Hospital Goal: $50,000 Raised To Date: $27,350 Needed: $22,650

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BOY SCOUTS TO MARK 38th BIRTHDAY FRIDAY

COMMEMORATE FOUNDING OF CUB SCOUTS NEXT WEEK

More than 2,120,000 members of the Boy Scouts of America throughout the nation will observe the 38th anniversary of the organization during Boy Scout Week which opens Friday, Feb. 6 and continues through Thursday, Feb. 12.

The anniversary will be celebrated in every city and town and most villages and hamlets throughout the nation and its possessions. It is young America's largest birthday celebration.

The theme of Boy Scout Week this year is, "The Scout Citizen at Work . . . in his home . . . in his community . . . in his nation . . . in his world." Scouting's activities for the year beginning with the birthday celebration will be related to this theme.

"Bushels of Food" Plan

The nation's Boy Scouts are engaged in the program of saving and producing food to alleviate the world's food shortage. As part of their service program this year each Boy Scout is expected to "save a bushel, grow a bushel, share a bushel" of food.

Each Cub Pack, Boy Scout Troop, Senior Scout Unit, will share in a "Report to the Nation" that will tell of their community services last year and their program for this year. The report will be made to the President of the United States, to Congress and to the United Nations.

In addition to conserving food and natural resources, the Boy Scouts will emphasize safety and fire prevention, home repairs and

Program for the Year

personal health. Through their World Friendship Fund of voluntary gifts the Scouts have sent more than 3,000 tons of supplies to help Scout organizations overseas to rebuild. This aid is to be continued throughout 1948.

Scouting is having a rebirth in many of the countries ravaged by the war. The Boy Scouts International Bureau in London reports a world membership of 4,409,780 boys and leaders in 42 nations.

World peace and mutual understanding is an objective of Scouting. Through World Scout Jamborees and the resultant expanding interest in friendships, understanding and personal relationships through correspondence these aims are increasingly being met. The Sixth World Jamboree last summer brought 30,000 Boy Scouts and leaders together in France from 38 nations.

The Boy Scouts of America is the largest group in the World Scout Brotherhood. Its 2,120,000 Scouts and Leaders are members of 68,500 Units. They in turn come under the jurisdiction of 545 Local Boy Scout Councils which provide camping experiences, leadership training, Scoutcraft activities and Courts of Honor to mark individual growth through the grades of the various programs.



More than 2,000,000 members of the Boy Scouts of America will observe Boy Scout Week, Feb. 6th to 12th, marking the 38th anniversary of the organization. This year Boy Scouts are emphasizing conservation of food and natural resources, planting gardens, safety and fire prevention, home repairs and personal health check-up. Scouting promotes world peace through World Jamborees and practical help among 42 nations with 4,409,780 members. Through its World Friendship Fund of voluntary gifts the Boy Scouts of America helps Scouts overseas to rebuild their units. So far, more than 3,000 tons of equipment have been shipped. Above is the official poster marking the Scout birthday.

Southwestern Exposition And Fat Stock Show Opening In Fort Worth

9 STOCK ASSNS. WILL HOLD ANNUAL MEETS

Between 275 and 300 Rodeo Cowboy Association members will compete for $300 per event per performance plus entry fees in the 1948 Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show rodeo, Jan. 30-Feb. 8.

Todd Whatley of Bethel, Okla., recently named 1947's best all-round cowboy, and Toots Mansfield of Big Spring, RCA president and expert calf roper, will be among the outstanding cowboys in competition.

The rodeo was approved for RCA members' participation after a misunderstanding on the part of RCA officials concerning the non-profit nature of the show was cleared up. The RCA had previously denied approval, asking higher premiums per event.

Finishing touches are being applied to the six new livestock buildings on the show grounds, readying them for the opening of the show, Jan 30. Housed in the $1,500,000 structures and the newly-remodeled horse barns will be nearly 5,000 entries from 22 states including 722 horses, a record entry total for the horse show. Horses entered are 290 Quarter horses, 46 cutting horses, 186 show horses, 94 walking horses and 105 Palominos.

Fifteen states have one or more teams entered in the junior and senior college livestock judging contests, revived after a five-year wartime discontinuance. States entered are Michigan, South Dakota, Pennsylvania, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Wyoming, Nebraska, Missouri, Mississippi, Louisiana, Kansas, Colorado, Arkansas, Arizona and Texas.

Annual breed association meetings to be held during the show are the National Cutting Horse Association, Feb. 1; Texas Hereford Association, Feb. 2; Texas Polled Hereford Association, Texas Shorthorn Association and Texas Swine Breeders Association, Feb. 3; Texas Purebreed Sheep Breeders Association and Texas Aberdeen-Angus Association, Feb. 4; American Quarter Horse Association, Feb. 6, and Texas Palomino Exhibitors Association, Feb. 8.

HALBERT DIRECTOR OF LIVESTOCK EXPOSITION

R. A. Halbert, Sonora ranchman, is among a group of ranchers, business and civic leaders who have been elected charter members of the board of directors of the newly organized San Antonio Livestock Exposition, Inc.

Formed to focus national attention on this area's greatness as a livestock producing center, the Exposition will stage annual shows in the new $1,750,000 Coliseum now being constructed in San Antonio.

Fostered by the San Antonio Chamber of Commerce farm and ranch committee, the new corporation became an actuality Monday, January 19 when a group of enthusiastic ranchers and businessmen met at the St. Anthony Hotel here to adopt a constitution and by-laws and elect officers.

Officers elected were Joe Freeman, chairman of the board; Perry Shankle, president; George Maggard, first vice-president; E. W. Bickett, second vice-president, and R. Beal Pumphrey, treasurer.

Assured that the Coliseum will be completed in time, the group already is making plans for the Exposition's first stock show to be held early in 1949.

INJURES BACK IN FALL

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Blalock returned from Houston Saturday where they had been for the past week with Blalock's mother, Mrs. Emma Blalock, who fell in her home and suffered a broken vertibrae. She was in the hospital about two weeks before being moved to her home. She will be in a cast for some time.

Smitty's Welding Shop Sold

E. T. Smith, owner of Smitty's Welding Shop, has announced the sale of the business to his son, Tommy Smith, and Jack Hite, effective January 1.

The new owners said Wednesday that they would not change the firm's name nor location.

Texans Buy Over $200 Millions In U S Savings Bonds

Texans topped the 200-million dollar mark in U. S. Savings Bonds, Series E, F and G, in 1947, according to figures just released by the Texas Advisory Committee on Savings Bonds. Nathan Adams, Dallas, Chairman of the Committee, praised the citizens of the State on their continued support of the U. S. Treasury's program to help combat inflation and to aid its management of the public debt. Total 1947 sales were $202,896,123.

Adams also congratulated the farm and ranch population of Texas on its foresight in investing heavily in 1947 in U. S. Savings Bonds, Series E F and G. "With a rare combination of high production and high prices, rural incomes were at an all time peak and as a result a great number of farmers and ranchers invested to the limit in Savings Bonds last year," he said.

BREAKS NOSE IN FALL

Robert Johnson, father of Elmo and Alvis Johnson, suffered a broken nose Thursday afternoon about 1 o'clock when he slipped and fell while walking past the Mercantile Building. He was treated and taken home where he was reported as resting well.

