saw of him.

But he did not go to Westchester that afternoon and his movements have been traced that night up to the time he entered the mystery cab. At 6:30 he purchased a theater ticket at the theatrical ticket office of Joseph Grainsky in Times Square. Then he went to the Forty-fifth street restaurant.

In the restaurant he dined with William Klein, attorney for Shubert brothers; a show girl named Sally Lou Ritz, and her parents. They left the restaurant with him and it was to them he waved farewell after he stepped into the taxicab.

Giant Drills Seek Gold Under California City

Oroville, Calif.—Belief since the boom-time mining days that beneath this prosperous agricultural and mining city exist rich gold veins had led many to suggest moving the city to find out.

Now the curiosity horn of three-quarters of a century ago will be satisfied.

But Oroville's streets and buildings will stay where they are. Two giant drills are operating in back lots and alleys to test whether the long-ruined gold veins exist.

Boonville, Mo. News Worried Over Goat

Editor Wonders What to Do with Animal Paid for Subscription

Boonville, Mo., Dec. 31.—The Boonville Daily News has a goat.

Here's what the Daily News says:

"He is a nice old gentleman with a long silky goatee, a pair of dark-brown, somewhat cracked horns, a docile disposition, a sympathetic pair of brown eyes, and as goats go, not an altogether bad atmosphere, although he could never pass for a bouquet of lilies of the valley.

"The goat was traded to the Daily News for a subscription—we stuck to our word that we would trade for any kind of farm produce—and a goat can classify as a farm product.

"While he would be a n excellent creature to have around the office to eat the exchanges, verses by would-be poets, letters from hundreds seeking publicity for nothing, and other purposes it is hardly likely that we can support him in the style to which he has been accustomed.

"At present he is tethered in the back yard of the publisher, waiting for a new home. Any suggestions as to what to do with a goat of this description will be more than welcome."

CATTLE TICK BAN UPON TEXAS AREAS IS RAISED

The 20,290 square miles of territory from which the federal cattle tick quarantine was removed on December 5 includes Anderson, Austin, Brazos, Burleson, Cherokee, Milam, Panola, Robertson, Rusk, Washington and the remainder of Fort Bend county, all in Texas, and portions of Arkansas and Florida, the United States Department of Agriculture reports. This order leaves only portions of Florida, Texas and Louisiana under quarantine, 12 states having been released entirely.—Kerrville Mountain Sun.

NOTICE TO TRUCK OWNERS

Those wishing to have trucks weighed for registering should have them in Sonora Monday or Tuesday, January 16 and 17, to be weighed by a representative of the State Highway Department. There is no charge for this service, but your truck must be weighed before it can be registered. Remember the dates and save a weighing fee.

B. W. HUTCHERSON,
Tax Collector, Sutton County.

Harlingen: At cost of about \$75,000 a company will in the near future, construct fruit wrapper printing plant here.

CROCKETT COUNTY SUES FOR PRAIRIE DOG FUNDS

The county attorney of Crockett county was ordered by the Commissioners Court in session this week to file suits for collection of sums due the county expended in extermination of prairie dogs.

Approximately \$3,500 is still due the county for advances made in this work, and suits will be filed against six or seven property own-

ers who have failed to repay the county.—Ozona Stockman.

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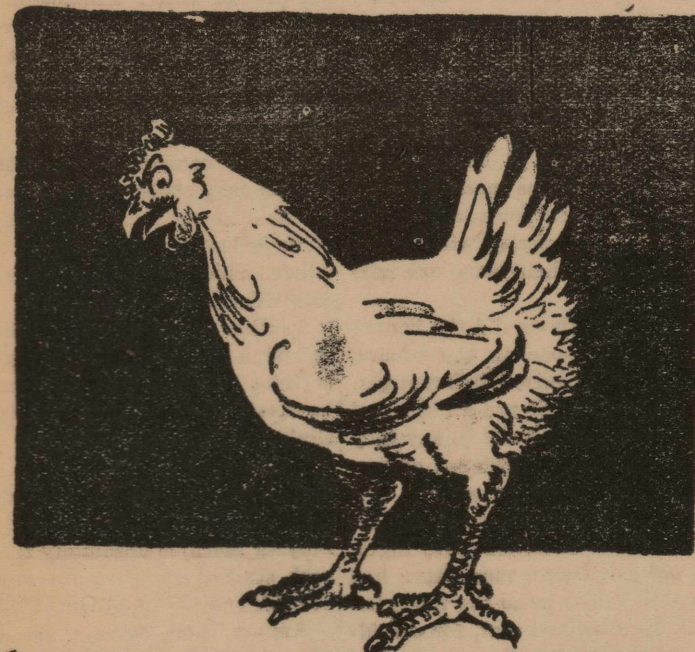
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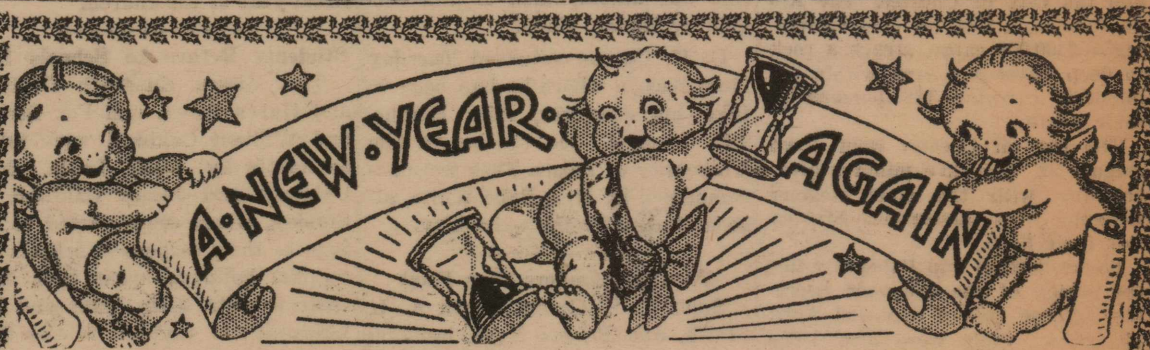
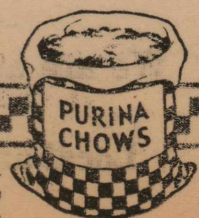
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FIRE STRIKES BACK

Fire, perhaps man's greatest friend, resents familiarity, and when the red demon retaliates it is usually in manner long to be remembered. Man often becomes careless—knowing the dangers of fire and knowing what not to do he at times does things bound to cause trouble, and woe be unto everyone within reach.

Another horrible tragedy occurred at Barstow this week which impresses us again with the danger of fire, particularly of inflammable and explosive liquids. Carelessness cost the lives of five people, with two more thought to be fatally burned and two others injured in less degree.

Thinking he was pouring kerosene, a tenant farmer attempted to throw a can of gasoline in a smoldering fire. The result was astounding, and fatal. Carelessness was to blame, that and utter disregard of the laws of safety.

One worthy resolve for the New Year might be to use greater care in dealing with fire and inflammable materials.

35 YEARS AGO

January, 1899, came in on a wave of festivity, accompanied by the celebration of numerous nuptials, as witness the following story run in the issue of The Devil's River News for Dec. 31, 1898: 2 98

"Cupid, the festive little god who is usually depicted as being comfortably clothed in a warm smile and an inch or two of ribbon, has evidently been over-busy hereabouts of late. As a very natural result we are having an epidemic of weddings and the worst of it is the trouble seems to be contagious, and it isn't leap year either. We advise such of the boys as have escaped so far to wear a liver pad with a burglar proof combination directly over the heart as a precautionary measure. This may prevent its felonious abstraction, while to the poor unfortunates who have already fallen victims we extend our sincere and heartfelt sympathy."

