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Things That Pertain To —

## "Just Us"

— Serious And Not So Serious

Now that Sonora has reached city classification, as shown by the figures released by the district office of the Census, it might be well to check over our assets and see what the citizens of the city have to work with in the future. At least, it won't do any harm to see where we stand, and it might do some good:

In the first place, we occupy a rather favorable location with respect to our sister towns of the West Texas ranch country. Among those towns, there are Ozona, Eldorado, Junction, Menard, Rocksprings, and Mason in our neighborhood, all of them county seat towns, and all of them prosperous. All of them claim unique advantages, of course, and do possess them. How do those other towns compare with our own? If they are better than ours, in what way?

Taking them one by one, let's see what we can see. On the west lies Ozona, county seat of Crockett county, possessed of a wonderful ranch country, the world's leading sheep producing county, with Ozona the center of everything in the county. Good schools, churches and a strong feeling of civic pride exist in the community. Ozona is a swell town, filled with people who are friendly, generous and wide awake to their opportunities.

On our north lies Eldorado, the meeting place of ranching and agriculture. Not only is Schleicher a good ranching county, but it is likewise a good farming section, where much small grain is grown, a necessity in a ranching country. Eldorado therefore possesses two assets, ranching and farming, either of which will make a good town. The people have taken advantage of their opportunity. Eldorado is a good town.

On the east lie three neighbor towns, each of them especially important to the section in which it is located. Junction, county seat of Kimble, is a splendid town, and has experienced a strong and steady growth the past few years. Its citizens have worked diligently to advertise its resources, one of the principal ones being, in common with Sonora, ranching, another being recreational facilities, as the town lies in the heart of the Hill Country hunting and fishing area. Junction has grown on the strength of its stable livestock assets and through boosting of its recreational facilities. A new highway from the north makes the town even more accessible. Junction is taking advantage of her highway facilities.

Let's look at Mason. Not only is the town in the center of a great tourist and ranching section, but ranchmen of Mason county have developed their registered Here-

## Sonora Loses Softball Game To Eldorado

In the first softball game of the season for the local boys, Eldorado won the decision by a score of 9 to 6, the game being played Sunday afternoon on the high school diamond. With no practice behind them, the Sonora ads gave a good account of themselves, and gave promise of developing into a fast aggregation before the season is very old. Another game for the Sonora team will be played this afternoon at Station B against a team from Junction.

Players for Sonora in the Sunday afternoon contest were as follows: G. W. Archer, third base; Ford Allen, first base; Francis Archer, second base; D. L. Duke, catcher; Lee Patrick, short field; Dearl Beard, pitcher; Edward Archer,

ford breeding industry until Mason county cattle is synonymous with the nation's best. Mason is the home of championship cattle. Mason is strong for livestock development and is making great strides along that line, which brings more publicity and more cash assets to town. Mason is everything that a growing town ought to be.

Menard is one of the stronger towns of West Texas. The town is wide awake, supporting two excellent newspapers in such a way that both are prosperous, and the two manage each week to give Menard county a double dose of advertising. Good land surrounding the town, some of the best livestock in West Texas, live-wire business people, and a strong tendency to take advantage of assets and opportunities, has made Menard a town of state-wide reputation. It is an older town than Sonora, but progressive.

On the south lies Rocksprings, county seat of Edwards county, the Angora goat capital of the world. The town suffered a calamity in 1927, when it was almost totally destroyed by a tornado on the evening of April 12th. Within a few short months, the depression came upon the country, and the two adverse factors, working together, placed a handicap on the town and people such as few communities in West Texas have had to face. But the town survived. The fighting spirit of the people of the Divide Country would not surrender. They rebuilt their town, bigger and better. They pooled their resources, looked over their assets, placed their faith in the future, and slowly but surely have forged ahead in the face of adverse conditions such as few towns have had to contend with. The population of Rocksprings may not be as large as some, but the 1940 census will reveal a healthy increase in the past decade. Rocksprings is coming to the front.

Let's recapitulate. Towns in this section of Texas depend upon livestock production, sheep, goats and cattle, and recreational facilities. They have forged ahead on the strength of certain assets, some being more abundantly blessed than others. Ranching, fine-blooded animals, good ranch lands, wide awake citizens, are things which have brought West Texas to the front in recent years, and made county seat towns in this area grow and prosper. Some of the towns have only one or two assets. Other towns have other assets. Sonora has them all. So why shouldn't we grow and prosper?

Being placed in the city classification offers a distinct challenge to the people of Sonora and Sutton county. As we have said elsewhere, we have a city on our hands. What are we going to do about it?

From Eldorado three were Bryan, Griffin, C. Newlin, R. Griffin, Newlin, Ballew, Graves, Isaacs, W. Newlin, Bradley, Isaacs, Underwood. Each of these players saw service in the game.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis T. Wood and Mrs. Wood's sister, Miss Nila Sudduth, spent last week-end in Eden visiting with Mrs. Wood's relatives.

Fatal injuries to workers in the oil industry are now at the rate of only one in 2,078 work hours.

Due to increased operating costs and loss of markets to other states Texas oilmen drilled 2,221 fewer wells last year than in 1938.

## Two New Members Added To Lions Roster

H. J. Long, with the Sonora Barber Shop, and G. W. Smith were admitted to membership in the Sonora Lions Club at the Tuesday meeting, making the first and second members on the second hundred, being Number 101 and 102 respectively. Long was signed by J. H. Sawyer and Smith by Rex Cusenbary. Other applications are being considered to boost the membership to a new record which possibly cannot be surpassed by any other town of equal size in the international organization.

An excellent meal was served in the basement of the Baptist church and a splendid musical and vocal program was rendered. Miss Marie Watkins, Miss Elizabeth Caldwell, Boyd Caffey and J. H. Flathers appeared on the program as entertainers.

Mrs. John Fields and Mrs. B. M. Halbert, Jr., were visitors in San Angelo last Saturday.

## A. & M. College Announces The Completion Of Enlarged Plant For Scouring Wool-Mohair

The enlarged wool and mohair grading and scouring plant located in the textile engineering building at Texas A. & M. College, is ready for operation, according to an announcement made this week by Director A. B. Conner of the Experiment Station. This expansion was made possible by an enactment of the last Legislature as a result of the active interest of the wool and mohair producers of Texas in the work that has been accomplished by the plant.

This new unit is an excellent set-up, equipped to scour up to 2500 pounds of wool grease basis per day. It is one of the best and most completely equipped plants for research purposes of any college in the United States.

The principal objective of this plant, which is operated by the Division of Range Animal Husbandry, is for the development of information that will be helpful to growers, warehouses and buyers in the determination of the correct grades and shrinkages of representative daily wool scouring output.

Under the expanded program, the maximum daily wool scouring output is ten times that of the previous set-up. The increased facilities provide a four bowl scouring train which will render possible the scouring of an increased number of large samples, thereby permitting more definite evaluations or shrinkage ratings as an aid to patrons who wish to know the grades and shrinkages of their clips. The information so gained will also be of educational value and may be used to guide the program of breeding designed to systematically improve the weight and quality of Texas wools.

Since Texas wools are sold clean basis, it is important that produ-

## Corpus Christi Visitors Are Entertained Here

Making their third annual tour of West Texas, business men and civic leaders of Corpus Christi were to be entertained today by a group of Sonora members of the Lions club, the meeting taking place at Simmons Park six miles west of Sonora where a barbecue in true western style is to be served to the coast city visitors. The goodwill trip is being made by the Corpus Christi leaders in an effort to establish a better market in Corpus Christi for wool shipments, the statement being made that by hauling salt from that section of the state to West Texas.

Recently discovered salt beds in the vicinity of Corpus Christi, which are now being developed commercially, has given truck drivers an opportunity to haul wool and mohair to Corpus Christi for direct shipment by water to Boston,

# CENSUS REPORT FOR 1940 SHOWS 2517 POPULATION WITHIN SONORA LIMITS

## Drive Is Stored For Red Cross War Funds

President Franklin D. Roosevelt issued the following statement recently concerning the American Red Cross War Relief Fund Campaign:

"The American Red Cross has issued an appeal for a war relief fund of at least ten million dollars.

"I urge all American who have a feeling of deep sympathy for the peoples of those unfortunate countries who to-

day have been added to the long list of those who are suffering the horrors of invasion and aerial bombardment to respond quickly and generously to this appeal. The American Red Cross, our official national volunteer relief agency, is efficiently organized to answer such emergency calls. It is, therefore, the logical agency through which our citizens can express their compassion for the innocent victims of the wars that rage overseas. I am confident we will not fail them."

In connection with the above, the Red Cross Chapter of Sonora has received the following telegram, which should cause local people to realize the seriousness of the war in Europe, and the dire need which the people of the embattled nations are now facing:

St. Louis, Mo.  
Miss Nann Karnes,  
Sutton County Chairman Red Cross,  
Sonora, Texas

With the invasion of Holland, Belgium and Luxemburg the war has entered a phase which will inevitably and at once bring widespread and appalling suffering to millions of helpless men, women and children. In order to inaugurate widespread relief measures the American Red Cross is at once launching a campaign for a minimum war relief fund of ten million dollars. Your chapter quota is \$100. Please at once mobilize the entire leadership of your chapter and community in order that your quota may be raised and exceeded without delay. Chapters may retain fifteen per cent of collections to cover their local war relief expenses. Letter of instructions follow.

Norman H. Davis.

## Commencement At Elliott School Held Wednesday

Commencement exercises were held for the L. W. Elliott school Wednesday evening, at which time three graduates of the school received diplomas at the hands of Supt. F. T. Jones of the Sonora Public Schools system. Graduates were Trina Reyna, Esther Virgen and Alexander Garcia.

At the program, Miss Leeta Mae Garrett played the processional and the invocation was given by Harold Speece. In a special musical number, Lavelle Meckel sang "In the Garden of Tomorrow," after which diplomas to the Seventh Grade were by Bryan Hunt, member of the Board of School Trustees.

Dr. Joel Shelton delivered the principal address of the evening, which was well received by the gathering.

Special awards from the Lions Club were given to several students, the presentation being made by Supt. Jones.

The three graduates of the school made short addresses, and other special awards were made by Ralph Trainer.

Alexander Virgen made the first speech from the students, followed by Esther Virgen and Trina Reyna.

Texas oil producers now pay the highest average tax per barrel of any state in the union.

Annuities paid by some Texas oil companies to retired employees total from three to six times those prescribed under the social security law.

Pumping oil wells in Texas outnumber those which flow by more than 12,000.

## Reaches With Good Margin City Classification

Cheering news is contained in the preliminary report of the Census Bureau, released Wednesday afternoon, in which it was stated that for the first time, Sonora had reached the status of a city, having been given a population of 2517 as the result of the recent census taken in the town. That figure represents the population of Sonora within the city limits, there not yet having been released figures showing the population of the county as a whole, or outside the city limits of the town.

Advancing slowly but steadily in the past ten years, Sonora has shown a consistent growth in population from the total of 1942 which was credited to the town in the 1930 census to the present count of 2517 for 1940. The increase represents a 29.6 per cent growth, an excellent record when it is considered that there has never been any indication of a boom in any sense of the word. Whatever growth has been experienced has come about as a result of the development of natural assets lying at hand coupled with a determination on the part of the people to take advantage of every opportunity that was calculated to make the town more prosperous and larger.

Mrs. George H. Neill, census taker for Sonora, gave the preliminary report as shown above, in a telephone conversation with the News Editor Wednesday afternoon, immediately upon receipt of the report from the district supervisor's office at Kerrville, which had notified Mrs. Neill of the population count, and stating that the figures represented a preliminary count. The books are to remain open for an additional five days.

Citizens of Sonora were aware of the fact that the town has enjoyed a splendid growth, especially in the past four or five years, but were not certain just what the growth would be, and were hardly hopeful that the count would be large enough to place the community into the city classification. Incidentally, any community with less than 2500 population is considered by government agencies as being rural—all above as urban.

People of Sonora now have a city on their hands. What they intend to do with it remains their problem.

In order to express proper appreciation for the diligent work done by Mrs. Neill in her census reporting, we believe that the town should express commendation to Mrs. Neill for the painstaking efforts she has shown in making such an exact and gratifying counting of the people of Sonora. It is a tedious process, that of finding and enumerating every person in the community. More than one visit was made to many of the homes. Sometimes the persons could not be found. Other times an exact accounting could not be secured, necessitating a second trip to the same home. Mrs. Neill has been busy—but she has done a fine piece of work.

The seventeen persons above the 2500 necessary represent a comfortable margin, and indicates that the city classification is ours beyond doubt.

Texas has nearly one-fourth of all the producing oil wells in the United States.

The Texas petroleum industry alone now pays 45 per cent of all state taxes exclusive of sales taxes such as the gasoline tax which are paid by the consumer.

There are 5,500 oil companies and independent operators now operating in Texas, and 530 gas companies and operators.

### CANCER QUACK IS MENACE TO TRUSTING FOLK

"The science of medicine always has been embarrassed by fakers who claim to have short-cut cures and special ability or information not possessed generally by the medical profession concerning certain diseases. Although these exploiters are prohibited by law from advertising their false claims, they still attract in devious ways those too-trusting individuals who are impressed with high-sounding language and a disarming manner. Among this group will be found the cancer quack," states Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer.

"This kind of quackery is likely to take any one, or a combination, of many forms. For instance, the quack may suggest the use of a special serum or vaccine that will promptly remove cancer. He may attempt to sell medicines, pastes, salves, or a machine that emits colored lights. Special diet lists have been palmed off as a cancer cure also.

"It cannot be too vigorously stated that quacks and their super-claims, through false hopes and delayed diagnosis, cause unnecessary deaths but never effect cures. Many endorsements of their alleged treating ability have been based on the fact that the sore or other condition which they have diagnosed as cancer, was not such in fact.

"No one, therefore, should permit himself to be victimized by the cancer quack. If a suspicion, justifiable or otherwise, exists in the mind of any person that he may have cancer, the only course to pursue is promptly to seek the advice of a reputable physician. Incidentally, warning signs of early detectable cancer include: any lump in the breast or other part of the body, and unusual discharge or bleeding chronic indigestion, any persistent sore on the skin or mucous membrane of the mouth. Delay in the presence of these manifestations may result in a cancer death, painless and comparatively trivial as such symptoms at first may be. The fact that a large percentage of such signs are not of pre-cancerous or cancerous origin is no excuse for delay in seeking proper medical advice. Indeed, to put off the visit to the doctor in such cases may be writing one's own death warrant.

"Irradiation, by means of X-ray or radium, and surgery are the methods employed in treating cancer. Frequently, surgery and irradiation are successfully combined under the direction of a competent physician. These facts should be kept in mind, if a cancer quack attempts to sell his spurious wares."

### LOCAL PEOPLE INVOLVED IN MORE ACCIDENTS

Much has been said regarding the relationship between accidents and driver residence. It has been stated that drivers from other parts of the State or Country come into a particular community and cause accidents.

Since this question has been raised, a study has been made of the fatal accidents occurring in Texas during the first three months of 1940. This study has revealed that in wrecks occurring in cities of over 2500 population, 87 per cent of the drivers involved were residents of the home county. On county roads, 75 per cent of the drivers involved in fatal accidents lived in the county in which the accident occurred.

