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STREET PAVING DISCUSSED BY COMMISSIONERS

PROJECT WOULD INCLUDE 3 BLOCKS IF AGREEABLE TO LAND OWNERS

Paving of three blocks of streets here was discussed at a regular meeting of the city commission Monday night, however, nothing definite was decided. The blocks which would be paved are from the McDonald Hotel to the residence of Sam Hull, from W. A. Miers corner to intersection at Main, from Sam Hull's residence to the Ira Shurley residence. The retopping of four and one-half blocks in the business section was not considered.

The cost of the paving would be about \$20,000, it is thought. If agreeable with property owners warrants will be issued, according to Mayor Aldwell. The contract would be let in time for the work to start next spring.

The city commissioners are anxious for property owners to express their opinions relative to the proposed paving.

State Gives Laws to Fur Trappers

Game, Fish and Oyster Commission Asks Trappers to Read the Laws

The following letter from J. R. Colley, of the fur division of the state game, fish and oyster commission, in answer to various questions, will be of much value to those engaged in trapping or selling furs: Austin, Texas, 1930-31 Trapping Season.

Dear Sir:—In answer to your letter of recent date, this is to advise that fur tax receipt tags are not sent out unless money order is enclosed with application. Stamps will not be accepted.

If you are a trapper over the age of 17 years you must have a trapper's license regardless of whether you trap on your own land or the land of another. All pelts must be tagged before sold whether the trapper is over or under 17 years of age.

There are two kinds of tax tags. The 5c tags must be attached to the pelts of raccoon and mink. The 1c tags must be attached to the pelts of badger, civet cat, fox, muskrat, opossum, pole-cat or skunk, and ringtail cat. The tags must be attached to each individual pelt and not to the bundle.

Beaver and otter pelts cannot be taken or possessed in any county in Texas; neither can they be shipped. Fox pelts cannot be taken, possessed or shipped in certain counties (see page 5 of the Fur Laws). Each pelt of fur-bearing animals must be tagged whether in Texas or shipped out of Texas.

Game laws govern game animals and game birds. Fur laws govern fur-bearing animals. Be sure that you know the difference in these laws.

Steel traps, snares, deadfalls, or any mechanical device other than a gun or pistol cannot be used in certain counties (see page 4 of the Fur Laws); but you can take fur-bearing animals in these counties with gun or dog.

No headlight, flashlight or spotlight can be used but you may use an ordinary lantern or torch when hunting at night.

All pelts must be tagged before they are sold, offered for sale, bartered or shipped. It is also against the law to buy or offer to buy pelts that have not been tagged.

Tags may be purchased from any game and fish warden or from this office by stating the numbers of 5c and 1c tags you want. Be sure to enclose your money order when applying for tags.

Predatory animals such as wolves, coyotes, bob-cats, wild cats, mountain lions, weasels, etc., may be taken at any time of the year and no tax receipt tag is required to be placed on their pelts.

Read your "Digest of Fur-bearing Animal Laws" carefully. If you do not have a copy write to the game, fish and oyster commis-

New Army Head



Major General Douglas MacArthur who has just taken over the job of Chief of Staff, the youngest man ever to hold that highest Army post. He is 50.

Bronchos and Coach to Be Lions Guests

An Interesting Program Is Being Prepared By Committee. Bronchos to Respond

Following an annual custom the Sonora Lions Club voted last Monday to tender a banquet to the Sonora Bronchos, their coach, Joe Berry, and Supt. Ted M. White, next Monday, December 8. The invitation has been accepted and it is reported the boys will be there eighteen strong.

Speaking for the program committee, which is composed of J. W. Trainer, Frank Snodgrass and W. C. Gilmore, Mr. Gilmore said the main features would be two minute talks from five football orators. A musical number or two will also be a part of the entertainment, he stated.

Fruit Fly Vanquished

Dr. O. G. Babcock, government entomologist from the Experiment Station, reported that the quarantine against Florida grapefruit had been lifted; that after a strenuous fight against the Mediterranean fruit fly, he was pleased to report that the pest had been conquered and now there were no flies in the United States. The doctor stated that the campaign had cost about two million five hundred thousand dollars.

A splendid program had been prepared by the committee, Bob Vicars, Claude Keene and Bud Smith, but owing to a slight illness the young ladies could not appear. Secretary W. E. James, in the role of "pinch-hitter," saved the committee the usual one dollar fine for failure to provide a program. The secretary gave a humorous reading, "Troy's First Speech," followed by harmonica selections, which were heartily applauded.

Guests of the club were Dr. Craddock, J. L. Airington and Thos. Espy.

BETTER HEALTH PROGRAM BEGUN

The Miller Maid Better Health movement, under the direction of L. A. Temple, will be held at the Kirkland Hotel, Saturday evening, December 6th at 7:00 when Mrs. Ethel French and daughter, Mrs. C. B. Searcy, will be hostesses.

This work is in connection with the proper preparation of food and its relationship to the health of mankind. Better health entertainments will be held in the homes of Sonora from time to time, Mr. Temple said.

CITY TO PROHIBIT SHOOTING FIREWORKS

The city commissioners and mayor have issued a warning to those who have been shooting fireworks within the incorporate limits. They declare that shooting fireworks is not only dangerous, confusing with fire alarms, creates a greater fire hazard but increases the local fire rate. They are asking that the people heed the warning.

Lum Hefflin brought in a big eight-pointer last Friday.

son, Austin, for a free copy. Be sure to give your name, R. F. D. number, box number and town. J. R. COLLEY, Fur Division.

"Eat More Lamb" Clubs

A very significant article appeared in a recent issue of the "Business Week" entitled "Lambs Glut Chicago Market."

Among other things it was remarked that: "All wholesale meat prices are about one-fifth to one-third lower than a year ago—with lamb the lowest, the decline being 30 per cent."

"Sheep and lambs in the country have increased from thirty-eight million in 1925 to forty-nine million this year."

This gives a graphic illustration of the deplorable condition the sheep industry finds itself at the present time and is responsible for the pitifully low prices which sheep raisers are offered for their lambs.

Leaders in the sheep industry have seen this situation coming, and, in truth, the Department of Agriculture warned of the tendency towards over production more than three years ago.

There is only one way to effectively remedy this situation, both for the immediate future and for the good of the industry over the years to come, and that is to increase the consumer demand for lamb meat so that the sheep raiser will not be confronted with this condition of over supply and under consumption.

Accordingly, the "Eat More Lamb" Club is now well under way. The purpose of this organization is to band together sheep raisers, bankers, business men, and all who are interested in the future of the sheep industry, into an organization for the purpose of setting about to scientifically and definitely increase the demand for lamb meat in the United States.

No movement was ever started in the western country which bears more vitally upon the prosperity of the entire section and interest is already running high.

There is only one method of becoming a member of the Texas "Eat More Lamb" Club, and each member in good standing will be given an attractive little button which will designate him as one who is seriously interested in the future of the industry. In order to completely explain the reasons behind the movement and to give those who wish an opportunity to join the club, a schedule of meetings has been arranged at key points in the Texas sheep producing counties. At these meetings the manager, E. S. Mayer, of the Texas "Eat More Lamb" Club and a speaker with illustrated charts, will completely explain the plans. It is of utmost importance that

those directly, or indirectly, interested in the prosperity of the sheep raiser should be at one of these meetings. The following is the detailed schedule:

Saturday, Dec. 6, Ozona, 9 a. m.; Sonora, 2:30.