Backing up this effusion of warning and sympathy, the weddings of Miss Myrtle Friday and Will M. Samford, Miss Genie Connor Saunders and James Taylor, and Miss Annie Caruthers and Mode P. Glascock—all run in the preceding issue of the paper—were reproduced in addition to the following stories:

"There will be a church wedding in Sonora at an early date. The contracting parties are well-known and popular with a large circle of friends."

"Miss Annie Sharp and Claude Birtrong were married at the residence of the bride's parents in West Sonora, on Dec. 24th, 1898, Judge J. O. Rountree officiating. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Sharp and is very popular with a large number of friends in Sonora and at Sherwood, her old home. Claude Birtrong is the son of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Birtrong and energetic and successful young stockman. The News extends congratulations and best wishes."

"Sunday morning, Dec. 25th, A. R. Watson, pastor of the Baptist church, pronounced the impressive words that made J. Lewis Mayfield and Miss Mattie Palmer man and wife. The wedding was a quiet one and occurred at the residence of the pastor in West Sonora. After the ceremony the happy couple left for the home of the groom's parents at Lost Lake till Monday evening. At the dance Monday night they received congratulations and best wishes from their many friends. The bride is the eldest daughter of S. J. Palmer, a prosperous stockman, and the groom—well everybody knows Lewis—he is young, able, and successful. He is the son of J. W. Mayfield, the Lost Lake cattleman; has been with Hagerlund Bros. and Co. for several years and is at present in the employ of Mayer Bros. & Co. The News hopes their life will be a long and happy one."

"County Judge J. O. Rountree performed the ceremony Sunday morning, Dec. 25th, 1898, that made W. A. Shamberger and Mrs. Maggie Moore, husband and wife. The wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Heflin, parents of the bride. The News extends best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Shamberger."

Concerning holiday festivities, the following stories give a colorful picture of customs in Sonora 35 years ago:

The Christmas tree at the courthouse Christmas even was a thorough success. The tree was large and handsomely decorated. The legend "Joy to the World, a child is born" in large silver letters on a red ground was strung across the hall bringing to mind the reason why Christmas is such a great feast day through the Christian world. At an early hour there was standing room only and ladies and children occupied all the available seats. Rev. A. R. Watson of the Baptist church opened the services in an appropriate manner and the choir rendered two Christmas hymns. Bert Bellows and Henry Taylor interpreted Santa Claus to their own satisfaction and the mystification of the entire audience. A committee of ladies had secured the names of three hundred children from one to ten years old, and the gifts were distributed as quickly as possible and the little ones made happy as their names were called by Santa Claus. The boys and girls, friends and sweethearts, and in many instances the father and mother were remembered, and it is safe to say that the Christmas tree was what it was intended to be, the best ever had in Sonora.

The small boy with his tin horn

Old Texas
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THE DEFENDERS OF THE ALAMO
FOUGHT UNDER A MEXICAN FLAG!

TEXAS HAD NOT YET DECLARED HERSELF INDEPENDENT OF MEXICO. THE TEXANS DEFENDING THE ALAMO AGAINST THE MEXICANS STILL FOUGHT UNDER THE MEXICAN FLAG!

CACTUS IN A TREE TOP!
NEAR BURNETT, TEXAS, A PRICKLY PEAR CACTUS GROWS FROM THE CROTCH OF A TREE 30 FEET ABOVE THE GROUND!

EVERY BUILDING IN NEW BRAUNFELS, TEX. HAS A TIN ROOF! GERMAN SETTLERS THERE PUT ON TIN ROOFS TO GET LOWER INSURANCE RATES.

Dramatic Club—

(Continued from page 1)

role of Gertrude Lennox, the wife in the case, both through directing and acting the play in San Angelo. The remaining members of the cast have been announced as follows:

Understudy for Mrs. Bates, Mrs. Gladys Kothmann; Harvey Lennox, husband of Gertrude, W. C. Gilmore; Doris Bellamy, her daughter, Mrs. Marshall Huling; Victor Staunton, Cecil Allen; Gregory Brown, the juvenile lead, A. P. Prater; Phillip Lord, Joseph Trainer; butler, Marshall Huling; maid Miss Margaret Hull. Characters were chosen by popular vote of club members.

Mrs. W. C. Gilmore will be general director of the play, assisted by Mrs. J. R. Kilman. J. D. Eaton, jr., will act in the capacity of stage director. Mrs. A. P. Prater will direct make-up and Mrs. Earl B. Lomax is in charge of costuming the piece.

SAN FRANCISCO BAY BURIES MANY SHIPS

Busy Commerce Plies Over Numerous Wrecks.

San Francisco.—Some with their masts awry, some with their scuppers eternally brimming, and some with their bows stove in, but all with green seas in their holds, a motley company of wrecked vessels sway in the tides of the bay here, fathoms under the busy commerce.

Between 90,00 and 70,000 persons cross the bay daily, but few know of the ghostly wrecks beneath them.

Somewhere in the vicinity of the Vallejo piers is the hulk of the ferry Julia, which exploded February 27, 1888, and sank with a loss of 30 lives.

Two Famous Wrecks.

Somewhere off Fort Point at the bay's entrance lie two famous wrecks, the city of Rio de Janeiro and the City of Chester. The Rio de Janeiro, a \$500,000 vessel carrying a \$400,000 cargo, struck a rock in deep water and sank within ten minutes, carrying 128 persons to their death.

The City of Chester went down August 22, 1888, five minutes after colliding with the steel steamer Oceanic from Liverpool. Sixteen lost their lives.

Somewhere in San Pablo bay lies the wreck of the schooner Secretary, whose boilers exploded April 15, 1854. Fifty were lost. The bark Atlantic lies somewhere along the edge of the Golden Gate, where she sank in 1886 carrying down 27. In the bay off Alcatraz island is the Aberdeen, which went down in 1916, drowning eight.

Stranded on Rocks.

Stranded on the rocks off Land's End is a portion of the freighter Lyman Stewart, wrecked when it collided with the Walter A. Luckenbach, October 7, 1922. Water shoots through the rusty plates and up the pipes of the vessel as its bulk rolls in the pounding surf. Less than a mile away lies the steamer Coo's Bays, which drove far up on the beach at Land's End in a heavy fog five years later.

There are many others resting about the fringes of the bay. The Fort Sanders, the Golden City, the Trifolium, the Red Wing, the Aberdeen—barges, schooners, fishing boats, trim motorboats, sailboats—all are there, mute objects in a kind of marine museum.

Greater London Shows Big Gain in Population

London.—The population of Greater London now totals 8,203,342, as revealed by the first official report compiled from the census reports of last year.

The increase in population, as compared with 1921, has been 9.7 per cent or nearly three times as great as in the preceding decade, and nearly twice as great as the current increase for the nation at large.

Greater London's inhabitants are divided into 4,371,026 females and only 3,832,316 males. How that happened, the report doesn't deign to disclose.

QUAKER AND NEAR CENTENARIAN IN SEARCH OF A MODEST WOMAN

From the latest issue of the Newberg Scribe we reprint the following advertisement:

"WANTED—A stout, Christian, young woman to live in my house as housekeeper, in 3 or 4 furnished rooms, to keep it pleasantly for only her own living, I furnish city water, lights, wood, she doing all the preparing food, cooking and baking, abundantly for herself and to spare, I to pay for all the above and her boarding, and if she will allow me to occupy one corner room and heat and comforts from the stove, and to eat some of the surplus food she has prepared, and if she gives full satisfaction in so doing I will pay her \$1.25 per day for 6 days in week at first; if she continues to satisfy me hereafter, I may give her privilege to inherit 1 or 2 thousand dollars property. No bobbed hair, no high heeled shoes. No kalsomined faces, no naked arms or shoulders. Reasonably and seasonably clothed. See J. Lewelling, 207 South Meridian st., Newberg, Ore."

Mr. Lewelling, who thus starts out, with a want ad for a lantern, searching for a modest woman in the modern world, as Diogenes went

out searching for an honest man in the ancient world, is a very old man. His neighbors say he is between ninety and a hundred. He has been a resident of the Newberg vicinity for a long time, and because of the work he has followed during many of these years he has become known as "the goat man."