In the entire State of Texas for the first three months of 1940 there were reported 841 fatal accidents which involved 469 drivers of motor vehicles. Two hundred eighty-two or 60 per cent of the drivers involved in fatal accidents lived in the county in which the accident occurred. One hundred fifty-five or 33 per cent of the drivers involved in fatal accidents lived outside of the county in which the accident occurred. Thirty-two or 7 per cent of the drivers involved in fatal accidents lived outside the State of Texas.

This survey indicates that the home driver is the careless driver, becoming more careful as he drives in unfamiliar territory.

### University Group States Livestock Income To Grow

Predicting better prices and increased livestock shipments for Texas, a University of Texas economist anticipates 1940 farm cash income will come up to last year's level.

While 1940 income thus far has slipped about \$3,000,000 under the like period last year, prices for livestock have been strengthening in recent weeks and promise to continue the upturn. Bureau of Business Research statistician, F. A. Buechel forecast.

He predicted shipments of cattle from Texas ranges—which have been consistently lower than last year—"in future months will at least equal, and may exceed, those of the comparable months in 1939." Dr. Buechel attributed the drop from 1939 almost entirely to "smaller marketings of livestock during the first three months of the year especially of cattle."

The Bureau's index of farm cash income for March stood at 78.2, compared to 90.5 in February and 85.0 in March, 1939. Estimated receipts for January to March totaled \$47,290,000, compared to \$50,354,000 last year.

### FIRE HAZARDS EXIST WHERE LEAST EXPECTED

It didn't happen in Texas—but it could have.

A few days ago in Natchez, Miss., a firetrap caught on fire and cremated some 200 Negroes, gathered there for a good time.

There was but one exit to the plank building, which had corrugated roof. That exit was a narrow doorway, through which not more than two or three could pass at a time. The fire started near the doorway and the poor Negroes were trapped and died a horrible death.

Who knows how many such

flimsy buildings, with improper exits, are in Texas? There are many. They are frequented in some places by whites and in other places by blacks. In every case human life is seriously endangered.

Most cities in Texas have ordinances regulating these things. The State has a fire escape law.

Would it not be well for all our towns and cities immediately to check the situation as concerns such buildings as these? We do not want 200 Texans, regardless of color, to become a human pyre, when it can be so easily prevented.

Places where masses of people congregate for amusement, lodge meetings, or whatever it may be, should be inspected now and if they are fire hazards, they ought to be closed to the public, until such time as the ordinary rules of safety are respected.

Not all the accidents, not all the fatalities occur on the streets and highways as the result of automobile accidents. These are the ones brought to public notice—but accidents in the home, accidents such as that Natchez, and many others, require the same careful education as a matter of prevention. Let's not allow such a holocaust as that in Natchez to visit Texas.

### Safety Demands Care When Car Trouble Comes

When you have car trouble on the highway, push your car off the pavement to one side.

Death lurks for the occupants of a stalled car on the paved slab.

We recently had an example of what could happen. On a heavily traveled highway on the outskirts of one of the State's largest cities, a car ran out of gasoline. While the driver was seeking a supply his wife remained in the car.

Along came a drunken driver and ran into the stalled car. He overturned it and penned the woman occupant beneath. Fortunately she was not killed, but this would happen in very few cases.

Who collided with this car was it true it is said the driver drunk. That aggravated the situation. But, especially at night, even

a sober, careful driver might collide with a stalled car on the pavement, standing there without any lights.

It is not always the driver who runs into the other car who is to blame. The other driver also owes the obligation of driving safely, taking all precautions, and observing the rules of the road, stated Pierce Brooks, president of the Texas Safety Council.

Texas must deal more severely with its drunken drivers. Their driver's licenses must be cancelled, and after an offense or two this should be permanent.

A fine will not suffice. The driver must be penalized in his own community through publicizing. What could be more humiliating than to own a high-powered motor vehicle and be unable to drive it? What father would relish the idea of having his son for an enforced chauffeur, all because he had imbibed a little too freely and had caused an accident?

### Many Sutton Residents Affected By Truck Operation

"More than 850 Sutton County residents depend either directly or indirectly upon operation of the Texas motor transportation industry for their livelihood, Lynn B. Shaw, general manager of the Texas Motor Transportation Association, reported recently.

"This number," Shaw said, "does not include allied industries."

Shaw stated that 173 commercial truck and farm vehicles were registered in the county this year.

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### Sutton County Has A Sweet Tooth

The annual sugar bill of Sutton County housewives and other sugar consumers is approximately \$22,000. This estimate is based on government figures which show that the average yearly per capita consumption is one hundred pounds been around 5 cents.

The retail price of sugar reached the peak immediately after the World War and averaged 19.4 cents per pound in 1920. These high prices prevailed when the United States market was controlled by foreign sugar producers. In 1923, which was five years after the Armistice, the average retail price of sugar was 9.9 cents per pound, but when the domestic producers of sugar cane and sugar beets have been permitted to produce two-thirds of

the sugar requirements of this nation the retail price per pound has purchased at the average retail price of 5.4 cents per pound which prevailed during 1939.

### Many Policy Owners Die Each Year

Statistics just compiled by the American Life Convention indicate that 77,000 policyowners die annually in the United States within a year after they invest in life insurance, and that their beneficiaries receive approximately \$52,000,000 as a result of their insurance.

The statistics, just received here by J. L. Nisbet, who is local representative of Southwestern Life Insurance Company, an affiliate of the American Life Convention, were taken from a survey which

also covered the field of health and accident records. Based on estimates made by the United States Public Health Service, the American Life Convention reports an average of five million persons invalidated each day by sickness, and 500,000 each day by accidents.

The report estimates that the annual loss in wages from sickness and accidents, not covered by the Workmen's Compensation benefits, total more than \$6,500,000,000. Where permanent disability is involved, however, much of this loss is covered by life insurance.

### Turtle Trapping Is Means Of Aiding Fish In Llano

Belwo we are glad to reproduce an article written by E. G. Reese, an outstanding young sportsman of this section. Mr. Reese, who is stationed with the Humble Pipe Line Company at Station B, has been enabled to make a study of the problems covered in his article, and we believe that the end to which he is working should receive the support and commendation of every outdoor liver in West Texas.

#### A RETURN TO ARMS

America has always been a nation of riflemen, but this article is not a war provoker. When the first Americans were wresting the land from the wilderness and Indians, they lived by and as well as they could handle the long muzzle loading rifles of that day. Even in the last World War, our doughboys were known for their deadly accuracy with the rifle. Where the soldiers were downed in front of a European regiment were hit in various places and the shots seemed to have been sprayed, the soldiers opposite one of our regiments were nearly always hit in vital spots and there was every indication that the soldiers had really let the shot off with plan and very good aim.

Until the past few years, an American could pick up his rifle at any time and go out and shoot small game to his heart's content. This was a privilege to be found only in America, and now it is a fast vanishing one here. True, we still have a constitutional right to keep and bear arms, but the game just isn't there. Where once a man could kill hundreds of jackrabbits he can now tramp all day without as much as sighting a lizard. All of this is the more deplorable because it will eventually convert us into a nation of gun pointers and not riflemen. And this has to happen when we have the finest guns and ammunition of all time. For

a few dollars a man can now buy a .22 that he could not have bought for twenty-five a few years ago. And our modern ammunition has a third more velocity and power than it had then.

The problem isn't without solution, however, for by turning our quest from the usual species of game we can get our rifle practice and do our shooting a great deal of good at the same time. Turtles, for instance, are a mark that cannot be approached for downright difficulty to hit, and they are depleting our streams of fish by leaps and bounds. At this time a group of sportsmen of Sonora have two experimental traps set for turtles in the Camp Allison hole of water. A third will be placed in the same water this week. All of these are experimental, and as soon as one has been found efficient and inexpensive enough, they will be placed in other parts of the river as rapidly as the money can be raised. These traps will do great deal for our waters but the sportsman can help this work by shooting these thieves of good fishing.

It will amaze you to go to the river and see the number of turtles there. You can see hundreds of them in the space of a few yards' walk, all along the river—all this when the United States government considers water turtle infested when it contains more than one to an acre of water. We have a bumper crop of dozens to an acre. The old timers on the river talk of the times when a man could fish for a short time and catch a gunny sack full of fish—now you can fish for days and not catch enough to perfume a skillet. We have a closed season that goes a long way toward protecting the breeding fish, we have the cover and food for more fish, and we have more than enough turtles to eat all that the water will produce.

What better sport could a true sportsman ask for than matching his aim against these sport killers? The targets are not easy, for Mr. Turtle just cruises along with his snout sticking out of the water like the periscope of a Nazi U-boat. Therefore we have just one small target to shoot at with reasonable hope for a kill, and that small head is a real test for a man's marksmanship. If the hunter will get on a high bank and shoot down on the turtles, he can get them by shooting into their bodies, but when the angle is long and flat, he is just wasting his cartridges.

There are several inexpensive telescope sights on the market now that will permit a reasonably steady man call his shots on their heads at fifty yards. Fellow sportsmen, that is a real thrill, to put the cross hairs on the amphibian's head and see him jump as you squeeze the trigger.

And it is another thrill to realize that you have done something good for our desirable wild life while gratifying the American urge to

hit something.

I have been shooting turtles regularly for some time. In doing this I have gained many healthy and happy days in the open and have exterminated more than one hundred turtles. I don't count the ones that I thought or hoped I hit. When you have hit Mr. Turtle, he will either float for a few minutes or start flopping in the water; conversely when you miss one he simply disappears and you see him no more. Another good point to this sport is that it requires no special equipment. Just any .22 and some shells are the only requirements for a great deal of fun. A more accurate rifle and a telescope add to the fun it is true, but that old "Target" behind the door will put Mr. Turtle to rest in a most effective manner. And you will be doing the wildlife a great favor all the while you gratify your heritage to use a gun.

So when you go fishing this summer be sure to take your rifle along, and while you lay around

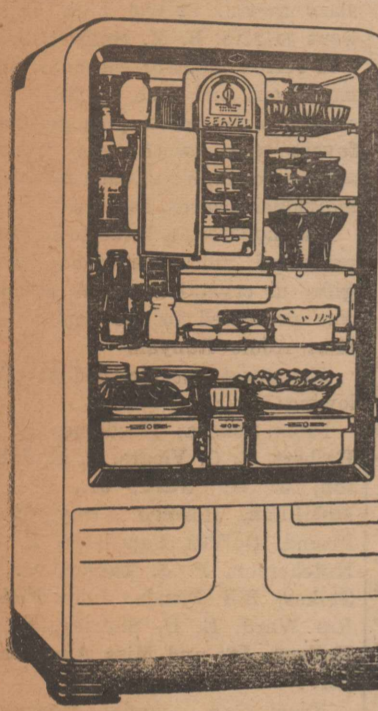
the bank you can contribute greatly to our future sport. You might even find as I have the shooting is more fun than the fishing.

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## Miss McQuary Presents Pupils In Recital

Presentation of pupils of Miss Rena McQuary at the high school auditorium last Saturday evening was attended by a large and appreciative audience, who roundly applauded and appreciated the various numbers presented. The recital was based on present-day war conditions, and in a prelude to the musical renditions the children supposed to be refugees from various countries at war, and were being brought to America as a refuge. Pat Gilmore and Jamie Trainer, as two sailors, decided upon a musical program to pass the time away, and Elizabeth Taylor appeared on the scene just in time to direct the program. Taking part in the program were the following students:

Blanche Lavon Taylor and Beverly Smith, who rendered "German Folk Songs"; Ernest Carroll Stephens in "Indian Drums"; Maxine Chalk in "In Old Japan"; Raymie Jo McClelland in "The Dutch Twins"; Barbara Jean Lawless in "Dutch Dance"; Jane Neill and James Theodore Hunt in "I'm an Old Cowhand"; Jane Neill in "Ladybird"; James Theodore Hunt in "Home on the Range"; Gene Cliff Johnson in "Morris Dance"; Billy Wright Taylor in "Mountain Tune"; Norman Jean Brinkley in "Castanets"; Lila D. Chalk and chorus in "Ciribiribin"; Nancy Christie in "Mendelssohn"; Bernie Dawn Gibb in "Le Secret"; Elizabeth Taylor in "Learning on the Old Top Rail"; Kathleen Brinkley in "The Blue Danube"; Peggy Gilmore in "Valcik"; and Libby Jo Wallace and chorus in "God Bless America."

The program began at 8:45 o'clock.

## Mrs. S. M. Davis Enjoys Reunion Last Sunday

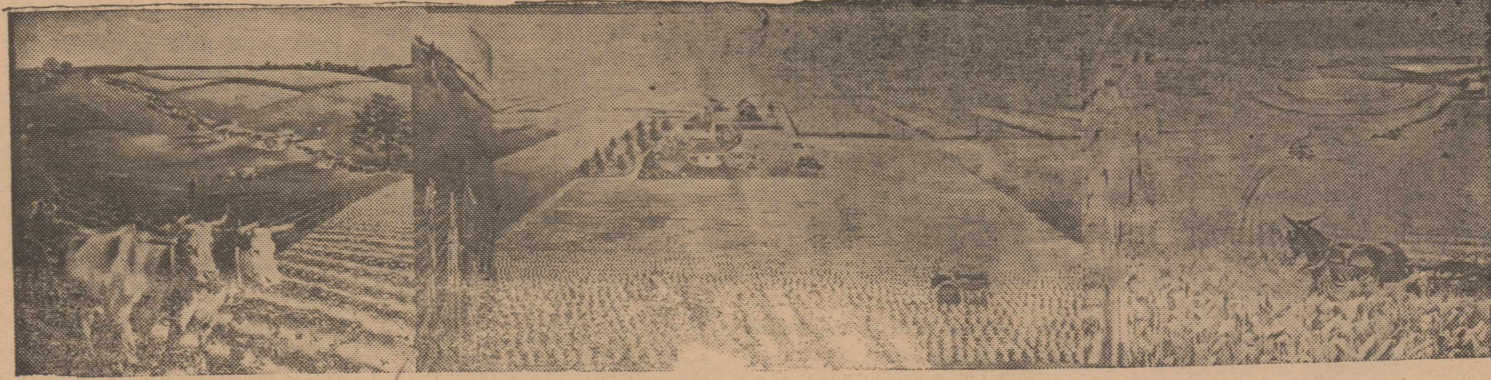
Last Sunday, Mothers' Day, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Wallace gave a Mother's Day dinner honoring Mrs. S. M. Davis, pioneer resident of Sutton county, whose 84th birthday anniversary falls in August. All children of Mrs. Davis, and many of her grandchildren were present at the reunion to do homage to the aged and kindly mother and grandmother. The reunion was the first to be enjoyed by the Davis family in more than twenty years and proved to be an occasion which will be long remembered by those present.

Among those who were present for the day were Mrs. Hollie B. McGonagill of Dallas, Mrs. Nora C. Clark and children, Martha Rose and Clifton of Fort Worth; Mrs. W. T. Covington and daughter, Loray of Painview; Ruby Davis of Rocksprings; Mrs. Ben F. Meckel and family, Lavelle, Doris and Jerry, of Sonora; Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie West and Barbara Anne West of Eldorado; Mr. and Mrs. George Barrow, Darlene Fae and George Allen; Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Mullens of San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Smith of Uvalde; and Mrs. Will Perry.

