

Final School Exercises Held This Week

The Commencement Exercises for the 1948 graduating class of Sterling City high school were held Thursday night at the school auditorium. The eight graduates were listed as follows: Jacqueline Dell Everitt, Margaret Carolyn Foster, Billy Hudson, Bobby King, Alma Barclay Miller, Billy Lee Smith, R. T. Smith, Jr., and Jack Tweedle.

CAROLYN FOSTER NAMED VALEDICTORIAN

Carolyn Foster, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Foster, was named valedictorian of the class with an average of 96.59, and Jacqueline Everitt was named salutatorian of the class with an average of 92.0. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Everitt.

The pastor of the First Christian Church of Big Spring gave the commencement address. Rev. P. D. O'Brien of Big Spring was to have been the chief speaker, but he was unable to be present.

Mrs. Tommie Johnson played the processional, and Rev. Malcolm Mack gave the invocation. Jacqueline Everitt gave the salutatory which was followed by two songs by a high school girls chorus. Carolyn Foster then gave the valedictory address, which was followed by a piano solo by Jacqueline Everitt.

Following the main address, the high school principal, G. W. Tiller, awarded the honors, and superintendent O. T. Jones presented the diplomas. Bobby King then presented the class rings to the class of '49. Homer Pearce gave the benediction.

COMMENCEMENT SERMON LAST SUNDAY

The commencement sermon for the 1948 graduating class of Sterling City High School was held at the school auditorium last Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock. Rev. C. D. McEntire, pastor of the First Baptist Church here, gave the address.

Mrs. Ed. H. Lovelace played the processional and recessional. A. A. Berryman, pastor of the Church of Christ, gave the invocation, and the Rev. B. B. Hestir, pastor of the local Presbyterian Church, gave the benediction. A girls chorus sang "The Glory of God in Nature."

Graduates are Carolyn Foster, Jacqueline Everitt, Bobby King, R. T. Smith, Jr., Jack Tweedle, Billy Lee Smith, Billy Hudson, and Alma Barclay Miller.

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RANCHERS' FIELD DAY MAY 26

Preparations are being made for a ranchmen's field day to be held from 9:30 a. m. until 4:30 p. m. on Wednesday, May 26, 1948. Byron W. Frierson, County Agent, is arranging the program, and stated that it will be held at the Templeton place, which is located east of Sterling City. Lester Foster, who has volunteered the location, states that the best way to go to the Templeton place is to drive through by Bubba Foster's house.

Several Extension Service specialists have been invited to Sterling city to present the program. Among those expected are A. L. Smith, Beef Cattle Specialist, who is expected to discuss mineral supplements, their use and their importance in this area. Mr. Smith will also present information on the newly developed phosphate dispenser that has been developed and proven on the King Ranch. This is a new principle of getting phosphorous to cattle thru their drinking water rather than in bone meal. Mr. Smith will also be asked to discuss feeding problems facing this area.

Dr. W. C. Banks, veterinarian for the Extension Service will be asked to discuss preventative measures that can be taken by ranchers to avoid losses from rickets, navel ill, bloat, founder, colic, water belly (or urinary calculi), actinomycosis, pink-eye, metritis, bovine encephalomyelitis, sleeping sickness in horses, mastitis, and any other diseases that are common to this area which ranchers wish to have discussed. Animals will be brought to the demonstration which have some of the non-contagious troubles mentioned above and will be used for demonstrational purposes. If someone volunteers a sheep, Dr. Banks will be asked to give a post-mortem examination and explain how to look for a sheep's ailment after its death.

Mr. Paul Gregg, assistant Extension Service entomologist, will discuss and give demonstrations on control of cattle lice, horn flies, ear ticks, screw worms, fleece worms and internal parasites of livestock.

These men are being brought here for the benefit of the ranchmen of this area, and everyone interested in keeping up-to-date on the subjects mentioned above is invited to attend the event. Open forums will be held where any question pertaining to beef cattle, livestock diseases, and insect control can be brought up for discussion.

Foster S. Price has volunteered to bring his new spray machine for use during the day and some of the Foster cattle will be sprayed.

Lester Foster has donated some goats for the occasion and a barbecue lunch is being planned for the noon meal.

RODEO ASSOCIATION FORMED THIS WEEK

Seventeen men were present for the reorganization of the Sterling City Rodeo Association Tuesday night. Officials were elected for terms of one year who will be in charge of planning the 1948 rodeo and of administering the expenditure of profits made from the 1947 show.