He is a member of the Quaker church at Newberg—a member of that same Quaker group which gave Herbert Hoover to the country. But even within the church itself Mr. Lewelling sees too much immodesty and levity. It is said that during the services, when there is music, he puts his fingers into his ears so that he will not hear it, and only removes them when he sees that proper quiet has been restored.

In the years when Mr. Lewelling was young and when he formed his ideals, there were many women in nearly every community who would meet his description—who would not wear high heels and would not kalsomine their faces or show naked arms. But it is a difficult search now. These things do not seem so sinful any more—merely pardonable and pretty vanities.—Editorial in Morning Oregonian.

PERSONALS

Sam Logan returned Sunday of last week to College Station, where he is a student at A. & M. college, after Christmas here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Logan. He returned early to do special work in stock judging.

Miss Mae Cauthorn left Monday to return to Baylor University, Waco, where she is a student, after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Cauthorn. She was accompanied to San Angelo by Ripley Ward.

C. H. Carson returned Tuesday from Austin where he had been to take his daughter, Miss Edythe, who resumed her studies in the University of Texas. They were accompanied by Miss Babe White, also a student in the university.

Faculty Members Plan Hunt Supt. R. S. Covey, Coach A. L. Smith, and Robert Rees, building superintendent, plan a quail hunt near Big Lake this week-end. They will visit in Big Lake with Mr. Rees' son, Horace.

Hamiltons Have Influenza Mrs. George B. Hamilton and Mrs. V. F. Hamilton are ill with influenza this week, it was reported. V. F. Hamilton, who was ill last week, is up again.

Mrs. Landrum Back from Santone Mrs. Z. C. Landrum and her little daughter, Alyne, returned Tuesday from San Antonio where they met Mr. Landrum, for a week-end visit.

Davies to Junction New Year's Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Davies and their son, Lewis, spent New Year's Day in Junction with Mrs. Davis' sister, Mrs. Jack Turner, and Mr. Turner.

Rio Grande City: Plans considered for remodeling Starr county courthouse to cost between \$50,000 and \$60,000.

Athens: Paving work on Highway No. 40 leading to Jacksonville, started recently.

San Saba: R. N. Manley purchased L. W. Barker's 6000-acre ranch.

Johnson City: Gold strike reported on Tate ranch, 20 miles north of here.

Presiding Elder to Preach Sunday

Batchelor Will Hold Conference in Afternoon

The Rev. S. L. Batchelor, presiding elder of the San Angelo district of the Methodist Episcopal church, will be in Sonora Sunday to hold the quarterly business conference of the local church, and to preach at the evening service. He will preach in Ozona at the morning hour.

The meeting Sunday comes at the end of the first quarter of the new fiscal year of the church.

Students Return to Schools Sun.

The Misses Elizabeth Caldwell and Harva Jones, and Pat Cooper and William Caldwell were taken to Austin by Miss Loula Belle Caldwell and James Caldwell on Sunday, where they parted to return to their respective schools after the holidays spent here with their parents. Miss Jones and Mr. Caldwell are students in the University of Texas, Pat Cooper returned to A. & M. college, College Station; and Miss Caldwell was accompanied by her sister and brother to Georgetown, where she attends Southwestern university.

Miss Halbert Back to College

Miss Allie Halbert was accompanied by her mother, Mrs. R. A. Halbert, and George B. Hamilton as far as Ballinger Monday, meeting friends from Menard there who accompanied her to Dallas where she attends Southern Methodist University. She had been spending the Christmas holidays here with her family.

Here for New Year's Dinner

Dr. and Mrs. J. A. McDonald, and their daughters, Jo-Alice, Jerry, and Norma Mae, of Del Rio; and Mr. and Mrs. W. P. McConnell, jr., of Humble Station B., were New Year's Day dinner guests of Mrs. Josie McDonald, mother of Mrs. McConnell and Dr. McDonald.

Mrs. Jack McDermott Expected

Mrs. Jack McDermott and her little son, Jackie, of St. Louis, Mo., were expected to arrive here from San Anotnio Thursday for visit of about two weeks with her father, Geo. S. Allison, and family.

J. Floyd Malcom Here This Week

J. Floyd Malcom, contractor of Abilene, was in Sonora three days the first of the week on business.

and festive fire cracker has been very much in evidence the past week.

T. L. Benson, not realizing the danger to a town like Sonora from fireworks, and supposing that other stores would sell the small boy's delight, bought a stock of firecrackers, skyrockets, roman candles, etc., but on being told of the danger very wisely refused to sell them at retail so the boys clubbed together and bought the stock. Mike Shary, Jr. was captain and after the Christmas tree they congregated on the point of the hill overlooking the San Angelo road and had a beautiful and royal battle. Some of the thoughtless children, however, reserved some of the fire crackers till they got back to town and then shot them off where they were liable to do the most damage.

There was a grand Christmas tree and dance at the precinct No. 2 school house Friday, Dec. 23rd. The entire neighborhood and many from Sonora attended. The attendant multitude danced, ate, and made merry till sunup Saturday morning.

Dr. and Mrs. A. L. Taylor made a number of their little friends have an enjoyable time at their residence Monday afternoon.

There was a fine time at the Tackey party at Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Alexander's in West Sonora Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Lovelace and the Misses Lovelace made Tuesday evening delightful for a large number of young people, with social games, etc., at their home one mile south of town.

Miss Hollie Davis did the honors at the rock house on the square, near the courthouse, Monday night. The house was full and all kinds of games were played and to say they had a fine time would not convey an idea for the enjoyment.

Santa Claus had a real gay old time in town Christmas Eve night. The old gentleman must have had just a wee drop or so too much beneath his fur-lined coat, for considering his age and the usual staid respectability of his department he got quite festive, and for tricks that are vain, and pranks that are devilish old man Santa won himself a place at the head of the class.

Sober-minded folks who were out for an early nip (of frosty air) Christmas morning were a bit surprised to find the streets blocked with all manner of vehicles from a freight wagon to a two-wheeled gully jumper, while the sidewalks and galleries were literally strewn with wheels, tongues, axels, goods boxes, general furniture and all

manner of movable or detachable property. On the up-stairs gallery over Henry Cusenbary's drug store stood S. C. Pandolpho's delivery wagon and harnessed between the shafts a diminutive, woebegone and lonesome-looking jackass. The little fellow had been well supplied with corn and hay but he was getting mighty tired of the fun and prayed for delivery in a voice of stentorian might and doleful accent. He was soon set at liberty but all day long Mr. Kessler's sign, a large wooden boot, flapped in the gentle breezes at the head of Hagerlund Bros. & Co.'s flagstaff, waving a mild welcome to all comers. Old Santa don't get out very often but when he does he is a warm number, sure.

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Which is better for a young man or woman who desires to enter business—to go to a small business college or to the South's leading business training institution, Tyler Commercial College and School of Business Administration, at Tyler, Texas?

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As a special inducement, they are offering a one hundred dollar course in Special Penmanship or Posting Machine absolutely free for each student enrolling for any one of their courses in January, 1933.

Among their courses are Business Administration, Banking, Bookkeeping, Shorthand and Typewriting, Penmanship, Secretarial, Complete General Business, Junior and Senior Accounting.

Their work is fully described in their general catalog. This catalog is free and they will gladly send it to you if you write them at Tyler, Texas.—Advertisement.

D. D. Green spent the Christmas holidays in Texon on business, and was a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack McClary, former Sonora residents.

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WOMAN'S PAGE



SOCIETY

Mrs. George Baker, Editor

Trainers Entertain Two Tables of "42" On "Watch Night"

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Trainer entertained at their home Saturday night with two tables of "42" as an informal watch night party. Following the games old-fashioned music was greatly enjoyed, and the party watched the New Year in. Refreshments of cake and hot chocolate were served.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Stites, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. James, Dr. and Mrs. O. G. Babcock, and the hosts.

