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GOLDEN SPIKE DRIVEN BY VANDER STUCKEN CLINCHES LAST RAIL

8000 PEOPLE IN SONORA RAILROAD CELEBRATION

The rail celebration is all over except the rejoicing by both old timers who have seen their dream of forty years come true, and by the newcomers who have cast their lots in the "Capital of the Stockmen's Paradise." The specials have come and gone and trains will run out of here daily.

There were about 8,000 people from the far corners of the nation who helped Sonora celebrate here Tuesday and Wednesday a \$3,000,000 project—Santa Fe rails from San Angelo to this city. Former Sutton county citizens who had not been here in years were present to congratulate and rejoice with the ranchmen and citizens here.

A special train from San Angelo brought five hundred visitors to this city at ten thirty the morning of July 1st. On this train were many Sonorans who have the distinction of boarding the inaugural train that found its way over a ribbon of steel into virgin territory.

Immediately after Pat M. Neff, chairman of the Texas Railroad Commission and former governor of Texas, had brought the train to a halt Mayor Roy Aldwell was introduced on the station platform by W. E. Caldwell. Mayor Aldwell briefly told of the effort that had been made for the past years in securing a railroad for this section and in a pleasing manner welcomed the visitors to Sonora.

Judge James Cornell, who has been closely associated with W. L. Aldwell and other Sutton county men in getting the road to Sonora, read a telegram from Mr. Aldwell who was then lying in a Fort Worth hospital with a broken thigh bone.

The telegram was as follows: "No words can express my regret at not being with you to help to celebrate one of the greatest events to Sonora and Sutton county. I know you all will enjoy yourselves and will realize the fulfillment of your dreams. A good many of us old men when we used to travel out of there in the mud the best way we could will now have the long-looking-for railroad. We are stepping today from an old Sonora into a new Sonora. I rely on the blood of the oldtimers still there to keep the old things going and to make Sonora one of the greatest towns between the Concho and the Rio Grande, and to carry on Mike Murphy's slogan, 'The Stockman's Paradise.' I hope soon to be with you."

Pat M. Neff, who said he stood as a representative of the people of Texas and in behalf of this great empire, responded to Mayor Ald-

well's address of welcome. Mr. Neff lauded the work in building the railroad and said he was in the midst of the greatest people in Texas.

From the station platform the multitudes gathered just west of the station a short way where E. F. Vander Stucken, pioneer Sonora merchant, banker and ranchman, drove the last spike, a gold one, to seal the rails with the ties. Pat M. Neff hit the last lick that drove the spike into the timber.

Whooping cowboys, among whom were men eighty years old and those who will take the older generations place, paraded to Main Street, led by the San Angelo Demolay band. After viewing a trained horse performance, Buster Halbert and his crew of men who were in charge of the barbecue dinner, yelled "chuck" and great crowds surged from every direction to the tables that were spread from one end of the street to the other.

After everyone had finished with dinner a string of cars, that were backed back to town were trying to find their way to the Stockman's Paradise Association park for the six races, rodeo and other amusements.

ALDWELL APPRECIATES LIONS CLUB TELEGRAM

Fort Worth, July 3, 1930.
The Lions Club,
Sonora, Texas.

My Dear Friends:—Your telegram received and greatly appreciated. Your remarks regarding my efforts toward the upbuilding of Sonora and Sutton county are, indeed, very kind. However, I have done no more than would be expected of any loyal citizen.

I deeply regret that I could not be present in person, but my heart was with you rejoicing upon the arrival of the first train.

Thanking you sincerely for remembering me at this time, and with kindest regards, I remain
Yours faithfully,
W. L. ALDWELL.

STEVE MURPHY FIRST "BUM" TO RIDE RAILS

Steve Murphy, former publisher of The Devil's River News, said he was the first "bum" to ride a train into Sonora, and that Mayor Roy Aldwell was the first to get left. Mr. Aldwell was busy talking to friends in Eldorado and missed the train.

J. S. Houston of San Angelo was here for the celebration.

Celebration Here Was Very Orderly

Few Arrests Made When Largest Crowd in Town's History Gathers

"It was the most orderly celebration that Sonora has ever had," was the way Sheriff B. W. Hutcherson expressed it when questioned yesterday morning. Everybody had an enjoyable time, and only a half dozen arrests made.

Members of the Alamo Carnival crew were arrested and fined for operating gambling devices, according to Mr. Hutcherson. Highway patrolman, C. L. Bentley, arrested Sam Russel, sheriff of Coke county for assault with an automobile. Russel was with two women from San Angelo when his car collided with one driven by the Galloways. Val Verde county ranchman. The Galloways' car was forced into that of J. W. Mayfield. Sheriff Russel's car received the most damage. One of the women who were with Russel, sustained a few cuts about the face. Two sacks full of empty beer bottles were taken from the Russel car, according to highway officials.

There were many compliments heard by out-of-town visitors for the orderly and courteous manner in which the celebration was carried on.

SAM HULL RECEIVES FIRST EXPRESS HERE

The Sonora Electric Company, owned by the Huls, received the first express to come over the new \$3,000,000 Santa Fe rail extension to this city. Mr. Hull was the first Sutton county citizen to send a telegram over the Western Union wire. The message went to the Ford Motor Company at Dallas requesting a shipment of a car of new Fords.