Mrs. Davis came to Sutton county by covered wagon, accompanied by her husband and four children. The family brought a flock of sheep with them. Her husband, being one of the more prominent early-day citizens, was elected sheriff of the county in 1892, being the second sheriff for the county. Since then, the family has resided continuously in and around Sonora and Sutton county.

## Mrs. Pfiester Is Honored By Visit Of Children

Children of Mrs. Beulah Pfiester surprised her last Sunday with an informal Mother's Day visit, at which time all the children gathered for a reunion. Jack of Iraan was the only child not present. Among those from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Guthals and son Lawrence and daughter Jennelle, of San Angelo; and Ed Pfiester, wife and children of Fort Stockton. Also present was Miss Louise Briscoe, student in San Angelo, a granddaughter.



MISS GERTRUDE BABCOCK

Finishing a work which took almost a year to complete, Miss Gertrude Babcock, Sonora artist, sighed with relief and said, "Finished at last." She referred to a five-panel mural on the walls of the agricultural engineering room at Texas A. & M., which depicts the advancement of agricultural engineering from the days of the oxen to the modern tractor, and also depicts those labors which are as yet unmechanized—cotton chopping and cotton picking.

She is pictured at the left of the mural which she took such pains with, the decoration being evidence that she had put her whole heart into her labors. She has received commendation from many sources for the excellence of her work.

The work was conceived by Dan Scoates, until his death recently, head of the agricultural engineering department of the college. He lived long enough to see the work well started, but passed on before the art work could be completed. In the meantime, he had made the idea known to a large manufacturer of agricultural implements, which made the paintings possible, and then presented them to the college.

Miss Babcock, who has done such an excellent job with her mural paintings, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Babcock of Sonora. She has devoted much time to the study of art, but has been interested in other things, with the result that she attended Texas State College for Women at Denton, where she obtained her degree in 1933. Then she spent one summer studying art at the University of Mexico in Mexico City, two summers studying at the Art Institute of Chicago, and one summer studying under Alexander Hogue, Texas artist, at the Denton school from which she had received her degree. She did free lancing for one winter at Dallas, found time, to teach two years in the Sonora school system, and was society editor on the Devils River News for one year. In addition, she has been interested in stone sculpture, and illustrating.

## Girl Scouts Enjoy Swimming Party On DeBerry Ranch

The losing group in an attendance contest staged by the Girl Scouts entertained the winners at a swimming party on the E. M. de Berry ranch Saturday afternoon. The losers, headed by Anne de Berry, prepared a picnic supper as a part of the entertainment feature of the afternoon in addition to the swimming party. The winners, captained by Alice de Berry, report that the entertainment offered to them as victors in the contest was everything that could be expected, and fully as good as would have been given had the winners and losers been reversed.

Present to enjoy the outdoor recreation during the afternoon were the following:

Josette Boughton, Lila D. Chalk, Geraldine Morrow, Caroline Johnson, Gene Cliff Johnson, Martha Jo Moore, Janie Collier, Sammie Jean Allison, Billy Cartwright, Marguerite Howell, Mary Lou Neuberger, Tiny Anne Taylor, Anne de Berry, Alice de Berry, Betty Faye Glasscock, Bernie Dawn Gibbs, Frances Atchison, Helen Kasper, Ethel Mae Alley; Mesdames J. F. Howell, Glasscock, Neuberger, Guy and Joe de Berry, Miss Cathryn Trainer and Mrs. Raymond Morgan.

Mrs. Max Turney left last Friday for Brownwood, where she will spend the next three weeks with her parents.

## High School Students Honored With Dance At Wallace Home

Members of the Freshman and Sophomore classes were entertained last Wednesday evening with a dance at the home of Mrs. J. D. Wallace, with Mrs. Wallace and Mrs. Ralph Trainer as hostesses. A pleasant evening was spent, and punch, cookies and sandwiches were served during the course of the evening as refreshments.

Present for the affair, one of the most enjoyable thus far recorded for the Freshman and Sophomores of high school were a long list of students, and a few guests; among whom were the following:

Peggy Gilmore, Marjorie Reba Nisbet, Edith Mae Babcock, Addie Thorp, Elizabeth Taylor, Nancy Christie, Lois Morris, Willie Nell Hale, Margie Crowell, Wanda Thomas, Jamie Trainer, Sammie Jean Allison, Flora Jean Hildreth, Miss Cathryn Trainer;

Richard Boughton, Glen Richardson, Billy Shurley, Willie B. Ory, Roy Cooper, R. C. Luckie, Ray Wallis Stephenson, Justin Odom, Robert Hamer, K. C. Collier, Glen Crowell, Gene Alley, Vernon Cook, Raymond Shroyer, Clyde Henderson, Wilfred Berger, J. R. Hudson, Gene Wallace, James D. Trainer, Jennings Flathers, Dearn Beard, Sanford Trainer, Geo. D. Wallace, R. W. Wallace, Mrs. Francis Trainer, Mrs. John Nisbet, Mr. and Mrs. Libb Wallace and Ralph Trainer.

Punch was served to the guests with Mrs. Nisbet presiding at the bowl.

## Salvation Army Sends New Collector

Niels T. Abildgaard is now the authorized collector for the Salvation Army in Sonora, working out of San Angelo. Mr. Abildgaard recently was transferred to San Angelo from Quincy, Ill., out of the Chicago headquarters of the Salvation Army. Previous to going to Quincy, Mr. Abildgaard had been stationed with the Army in Iowa, Maine and New York.

## Woman's Club Hold Open House Last Thursday Evening

Mrs. John L. Nisbet was hostess last Thursday evening at an open house, the meeting being held in the Woman's Club House. A short business meeting was held, after which installation of officers was completed.

The program, which followed the installation ceremonies, was based on the life of Stephen C. Foster. A number of Foster compositions were sung. J. H. Flathers sang "Old Folks At Home," accompanied by Miss Marie Watkins. The second number was "Beautiful Dreamer," by Mrs. C. A. Tyer, accompanied by Mrs. E. D. Shurley. A third number, "Oh Susanna," was sung by the gathering, with Miss Elizabeth Caldwell as the piano.

A solo, "Uncle Ned," was sung by Mr. Flathers, accompanied by Miss Watkins. "Jeannie, with the Light Brown Hair," was sung by Miss Watkins, with Miss Caldwell at the piano. "Massa's in the Cold, Cold Ground" was sung by the gathering with Miss Caldwell at the piano. "Old Black Joe" was sung by Miss Watkins with the gathering accompanying her in the chorus. Miss Caldwell was at the piano.

"My Old Kentucky Home," a duet, was sung by Mrs. Shurley and Mr. Flathers.

Punch was served to the guests with Mrs. Nisbet presiding at the bowl.

## Monday Contract Club Meets With Mrs. Sam Hull

One table of players met at the home of Mrs. Sam Hull Monday afternoon and enjoyed several games of bridge. Marigolds were used as decorations, and refreshments consisting of a frosted drink were served to Mesdames J. L. Nisbet, W. L. Aldwell, Clara Murphy and John A. Ward, Jr. High score was made by Mrs. Nisbet.

## Girl Scouts Are Entertained With Picnic Supper

Miss Ruth Hillyer entertained the Girl Scouts of Troop One last Friday afternoon with a picnic supper on Lake Nasworthy, the houseboat of Mr. Henry Ragsdale of San Angelo being used for the occasion.

In addition to the Girl Scouts from Sonora, there were a number of guests from San Angelo who were present for the affair, and those making the trip from here to Lake Nasworthy report the most enjoyable outing ever experienced by the troop here.

Present from here to enjoy Miss Hillyer's hospitality were Miss Alice Sawyer, captain of the troop, Miss Rena McQuary, lieutenant-captain, others being Margie Crowell, Edith May Babcock, Georgia Nance, Marjorie Reba Nisbet, Jo Beth Taylor, Betty Taylor, Jamie Trainer, Pat Gilmore, Addie Thorp, Mrs. E. E. Sawyer, Miss Lura Ward, Miss Nan Johnson, Mrs. P. J. Taylor, Cleve Jones, Jr., and Edwin Sawyer.

Those present from San Angelo were, in addition to the hostess, Carolyn Dodson, Jean Baker, Betty Cooper, Katherine Creath, Mrs. Dela Hillyer, Miss La Faye Striechcomb, Commodore Ragsdale, Skipper Earl Starkie, and Roy Talley and Shannon Brown, crew members.

## Mrs. Hildreth Is Hostess To Seventh Grade

Mrs. Rosanna Hildreth was the hostess Wednesday evening to members of the Seventh Grade at her home. Cookies and punch were served to the guests, and parlor games were the amusement of the evening.

Members of the class present to enjoy the occasion were Marguerite Howell, Billie Cartwright, Jerry Meckel, Margie Ann Dameron, Lois Whidden, Frances Atchison, Sybil Burslen, Bernie Dawn Gibbs, Wanda B. Cook, Lettia White, George B. Kisselburg, Viola Ory, Josette Boughton, Lorene Fambrough, Gene Wallace, Warren Reddock, Jack Burslen, Jim Martin, J. T. Jackson, Delmar Lee Sloan, James McMillian and Frances Green Wright.

## Miss Halbert Is Honored With Bridge Party

Mrs. Homer Byrd of San Angelo, aunt of Miss Bobbie Halbert, honored her niece with a bridge party Wednesday afternoon in her home, the affair beginning at 2:30 o'clock. Room decorations were colors and sweet peas and larkspurs, profusely scattered throughout the home. During the afternoon games, high score award was presented to Mrs. E. D. Shurley, with Mrs. W. B. McMillian receiving a slam award. Second high award went to Mrs. B. M. Halbert, Jr.

A refreshment of coconut cake macaroons and lime sherbert was served to the guests present. Plate favors were sweet peas. In the awards for high cut, each table had individual awards, sachets.

The honoree, a bride-to-be, was presented with numerous lovely gifts in crystal ware. A corsage was presented to the honoree by Miss Addie Runyan.

The guest list included the following:

From Sonora: Mesdames R. A. Halbert, R. C. Vickers, L. E. Johnson, J. A. Ward, Jr., W. B. McMillian, Howard Kirby, Batts Friend, DeWitt Lancaster, B. W. Hutcherson, P. J. Taylor, M. M. Stokes, Bill Fiends, John Fields, Rip Ward, E. D. Shurley, B. M. Halbert, Jr., and Miss Alice Sawyer.

From San Angelo: Mesdames Lula Hines, Gay Copeland, Sid Evans, Marshall Huling and Misses Janet Atkins, May Helen Ede, and Christine Yaggy.

## Sixth Birthday Is Occasion For Party

Birthday cake and ice cream were served as refreshments and balloons were given as favors Tuesday afternoon when Mrs. George Trainer, Jr., honored her daughter, Eddie Grace, on her sixth anniversary. Present for the occasion, which was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Trainer, were the following youngsters:

Beverly Smith, Mary Ellen Stephenson, Betty Lou Allen, Jimmy Skinner, Jimmy Morrow, John Stanley Hamby, Charles Brent and Cecil John Allen, Inez Chalk, Connie Mack Locklin, Eddie Farrell Smith, Bill Decker, Johnny Dell and Betty Nell Merck, Lois Lou Lomax, Nancy and Dannie John Eaton, Kathleen Kasper, Betty Jean Drennan, Dwaine and Laddie Trainer; with their mothers, Mesdames Skinner, Smith, Earl Merck, Locklin, John Eaton, Cecil Allen, Edith Hoskins and infant son and other guests, Mrs. George Trainer Sr., Mrs. J. D. Wallace and Mrs. Logan.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold D. Powell were San Angelo visitors last Sunday with relatives in Sonora.

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# Honoring the Members of Sonora's 1940 Graduating Class



## Activities, Achievements and Aspirations of Graduates Reveal High Standards

Spring of the year is the signal for the closing of school. And with the closing of school, recognition and honors are heaped upon those fortunate few individuals who survive the gruelling tests given them, for their own good, by the school authorities during the eleven years of active going to school to "get their learning." In Sonora, as in every city and hamlet in the land, this month finds the seniors of high school preparing to step out from the associations they have held so long one with another during the course of their going through school, and sever the connections they have had with the school, their classmates, and in many instances their families, and boldly face the world with whatever preparation they have managed to make during their school life. To them, school has been a long and pleasant journey. To their parents, it has oftentimes meant privations, hardships and sacrifices, but to everyone concerned it has meant that gruelling progress gone through in order to gain an education has but one ultimate object—that of preparing the high school boy and girl to take their place in society as citizens and workmen who will follow in the footsteps of their parents, and take over the management of the social, business and economic welfare of the country in which they live.

These future citizens of Sonora have been dined, if not wined, and have been roundly feted during the past few weeks of school. They have been dined, if not wined, and every conceivable honor has been accorded them. They are a proud gain, too—proud of their successful conquest of school, proud of the preparations they have made, and proud of the ability they possess to become one among the mature minds of their home communities. Let's look them over:

**MARIAN ADAMS**—Age 18 years. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marian Adams, and entered school here in 1928, graduating into Sonora High School in 1936. In the way of activities, Marian has been a member of the high school pep squad, four years; and a vice president of the Home Economic Club. Hobbies include safer matches and horses. Plans to take a business course following her school graduating with a view to further fitting herself for active business and social life in the community which she will call home.

**MARJORIE DAVIS**—Age 16 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Davis. Entered school at Sonora in 1929, going into high school in 1936. Her hobby is dancing. Plans to enter Texas Tech next year, and a study of her school activities reveals that she has been secretary-treasurer of the Senior class; of the Pep Squad for the years 1938 through 1940. Has been flag bearer for the high school band, vice president of the Freshman class, member of the high school editorial staff, and as an indication of the intensive studying she has done was declared salutatorian at her Seventh Grade graduation.

**MYRON MORRIS**—Age 15 years. Son of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Morris, entered school in 1936, first attending Owensville rural school and graduated into Sonora High School in 1936. Highlights in his progress through school include educational awards for three years in Sonora high for having boys' highest average; debater for past three years, going to state interscholastic league meet in 1939. Won first place in tennis singles in 4-County Meet in 1938 and 1939. Received two gold "R" reading awards. Served as member of Sonora Lions Club one six-weeks in each year for past four years. Represented Sonora in an Americanism contest sponsored by local Lions club. Is representing Sonora this week in "My Home Town" contest at West Texas Chamber of Commerce convention in Big Spring this week. Was president of Thespian Club in 1939. President of Sonora High School Broncho Band in 1940, and is president of Senior Class for 1940. Member of National

**MERLE ORY**—Age 19 years. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cal Ory. Entered school in Sonora in 1928. Graduated into high school in 1936. Has a hobby of collecting postcards. Plans to enter nursing school upon completion of school work.

**NELSON STUBBLEFIELD**—Age 16 years. Son of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Stubblefield. Entered school at San Angelo (kindergarten) in 1929. Entered high school at Sonora in 1936. Was regional winner in debate, teamed with Myron Morris, in 1938 and 1939. District winner in debate in 1939-40. President of debate club, 1939-40. Member Pan-American Club one year. Press Club member one year. Hobby is stamp collecting. Will enter Tyler Commercial College to make a study of radio.