Sunny Skies Break Grip Of 6-Day Cold Spell; Temperature Hits 8 Above Zero Wednesday

Transportation Disrupted As Winter's Coldest Weather Recorded

Warmer temperatures and clear skies Thursday morning ended a six-day cold spell here which saw the mercury drop to 8 degrees above zero Wednesday morning, the coldest temperature recorded this winter, caused four wrecks, paralyzed highway traffic between here and San Angelo, and left town residents on the verge of an acute fuel shortage. Schools remained open, but many absentees were reported due to bad colds and flu.

Temperature Thursday morning at 6:30 o'clock was 18 above zero and reached a high of 65 by mid-afternoon. The cold wave started last Thursday afernoon when a cold north wind blew in about dusk. The mercury continued to slide and Monday morning brought snow flurries and a reading of 19. Tuesday morning's lowest mark was 12 above and Wednesday morning's was 8.

Auto Accidents Reported

Four auto accidents, one in town, were reported during the spell. Monday night a car driven by Jackie Sharp, son of Mrs. Annie Sharp, went out of control on the ice and crashed into a telephone pole in the vicinity of the school. No one was injured, although the radiator and grillwork of the car was damaged.

Louis Lackey, about 30, Del Rio salesman, suffered four fractured ribs Tuesday afternoon when the panel truck he was driving hit an icy spot on the Ozona highway near Sonora and overturned. The truck was not seriously damaged.

Four unidentified tourists escaped injury Sunday night when the car in which they were riding toward Sonora from Junction went out of control and plunged 20 feet into a ditch. They were brought to Sonora by Bob Medford.

A cargo truck, loaded with honey and carrying several passengers ran into bad weather Tuesday afternoon about 15 miles from Sonora on the Junction road and overturned. Poor visibility was blamed for the accident. One of the passengers, Mrs. Juanita Arminderez, suffered a broken arm and facial cuts.

Fuel Supply Low

Local stocks of butane gas were running low when the cold wave broke. C. A. Tyler, manager and co-owner of the Home Gas Company, reported that their storage tanks ran out Wednesday but an emergency shipment arrived Wednesday night, alleviating the shortage. The Sonora Gas Company's supply ran low, but was replenished by a shipment Tuesday and another Thursday.

Gasoline Supply Good

All local gasoline and kerosene wholesalers reported a plentiful stock of fuel all through the wave, and were able to keep out-of-town dealers well supplied.

San Angelo Cut Off

Traffic between here and San Angelo was virtually cut off Monday and Tuesday. The bus lines did not run and no mail was sent down. Bread, milk and a few other trucks ran on schedule, however. Buses from the east and west continued to arrive through the early part of the week, but most were late.

Telephone service between here and Ozona was interupted for a few minutes Wednesday afternoon and telegraph lines between San Angelo and Dallas suffered a short breakdown.

Local accidents were minimized due to the fact that the State Highway Department sprinkled sand and gravel on the streets early Monday morning.

Bishop Jones To Conduct Services Here Sunday

The Right Reverend Everett H. Jones, Bishop of the Diocese of West Texas, will be present for services at St. John's Episcopal Church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. At that service he will administer the rite of confirmation and preach. There will also be a short service of dedication of newly acquired gifts to the church.

After the services there will be a dinner at Park Inn for all members of the church honoring Bishop Jones.

This will be Bishop Jones' last visit to Sonora before he leaves for Lambeth, England to attend a meeting of all Bishops of the Anglican Communion.

At 9:45 o'clock Bishop Jones will address the Sunday School.

State Population Gains 134,000 In 1947, Survey Shows

It is estimated that during 1947 there were 195,000 live births and 61,000 deaths in Texas. The number of births in 1947 far exceeds the former record of 180,000 in 1946. The excess of births over deaths last year gave Texas a natural increase in population of 134,000 people, according to Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer.

It has been apparent for some time that reductions in the mortality due to preventable causes could not any longer offset the staggering increase in the number of deaths due to cancer and the various heart diseases. For this reason, it was not difficult to predict that 1947 would see the general death rate begin an upward trend.

Practically all of the increase in the mortality during the first nine months of 1847 may be attributed to the steadily mounting toll of death levied against the population by heart disease, cancer, and apoplexy.

Considerable satisfaction should come to those engaged in public health work in knowing that during the first three quarters of 1947 the lowest death rates ever recorded in Texas were reached for the following diseases: typhoid fever, diarrhea and dysentery, scarlet fever, diptheria, measles, poliomyelitis, tuberculosis, malaria, syphilis, pellagra, and typhus fever.

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H. C. Kirby Seeks Reelection As County Clerk

H. C. (Doc) Kirby, county and district clerk, became the second county official to enter the primaries this year when he announced his candidacy for reelection Tuesday. Kirby has completed two terms in the office, having first been named to the office in 1944.

A former employee of the First National Bank here, Kirby served two years in the Navy, receiving his honorable discharge in 1944. He is maried and is the father of a daughter, Lynn.

Kirby states that if elected he will continue to give the office his closest attention and will serve to the best of his ability.

GOVERNMENT APPROVES $50,000 GRANT FOR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Announcement was made by the State Health Department working through the Federal Government, that the application for a $50,000 grant for the Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital has been approved, leaving only the local shortage of $22,650 to be raised.

Local citizens are now in the process of raising $50,000 to match a like amount given by Roy Hudspeth. To date $27,350 has been given. A modern hospital costing around $150,000 will be built probably this summer, and directors meeting Monday, February 2, will discuss location and building plans for the project.

Congratulations

To These New Parents

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Scott are the parents of a daughter, Sandra Jean, born Friday in a San Angelo hospital. She weighed 7 pounds and 10 ounces.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Earl Scott of San Angelo and Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Guthrie of McCamey.

Mrs. and Mrs. Dick Waites are the parents of a son born January 21. He has been named Kenneth Ray and weighed 6½ pounds at birth.

Freddie Fields has been ill this week and ir reported to be improving. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Fields.

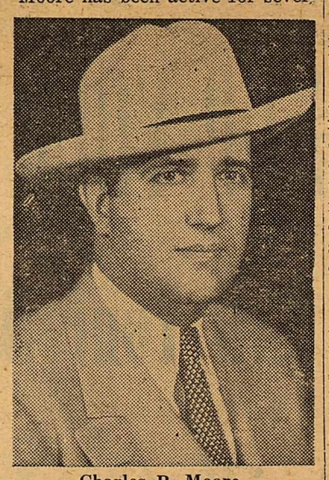
712 POLL TAXES SOLD TO DATE; DEADLINE IS SATURDAY AT MIDNIGHT

Voting strength in Sutton County stood at 723 Thursday afternoon, according to Mrs. L. E. Johnson, deputy tax collector. Mrs. Johnson said there were 712 taxes paid and 11 exemptions, making a total which would undoubtedly be increased by Saturday at midnight, when the office closes. In 1946, around 900 voters qualified.

Del Rio Man In Race For Senate

State Representative Charles B. Moore, merchant and farmer of Del Rio, Texas today announced his candidacy for the State Senate, 29th Senatorial District, composed of 27 West Texas Counties. The post is now held by Senator H. L. Winfield of Fort Stocton, Texas, who has stated that he will not be a candidate for re-election.