HOUSTON MAN WIRES HIS CONGRATULATIONS

Houston, Texas, July 1, 1930.
Mayor Roy Aldwell,
Sonora, Texas.

You and the citizens of Sonora deserve a lot of honor and credit for the progressive work you have done. I congratulate you on the completion of your railroad and predict a wonderful growth for your city. I am sorry I cannot be with you.

M. T. GARRETT,
President Sanitary Appliance Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Miller and children of Big Lake were among former Sonorans who attended the rail jubilee in Sonora. Mr. Miller was formerly in the jewelry business here. While here they were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. K. James.

CAMP ALLISON TO HAVE FREE BARBECUE, JULY 10

Road Cuts Down Shipping Costs

New Santa Fe Extension to Sonora Will Be Cause of Saving in Marketing Stock

Here are the rates to the Fort Worth market on the new Orient line terminating here.

Sheep and goats in single deck cars: Bryneville, 32 $\frac{1}{2}$ cents, Christoval, 42 $\frac{1}{2}$ cents; Huldale, 44 cents; Eldorado, 45 cents; Sonora, 46 cents.

Sheep, goats, calves, hogs in double deck cars: Bryneville, 34 cents; Christoval, 34 cents; Huldale, 26 $\frac{1}{2}$ cents; Eldorado, 27 cents; Sonora, 23 cents.

The savings effected by the road in the handling of livestock is tremendous. Ranchmen have been paying as much as 25 cents a head to get their stock delivered to shipping points such as Menard, Merton, San Angelo and 65 mile drives have not been unusual.

FRIENDS FLOOD HIM WITH TELEGRAMS

W. L. Aldwell, president of the First National Bank of Sonora, a director of the Orient Ry. Co., who lies in a Fort Worth hospital with a broken thigh bone and unable to attend the rail celebration here, acknowledges the receipt of telegrams from the following friends:

Mr. and Mrs. H. Eastland, Mrs. Edith Bond, Ernest Abbott and John Rae, Dr. and Mrs. H. R. Wardlaw, Mrs. Beatrice Willoughby, Mr. and Mrs. Sam R. Hull, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Vander Stucken, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Dunklin, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Niell, also a message signed by Sol Mayer, Roy Hudspeth, R. A. Halbert, W. A. Miers, Ed Mayfield, C. T. Jones, S. E. McKnight, Claude Stites and Alfred Schweining.

Mr. Aldwell highly appreciates these messages and thanks each and every one for remembering him at this time.

ARTHUR STUART'S SISTER DIED TUESDAY NIGHT

While visiting an ill sister in San Antonio, Mrs. Arthur Stuart received word that another sister, Mrs. W. F. Shook of Yuma, Arizona, died there Tuesday night. Mrs. Stuart was unable to attend the funeral.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Hill were here from their ranch near Sanderson to attend the two-day celebration.

Ralph Britt's California Collegians Will Furnish Music for Two Nights of Dancing

Camp Allison, located on the banks of the North Llano thirty-five miles east of here, will entertain from three to four thousand visitors on July 10th with an old fashioned free barbecue. Alfred Schweining, prominent ranchman of that community, has extended an invitation to everybody to be present.

The Junction band will be there during the day to furnish music. One of the best platforms in West Texas for dancing has been built and it will accommodate hundreds of couples. Ralph Britt and his California Collegians will make the music the nights of the 9th and 10th for the dances.

Mr. Schweining stated that he expected several hundred people to be there several days ahead of time to enjoy fishing, swimming and boating.

Can Load 200 Cars Here Each Day

Four Stock Pens on Sonora Extension Are of the Latest Type

Two hundred cars of livestock can be loaded daily at the four stock pens on the Sonora extension of the Orient from San Angelo.

The pens at Sonora have two double deck loading chutes and one single deck loading chute. Each of the four pens is of the latest type construction. W. H. Rochester, engineer of the Orient, and Bill Tilton, livestock agent, conferred with ranchmen in regard to what they thought would be the best of such pens.

There are steel gates of the nonsag type, three of the pens have concrete water troughs, while the other, at Bryneville, is near the river. The four pens are painted white with a patented paint. At each of them is a cutting chute for sheep, goats and cattle. Weighing scales are being put in at the Sonora pens by Roy Aldwell while Luke Thompson is putting in the scales at Eldorado.

Miss Jessie Breeden of Cuero is here for a week's visit with Mrs. R. W. Perrine at the ranch. Miss Breeden visited here several years ago and hardly knew the town after wonderful changes made during her absence.

Fast Races and Wild Horse Riding Furnished Thrills for the Thousands Who Were Here for Rail Celebration

The golden spike that Tuesday morning cinched the last rail to a tie on the last mile of the Santa Fe's branch line from San Angelo to this city, was merely the evidence of a golden realization of the fulfillment of a dream that had held the attention of the people of Schleicher, Sutton and Tom Green counties for a quarter of a century. It came as the climax of the inauguration of service over the line by a special train which left San Angelo at 7 in the morning.