Tuesday, 16, Kerrville, 9 a. m.; Junction, 2:00 p. m.

Wednesday, 17, Rocksprings 9:00 a. m.

Thursday, 18, Del Rio, 9 a. m.; Uvalde, 3:00 p. m.

All readers are urged to study this schedule over carefully and decide upon one of these meetings and make every effort to attend, for it is promised that the meeting will be of intense interest and it is believed will be the starting point of permanent prosperity for the sheep-raising sections.

Might Organize to Fight Sheep Thieves

Recent Illicit Practices in This Section Prompts Ranchmen to Get Organized

Sheep and goat stealing continues in this section, say various ranchmen. Only a few days ago 80 head of lambs were stolen from a ranch near town, and according to latest information the thieves have not been apprehended.

An organization which was functioning until a few months ago has been disbanded, but ranchmen say another one will be organized in the near future to fight the livestock thieves. It is the opinion that heavy rewards would help to stop the illicit practice.

The Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association have a standing reward of \$500 to the officer whose apprehensions lead to the conviction of sheep and goat thieves. However, this reward will not be paid to any person except an officer of the law who makes the arrest.

Various ranchmen have declared that rewards should be paid to any person who is responsible for the conviction of the thief, believing that in this manner more attention would be paid in order to collect the rewards. It has been stated that a meeting will be called here in the near future for a ranchman's protective organization.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bridge and mother of Del Rio were here this week for a visit with relatives. They accompanied their mother to Sonora after a visit in Del Rio.

Great Scientist



Sir Chandrasekhara Venkata Raman, Hindu physicist, who has been awarded the \$45,000 Nobel Prize in physics for his research in light.

Mrs. Halbert's Mother Buried

Mrs. Ida Huggins, 58, of San Angelo, Buried There Last Wednesday

Funeral services for Mrs. Ida Huggins, mother of Mrs. Robert Halbert of this city, who died at her home in San Angelo Monday, were conducted from the Immanuel Baptist church at three o'clock Wednesday afternoon. The Rev. N. E. McGuire officiated, and was assisted by the Rev. W. P. Ray and Rev. E. D. Dunlap. Mrs. Huggins was a native Texan. She had been residing in San Angelo for six years, moving there from Winters.

Survivors include the husband, B. E. Huggins, two daughters, Mrs. W. W. Petty of San Angelo and Mrs. Robert Halbert of this city, a son, Carl R. Huggins of Riverside, Ga., five grandchildren, three sisters and two brothers.

The pall bearers were W. W. Rahl, W. L. Douthit, H. K. Fox, W. F. Feel, Byron McWhorter, W. F. Floyd, W. A. Perry, J. A. Talley, Lem Johnson of Sonora, and Ben Spill and J. R. Cook both of Winters.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Halbert who were present from Sonora were Mr. and Mrs. Lem Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Evans and son, Mrs. J. A. Smith, Rev. J. O. McMillon, Mrs. C. E. Stites and Annella, Mrs. Rose Thorp, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Sawyer, Mrs. Ira Shurley, Mrs. J. A. Cauthorn, Mrs. M. M. Stokes and Lena V., Rev. E. P. Neal, Mrs. Thomas Espy, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Jones and Harva, Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Halbert, Mrs. Dock Friend and Miss Bernice, Roy Hudspeth and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bridge of Del Rio.

MASON BEATS SONORA TEAM HERE, 19 TO 7

BENEFIT CLASH NETS \$17 FOR SONORA SCHOOL ATHLETIC FUND

Lack of wind resulted in defeat for the Sonora All-Stars here Sunday afternoon at the hands of the Mason Mavericks.

The game was a hard fought battle from start to finish with the Mavericks getting the big end of the count, resulting in the score of 19 to 7. Had Sonora been in condition and practiced as the Mavericks have done the score would have been different. But it was too late to "grieve over spilled milk."

Everett James took a pass and carried it 35 yards and then bucked it over for Sonora's only touchdown. B. Hamilton kicked for the extra point. This happened in the first quarter when it looked like a walk-over for the All-Stars, but the Sonora boys' wind did not last.

It is reported that Mason had been practicing under the arcs two hours every night for the past month and were in fine condition when they trounced the All-Stars. Mason had not been scored on in the ten games they have played this season. Several Southwest Conference men were members of the team that outlasted the Sonora boys.

Gate receipts amounted to about \$67, fifty of which were given to Mason as a guarantee. Seventeen dollars went to the school athletic fund.

Sonora's starting line-up:
Hillman Brown Center
A. B. Shoemaker Left guard
Max Lesman Left tackle
Jodie Trainer Left end
Allison Right guard
Izzy Leaman Right tackle
Joe Berry Right end
Everett James Full back
Cliff Johnson Left half
B. Hamilton Right half
Monte Woolford Quarter

Three Men Charged With Sheep Stealing

Fourth Man Who Is Alleged to Have Stolen Sheep Has Not Been Arrested

E. A. and "Bud" Welch and Charlie Harrington, of Camp Wood and Rocksprings, have had charges of sheep theft filed against them and will be lodged in the Sutton county jail tomorrow, according to Sheriff B. W. Hutcherson. The fourth man had not been arrested early this morning, but it is thought that his detention will be affected at an early date.

The two Welch boys and Harrington, according to the complaint, stole two truck loads of ewe lambs from the Frank Baker ranch early one morning about three weeks ago. Stripped sacks, used in a makeshift corral in a corner of the Baker pasture, were left, and it is thought that the alleged thieves were in a hurry to make their departure. The lambs were carried over the fence and put in trucks and from there carried through Rocksprings.

Mr. Hutcherson said that the sheep had not been recovered today, but expressed a belief that they would be returned to the Baker ranch soon. Charlie Miller, special officer for the Sheep and Goat Raisers Association, aided Mr. Hutcherson in apprehending the accused men.

Frank Baker, the owner of the lambs, has offered a reward of \$200 for the arrest of the thieves and the same amount for the recovery of the animals.

LADIES AID SOCIETY MEETS WEDNESDAY

The Ladies Aid Society of the Baptist church will meet in regular session at the home of Mrs. J. A. Cauthorn, with Mrs. J. C. Baker as joint hostess, Wednesday afternoon at three o'clock. All members of the church and society and others interested, are urged to come and bring their donations for the bazaar fund. There will be a special program.



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JEWELRY — DIAMONDS — GIFTS

PERSONALS

Mrs. S. T. Gilmore left Wednesday for Christoval for her health.

Mrs. J. D. Lowrey is spending the week with her mother at Mason.

Mrs. J. A. Smith returned the first of the week from San Antonio.

Ben Cusenbary was here from the ranch Thursday afternoon on business.

Mrs. Gus Love and Mrs. Clarence Love were in Sonora Wednesday shopping.

Miss Ada Steen visited here Thursday with her sister, Mrs. Woodie Martin.

B. B. Dunbar, owner of several ranches, was a business visitor here Wednesday.

Ruby Davis, Edwards county ranchman, transacted business in Sonora Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Awalt spent Thanksgiving with relatives at Brady and Mason.

Roy Hudspeth, banker and ranchman, transacted business in Sonora Wednesday morning.

W. R. Nisbet, special agent for Sutton county, was a business visitor in Eldorado Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Holman were here from the ranch Thursday afternoon on business and visiting.