Brother Visits Miss Thomas

S. P. Thomas of Miles arrived Wednesday for a short visit with his sister, Miss Lois Thomas.



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Electrocuted



This is Johnye Hendricks, 14 year-old Fabens, (Texas) girl, who was electrocuted while taking a bath. A floor lamp fell toward her while she was standing in the water. She caught it. An hour and a half later she was found still standing, the electricity still coursing through her body.

CHILD WELFARE STUDY CLASS IS ORGANIZED

A child welfare study class, organized according to outlines of the standard of excellence of the National Congress of Parents and Teachers, has opened its work for the year, according to Mrs. J. M. Puckett, chairman, who reports a meeting of the new group, with 12 present, at 2:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, preceding the regular P-T. A. meeting at the grammar school.

It is the plan of the class to meet on each regular P-T. A. day, namely the first Tuesday each month, until the course is completed. Meetings will be at 2:30 at the grammar school each month. The next topic for consideration will be "Essentials of School Health" and parents or other interested persons are cordially invited to attend.

Mrs. C. D. Wyatt Recuperating
Mrs. C. D. Wyatt is improving in a Christoval sanitarium, where she has been undergoing treatment, since suffering an injury in a fall last month. She expects to remain away about a week longer to complete the present course of treatment.

Typing paper at The News.

Thrift Features P-T. A. Program for January 3

Mrs. Ira Shurley Leads; Mrs. J. D. Westbrook Presents Paper; Cafeteria Discussed

Following the opening of its regular meeting Tuesday afternoon at the grammar school, with the repetition of the Lord's Prayer and a piano solo given by Miss Clovis Neal, members of the Sonora Parent-Teacher Association enjoyed a study of "Thrifty and Character Education" embodied in a talk by Mrs. Ira Shurley, leader, on responsibility of the parent in directing the child in thrift, and a paper by Mrs. J. D. Westbrook on "How to Prepare a Family Budget."

Mrs. E. E. Sawyer greeted the teachers on their return from Christmas vacations, after which a business session was conducted. Mrs. R. S. Covey, secretary, read minutes of the previous meeting, after which committee reports revealed that the school cafeteria continues to operate under a monthly deficit, creating, for December, a small delinquency in the treasury.

A detailed discussion of the cafeteria situation ensued, in which it was pointed out that an important health problem is involved in the maintenance of a cafeteria, in addition to convenience which it provides. Lack of support on the part of students was pointed to as the chief difficulty, with inability to collect amounts due the institution for past meals being second in importance as a drawback to the success of the enterprise. Further consideration of the cafeteria's continuance was referred to a committee headed by Mrs. M. O. Britt, and to the executive board.

Mrs. W. C. Gilmore, financial chairman, announced the coming of Laurent, well-known magician formerly with the Redpath-Horner chataqua circuit, with an elaborate magic show Saturday night, Feb. 4, under auspices of the P-T. A.

Mrs. George Baker reported on work done under P-T. A. auspices in distributing Red Cross clothing.

Mrs. S. T. Gilmore reported standing of the local organization with regard to the national standard of excellence.

The organization voted to order a library of the national P-T. A. publications.

Mrs. Paul Turney was appointed general chairman of the hospitality committee of the association, with schoolroom mothers as her co-committee members.

The second grade led with attending representatives.

Miss Johnnie Allison expressed appreciation of the high school pep squad for assistance of the P-T. A. in serving the football banquet.

Thursday Pastime Club Holds Annual 'Husbands' Party

The annual "husbands' party" of the Thursday Pastime Club was given Thursday evening of last week at the home of Dr. and Mrs. O. G. Babcock, with Mesdames Babcock, W. E. James, W. E. Caldwell, L. E. Johnson, J. A. Cauthorn, Orion Brown, J. S. Glascock, and S. R. Hull acting as hostesses. Several guests were included.

A delightful evening was spent at "42," with high scores going to Mrs. R. A. Halbert and W. D. Martin, respectively.

Refreshments of sandwiches, cookies, and hot chocolate were served to the following:

Messrs. and Mesdames J. W. Trainer, C. E. Stites, W. E. Caldwell, W. E. James, Orion Brown, E. R. Lawrence, R. S. Covey, W. C. Warren, W. D. Martin, and the hosts; Mesdames Maysie Brown, W. R. Nisbet, R. A. Halbert, and M. M. Stokes; J. D. Lowrey and Dr. J. R. Kilman

Aldwells Return from Del Rio

Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Aldwell returned Sunday from Del Rio, where Mr. Aldwell drove Saturday to meet Mrs. Aldwell who had gone there accompanied by her son, Lea Roy, earlier in the week to be with her sister, Mrs. Amor Whitehead, who was ill. Lea Roy attended a New Year's Eve dance there, and left Sunday for San Antonio where he made connections for College Station, where he is a student at the Texas A. & M. college.

Fair Candidate



It is likely that Mabel Berry (above) of Austin will be chief clerk of the House of Representatives. Fourteen years of legislative experience gives her the inside track for the position. She has the pledged support of many statesmen.

Coke Stevenson, Jr. Marries Miss Scott

Representative's Son Weds Student Bride at Texas Ununiversity

Announcement has been received of the marriage of Miss Edith Will Scott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Scott of Cleburne, and Mr. Coke Stevenson, jr., son of Rep. and Mrs. Coke R. Stevenson of Junction, at the University Presbyterian church of Austin Friday evening, December 2, at 8 o'clock, with Dr. Thomas J. Curry, president of the Austin Presbyterian Seminary, assisted by Dr. Lawrence Wharton, pastor of the church, reading the double ring ceremony.

Attendants at the wedding included the parents of the couple, immediate relatives, and friends from the University of Texas where the bride and bridegroom are students. Attending the couple were Miss Jackie Sanders of Dallas and Mr. Walter Moore of Austin.

After the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Stevenson left for a short wedding trip to San Antonio, after which they returned to Austin where they will reside. A number of parties were given in Austin honoring the bride preceding the nuptials.

Mr. Stevenson is a member of the university law school, while Mrs. Stevenson, a sophomore student at the university, is a graduate of Cleburne high school and popular in university circles.

Sister in Critical Condition

Mrs. Annie Winn of Menard, sister of Mesdames Clyde Gardner and Stella Stanley, was removed from her home to a San Angelo hospital Tuesday following unfavorable developments which appeared after a major operation which she recently underwent. Mesdames Gardner and Stanley, accompanied by Mesdames J. C. Morrow and John Hamby, had visited Mrs. Winn in Menard on the week-end and had found her seemingly much improved, but were later notified of her failing strength. Mrs. Gardner and Mrs. Hamby drove to San Angelo Tuesday to meet the party bringing Mrs. Winn to San Angelo, and expressed anxiety concerning her condition.



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P-T. A. Yearbook in Honored Collection

Sample Is One of 12 Out of 800 Chosen for Special Mention

The yearbook of the Sonora Parent-Teacher Association, displayed at the national convention of the Texas Congress of Parents and Teachers in Galveston recently, was chosen as one of 12 out of 800 books shown, for honorable mention by a committee of judges, it was learned here during the past month.

Particular commendation was expressed for the fact that the book contained no advertising, was neat, compact, small, and complete in most respects in accordance with the organization's standard of excellence.

Mrs. W. L. Davis, as chairman of the program committee was responsible for compiling and arranging material for the book, which is based upon a study outlined by the Child Welfare Magazine. The News printed the books.

Mrs. E. B. Heinze Is Hostess Thursday To Two-Bit Club

Mrs. E. B. Heinze entertained the Two-Bit Club at her home Thursday afternoon of last week, when three tables of contract players participated.

High score went to Miss Addah Miers.

The hostess served a plate lunch of sandwiches, cake, knick-knacks, and hot chocolate.

