

Sutton County War Bond Quota: \$235,000

Amount Purchased and Pledged: \$135,000

Let's Go Over The Top By Monday!

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FOURTH WEEK

Rites Conducted In San Angelo For John Allison

Funeral services for John Sutton Allison, 67, of San Angelo, prominent ranchman of Texas and president of the Wool Growers' Central Storage Co. of San Angelo, were conducted Wednesday afternoon, at 4 o'clock in San Angelo, with the Reverend B. O. Wood officiating. The services were held from the Robert Massie Chapel, and burial was in the Fairmount Cemetery.

Mr. Allison, who died in a San Angelo hospital at 4:30 o'clock Tuesday morning, was a brother of S. H. Allison, G. C. Allison, Mrs. Alfred Schwenning, Mrs. C. E. Stites and Miss Clara Allison, all of Sonora.

Mr. Allison, who was reared in Sonora, was born in Bosque County, Texas, on February 14, 1877, the son of the late Mrs. Allison and George S. Allison, who resides on the ranch at Menard. He was educated in the Bosque County, Fort McKavett and Sonora schools, and later studied at Texas A. & M. College for two years. Following this he entered the Medical School of the University of Texas at Galveston, where he spent one year, and later he studied at the Memphis Medical College, Memphis, Tenn. He then spent two years practicing medicine in Bell County.

He gave up his medical practice to enter the ranching business in Sutton County, and he served as sheriff here from 1906 to 1912. For 12 years he was a Texas representative of the wool merchants firm, Adams & Leland of Boston, Mass. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge of Sonora. His ranching interests comprise some 100 sections in Pecos County, and have been managed for the past several years by his son, Jack Allison.

In 1939 he was elected president of the Wool Growers' Central Storage Co., at the death of the late Ira G. Yates. He had served as vice-president of that firm for a number of years before succeeding to the presidency.

Mr. Allison played a leading part in the development of San Angelo as a wool market, and is credited with playing the major part in saving the Wool Growers' Central Storage Co., and through it many West Texas ranchers, during the years of 1931-1934 when wool and livestock prices hit an unprecedented low. He was also instrumental in making purchase of the assets of the Texas Wool and Mohair Association, a San Angelo wool warehouse, and consolidating its business with that of the Wool Growers.

Mr. Allison married Miss Lida Tillman of Menard in Fort Worth on December 25, 1903.

Survivors include the widow; one son, Jack E. Allison, Fort Stockton; one daughter, Mrs. Gentry Kidd, Houston; the father; three brothers, S. H. and G. C. of Sonora, and H. P. Allison of San Angelo; four sisters, Mrs. C. E. Stites, Miss Clara Allison and Mrs. Alfred Schwenning of Sonora, and Mrs. Dolly McDermott of St. Louis, Mo., and three grandchildren, Leila Kidd, John S. Allison, II, and Judy Lee Allison.

Pallbearers were J. W. Johnson, Lea Aldwell, Clayton Puckett, W. E. Kinney, Roy Henderson and A. L. Krueger. Honorary pallbearers included Henry Jackson, Alex Collins, John B. McKnight, Jared Hill, R. C. DeLong, Jack Ransom, Claude Gibbs, Abe Mayer, Dr. F. T. McIntire, Tom Richey, John B. Winn, L. A. Schreiner, Tom Caldwell, Nathan Adams, Houston Harte, J. R. Hewitt, Pat Jackson and Sid Slaughter.

Francis Wood, who was under treatment in a San Angelo hospital last week, returned home Sunday.

Gene Wallace, student at Sul Ross College, Alpine, was here last week-end visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Libb Wallace, and his sister, Miss Libby Jo Wallace.

Miss Lena Wood of San Angelo was a guest of Mrs. Lula Karnes and Miss Alice Karnes last week-end.

Geo. E. Smith, City Manager For 14 Years, Resigns

TO DEVOTE TIME TO PRIVATE INTERESTS

The commissioners of Sonora announced this week that they have "accepted with regrets" the resignation of George E. (Bud) Smith, who has served the City of Sonora as city manager for the past fourteen years.

In announcing acceptance of Smith's resignation, the commissioners called attention to the progress that has been made here during Smith's years of service. Outstanding among these is the fact, they said, that while the many improvements have been made, the city which was operating "in the red" when he became city manager, has improved its financial condition immeasurably.

Other improvements that have been made include the building of a drainage system, paving of many blocks of streets, the building of the Municipal Light Plant, building and paying for the City Hall and Fire Station and extending and improving the water, light and sewer systems to suit the needs of the growing town. At the same time, the commissioners pointed out, a marked reduction has been made in tax rates and in light, water and power rates.

Smith, when he presented his resignation to the commissioners, said that private business interests make impracticable his serving as city manager. He is now operating the grocery business that he purchased this summer from A. D. Richey, Jr.

For the present no plans have been made by city officials to replace Smith. R. M. McCarver, who has been connected with the city utilities for several months, has been placed in charge of all city utilities.

Seniors Now Practicing For Class Play

Members of the Senior Class have begun the second week of serious study on their class play for the year, a three-act comedy, which is being coached by the class sponsor, Miss Anne Palmer. The setting for the play is a summer cottage situated on Silver Lake, in a northern state in the Middle West, and the situations that occur are full of promise for an evening of real entertainment.

Date for the play has not been set, but will probably be announced in the near future.

Those taking part in the cast of characters are H. C. Kiser, Edith Eldridge, Betty Gene Rankhorn, Jimmy Cook, Gene Cliff Johnson, Pauline Allen, Lila D. Chalk, Margaret Smith, Tommy Smith, Sidney Awalt, Jereldine Morrow, Mary Lou Neuberger and Frances Jo Lancaster.

Legion Makes \$225 On Dance

Two hundred and twenty-five dollars, the total net profit made by the American Legion and Auxiliary on the dance they sponsored last Saturday night, has been added to their Memorial Building Fund. Around five hundred dollars gross was taken in on the tickets sold to the dance and floor show which preceded it.