John Cauthorn, a prominent young Sutton county ranchman, was here on business Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Dilla Sykes returned Friday from Lampasas where she had been visiting Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Joy for the past week.

L. A. Barnes, of the auditing department of the Marathon Oil Company of Tulsa, Okla., was here Wednesday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Hunt were here from the ranch Thursday, the guests of Mrs. Hunt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Savell.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Taylor carried their little daughter, Elizabeth, to San Angelo Wednesday for treatment of one of her ears.

Rufus Ward, who has recently recovered from typhoid fever, left the first of the month to serve as principal of the Eastland schools.

B. Hamilton, of the Hamilton Grocery, was able to be up and about his place of business Tuesday after being confined with the flu.

Mrs. R. K. James returned the first of the week from Ozona where she had been visiting with her son, Frank, and brother, Chris-Meinicke.

Miss Lois Thomas and Miss Lois West, popular operators at the San Angelo Telephone Company, and Earl Duncan spent Thanksgiving in Villa Acuna.

Miss Leasel Vander Stucken, of San Antonio, is the guest this week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vander Stucken. Miss Vander Stucken is a cousin of Mr. Vander Stucken.

The Fort Worth Star-Telegram only 75 cents per month. Get it at the Sonora Drug Co.—Adv.

With the Churches

METHODIST CHURCH

We still feel greatly encouraged about our church attendance and the interest being manifested. Our Sunday school is well graded and divided into five departments so that we can provide religious training for all ages. We invite everyone to attend. Come, send your children.

The sermon topic next Sunday morning will be "The Relation of Christianity to Science." This is a subject that is being discussed by authorities on both subjects. "Excess Baggage" will be the subject at 7:30 p. m.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday school at 10, and preaching at 11 by the pastor. A hearty welcome is extended to all.

The church should be well represented at the monthly business meeting next Wednesday night at 7:30, at which time we should discuss our plans for next year.

"Never speak evil of anyone if you do not know it for a certainty; and if you know it for a certainty, then ask yourself, 'Why should I tell it?'"

"Watching the other man's patch will not keep the weeds out of your own."

"Opportunity never knocks at the door of a knocker."

"Bees cannot make honey and sting at the same time."

"Have you ever observed that people who criticize most sharply accept criticism most ungraciously?"

"You cannot whitewash yourself by blackening others."

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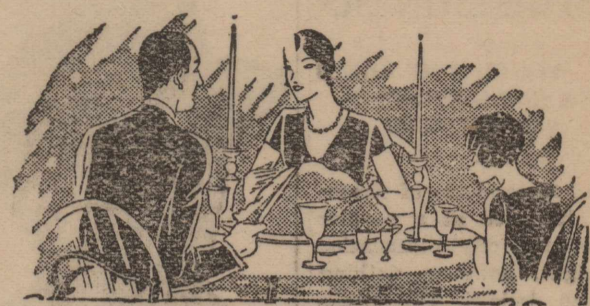
SONORA, TEXAS

Mrs. Arthur Simmons, who has been in San Antonio for several weeks for her health, recently returned. Her many friends are glad to know that she is much improved and recovering rapidly.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Neill returned from Cuero Tuesday night where Mrs. Neill had been visiting relatives. At San Antonio they were joined by Mrs. Robert Brusenhan who had been in Louisiana for three weeks with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Sterling Baker returned Monday from Fort Worth where she had been to visit her daughter, Miss Dorothy, who is attending Texas Christian University. While there she saw the last football game of the season when T. C. U. defeated S. M. U.

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No. 2 1-2 Van Camp Hominy	10c
No. 2 Van Camp Hominy	7c
1 package Fab (for fine laundering)	10c
1 package Quick Naptha Soap Chips	5c
8 bars Crystal Write Soap	32c
8 bars P. & G. Naptha Soap	32c
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No. 2 Van Camp Pumpkin	10c
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FOURTEENTH INSTALLMENT

He took her to a desk and gave her paper and a pen.

Julie wrote a few hurried lines. "I didn't mean it, Lawrence, dear. I want you to come back to me. Please ring me in the morning.—Julie."

It was a relief to have written that, and she half smiled as she thought how unnecessary it was to have added the last words. He would not ring her, he would come around, she was sure, he would come early, perhaps even tonight if he was back in time, and then in the morning they would go away and make some sort of happiness together.

Julie tried hard not to think beyond tomorrow, but although she was so tired, and felt ready to drop,

she could not sleep. She lay awake for hours listening to every sound.

In the early morning Julie dozed off to sleep, only waking when she heard the maid let herself into the flat and move about in the kitchen lighting the fire.

Presently she brought tea and a note. "It was lying on the mat when I came in, Miss."

Julie glanced at the handwriting, then sat up, her pulses jerking. It was from Lawrence Schofield. She was conscious of a warm glow of pleasure.

He loved her—it was something to be happy about in a world that held no real happiness. He must have brought it himself late last night. Perhaps, after all, it had been his footstep out side which she had heard.

She broke open the seal, the envelope felt unusually bulky, she drew out its contents—her own note which she had written last night in the hotel lounge, torn across and across into minute pieces. That was all.

When Giles Chittenham got back to his mother's house she met him in the hall.

"Your wife has been asking for you all the evening. I said I would send you up as soon as you came."

As he went upstairs he could hear Sadie's voice, high-pitched and hysterical, and he stopped for a moment, his hand clutching the stair rail, a terrible sense of loss and irrevocable fate gripping his heart.

When she heard Chittenham's voice, she turned her head towards the door, and stared at him with her wild blind eyes.

"So you've come at last, have you?" she shrieked at him. "I suppose you've no use for me either, now I can't see."

She beat her hands frantically on the brass rail, and the nurse who had been standing beside her, caught and held them.

Sadie burst into wild sobbing. "There's no hope for me, I know that I shall never see again as long as I live. I shall just sit here in the darkness till I die—till I die—and nobody cares—it doesn't matter to anyone in all the world what becomes of me."

Giles crossed the room and touched her shoulder. "Sadie—"

She checked her sobbing with a sharp breath, and raised her face with pathetic eagerness to hear what he had to say. She tore her hands from the nurse's grasp, and groped in front of her till she touched Chittenham's coat, then she clutched it feverishly and began sobbing once more.

"Don't leave me, Giles—be kind to me—after all, I am your wife—"

Chittenham looked at the nurse. "Please leave us."

When she had gone, he sat down beside his wife and put an arm round her.

"Sadie—you must try and be brave and listen to reason. Everything possible is being done and will be done, you know that."

Sadie was sobbing again. "You don't really care for me—nobody cares for me. Though I can't see you I know by the feel of your arm that you're just trying to be kind, while all the time you're impatient and want to get away—"

"Don't leave me alone, Giles. You don't know what it's like to be left alone in this hideous darkness. I shall go mad if you leave me. I've often felt impatient with blind people—it's bored me to have to talk to them and try to be nice to them, but I know what it's like now, and I wish I'd been kinder. I suppose it's my punishment—and yet why should I be punished? I've never done anyone any harm—"

"My dear, I want to be kind to you, but you make it so difficult for me—"

There was a little silence, which Sadie broke pitifully: "There! I'm not crying any more, am I? I'm quite now—please kiss me, Giles."