Mrs. A. W. Awalt was the only guest for the day, with members present being as follows: Mesdames A. P. Prater, J. D. Eaton, jr., Dave Locklin, Hilton Turney, Arthur Carroll, and the hostess; and the Misses Miers, Annella Stites, Faye James, Muriel Simmons, Lyda Archer, and Zella Lee Thorp.

Halberts Return Home Friday

Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Halbert returned Friday from San Angelo after being with Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Briant during Mr. Briant's illness and death.

Mrs. S. R. Hull Is Monday Contract Hostess This Week

Members of the Contract Club met at the home of Mrs. S. R. Hull Monday afternoon this week, with Mesdames Hull, G. H. Neill, Will Wilkinson, and Sterling Baker participating. Mrs. Wilkinson held high score.



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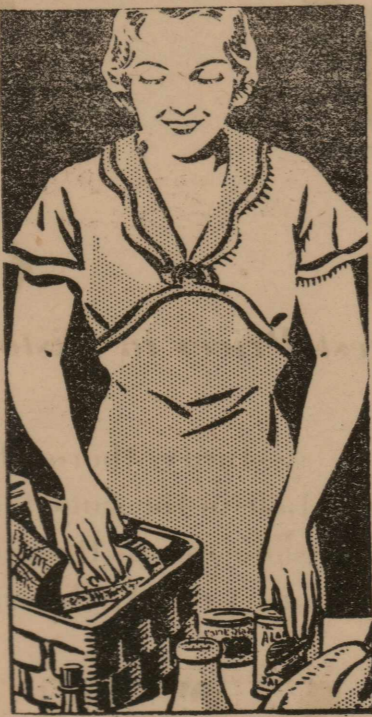
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Typists—James Ed Hutcherson, Clemencia Cardona and Mary Louise Gardner.

BASKETBALL A CHALLENGE

Training for basketball started last Tuesday. The prospects for a successful season are bright, for there are a number of eligible men who are both strong and fast. Much, however, will depend upon the earnestness with which these men train. We believe that the football season would have been much more successful if the players had trained harder. No team can succeed in any line of sports unless the players are conscientious in their training. It is for this reason that the entire school and community is at the present time looking with interest and trust toward those boys who can make the basketball season a success or a failure.

—The Broncho—

SEVERAL PARTIES FEATURE STUDENTS' HOLIDAY SEASON

On New Year's Eve a group of high school students celebrated the occasion by making candy and playing games at the Sawyer home. Those attending were: Misses Ches Thorp, Nina Roueche, Clovis Neal, Stella Archer, and Alice Sawyer; James Ed Hutcherson, Cleve Jones, Lem Eriel Johnson, G. W. Archer, V. J. Glascock, Herbert Fields, and Troy White.

Sickness on Decrease

Most of those who were out because of flu and mumps before the holidays seem to have recovered. Attendance was practically normal on Tuesday and Wednesday.

—The Broncho—

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SOCIETY

LEAP YEAR PARTY ENJOYED AT GLASSCOCK HOME, DEC. 28

At the Glasscock home on Dec. 28, Pauline Turney and V. J. Glasscock entertained with a Leap Year Christmas Party which was one of the most delightful events of the holiday season. Invitations were sent to the girls bidding them to come and bring their dates. Upon arrival the guests searched for talies which were hidden on the Christmas tree and thus found partners for bridge. About ten o'clock refreshments of cocoa and muffins were served to the guests, each muffin being very cleverly decorated with a lighted red candle in its center. After the refreshments dance programs were issued to the girls and were filled before the dancing started.

Those who enjoyed the evening were: Messrs. Harold Friess, Edgar Glascock, Herbert Fields, Pat Cooper, G. W. Archer, Cleveland Jones, James Ed Hutcherson, and V. J. Glasscock; Misses Alice Sawyer, Ches Thorp, Nina Roueche, Stella Archer, Zella Lee Thorp, Era Turbiville, and Pauline Turney. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Turney and Mrs. Glascock were also present.

—The Broncho—

Tuesday night at 7:30 Wilburn Glascock was receiving guests at his back door. The guests wore their clothing backward. First the guests were served hot chocolate, cakes, and candy. Then they played bridge, ptt, dominoes, and other table games. Those present were: Bobbie Halbert, Joyce McGilvray, Jo Ann and Lunetta Marion, Wilma Hutcherson, Lillian Kring, Nora Gilliam, Jack Turney, Reginald Trainer, Edward Glascock, Wesley Sawyer, L. M. Roueche, Harold Espy, and Wilburn Glascock. The decorations were carried out in Christmas colors.

Dec. 22, Christmas party at the home of S. H. Stokes. Twelve guests were present. The hostesses were Mrs. Stokes and Mrs. A. W. Awalt.

Dec. 23, Christmas party at the home of Sue Glascock. Eight guests were present.

—The Broncho—

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SUNDAY SCHOOL PARTIES ENTERTAIN TWO GROUPS

The eight grade Sunday school class enjoyed a party on Monday, Dec. 27, 1932, at the home of Kenneth Babcock. Table games were played. Cocoa and sandwiches were served to the following guests: Misses Lillie Marie Smith, Wilma Hutcherson, Bobbie Mae Halbert, Lillian Kring and Guyon Shurley; Messrs. L. M. Roueche, Reginald Trainer, Wesley Sawyer, Wilburn Glascock, A. W. Awalt, J. T. Shurley, and Kenneth Babcock.

Mrs. Westbrook's Sunday school class entertained with a party in church basement on Jan. 2. The games played were: Winkum, Spooning in the Moonlight, Pleased or Displeased, and Grandpa's Soup. All-minute suckers were served by Kenneth Babcock to the following boys and girls: Wilma Hutcherson, Bobbie Halbert, Leola and Lillie Mae Lehman, Nora Gilliam, Guyon Shurley, Lillian Kring, L. M. Roueche, Wesley Sawyer, S. H. Stokes, Glendon Westbrook, Reggie Trainer, and the sponsors, Mrs. Westbrook and Mrs. Hutcherson.

—The Broncho—

On Monday night, Jan. 2, Alice Sawyer, Nina Roueche, G. W. Archer, V. J. Glascock, Herbert Fields, and Dayton Stockton danced at the Glascock home.

A crowd of young people made candy and spent an enjoyable evening at Sawyer's last Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1932. Those present were: Ches Thorp, Nina Roueche, Era Turbiville, Dayton Stockton, V. J. Glascock, Cleve Jones, G. W. Archer, Herbert Fields, Lem Eriel Johnson, Clovis Neal, Pauline Turney, and Alice Sawyer.

Guyon Shurley spent part of the holidays in San Angelo.

Edna Merck went to Camp Wood during the holidays.

Bobbie Halbert, Wilma Hutcherson, and Wesley Sawyer went up in the aeroplane on Friday, December 30.

Miss Duncan is back at work, having recuperated from the fall she received just before the holidays.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

Number 174, in re guardianship of Margery Martin et al, minors. In the county court of Sutton county, Texas, November term, 1932.

Notice is hereby given, that I, John L. Martin, temporary guardian of the estate of Margery (Marjorie) Martin, Doris (Dorothy) Martin, and Wayne Martin, minors, have this day filed my ap-

Abs.	Certificate	Survey
2536	4-1552 N Pt.	33
2537	4-1553 S Pt.	35
2539	4-1555 All	39
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4327	4-1554 S Pt.	38
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4466	4-1542 N Pt.	14

aggregating 3,000.2 acres, and being the same land described in deed recorded in Vol. 56, Page 406, Crockett county Deed Record.

Said application will be heard by

plication in the above entitled and numbered cause for an order of the county judge of Sutton county, Texas, authorizing me as the temporary guardian of the estate of the said wards to make a mineral lease upon such terms as the court may order and direct, of the following described real estate to which belongs to the estate of said wards, said land being situated in Crockett county, Texas, to-wit:

Blk.	Original Grantee	Acres
OP	G C & S F Ry. Co.	327
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OP	A. Briggs	652.1
OP	A. Briggs	349.9
OP	A. Briggs	321.5
OP	C. W. Crawford	23.5

the county judge at the courthouse in the city of Sonora, Texas, on the 14th day of January, A. D. 1933.