**R. W. HILL**—Age 17 years. Son of Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Hill. Entered school in Sonora in 1929. Entered high school in 1936. Competed in track meet in 1939-40. Lettered in football in 1939. Hobby is collecting insects and small mammals. Plans to enter college after devoting some time to work.

**JUANITA CARTWRIGHT**—Age 19 years. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Cartwright. Entered school at Eldorado in 1927. Transferred to Sonora High School in 1936. Was secretary and treasurer of homemaking club in 1939-40. Member of Homemaking Club four years. Member for four years of pep squad. Dress entered in contest in 1940 won third place. Collection of postcards and glasses is her hobby. Plans to take business course.

**MILDRED TRAINER**—Age 16 years. Daughter of Mrs. Rena Trainer. Entered school in Sonora in 1929. Continued into high school in 1936. Was a member of pep squad five years. Leader of pep squad the past year. President of Junior Class, and president of Home Economic Club this year. Elected football sweetheart the past season. She claims no hobby, but plans to enter business college as soon as her school work is completed.

**KATHLEEN LARGENT**—Age 17 years. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Largent. Entered school at San Angelo in 1929. Entered Sonora high school in 1936. Has been a member of the pep squad the past three years and member of band one year. Collecting horses is her hobby, and will enter business college soon.

**ROBERT SAWYER**—Age 18 years. Son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Sawyer. Entered school at Ozona in 1929. Entered high school in Rocksprings in 1936. Transferred to Sonora in 1940. Lettered in football three years. Hobby is sports, particular outdoor sports. Delights in mechanical drawing, and plans to take chemical engineering course upon completion of high school work.

**SUE GLASSCOCK**—Age 17 years. Daughters of Sim Glasscock. Entered school in Sonora in 1928. Went into high school in 1936. Has been member of Sonora Broncho Band past three years. Has a hobby of collecting dogs. Will enter Sul Ross State Teachers College this year.

**DOROTHY HENDERSON**—Age 17 years. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Henderson. Entered school in Sonora in 1929, going into high school in 1936. Won second place scholarship award in fifth and sixth grades. Was vice president of Freshman Class. Reporter for debate club in Senior Class. Reporter for Senior Class. Winner of volleyball award at Eldorado tournament in 1939. Declared all-district volleyball player in 1939. Captain of volleyball team in 1940. Lioness first six-weeks of second term this year. Her hobby is horses and she plans to enter business college this year.

**LEON MORRIS**—Age 17 years. Son of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Morris. Entered rural school at Owensville in 1929, and high school in Sonora

in 1936. Lettered two years in football. Was first string basketball team member one year, and competed on track team four years. Winner of second place this year in district meet in high hurdles, and went to regional. Plans to enter college later.

**LOUISE MORRIS**—Age 16 years. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Morris. Her scholastic highlights include membership in the high school pep squad for five years, and a member of the home economic club for the past two years. After graduation she plans to take a college business course training.

**JAMES LEO WILSON**—Age 18 years. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wilson. James has been a member of the Craftsman Club during his high school attendance, and for a hobby has chosen collection of Arrow Heads and other Indian relics. He does not plan to attend college, but prefers to take a competent business course upon completion of his high school work.

**LIBBYE JO WALLACE**—Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Libb Wallace. Member of "Who's Who" for 1940. Honored by classmates with several different class offices, was Lioness for high scholastic rating; and was declared winner in clothing contest in which the Homemaking Class was entered. Represented Sonora recently in state homemaking rally at Dallas. Interested in all phases of school life. Active hobbies are sports and reading. She plans to enter Southern Methodist University.

### Two Seniors Are Honored By Mrs. Wallace

Miss Libbye Jo Wallace and James D. Trainer, graduates of Sonora High School this year, were honorees at a dance and supper held Monday evening at the town home of Mrs. J. D. Wallace. Guests were members of the Senior Class. Favours were diminutive wooden bronchos bearing the words SHS—1940 on their sides. To Miss Libbye Jo and James D. were given large wooden plaques showing a design of a broncho, and bearing the words "Sonora High School—1940" and the initials of the honoree.

The supper was served buffet

style, and those present to enjoy the hospitality of Mrs. Wallace and Miss Cathryn Trainer, co-hostess, were Marjorie Davis, Mildred Trainer, Kathleen Largent, Louise Morris, Juanita Cartwright, Merle Ory, Dorothy Henderson, Libbye Jo Wallace; Rex Hutcherson, Leon Morris, Myron Morris, Sam Odom, Paschal Odom, Dock Simmons, James D. Trainer, Misses Viva Milstead, Sue Glasscock; R. W. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Trainer, Mr. and Mrs. Libb Wallace, Mrs. W. D. Wallace and Mrs. George Trainer, Sr.

### Mexican Supper For Senior Class Tuesday Night

Mesdames H. P. Largent, Lee Morris, and G. H. Davis were hostesses Tuesday evening to the Senior Class, the occasion being one of the most enjoyable in the calendar of social events honoring the current graduating class of high school. A Mexican supper was served, the members of the Senior Class and their journeying to the Davis Ranch for the evening of entertainment and enjoyment. One of the features of the entertainment was the swimming party which had been arranged for the guests.

Present for the evening's festivities were Myron Morris, Libbye Jo Wallace, Marion Adams, Marjorie Davis, Rex Hutcherson, Dock Simmons, James D. Trainer, Sam Merck Odom, Paschal Odom, Nelson Stubblefield, R. W. Hill, Juanita Cartwright, Kathleen Largent, Robert Sawyer, Lorene Hearn, Sue Glasscock, Merle Ory, Dorothy Henderson, and Leon Morris, members of the Senior Class, in addition to which Supt. and Mrs. F. T. Jones and Miss Viva Milstead were present as guests.

### Senior Class Is Honored With Afternoon Tea

Presenting several outstanding pupils in a recital at the Woman's Club House Sunday afternoon, beginning at 4:30 o'clock, Mrs. Preston C. Lightfoot and Mrs. Albert A. Murray were hostesses at a tea honoring the Senior Class of Sonora High School and guests.

The club room was profusely decorated with flowers, and punch and cookies were served to the

guests following the musical renditions. Appearing on the program were the following pupils of the hostesses, whose progress was abundantly demonstrated in the numbers which were presented:

"Greeting" by Eddie Farrell Smith; "Slumber Boat," Betty Faye Glasscock; "Black Sheep" by Lois Lou Lomax; Three Selections by Eddie Farrell Smith; "Venice" by Betty Faye Glasscock and Geraldine Meckel; "The Cookie" by Flora Dell Davis.

"Catch Me If You Can" by Betty Faye Glasscock; "The Important Call" by Jackie Gwen Wardlaw; "I Went Roaming in Love's Garden," and "Look for the Silver Lining," by Sue Glasscock; "Liz," by Beverly Smith; "When Maytime Comes Again," and "Beautiful Dreamer," by Doris Meckel.

Other numbers in the program were "A Boy to His Stomach," by Sonny Howell, "In an Old Dutch Garden," by Betty Faye Glasscock; "A Little Ride in a Ford," Marguerite Howell; "Ciribiribin," by Sue Glasscock and Doris Meckel, and "Goodnight," Sue Glasscock, Doris Meckel, Betty Faye Glasscock and Geraldine Meckel.

The recital was well received by those present, and the reception for the Seniors was pronounced one of the most enjoyable occasions of the school-end season.

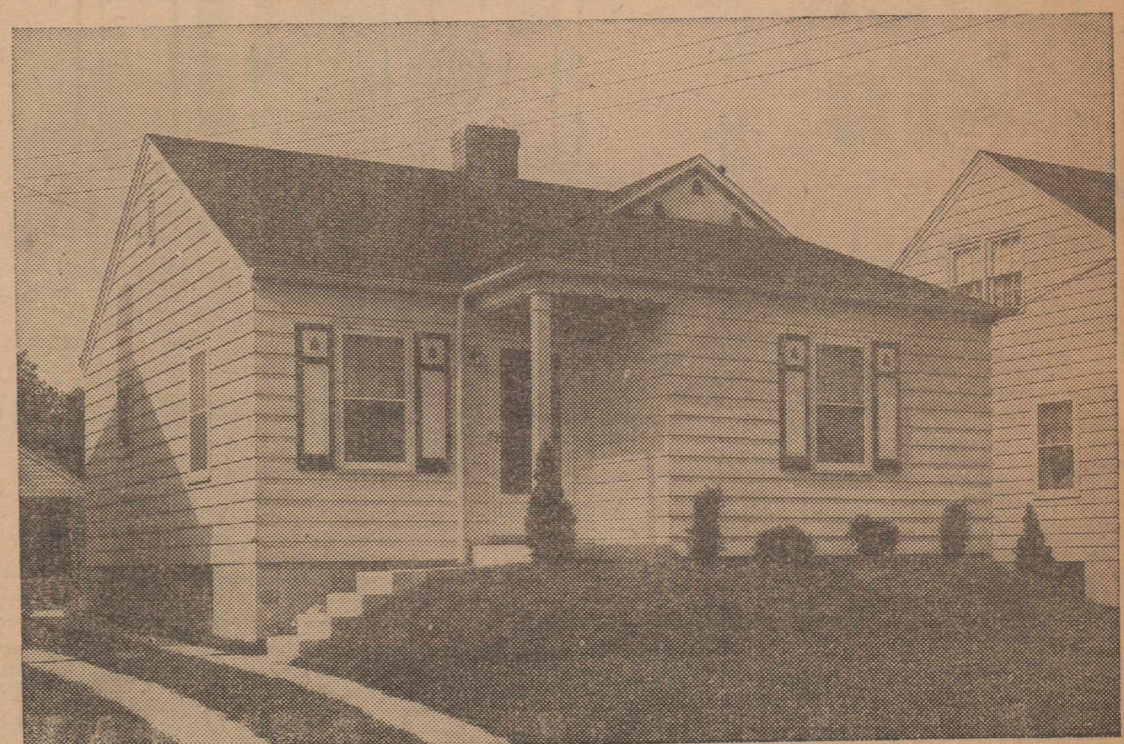
### Dr. Braton Gives 1940 Baccalaureate Address Here

A program rendered Sunday evening at the high school auditorium marked the approach end of the current school session, when Rev. K. P. Barton delivered a forceful and appealing address to the Senior Class and a large congregation of Sonora citizens. The baccalaureate sermon was well received, and should be productive of much good among the hearers who enjoyed the Rev. Barton's talk.

Rev. Barton is Superintendent of the San Angelo District of Methodist Churches, has been in church work for many years, and is possessed of a wide reputation for both his practical Christianity and his ability as a speaker.

The program was a very impressive affair, and gave both graduating and their parents and friends a deeper insight into the serious side of the commencement season.

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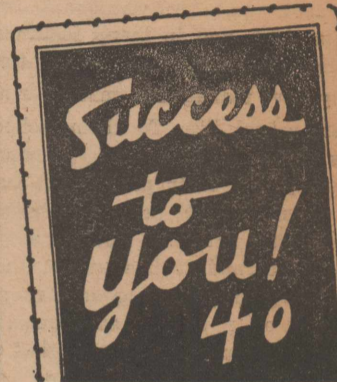
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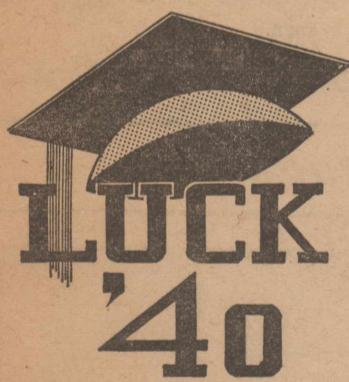
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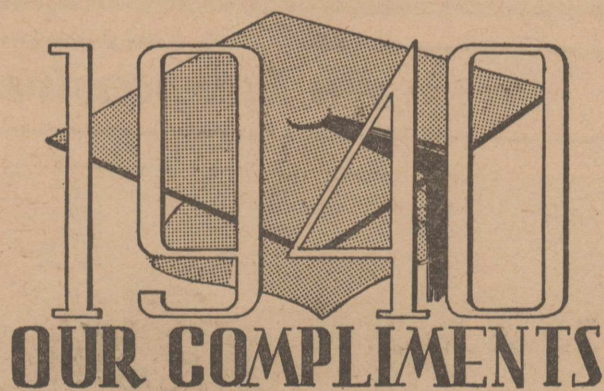
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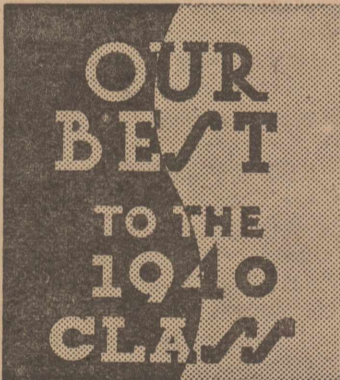
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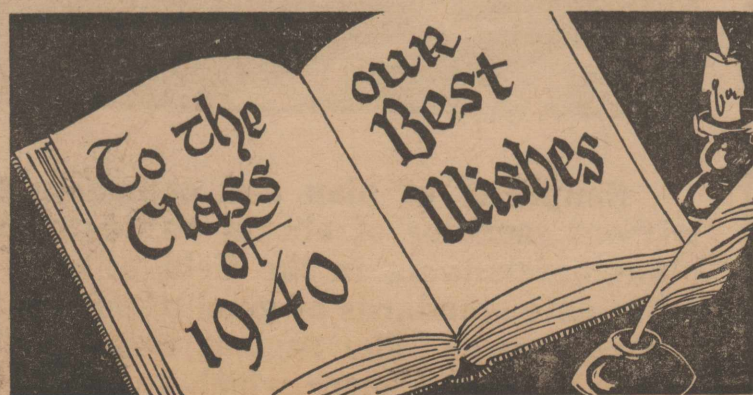
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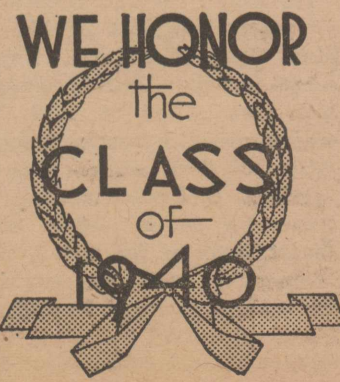
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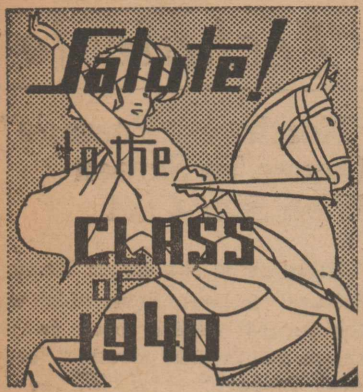
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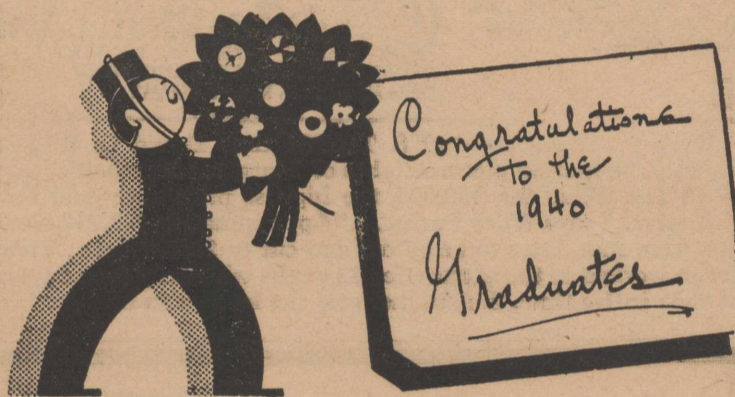
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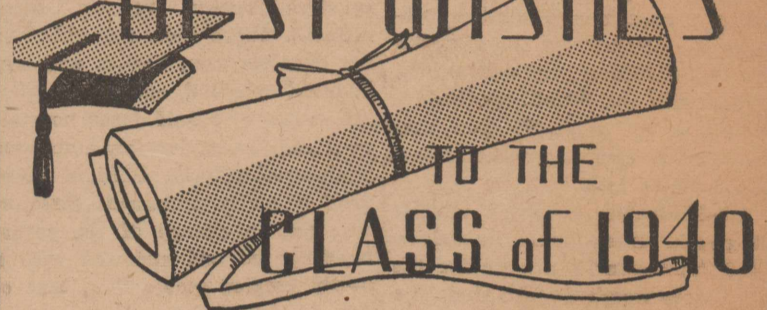