John Reed was elected chairman and Taylor Garrett was elected vice-chairman of the association, both by unanimous vote. Directors elected were Pete Hansen, Riley King, Foster Conger, Robert Foster, Pete Ainsworth, Bill Reed, William Foster, Templeton Foster, and Hal Knight. This group will probably meet in the near future to decide the date of the show, number of performances, to appoint committees, and to work out other details concerning the show. Byron W. Frierson was elected secretary.

The rodeo association voted to use a portion of the receipts this year to improving the rodeo installations, and a portion to improvement of the athletic field and school grounds. Plans are to dig a well and sod the athletic field and make other improvements which may be needed on the school grounds.

The association also voted to have a free barbecue in the park in connection with the rodeo. Jim Butler, Louis Bade and Bill Green were elected to make the necessary arrangements for the barbecue.

Humble Wildcat Gets Oil In Ellenburger

PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. STAKES OFFSET

A west outpost to southeastern Sterling County's discovery oil producer from the Wichita-Albany section of the Permian lime has encountered sulphur water in the top of that formation, reported unofficially to be 555 feet low. Phillips Petroleum Co. at the same time has staked a diagonal southwest offset to the Anderson-Prichard and Vickers Petroleum pool opener.

L. G. Yarborough & Son and others' No. 1 Rufus W. Foster, the outpost, recovered 1,790 feet of sulphur water on a one-hour drillstem test of the upper part of the Wichita-Albany from 3,710-90 feet. There were no shows of oil or gas. Drilling had progressed to slightly below 3,800 feet, where it was said to have been suspended for repairs.

Some geologists figure that drilling will have to continue to around 4,800 feet before reaching the equivalent of the producing zone in the Anderson-Prichard and Vickers No. 1 Miss Marvin Frances Foster. The discovery was completed late in April with a daily flowing potential of 846 barrels of 26.5 gravity, pipeline oil through casing perforations at 4,252-4,305 feet. The section had been washed with 1,000 gallons of mud acid. Location is the C SW SW 12-15-14&TC, 7 1/2 miles south of Sterling City.

L. G. Yarborough & Son and others' No. 1 Rufus W. Foster is in the C NE NE 10-13-SPRR, 3 1/2 miles west and one-half mile south of the discovery. Elevation is 2,493 feet.

Phillips' southwest offset to No. 1 Miss Marvin Frances Foster will be No. 1 Robert Foster, 660 feet out of the northeast corner of section 20-15-SPRR. It is due to start at once and drill with rotary 4,400 feet if necessary to test the Wichita-Albany pay section.

TEXACO DRY TO 4,425

Texaco No. 1-H TXL, wildcat in western Sterling County C SE SF 13-31-4s-T&P, drillstem tested from 4,340-4,425 feet for one hour. It howed a weak blow of air throughout and recovered 70 feet of drilling mud with no shows. Drilling continued from 4,425 feet in lime.

Humble No. 1-B Ellwood Sstate northwestern Sterling County wildcat, was standing with 5 1/2-inch casing cemented on bottom at 8,000 feet with 100 sacks. The pipe will be perforated opposite about 40 feet of indicated pay in the Ellenburger. Location is the C SE SE 13-31-4s-T&P, 15 1/2 miles north and slightly east of Sterling City.

Location Staked on Roy Foster's

A location was staked this week for a test on Roy Foster's section 26 on his Sterling Creek ranch. It is not definitely known what company is drilling the test.

NEXT TUESDAY IS TRASH PICK-UP DAY

Next Tuesday, May 25, is regular trash-pick up day here in Sterling City. The County trucks will pick up all trash and rubbish that is ready in containers in front of the residences or business houses and will haul it to the dump grounds.

GARMS BROTHERS FATHER DEAD

Louis Garms, 81, father of Smoky and Kenny Garms of Sterling, died at his home in Bangs last Thursday and the funeral was held last Friday in Bangs.

The Kenny Garmses and the Smoky Garmses attended the services.

FOR SALE—6 room, modern home, good location, butane gas, venetian blinds, water heater, new pressure pump. Immediate possession. See M. C. Mitchell.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. (Doc) Troxell returned home Monday from a vacation trip spent in East Texas and Missouri. They visited Doc's mother, Mrs. Dr. B. M. Troxell in Springfield, Mo.