JOHN L. MARTIN,

Temporary Guardian of the Estate of Margery Martin, et al, minors.

Camp Allison

(Essie Rode, Reporter)

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Spaulding of Lamesa are visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Burt Rode.

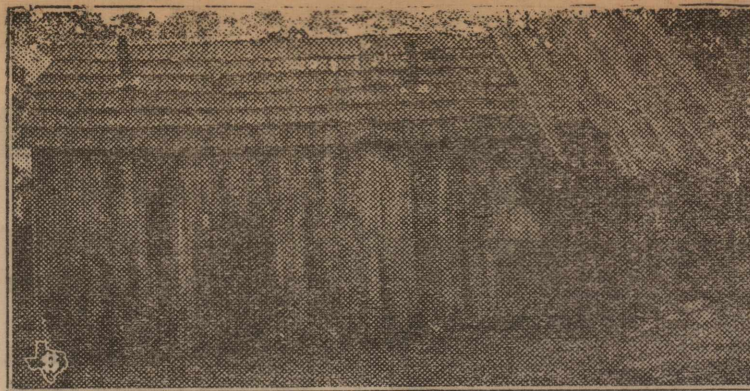
Miss Viola Adams is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Sibe McKee in Mertzon this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Artie Joy and Mrs. Joy's sisters, Misses Ida Belle and Dilla Sykes of Owensville visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dock Joy Friday afternoon.

Bob Shropshire of Fort Worth visited his aunt, Mrs. W. B. Adams Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Asa Hughes and George Adams of Fort Worth, and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bright and son, Randselle, and Estas Adams of Comstock visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Adams Friday.

Saunders Home from Eldorado
E. C. Saunders, Sutton county surveyor, returned Wednesday from Eldorado, where he had been doing work on the Tom Henderson ranch.



At left is Bernice Clayton, the little crippled child who was strangled to death by Paul and Coy Oakley, two self-styled "faith healers" who claim they were trying to drive the devil from her. The little girl was born May 25, 1929, in this humble home, which can be reached only by a footpath. It is near Linden, in East Texas.

daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Bowden of Sn Angelo, were married at the home of the bride's parents, with her father performing the single ring ceremony before a

few friends, and family couple, Monday evening at 7 o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. H. Kling entertained with a dinner party honoring the couple in the modernistic room of the Hilton Hotel following the service.

Mr. and Mrs. Speed left for a week's wedding trip, after which they planned to be at home at the Hilton Hotel.

Mrs. Speed was graduated from S. M. U. in 1929 with a bachelor of arts degree. Mr. Speed was graduated from A. & M. college in 1926 with a B. A. degree. He is well-known to ranchmen here through his salesmanship in this section.

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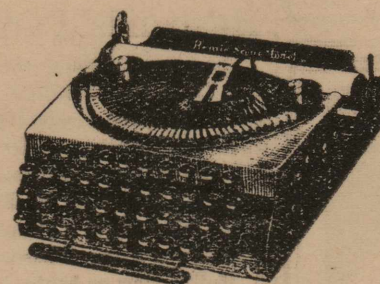
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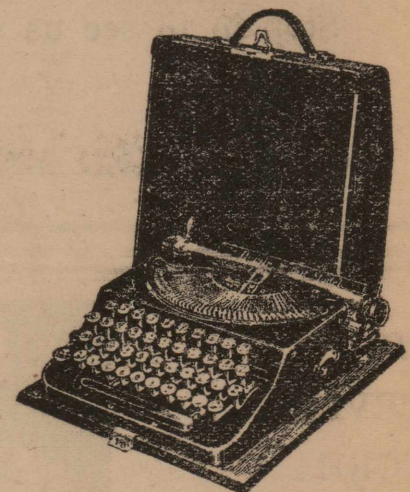
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Fumble! Exciting Moment in Texas Championship Game



Fumble! The Corsicana back drops the ball, and a Masonic Home player swoops in to recover it. This play vividly illustrates the mighty effort put forth by both teams when the Texas State high school football championship was decided at Corsicana Monday. Neither team scored, but Corsicana won the crown by penetrating the Fort Worth team's 20-yard line 5 times while the Masons never crossed the Tiger's 25-yard strafe.

"PRETTY BOY" BECOMES BANDIT KING STATE OF OKLAHOMA; WORTH \$3,000

Uvalde Leader-News: His name is Charles Arthur Floyd, and they call him "Pretty Boy."

But he's the "bandit king" of Oklahoma, the latest of that state's long line of outlaw chiefs.

He robs and laughs. Jeering the police, and even the governor, he swoops down on a town, holds up a bank, dashes away again by motor. In two years he has held up at least a score of banks. For his capture, dead or alive, there is an offer of a \$3,000 reward.

But nobody has been able to bring him down; and this despite the tremendous risks he takes. That he is one of the luckiest bandits in criminal history is obvious from a reading of his exploits. And that he loves to ride his luck is proved by his noon-day robbery of a bank in his home town of Salisaw.

A. B. McDonald tells us about that is an Oklahoma City dispatch to the Kansas City Star:

He was born and grew up in Salisaw. He is known to every one in the town. His mother lives within two blocks of the bank. As Floyd's car stopped in front of the bank, he and his partner, George Birdwell, leaped quickly out and ran into the bank, leaving the third bandit at the wheel of the car, the engine of which continued to purr softly. This third bandit was identified later as Aussie Elliott, a boy of only eighteen, who recently escaped from the state reformatory and has attached himself to Floyd and Birdwell.

Floyd and Birdwell wore no masks or other disguises. Entering the bank, both pulled out revolvers. Floyd was grinning at his acquaintances, the bankers and clerks, as he announced, "It's a hold-up, all right" and then to Birdwell, who was standing everyone against the door. "It hurt 'em, Bird, they're within." "Well, they're within," he said. "It hurt 'em, Bird, they're within." "Well, they're within," he said. "It hurt 'em, Bird, they're within." "Well, they're within," he said.

A mile or so out they halted. Floyd let the man alight from the running board. Floyd shouted to him cheerfully: "Good-by, old man, take care of yourself" and their car sped on, down the highway, to oblivion, so far as the public was concerned. With a record of at least a score of banks robbed by Floyd and Birdwell in Oklahoma in the last two years, with a reward of \$3,000 for Floyd, dead or alive, this last exploit of his, at midday, in his home town, where everyone knew

him, seemed like a gesture of defiant mockery of the authorities.

Newspapers in Oklahoma, we are told, "began to criticize the sheriffs, Gov. Murray and the board of investigation and identification, which had spent thousands of dollars trying to catch Floyd," to whom Mr. McDonald alludes as:

The "Pretty Boy" who laughs at them, who goes regularly into speakeasies in this state, holds everyone in sight at the end of his gun, and says as he leaves:

"Now you guys can scatter out and tell Governor Murray that I have been here, and maybe you can get that \$3,000 reward."

This robbery, November 1, by Floyd (we read on) made forty-four bank robberies in Oklahoma this year, seven fewer than last year, when there were fifty-one.

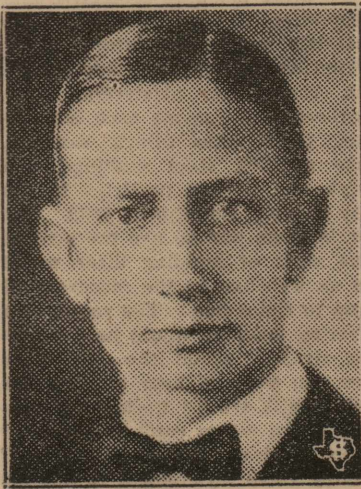
The state was startled again six days later, November 7, when two banks were held up and robbed at the noon hour—the State National Bank in Marlow and the American State Bank in Henryetta—making forty-six robberies in the state this year.