Music for the dance was furnished by a dance band from Dallas and by the local band, Johnny Martin and the Melody Boys.

Mr. and Mrs. Mat Larkin of Dallas were the guests last week-end of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Allison.

Mrs. W. R. Aldwell left recently for San Antonio to spend the winter. She was accompanied by Mrs. Aldwell Nisbet who has been making her home with her for the past three months.

Mrs. Arlon Carroll and son, Jimmy, former Sonorans now living in Melvin, are here this week visiting friends.

Mrs. V. Shurley Buys Lumber Co. In San Angelo

W. E. CALDWELL TO BE SEC'Y-TREAS. & MANAGER

Mrs. Velma L. Shurley, prominent Sutton County ranchwoman, has bought the West Texas Lumber Company in San Angelo, including the buildings and grounds, the deal to become effective December 1. The transaction is reported to involve an amount in excess of \$200,000.



MRS. VELMA L. SHURLEY

The corporation, which will retain the same name, will be headed by Mrs. Shurley as president, and her son-in-law, Raymond G. Pipkin of Dallas, will be vice-president.

W. E. Caldwell, manager of the Foxworth-Galbraith Lumber Co. in Sonora, will serve as secretary-treasurer for the corporation, and will also be general manager. Caldwell was manager of the West Texas Lumber Co. in Sonora from 1918 until the time it was sold to Foxworth-Galbraith Lumber Co. and continued as manager of the yard after it was sold.

Mrs. Shurley, a well-known rancher throughout West Texas, has five ranches in Sutton, Edwards, Presidio, Pecos and Jeff Davis Counties, and has for many years actively managed her ranch properties. She has leased her Sutton County ranch, where she has made her home, to L. W. Elliott and Carson West and plans to move to San Angelo in the near future. Mr. Caldwell and his family and Mr. and Mrs. Pipkin will also move to San Angelo.

John Ward Is New Vice-Pres. Of TAGRA

John A. Ward, Jr., of Sonora, stepped up to the vice-presidency of the Texas Angora Goat Raisers Association, when directors of the association met in Rocksprings Tuesday, and Sam L. Cooper of Leakey, immediate past vice-president became president of the organization.

Other officers elected at the meeting were Robert W. Reid of Hillsboro, N. M., second vice-president, and Mrs. Thomas Taylor, Rocksprings, secretary.

Ward was also elected to the executive board of the association, as was Fred T. Earwood of Sonora. Other new members of the board are Bob Davis of Uvalde, and Carroll F. Briggs of Del Rio, immediate past president. J. M. Jones of College Station and S. S. Shanklin of Rocksprings tied in the number of votes for a seat on the board, and a ballot is being sent to members to determine which will serve.

Mrs. Claudine Hampton, who resigned as secretary-treasurer at the meeting, after 19 years of service, reported that the association has gained 19 members in the last year and that the membership now totals 498 breeders. She also reported that the association's assets total \$13,000 and that the net cash balance is \$2,016.43.

Mrs. Jack Mann, who underwent a major operation in a San Antonio hospital Thursday morning, was doing nicely according to first reports received by friends here.

Legion Collecting Christmas Gifts For War Wounded

The local American Legion Post and Legion Auxiliary are joining this week in the nation-wide Legion movement, "Christmas Gifts for Yanks Who Gave", in an attempt to collect Christmas gifts for men and women who have been injured in service with the Armed services and are now in service hospitals in the States. Local Post Commander Gene Lightfoot says that those who wish to donate gifts for this purpose should leave them at his residence, and that a card with the donor's name may be attached to the gift.

Deadline on the donations is December 3, as the post must report at that time to the State chairman the number of gifts to be sent from this post. In all probability the gifts from Sutton County will be sent to hospitals in or near this area.

Suggestions for both service-men and service women's gifts were listed as follows. For men: books, stationery, games, playing cards, folding writing pads, fountain pens, pencils, pencil sharpeners, address books, picture folders and stands, toilet articles of all sorts, sleeveless sweaters, Tee shirts, handkerchiefs, billfolds, good quality socks, bedroom slippers, all sorts of smoking equipment, and miscellaneous articles such as pocket knives, sun glasses, wash cloths and identification bracelets.

For women: stationery, games, playing cards (the same as for the men), combs, brushes, all sorts of toilet articles and make-up, scarves, chamois gloves, bandanas, bed socks, nice handkerchiefs and bedroom slippers.

Red Cross Asked To Take Another Kit Bag Quota

EXTRA KNITTING YARN EXPECTED SOON

Officers of the local Red Cross chapter, in meeting Tuesday with the visiting field representative from St. Louis, Mo., Miss Melba Turriff, were told of the urgency of each chapter's accepting a new quota of servicemen's kit bags. Increased military operations have greatly increased the need for the kits, as each serviceman is given a kit when he embarks for overseas duty and is given another when he comes out of battle. A letter from the administrative assistant in St. Louis further emphasized this need and stated that it is much preferred that the chapters fill another quota of the kit bags rather than work on hospital garment production.

Mrs. Alvis Johnson, local production chairman, has asked that in the face of this great need, each civic and church organization among Sutton County's women accept a portion of the new service kit quota to make. The chapter will fill the bags with the required articles when they are completed. Mrs. Johnson also announced that the home economics classes of the Sonora High School and the Elliott High School have offered to cut and make part of the kits when they are received.

In regard to knitting yarn requested by the chapter some time ago when its yearly quota had been used, Mrs. Johnson has been notified that a supplementary 50 pounds of the yarn is being sent here. When it arrives, announcement will be made, and the yarn may be obtained from Mrs. O. L. Richardson, who is taking the position of knitting chairman formerly held by Mrs. T. L. Harrison. Mrs. Johnson expressed her's and the chapter's appreciation to Mrs. Harrison for the splendid work she had done.