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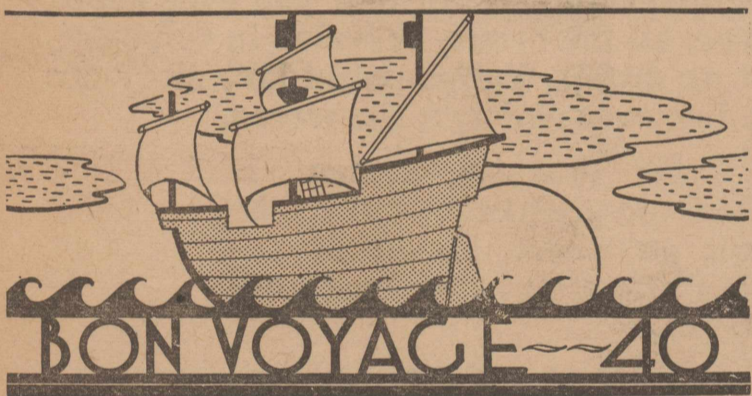
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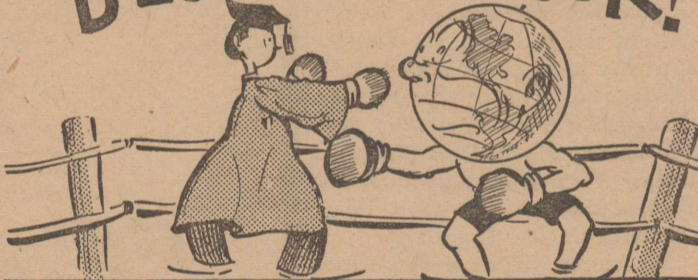
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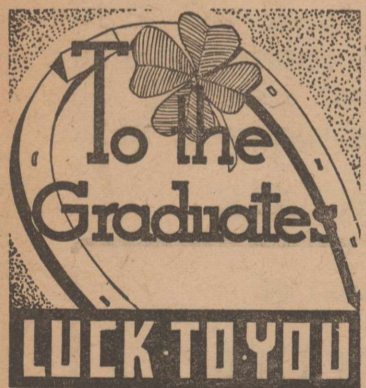
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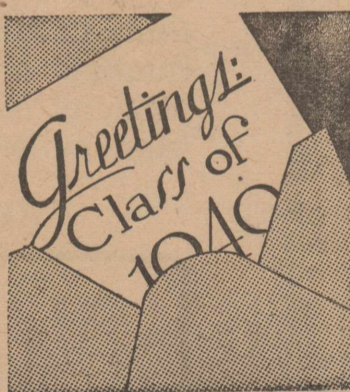
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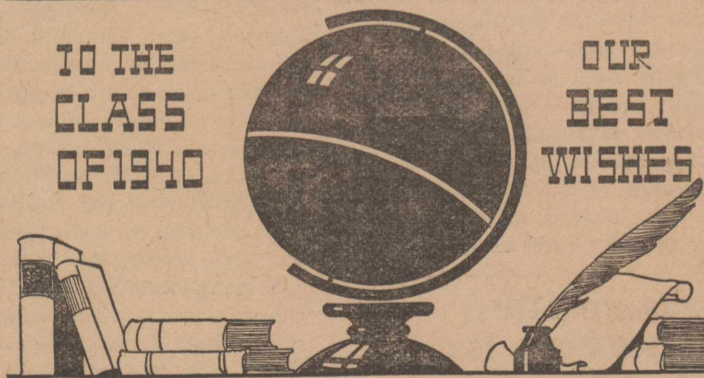


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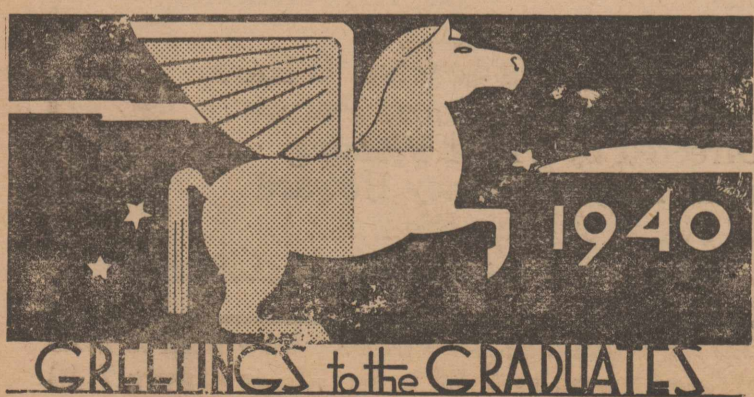
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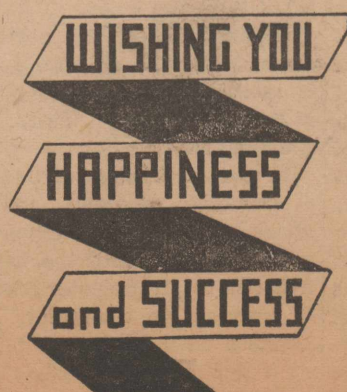
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# "Gone with the Wind," Margaret Mitchell's Celebrated Story Of the Old South and Reconstruction Days, Comes to La Vista's Screen Filmed in Technicolor

No more challenging assignment has ever been set before a Hollywood studio than the task of transferring "Gone with the Wind" from the printed page, a medium in which it had set a new American publishing record, to the motion picture screen. The long-awaited picture will be shown starting Sunday at the La Vista Theatre.

The manner in which the American public had taken the book to its heart, and the intense amount of speculation as to who would play the leading roles, placed an unparalleled responsibility on the shoulders of the film producer.

David O. Selznick, who paid \$50,000 in July of 1936 for the film rights to Margaret Mitchell's absorbing story of Civil War and reconstruction days, made no attempts to dodge any of the million-and-one problems that were showered on him. He invited everyone who had read the book to contribute suggestions of favorite players for the leading characters; he began intensive research in all phases of life in the Georgia of seventy-five years ago; and he launched a search of unprecedented scope to find the right actress for the role of Scarlett O'Hara.

No fictional characterization of modern times had attracted so much reader interest, and it was Mr. Selznick's feeling from the start that it would be preferable to find an actress who was not identified in the public mind with too many earlier parts. To find such a player for a role on which the spotlight of avid curiosity and criticism would be focused by ten million "Gone with the Wind" readers required great patience, rare discrimination, sanguine expectancy—and a bit of luck.

Qualifications of every eligible stage and screen player, as well as 1400 "unknown" aspirants for the part, were weighed and sifted, at a production cost approaching \$100,000. At the end of two and a half years the role was still unfilled. With the camera grinding on the initial sequences of the story on a January day in 1939, there was still no Scarlett O'Hara. Then, as if by a belated intervention of Fate, came Vivien Leigh, a little known English actress whose family ancestry and physical appearance provided a startling counterpart of Miss Mitchell's Civil War heroine. To add an ironic twist, she was introduced to Mr. Selznick by his brother Myron, a well-known agent who had been turning California upside down for thirty months trying unsuccessfully to help solve the family dilemma. Miss Leigh was given a screen test shortly after Mr. Selznick had met her, and the results definitely assured her of the most eagerly contested role of the decade.

An overwhelming public demand had reinforced Mr. Selznick's confidence that Clark Gable was the ideal choice for the part of Rhett Butler. Ever since publication of the novel, a steadily rising stream of letters had been finding their way to Hollywood suggesting, pleading and insisting that Gable be given the part of the irresponsible, dashing, irresistible Georgian who scorned the conventions of his era. So arrangements were worked out with M-G-M, the company to which Gable is under contract, for him to play his role.

Leslie Howard was selected for the part of Ashley Wilkes, and Olivia de Havilland to play the role of Melanie Hamilton, while thirty-six other featured players were hand-picked from Hollywood and New York casting files. Extensive character tests in costume were required before filling each of these keenly etched supplementary roles. It was the producer's professed aspiration to preserve the spirit and flavor of the novel in every detail. Mr. Selznick worked tirelessly with the late Sidney Howard, noted playwright, on the screen transcription of "Gone with the Wind" for a full year. He realized that it would be unfair to the novel and the waiting public to artificially trim the original 1037-page story to an arbitrary length.

Approximately 450,000 feet of footage was shot during the eight months the picture was before the Technicolor cameras, of which 20,500 feet were retained for the final release print. This runs for three hours and forty-five minutes on the screen. It is highly significant that a predominant share of the dialogue of the screen play was selected verbatim from the speeches of Miss Mitchell's book.

Victor Fleming, one of Hollywood's outstanding directors, was assigned to the directorial helm of "Gone with the Wind." Fleming's outstanding skill in piloting large casts through fast-moving plots has been gained during the motion picture career that began in 1910. While his directorial talent was

## Keeping Faith With Those Who Read The Famous Book

By VICTOR FLEMING  
Director of "Gone with the Wind"

So far as I know, no one has come forward to claim the championship for rapid reading of Margaret Mitchell's truly dramatic novel, "Gone with the Wind." It is difficult for me to imagine anyone completing a careful digest of the book in less than twenty-four hours of actual reading time. Mr. David Selznick and I sought to get all of the memorable events of that book into an evening of screen entertainment. As it turned out, the story is told in three hours and forty-five minutes of film.

Novels have been converted into screen fare before. A screen director knows that film pace and rhythm can cover much ground which took dozens of pages in a

### DIRECTOR



VICTOR FLEMING

book. That pace I knew would play a major role in our story and I was prepared for it. But I didn't realize that into my hands had been thrust a virtual Bible of Southern life with a string of "Don'ts" a mile long.

Whatever problems we had on "Gone with the Wind" were inconsequential alongside of that matter of creating a story to satisfy the world's greatest pre-sold critical audience any film has ever had. Miss Mitchell had told us what would be authentic and we told to duplicate it. We had no authority to heighten any situation or minimize any other. We couldn't change simply for effect. We were not making a picture to please an author or a cast of characters. Our thought had to be on a public which was rabid on the subject.

So out the window went a major part of the experience-proved dramatic inventions we know. Imagination is a fine thing in entertainment, but accurate transfer of life is another thing. We all know that if we make a picture showing a miner at work, we must be sure to employ a real miner who will have our miner character acting and talking like a miner. We do that to satisfy a really small part of our audience which will know whether we are right or wrong. Yet here we had not a minority but a vast majority of our audience in the position of critical experts.

I went to work on "Gone with the Wind" with the headaches of pure imagination from "Wizard of Oz" still ringing my ears. I had felt that picture was quite a problem, but now I began to see something Utopian in an audience which didn't know what a Munchkin was, nor how an Emerald City might look. I was down to the bed rock of reality, with millions of voices shouting, "Hew the line, mister."

Any important period picture has its headaches. You can't use sixty principals and nine thousand supporting players without realizing you've bene through the mill. Nor can you fail to appreciate the responsibility of a motion picture which has accumulated a million working hours from those who helped make it real. They tell me we shot 1,350,000 feet of negative. Now that it's all done, the figure doesn't surprise me.

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porting cast such favorites as Alben Jenkins, Juanita Quigley, Donald Meek, Isabel Jewell and Horace McMahon.

## IT'S TRUE!

By Wiley Padan

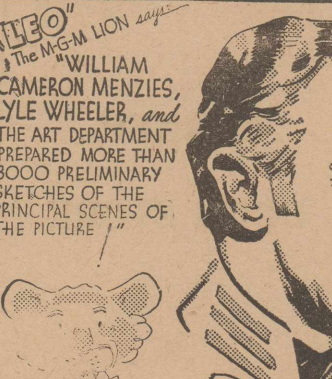
RARELY IN THE HISTORY OF PICTURES HAS AN ACTOR BEEN SUCH A UNANIMOUS CHOICE OF PUBLIC AND PRESS FOR THE ROLE OF RHETT BUTLER, AS CLARK GABLE!



VIVIEN LEIGH

IN THE COVETED ROLE OF SCARLETT O'HARA IN THE SELZNICK INTERNATIONAL PICTURE "GONE WITH THE WIND"

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OLIVIA de HAVILLAND

(MELANIE WILKES) WAS DISCOVERED BY MAX REINHARDT IN HIS HOLLYWOOD BOWL PRODUCTION OF "A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM"

New York, N. Y.—"IT'S TRUE! that David O. Selznick bought the motion picture rights of Margaret Mitchell's "Gone With The Wind" for \$50,000, the highest price ever paid for a film novel," says Wiley Padan. "Approximately 449,512 feet of film were shot, later to be edited and cut to 20,300 feet... Vivien Leigh worked in the picture for 22 weeks with only four days off in that entire time, making her role the longest in history."

## "Northwest Passage" Comes To Screen With Star Cast

Bringing to the screen Kenneth Roberts' adventure novel which was the largest selling book in the nation month after month, "Northwest Passage" shows at the La Vista Theatre today and tomorrow with Spencer Tracy starred and Robert Young and Walter Brennan in leading featured roles.

Filmed entirely in Technicolor, and made after six weeks of work in the wilds of Idaho and several weeks of studio filming, "Northwest Passage" is reported to be the greatest story of physical fortitude ever attempted by the screen.

Following the novel which first ran in the Saturday Evening Post before becoming a best-seller, the picture tells the story of a courageous, hardy band of Rogers' Rangers who in 1756 set forth on a secret mission to wipe out a village of marauding Indians. Among the Rangers are Robert Young as Langdon Towne, a young artist, and Walter Brennan as Hunk Mariner, a seasoned woodsman.

Battling against unbelievable odds, the Rangers lug heavy boats over mountains, trek for days through treacherous swamps, cross a river torrent by forming a human chain, attack and wipe out the Indians and then start a starvation forced march home. Their ranks depleted by Indian attacks and forced to eat lizards and owls, they fight their way back to safety.

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## "GONE WITH THE WIND"

has spread throughout the nation. You will see it here exactly as shown in its famed Atlanta premiere. Then you will understand why it is the most exciting topic of the day, why it took three years to produce, an unprecedented fortune to make. All that you ever hoped for has come true, all the beauty revealed in full color, the heart-stabbing drama, the powerful love story are here for you to live over again on the screen.