W. H. Rochester, chief construction engineer of the Santa Fe, representing the road, held the spike as it was driven into the tie by Felix Vander Stucken, pioneer Sonora merchant and banker, who represented the people along the line; and former Governor Pat M. Neff, chairman of the Railroad Commission, finished driving the spike as the representative of the state of Texas.

The band played and cowboys and Sonora's greatest crowd let a lusty shout of triumph as the former governor handed the golden tinted sledge hammer to Mr. Vander Stucken after he had dealt the spike a lusty blow that sent it ringing down upon the side of the rail.

A hundred and twenty-five chevrons were none too many for the crowd that stood about the tables, two blocks long, arranged on the principal street of Sonora for the barbecue. The afternoon entertainment was at the park where horse racing and wild horse riding entertained the greatest crowd that Sonora has ever seen.

The races were fast and several of them were close. The second race was won by a nose.

The first race for a quarter mile, purse \$75 first, Black Jack, owned by Jap Holman.

Second race: quarter mile, purse \$75: first Pure Gold owned by Bud Custer's Anacha Ranch; second, Black streak, owned by F. G. Senne.

Third race: purse \$125.00; first Annie Babe, owned by A. Graber; second, Roy Mantel owned by W. H. Groff; third, Two Hearts, owned by W. H. Groff.

Fourth race purse \$100.00; first Billy Moore owned by J. F. Avant; second, Pocohontas, owned by H. J. Talley; third, Midnight, owned by Bless & Scheule.

The races July 2 were even better than yesterday, according to the many who saw them at the track. The first race, a quarter mile event for two-year-olds with a purse of \$75, was won by Solo Flight, owned by Hewell & Sikes; Opal Smith, owned by D. Gray, was

second, and Red Rover, owned by G. Bodine, was third. Other racing results follow:

Second race: Quarter mile, purse \$75; first, Pure Gold, owned by Bud Custer, which also was first yesterday; second, Colleen Moore, owned by J. Hay, and third, Black Jack, owned by Jap Holman.

Third race: one-half mile, purse \$100; first, Little Ned, owned by Monte Corder; second, Midnight, owned by Bless & Sheley; third, Medina Doll, owned by E. J. Schott.

Fourth race: three-eighths mile, purse \$100; first, Pocohontas, owned by H. J. Crutchfield; second, Black Streak, owned by F. G. Senne, and third, Billy Moore, owned by J. F. Avant.

Fifth race: one mile stake, \$260, first, Captain Fried, owned by Geo. Adams; second, Surfland, owned by Ed White and third, Annie Babe owned by A. Gruber.

Sixth race: one mile, purse \$180; first, Dempsey, owned by J. F. Avant; second, Astonishment, owned by White Bros, and third, Hermelene, owned by George Adams. Allen Holder of Rankin won the first day calf roping contest with time of 16.3 seconds, and was second in the average for the two days with 19.1 seconds.

Jack Sellars of Del Rio was first in average time for calf roping, winning the second day program and holding an average of 18.35 seconds. J. P. Crosby of Del Rio was third for the two days.

In the goat roping contest Walter Babb of Del Rio was first in 10 seconds flat, Tom Taylor of Sonora was second with 10.3 seconds and Cal Johnson of Barnhart was third in 12.2 seconds.

ELDORADO WIRES MR. ALDWELL ITS REGRETS

Eldorado, Texas, July 1, 1930.
Mr. W. L. Aldwell,
Fort Worth, Texas.

At a meeting of the citizens of Eldorado and elsewhere, at the Santa Fe depot at 9:00 a. m. today celebrating the arrival of the first train, San Angelo to Sonora, your absence was the only thing to mar our appreciation of your untiring efforts in securing the building of this railroad, also in wishing you a speedy recovery.

J. A. WHITTEN,
and 2,000 other citizens.

Mr. and Mrs. V. J. Turney of Del Rio were guests this week in the home of their daughters, Mesdames Thos. Espy and Sim Glasscock, and their son Paul Turney. Mr. and Mrs. Turney were residents of Sonora several years ago.

Old Fashioned Barbecue

Camp Allison

FREE FREE FREE

On the Headwaters of the North Llano under the shades of Large Pecan Groves at CAMP ALLISON, (known as Bell Hollow, midway between Junction and Sonora. Come and spend a week, fishing, swimming and boating. Good music by Junction Band.

Dances on Nights of 9th and 10th

JULY 10th

BEST DANCE PLATFORM IN WEST TEXAS---RALPH BRITT'S ORCHESTRA

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A DREAM COMES TRUE

Southbound trains leaving San Angelo this morning will carry with them hundreds of "first train" passengers, but more important will be the everlasting binding of the Concho and Devil's River counties.

As that first train steams its way through Christoval and Eldorado to blaze its way on to Sonora a dream will have been realized. It is easy to say that a dream will have been realized, but neither printed paper, nor spoken word will ever be capable of portraying that dream.

Names, many of them, could be mentioned as belonging to persons who have played a big part in the realization of the project. The backing of some \$3,000,000 and the reason for building of the road lies in the fact that the resources of a great country are ample to warrant it.

W. L. Aldwell, J. B. Christian, James Cornell, G. W. Stephenson—those are a few of the leaders to whom much credit is due. Behind them is the name of Arthur Stillwell, who visioned the road years before. Hundreds of others played an important part—but the productivity of the soil and the resources of the Concho and Devil's River counties stand out as the primary factors in that first train's journey this morning to Christoval, the resort city, Eldorado, coming oil center and Sonora, famed ranch city.—San Angelo Times, July 1.