Humble Oil & Refining Co. No. 1-B I. L. Ellwood estate in northeastern Sterling County Thursday of last week had shown possibilities of discovery oil production on two drillstem tests in the Ellenburger.

Reported to have penetrated the Ellenburger 42 feet to 3,000, the wildcat ran 5 1/2-inch casing to the bottom, where they will cement and perforate.

FIRST OIL 7,962-80

On a 45-minute drillstem test from 7,692-80 feet, No. 1-B Ellwood estate showed gas at the surface in six minutes. The volume attained a rate estimated at four million cubic feet daily. Recovery was 2,900 feet of 47.1 gravity oil and 450 feet of heavily oil and gas cut mud. There was no water.

Open flowing bottomhole pressure was 400 pounds, shutin bottomhole pressure 2,950 pounds.

Drilling then continued to 8,000 feet and a drillstem test was made from 7,979-8,000 for 1 3/4 hours. Gas came to the surface in five minutes and attained a maximum volume of 300,000 cubic feet, decreasing to 100,000 cubic feet daily at the end of the test.

SPRAYS ON NEXT TEST

Considerable fluid was sprayed while the drillpipe was being pulled. The amount was estimated at 4,330 feet of oil, basic sediment and oil-cut mud. The drillpipe unloaded at least once for 15 minutes.

With elevation 2,356 feet No. 1-B Ellwood estate was reported unofficially to have entered the Ellenburger at 7,953 feet, or 5,602 below sea level. This on the basis of some correlations, is 145 feet high to the Cities Service No. 1 Claude Collins, an 8,184 foot failure drilled early this year, 2 1/2 miles west and three quarters of a mile south. No. 1 Collins was credited with topping the Ellenburger at 8,142 feet, 5,757 feet below sea level.

The Humble prospect is in the C NE NW 56-18 SPRR, 15 1/2 miles north and slightly east of Sterling City. It is only 1 3/4 miles south of the Mitchell County line and eight miles west of the Coke County line. No. 1-B Ellwood is on the west side of a block of approximately 24 sections.

Cities Service No. 1 Collins, C SE SE 71-17 SPRR, was 2 1/4 miles north and one-half mile west of Plymouth No. 1 Mrs. Georgia Frost, first operation in the area to show oil in the Ellenburger. It is understood Plymouth is considering plugging back No. 1 Frost and testing higher zones.

Plymouth last Thursday staked location for a wildcat two miles west of its No. 1 Frost and 13 miles north-north-east of Sterling City. The operation will be No. 1 J. C. Reed and others, 1,980 from the south, 660 feet from the east line of section 42-2-H&TC. Drilling 5,000 feet with rotary is expected to explore the Wichita-Albany.

Discovery Wichita-Albany production in Sterling County was developed by Anderson-Prichard and Vickers No. 1 Miss Marvin Frances Foster, 7 1/2 miles south of Sterling City. The well, C SW SW 12-15-H&TC, was finished late in April with a daily flowing potential of 846 barrels through casing perforations at 4,252-4,305 feet after washing with 1,000 gallons of acid. Anderson-Prichard and Vickers has asked the Texas Railroad Commission to set the allowable on July 1 as well as give the new field a name.

Phillips Purchases Acreage From Ray Albaugh

Phillips Petroleum Company was reported last Saturday to have bought a checkerboard spread of leases on approximately 1,230 acres in Sterling County for \$25 an acre.

The purchase was from Ray A. Albaugh of Midland out of a block that originally totaled about 32,000 acres. Albaugh recently sold spreads out of the block to Stanolind and Magnolia but has approximately 18,000 acres left. He is understood to be obligated to start an Ellenburger wildcat on the block within 60 days.

Mrs. J. L. Wise of New Orleans, La., is visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. C. W. Boydston, in the home of Mrs. Helen Lyles.

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The missus—who writes our Woman's Column in the *Clarion* under the name of "Nancy Gale"—gets letters about recipes, advice on etiquette, home management, etc.

One letter she got last week was about a recipe she published for Welsh Rarebit—made with tart cheese, Worcestershire, and a cup of sparkling tangy beer. "Turned out great," says her correspondent. "But you didn't mention what beverage to serve with it. Should I serve beer? Cider? Iced tea?"

The missus' answer was simply:

"Any beverage your guests prefer. You don't have to serve cider—any more than you have to serve beer...but it's often courteous to let guests have a choice."

From where I sit, that simple answer applies to more items than Welsh Rarebit. In a world where everyone has different tastes and ideas—we should recognize those differences—and never deny the right of choice to anyone!