He kissed her affectionately enough, his heart torn with pity. "You don't kiss my lips," Sadie said—then she laughed brokenly, "Never mind! I suppose it's all I deserve."

She took her hands away from him and folded them in her lap to hide their trembling.

"Well—" she said after a moment as he did not speak. "What am I going to do? Or what are you going to do with me? I can't stay here, can I?"

Giles explained as gently as he could.

"In the morning I will take you away."

She interrupted quickly: "Where will you take me? To live with you?"

"Not at once. To a nursing home. I have arranged with a specialist to see you—"

She interrupted again: "It will be of no use. I know. I'm finished."

"Don't say that, Sadie."

She shuddered from head to foot. "Well, go on—and afterwards? What then?"

"Then we must see. We must make arrangements."

"Arrangements! for what? For me to be led about by a nurse or a dog for the rest of my life?" Her terrible, hysterical sobbing began afresh.

Chittenham felt that he could bear no more. He called to the nurse and made his escape. His nerves were shaking as he went downstairs. He had never imagined anything so tragic as this last half hour.

He paced up and down the library, at his wit's end to know what to do. It was long past eleven and he had all the night to drag thru.

If there was indeed no hope of Sadie ever being able to see again, how could he possibly leave her?

It would be inhuman, impossible, and yet to live with her—

Another knock at the door.

Chittenham turned impatiently. "Oh, come in, come."

"A gentleman to see you, sir. I said you were very much engaged and could see no one, but he insisted, sir, and says he will wait if he has to wait all night. The gentleman is Mr. Schofield, sir."

"Schofield!" The color rushed to Chittenham's drawn face.

Schofield! the man whom Julie had said she would marry.

Chittenham was across the room in a stride.

"Is there anything the matter—Miss Farrow—"

In his desperate anxiety Giles forgot that this man in all probability knew nothing of his relations with Julie—and when he did not immediately reply, he broke out again hoarsely.

"If anything is wrong—"

"That all depends what you mean by 'wrong,'" Schofield answered slowly.

"Yesterday evening I had the doubtful honor of a visit from a man named Lombard. I have met him before—usually, I believe, in your company. I think I am right in assuming that he is a friend of yours?"

"He was—yes."

"Yes," he said, still in that level, unnatural voice—"I believe there has been a little upset between you—over a question of money—or should we call it the price of a woman's honor?"

There was a tragic silence. Chittenham's hands were clenched behind his back—and his face was grim.

"Perhaps you would like me to

explain, Mr. Chittenham," Schofield went on, and now every sneering word was a studied insult, "or will it be sufficient if I just call you the cad and the blackguard which I know you to be?"

"I can only conclude that you are drunk," said Giles, sharply, "and that being so, the kindest thing I can do is to ring and have you shown out of the house."

He took a step towards the bell, but Schofield was too quick for him—

"That won't do," he said thickly. "I've seen that trick tried before. (Continued on page 6)

Send a copy of the "Devil" to your friends.

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STERLING, MOODY TO AID IN ADVANCING TEXAS-MADE GOODS

Waco, Dec. 3.—Governor Dan Moody and Governor-elect Ross Sterling addressed the Texas Manufacturers' meeting here yesterday, both assuring co-operation in advancing Texas industrially and advocating that manufacturers advertise Texas-made products more. The meeting was called by the all-state council of the Regional Chamber of Commerce of Texas to outline a plan to boost Texas and Texas-made goods.

MRS. LABENSKY'S SISTER BURIED NEAR AUSTIN

Mrs. Lee Labensky and daughter, Miss Mildred, returned Sunday from San Antonio where they had been to attend the funeral of Mrs. Labensky's sister, Mrs. W. S. Biles, of Hays City, who died in San Antonio Thursday night. Interment was made near Austin in the family cemetery Saturday. Mrs. Labensky was accompanied home by her husband who lives at Winters, and a sister, Mrs. John J. Swatchesue, also of Winters.

WEST TEXAS POLO ASSN. TO MEET IN MENARD

W. R. Nisbet, secretary of the West Texas Polo Association, has called a meeting to be held in Menard, Friday, December 12, and has mailed notices to members of that association.

Those who attend will be guests of the Lions Club of that city at the noon hour.

RANCH EXPERIMENT STATION GETS \$31,410

The Experiment Station, which got no additional buildings, was allotted a budget of \$15,880 the

Best Farm Cook



Mrs. M. L. Freise of Redwood Falls, Minn., winner of Thanksgiving Dinner Menu Contest conducted by the Farm Bureau Federation.

first and \$15,550 the second year in the board of control's budget recommendations submitted at Austin to the legislature. The allotment retains the \$2,400 per year for salary for two range veterinarians to study range diseases.

PASTIME CLUB MET WITH MRS. ROSE THORP

Mrs. Rose Thorp was hostess to the Thursday Pastime Club Thursday afternoon. She was assisted by Mrs. Dave Locklin.

After nine interesting games of "42" were played, chicken salad sandwiches and hot chocolate were served to the following members and guests: Mesdames J. W. Trainor, Sam Hull, W. A. Miers, E. E. Sawyer, Jim Cauthorn, Joe Brasher, Tom Driskell, D. Wallace, C. E. Stites, O. G. Babcock, J. C. Baker and M. A. Wilson.

J. L. Cook, veteran peace officer of West Texas for many years, returned from the San Antonio country where he has been for the past few weeks attending to his sheep. While enroute for San Antonio Mr. Cook had the misfortune of turning his car over and sustained several injuries.

NOTICE, CAR OWNERS

All car owners will do a favor if they will try to get their car number plates during this month. Bring your old receipts when you come after new plates. This favor will be appreciated.

B. W. HUTCHERSON, Sheriff and Tax Collector.

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SAYS WILL ROGERS



BEVERLY HILLS.—Well all I know is just what I read in the papers. And about all you read is a Murder, A Robbery, Another Murder, another Robbery, Then a train hits a loaded Auto. (They never hit em till they are loaded.) That's why more people than are not killed by a train is because there is so few really loaded Auto's.

An Engineer is careful that way, he won't hit a car with only one or two in it, he watches close and always calls his shots and gets a covey of em.

Then in between these above mentioned Columns in the News-papers there will be a fellow in the home town that has just killed his wife and attempted to kill himself. That brings up another odd coincidence. Why is it that an attempted suicide that is going to kill somebody else along with himself, why is it they never miss the other party but they are poor shots on themselves? You would think as close as they are to themselves that they couldn't miss. But they most generally do. They seem to be able to hit everybody else they shoot at but themselves. Out here in Los Angeles we had a fellow who wanted his wife killed and instead of killing her himself, and then missing himself, why he hired another fellow to do it, and what do you think he give him, \$1.39. One dollar and thirty cents, and he went in and shot her in her bed, and all he got for it was \$1.39 and all in dimes.

Then there is always a Column for Russia, for they will have been in some kind of devilment during the previous night. Last week they said that the World was plotting against them. Then named the men that have it in for em. Well they will get all their people excited over that, and that will be in the papers for a while till somebody thinks of something else. Brazil or the Argentine cant stay on our front pages over a week at a time and then they have to have a pretty fair grade of Revolution to stick that long.