CURBING THE GRAFTERS

President Hoover has signed the bill which provides for a Federal system of licensing dealers in perishable products.

The effect of this law will be to give the Government the power to regulate the business practices of commission houses and others doing an interstate business.

This may prove to be of as great benefit to the farmers of the United States as any other measure intended for farm relief. Every grover of commodities shipped to distant markets has had, at one time or another, experience with dishonest commission houses, at the terminal markets. Practices which are notoriously corrupt have been common. The individual shippers is at a great disadvantage when, instead of getting a check for his produce he gets a bill for freight and expenses with the calm explanation that the produce has been spoiled in transit, or sold on a glutted market, or that some other cause had prevented its sale at a price sufficient to cover costs.

There are honest commission houses, of course. Probably the great majority of dealers in produce, livestock, poultry and dairy products do business as honorably as business is done anywhere. Their risks are large, and they are entitled to profits proportioned to the risk. But there have been enough instances uncovered of deception and fraud on the part of commission houses to make such legislation as this necessary for the protection not only of shippers but of the honest men in the produce business.

The Federal Government seems to be only authority which has a chance of cleaning up this situation. State and local authorities are not inclined to press the claims of farmers and shippers who pay taxes several hundred or thousand miles away, against their own citizens and taxpayers. The Federal Government alone can exercise authority over interstate commerce.

It is to be hoped that the machinery for the enforcement of this new law will be set up speedily and that it will operate efficiently enough to give the grower and shipper the assurance that, whatever other causes may operate to keep him from getting the best price for his products, he will at least not be cheated by the agent to whom he has consigned them.

Your cleaning and pressing appreciated at any time. J. W. Trainer Cleaners. Adv.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Cooper were in from the ranch for the celebration.

Miss Ada Steen was among the Sonorans who rode the first train into Sonora.

Ira Glasscock and family were here the latter part of last week to visit with relatives.

H. Welge of San Angelo was here Tuesday greeting old friends and enjoying the rail jubilee.

Mr. and Mrs. John Blanks of Bronte visited with friends here during the big celebration.

Clifton Brooks of Big Lake was here this week guests of friends and attended the celebration.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Love left Wednesday for a week's visit with Mrs. Love's relatives at Bandera.

Mr. and Mrs. John T. Cooper of Mertzton were guests during the jubilee of their son, Dave Cooper.

Mr. and Mrs. B. N. Weatherby of Big Lake were visiting friends and relatives here during the rail jubilee.

Mr. Davis of Rocksprings was here this week for the celebration and to visit with his sister, Mrs. Ira C. Green.

Mr. and Mrs. Russel Martin and daughter of Del Rio spent the week here with relatives and their many friends.

R. H. Chalk, livestock commission man of Del Rio, was here for the rail fiesta and to visit with his son and daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Rose of Del Rio were here Wednesday, the guests of Mrs. Rose's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Miers.

Mans Hoggett and wife, who ranch near Mertzton, are here this week, the guests of relatives and attended the celebration.

Walter Whitehead, prominent Val Verde county ranchman, helped Sonora in celebrating the completion of steel rails into Sonora.

Miss Gretna Roy Smith of Temple is here for a visit with cousins, Mrs. H. L. Taylor, Jap Holman, R. D. Trainer and Bud Smith.

Mrs. Lillian Allison of San Angelo was on the first train to this city, and while here was a guest of Miss Clara Allison.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Luckie and daughter, Miss Eva, from San Saba were here this week. They were former residents of Sonora.

Millard Cope, editor of the Sweetwater Reporter, visited with relatives in Sonora this week and attended the two-day celebration.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Nisbett of Plainview were here Tuesday and Wednesday for the celebration. Mrs. Nisbett is a sister to Roy E. Aldwell.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Williams and children of Rocksprings were guests in the home of Mrs. Williams' brother, Mayor Roy Aldwell and family.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Briant of San Angelo were guests of friends here during the celebration. Mr. Briant is a former sheriff of Sutton county.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Whitehead and family of Del Rio were among the thousands who attended the rail celebration here Tuesday and Wednesday.

Miss Mildred Labenske is here from Winters and has charge of the Style Shop during her mother's absence. Mrs. Labenske will return Saturday.

Ruby Davis and family from Georgetown attended the two-day celebration here and were guests of his mother, Mrs. J. L. Davis, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Newby and small son of Brackettville were here for the celebration and were guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hi Eastland.

A. C. Elliott returned Wednesday afternoon from Henderson where he was called to attend the funeral of his mother who died from paralysis.

George Whitehead, who ranches south of here on Devil's River, was among those celebrating with Sonora during the rail jubilee here Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed L. Meers of Menard were guests of the Vander Stuckens during the celebration. Mr. and Mrs. Meers are parents of Mrs. Joseph Vander Stucken.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Rees of Big Lake were visitors here during the celebration. Mr. Rees is manager of the Wm. Cameron & Co. lumber yard at Big Lake.