Joe Marsh

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OUR WASHINGTON NEWS LETTER

By Congressman O. C. Fisher

BOOST FOR AIR FORCE

Last week the Senate by a vote of 74-to-2 put its approval on the 70-group air force, previously overwhelmingly endorsed by the House.

Opponents of a strong air force have fought a rear guard action, some claiming that it is an attempt to side-track UMT, and others, frankly contending, as did Senator Taylor and his running mate, Henry Wallace, that it is unnecessary and is evidence of warlike intentions. They are afraid it would hurt Joe Stalin's feelings.

These opponents of a strong air force are wholly unimpressed by the fact that Russia is stronger in the air than we are and is, according to Secretary of Air Symington, building bombers and jet planes faster today than we are.

America is, of course, stronger industrially, stronger in oil, stronger in transportation (Russian railroad mileage is but one-fourth of ours), and under our free enterprise system is far superior to the communist system when it comes to capacity for production.

But militarily Russia is said to be stronger at the moment. The appeasers who are afraid of offending the Soviets seem to overlook the fact that the Russian army hovers around 4,000,000 men, not counting the satellites. This compares with a current strength of less than 600,000 men in the United States Army ground forces.

Estimates of the Russian Air Force range from 8,000 to 16,000 first line combat planes, with from 600,000 to 700,000 men in the Soviet Air Force. This compares with our 2,000 fighting planes and only around 500 bombers. The Air Forces report that the reserve planes are largely obsolescent. In our own air force we now have only 350,000 men.

Yet, in the face of these facts, we find all sorts of excuses being given for opposing a strong army, navy and air force in this country! Fortunately, the appeasers are very much in the minority today. It is generally agreed that this move for a strong air force will have the effect of stilling the hand of Stalin more than any other one thing we could do.

THE DRAFT BILL

The House Committee on Armed Services has reported a selective service bill designed to bring our total military personnel up to 2,000,000 men, including the army, navy and air forces. At present there are only 1,200,000 in uniform.

The House Bill covers men from 19 through 25, with two-year voluntary enlistments being permitted in lieu of induction. Exemptions go to Purple Heart holders, veterans over 12 months' service; to veterans with 90 days to 12 months' service, if members of organized units on the effective date of the Act, and persons entering organized reserve units after the Act is passed who enter before 18½ years of age.

Deferments would be fashioned after the wartime draft law, with a more liberal provision for students. Essential workers, including those in agriculture, would be subject to deferment.

The actual rate of voluntary enlistments during the past year has averaged between 12,000 and 24,000

per month. But in order to maintain the present authorized army strength, about 30,000 new enlistments per month is required. The measure may, of course, be altered before passed, and the Senate version has not yet been reported.

The Committee, in its report, found that the danger of war with Soviet Russia has increased since last January. The Communist Coup in Czechoslovakia, the excessive pressure on Finland, the Soviet diplomatic probings on the Scandinavian Peninsula, the Soviet reaction to the 5-power mutual defense pact signed at Brussels in March, the severe and annoying restrictions put upon the American occupation forces in Berlin and Vienna, together with resistance to the efforts of the United States and 15 European governments to revitalize the life of Europe, are listed as arousing the tempo of stepped up Soviet military activity.

While the committee believes the United States will never initiate a war, it strongly believes the possession of adequate power will serve to deter aggression and prevent war.

MRS. HENNIGAN IS CLUB HOSTESS

Mrs. Harvey Hennigan was hostess to the Noratadada Club in her home on Wednesday evening of last week in her home. The theme of the study for the evening was "Summer Living."

Mrs. Fred Allen discussed "A Garden Is a Garden", and Mrs. Worth B. Durham spoke on "Summer Living"; and Mrs. John Brock gave "When Meals Move Out of Doors."

In the business session the report of the nominating committee

was accepted by the club.

Bridge was played and Mrs. M. C. Reed won hi, Mrs. Byron W. Frierson low, and Mrs. T. F. Foster, Jr. bingo.

A glad plate was served to the following Mmes. Edwin Aiken, Fred Allen, J. S. Augustine, Jr., John Brock, Worth B. Durham, Joe Emery, T. F. Foster, Jr., G. C. Murrell, Sue Nelson, Foster S. Price, Martin C. Reed, Trinton Revell, Hubert Williams, Byron W. Frierson, T. S. Foster and Mrs. David Wallace of Dallas.