Moore has been active for several years in governmental and civic affairs. He is a member of several important committees of the House of Representatives and has been active in the effort to eradicate the hoof and mouth disease threat now facing the livestock raisers in counties composing the district and other parts of the state.



Charles B. Moore

During the last war Moore was with the War Department, Intelligence Division, assigned to the Army Air Corps.

Moore says that if elected he will continue to use his best efforts for the benefit of his constitutents and the public welfare generally.

He plans to make a vigorous campaign and says that while it is impossible to personally contact each voter in the district, which, incidentally, is the largest district in the State, he expects to see as many as possible and inform the voters of his platform and views on government from time to time in the press, on the radio and by public addresses.

Navy Men On Leave

John Barrows, who is in the Navy and stationed at San Francisco, is home on a thirty-day leave visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Barrows.

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Bill Bricker is home on fifteen day leave from Los Angeles, where he is stationed in the Navy. He is visiting his father, W. C. Bricker.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert V. Kelley returned Tuesday from Beaumont where they visited Mrs. Kelley's parents.

A freight car, on the average, is loaded about twenty times in a year.

TWO SONORANS RECEIVE DEGREES FROM TEXAS A&M

Glen C. Richardson, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Richardson, received his BS degree from A&M College on January 21 and has accepted a position as vocational agriculture instructor at Junction. O. L. Richardson, Jr. is also a VA instructor at Junction after having received his degree from A&M last May.

Gene Alley has accepted a position in Brownwood as a vocational agriculture instructor after receiving his degree in January from A&M College. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Alley.

THE AMERICAN WAY





A LOOK AT THE BOOK

By DR. BOB JONES, JR.

PRESIDENT OF BOB JONES UNIVERSITY Greenville, South Carolina

A thief may quit stealing because he decides that dishonesty does not pay. This does not mean that he is any less a thief at heart. He simply refrains from the practice of thievery because it is less of a strain to make a living in an honest fashion or because he is afraid of going to jail. The reasons for reformation are many. Reformation is an act of will and the permanence of the reformation depends upon the strength of the will.

Regeneration is a different matter altogether. It comes not from within but from without. A man is regenerated by faith in Christ. He is made over. He becomes a new creature. The change in his condition does not depend upon his own will but upon the grace and power of God. Regeneration can take man into paths of unselfish service where reformation never walks. Regeneration will lift him to heights of living to which reformation can never climb. We find an example of this in the fourth chapter of Ephesians where the Christian is admonished, "Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth" (Ephesians 4:28). A reformed thief may quit stealing and set about earning an honest living, but it takes divine grace imparted to a man in regeneration to put one who was a thief to work in order to be able to give the fruits of his labors to someone who has need. Reformation may change the outward course of a man's life. Regeneration changes his thought processes and the very attitude of his heart. Reformation may make a thief act like an honest man.

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Mrs. R. A. King of Eldorado was the guest of Mrs. C. T. Jones, Jr. here last week.

Commend Fisher For Tideland Job

For his active support of the fight Texas is making for title to tidelands and submerged lands, Representative O. C. Fisher of this district has been commended by the Democratic Executive Committee of Texas.

In a telegram to Fisher, Robert W. Calvert, State Chairman, said: "The State Democratic Exectuive Committee met today (January 15) and unanimously commended the splendid work you have been doing in behalf of the movement to save our tidelands from federal encroachment."

The title to the tidewater lands and the submerged lands of the states has been clouded by a Supreme Court decision in a California case. Congressman Fisher has expressed fear that the court's decision is so broad it might be extendable to the soil under navigable inland waters within the territorial jurisdiction of the states.

The importance of this subject becomes apparent when it is realized that Texas has over 3,000,000 acres of submerged lands within the boundries of the state as they existed upon annexation to the United States in 1845. All income from this land and the minerals is appropriated to the public school fund of Texas, Congressman Fisher points out.

A bill to reaffirm the states' ownership was passed by Congress two years ago, but met with a presidential veto. Attorney General Price Daniel has been in Washington recently working on new legislation, and on a concerted effort to get a new law enacted this season.

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Tootie Puckett has been confined to her home this week suffering from influenza. She is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Morrison and Mrs. J. E. Waldrup attended the funeral of a close friend in Granbury Monday.

Pascal Allison, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lea Allison, was out of school the latter part of this week ill with influenza.

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Will Ogle, the stockman, was in Sonora Wednesday trading.

—47—

Dee Swift was in from his ranch Monday trading.

—47—

A. W. Pride came in from his ranch on Dry Devil's River Saturday for supplies and the Union City mail.

—47—

Wm. Adams was in from his ranch near Union City Friday for supplies.

—47—

Miss Lula Causey, who left last week on a visit to friends in San Angelo, arrived home Thursday.

—47—

Mrs. J. M. G. Baugh is visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. T. Turney, at the ranch this week.

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Miss Lena Stephenson opened her writing school Monday night at the school house.

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Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Allison and children came in from the ranch Tuesday on a visit.

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Mrs. R. S. Holland returned from a visit to her old home in Coleman.

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The local spring trade has opened. Don Cooper sold 600 3 and 4 year-old steers this week to Russell & McConell at $23 around.

—47—

Miss Mattie Brown and Miss Myrtle Haynes left on Thursday for Petersburg, Hale County, where Miss Brown will visit friends and relatives.

—47—

Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Halbert and children were in from their ranch Saturday shopping and visiting.

—47—

Tony Gunzer and Bill Clark were in from the Gunzer ranch Monday for supplies.

—47—

Hop Wood, one of our rustling young sheepmen, was in Sonora Thursday from the Bill Holland ranch where he has his sheep. Hop has about 800 fine muttons and about 400 hold overs for sale.

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E. F. Vander Stucken Co. is running a nice new delivery wagon.

—47—

K. B. Logan, the dude printer, has been helping out Will Word of the Devil's River News this week.

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FOR SALE

The City of Sonora will receive bids for the purchase of the house now located on Lots 7 and 8 of Block 14-E, being the house formerly owned by Will Perry, at the City Hall between the hours of 7:30 o'clock P. M. and 8 o'clock P. M., February 2, 1948. The city reserves the right to reject any and all bids offered. The house must be moved completely off of Lots 7 and 8, Block 14-E, by the purchaser, within 30 days. A cashier's check for the amount of the bid must accompany each bid.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The City of Sonora will receive bids, at the City Hall between the hours of 8 o'clock P. M. and 10 o'clock P. M. on February 2, 1948, for the construction of a fire station building on Lots 7 and 8 of Block 14-E of the town of Sonora. Work is to be begun within 30 days after the award of the contract and completed within 6 months. A bond equal to 5% of the bid submitted payable to Tom Ratliff, Mayor, and his successors in office, will be required as an assurance that if awarded the contract a surety bond satisfactory to the city for 100% of the contract sum will be executed within ten days after the notice of the award. Proposals will be opened and the contract will be awarded on said date, subject to the condition, however, that the City of Sonora does not obligate itself to accept the lowest or any bid. Plans and specifications may be secured at the City Hall. Any bulletins issued during the time of bidding are to be covered in the proposal and in closing a contract they will become a part thereof.

250-BED VA HOSPITAL PLANNED AT BIG SPRING

Lt. Gen. R. A. Wheeler, Chief of Army Engineers, has announced that a contract for construction of a 250-bed Veterans Administration general medical and surgical hospital at Big Spring, Texas, has been awarded by the District Engineer at Albuquerque, New Mexico, to Robert E. McKee of El Paso on the low bid of $5,712,739.