While this engagement is limited, the production will not be shown anywhere except at advanced prices . . . at least until 1941.

# "Gone With the Wind"

SUNDAY AND MONDAY

Two shows daily

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Sunday Night—7:30 P. M.—all seats reserved, \$1.20  
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Leslie Howard and Olivia de Havilland

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well recognized in such productions as "The Wizard of Oz," "Test Pilot," "Captain Courageous" and many others, nevertheless he will be remembered for "Gone with the Wind" as far and away the most distinguished directorial job in screen annals.

Of the ninety sequences making up the framework of the motion picture story, the most visually spectacular is the scene of the burning of the Confederate military supplies in Atlanta, while Northern troops besieged the Georgian capital and the army of the South was in retreat. Thousands of people gathered on the hills outside Hollywood to watch this great cinematic conflagration being staged.

In the matter of set design, all previous screen records were eclipsed. Three thousand full-color set sketches were drawn, and two hundred designed, enough to dress the stages of a half dozen normal-sized and just moderately ambitious Hollywood efforts. William Cameron Menzies, prominent director, was put in-charge of the scene-building job and endowed with a newly created movie title, that of "production designer."

A million feet of lumber went into the sets of "Gone with the Wind," and 12,000 days of employment were given to the extras and bit players who made up the "acting population" of the picture. No mean problem was that of gathering and supervising the livestock required to bring to life the senses of the old South, comprising eleven hundred horses and hundreds of cows, pigs, mules, oxen and Georgia "hound-dogs."

Three technical specialists, who had never in their lives dreamed of being summoned to the picture capital, were brought from the South by Mr. Selznick for "Gone with the Wind." They were Wilbur G. Kurtz, whose Atlanta neighbors call him "the walking history of the Civil War"; Susan Myrick, famous writer and voice teacher who has won the sobriquet of "the Emily Post of Dixie"; and Will A. Price of McComb, Mississippi, also a voice teacher. Both Miss Myrick and Mr. Price coached Miss Leigh on the fine points of an authentic Southern accent, a job that was greatly accelerated and aided by the similarities existing between the speech of northern England and the American South.

Costuming of the production was entrusted to Walter Plunkett, one of Hollywood's foremost stylists, who created more than 5500 separate articles of wardrobe for "Gone with the Wind." His task was complicated by the fact that during the eleven years covered in the progress of the story, both men's and women's fashions underwent three complete changes. The gala dresses and top hats of the hoop-skirt era gave way to the helter-skelter makeshift models of poverty-stricken war years, and these, in turn, to the bustles and tighter fitting business suits of carpetbagging and reconstruction days.

## Picture Titled After Song Hit Here Tuesday

Bring to the screen for the first time the popular song sensation, "Oh, Johnny, How You Can Love," Universal's musical comedy-drama of that title is coming Tuesday to the La Vista Theatre with Tom Brown and Peggy Moran in featured romantic roles.

Highlighted by the novel presentation of the title song, which is sung by the glamorous voiced radio songstress, Betty Jane Rhodes, the zestful story deals with the experiences of Brown, as a traveling salesman, and Miss Moran as a run-away heiress. Tom and Peggy fall into the hands of a not-so-tough gangster who tries to turn an elopement into a kidnapping until he is put to flight by a barrage of fireworks.

Said to offer a pleasing combination of music, comedy, romance and thrills, "Oh, Johnny, How You Can Love," has in its sup-



### Monday Night Club Meet At Edgar Shurley Home

A number of guests were entertained last Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Shurley, at which time bridge was offered as a diversion. Present to enjoy the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Shurley were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Mann, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Cusenbary, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Truett, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Jones of Ozona, and Mrs. Rip Ward.

Sweet Williams, corn flowers and room decorations, and a buffet other spring flowers were used as supper was served during the evening. Mr. and Mrs. Ben Cusenbary were present.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Cusenbary received high score award, with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Jones receiving second high. Mrs. Jack Mann won lark, easSafSIfhwnet-ainetainetao high cut award.

### Bridge Party Given By Mrs. Howard Kirby Monday Evening

Mrs. Howard Kirby was hostess Monday evening to a number of guests in her home, at which time bridge was the entertainment offered as diversion. Present to enjoy the games and hospitality extended by the hostess were Mr. and Mrs. DeWitt Lancaster, Mr. and Mrs. Hillman Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Preston Prater, Mr. and Mrs. Seth Lancaster, Mr. and Mrs. Aldwell Nisbet and Howard Kirby.

High score award was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Prater. Refreshments for the evening consisted of ice cream and cake.

### Sans Souci Club Entertained By J. W. Taylors

Entertaining members of the Sans Souci Club with Liverpool rummy and serving hot dinner in picnic style on the lawn, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Taylor were hosts last Saturday evening in a most enjoyable affair. Present to enjoy the games and to partake of the excellent meal were Mr. and Mrs. Hillman Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Penick, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Truett, club members; and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Norris and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Cone, guests.

Mrs. C. W. Settes, mother of Mrs. Taylor, assisted in entertaining during the evening.

### Girls Bridge Club Enjoys Party With Mrs. H. V. Stokes

In a setting of larkspurs and snapdragons, carrying out a color scheme of blue and white, Mrs. H. V. Stokes was a gracious hostess to members and guests of the Girls Bridge Club in a series of games played Saturday afternoon. At the conclusion of play, Mrs. R. C. Vicars was declared winner of high score with Mrs. John A. Ward taking second place.

Present to enjoy games of the afternoon and the delicious salad plate refreshment were Mesdames Vicars, John Fields, Ward, Henry Decker, members; and Mesdames R. A. Halbert, Andrew Moore, Joe Trainer and Preston Prater, the guests.

### Idle Hour Club Meets Tuesday For Games

Mrs. E. F. Vander Stucken was hostess Tuesday afternoon to the members of the Idlehour Club, at which time there were present two tables of players to enjoy the hospitality of the hostess. Spring flowers were used as room decorations, and a sandwich plate was served during the afternoon. High score award was won by Mrs. Josie D. Wallace, second to Mrs. Josie McDonald.

Others present for the afternoon's entertainment were Mesdames W. L. Adwell, Sterling Baker, Ben Cusenbary, Hix Hall, J. F. Howell and John L. Nisbet.

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### Just Us Club Meets At Ward Ranch Home Monday

Ice cream served in pansy-decorated glasses with cookies were the refreshments served by Mrs. Rip Ward to members of the Just Us Club at their meeting last Monday afternoon at the ranch home. One table of players enjoyed bridge as the afternoon's diversion. Mrs. R. A. Halbert was awarded high score for the games, and Mrs. G. H. Hall captured second high. Miss Alice Sawyer was awarded cut prize. Mrs. E. E. Sawyer completed the foursome at bridge.

### Home Workshop Club Meets Monday

The Home Workshop Club met last Monday evening at the high school manual training room, and several matters of business were discussed, with some projects of work carried out.

Present for the meeting were H. C. Atchison, George D. Chalk, B. H. Cusenbary, Preston C. Lightfoot, M. C. McDermott, Robert Reese, W. E. Wallace, Bill McGilvray and H. P. Largent.

### Mrs. Howard Kirby Entertains For Sub Deb Club

Mrs. Howard Kirby was hostess last Friday afternoon to the Sub Deb Club, the affair being given in the newly completed Kirby home. Wild flowers were used as room decorations, and a salad plate was served to guests at the conclusion of the afternoon's games.

Mrs. Batts Friend was awarded high score for members, and Mrs. C. W. Settes was awarded high score for guests. Present in addition to the above were Mesdames Jesse Green Barton, J. W. Taylor, Seth Lancaster, DeWitt Lancaster, Harold Friess, Rip Ward, Bill Norris, Jodie Trainer, and Raymond Morgan. Guests were Mrs. Preston Prater and Mrs. C. W. Settes. Assisting in the entertainment for the afternoon was Mrs. Rose Thorp, mother of Mrs. Kirby.

### Forty-Two Club Entertained By Mrs. Joe Berger

Ice cream and cake were the refreshments served last Thursday afternoon when Mrs. Joe Berger was hostess to the Forty-Two Club. High score award for members went to Mrs. F. T. Jones, and Mrs. Orion Brown was accorded similar honors for guests.

Present at the gathering of congenial friends for the afternoon were Mesdames W. E. Caldwell, Joe Trainer, Robert Rees, C. E. Stites, O. G. Babcock, Jones, Rita Ross and C. A. Tyler as members of club, in addition to which there were present as guests Mesdames Orion Brown, H. P. Largent, Dave Lockin, Charlie Hull, Rose Thorp, Perry Mittel and J. H. Brasher.

### Cub Pack Enjoys Picnic At Park Wednesday

Den No. 2 of the Sonora Scout Cubs were entertained with a picnic by the Den Mothers, Mrs. George Trainer, Jr., and Mrs. Earl Merck, the party taking place at the Junction Park east of town. An elaborate picnic supper spread for the guests was thoroughly enjoyed.

Present to enjoy the hospitality of the Den Mothers were Howard Johnson, Dwaine Trainer, Earl Eugene Merck, Tony Adams, Assistant Chief Boyd Caffey, and visitors Louis Johnson, Pat Jungk, Johnnie Dell and Betty Nell Merck, Eddie Grace and Laddie Trainer.

### Room Mothers Honor First Graders At Davis Ranch

Room Mothers, Mrs. Bailey Renfro and Mrs. Bud Smith carried all members of the First Grade, which room they are particularly interested in, to the Davis Ranch Monday afternoon for a picnic and outing party. Thirty-eight of the children enjoyed the afternoon, and had an exceedingly enjoyable afternoon, eating sandwiches and playing in between times.

Miss Cathryn Trainer spent last Friday in San Angelo.

### Sonora Pupils Receive Degrees From U. of Texas

Six hundred and fifteen students in the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Texas are candidates for degree to be conferred at the June 3 commencement, Dean H. T. Parlin has announced.

Applicants include 465 for the degree of bachelor of arts, 44 for the degree of bachelor of journalism, 35 for the degree of bachelor of science in geology, 67 for the degree of bachelor of science in home economics, three for the degree of bacheor of science in medicine, and one for the degree of bachelor of science in nursing.

Among the students who have applied for degrees are:

Bachelor of Arts—Alvis Francis Johnson, Jr. and Jay Talmadge Shurley.

### Has Theatre Party For Miss Watkins' Music Pupils

Miss Marie Watkins entertained her music class and other guests with a theatre party Monday. Refreshments were served at a drug store.

Included were Alice de Berry, Anne de Berry, Sonny Shurley, Duane Trainer, Sammie Jeanne Allison, Marguerite Howell, Flora Jean Hildreth, Frances Atchison, Jo Beth Taylor, Charlene Hull, Kathryn Ross, Jimmie Cusenbary, Tommy Bond, Charles Lee Cusenbary, Josette Boughton, Jan Caffey, John Allen Ward, Mary Lou Neuberger and Marjorie Ann Dameron.

### Personals

Mrs. E. D. Shurley was a visitor in San Angelo Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Sparks are expected home this week-end from San Antonio, where they had taken their son for medical treatment. They had been in the Alamo City for the past three weeks.

L. W. Elliott was a Dallas visitor over the past week-end, having gone there for the purpose of business and spending a short time with his daughter, Miss Elizabeth, student in Hockaday School.

H. A. Dalton and little son, Jimmie, returned early in the week from Galveston, where they had been for past week. In Galveston to remain for several weeks are Mrs. Dalton and Peggy Joyce. During their stay in the resort city, Peggy Joyce will receive medical treatment.

Mr. Whitfield of San Angelo, former resident of Sonora, was a visitor here Monday. Mr. Whitfield was a citizen of the Stockman's Paradise from the establishment of the town until some twenty-five years ago. He remarked upon the greatly improved appearance of the city in recent months.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Doterio Castro, a boy, this week.

Mrs. Rex Baker has returned to her home from a San Angelo hospital, where she had been receiving treatment until last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Merton Shurley returned to Sonora Tuesday from A. & M. College, where they had spent the past week-end with their son, Jack, who is a student in that institution of higher learning.

Mrs. W. D. Wallace has returned from Christoval, where she had been for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Steppenson plan to go to Abilene this week to bring home their daughter, Wirt Ellis, who has been studying nursing in that city. She will spend two weeks with her parents here.

Rev. R. C. Brinkley attended a Pastor's Conference in Fort Worth, going there last Monday.

Oscar Avera, manager and life guard of the Sonora Swimming Pool, spent last week-end in Mexico.

### "Leto's" for Bad Gums

An Astringent with Antiseptic properties that must please the user or Druggists return money if first bottle of "LETO'S" fails to satisfy. SONORA DRUG CO. (3)

### Uvalde Sale Will Have New Plans and Program

A departure from the usual custom in handling sales will be made this year at the annual show and sale of the Texas Angora Goat Raisers Association to be held in Uvalde July 30-August 2. Heretofore sellers of registered animals, supplied registration certificates after the sale had been completed, but under the new plan no entry will be accepted unless the entry fee of \$1 is paid and the registration certificate accompanies the application. The certificate will be delivered to the purchaser when the sale is made.

Another departure is the scheduled shearing contest which is being staged for the purpose of demonstrating and emphasizing that the necessity for proper shearing methods is vital. More care in shearing adds much to the value of the fleece in eliminating double cuts of the fibre and preventing injuries to animals through cuts.

One of the innovations at the show and sale will be the night rodeo performances, a group of Uvalde business having completed a flood lighted area so that spectators at the rodeo will not be compelled to sit in the blazing July afternoon sun.

Date of the annual membership meeting of the T. A. G. R. A. will be August 1 at Uvalde. The session, at which officers and directors for the next year will be selected, will open at eight o'clock in the morning. Directors have decided that this year no balloting will be permitted after seven o'clock of the day of the election.

Frank O. Landrum of Laguna and Fred T. Earwood of Sonora have been named as judges of the C and B type goats respectively at the show and sale. Both men have national reputation among goat men as leaders in the industry.



If you have trouble teaching your chicks to find the heat, a little circular fence around the brooder stove and about 3 feet from the canopy's edge will hold the chicks close to the heat and avoid corner pile-up. Hardware cloth 12 inches wide is a very satisfactory material for this fence. The length needed can be calculated by simply multiplying the desired diameter by 3. It is always wise to add 4 or 5 feet to this to allow for expansion.

Be particular about the litter. Moldy litter is a possible source of brooder pneumonia.

Add fresh feed often. This encourages chicks to eat more feed, which automatically helps growth and uniform development.

A piece of white muslin tacked on the outside of the window frame of the brooder house will allow fresh air to enter will prevent snow from blowing in, will avoid strong gusts of wind from fanning the fire, and will not shut out much light. It is recommended that the windows be hinged at the bottom, and that they swing in to open.

All-night brooder house lights are becoming very popular. An 8 to 10 watt electric bulb or a dim lantern light, is protection against crowding, and the chicks can get a drink or a light lunch if they so desire.

Heat is important for baby chicks! Hang a thermometer about six inches from the hover and about four inches off the floor. Test the brooder stove carefully before chicks arrive. Operate it several days to be sure it is working in tip-top shape. Keep the temperature about 92 degrees for the first two or three days and gradually lower to 80 or 85 by the end of the second week.