Sid Martin and son, Jack, of Del Rio, were here for the two-days of merriment. While here they

were guests of their uncle and nephew, Woodie Martin and family.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Whitehead of Del Rio were visitors here during the celebration and while here were guests in the home of Mrs. Whitehead's sister, Mrs. Roy E. Aldwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Stokes Williams, Mertzton ranch people, were here during the celebration. They were guests in the home of Mrs. Williams' sister, Mrs. Clyde Gardner.

Mrs. Maud Dabney of San Angelo came down on the first Santa Fe train to visit with her son, C. S. Keene, proprietor of the City Garage, and to attend the rail celebration.

Haynes Luckie and wife, former Sutton ranch people, were here from San Saba for the rail celebration. They were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Woodie Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Powell and son, prominent Menard county people, were here for the celebration. They were guests of Mrs. Powell's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Sam McKnight.

Mrs. Beall Freeman and daughter returned Wednesday from Blanco where they had been to visit with Mrs. Freeman's brother, Claude Etheridge who was injured in a recent car wreck.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bradford and family, former Sutton county ranch people, were here from Del Rio for the celebration and to visit with Mr. Bradford's sister, Mrs. Arthur Simmons and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Hunt returned to San Angelo Saturday with their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. James Cornell. They had been on a visit to the northern states for a couple of weeks.

Emil Vander Stucken, young attorney of San Angelo, was here for the rail celebration and to visit with his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Vander Stucken, prominent Sonora people.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Bryson and son, Duke, were here from Uvalde for the two-day celebration. The Brysons are former Sutton ranch people and have many friends in this section of the country.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bridges and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bridges and families of Del Rio, while attending the celebration here, were guests in the homes of their sisters, Mesdames M. M. Stokes and Dock Friend.

Jim Glasscock of Menard was here Monday for the celebration and to visit with his brother, Bob Glasscock and family. Mr. Glasscock went to the Van Horn section where he will manage a ranch for Wm. Bevans.

Mrs. John Ogden of San Angelo rode the special train into Sonora July 1st and returned that night. While here she was the guest of her son Cyrus "the Great," popular mechanic at the Sonora Motor Company.

Robert Brusenhan and his young bride came in the latter part of last week from Ruston, La., where they were recently married. Mrs. Brusenhan was formerly Miss Hammet, daughter of prominent and respected citizens of Ruston. They are residing at the C. O. Ridley residence. Mr. Brusenhan is prescription clerk at the Corner Drug Store.

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A Round of Slugs

(By S. U. M. Bull)

The big rail celebration is over, but Sonora and Sutton county citizens are still rejoicing over the fact that trains will continue to run into the "Capital of the Stockman's Paradise." Rails into Sonora will help to commercialize this city, and will afford the ranchmen a way to get their livestock out of here without so much expense and shrinkage.

Steel rails have already helped our city. Due to the fact that we have rails several wholesale houses will come into Sonora, and they will be an asset to the town. Among the new enterprises that have already come and will come are: two or three oil and gas stations, wool warehouse, steam laundry, salt plant and others.

W. L. Aldwell, known as the "Father" of Sonora, was unable to be present for the celebration, but his thoughts were in Sonora. And many old timers here thought of the venerable old gentleman who was instrumental in securing the Santa Fe to lay rails to Sonora. Lying in a Ft. Worth hospital Mr. Aldwell lay awake picturing his first iron horse and regretting his being unable to be one of the first passengers. However, Mr. Aldwell holds the first ticket on the new extension.

There were many old timers from almost everywhere who came here to see the first train halt at the depot. Among them were: George and Walter Whitehead of Del Rio; Judge J. A. Whitten of Eldorado; B. M. Halbert and his brother, Bob, of San Angelo and many others.

Buster Halbert and his assistants deserve much credit in the manner the barbecue was conducted. Young Halbert seems to have inherited the love for his home town from his father, B. M., one of the most progressive ranchmen in this country. Here's congratulations to those bugs who ably fed the great multitudes who feasted on the meats barbecued by "Uncle" Ben Binyon, famous West Texas chef.

Congratulations are due the hundreds who were here and for the manner in which they conducted themselves. It was one of the most orderly celebrations in the history of the town. No more than half a dozen arrests were made and those were for gambling at the carnival.

G. W. Stephenson has done his part in getting the railroad here and along with him were W. A. Miers, George S. Allison, B. M. Halbert, R. A. Halbert, Roy Aldwell, Sam E. McKnight, Cauthorn Bros., E. F. Vader Stucken, Judge L. W. Elliott and many others who can now reap the benefits.

The Sonora Lions Club did its part in arranging for the entertainment. The Lions and officials of the Stockman's Paradise Association worked together harmoniously and everything went off smoothly. Roy Aldwell, president

of the Association, and W. R. Barnes, general manager, are to be congratulated.

In respect to W. L. Aldwell, some of the older cowboys formed a line in front of his house. In that line were Walter Whitehead, G. W. Stephenson, "Uncle" Johnnie Johnson, D. Wallace, Fred Berger, Mr. Schrier and others. A picture of these men who helped to develop Sutton county into a paradise will be published in this paper in the near future.