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Monday, February 3—
Mrs. W. L. Miers
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Ozona Music Club Will Present Gershwin Program Thursday Night

Ever popular music of George Gershwin, famous American composer, will form the material for a varied concert to be given by members of the Ozona Music Club and community singers in the high school auditorium there Thursday, evening, February 5. The Gershwin program is sponsored by the Ozona Music Club. No admission charge is to be made and the public is cordially invited. A reception will be held immediately following the program in the school hall.

A four-part program is to be presented by a mixed chorus composed by club members and community singers. The chorus, directed by G. A. Rhoads, high school band director, will sing the following popular Gershwin tunes: Strike Up the Band, 'Swonderful, Somebody Loves Me, Embraceable You, It Ain't Necessarily So, Sewanee, Love Walked In, and For You, For Me, Foreevermore. Miss Elsie Hunnell will accompany the chorus at the piano.

Gershwin's immortal "Rhapsody in Blue" will be played as a piano solo by Mrs. L. B. Cox, III and the First, Second and Third Prelue by Mrs. Fred Parker. W. B. Robertson and Mrs. Ed Lewis, Jr., will play as piano duet numbers "The Man I Love" and "I Got Rhythm." Mrs. Beecher Mongomery will do a toe ballet to "The Man I Love," and a tap dance number to "Lady Be Good."

Vocal solo numbers will include a bass solo, "I Got Plenty of Nothin' " from "Porgy and Bess," by Ross Hufstedler and a soprano solo by Mrs. Ed Lewis, singing "Summertime." Mrs. Lewis and Billy Hannah will sing a duet "Bess, You Is My Woman Now." Miss Josephine Theis will sing "Someone to Watch Over Me," and "For You, Fore Me, Forevermore." A mixed quartet composed of Miss Theis, Miles Pierce, L. B. Cox, III, and Mrs. Ed Lewis, Jr., will sing "Bidin' My Time," from "Girl Crazy."

The chorus will be composed of the following voices:

Sopranos: Mrs. H. B. Tandy, Mrs. H. N. Brown, Mrs. D. L. Scott, Mrs. Fay Lucas, Mrs. Tommy Harris, Mrs. W. T. Stokes, Mrs. Stephen Perner, Mrs. Joe Friend, Miss Nan Tandy, Mrs. Ed Lewis, Jr.

Altos: Miss Jacqueline Theis, Mrs. L. B. Cox, Jr., Mrs. Glen Edwards, Mrs. Charles Black, Jr., Mrs. Fred Parker, Miles Pierce.

Tenors, Billy Hannah, Neal Hannah, Glen Edwards, W. B. Robertson and Roy Thompson.

Basses: Ross Hufstedler, M. E. Corbell, Lowell Littleton, Jim Ad Harvick, Hubert Baker and Billy Joe Forehand.

Mrs. Ed Lewis, Jr., president of the Ozona Music Club, will be program director.

LINDA WARDLAW OBSERVES BIRTHDAY WITH PARTY

Linda Wardlaw was honored on her seventh birthday Monday afternoon by her mother, Mrs. Jack Wardlaw.

The Valentine motif was carried out. Favors were whistling birds and prizes of boxes of valentine candy were awarded to the two winners for pining on the donkey's tail.

Games were played and cake and punch were served to Rex Ann Baker, Lomalea Bridges, Barbara Wilson, Lynn Kirby, Patsy Ann Rode, June Rose Lyles, Sue Norris, Aline Schwiening, Pascal Allison, Clayton Friend, Artie Bert Adams and Harold Gene Moore.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jack Morris Allen of Austin arrived Wednesday night to visit Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Howell and family between semsters at the University of Texas.

WSCS Committees Are Appointed

The regular meeting of the Women's Society of Christian Service, postponed last Wednesday because of inclement weather, will be held this coming Wednesday at 3 o'clock at the Methodist Church, according to Mrs. W. R. Cusenbary, president.

In anouncing the business meeting for next week, Mrs. Cusenbary also appointed the following committees to serve during the next term.

Spiritual Life: Mrs. W. P. Carmichael, Mrs. Rose Thorp and Mrs. J. W. Trainer. Program: Mesdames Herman Smith, C. W. Blalock, O. L. Carpenter, W. P. Carmichael and G. H. Hall. Study and Action: Mesdames G. H. Hall, W. H. Dameron, Ben Cusenbary and E. D. Shurley. Finance: Mrs. Ben Cusenbary and Mrs. E. E. Sawyer. Membership: Mesdames J. F. Howell, W. P. Carmichael, Dee Word. Fellowship: Mesdames E. E. Sawyer, O. G. Babcock, Lloyd McMullen, A. E. Prugel. Status of Women: Mesdames Lem Johnson, B. W. Hutcherson and A. W. Awalt. Publicity: Mesdames J. T. Sellman, Pat Lyles and George Hamilton.

SURPRISE PARTY HONORS MRS. BRASHER MONDAY

Mrs. J. H. Brasher was honored on her 73rd birthday with a surprise party Monday afternoon by Mrs. John Bunnell, who was assisted by Mrs. H. V. Morris.

Mrs. R. G. Nance won the high score bridge prize.

Birthday cake and hot chocolate were served to Mesdames Ben Mittel, Nellie Allen, B. C. McGilvary, Rose Thorp, O. L. Carpenter, M. C. Scott, Lee Labenske, O. G. Babcock, Nance and Morris.

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Cub Scouts Get Awarded Badges At Meet Monday

The Cub Scouts' monthly pack meeting was held Monday night in the basement of the Methodist Church under the direction of the Reverend S. F. Hauser.

The program was opend by Den 2 with Bill Baldwin leading the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The group sang, "The More We Get Together." Darcy Carroll played the Marine Hymn, a piano solo. Donald Valliant and Reed Jennings presented several magic tricks.

Boys receiving their Bobcat badges were Dan Eaton, W. H. Hill, George Ed Hill, Carlos Loeffler, Billy Martin, Shannon Ratliff, Sammy Proctor and Tommy Sessums.

The Bear and Gold Arrow badges were awarded to Darcy Carroll, Ray Carroll Shaver, Raymond Johnson, Bennie Friend and Turney Friess.

Jack Berry Johnson and Tracy Crites received their Bear badges.

Plans were made for the entire pack to go to Del Rio February 13 to visit the Freedom Train. Mrs. Rip Ward gave a talk about the things they would see.

There will be a display in the Ratliff Store window this month commemorating the anniversary of the founding of the CSA.

The Garden Club will meet Monday, February 2, at 3 o'clock in the Home Economics Cottage.

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CAROL TIPTON HONORED ON FOURTH BIRTHDAY

Mrs. E. B. Tipton honored her daugher, Carol, on her fourth birthday Sunday afternoon at their home.

Valentine decorations were used and bird whistles were given as favors. The children played games and Kay Shurley won the prize for pinning on the donkey's tail.

Refreshments of pink birthday cake and pink punch were served to Patti O'Bryan, Nancy Anthony, Diana and Susan Davis, Bill McClelland, Joe Wes Hill, Jerry McPhaul, Jerry Mayfield, Kay Shurley, Mrs. E. D. Shurley and Mrs. O. G. Babcock.