Hittler over in Germany we have had his column pretty vacant here lately. He has just about run out of Gags. You just cant stay on that old page continually, the strain is too great, you cant think of enough

things to do. Mussolini has come nearer doing it than anyone we ever had during our time. He gets on there once a week or more, if he is going good. He keeps France so busy denying and denouncing that they dont know what its all about. Bernard Shaw can make the front page any time he wants to express an opinion about anything, from Einsteins Theory, to the cultivation of Whiskers or Birth Control among Authors. He is the highest paid Author in the World yet he has given away more free stuff to the papers than any man that ever lived. For everything he ever said was news, and everything any author ever said was Publicity.

The poor old Editorial pages are just about passing out. Nothing that is not accompanied by pictures of the actual killing will interest anyone any more. The readers dont want advice any more. Thats whats the matter with this country; its been advised to death. An editorial might explain the right course for everyone to pursue, but who wants to pursue it? An Instructive Editorial is kinder like the lines they used to have at the top of the old Copy writing book, it was a fine sentence, and it sounded just like what you ought to do, but you just copied it and went on. A picture of Mary Garden getting off the boat is of more importance than what Opera she is going to appear in. Her and Old Tack out in Amarillo can get in an argument and make up and get the town more advertising than the low price of wheat can.

Then you have to leave room in there someplace for the "Columnist." Pretty near every paper is afflicted with a mess of us. We are flourishing through a certain reign of insanity that perhaps wont be permanent, and we be to any of us who take the whole thing serious. I think even Mr. Coolidge knows that as soon as the Country is thoroughly adjusted that we will be in some essential line, with a smaller recompense but an easier conscience. But with all its faults the old Paper is our daily bread. Sometimes its burned, and sometimes not cooked to suit us, but we got to have it everyday, and its intelligence is always in keeping with its readers.

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HALL FEED AND GRAIN HAVE FORMAL OPENING

Upon the completion of their modern fire-proof grain house Hall Feed & Grain Company had its formal opening Wednesday night with a dance, Keating's orchestra of San Angelo furnishing the music.

Buzzy Stokes, popular Sonora young man, is manager of the Hall Feed & Grain Company here.

Do your Christmas shopping now and give the clerks a chance to enjoy the holidays.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The city has an ordinance prohibiting the shooting of fireworks in the city limits, and this ordinance carries a penalty. Shooting fireworks is not only dangerous, disturbing, etc., but increases the local fire rates. It is the order of the city commission that this ordinance will be enforced.

2tc ROY ALDWELL, Mayor.

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(By S. U. M. Bull)

Some people are heard to remark: "I had a friend from a nearby town visiting in my home; so-and-so gave a party, but it was not printed in the Devil's River News." If these people who make such remarks would let their news items be known to this paper they would see them in print: yet they wonder why The News did not print them. A newspaper, to chronicle all the happenings of the town in which it serves, must have the hearty co-operation of all.

And speaking of co-operation reminds us of some of the merchants who send out of town for printing. There are merchants in Sonora who are sending away from home for printing that could be done as well and as reasonably right here in Sonora. If they will compare the prices for which they sell goods with the prices in larger cities, and then compare out of town printing prices with those in Sonora, they could not (conscientiously) patronize none other than home enterprises.

A country newspaper, if operated as it should be, cannot help making enemies. That is true everywhere. One of the greatest newspapermen who ever lived made this statement in regard to the country weekly: "The country paper that really accomplishes anything worth while is sure to be criticized and have its enemies." There is no one man living who could please the entire population of the sections it serves. If Christ should appear upon this earth and undertake to run a newspaper He would be criticized or persecuted.

Some subscribers to this paper have been heard to say: "Why, The Devil's River News can exaggerate every thing that it publishes." If an editor of a country newspaper should print the truth, and nothing but the truth, he would never live to see the next sunrise after publication day. Some will say: "Why don't you 'roast' this person or that person," and the reason they say that is for some grudge. They would not permit some truths to be told and have their names signed at the bottom. Yet, they will ask such a favor of the country editor.

If the country newspaper editor

should garner all the gossip and slander in his town and print it in his paper there would be a wholesale funeral the next day, and the editor would have to hide himself to unknown parts of the woods.

The majority of all country newspapers are striving to build up their towns and county, and willing to, at much time and trouble, print anything that will have a tendency to further the progress of his town, and often will be the subject of severe criticism.

The columns of this paper are open to the public, free of charge, for any discussions or articles that might help toward the betterment of the town. If any reader feels inclined to express his views and opinions to the public he has permission to do so, provided he will sign his name to the epistle.

It is about time some Christmas street lighting is being done. This has been done for the past two years, and can be done now at a very small cost as wiring, globes, etc. are still intact and can be used again. Other towns have their streets lighted which denotes the holiday spirit.

A million dollar football game is predicted for the Army-Navy game. Football is being commercialized like baseball, and if it keeps up the popularity of the game will decrease. Football critics declare that football has reached its peak and will gradually dwindle to a little interest.

These is some talk of the ranchmen organizing a livestock protective association to fight livestock thieves. Recently two truck loads of lambs were stolen almost in the shadows of Sonora and carried out of the county. Warrants for the arrest of four men were made.

More rent houses and apartments are needed in Sonora. Only last week several inquiries were made for places to live. There is a good opportunity here for someone to build a few good houses, and at a reasonable rent would bring in profitable revenues.

man, living far from Sonora, who froze to death after waiting three days and nights at his mailbox for the delivery of a warm coat he had ordered from a catalog house. If this unfortunate wretch had lived in Sutton county, he would have been reading the Devil's River News, in which he would have read Sonora advertisements proving to him that local stores would have sold him his coat at a cheaper price and that he could put it on the day of its purchase. The icy blood of no frozen customers stains the hands of local merchants, because they advertise and keep everybody informed. Of course, some local business men have lost considerably while waiting for their letterheads and other job printing to be delivered from San Antonio.

Well, this winter's cold will vanish beneath the warm sun of another spring, and with it will go many troubles now besetting us. I sincerely hope that of three score and many more years will have gone the same way before anything, natural or unnatural, will happen to chill the warmth of love or to dim the glow of sympathetic understanding that brought together Mr. and Mrs. W. P. McConnell in their newly found happiness. May summer reign forever in their hearts, and may their long future together bring them naught but bliss.

Time takes its toll from men's faces as well as in other ways, as I was reminded when last week's News brought me the latest picture of Senator Shipstead of Minnesota, who will hold such a strategic position in the next congress. I knew the Senator when he first entered politics. He was then a long, lean hardy Scandinavian boy. His picture, now, shows him to have put on considerable weight, and his face is lined by the weight of care and the ravages of serious illness. There are tolls as well as compensations to a public career, as Senator Shipstead will agree.

Blondy Cross, wife and baby, of San Angelo, were week-end visitors in the home of Mesdames Swinburn and Watkin.

LET US DO YOUR PRINTING!

S. O. (Sod) Durst, game warden, was in Sonora Tuesday placing the new fur tags. The law requires either a 5-cent or 1-cent tag on certain furs offered for sale. The seller bears the expense of tagging his wares. Mr. Durst visited Eldorado while in this section.

Mrs. Lee Labensky and daughter, Miss Mildred, returned Sunday from San Antonio where they had been to attend the funeral of Mrs. Labensky's sister who died Thurs-

day night in San Antonio and was buried Saturday in Austin. They were accompanied home by Mr. Labensky who came from Winters for the funeral.

Saturday afternoon, at two o'clock, the Methodist ladies will have their cooked food sale at the Hamilton Grocery. In addition to the cooked food the ladies will also have a number of aprons and pillow slips for sale.