Floyd could not have robbed both of those banks, for the robberies were only five minutes apart, while the towns were more than 100 miles apart. But the robbery in Henryetta was done in such true "Pretty Boy" style that the authorities believed it was done by Floyd and Birdwell and their new recruit, Aussie Elliott.

It was 12:25 p. m. A car drove up with three men in it, and stopped in front of the bank. One man, a young fellow, stayed at the wheel and the engine continued to run, while two men went quietly into the bank. They went in slowly, pretending to notice nobody as they argued together about something. But, once inside, they sprang into action. They drew revolvers and one, supposed to be Birdwell, using the muzzle of his revolver as a prod, lined the three persons in the bank face in against the wall, while the other, thought to be Floyd, handed a sack to A. D. Diamond, Jr., the bookkeeper, and said:

"If any of you give an alarm I'll kill you. Put all the money into that sack." The sack went \$11,352.20, and a \$100 of it were nickles in two. The affair was all over in two minutes. The two robbers prodded them to the bankers out, faster, put them to them move board, and drove away, running a mile or so out of town, and were a

Another Garner?



Moulton "Ty" Cobb, editor of the Mission Enterprise, has announced as candidate for congress from the 15th congressional district, John Garner's stomping grounds. Cobb, although he looks 25, is really 35 years old, and was quite a politician at Texas university in his day.

hostages had been allowed to get off before the alarm spread in town.

So it goes in Oklahoma, where, in one week recently, five banks were robbed. So bad is the situation that robbery insurance rates have been jumped.

In the hope of curbing hold-ups the Oklahoma Bankers' Association has changed its reward from \$100 for the arrest of a robber to \$500 for every bandit killed in a hold-up or in the chase afterward. "Let's exterminate them," urges Eugene P. Gum, secretary of the association.

Another step is to persuade bankers in small towns—where most of the hold-ups are committed, during the noon hour—to close up at that time. Then, too, the association is advocating the installation of alarms that will arouse the whole town.

But to return to "Pretty Boy" Floyd. Why don't they capture him. Mr. McDonald asked that question of Charles Burns, superintendent of the Oklahoma bureau of criminal investigation and identification. This is what Mr. Burns said:

"They never rob a bank in the level country of the western half of the state. All their bank robberies are in the hill country in the eastern part of the state. They were both born and grew up there, and have a host of relatives and friends and sympathizers all thru there, who shelter, protect and warn them."

Mr. Burns said many desperate bank bandits from other state have come into Oklahoma to carry on their business.

"We shoot them down, we cap-

ture them, and send them to the penitentiary for long terms, but a new crop springs up."

When Mr. MacDonald interviewed Governor Murray, he learned that Floyd actually had sent the governor word twice, by near relatives, "that if I would save him from the electric chair he would come in and surrender." And the governor added:

"I sent word back to him that I would not do it, but that I had instructed Burns to get him. I am hampered by lack of money with which to pursue these bandits. The appropriation for the bureau of which Burns is the head has been cut down until he has only two men to send out after bandits. I want enough money to pay a man or two to get in with the bandits and give us tips of planned robberies."

As for banditry in general, Gov. Murray prescribes this remedy for it:

"I am in favor of establishing the whipping-post and the stocks for bandits in this state. For the first offense of any kind of banditry I would sentence the man to the penitentiary for a long term, and also fifty lashes on the bare back in public.

"For the second offense I would give him a longer term and sentence him to stand in the stocks, in a public place, for several hours.

"For the third offense I would send him to the electric chair.

"Criminals fear the whip worse than any other punishment. I would lay it on. I would whip a criminal in public before he goes into the penitentiary, and whip him again when he comes out. That will cure it."

PROMPT ACTION SAVES FIRE LOSS ON TUESDAY

Prompt action on the part of the Sonora Fire Department Tuesday morning prevented damage to the A. W. Awalt home when an overheated flue threatened to set the roof afire. Mrs. Awalt discovered smoke and called the department. The flue was taken apart and the trouble corrected without damage of any sort.

Mr. and Mrs. Awalt expressed their appreciation of the prompt action of the firemen.

Moursund Here Tuesday A. F. Moursund, San Angelo, district highway engineer, was in Sonora Tuesday on business.

NOTICE TO TRUCK OWNERS

Those wishing to have trucks weighed for registering should have them in Sonora Monday or Tuesday, January 16 and 17, to be weighed by a representative of the State Highway Department. There is no charge for this service, but your truck must be weighed before it can be registered. Remember the dates and save a weighing fee.

B. W. HUTCHERSON, Tax Collector, Sutton County.

City Meeting Postponed

The monthly meeting of the Sonora city commission, usually held on the first Monday night, was postponed this week because of the holiday observed in Sonora. It will likely be held Monday night of next week.

Frankston: Graveling work resumed on state Highway No. 40, beginning west of town.

Paving completed between Seagraves and Seminole.

FOR ALL OUR FRIENDS and CUSTOMERS WE WISH



A JOYFUL HAPPY NEW YEAR

The past two years have not been easy, but they have brought us one thing of priceless value—a new appreciation of the meaning of friendship in times of stress. To those who have intrusted their business to us in the last year we extend hearty thanks—to all we issue an invitation to visit us during the New Year and let us serve you as we move forward toward new economic stability.

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And there is reason to look into 1933 with strength renewed and hopes heightened. Such obvious factors as freer spending, rising prices and more activity in the marts of commerce indicate that there is a real and tangible basis for better feeling.

In keeping with the spirit of the season, we "resolve" for 1933 to continue our same high quality of service... we pledge ourselves to continue to work for the greatest good of this vast "Land of Opportunity"... and we wish for you a happier and more remunerative year. "HAPPY NEW YEAR."

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Sonora Men Still Warehouse Directors

Allison, Aldwell, Directors in Wool Growers' Central

George S. Allison, Sonora, and Lea Aldwell, San Angelo, and Sonora ranchman, were re-named directors in the Wool Growers' Central Storage Company of San Angelo at the annual meeting of the firm's stockholders Tuesday of this week.

Other officials were re-elected. Ira G. Yates of San Antonio retains the presidency, while John S. Allison, former Sonora druggist and at one time sheriff of Sutton county, is first vice-president. Optimism over the outlook for the wool industry was expressed.

J. D. Wallace III with Flu
J. D. Wallace has been ill with influenza at the George J. Trainer home this week.

Wool Outlook—

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reports of huge surpluses. These do not exist, says Mr. Lea, and it is only a matter of time until the true condition of the mohair stock will be generally known. That fact, coupled with heavy losses in goats and prospective lighter crops, should multiply mohair prices several times. It may happen on this spring's activity, perhaps not for two or three more shearing seasons, but must occur soon, he says.

With him on the trip here was Ernest Woodward, who works with him in this area. Mr. Lea has been buying in Sutton county for 14 years, and has been a big factor in prices paid here. For the last few years, and until a few weeks ago, his firm had acted as selling agents for the National Wool Marketing Corporation, though, and he had not been active in buying.

Briant—

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in these states he also engaged in the mining industry.

Returning to Texas, he settled at Sonora in 1892, where he acquired varied interests. He engaged in stock raising, in the drug business, became sheriff, treasurer, and later county judge.

The works of his administration are still preserved in Sutton county. During this time he was also in the mercantile business. Although his duties were strenuous he always found time to encourage and aid in community advancement. He enjoyed the confidence and esteem of the entire citizenship of Sutton county.

After establishing such an enviable record in Sonora he moved, in 1918, to San Antonio, where he again entered business. In August, 1920, he moved to San Angelo to become manager of the J. D. Sugg interests. At Mr. Sugg's death in 1925 he became administrator of the vast estate and continued in that capacity until his death.

His passing is mourned by a great number of associates and friends in Sutton and other counties of West Texas.