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Sonora Music Club Juniors Organize

The Sonora Music Club Juniors held their organization meeting at the home of the councillor, Mrs. C. F. Browne, Monday afternoon.

Tea was served with Mesdames S. M. Loeffler, E. D. Shurley and A. E. Prugel assisting Mrs.

Mrs. Shurley, parliamentarian of the senior club, gave a talk introducing the juniors to the rules for an election. Billy Scott was elected temporary chairman who then conducted the election of officers for the first year.

The following officers were elected: Norris Loeffler, president; Carlene Peeples, first vice-president; Ernest Carroll Stephen, second vice-president; Anne Karnes, secretary; Billy Scott, treasurer; and Peggy Willman, parliamentarian.

It was decided that boys would be included as active members with the girls.

Meetings are to be held twice Browne.

The eleven charter members present were Carlene Peeples, Billy Scott, Flora Dell Davis, Anne Karnes, Peggy Barker, Blanche Lavon Taylor, Nancy Eaton, Lois Lou Lomax, Marilyn Mittel, Joy Maxey and Lena Lanier.
each month on the second and fourth Mondays. The next regular meeting will be at the Carl Peeples home Monday, February 9, at 4 o'clock.

Boys and girls between the ages of thirteen and eighteen are cordially invited to attend the club and become members.

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Uncle Sam Says



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Celebrity Parade

By Earle Ferris

LYRIC SOPRANO DOROTHY STAHL, who appears on ABC's Metropolitan Opera Auditions of the Air Sunday, Feb. 1, studied piano for thirteen years before she turned to singing. A native of Toledo, Ohio, and former student at the University of Toledo, Miss Stahl enrolled at the Chicago Musical College in 1939. In her third year there she won a four-year fellowship to the Graduate School in the Juilliard School of Music. New York. She will return to her home town to appear at the Toledo Museum of Art April 6 in a concert sponsored by the New Friends of Music.



Dorothy Stahl

New Composition

Maestro Meredith Willson has just completed a new composition entitled "San Gabriel" which is a musical description of a famous California mission. It will be played for the first time by the Glendale (Calif.) Symphony Orchestra when Willson guest-conducts it in concert in February.

All in the Family

Dick Crenna, blond, 21-year-old six-footer who portrays "Oogie Pringle," favorite beau of "Judy" on NBC's "A Date With Judy" comedy - drama program, strongly resembles his uncle, Richard Polette, who was a famous Broadway juvenile more than a quarter - century ago. A school athlete who won letters in basketball and track, Dick's current hobbies are cartooning and wood-carving, and he has sold a number of illustrations and letterhead designs.



Dick Crenna

Another Lassie Film

With "A Master of Lassie" completed, Lassie, the M-G-M movie and ABC Sunday radio canine star, is being allowed to romp in the hills, chasing rabbits and otherwise living a normal dog's life. Next film for the famed dog at M-G-M is "A Family for Jock," co-starring Claude Jarman.

Opera Star Stares

Frances Yeend, American soprano, will star as Marguerite in the Chicago Theatre of the Air production of "Faust" over MBS on Feb. 7. Miss Yeend has been touring in concert as a member of the Bel Canto Trio, as well as appearing as soloist with leading symphony orchestras throughout the country. She has been heard at the Berkshire Music Festival with the Boston Symphony Orchestra, under Serge Koussevitzky's direction, in Beethoven's Ninth Symphony. A recording of this work with Miss Yeend as soloist will be released in March.



Frances Yeend

Laugh of the Week

Bob Hawk, Thursday night NBC quizmaster, notes that you often hear of a man who's in advance of his age but never of a woman in that condition!

He's Going Places

A young man going places, both literally and figuratively, is Igor Buketoff. Literally, he's going round the world conducting the now famous Menotti operas, "The Medium" and "The Telephone." Currently touring this country Mr. Buketoff and the cast of these twin operas are scheduled to play in Chicago, Denver, San Francisco and Los Angeles early this year. Winner of the Alice M. Ditson Award, Buketoff is a music teacher, a composer and an authority on Russian church music.



Igor Buketoff

MRS. HOWARD MILLICAN HOSTESS TO CHURCH GROUP

The Friendship Class of the Baptist Church held its regular monthly business and social meeting at the home of Mrs. Howard Millican.

A brief business session was held by Mrs. Lawrence Nichols, president.

Mrs. Rex Lowe played several accordian selections and a poem was given by Mrs. Millican.

Refreshments were served to Mesdames Nichols, A. J. Ward, C. D. Crumley, Walter Anthony, M. C. Scott, Frank Primberry, Lowe, J. A. Letsinger, J. E. Eldridge, Roy Sewell, Ben Mittel, Joe Hull and W. O. Crites.

To prevent reinfestation of rats, all piles of rubbish, trash, and brush should be burned; feed concentrates should be protected, barns and cribs should be ratproofed.

Mary Faye Baker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Baker, has been ill for several days but is improving.

USDA's State Crop Insurance office reports that 3,993 cotton claims for indemnity have been received under the 1947 program and final payments in Texas will amount to approximately $1,180,000.

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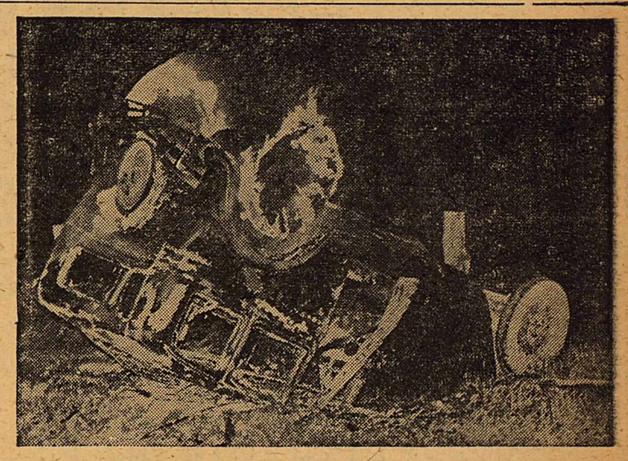
Texas has a long list of gems that are found within its boundries including beryl, topaz, garnet, zircon, quartz, turquoise, jade, amazon stone, moonstone, rose quartz, amethyst, malachite, carnelain, ruby, agate and amber.

According to factual information about the stones, fine agate specimens are found in the Big Bend near Terlingua, near Balmorhea, and in Reeves and Jeff Davis Counties.

Amazon stone, a delicate apple-green feldspar, has been found in Mason County and in Llano County. Amethyst, as well as most of the other quartz minerals, occurs more frequently in the Trans-Pecos area than in any other.

The Jackson formation of the Gulf Coast area carries an abundance of wood-opal and agatized wood. Garnets are also found in Llano and Mason Counties, but they are rarely of gem quality, geologists report. Topaz crystals have been found in Mason County, and turquoise was once mined near Van Horn. Occasional crystals of beryl have been reported near Sharp Mountain in Llano County, but they are rare.

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From where I sit ... *by* Joe Marsh



Who Are We, Anyway?

Subject came up at Bill Webster's, the other day, as we were chatting over beer and pretzels. Just who *are* the folks who make up our town? Where'd they come from?

Well, Doc Hollister's Scotch-English ancestry; Will Dudley's folks were mining stock from Pennsylvania; Skip Powell's family were brewers back in Holland.