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Last Week's News Reviewed by A Stranger in the Windy City

Chicagoan is glad to hear from readers on matters of general interest to the community. Letters sent to the above address will receive prompt attention.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 2.—When I wrote last week, I started to tell you something about the winter which was settling its frigid grip on the city of Chicago. It was well that I mailed the letter when I did, for if I had continued a few days longer, what I had said wouldn't tell the half of it.

Because Bill Mittel, Faustino and others are advertising wood, and because J. C. Roe and others are buying furs, I presume that the weather has turned somewhat colder in Sonora, too, although you are fortunate that you never have the low temperatures we experience here. At that, I suppose the coming of winter found people in Sonora, as it did elsewhere, who were not prepared for its icy blasts. That's but natural. Man is essentially unprepared. Your colts, your lambs, and your calves come to the world with fur coats already on, but I shiver to think of what might have happened to us December babies if loving parents, devoted friends, kind neighbors or a humane county had not had warm suits of clothes ready for us upon our arrival.

And, so it goes, on through life. We never prepare for hard times when conditions are prosperous. Nations, supposedly governed by the very wisest of men, are never prepared when called on to face calamities like war, floods, earthquakes or periods of unemployment. For that matter, few of us are prepared for death, although we are fairly well assured that it is as certain as taxes, even if its visits are not quite so frequent.

I think the saddest case coming to my notice was that of the ranch-

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Broken—

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I'm not drunk and you damn well know I'm not. You're a younger man than I am, Chittenham, but I spoil Lombard's beauty for him last night—he won't show his face amongst decent people again for

some time to come, and I'll spoil yours if I—"

Chittenham caught his upraised arm and held it in a grip of steel. "Don't be a damned fool," he said roughly, "you're no match for me, and you know you're not. If you've got anything to say, say it and be done. As far as Lombard goes, if you have given him a

thrashing I'm in your debt, I owe him one myself—"

He released Schofield's arm, at the same time giving him a little push away from him, and for a moment the two men glared at one another silently, then Schofield broke down. He groped towards a chair and fell into it, hiding his face against his clenched hands. Giles watched him for a moment without speaking, then he fetched whisky and soda from a side table.

"Help yourself," he said. "If you've got anything against me, let's talk it out sensibly, instead of flying at one another's throats like wild beasts. I know what Lombard has told you—he tried his black-mailing games on me, and when he found it was no use he threatened to go to you. Good God, Schofield, what sort of a fool are you to believe a lying hound like that?"

Schofield raised his haggard face.

"What reason have I to disbelieve it?" he asked sullenly.

Giles shrugged his shoulders.

"Isn't your knowledge of Miss Farrow the best of all reasons?" Schofield rose to his feet and began pacing up and down.

"Lombard was so sure—he had got every detail of the story—that you and Julie spent the night together at the St. Bernard Hostel—"

"So we did. It was impossible to get home. If all such unforeseen situations are given the same vile interpretation as you have given to this—"

Schofield's face flamed suddenly crimson.

"But I believe it!" he shouted. "I've always known that Julie was unhappy. She has hinted at trouble again and again. The reckless way she talks—all that pretended gaiety. It's never really deceived me, though for her sake I've let her think it has—Lombard had the whole story pat. He even spoke of your brother's relations with Julie's cousin—and of his suicide. He said that you mistook Julie for her cousin—he said that you intended punishing her for the way she had treated your brother—he said that when you came back from St. Bernard you boasted to him of the easy conquest you had made—"

He never finished the sentence—for Chittenham's hands were at his throat, shaking him like a rat, almost choking him—

"You dare say that to me—you talk of Lombard, how much better are you? Believing the first foul lies that come to you about a woman you're suppose to care for. You're not worth a thrashing—get out, that's all I've got to say to you—"

Still keeping one hand on Schofield, Chittenham dragged him to the door and flung it open—shouting to one of the servants: "Jimes, show this gentleman out, and if he refuses to go send for the police."

He released Schofield so violently that he almost fell. He waited a moment—then went back into the library, shutting the door behind him.

He was shaking from head to foot with uncontrolable passion, and his face and head were burning.

That any man should dare to accuse him of such a thing—and to Julie of all people—the woman he adored.

And again Chittenham lost himself in the thought of that night on St. Bernard—when they had been shut in on all sides by storm and snow and tempest and he had held Julie in his arms.

In a revulsion of feeling he wished passionately that he had made true the almost unspeakable accusation which Schofield had brought against him.

Julie would have been his then for ever—body and soul, and nothing could ever have altered it.

(Continued next week)

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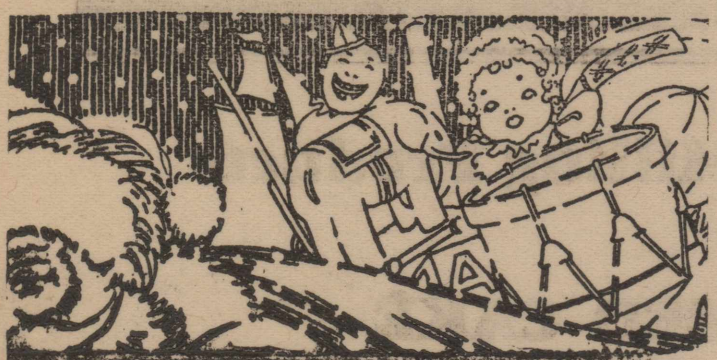
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The Devil's Dream
(By W. E. James)

Right here at home, boys;
Jest right where we are.
Birds don't sing any sweeter any-
where,
Grass don't grow any greener
'N she grows acrost the meadow
Where the old path goes.
—James Whitcomb Riley.

FORTY YEARS AGO!

Forty years! That's a long time as measured by standards of time, but when compared with the shortness of a man's life, it is nothing.

A little over forty years ago The Devil's River News came into being and its editor, Mike Murphy, was spoken of as "the enterprising Mike, the Devil's River editor."

Volume 1, No. 5, dated Saturday, November 15, 1890, is as far back as the old files go, Nos. 1 to 4 having been lost. Issue number five shows the paper to have been four pages of seven columns each, two pages patent insides and two pages filled with interesting items concerning the doings of Sonora people. In those days it was news when a caller paid a visit to the editor's sanctum sanctorium, and in this issue is chronicled the visits of eight ladies, some single and some married.

Stock news of the county was given a front page position and no doubt that avocation composed the greater part of the activities of the new town. The Devil started its boosting game early for in this issue is found:

"Sonora is 2,500 feet above the level of the sea; is not two years old and is undoubtedly the best inland town in the state."

And along about that time the country must have experienced just such rains as fell here during the

past two months, for the Devil says: "The wet weather of the present week was a genuine surprise for our eastern visitors. It never rains in the Stockman's Paradise. No, never!"

The only sensational news contained in the fifth issue was a story of a crazy Mexican who visited the "Wm. Guest ranch about noon, armed with a knife blade about 12 inches long, and a six-shooter, said he had killed Cuesenbary and in a tragic manner showed how he had stuck his knife into him. * * * Eugene Ohlenburg says he met the same Mexican the day before and that he claimed to be the president of Mexico and that he would be the next Democratic president of the U. S."