Kay Motley, four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dillard Motley, has been brought home from the San Angelo hospital where she recently underwent an appendectomy and is reported to be recuperating rapidly.

Thanksgiving Day Set For Nov. 23 At Lions Meeting

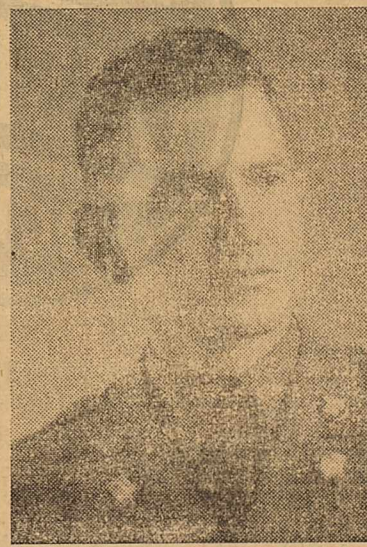
CLUB DISCUSSES NEED FOR RECREATION LEADER

Sonorans will eat their Thanksgiving dinners this year on Thursday, November 23, according to a decision reached by Sonora business men meeting at the Lions Club luncheon Tuesday. Although Governor Coke Stevenson has proclaimed November 30, Thanksgiving Day for Texans, Sonora schools and business houses will be closed on November 23, and in accordance with the advice of the majority of the business men, Mayor H. V. Stokes has announced the holiday for that date.

Also discussed at the meeting was the advisability of obtaining the services of a professional recreational supervisor for Sonora's young people, and a decision of some sort was hoped to be reached on the subject in a meeting called for Thursday for local Scouters, faculty members, Lions Club committeemen, County and City officials and the Board of Trustees of the Sonora schools.

A recreational director, if employed here, should have a full-time job, and his duties would include Boy Scout work, direction of physical training in the schools, coaching school athletic teams, operation of the City swimming pool and organization of community supervised recreation outside the school curriculum, according to present tentative plans. During the meeting, it was pointed out that Sonora's varied recreational assets such as the gymnasium and swimming pool are not being fully utilized because of lack of coordinated direction. It was believed that a recreational director would remedy this situation. Also, it was pointed out that Sutton County Boy Scout work has grown to such proportions that a professional director is needed to carry on the Scouting program here.

Killed In Action



Staff Sergeant James S. (Jake) Morgan, Jr., Sonora man who was killed in action with a rifle squad with the Fifth Army in Italy on October 19. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Morgan, Sr., of Sonora, received final word of his death in a letter from the War Department received on Sunday, November 12.

HUBERT FIELDS PROMOTED

Hubert Fields, who is stationed at Pearl Harbor with the Navy, has recently been promoted to the rank of Radio Man Third Class, according to information received by his wife here. Fields has been in the service since last January and has been in Pearl Harbor for the past seven months. Before his promotion he was a Seaman Second Class.

Mrs. Susie Blanton left Wednesday for Temple for a week's visit with her daughter, Miss Mary Sue Blanton, a laboratory technician at Scott & White Hospital.

Mrs. Pat Lee of Ozona is a guest in the home of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Thorp.

County War Bond Purchases Total \$135,000 Thursday

SEEK TO GO OVER TOP BY NOVEMBER 20

Excellent response has been made by Sutton County War Bond buyers to the appeal sent out by the local War Finance Committee to make immediate and generous purchases of war bonds, according to George H. Neill, committee chairman. Pledges and purchases by Thursday totaled about one hundred and thirty-five thousand dollars, leaving only one hundred thousand yet to be raised toward the \$235,000 quota.

Although Neill said that he believes the county will reach its self-appointed goal of going over the top by Monday, November 20, which has been designated opening day of the drive, he said that it could only be accomplished if everyone who intends to buy bonds does so today, Saturday and Monday.

In each of the five preceding drives, Sutton County has reached its quota during the early part of the drive. This has been done by unsolicited purchases of the citizens of Sutton County, and the committee has expressed confidence that the same can be accomplished again. It is the committee's desire to be among the first in the State to report its quota purchased or pledged by the opening day.

Alamo Driver Succumbs To Wreck Injuries

Last rites were held in San Antonio Saturday for Charles H. Greene, 22, of San Antonio, who died Friday morning in a San Angelo hospital from injuries received in a highway accident 19 miles south of here on the Del Rio Highway Wednesday morning of last week.

Survivors include the mother, Mrs. Lone Green, and a brother, Adolph, both of whom live in San Antonio.

According to Highway Patrol officers who investigated the accident, Green, who was driving an Alamo Motor Lines truck, evidently went to sleep while rounding a curve on a downgrade. His truck sideswiped a truck loaded with scrap iron which was driven by Jack E. Thompson of Odessa. Green suffered head, neck and chest wounds and several ribs were broken, but Thompson was uninjured.

LT. ESPY, WITH AEF IN HOLLAND, RECOVERING FROM PNEUMONIA

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Espy received word last week that their son, Lt. Harrell T. (Wampus) Espy, who is stationed with the U. S. Army in Holland, is convalescing now from pneumonia, contracted sometime between October 10 and 18. His last letter to them, dated October 30, stated that he was well enough to leave the field hospital where he had been receiving treatment and was going to move to a Dutch doctor's home until he had convalesced completely.

Lt. Espy was generous in his praise of the work of Army doctors and nurses, the medical care and facilities provided for the wounded and sick and for the many extra services provided by the American Red Cross.

DON NICHOLAS RE-ENTERS ASTP AT A & M

Don Nicholas, who has been home for several weeks on convalescent leave, left last Thursday for A. & M. College, Bryan, to re-enter the Army Specialist Training Program.

He first entered the ASTP last July at Texas Technological College, Lubbock, but was unable to complete the training because of a broken leg sustained in a ball game. After receiving treatment at the Army General Hospital in Amarillo, he was given leave.