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Stories of West Texas ...

by N. H. Kincaid

Ben Ficklin eyed the drove of mules speculatively. No doubt about it, those critters needed shoeing badly. And it should be done before they were distributed among the stations for mail service.

This was in 1867 and just the year previously the United States Postoffice Department had awarded B. F. Ficklin, his brother, Slaughter Ficklin and Frederick P. Sawyer a new mail contract for the Overland Daily Mail. There were to be three mails per week in the Southwest Texas run, with Fort Stockton as the meeting place between the East and West bound stages between San Antonio and El Paso.

This was the first of their several lines throughout West Texas. Later, Ficklin built the Concho Mail Station about three miles from the newly established Fort Concho to serve as his headquarters. All horses, mules and supplies were kept here and it was here that houses were built for the employees. The stage lines from Fort Worth and San Antonio then united here at Concho and ran west to El Paso.

Now Ben Ficklin was economical to parsimony and never allowed even a piece of broken leather to be wasted. And so on this day as his eyes appraised his mules' need for shoes, his mind was nimbly calculating the cost. And the total seemed staggering to him.

And then his face brightened. He was near the government post of Fort Concho. Now, if he could just get the post farrier or blacksmith to do the work!

Ficklin, usually called Major Ben Ficklin by his associates, contacted the garrison's commander and made his request. The Commander gave his permission, providing the smithy had the time and wished to do the work It took the farrier four days to shoe all the mules.

Ficklin was elated with the job and his own business sagacity.

"Here, let me make you a little gift after all that work!" he expansively told the farrier as he handed him a dollar.

"Gift, is it!" retorted the smithy, "you can't 'gift' me. That work is to be paid for!"

"But no soldier gets extra pay for doing the work he is ordered to do," Ficklin argued.

But in vain. The commander reminded Ficklin that he had said the smithy could do the work if he wished to. And Major Ben felt actually sick as he slowly counted out the required twenty-five silver dollars for the other man's outstretched palm.

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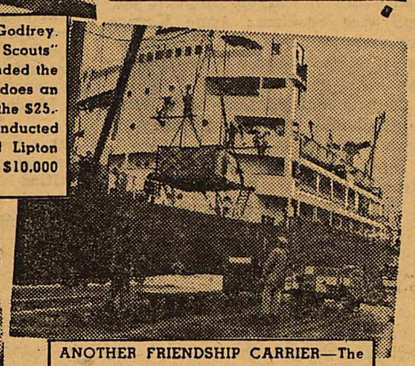
WEEK'S NEWS



SOUP CHAMP — Arthur Godfrey, emcee of the CBS "Talent Scouts" show and the guy who founded the art of kidding commercials, does an about face to help promote the $25,000 jingle contest being conducted by his sponsor, makers of Lipton Noodle Soup. Top prize: $10,000 cash!



ON TRIAL—J. C. Petrillo (right), president of Federation of Musicians, in Federal Court, Chicago. He tried, it is claimed, to compel a radio station to hire unneeded musicians



ANOTHER FRIENDSHIP CARRIER—The freighter Eucadia, named the Yankee Friend Ship, sailed from Boston with a $1,000,000 relief cargo of food and clothing to Scotland.



FOR WINTER VACATIONS—Popular this season is white cotton imprinted with gay Mexican fiesta figures. Model has adjustable shoulder line and softly ruffled trim.



HYDRAULIC POST DIGGER—Michigan farmer, Walt Kemppainen digs post-holes quickly and easily with the hydraulically-operated digger using power from the tractor's power take-off. Holes are true as the auger acts as a plumb, assuring a vertical drilling position regardless of tractor tilt.

Flu Season At Peak, Warns State Health Official

This is the season of the year when influenza or "Flu" is most prevalent, according to Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer. Colds, grippe, influenza or whatever we may call them, are believed to be spread from person to person through discharges from the nose and throat. To protect yourself and others from such diseases here are some of the things to remember:

Influenza is highly infectious. Practically everybody is susceptible to it. No matter how many times you have had the disease you may contract it again. Therefore, keep away from people who are coughing, sneezing, or who are actively ill with colds, influenza, or pneumonia. Keep away from crowded places. Have your own towel; always wash your hands before eating; and sneeze or cough into your handkerchief.

Keep fit by drinking plenty of water, eating simple nourishing food, and taking some exercise each day out of doors. Dress according to the weather; get plenty of sleep in a well-ventilated room; and keep the bowels regulated.

Disastrous results may ensue from this disease if influenza cases are allowed to get about too soon. Persons convalescing from this disease are particularly susceptible to other infections; so, if you are just getting over some illness, return to your normal routine of life gradually.

Attend SOME Church Sunday.

Move Here From Graham

The Wesley Sawyer Jewelry has employed Weldon D. Weidner of Graham as watch and jewelry repairman. Weidner recently sold his business in Graham. He is a veteran of the 36th Division and served 16 months overseas. He is married and has one daughter, Treva Ann, aged three.

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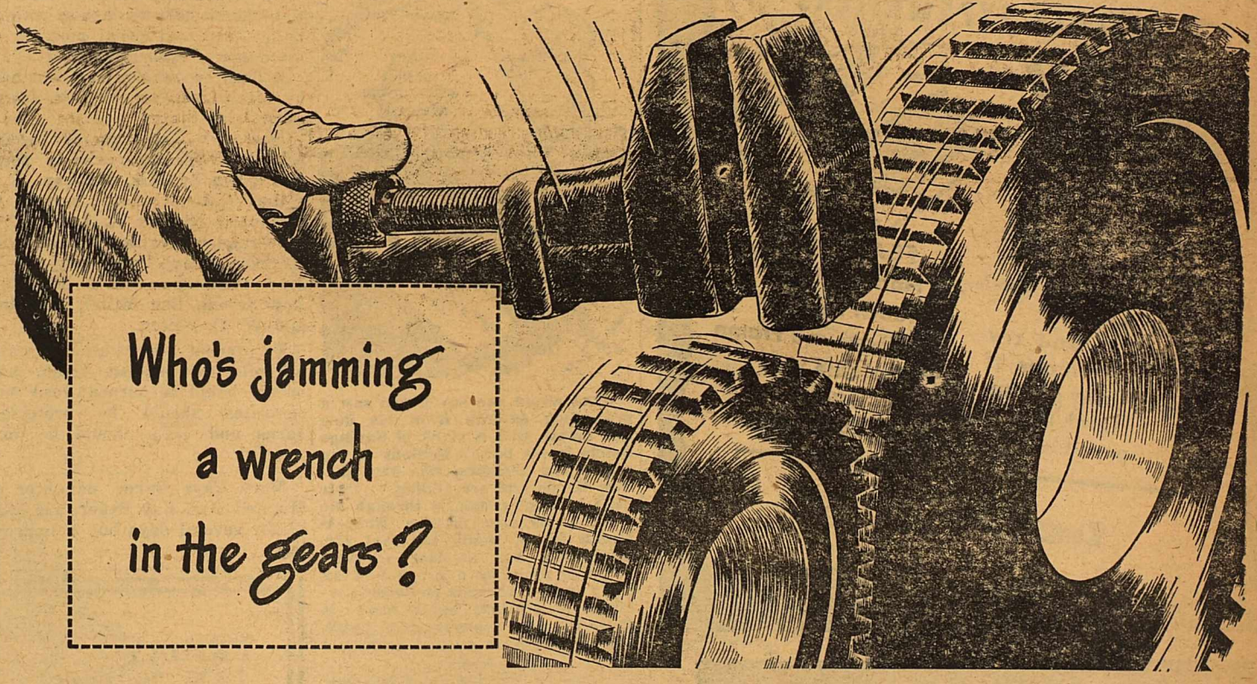
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This is the same increase awarded 1,000,000 non-operating employes by an arbitration board in September, 1947.