The Devil has always managed to squeeze into its columns shafts of humor, some original, some "swiped," some copied and proper credit given. Evidently the wit of its first editor, Mike Murphy, was of that brand known as "dry," the kind which brings smiles where the more highly flavored quips would fall flat. It can be imagined that the following paragraph made many Sonora people change gears on their facial adornments, for even now the daily mail man comes in for a share of "kidding," whether wet or dry or otherwise: "The passenger train of the Abilene, San Angelo & Sonora railway company, has been a few hours late every day this week, owing to washouts between Sonora and San Angelo."

Jim Holman was the first "engineer" on the above mentioned "mythical railway." Holman drove a pair of ponies, carrying the mail daily between Sonora and San Angelo. This custom was kept up until the automobile became the main mode of cross-country travel when this means of transportation was employed. But the auto is no more reliable than Holman's pair of ponies when high water intervenes. Regardless of the fact that Mike Murphy's mythical railway of forty years ago has become a reality—today Sonora being connected with the outside world by one of the great railway systems—the inhabitants of the "Stockman's Paradise" are receiving mail daily by automobile from San Angelo.

One of the earliest want ads carried by the Devil was "Boy Wanted to learn the printing business, a chance to educate yourself. Apply Devil's office." Mart Baugh, now

deceased, is credited with being the first boy to take up the task of apprenticeship under the tutelage of Mike and his brother Steve. Following Baugh came many, many others; some having grown gray in avocations chosen, their early days in the Devil's office proving only stepping-stones to something higher. Probably none of the early "devils" ever followed the newspaper game, for as man's estate was reached other lines of duty claimed them.

Records do not prove the oldest living "devil." A. C. Fambrough, back in 1894, as a boy, set type and pulled the G. Wash press. Quincy Adams, of the Llano river country, was also employed. Lewis Mayfield, father of Jack Mayfield, found employment on the Devil, as did also John and Bud Hurst, John and Curt Allison and Will Word of Eldorado. In later years came Murdock McDonald, Woodie Martin, Buster and Sam Allison, Ralph Trainer, Charlie, Joe and John Hull, and many others. Charlie Hull is said to have been the best "devil" and Joe Hull the swiftest typesetter. Some of the oldtimers have been asked to furnish a list of boys who worked on the Devil, and one of them said: "Every boy in Sonora has at one time or another worked on the Devil." So let this statement include those not personally mentioned.

In 1898 J. Marvin Hunter worked for Mike and Steve. Hunter was a full-fledged printer at the time, hence could hardly be classed as one of the Devil's "devils." Of the entire list Hunter probably is the only one of the gang who started in to make a business of running a newspaper. He still is in the game, being editor and publisher of the Frontier Times, published at Bandera. Hunter comes from a family of printers, who are publishing papers in various Texas towns. It was the Dreamer's good pleasure to know Hunter at the time he worked for the Devil. We were dusting typecases on the old Kimble County Citizen, published at Junction City.

Mike Murphy started his newspaper career under his brother, Pat Murphy, on the San Angelo Standard. Pat and Steve learned the trade together on the old Toronto Globe, Toronto, Canada. Steve came to Sonora to join his brother when the Devil was a month old, and for thirty-eight years was its publisher. After Mike's death in 1922, Steve became the editor as well as publisher, a position which he occupied up to the time its present owner, M. A. (Bronc) Wilson, took it over.

Steve Murphy resides in Sonora, having retired to an easy chair on his front porch, where he enjoys the sunshine and reads the "doings" of Sonora people in the paper he once published. Steve is known the country over and numbers his friends by the hundreds.

While the Devil's "devils" have been almost as numberless as the sands of the seashore, it enjoys the distinction of having had but three editors, Mike and Steve Murphy and "Bronc" Wilson, with an occasional "associate editor" to help fill the wide open spaces.

It has been the mission of the Devil to spread sunshine and joy, scattering flowers to the living. It has been truthful and unbiased in most matters, and but few times guilty of speaking of "Sap Spradling" as an "enterprising booster," when everyone knew "Sap" would not donate a dime to any cause unless he could see a dollar in im-

mediate returns; nor speak of "Susie Misfit" as a "charming young bride, the beautiful and accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Misfit," when everybody knew "Susie" was as homely as a mud fence, as graceful as a cow, and couldn't make a biscuit fit for a starving pup. Go back through the files of the Devil and you will find that the line has been closely hewn, superfluous adjectives discarded and the bare truth, as near as the truth may be published, stands out like a giant oak to weather the storms of the ages.

For forty years the Devil's River News has fought the battles of the town of Sonora, the County of Sutton, and all that territory known today as Mike Murphy's "Stockman's Paradise." For forty years a constant chronicling of the happenings of the community has gone to the world at large, and the coming and going of its people, the births and deaths and marriages forming no small portion of the passing events. The paper has al-

ways stood for the right as its editors saw it, and for those things which were for the good of humanity and the advancement of the country.

If one had the time and inclination, and patience, by clipping an item here and one there, from each issue of the Devil from the beginning up to the present time, a credible history of Sutton county could be obtained and the result would be a book of many pages.

Col. Esaias Izadias Whiffletree says: "I can remember the time when it wasn't necessary for a man to drive 100 miles to Villa Acuna just to 'wet his whistle.' All he had to do was to go up or down or across the street right here in Sonora."

The Style Shop has a new stock of ladies' ready-to-wear and priced reasonably. It will pay you to take advantage of the big savings this place is offering during the pre-Christmas sale.—Adv.

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COMPLETE EYEGLASS SERVICE
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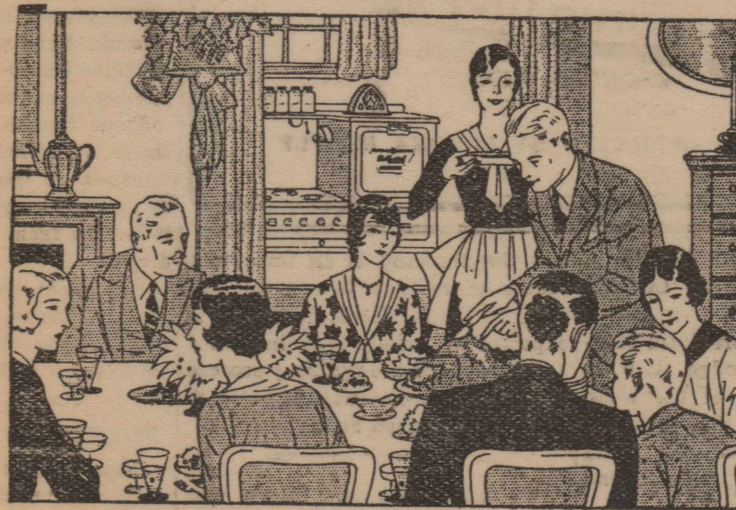
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Make Christmas Joy Last for Years

What Christmas Gift could be more appropriate, more appreciated, more in harmony with the very spirit of Christmas than a modern Electric Range—with the hours of leisure time and the relief from kitchen drudgery that it will bring to your home? Can you imagine anything that would please and aid Mother more than this indispensable, efficient and economical electric servant?

Special Holiday Terms are being offered by the West Texas Utilities Company, making it possible for you to install the "Phantom Maid" in your home at an unusually low price. The savings and benefits of electric cookery will more than make the payments.

Investigate at Once

West Texas Utilities Company



SHEEPMEN!