Several kinds of litter may be used. Peat moss, soft wood shavings are possibly most popular. Both are light enough to let the droppings sift through. Litter should be stirred every day or two and fresh litter added every three or four weeks. In some localities clean wheat straw is the popular litter. If used, all chaff should be removed.

Feed hoppers should be cleaned at least once a week, and drinking fountains every day. Scrub thoroughly so that all particles of feed dropped by the birds into the water will be removed. Two measuring spoons of Purina Chlorena Powder to three gallons of water may be used to disinfect both the water fountains and the feed hoppers. Feed hoppers must be thoroughly dried after washing so that feed will not become wet when new feed is added to hoppers.

### Cannon Coiffure



At long last war has succeeded in getting into milady's hair. Here is a coiffure decorated with air craft and cannon decorations in silver. It was demonstrated at a New York hairdressers' convention.

### New Goodyear Tire Announced By Dealer

Important to the owners of not-so-new automobiles, who may be thinking about new tires to insure themselves trouble-free Memorial Day week-end holiday trips, is announcement by Sam Hull, local Goodyear dealer, of the company's new All-American tire, priced within the reach of 70 per cent of the majority market of users.

In discussing the tire, Mr. Hull said: "It's full-size and bears a life-time guarantee without time or milage limitations. These are the sizes: 600-16, 5.25-17—5.50-17 and 4.75-19—5.00-19, so you can see that it is tailor-made to fit a lot of cars now operating for several years.

"We are mightily pleased to have it, completing the Goodyear line we handle and enabling us to fill anybody's car or truck tire needs, no matter in what price class he wants to buy or what his driving demands may be."

Smart in appearance, the new All-American has the same high-carbon, high-tensile steel wire for beads as is used in all Goodyear passenger cra tires. Its body is made with low-stretch Super-twist cord, which has even higher tensile strength than did quality tires of two years, Mr. Hull pointed out. In addition, there is a double cord breaker of high tensile strength to give greater protection against bruises.

Tread compounds are of time-tested reputation, providing long time abrasion resistance, while the tread design is new and known as multiple-rib, assuring long, even wear, easy steering and side slip protection.

At the same time every possible economy has been effected in manufacture without sacrificing essential safety factors, summarized Mr. Hull, so the tire should prove popular with people who want the product of a recognized manufacturer at lowest possible initial cost.

### Scout Committee Plans For Summer Activities

Officers were elected and summer plans discussed when the executive committee of the Girl Scouts met Monday with Mrs. John L. Nisbet.

The group voted to give Scouts a picnic and hold court of honor July 1, and to assist members in raising money for the summer camp. Mrs. Nisbet is chairman; Mrs. W. H. Dameron, vice-chairman; Mrs. J. F. Howell, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. M. O. Britt, reporter; Mrs. O. G. Babcock, program consultant; nad F. T. Jones, parliamentarian.

Mrs. L. L. Gulley and Miss Pauline Norwood attended the finals of Schreiner Institute at Kerrville over the week-end.

Mrs. W. T. Hardy has returned from College Station, where she had been as a delegate from this district to the state convention of the A. & M. Mothers' Club, which was held in that city last week-end. Mrs. Hardy was elected vice president in the state group, and is a member of the nominating committee of the state club.

Mrs. Byron Newby and son, Hi Eastland Newby, visited in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hi Eastland, last week-end. Mrs. Newby lives in Del Rio.

## WITH THE CHURCHES

### Methodist Church

9:45—Sunday School: Class for all.

10:50—Morning Sermon. Subject: "The Crucifixion by Intention."

8:00 p. m.—"The Crucifixion by Word." Special Music.

This is Loyalty Season: School is now out and many of our teachers will be leaving for a season. We appreciate their presence and assistance during the winter and say "Hurry Back."

Let every member be in their places next Sunday.

A cordial welcome to all.  
R. F. Davis, Pastor

### Brotherhood Men's Bible Class

All men of the community are cordially invited to attend the Brotherhood Men's Bible Class Sunday morning at 9:30 o'clock. We especially urge your attendance. Since many of our public school teachers will be absent during the next three months your presence and assistance is solicited.

Come Sunday morning and bring that buddy and hear an interesting discussion of the old prophets.  
Preston C. Lightfoot, president

### Baptist Church

School is out, and with all the vacation joys and pleasure let us not forget the Church and Sunday School work. It is our most earnest desire, and heart-felt wish to see you all in Sunday School and the preaching services next Sunday morning.

Sunday School 10:00 a. m.  
Morning service 11:00 a. m.  
Training Unions 7:00 p. m.  
Evening Service 7:45 p. m.  
Come, a welcome awaits you.

R. C. Brinkley, Pastor

### Business Men's Bible Class

We are looking for a fine crowd of men this coming Sunday morning, and want you to invite a friend to come with you. Rev. Frederic M. Braiser will be the guest speaker, and he is always interesting.

W. W. Gibson, President

FOR SALE—Good Royal Standard Typewriter. Nisbet Insurance Agency.

Mrs. Janie Hamilton and Mrs. B. W. Hutcherson attended the district conference of their Missionary Society in San Angelo over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Fields and Miss Mary Ruth Quisenberry, with Bill McGilvray, went to Devil's River last Sunday on a fishing trip.

Miss Margaret Schweining, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Schweining, who is a student at Texas College for Women, Denton, attended the A. & M. Senior Dance last Friday. Her escort was Samuel Smith, of Eldorado.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleophas Cooke and little daughter of Ozona spent a short time in Sonora Monday morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Sawyer.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Cooper were visitors in Sonora last week-end from their ranch near Fort Stockton. They spent a pleasant time with relatives and friends in Sonora.

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## 35 Years Ago

The following items are gleaned from our files of May 26, 1900—more than forty years ago, and are of considerable interest to pioneer residents for the memories they revive, as well as to the younger residents of Sonora who delight in finding out occurrences affecting their parents:

John S. Allison and Jim Barton were in from their ranches Friday to attend the dance.

J. F. Collins and Sam Hatcher were in Sonora Tuesday from the Collins' ranch.

Bob Bailey, the ranchman from the Schleicher divide, was in Sonora this week attending court.

W. J. Fields, the well known stockman, was in Sonora several days this week on the jury.

John Robbins, the stockman, was in from the ranch this week on jury duty.

Sam Merck, the well known stockman and well driller, and candidate for sheriff, was in Sonora

Saturday and attended the Democratic convention.

Miss Della Carlton, the charming daughter of Will Adams, was in Sonora Monday shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Word arrived home Thursday from their pleasure trip to Marlin Falls.

T. L. Benson returned from a business trip to San Angelo Thursday.

John McCleary has accepted a position as windmill man on the Mayers T-half circle ranch.

Tom Birtrong, the stockman, was in from the ranch this week on jury duty.

Ben Hill, who had his collar bone broken a few weeks ago, was in Sonora Tuesday as good as ever.

Born on Thursday, May 24th, 1900, to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Adams, a boy.

Font and Jesse Mayfield were in from the Lower Mayfield ranch Thursday.

R. A. Williamson, the prosperous stockman, was in from his ranch in Crockett county, several

days this week.

McIlwaine Bros. & Nelson sold 200 head of yearling steers to Thomson Bros., of Schleicher and Sutton counties at \$15.

Jerry Rust, the telephone man, was in Sonora Thursday and moved the phone business from J. Lewenthal's to C. M. Deer's.

W. A. Cone, the sheepman from the Wild Cat Hollow in the western part of the country, was in Sonora Saturday on his way to San Antonio to visit his family.

Lin Mellwaine and J. E. Neslon of the firm of Mellwaine Bros. & Nelson, were in Sonora Tuesday and report having had lots of rain. They are rounding up their pasture.

Born on Wednesday May 23rd, 1900, to Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Palmer, a boy.

Sam Foote, the well known lawyer of Ozona, was in Sonora several days this week attending professional business.

Bob Chapman, who has been building tanks with Jim York, was on Sonora several days this week learning a thing or two.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bond and the boss of the ranch were in Sonora several days this week the guest of the Decker Hotel. Mr. Bond was attending court.

J. C. Clarkson, the well known sheepman of Comstock, was in Sonora several days this week on the lookout for holdovers. Mr. Clarkson wants to buy about 5000.

G. W. Stephenson, the stockman from six miles west of Sonora, was in town Monday. Mr. Stephenson has just returned from a trip to Temple, and says the crops are very promising. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilcox of Temple, accompanied his home on a visit. Mr. and Mrs. Wilcox will visit D. C. Kerr and family before they leave for home.

Ben F. Rupp, Texas representative for Ballard Snow Liniment

Co., of St. Louis, was in Sonora last Friday, introducing his goods. Mr. Rupp a very pleasant gentleman.

Ira Wheat, the stockman from Edwards county, was in Sonora Wednesday electioneering.

John McCleary sold his interest in the grocery business to his partner, C. G. Lovelace this week.

Sam Palmer, the sheepman, was in Sonora several days this week on a visit to his family. Sam says Herbert is doing fine.

Tom Holmsley bought for M. B. Puliam of San Angelo, the B. F. Byrd yearling steers, 50 head at \$15.

Ples Childress, the young stockman from the South Concho, was in Sonora several days this week on a visit.

A. J. Sykes and Cis Martin, prominent stockmen from Owensville neighborhood, were in Sonora several days this week on business.

Mrs. George Black and children returned from their visit to Mrs. Black's parents at Midland Saturday. George says Bill had a great time.

E. J. Cox was in from the ranch several days this week on the jury.

J. W. Reiley, the sheepman, was in from the Wheat ranch this week, attending court.

M. V. Sessom and son, Jim, were in from the ranch Monday for supplies.

G. W. Dunagan and Erwin Jackson left on a business trip to Mason Thursday.

J. L. Desmind of Blanco county, was in Sonora Sunday wanting to buy some mules and horses.

Miss Annie Stokes was in from the ranch several days this week the guest of Mrs. Ada Stewart.

M. B. Atkinson wants to figure

with you on your marble works.

Mr. and Mrs. Abe Mayer and Miss Mayer were in Sonora Thursday the guest of the Decker Hotel.

County Attorney W. A. Anderson returned from a trip to San Angelo Saturday with his mother, Mrs. M. A. Anderson.

Johnnie Johnson was in town Thursday and reports having sold 16 head of yearling steers to Tom Gillespie at \$15.

John McKee, the good natured stockman from the Beaver Lake neighborhood was in Sonora Thursday with his charming niece, Miss Pearl.

Bruno Roggenburke of Comfort was in Sonora Wednesday on his way home from Ozona, where he bought out Jim Gillespie's saloon.

Abe Robertson, the stockman, who recently moved to Menard county was in Sonora several days this week shaking hands with several of his old friends.

Miss Lula Holland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Holland, is visiting friends on the South Concho and will attend the Summer Normal at San Angelo.

Arthur Stuart was in from his ranch (the Keton) Saturday for a few tricks. Arthur now has 360 cows, mostly white faces, and expects to receive shortly 10 fine Herefords and 10 fine Durham bulls.

D. B. Woodruff, the editor of the Sonora Sun, announces in this issue as a candidate for re-election to the office of Justice of the Peace of Precinct No. 1, which office he has filled successfully for the past year. Judge Woodruff also aspires to the office of Commissioner of Precinct No. 1, and if elected will discharge the duties of the honorable and responsible office in a fearless manner and as the law directs. Judge Woodruff is able, capable and interested in the well fare of Sonora and Sutton county.

J. W. Timmins of San Angelo, Judge of the District court in and for the 51st Judicial District of Texas, has appointed Dr. T. J. Dodson of Sonora a member of the Board of Medical Examiners for this district.

Merck Bros, steam well drillers, obtained a good well for Smith Bros., on Dry Devil's River between Cusenbary & Decie's and D. C. Kerr's ranch at a depth of 265 feet. The Messrs. Smith sold the well, unimproved, to D. C. Kerr for \$500.

Uncle Billie Forbes was in this week on jury duty.

Tom Gillespie sold all his dry sheep about 1600 to A. W. Mills at or about \$2.75.

James Robson, the stockman, was in Sonora several days this week on court business.

Ed Jackson, the banker and stockman, was in Sonora several days this week on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Berry and children returned from their pleasure trip to Burnett and Lampasas Saturday.

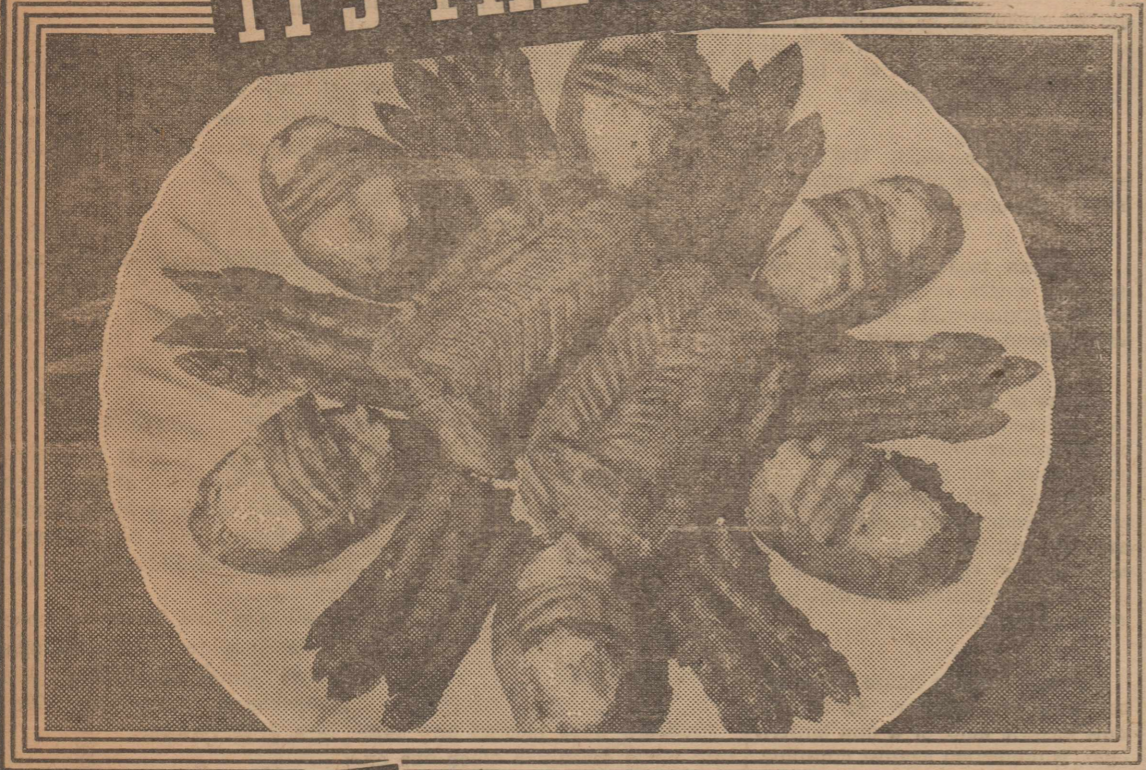
J. A. Whitten, ranch boss for O. T. Word & Son, had his left arm broken while working on a windmill last Saturday. Dr Taylor set the arm Saturday morning.