This is the same increase accepted by 175,000 conductors, trainmen and switchmen by agreement on November 14, 1947.

Agreements have been made with 1,175,000 employes, represented by nineteen unions. But these three unions, representing only 125,000 men, are trying to get more. They are demanding also many new working rules not embraced in the settlement with the conductors and trainmen.

Incidentally, the Switchmen's Union of North America represents only about 7% of all railroad switchmen, the other 93% being represented by the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen and covered by the settlement with that union.

Strike Threat

The leaders of these three unions spread a strike ballot while negotiations were still in progress. This is not a secret vote but is taken by union leaders and votes are signed by the employes in the presence of union representatives.

When direct negotiations failed, the leaders of these three unions refused to join the railroads in asking the National Mediation Board to attempt to settle the dispute, but the Board took jurisdiction at the request of the carriers and has been earnestly attempting since November 24, 1947, to bring about a settlement. The Board on January 15, 1948, announced its inability to reach a mediation settlement. The leaders of the unions rejected the request of the Mediation Board to arbitrate. The railroads accepted.

What Now?

The Unions having refused to arbitrate, the Railway Labor Act provides for the appointment of a fact-finding board by the President.

The railroads feel it is due shippers, passengers, employes, stockholders, and the general public to know that throughout these negotiations and in mediation, they have not only exerted every effort to reach a fair and reasonable settlement, but they have also met every requirement of the Railway Labor Act respecting the negotiation, mediation, and arbitration of labor disputes.

It seems unthinkable that these three unions, representing less than 10 per cent of railroad employes, and those among the highest paid, can successfully maintain the threat of a paralyzing strike against the interest of the entire country—and against 90 per cent of their fellow employes.

The threat of a strike cannot justify granting more favorable conditions to 125,000 employes than have already been put in effect for 1,175,000, nor will it alter the opposition of the railroads to unwarranted wage increases or to changes in working rules which are not justified.

A glance at the box shows what employes represented by the Engineers and Firemen make. They are among the highest paid in the ranks of labor in the United States, if not the highest.

Compare these wages with what you make!

Here is a comparison of average annual earnings of engineers and firemen for 1939 (prewar) and 1947. Also shown is what 1947 earnings would have been if the 15½ cents per hour increase, offered by the railroads and rejected by the union leaders, had been in effect throughout the entire year 1947.

Type of Employe	1939 Average Annual Earnings	1947 Average Annual Earnings	1947 Average Annual Earnings with 15½ Cents per Hour Added
ENGINEERS			
Road Freight (Local and Way)	$3,966	$6,126	$6,757
Road Passenger	3,632	5,399	6,025
Road Freight (Through)	3,147	4,684	5,169
Yard	2,749	4,081	4,539
FIREMEN			
Road Freight (Local and Way)	2,738	4,683	5,268
Road Passenger	2,732	4,544	5,165
Road Freight (Through)	2,069	3,460	3,891
Yard	1,962	3,136	3,553

Railroad wages computed from Interstate Commerce Commission Statement M-300. Full year 1947 estimated on basis of actual figures for first eight months.

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Son-of-a-gun



Main topic of conversation this week is the cold spell, and at this point we refuse to quote Mark Twain's ancient bromide about everybody cussing the weather and nobody doing anything about it. The best place we saw to take in the weather situation at a glance was at the Sonora Locker Plant, where the doors of the ice house were standing open. Must have been too hot inside and Earl Lomax was afraid the meat would spoil.

The kids were cheated out of a chance to play in the snow, although light flurries were prevalent all week. Many children were out of school due to colds and flu. Several pneumonia cases were reported, but no fatalities.

Most of the buslines ran, the only exception being the San Angelo run, which was suspended Monday and Tuesday. Milk trucks, bread trucks and grocery salesmen came and went all week.

The Santa Fe Railroad had a record-breaking passenger day Monday when seven stranded bus passengers caught the afternoon train for San Angelo. Although classed as a "mixed train," it serves here mostly in a freight capacity, and runs every day but Sunday. Fare to San Angelo, incidentally, is $1.47 one way and scheduled running time is two and one-ralf hours.

"Neither snow, nor rain, nor heat, nor gloom of night stays these couriers from the swift completion of their appointed rounds." Inscription on the Main Post Office, New York City.

It doesn't say anything about ice, and anyhow the mail finally got here Wednesday afternoon. That is, some of the local Post Office staff borrowed a pickup and met the mail truck 13 miles north of Sonora Wednesday and brought the mail here. It is rumored that the mail carrier will deliver the mail here in person sometime after the Spring thaw.

—(?*½$*?)—

Members of the Sonora Volunteer Fire Department are organizing a basketball team and will play the Eldorado Fire Department team soon. The local cagers wish to use this column to throw the glove down to any team around here, according to Pat Lyles. Persons wishing to match a game may contact Chief Lee Patrick, Lyles or Clyle Clemens, secretary.

—(?*½$*?)—

And while we're talking about fire departments, we'd like to put in a good word for fire prevention, which some people think is only practised once a year during Fire Prevention Week. The ten largest fires in Texas during 1947 caused a loss exceeding $70,000,000 and nearly 500 lives. That's just the ten largest fires. U. S. fire losses during 1947 exceeded by $300 millions the TOTAL fire loss of the two-year London blitz during the war.

A fireman once observed, "Matches have heads but no brains -- when you use matches, use your brains."

—(?*½$*?)—

Then there was the guy who kept his money in his sock -- but a midget picked his ankle. Modern advertising has really gone frilly what with signs reading, "Moderne" and "Shoppe." Some day motorists may be confrinted with trafic signs reading, "Goe" and "Stoppe."

WASHINGTON NEWS LETTER

By O. C. FISHER, M. C.

The House has passed and sent to the Senate a bill amending the Articles of War as they relate to Courts Martial. There has been much criticism in the past, from both civilians and army officers, of the procedure set up for military trials of men in the service accused of offenses. Evidence of miscarriage of justice has shown up in some cases. The bill just passed is intended to improve the procedure and provide with more certainty that justice will be meted out.

While the new proposal does not go as far as the American Bar Association had recommended, the new system is sure to be more democratic than has been the case in the past.

The bill provides: That local commanders shall not have control over the members of courts by taking Judge Advocate General officers out of "line of command";

That officers as well as enlisted men may be tried by special courts for minor offenses;

That both the defense counsel and the prosecutor in general courts be attorneys;

That lesser penalties than those now provided may be imposed in many cases;

That accused men may not be confined with prisoners of war, or otherwise punished (except to be confined) prior to conviction;

That the members of courts be instructed as are juries in civilian courts that the accused be presumed to be innocent until proven guilty and that the burden of proof shall be on the government.