SAM KARNES WEDS MISS DRAKE OF SAN ANGELO

Miss Euda Marie Drake, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Will Drake, became the bride of Sam Karnes, Sonora ranchman, at a quiet ceremony performed by the Rev. Grady Timmons at 7 o'clock Sunday morning at the home of the bride's parents, 8002 Baker, with only the immediate families of the bride and groom being present.

Summer flowers adorned the living room where the ceremony was said. The bride wore a blue French model in princess style with long sleeves and carried a shower bouquet of pink roses.

Mr. and Mrs. Karnes left immediately for a trip to points of interest in Colorado. The bride wore for her going away frock a tailored suit in black and white with accessories to match.

The bride was formerly a student of C. I. A. at Denton. Mr. Karnes, who is the son of Mrs. Lula Karnes of Sonora, is a graduate of A. & M. College. He is ranching near Sonora and on their return the bride and groom will make their home on the ranch.—San Angelo Times.

Mr. Karnes is one of Sutton county's most liked and prominent young ranchmen, and has a legion of friends who wish for him and his life-mate all the joys in life.

NOTICE

I have partially regained my health and have resumed selling land and livestock on commission. I am making my headquarters at the Naylor Hotel in San Angelo. There is not any one connected with me in the business.

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**FORMER SONORA BOY
MINE BLAST VICTIM**

Alpine, June 30.—Clayton McCollum, 22, Alpine, was killed Sunday by a dynamite blast in the Rainbow mines near Terlingua. McCollum, a student at Sul Ross College in the winter, had been working in the mines during vacation. His father, R. C. McCollum, is a prominent Big Bend ranchman.

Young McCollum was a former Sonora boy, his parents having owned large ranching interests south of town. The victim was a cousin of Ira, Edgar, Collier and Merton Shurley.

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With the Churches

METHODIST CHURCH
Sunday school 9:45 a. m. M. O. Britt, Supt.
Preaching 11 a. m. and 8:30 p. m. by the pastor.
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You are welcome to all these services.

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BAPTIST CHURCH
Our regular services: Sunday School at 10; preaching at 11 by the pastor.
Everyone welcome.

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HEARD ON THE CORNER

Basil, the younger brother, and his wife, "Grandma" Halbert, who attained some publicity before Lindy made flying commonplace by flying from St. Louis to Ft. Worth to be at the bedside of a sick grandchild, were also among the happy crowd of former Sutton countians who were coming back to the first train. B. M. Halbert is a chevon booster. He organized the activity to change mutton goats into chevon and to place a new name in the dictionary that would designate the wonderful meat of the Angora goat. Chevonism is more than a fad with him—it is his contribution to West Texas. It is the thing that will live after he's thrown away his ear trumpet and can even hear the whispers of Saint Peter. If the great old prophet serves barbecue from the elysian pastures and anyone calls the flesh of a goat by any other name than chevon, he can expect a calling down.

There were a lot of Sonora people who came to San Angelo Monday night in order to ride down the line on the opening ride. A great many others drove to Eldorado, and there boarded the train and looked out the window with a wide grin at the crowd that packed the station platform when the first train arrived. Among those who came to San Angelo for the ride were:

J. D. Lowrey, Doris Keene, J. T. Shurley, Merton Shurley, Mrs. Merton Shurley, Max Turney, Mrs. S. T. Gilmore, Arthur Simmons, Lea Roy Aldwell, W. E. Glassecock, Catherine Keene, Mrs. Maud Dabney, Ira Shurley, Mrs. W. J. Fields, Mrs. Frank Turney, Mrs. Josie McDonald, Dorothy Simmons, Roy Aldwell, Steve Murphy, Basil Halbert, Mrs. Basil Halbert, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Beam and others.

August Meckel of San Angelo, former Sonora rancher, was one of the delighted old timers who rode the first train into the Stockman's Paradise. Mr. Meckel enjoyed telling of the hardships of the old days, and of counting up the benefits which the new line would be to the country.

**SAN ANTONIO REPRESENTED
HERE AT CELEBRATION**

H. B. Weber, vice president of the San Antonio Drug Company, and vice chairman of the San Antonio freight bureau of the S. A. Chamber of Commerce, was here for the rail celebration. He said that all of the \$650,000 bonus for the Gulf and West Texas Railroad except \$50,000 had been collected. The proposed road will come from San Antonio by Fredericksburg, Eden and to San Angelo.

Marshall M. Berry of Watkins, Montana, and family and Miss Ranta of Great Falls, and Miss Harrington of Miles City, Montana, were here three days for the rail celebration. Mr. Berry is a cousin to E. S. Long, proprietor of the barber shop which bears his name. Mr. Berry's father was one of the pioneers of this county who was instrumental in the Orient making its rail survey into this county. They left Thursday for their respective homes.

**THOSE SHEEP THAT ARE NOT
DOING WELL**

Now are the ones that will be dying within ten days; so let me treat them now to prevent the loss later.

It is as important to save these \$5 sheep as it was to save the \$15.00 ones.

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So it goes: victory after victory wherever Konjola is given the chance to prove its merits. You can put your faith in Konjola feel-

ing that you will be rewarded abundantly.
Konjola is sold in Sonora at the Corner Drug Store and by all good druggists in all towns throughout this entire section.—Adv.

G. W. Stephenson and Ed Glasscock attended the Ozona livestock show today.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Neill attended a bankers' convention in Kerrville the latter part of last week.