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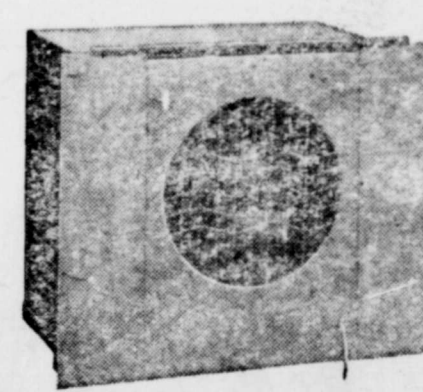
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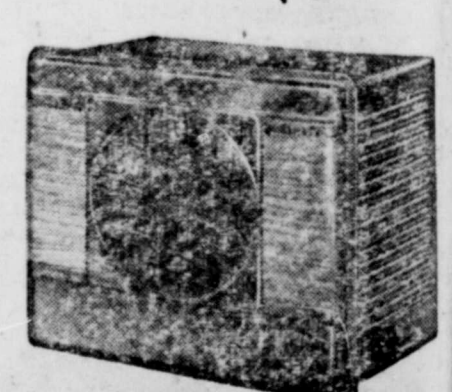
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NEW YORK, Apr. 29—Thirteen-year-old Daniel is the only survivor of his family. Eight years ago, there were five of them, living in comfort in a pleasant town of France. Daniel remembers the death of each one.

He remembers how his father went to war on a submarine and never came back.

He remembers how his mother joined the Resistance movement and was betrayed to the Gestapo.

He remembers the escape to the forest with his mother and two small brothers; the hiding and incessant fleeing through the cold woods for eight months aided by the Maquis. He remembers the shivering and heavy breathing of the little brothers, the flush of fever on their cheeks—and how his mother went to obtain medical help and never came back.

He remembers that the little ones became colder and colder on the blanket with him, despite his efforts to breathe warmth into their bodies from his own; that they finally lay as cold and hard as pieces of ice on each side of him and moved no more.

Mother Captured
 Later he got word that his mother had been captured by the enemy militia and turned over to the Gestapo. He remembers with pride that all attempts were made to force her to reveal the hiding place of her comrades in the Maquis. Had she spoken, she might have lived. The price of silence was death . . . death in a German concentration camp about knowing her two young-sons had succumbed to pneumonia.

Daniel was kept hidden by the Maquis until the liberation. Then he was sent to live with his grandparents. The grandparents are without money; they cannot buy the necessary clothes and food for their grandson.

After two years of the Maquis rations, after three post-war years of scant nourishment,



SOLE SURVIVOR—Thirteen-year-old Daniel, only survivor of a family of five, waits amid bomb debris in his French village and hopes emergency food will be distributed through American voluntary foreign relief agencies. It will be—if Americans contribute to the Crusade for Children of American Overseas Aid-United Nations Appeal for Children, 39 Broadway, New York 6, N. Y.

Daniel is emaciated and apathetic. His main meal of the day is the lunch he gets at school, through the assistance of American foreign relief agencies. He would like to leave school, where his academic record is above average, and work to support the old people and himself, but he is too weak to attempt work of any sort.

He has a desperate need for nourishing foods to rebuild his

Children of War Heroes Need Assistance Today In Battle for Survival

starved body, and help him forget the tragedies which are all he can remember of life.

Americans can give him food and hope by contributing to the Crusade for Children of American Overseas Aid-United Nations Appeal for Children.

This combined campaign, to finance the foreign relief activities of 25 American voluntary agencies, and to help replenish the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund, asks \$60,000,000 of the American people this spring.

Its object is to restore to health the millions of Daniels in war-impooverished countries of Europe and Asia—the millions of sick and hungry children whose own countries cannot help them. These are children who are dependent for survival upon voluntary private relief—no government program reaches them.

Seven Cents a Day

Children fed under this widespread program now reaching 7,500,000 receive a supplementary meal which costs about seven cents a day per child. Half the meal—in cost and caloric value—is provided from abroad and half by the government of the child receiving it.

Supplies made possible by the Crusade for Children consist, for the most part, of powdered milk and, in some instances, a little lard or margarine and economical types of meat and fish for stew and sandwiches. The receiving governments contribute, as they can from domestic foods, cereals and cereal products, such as spaghetti, potatoes, vegetables, meat and fruits.

The children are fed in infants' and children's centers, schools, orphanages, maternity homes and the like.