Ozona Beats Broncos 31-7 In Armistice Tilt

The Sonora Broncos lost their Armistice Day football game to the Ozona Lions 31 to 7, the Broncos never really hitting their stride until the last quarter of the game. The Lions, so far undefeated by any team in this district, scored 12 first downs to the Broncos' 6.

Sonora's only touchdown, scored in the third quarter, was made by Tommy Smith. Raymond Johnson and Smith were the day's outstanding players on the Bronco team.

Touchdowns for the Lions were made by Read, McWilliams, Womack and Phillips. Outstanding performances were turned in by Read, McWilliams and Womack throughout the game.

The Broncos' defeat was made up for somewhat by the Ponies, or Colts, up and coming Sonora Elementary School eleven, who won over the Ozona Elementary School to the tune of 26-0 on Wednesday of last week.

Also, on Tuesday of this week, the Colts held the Menard grammar schoolers to 0-0 tie, although the Menard boys out-weighted them considerably. The Colts scored more first downs than the Menard team and had 5 penetrations to the Menard team's 0. When the final whistle blew, the Colts were one foot from their opponents' goal line.

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An Open Letter To All Texans From University Of Texas Students

Dear Texans:

The main issue in the present crisis at the University of Texas has been defined by President Homer P. Rainey. He calls it the issue of Freedom.

As students of the University we think we understand what this means, but we know that some Texans outside the University may not understand it as well as they would if they were on the campus.

In simple terms, this is what has happened. Over a long period of time—five years, says President Rainey—various members of the Board of Regents have been trying to "get" certain faculty members because the Regents objected to what they believed and what they said. Usually it has been something related to the social sciences. The Regents, almost all of them men of great wealth or employees of powerful business interests, were determined to prevent free discussion of economic and social problems. When they disapproved of what a faculty member had to say about such problems, they tried to fire him.

The Regents knew they didn't have to fire very many professors in order to suppress ideas that were objectionable to them. All they had to do was to let it be known that no man could stay on the faculty if he said things that the Regents didn't like.

We think anyone can understand how this would influence a faculty. No professor who had courage and integrity would stay at the University of Texas under such a policy. In a short time the faculty would consist of second-raters who thought more of their salary checks than of their principles. And we don't want to sit in classes conducted by second-raters.

President Rainey refused to let the Regents intimidate faculty members. Finally the pressure got

so great that he had to bring the hidden struggle out into the open. Three weeks ago he made a public statement listing sixteen instances of actions or attempted actions of the Regents that were detrimental to the University.

The most important of these actions were efforts to suppress free discussion in the University. The President made it plain that he was determined to defend his faculty against dictation from the Regents. The Regents dismissed him. As students, all we have to look forward to is increasing suppression of freedom of thought in the University unless the Regents are stopped.

Only the people of Texas can do this, and President Rainey has appealed from the Regents to the people.

We see all this very clearly because we have been living in the middle of it for a long time, and recently we have been thinking and reading and talking about very little else. We believe that if the people of Texas understood the issue as well as we do they would find it quite simple.

The Ex-Students, who have investigated the situation and have chosen prominent citizens of the State as their spokesmen, have demanded that all the present Board of Regents resign so that the efforts to suppress free discussion can come to an end. If you don't trust our judgment, you can certainly trust theirs.

A new board must be chosen that will reinstate President Rainey. Getting another man as good as President Rainey, even if this could be done—and we don't think there is another man who would make as good a president as Dr. Rainey—would not solve the problem. The fact would still remain that the President of the University had been dismissed for

New Rule Is Issued On POW Mail To Germany

Families and friends of newly captured American prisoners of war in Germany can write to them immediately upon notification of their imprisonment, Mrs. Joel A. Shelton, chairman of the local Red Cross chapter, announced this week. Mrs. Shelton also received notice that plans have been completed for the Red Cross message forms to be sent by families and friends, before November 30, to United States prisoners of war and United States civilian internees in the Philippines, when address is known.

For the German prisoners of war whose permanent address has not been forwarded to the families, mail will now be forwarded through the International Red Cross in Switzerland, according to the Army Provost Marshal General. Previously mail could not be accepted by

protecting his faculty, and the next President would have no assurance that the same thing would not happen to him. We don't think a first-class man would take the presidency under these conditions.

That is why we need your help, and need it at once. The Governor must be informed what the people of the state think about this crisis. We urge you to write Governor Stevenson, or better still, wire him, urging him to accept the resignations already submitted by some Regents, and to request the resignation of the others. This is the only way to protect the principle of Freedom. And if Freedom is protected at the University, it will quickly cease to be a first-class University at all.

Committee of Correspondence
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the post office for prisoners until their permanent prison camp addresses were received. This usually was two or three months after the notification of capture.

Letters can now be sent as soon as a man is reported prisoner, Mrs. Shelton stated, provided that they contain the full name and address of the prisoner identifying him as a United States prisoner of war in Germany and are sent in care of the International Red Cross Directory Service, Geneva, Switzerland.

Packages cannot be sent until notification of the prisoner's permanent location is received, however. Official prisoner of war mailing labels will then be supplied by the Provost Marshal's office allowing one parcel to be sent every two months.

In regard to the messages to war prisoners and civilian internees in the Philippines, the necessary form 1616 is available from the county chairman, and upon being filled out, should be sent via air mail immediately to the Red Cross Home Service National Headquarters, Washington 13, D. C.

These messages are to be delivered

to the addressees as soon as the islands are liberated, and although Red Cross cannot guarantee delivery, all efforts will be made to deliver them so that direct contact between families may be made as soon as possible. Messages cannot be accepted for free civilians or Filipinos.