Mrs. A. H. Nathan and son, Aubrey, of San Antonio, were guests during the celebration of Mrs. Nathan's sister, Mrs. Clyde Gardner.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Cope, former Sonora people, were here from Eldorado Tuesday for the celebration. While here they were guests of Mrs. Cope's sister, Mrs. Clyde Gardner.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Holekamp, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Kendrick, Van Martin and Louis Coleman, Junction; Fred Hall of Eden; Clifton Brooks, Big Lake, and Miss Lillian White from the McKnight ranch, formed a merry house party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Baker during the two days of celebration commemorating Sonora's new railroad.

NOTICE

I have taken charge of my insurance business and am giving my personal attention and am prepared to take care of your wants in the fire insurance business.

T. L. BENSON.

**POLITICAL
Announcements**

The following candidates announce for the offices designated, subject to the action of the Democratic primary, July 26, 1930:

For District Attorney, 112th Judicial District:

ED YARBROUGH
WEAVER H. BAKER

For Representative 16th Congressional District:

E. E. (PAT) MURPHY
R. E. THOMASON

For District Judge, 112th Judicial District:

JOE G. MONTAGUE
For County Judge:

ALVIS JOHNSON
For Sheriff and Tax Collector:

J. C. ROE
B. W. HUTCHERSON
D. Q. ADAMS

For Commissioner, Precinct No. 4:

LEE MORRIS
For County Treasurer:

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For Tax Assessor:

GEO. J. TRAINER
For County and District Clerk:

J. D. LOWREY
For Commissioner Precinct No. 3:

C. W. ADAMS
For Commissioner, Precinct 1:

JOE F. LOGAN
For Justice of the Peace, Prec. 1:

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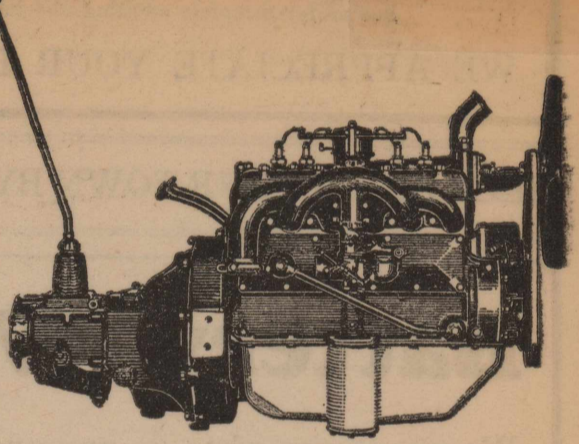
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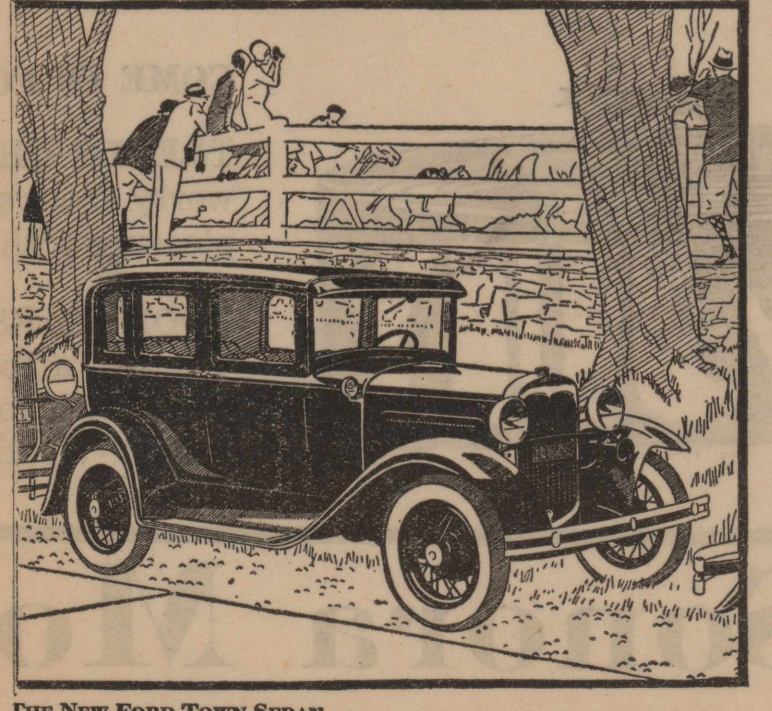
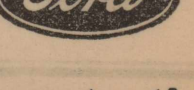
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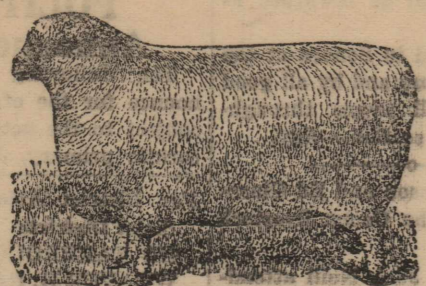
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The Devil's Dream

(By W. E. James)

The Devil stood on the platform
And watched the Indians swerve
As the Iron Horse came prancing,
'Round the mountain curve.