John and Ed Smith, two prominent, Edwards county stockman, were in Sonora Saturday for supplies.

W. A. Glasscock, the Sonora cattleman, has located a pasture near San Angelo, and Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Glasscock moved there last week to look after the place and steers.

The First National Bank building contract was let to B. F. Bedlow of Sonora. Judge Bedlows's bid included the rock work as well as the wood work and putting in of the front. Work will begin as soon as material arrives.

**IT'S THE FLAVOR**

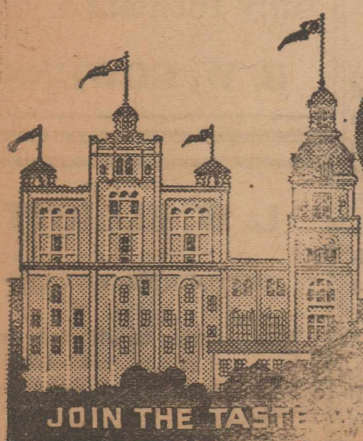


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New floors may be installed or the old one refinished. Posts and piers may be replaced, and the foundation strengthened where needed. Construction of built-in-closets and cupboards is eligible under such loans, as well as the installation of modern plumbing fixtures, a new bathroom or an extra bathroom for guests.

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### Texas Anglers Are Missing Fun By Ignoring Blue-Gill Bream; Texas Lakes Are Well-Stocked

Texas anglers are overlooking a good bet for some of the finest fishing in the world!

You have the word of the chief aquatic biologist of the Texas Game, Fish and Oyster Commission for that. He is referring to the sport of fishing for these large read-eared bream, often called Georgia or Georgia blue gill bream on light tackle. Believe it or not, foot-long Georgia bream are not uncommon in Texas waters.

Many lakes in Texas are overrun with Georgia bream because so few people fish for them and so few know the proper method of snagging them. Ounce for ounce, there is twice as much fight in those red-ears than there are in bass but Lone Star State fishermen have run riot over bass and have neglected the scrappy bream. As a result, bass have too much to eat in the way of natural food and the bass fisherman, with his artificial lures, often is just like a man offering spinach to a person full of cake.

The chief aquatic biologist of the Game Department is urging bass fishermen to take a day off now and then and go after the battling red-ears. If a sufficient number of anglers catch bream, they'll have better bass fishing as a result, and he can cite instances to prove his point.

There are many species of fish carrying the broad label of bream, but most of them are shore feeders and do not grow as large as the Georgia red-ear, which is almost entirely a bottom feeder. Consequently few people know how large the Georgia bream grows and few have fished for it. Red-ears reach a weight of more than a pound in Texas waters and a foot-long red-ear, taken on light tackle is more sport than even the most ardent bass angler realizes.

There are several methods of fishing for red-ears which can be used successfully. It makes no difference whether the angler prefers artificial or natural bait.

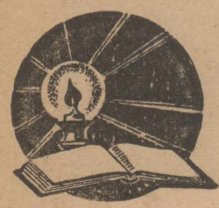
Remembering that those scrapping little fish are bottom feeders, the artificial addict rigs up his fly rod with light line, a small leader, a tiny trout fly and to this he attaches a piece of pork rind more narrow than a paper match and approximately a half inch long.

### Announcements

The News has been authorized the announce the candidacy of the following, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries:

- For District Judge: **J. B. RANDOLPH** Kimble County
- W. C. JACKSON** Pecos County Re-Election
- For County and District Clerk: **JOHN D. LOWREY** Re-election
- For County Judge: **ALVIS JOHNSON** Re-Election
- For Sheriff and Tax Collector-Assessor: **B. W. HUTCHERSON** Re-Election
- For County Treasurer: **MRS. THELMA BRISCOE** Re-Election
- Justice of the Peace, Precinct One: **GEORGE BARROW** Re-Election
- For County Attorney: **GEORGE WYNN** Re-Election

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This is split in the middle. A small split shot is attached to the line as a weight. After the cast, the bait is allowed to sink to the bottom of the lake and the wiggling pork rind attracts the big red-ears. Once he is hooked the man who is using light tackle is guaranteed plenty of thrills before landing Mr. Bream.

If the fisherman prefers natural bait, he can use either an ordinary pole and line or a fly rod, but the lighter the tackle the more sport the angler will have. Attach a leader to the line and use either a small fly or narrow crappie hook. Put on as many angleworms as you can and leave an inch or two of the worms wiggling. Cast or drop your bait into the water and let it sink to the bottom. Leave it there for a few minutes and it is likely the wiggly worms attract your fish. If not, try again in a location two or three feet away.

The only baits ordinarily good for bream are worms and flies, which is consistent with their natural bill of fare. Only the green perch eats other fish most bream making their meals of worms, flies and grubs.

Bream are one source of food for bass, but with few persons fishing for them, lakes are becoming overcrowded with them, bass have plenty of natural food and when you drop your plug or fly in front of '01 John Bass he naturally turns up his nose at it nine times out of ten.

So if you want better bass fishing, take time out to catch bream now and then. You'll enjoy it. And, the best part about bream fishing is there is no closed season on them. They are one species of fish the Game Department is not urging a closed season for, at least not as long as they are so abundant with little danger of their being entirely fished out.

### "All-American" Is Name Of New Goodyear Tire

Timed for introduction at the beginning of the year's four-month peak period in tire buying, Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., today announces its new All-American tire, made in popular sizes to cover 70 per cent of the current market of automobiles in service.

Described as full size, bearing a lifetime guarantee without time or mileage limit, the tire is made in 6.00-16, 5.25-17—5.505.50-17 and 4.75-19—5.00-19. Its addition to the line makes a most complete grouping of tire and tube merchandising units, literally made to measure values to fit any car or truck, whether for a seven-year-old used automobile or a smart new deluxe car, a single truck or a fleet of high-speed transports, Sam Hull, local Goodyear dealer, said.

"Affording an opportunity for the man who doesn't want to invest as much in tires, but yet enabling him to get products built by a recognized manufacturer, the All-American supplements the company's line of Double Eagle, G-3, Marathon and Pathfinder tires, providing one for every price range, to meet every driving need," said Mr. Hull.

Economies in manufacturing processes make the new tire possible at a net low price, Mr. Hull stated. The same materials are used as are employed in the manufacture of all Goodyear passenger car tires, and the carcass is made with low-stretch Supertwist cord, which has a higher tensile strength than did even the quality tires of two years ago. Double cord breaker of high-tensile cord has been included to give greater protection against bruises.

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### BUYS REGISTERED JERSEY

E. M. DeBerry has purchased a registered Jersey cow from Shelton Brothers of Brownwood, according to word received from the American Jersey Cattle Club of New York City. The cow is Benedictine Miss Hellen 1184246, with a long line of registered ancestors behind her.

FOR LEASE—11,000 acres Crane County; sheep and cattle. If interested, write Box 125, Pearsall, Texas. 27, 29, 31, 33, 35-5tp

### Double Wild Game Distribution

New or improved methods of trapping enabled the Texas Game, Fish and Oyster Commission to double the number of wild turkey and deer distributed this year as compared with last year, it was announced recently by the executive secretary of the game department. A total of 458 turkeys were trapped and 368 deer were planted in areas where they were needed for restocking purposes.

The report of the director of game distribution to the Game Department Chief reveals that the deer either were trapped in devices used by the Game Department for the first time this year or small deer which were collected by the Department were in far better condition than usual and an increase in the deer population is expected. Deer were distributed in twenty-one counties which still have sufficient food and proper habitat for the big game animals, but which were depleted of deer by over shooting.

Fewer than 200 wild turkeys had been trapped in 1939, but the total this year was 458. Areas in 16 counties were stocked. Part of the deer and turkey were placed on the six large tracts of land leased for five years by the Game Department. These tracts are located in various sections of the state. Game will be protected from hunters on these areas, which range in size from 15,000 to 40,000 acres, for five years.

### CARD OF APPRECIATION

We wish to thank each one for the kindness and consideration shown us during the illness and death of our loved mother and grandmother, and also for the beautiful floral offerings.

Mrs. E. E. Green's Children and Grandchildren.

## LA VISTA PRESENTS....

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Friday &amp; Saturday</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>"NORTHWEST PASSAGE"</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Book I — Roger's Rangers)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SPENCER TRACY ROBERT YOUNG WALTER BRENNAN RUTH HUSSEY</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sunday &amp; Monday</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">SUNDAY MATINEE—2:30 P. M.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>"GONE WITH THE WIND"</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">CLARK GABLE VIVIEN LEIGH LESLIE HOWARD OLIVIA De HAVILLAND</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Tuesday Only</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">MATINEE—4:00 P. M.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>"OH, JOHNNY, HOW YOU CAN LOVE"</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">TOM BROWN PEGGY MORAN ALLEN JENKINS JANE RHODES</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Wednesday-Thursday</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>"BEWARE SPOOKS"</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">JOE E. BROWN MARY CARLISLE</p>

SHOW STARTS 7:45 P. M.

Modern oil refining methods have doubled the amount of gasoline recoverable from a barrel of crude oil, in effect doubling the size of Texas' vast petroleum reserves.

Texas oilmen pay the entire cost of schooling for one-fourth the school children of Texas.

The single Texas oil area of West Texas has produced more petroleum to date than the entire State of Pennsylvania, where America's first commercial production was discovered in 1859.

Texas oil is being produced at the most economical rate of production of any oil state, insuring the longest life to the state's oil fields.

Were all automobile and truck drivers as safe as drivers for the petroleum industry, 13,700 lives would be saved each year in automobile fatalities.

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#### 1 GOING POWER

—the kind of power that only the V-8 engine can give me—instant response, lightning acceleration, marvelous economy, and swift, smooth, faithful performance. 6,000,000 Ford V-Eights—more than all other Eights combined—say this is the power plant for me!

#### 3 SMOOTHNESS

Not only in amazing power does the Ford V-8 engine excel, but in the smoothness that gives velvet quiet. Why should I do without the supreme luxury of 8-cylinder smoothness which no car of fewer cylinders can match?

#### 5 POWER TO HOLD THE ROAD

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No car in any price field excels Ford in roadability—in keeping "all four feet on the ground" under all driving conditions. This means safety!

#### 2 STOPPING POWER

The big hydraulic brakes of the Ford V-8 are far and away the biggest in the low-priced field—a safety factor I've got to have in the new car I buy.

#### 4 COMPLETE ECONOMY

The combination of low price, low cost of operation, high trade-in value and more extras at no extra cost, makes the Ford the great Economy buy for 1940.

#### 6 STAMINA

In staying power, there's no car that can take the rough with the smooth like Ford. There are more Fords on the highway than any other make of car! This sturdy Ford is made to take it.

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## Diabetes Takes 720 Lives In State During Year

Diabetes, the price America pays for indiscretions in living, took a toll of 720 lives in Texas last year, according to Dr. George W. Cox, State Health Officer.

"While the controlled diseases, such as typhoid fever, malaria, diphtheria, and smallpox, are causing a smaller number of deaths each year in this country, diabetes, which was notably absent in the early pioneer days, is now taking a staggering number of lives," Dr. Cox said.

"Up until the highly mechanized age diabetes was not a health problem, but the disease became noticeable in direct ratio to the encroachment of luxury living, soft eating, soft habits, and general disregard for basic hygienic laws in our daily lives. Diabetes is nature's backlash at coddling and pampering the body," Dr. Cox pointed out.

"Diabetes is a class disease. It attacks the indoor, sedentary type of person more often than a person whose work is vigorous or who combines work with sufficient exercise. Whatever the actual cause of the development of the disease may be, vocation or economic status are factors, for it is apparent that those persons who cannot indulge in luxurious living and whose occupation calls for physical effort are not frequently affected.

"There would be fewer victims of ravishing diabetes," Dr. Cox added, "if those who are indulging in unnatural living would realize the folly of their ways. Persons of middle age and those beyond that age should exercise particular attention to avoiding diabetes. Simple living, annual physical examinations, and if already showing the results of indulgences, obtaining and abiding by the advice of the family physician, could drastically cut down the power of diabetes and its threat to an alarming proportion of adult America."

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## San Antonio Livestock Market

Hogs: Estimated salable receipts 500, total 700. Market opened slow, steady to 10c higher than late last week. Early top \$5.85 for the light supply of good and choice 170 to 300 lb. butchers. Best 140 to 170 lbs. \$4.75 to \$5.75. Packing sows mostly \$4.75 down. Pigs scarce, few feeder offerings around \$3.50 down, few above.

Cattle: Estimated salable receipts 1,100, total 1,300; Calves, salable 1,800, total 2,100. Trading slow and weak on cows and bulls, some bulls and medium and lower grade cows unevenly lower than late last week. Medium yearling slow, but other classes including stocker calves, choice fed yearlings and calves active and about steady with late last week.

Few common and medium steers \$7.00 to \$8.00, including 935 and 1,128 lbs. at \$7.00, 1,978 lbs. at \$7.75, and 1,145 lbs. at \$8.00. Most common and medium yearlings \$6.00 to \$8.00, few good yearlings around \$8.50 and above. Choice 691 lb. fed yearlings \$9.50, few head scaling 726 lbs. to \$9.75. Thin Jersey yearlings sold down around \$6.00 and below. Canner and cutter cows bulked at \$3.50 to \$4.50, including a rail load at \$3.75, some shelly kinds down to \$3.00. Good cows sold around \$6.00 and above, including a few head to \$6.40. Bulls dull, mostly \$5.00 to \$5.75, only odd head of good weighty kinds to \$6.00 and above.

Good killing calves scarce, few around \$8.50 and \$8.75, and few choice 414 lbs. at \$9.25, few vealers to \$9.50. Bulk of the calves were common and medium kinds and sold from \$6.00 to \$8.00, culls down around \$5.25. Stocker steer calves sold mostly from \$9.00 to \$10.50, heifers \$8.00 to \$9.50, few 338 lb. mixed steer and heifer calves to \$11.00, and few head of choice steer calves to \$11.50, one small lot of choice steer calves sold in the country were weighed up at \$12.00, heifers \$11.00. Some common feeder steers \$5.80.

Sheep: Estimated salable receipts 400, total 500. Slow and weak. Shorn yearlings \$5.00, some out at \$3.50. Medium horn wethers \$3.25 down.

## FOUR GOOD WAYS TO LOSE MONEY

1. **Lose Cash.** When you carry currency in your pocket or purse, there is always danger of accidental loss.
2. **Make "Double Payments."** If you have no receipt for cash payments, you may be forced to pay again.
3. **Careless Money Management.** If you don't have accurate records, money can easily slip through your fingers.
4. **Short Changed.** By accident or design, you may be short changed when you pay with currency.

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Mrs. Stella Keene and daughter, Doris, went to Austin Saturday to visit Katha Lea, who is a student in the University of Texas. After spending the week-end in that city, they returned home early this week.

Mrs. J. T. Penick and Mrs. Billy Penick spent last Friday in San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Lenoard Ray and little daughter spent the week-end in Abilene with relatives.

Bobby Allison was busy the past few days repainting the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brown Ross.

Mrs. Thelma Johnson was a visitor in Austin over the week-end.

# Friday and Saturday

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