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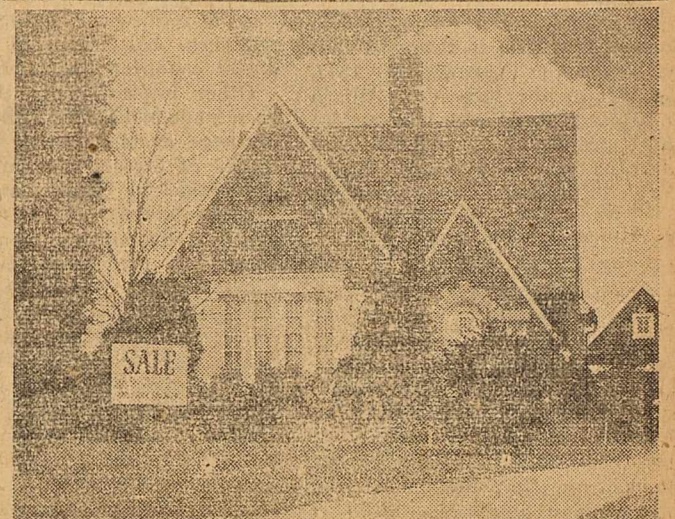
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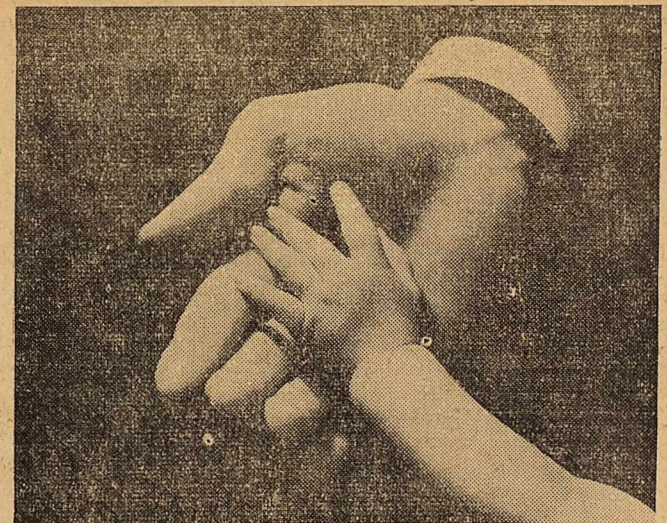
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With the advent of deer season on Thursday, hunters came pouring into and through Sutton County, all intent on taking back that "big buck."

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Also, with the opening of the season, came W. P. Hendrix, game warden for Kimble and Sutton Counties, and Hubert Brooks, game warden who is to serve Sutton County exclusively. Both stated that their purpose here is to work for and with hunters and ranchers, and added that anyone needing their services can reach them by calling 81.

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Dr. W. H. Morelock's plan for proper allocation of surplus war materials after the war, so as to benefit cities and counties and their educational and civic organizations, on which he spoke here Thursday afternoon was met with real enthusiasm by representatives of local organizations. Already many of his listeners have begun formulating a plan whereby Sutton County's post-war projects, many of which are already being seriously planned for, can benefit under the proposed program. Part of this plan is that organizations which will require surplus materials, of the sort that will be offered (and that just about includes everything) should begin making a list now of what their requirements will be in their immediate post-war expansion plans.

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Those who attended the dance Saturday night say that they really enjoyed Johnny Martin and his Melody Boys after listening to the imported band.

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Wednesday's and Thursday's rains slowed almost to a standstill livestock shipments in the Stockman's Paradise, but a tremendous volume had already gone through the yards during last week-end and the first part of this week.

On last Saturday 28 cars of cattle and 5 cars of sheep left the stockpens, much of this being shipped to Kiowa, Kan., by Fred Shupbach, Jr., who bought them from Maurice Cohen of San Antonio. The deal was made through C. T. Jones, Sr.

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Shipments weighed in at the stockpens this week included 200 calves received by Jones from Mrs. Hattie B. Epps, Roy Valliant, Clarence Valliant, J. V. Drisdale of Juno, W. T. O. Henderson and Thompson Brothers and Logan.

Jones also received 3,314 lambs. They were from Sid Peterson of Rocksprings, 2,251; Mrs. Epps, 194; B. H. Cusenbary, 98; Curt Schwiening, 115; J. V. Alley, 355, and Mrs. C. G. Davis, 301.

Cows received by Jones included 9 from Ben Meckel, 40 from George S. Allison, and 25 from the E. E. Sawyer Estate.

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Other shipments made over the week-end included calves shipped by Maurice Cohen of San Antonio to feeders. He shipped 179 to E. E. Pember, Ness City, Kan., 142 to Hale Bros., Troy, Ill., 156 to Harry Connally, and 91 cows to Milliner Provision Co., Frankfort, Ind.

Also going through the yards were 55 calves from Jones to Hillary Phillips, Ozona; 317 lambs from Ben Mittel to Fred Ball; 125 calves from Jones to Kelley Owens; 929 lambs from Mrs. H. Davis and Son, Rocksprings, to Jones; 28 calves from John Cauthorn to Mack Cauthorn; 136 head of cattle from W. L. Miers to Sol Weatherby, San Angelo; 650 lambs from Chester Kenley to Willie Barbee, San Angelo; 10 steers from Elmer Wilson to Robert Kelley; 1,594 lambs from Espy and Vander Stucken to O. V. Wilson, Plainview; 15 cows from Mrs. Stella Keene to Weatherby; 130 cows from W. L. Miers to Weatherby; 340 lambs from W. A. Miers to J. F. Hamby; and 865 lambs to Andrew Moore from Ben Mittel, Perry Mittel and Aldwell Bros.

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R. A. Halbert this week shipped 54 head of bull calves and yearlings as follows: 3 to J. W. Lytle, San Antonio; 2 to Rus Hamilton, 1 to Ed Long, and 2 to a Mr. Lewis, all of Del Rio; 44 to Fred H. Bixby, Long Beach, Calif; 1 to Steve Bixby, Globe, Arizona, and 1 to Lloyd Hix, also of Globe.

Halbert also sold 25 heifer calves to Dr. R. A. Algood of Fayetteville, N. C.