If You Are Interested in Getting MORE MONEY FOR YOUR LAMBS

Be present at the directors' room of the First National Bank, at Sonora, Saturday afternoon, December 6, at two-thirty o'clock. All sheepmen and everyone interested in the sheep raising industry are requested to attend this important meeting. Tell all your friends to come and bring someone with them.

Eat More Lamb Club

Ed Glasscock, Chairman Sutton County Eat More Lamb Club. :: Committeemen: Roy Aldwell, vice chairman; Ed Mayfield, W. A. Miers, Dan Cauthorn, Joe M. Vander Stucken, R. A. Halbert and Oscar Appelt.

Santa's Comin'



CHRISTMAS WILL SOON BE HERE!
Ride 'em Santa—right into your Christmas headquarters—the Corner Drug—where all the little folks, and the big ones, too, will find gifts to please everyone.

SHOP EARLY!

Don't wait until the last minute and be disappointed. Come in and make your selections while the assortment is full.

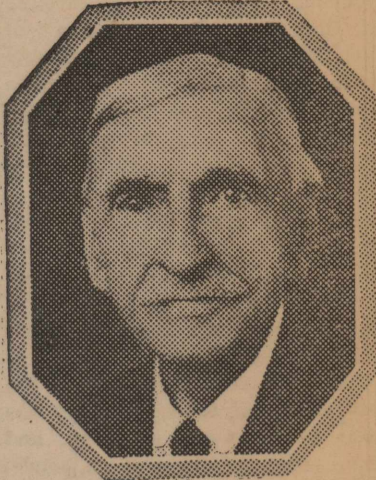
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"I was in failing health for five years," said Mr. H. R. Bartlett, 4312 San Jacinto street, Houston. "I felt tired and worn out all the time. I suffered with rheumatism in my hands and fingers. The joints were stiff and sore, and, at my age, I thought there was no medicine to help me for I had tried many."

"Konjola gave me a welcome surprise. I should have taken it much sooner. My strength has returned and I feel much better in every way. Rheumatism in my hands and the stiffness in my fingers had passed. Konjola is the greatest medicine I ever used and I am glad to recommend it to everyone."

Even though Konjola has won many remarkable victories over ailments of the aged, it can just as readily be given to infants for it is free from alcohol or harmful drugs.

Konjola is sold in Sonora at Corner Drug store, and by all the best druggists in all towns throughout this entire section.—Adv.

NOTICE, SEWER CUSTOMERS

Those of you who are in arrears with sewer rentals, please pay city manager not later than January 1st, or disconnections will be made, and you will be at your own expense in paying plumber to make new connections. 2c

By order of the City Commission

MISS EVANS HONORED AT CHUCK WAGON SUPPER

Mr. and Mrs. Lem Johnson entertained a number of young people at the Aldwell ranch last Saturday night honoring their niece, Miss Jessie Louise Evans who was here from Westmorland College to spend Thanksgiving with her parents.

After enjoying a chuck wagon supper the young folks repaired to the ranch home where they participated in bridge and dancing.

Among those present were Misses Harva Jones, Allie Halbert, Gretta Cawyer, Annella Stites, Lottie Hull, Lena V. Stokes, Jessie Louise Evans, Nan Casbeer, and Preston Praetor, Jack Pfeister, Charles Harold Evans, Gomer Minnick, Hillman Brown, Allen Adkins, Wesley Granger, John McClelland, Harry Kaiser, Buzzy Stokes, George Smith, Louie Trainor, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Halbert, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Evans and the host and hostess.

DR. BAKER ELECTED SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPT.

Dr. J. C. Baker was appointed superintendent of the Methodist Sunday school to succeed M. O. Britt, who served in that capacity here for a number of years.

The Sonora Methodist, in commenting on Dr. Baker, said that the new superintendent was a Christian gentleman and had consented to accept the place.

The law of the Methodist church permits the pastor to appoint the Sunday school superintendent.

Attend the Eat More Lamb Club meeting at the First National Bank, Saturday afternoon, December 6, at two-thirty.—Adv.

Toward Success

JUST ADRIFT—
OR A STEADY PULL?



There is a certain school of thought which says, "Eat, drink and be merry for tomorrow we die." But when that hapless morrow comes, the insouciant philosopher, money spent, rather wishes he had been a little less "merry" and a little more saving.

The hand-to-mouth life is mere drifting. It is only consistent saving that pulls you toward your goal in life. "Pick up your oars" by opening an account with us.

Compound Interest 4 per cent

First National Bank

EDGAR SHURLEY ATTENDS MASONIC GRAND LODGE

Edgar Shurley, Worshipful Master of the Dee Ora Lodge, A. F. & A. M., left the first of the week for Waco to attend the 95th annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Texas, A. F. & A. M. and Royal Arch Masons.

The committee on esoteric work met in that city last week.

Texas marketed 6,000,000 pounds of fresh or preserved figs in 1929

and the fig crop is an important source of revenue in several sections in South Texas. Its value is expected materially to be increased by adoption of the freezing process which permits distant marketing of the easily bruised fruit.

We have just received a new shipment of gift goods, consisting of everything in ready-to-wear for the women and misses. It will pay you to get our prices while we have on our pre-Christmas sale. The Style Shop.—Adv.

SPECIAL Soap Sale

YOUR FAVORITE BRANDS FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND MONDAY

FREE BALLOONS

Through an advantageous purchase we are able to pass along to our customers savings that effect true economy in your household budget and give you as well the utmost in QUALITY!

Palmolive—endorsed by leading beauty experts evrywhere—3 10c cakes for 23c

Super Suds—Beads of soap, for modern dishwashing—3 10c packages for 27c

New Palmolive Beads—Protect dainty lingerie, no fading, no streaks, with Olive and Palm Oil Beads—2 10c packages for 19c

Crystal White Soap—the Billion Bubble Soap for Particular People—10 5c bars for 38c

Extra savings on all other products manufactured by Colgate-Palmolive-Peet Co. during this sale.

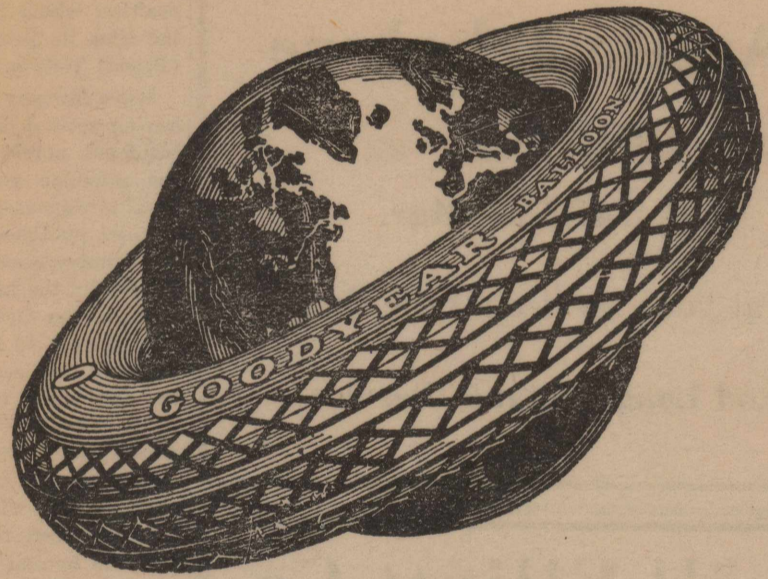
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