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Mrs. Consuela Longoria Buried Wednesday

Funeral services for Consuela G. Longoria, 39, were held from the First Baptist Church here Wednesday afternoon at 4:00 p. m. Rev. Simon Natividad, pastor of the Mexican Baptist Church here officiated. Lowe Funeral Directors had charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Longoria died in a San Angelo hospital Sunday night at 9:30. Survivors include the husband, Gabriel Longoria; two sons, Valentin Longoria and Frank Longoria; two daughters, Maria Longoria and Lucille Longoria; her father, Melchor Guerrero; three sisters, Mrs. Enriqueta G. Arizola, Mrs. Gabriela G. Moreno, and Mrs. Marie G. Torres; three nieces and six nephews.

Pallbearers were Trine Medina, Manuel Gonzales, Josue Longoria, Jesus Rodriguez, Benino Rodriguez, Fidencio Balderez, Domingo Bald-

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erez, and Ysabel Rodriguez. Out of town relatives at the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. Emeterio Camargo of Brady, Mrs. Juanita L. Sanches of Sonora, Mr. and Mrs. Alberto Longoria of Ozona, Mr. and Mrs. Juan Longoria of Ozona, Mr. Polo Longoria of San Diego, California, Mr. and Mrs. Victorano Carabajal of San Angelo, Mrs. Esther A. Valdez of Ozona, Rosa Ybarra of Robert Lee, Miss Anita Longoria of Mertzon, Mrs. Jesuita R. Guerrero and Jose Guerrero of Hondo, Mr. and Mrs. Arnulfo Longoria of Lamesa, Mrs. Amadita L. Rios of Ozona, Mrs. Bisenta S. Lopez of Ozona, and Mrs. Ysabel Modosa of Ozona.

SWING OF SOUTHWEST FARM MARKETS

By United States Department of Agriculture

(USDA)-Uneven trends at southwest farm markets left some products selling higher and some lower than a week ago, the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Production and Marketing Administration reports.

Oats and white corn scored further gains for the week, and wheat showed some strength, but sorghums and barley closed a couple of cents lower by Monday. No. 2 white corn sold around \$2.79 a bushel in bulk carlots at Texas common points, and No. 1 wheat \$2.52½. No. 2 white oats brought \$1.37 to \$1.39 at Galveston.

Cattle sold unchanged to \$1 lower than a week earlier at Texas markets and steady to \$1.50 higher at Denver and Kansas City. Oklahoma City paid to \$32 for top choice fed steers Monday, a new high for recent months, and Denver gave \$29.95 for choice heifers, highest since last September. Choice fed steers brought \$32 at Kansas City also, and good yearlings reached \$29.25 at Wichita. Medium and good slaughter steers and yearlings ranged from \$23 to \$28 at Texas markets.

Moderate upward and downward movements during the past week left hog markets mostly 50 cents to \$1 higher on butchers and unevenly 50 cents lower to 50 cents higher on sqws. Good and choice medium weight barrows and gilts ranged largely from \$21 to \$22, and sows from \$13 to \$14.50, though Texas markets paid to \$17.

Lambs started the new week generally 50 cents to \$1 higher than a week ago, while ewes and feeder lambs showed less strength. Medium and good spring lambs sold from \$23 to \$26 at Fort Worth, as good and choice grades moved largely from \$26 to \$26.50 at Oklahoma City, and \$26.50 to \$27.50 at Wichita.

Mill buyers actively sought staple and combing grease wools in country areas.

Egg markets picked up sharply last week, following the govern-

ment announcement of price support at 35 cents per dozen to the farmer and 37 cents delivered to drying plants. Poultry followed slightly weaker trends. Heavy hens brought 24 to 28 cents a pound in the Dallas-Fort Worth area and fryers 38 to 40 cents.

Spring vegetables flowed to market in increasing volume last week but railroad embargoes on strike-threatened lines cut sharply into rail movements over the week-end. Short water supplies began to hurt crops in the lower Rio Grande Valley, where both white and bantam corn brought lower prices, and early tomato shipments sold away below last year's levels. Onions leveled off after recent declines, and cucumbers started moving at \$6 a bushel. Citrus changed little.

Cotton advanced sharply as the current week opened, to bring total gains to \$4 to \$6.50 a bale. Spot middling 15-16 inch closed Monday at 37.65 cents a pound at Dallas, 37.60 at Houston, and 37.50 at Galveston and New Orleans.

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