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RANCHING NEWS & INTERESTS

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43 Years Ago

Married at the school house in the northern part of Edwards County, known as Union City, on Friday, Nov. 1, 1901, Wallace W. Chesser to Miss Nola Moss, Rev. D. W. Matthew of Rocksprings officiating. The bride is the youngest daughter of Mrs. T. J. Moss and a very popular young lady of the neighborhood. The groom is the second son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Chesser and is a hard working young sheepman. The News extends best wishes.

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Miss Maggie Sterling of San Angelo, sister of Miss Marinda Sterling of Sonora, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Brooks on their ranch about 8 miles north of town.

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Born on Tuesday, November 12, 1901, to Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Williamson, a boy.

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Mr. and Mrs. Curt Mayfield were in Sonora Monday visiting.

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A. J. Savell of San Angelo was in Sonora Saturday on a visit to his sons, Thop, Tom and Will Savell.

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Will Adams was in from his ranch Saturday for supplies and attending to some business.

—43—

W. H. Stroud, carpenter and windmill man from the eastern part of the county, was in Sonora Monday attending to some business with the commissioners court.

—43—

Married at Bracketville, Kenney County, on Tuesday, November 5, 1901, M. L. Wood to Arrie H. Ory, County Judge R. Stratten officiating. The bride is the daughter of Henry Ory of Tularosa and a sister of Mrs. Liss Moss. The groom is a prominent young sheepman, son of our former citizen, O. H. Wood, now of Oregon. The News extends best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Wood.

—43—

Mrs. J. T. Gurley and daughter, Mrs. Tom Nolen, and Miss Carrie Shayer of Ozona, were in Sonora Saturday and Sunday on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Briant.

—43—

The firemen had a special meeting Tuesday night and transacted some business. There will be a meeting next Thursday night, Nov. 21st, in the Clerk's office, and all of the firemen are requested to attend, as there will be some important business to transact.

Washington Letter

BY O. C. FISHER

FEED PROSPECTS

The Department of Agriculture thinks the protein feed prospects are better for this winter than they have been for two years.

The report speaks of the bumper wheat crop and the corn yield which may surpass last year's

crop by 60 million bushels.

In addition, Midwestern farmers have raised more soy beans than in any year before. The peanut yield is better, though there will be less cottonseed cake and meal than a year ago.

Therefore, if we can depend on statistics, it looks now like there will be a few more sacks of feed this winter for the dairyman, the farmer and the rancher.

It is well to point out, however, that we may not get much benefit from the increase in soy beans unless more of that crop is channeled to mills in the Southwest for processing. We have by far the best mills in the country. Every effort is now being made to get the War Food Administration to assist in getting more of

the soy beans sent to our mills.

VETERAN'S AID INFORMATION

With a million veterans already released from service, the rehabilitation program is gradually getting under way.

Many veterans are taking college or refresher courses, provided for in the G. I. Bill of Rights. Others are using the loan fund to invest in small farms or homes, as their situation permits.

A summary of all these rights provided by law has been printed. I will be glad to send a copy to any one who is interested.

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Announcements From The Churches



METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday Program—
Men's Bible Class 9:30
Sunday School 9:45
Morning Worship 10:50
Youth Fellowship 7:15
Evening Worship 8:00
Womans Society of Christian Service meets each Wednesday Afternoon 3:00
Men's Brotherhood Social every second Thursday afternoon at the church.

Cordial welcome to all.

The Reverend H. E. Moreland of Brady was here to hold evening prayer services at St. John's Episcopal Church Sunday and visited parishioners on Monday.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School 10:00
Morning Service 11:00
Evening Service 7:30
Mid-week Service and Choir rehearsal, Wednesday 7:30
W. M. U., each Wednesday 3:00
Sunbeams, Monday 3:15
Ra's, Ga's, Monday 4:15

ST. ANN'S CHURCH

Sunday Masses: 8:00 and 10:00
Weekday Mass: 7:30

Mrs. E. C. George and small son, Terry Wayne, of Flomot, were the guests of Miss Erma Lee Eldridge last week.



Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Skains are the parents of a son born on October 31. The child weighed 10½ pounds at birth.

Lou Anna is the name given the daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Smith in a San Angelo hospital last Sunday, November 12. The baby weighed 6 pounds and 7 ounces.

JAP HOLMANS HONOR PFC. & MRS. S. E. JONES, JR.

Mr. and Mrs. Jap Holman entertained with a dinner at their ranch home last Sunday honoring Pfc. and Mrs. S. E. Jones, Jr. A gift was presented to the honorees.

Those attending were the honorees and Mrs. A. F. Moffitt, Jr., and A. F. Moffitt, III, Miss Tina Ann Taylor and Sanford Trainer and Messrs. and Mmes. R. D. Trainer and H. L. Taylor.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR GIRL SCOUTS MEETS WED.

A meeting of the board of directors of the Sutton County Girl Scout Council was held at the high school Wednesday night with Mrs. Alice Paine Paul, special training advisor, in charge. Reports were made on the work that has been done, these were evaluated and plans were made for the future.

The meeting was attended by Mmes. Paul, Joe B. Ross, John Eaton, M. O. Britt and Ben Mittel, and Messrs. E. D. Stringer, Berry Duff, N. B. Miller and the Reverend F. L. Meadow.

THE WOMAN'S PAGE

Clubs • Parties • Features

JEAN SAUNDERS, Editor

Sonora, Texas, Friday, November 17, 1944 The Devil's River News

Folk Music Is Studied By Club

Mrs. B. H. Cusenbary and Mrs. Keith James were hostesses at the November meeting of the Sonora Music Club held at the home of Mrs. Cusenbary on Thursday night, November 9.

Mrs. Cusenbary was in charge of the business session, at which the projects for coming year were selected and discussed.

Mrs. E. D. Stringer was program leader and gave a discussion of some of the sources of Negro and Indian folk music. Mrs. A. E. Prugel told of other sources and gave a short sketch of several composers who have used folk songs. Mrs. Vernon Morris, accompanied by Mrs. James Wilson at the piano, sang, "I Cannot Sing the Old Songs". The group sang a medley of folk songs, accompanied by Mrs. E. D. Shurley at the piano.