Six "Indian Braves" from the Tribe of the Ku-ne-ah, San Angelo, entertained the impatient but good-natured crowd that restlessly awaited the arrival of Sonora's first train Tuesday morning. The Red Men were led by their chief in war dances, yells and war whoops to the accompaniment of a tom-tom. The only difference between the looks of these young Indians and those of the wild Comanches who used to roam the Hill Country at will, lay in the fact that these fellows were tame and peaceable to a marked degree—but they had the real features of the fiercest of the one-time dreaded Comanches—war paint and all. The presence of these Ku-ne-ahs was typical of the dim distant past when this section was more than a frontier, it was a wilderness, wild and woolly.

The fifty or more cowboys and cowgirls represented the spirit of the Sonora country when in its pride and glory—a cow country second to none in the west. Gov. Pat M. Neff, in his responsive address paid the cowboy a deserved compliment, but said that his pass-completely from the scene of action was certain and only a matter of time. Just as the Indians gave way to the white man's approach so, also, must the inadequate means of transportation give way to necessities of progress. A number of those cowboys, no doubt, can recall times when it was necessary to drive cattle "up the trail," in order to reach a market. The cattle drives have become shorter and shorter, as the great railroads pressed farther into the unknown wilds of un-

developed territory until now the greatest one of all has reached our very doors. There always will be a place for the cowboy on our big ranches, but the drudgery of making long drives to reach a market has been swept aside by the coming of the great Iron Horse. The modern cowboy knows little of the trials and tribulations of "up the trail" driving or the heart-rending, nerve-racking task of holding together an angry and frightened herd, and the old fellows who saw actual service in the early days, can but draw upon the store house of memory or day-dream of the strenuous times past and gone.

Another evidence of the march of progress, and just to prove that Sonora is up to the times, is cited in motion pictures taken at the time the golden spike was driven, the last link in the chain of steel connecting Sonora with the outside world of progress. Lea Roy Aldwell manipulated the instrument that recorded the every move connected with this impressive ceremony. Years hence children and grandchildren—maybe great-grandchildren of Sonora will be privileged to witness over and over again the setting of the gold spike, the swing of the heavy hammer, and note the satisfied but determined look upon the faces of the men who finished the task, the beginning of which had its inception in the minds of sturdy pioneers more than two score years ago. Those who, in years to come, may have opportunity to live again the hour, will have to tune their memory to the sounds of the band and hear again that song of all songs, "The Eyes of Texas," as rendered by Harold Broome and his Damolay band.

Sonora never does things by halves. And for this reason the Lions Club selected the right men to carry out the program of feeding the mighty multitude which the

town had every right to expect as guests upon the memorable First of July, A. D. 1930. Bustie Halbert, S. H. Stokes and E. R. Lawrence composed the committee in charge of the free barbecue. These gentlemen selected such assistants as they felt sure would render a service in keeping with the event. That their judgment was excellent proved itself in the way the crowds were cared for during the noon hours of Tuesday and Wednesday. These men did as much for the comfort of the visitors as any other loyal Sonoran who had the best interests of the town at heart. It was a good barbecue and well served. If any visitor went away unfed it must have been his fault or else he just "natch'ly" wasn't hungry, at all.

The Damolay band of Angelo with its drum corps, furnished excellent music for the celebration. Director Broome knows music and just how to present it in a pleasing and inspiring way.

As a wearer of an "Ask me" ribbon, the Dreamer was asked, and he answered three questions: A young lady asked: "Are all the good looking cowboys married?" No'm. A little boy asked: "Hey, Mister, which street do they run the races on?" And a fellow about "three sheets in the wind" wanted to know where he could find a good bootlegger.

Two-Gun Ike said that if Johnnie Hamby couldn't rope a cow any better than the trials he made at roping Sonora's first train, he had better quit the cow game and go back to the barbering business. Johnnie was handy enough with his lariat, but his horse was shy of the puffing monster Johnnie was trying to snare. Two-Gun said his brother, Hostid Bill coulda roped the darn thing, only he wasn't here to do it. Maybe so.

Local Matron Tells of Husband's Relief

"Argotane has brought my husband the first relief he has had in three or four years of suffering from stomach trouble," said Mrs. Mary Moreley, of 244 Ray Ave., San Antonio, Texas, in describing to the Argotane representative the case of her husband, James Moreley.

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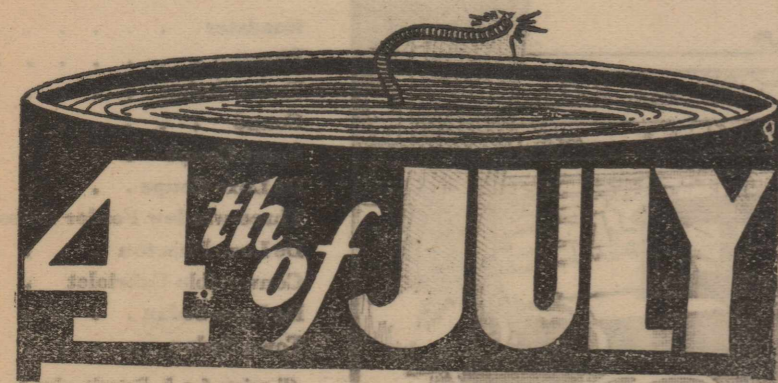
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