Highway—

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Murdoch, original contractor, was not able to finish it.

Rapid completion of this job is expected. Culverts are being finished under sub-contract from the bonding company by Crouch & Nolan.

Only two sections of the roadway on the 300-foot Devil's Draw bridge in Sonora remained to be poured Thursday by the J. Floyd Malcom company. This project will be ready for the placing of side railing within the next few days if favorable weather holds.

Lions—

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tonio in June.

George E. Smith, chairman of the committee in charge of the Club's Christmas work among the poor, reported on his activities, stating that 198 Mexican children received fruit, candy and nuts, in addition to many American children.

Guests were Henri Rogers and L. L. Stuart. Mr. Rogers played a number of accordin solos.

Next week's program committee consists of C. H. Carson, R. S. Covey, and George D. Chalk.



FOR SALE—150 head choice Earwood strain Angora bucks. Priced right. Brian Hunt.

POSTED—My ranch is posted according to law and I positively forbid any trespassing thereon. Officer in charge. Oscar Appelt. 52j27

NOTICE TO TRESPASSERS—Notice is hereby given that anyone trespassing or turning loose any stock in my pasture just across the highway from stockpens, without my consent, will be prosecuted according to law. ROY HUDSPETH.

Lights of NEW YORK By WALTER TRUMBULL

On the way to dine at the Stork Club, which used to be Heywood Broun's rendezvous with food and now is Bill Corum's favorite restaurant, my wife called my attention to the tremendous change in New York in the past two years. In former days, before renting an apartment, you always looked to see whether there was a vacant lot or an old building next door. Should there be either of these things, the chances were that building soon would be going on, which meant that riveting machines would be included in your lease. They would start their clatter early in the morning and continue until the evening shadows fell. Anti-noise societies used to have spasms of indignation and Franklin P. Adams used to write scathing paragraphs, but old man riveter just kept roaring along. Those were the golden days of '29.

Old Twenty-niners can remember when streets were blocked with boards, beams, and piles of bricks; when pedestrians walked through block after block of protective and temporary wooden tunnels; when bathtubs and other fixtures stood crated on the sidewalks and plumbers, carpenters, plasterers, steelworkers, and masons each contributed their brass filings, sawdust, lime puddles, steel shavings, and brick and plaster particles to the city ozone. But this is 1932. The air is clean and so are the streets. The sight of building litter would be as welcome as the discovery of land to Columbus. The sound of a riveting machine would be a witching strain. About the only place you can see and hear construction going on is around Rockefeller Center. And a fellow can't hang around there all day. We are thinking of asking Dean Aylesworth to use his influence to get a riveting machine 15 minutes a day on the air. The great radio audience would tune in from Maine to California.

Edward G. Robinson, the film favorite, looks quite a bit like Emil Fuchs, the baseball magnate. They say that Judge Fuchs, as a criminal lawyer, never lost a decision. Ed Anthony and Frank Buck have been literary collaborators. Ed might have caught the animals, but Frank never could have written the books. The Ed Anthony and Charles Dana Gibson domes compare very favorably with those of the Capitol at Washington. The Martin Egan and John Gunton de la Mothe Borglum domes might be in the running. The Marcus Cook Connelly roof is more like a minaret. It might be said Sculptor Borglum and Senator Borah were two of the busiest Bs who ever came out of Idaho, except that William Edgar Borah was born in Illinois. Dr. Henry W. A. Hanson, president of Gettysburg college, says there are no new problems and that there has been no fundamental change in youth, it being the mature generation which has gone balmy. Victor Moore is one comedian who makes me laugh.

New York is represented in the United States senate by Royal S. Copeland, born in Dexter, Mich., and Robert B. Wagner, born in Nastatten, Germany. At a wild guess, not more than half the senators were born in the states they represent.

Ours is in many ways a peculiar form of government. A senator from New York, with its 12,600,000 population, has no more voting power than a senator from Nevada, with its 91,000 population. The vote of a senator from Texas, with its 262,398 square miles, has the same weight as the vote of a senator from Rhode Island, with its 1,067 square miles. © 1932, Bell Syndicate.—WNU Service.

Civil War Vet Carries Bullet as Pocket Piece

Brockton, Mass. — Commander Andrew C. Gibbs of the Fletcher Webster post, G. A. R., always carries in his pocket the bullet that wounded him in the leg in the battle of Cold Harbor, Va., June 1, 1864. The bullet was removed from his leg several years ago.

Flask Totaled Back in 143 B. C.

Liquor flasks, rat traps and market baskets, all made of stone and dating back to 143 B. C., have been unearthed by Dr. Leroy Waterman of the University of Michigan at Seleucia, in Mesopotamia.

Doctor Waterman, heading a University of Michigan expedition in connection with the Cleveland and Toledo Art museums, said that undoubtedly the design of the present-day liquor flasks was copied from the antique containers.

The rat traps, made entirely of stone, differed materially from current models, Doctor Waterman reports. They were made of a hollow stone tube with a large piece of flat stone at one end. Opposite the flat rock the bait was placed and when the rodent touched it the stone fell, making them captives.

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Fire Department Gets 2 Members

C. H. Jennings and Beamond Speed Added to Ranks

Two new members were received into the Sonora Fire Department and were given initiation at the organization's monthly meeting Wednesday night. Beamond Speed and C. H. Jennings were added. An unusually large attendance was presided over by Jodie Trainer, vice-president.

Finances were discussed and bills were approved.

Plans were made for holding a "49 Fraacas." To work out details of such an affair Trainer appointed the following committee: Floyd Dungan, chairman, DeWitt Lancaster, J. H. Brasher, jr., and John McDonough. The celebration will take the nature of an "open house," utilizing stage money for the de-

partment's gambling devices. It will likely be held about the first of March, and proceeds will go to the department's building fund.

Teachers Move to Apartment

The Misses Johnnie Allison and Maurine Phillips have moved from the J. E. Grimland home where they had a room, to Mrs. Maysie Brown's apartment next to the latter's home. They are occupying the north side.

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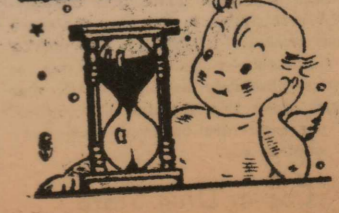
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Bacon OXFORD or CRYSTAL, special, per pound **10c**

SHORTENING, 4-lb. carton **27c** | CANDY, 10-cent pkgs. 3 for **25c**
BAKING POWDER—K. C., used by U. S. government, week-end special, 25c size **19c**
POPCORN, Jolly Tyme, can **12c** | CAKES, all 5-cent packages **4c**
OXYDOL, large package, 3 for **39c** | CLOROX, special, per bottle **18c**
BEANS—Limas, large or small size; fine for winter meals, week-end special, 2 pounds **15c**

Coffee FOLGER'S 2-lb. can **69c**

CORNMEAL, special, 20-lb. bag **33c** | KRAUT, No. 303 can, 2 for **19c**
PEANUT BUTTER—good grade and fresh stock, fine flavor, 16-oz. jars, 2 for **25c**
CORN—Fancy Country Gentleman, choicest quality, good flavor, No. 2 can **12c**
SOAP, C. W. 10 small bars for **25c** | EGGS, fresh from the country, dz. **30c**
PRESERVES—Old Manse, delicious flavor, in a number of kinds packed in 16-oz. jars, each **23c**
MILK, Borden's 10 small cans **25c** | CRACKERS, Graham, 2-lb. box **23c**
MACARONI, VERMICELLI, SPAGHETTI—special, for Friday and Saturday, 3 boxes for **10c**
BUTTER, fresh per pound **25c** | SALT PORK, per pound **7c**
OATS—Crystal Ware, with premium; 55 ounces good cereal, special at **19c**
CRACKERS—choice grade, salted, special for Friday and Saturday, 3-lb. box **35c**

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