Refreshments were served to 13 members and the following guests, Miss Wynona Hutcherson, and Mmes. Batts Friend, Morris, Karl Moore and Elbert Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Vander Stucken returned Monday from San Antonio where Mrs. Vander Stucken had undergone dental surgery and Mr. Vander Stucken had undergone a medical check-up following an operation undergone two weeks ago.

Mrs. Paul Shelton of Carlsbad, N. M., was a guest of Mrs. Joel Shelton last week and the first part of this week.

Series Of Parties In Eldorado Honor Pfc. & Mrs. S. E. Jones, Jr.

A series of parties have been given in Eldorado during the past two weeks honoring Pfc. and Mrs. S. E. Jones, Jr., who were recently married.

A barbecue given by Mrs. Jennie King, aunt of the groom, honored the couple Monday, November 6.

Those attending from Sonora were Mrs. A. D. Roach and Messrs. and Mmes. H. L. Taylor, Howard Espy, Thomas Espy, C. T. Jones, Sr., and C. T. Jones, Jr.

A gift tea was given Monday in the home of Mrs. Bert Page, with Mmes. Page, John Williams and H. T. Finley as the hostesses. The

living room was decorated with arrangements of red roses, and the serving table in the dining room was centered with an arrangement of chrysanthemums with the coffee service at one end and the tea service at the other end of the table.

About 150 guests called during the afternoon and those attending from Sonora were Mmes. H. L. Taylor, C. T. Jones, Jr., C. T. Jones, Sr., and M. M. Stokes.

Mrs. Jim Williams also honored the couple with a dinner November 5, attended by members of the immediate family.

Pastime Club Entertained By Mrs. H. Morris

Members and guests of the Pastime Club were entertained on Thursday, November 9, at the home of Mrs. H. V. Morris, with Mrs. Morris as the hostess. Cut flowers decorated the rooms and punch and a salad plate were served. High score for the members was held by Mrs. John Bunnell and for the guests by Mrs. Laura Trainer.

Those playing were Mmes. C. E. Stites, Robert Rees, Lee Labenske, O. G. Babcock, Joe Berger, Bunnell, Rose Thorp, Ervin Willman, W. H. Queen, W. E. Glasscock, R. V. Cook and Trainer.

Mrs. Shock Honors Daughter At Party

Mrs. Lorenz Shock honored her daughter, Marcille, with a party on her fourth birthday Monday afternoon. Favours were tied on then ends of strings and placed in a fish bowl, and the children drew for them. Refreshments of popcorn balls, candy, birthday cake and crangeade were served.

Gifts were received from Joyce Fay Jackson, Mary Jack Puckett, Jan Vander Stucken, Dale Naron, Sarah Ann Greenshaw, Wallace Greenshaw, Jan Hutchings, Lura McQueen and Evelyn Wall.

Mrs. Shock was assisted in serving by Mrs. Naron.

MRS. OGDEN HOSTESS TO A & M MOTHERS CLUB

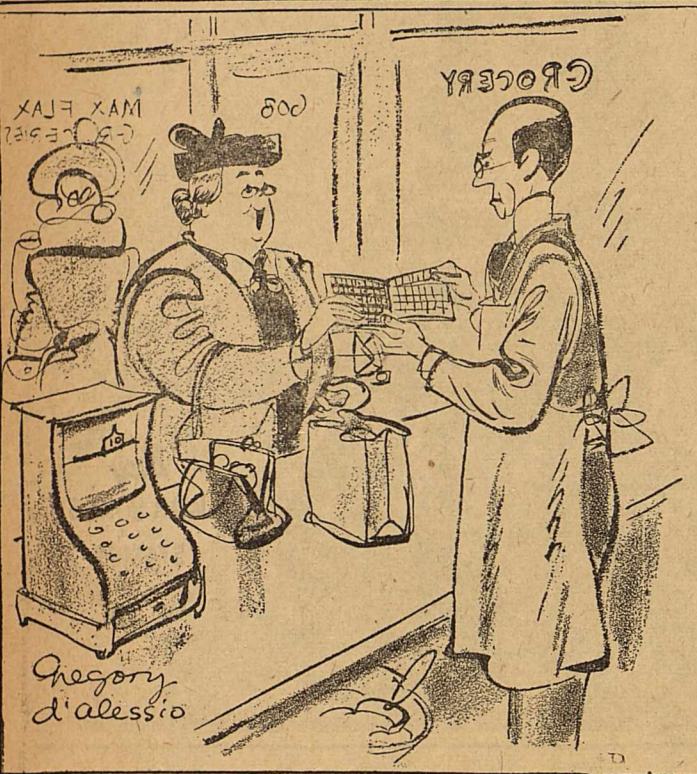
Mrs. O. C. Ogden was hostess to members of the A. & M. Mothers Club at her home Tuesday afternoon. The Club voted to send \$25 to A. & M. College for the purpose of buying books for the general reading fund of the college library.

Cake and hot chocolate were served to Mmes. O. L. Carpenter, A. E. Prugel, O. L. Richardson, I. B. Boughton, Joe Berger and J. V. Alley, members, and Mrs. Charles Simon of Junction, a guest.

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By d'Alessio



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Deep in the Heart of Taxes

You've heard the song "Deep in the Heart of Texas." Most people today are deep in the heart of taxes. A bad pun to make a good point. Last year America's tax-paying electric light and power companies footed a tax bill of more than seven hundred million dollars. One-fourth of the electric dollar goes for taxes of one kind or another.

Still, taxes are necessary in modern war, and seven hundred million dollars or any fraction thereof will buy a lot of planes and guns, medical supplies, tanks and ammunition.