Finally, the bill establishes a much more comprehensive system of review of convictions. A new board will review all convictions and will consider questions of fact as well as of law. I am convinced this bill will go a long way toward insuring the service men fair and impartial trials.

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In Washington last week on business were Walter McKay of Fredericksburg and Forrest Kyle, newspaper publisher of Bangs. Mr. McKay, with our State Agriculture Department, is concerned over the threat of the spread of the pink boll worm in Texas cotton. Consideration is being given to the use of DDT spray along the Rio Grande at vulnerable points, provided necessary funds can be provided. The pink boll worm menace is a most serious one to our cotton farmers and an effort will be made to increase the apropriation for use in that fight.

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In the Capitol corridors are many statues of the great men of American history, including representatives from each of the 48 states. For Texas, the likeness of Sam Houston and Stephen F. Austin were chosen years ago and are located in Statuary Hall. Oklahoma very appropriately picked the late Will Rogers. It is said the cowboy humorist once wisecracked that if his statue should ever be placed in the Capitol, he wanted it located at a spot where he could "keep an eye on Congress." Sure enough, his wish was granted, and his huge bronze statue now faces a door opening into the House chamber. There it is admired by thousands of visitors.

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Saw City Detective Howerton the other day -- he has solved some big murder mysteries in Fort Worth and I've known him since the days when I was police reporter for the Star-Telegram.

"We ought to write a book of crimes," I suggested.

"Not much exciting happening," he said, "it'll have to be old cases."

"Oh," was the reply, "that's the only kind to write about. Everybody is familiar with the new cases but they've forgotten the old ones, so a fellow can lie like hades about 'em."

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What a narrow margin often separates the man who achieves success and the man who fails! Back in that golden era of sport, the fabulous '20's, the name of Charlie Paddock was synomnymous with speed. He "burned up" the cinder paths of the nation. At the 100 and 220, he was the "world's famous human." Yet many of his races were won only by a step or two; the other man was right on his heels. But all the acclaim went to Paddock and none to the runner who finished hardly more than the batting of an eye behind him.

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One of the tallest buildings in Dallas belongs to an oil company whose emblem is the flying red horse. Surmounting the skyscraper are two flying red horses. A citizen explained that Dallas folks insisted that two be put up, so Fort Worth folks couldn't call Dallas "a one-horse town."

SWING OF SOUTHWEST MARKETS

Many southwest farm products found weaker markets last week, according to the Production and Marketing Administration.

Ewes sold fully steady to strong, but lambs dropped 50 cents to $1 and more at most southwest markets. Good and choice lambs closed around $23.75 at San Antonio, $23.25 to $23.75 at Wichita, and $24.50 at Denver. Fort Worth bought medium to choice wooled fat lambs at $21 to $24. Oklahoma City closed at $24 top. Contracting of spring clip wools increased, as a million pounds of Texas combing wools were signed up at 50 cents a pound f.o.b., 59 percent shrinkage.

Late losses offset early gains on southwest cattle markets to leave some classes higher, some lower than a week ago. Steers and yearlings showed weakest tendencies. Common and medium steers and yearlings brought $16.50 to $22.50 at Houston, as medium grades sold at $22.50 to $26.50 at San Antonio. Medium and good steers cashed from $25.35 to $29.75 at Denver, and $25 to $29 at Wichita. Medium and good steers moved at $20 to $27 at Fort Worth and $24 to $28 at Oklahoma City.

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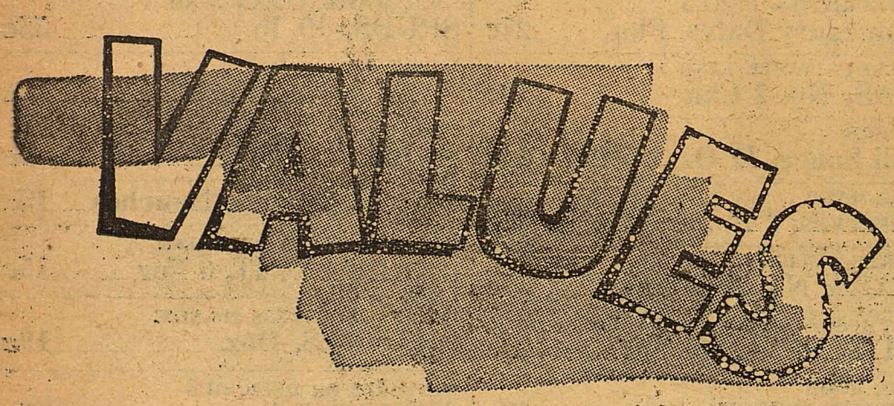
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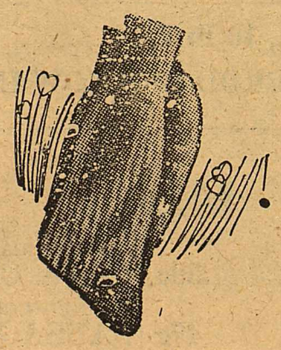
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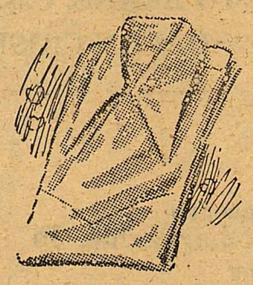


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Night football will come to TCU in 1948.

A contract has been let for installing 144 floodlights, atop 80-foot towers, at the TCU stadium. Intensity of the light-- officially rated at 43 foot-candles--will make the field one of the best lighted in the Southwest.

First game to be played under the lights will be TCU vs. Oklahoma A&M, in Fort Worth Sept. 25. Arrangements may also be worked out to play the Arkansas game, Oct. 2, and the University of Oklahoma contest, Oct. 23, at night.

If you want to vote in the July and August primaries, better pay your poll tax before the Tax Assessor-Collector's office closes Saturday afternoon.

Passengers on trains traveled an average of 81½ miles per trip in 1946, or a little more than twice the average in 1929.

The two four-wheel trucks which support a boxcar weigh about 14,000 pounds or approximately one-third of the total car weight.

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	10 o'clock
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Bible classes for all ages	10:00 o'clock
Preaching	11:00 o'clock
Lord's Supper	11:45 o'clock
Young Peaple's Class	7:15 o'clock
Mid-week Bible Study, Wednesday	8:00 o'clock

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Morning Prayer	11 o'clock

Uncle Sam Says



Want to know a Leap Year proposal you can accept whether you are single or married and have a dozen children? It's the proposal to join the Payroll Savings Plan for buying United States Savings Bonds, or the Bond-A-Month Plan at your bank if you are self-employed. Millions of my nieces and nephews have learned from experience that a growing nest-egg built by regular buying of United States Savings Bonds is the best personal guarantee of a happy future.

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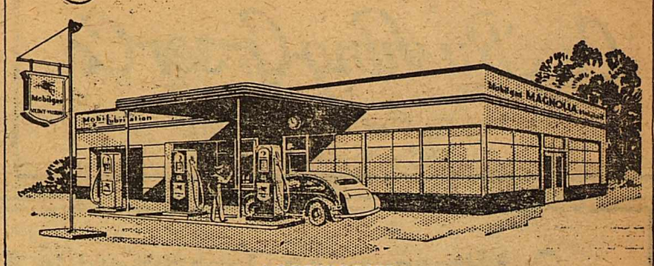
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