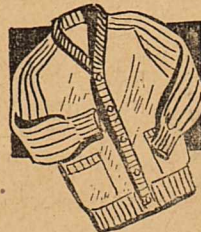
The business-managed companies which pay the taxes are glad to contribute to this fight for freedom. But a lot of people say: How can the electric companies pay these increased taxes and other wartime costs and still keep the price of our household electricity so low? For the truth is, if you're the average user of home electricity, you're getting about twice as much electricity for your money as you were getting, say, fifteen years ago. To do this takes the utmost operating efficiency and economy, and constant engineering research under sound business-management. You can be sure that experienced business management will keep your electric service dependable and low-priced.

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From Our Men

The Devil's River News



Sonora, Texas, Friday, November 17, 1944

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When you know something of interest about a member of the armed force from the Sonora area, write or telephone us. We'll appreciate it and the men in uniform will be glad to hear about their friends and buddies in other parts of the world. This feature page will act as a clearing house for the activities of the service men, many of whom receive the News.

Cpl. Lee Hart writes from England:

"Here I am at five in the morning writing a letter. I have had so much coffee tonight that I am as nervous as a ninety-year-old man and I feel about as tired as one. All I have done tonight is ride around in a jeep and tell someone else what to do. I am still on duty, but all I have to do now is sit around and wait till the day crew gets here. This is a little unusual, but you know this army—our work calls for some funny things. I thought I had an easy job for tonight, but I don't know. I think from the way I feel that my job must have been the hardest one out."

"I stopped just now to light a cigarette, and it reminded me of what happened Saturday. When I went to town, I just had a part of a package of cigarettes with me and I ran out and had to buy some English ones. I have smoked them before but had never smoked a whole pack, and I have not yet because I just can't get used to them. I guess they are good, but give me a good old Camel any time. Besides that, the English cigarettes cost like heck. They are two and six for twenty. Oops! I am sorry, you don't know what two and six is, do you? Well, that is fifty

cents. There sure is a lot of difference in the price of them, we only pay a nickel for twenty.

"I am sure going to be lost for awhile when I get home. I will be thinking about shillings, and driving a car on the left-hand side of the street, trying to find some bitter or mild, saying cherrio and ta-ta, and no telling what else. Instead of saying down the street or up the street, I will be saying at the bottom or at the top, or when I ask some one what they are doing, I'll say, 'What's to do with you?' That is just a sample of the difference, just you wait till I get home and start talking, and I bet you notice lots of difference. I am getting to where I don't notice it any more. Besides that, when I get home, I will probably be wearing a pair of over-shoes everywhere I go, because I have gotten so used to them. Instead of saying, 'I am going to take a bath', I will say, 'I've got to go have a good wash'."

"Now for a little about my trip. I can't tell you why, when or where, but I can tell you I just had

ROLL OF HONOR



a heck of a time. We were not around any army camps, and Jackson and I just had to manage the test that we could for something to eat and a place to sleep, and I can tell you we were busy hunting all the time. I had quite a bit of money and boy, am I glad, or we might have gone hungry. We could not find much to eat and what we did find cost like heck. I spent all I had except a few shillings and that was in French money, so I am not any better off, because I can't spend that over here. I won't know what our money is when I get home. I will be used to every other kind, though.

"Yesterday they were making fun of Texas on the radio, and the guys were all laughing at me. A guy on the radio said that there was one thing he could not understand about Texas and that was it had more rivers and less water, more cows and less milk, and a person could see farther and see less than any place in the world. He said outside of that he guessed that Texas was alright. If Texas is all that bad it is alright, but I am sure ready to come back there and suffer, if that is suffering. It has been one year since I left the States. That is a long time, isn't it, but no can help. We can only hope that it is not much long-

er before we get to come back.

Rd. 3/c Vernon Cook, who is aboard ship, writes the following: "We got our mail aboard today, so I have been rather busk this evening reading letters. I had nineteen letters, so you can see what I mean by being busy. I had one paper in the batch, but I think that it swam across, because when I got it, it was thoroughly soaked, but not too bad to read. It is about the only paper that I have seen so far that the war news had not saturated. The news is alright for keeping up to date, but there is such a thing as overdoing a thing. There is a boy on my ship from Ft. Worth, who used to be in Sonora a lot, sold shoes there, and he is always wanting to read my 'Devil' when I get it."

From a later letter. "I thought I would write you this morning, as I have nothing in particular to do and I want to write you as often as I can while I have the chance. I reread all of your letters this morning to see if I had missed anything. I usually read them all about a dozen times, then I go back to reading magazines until we get our mail again. I think I have done more reading since I have been in here than any other time in my life. I never did

In The Service

Home From The War

James T. Jackson, Seaman Second Class, left today after a five-day visit here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Jackson. He has just recently completed boot training at San Diego, Calif., and will receive a new assignment when he reports back to the base there.

CARD OF THANKS

We take this means of thanking our friends and neighbors for their many kind acts and expressions of sympathy extended when we learned of the death of our beloved son and brother, James S. Morgan, Jr. They will be remembered and appreciated always.

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told them to go ahead but that I had to get back to camp. When I got there I had fever 104 and nearly passed out before I could get to the hospital. The doctor said that I had cat fever. I feel better today, though.

"I am sending some pictures in this letter that were made in front of the Royal Hawaiian Hotel.

"I am so glad that John Hull got to come home and see his baby. I think that I am the only one left who has not gotten to see his boy. "Tell everyone 'hello' for me."



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From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

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A gag, of course—but with an overtone of truth about it. More than anything else, the men like getting letters from home. More than anything else, our V-Mail letters can help to keep up their morale.

What to write about? That's the easiest thing of all. For it's the little things they dream of

and remember! The backyard baseball games... the fishing trips... the picnics with the chicken sandwiches and ice cold beer.

From where I sit, the least we can do is write those V-Mail letters often—let our men know that those little things they miss so much—from the ball games to the beer—are still here, waiting for them till they come back home.

Joe Marsh

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Quarterly Report

of MRS. THELMA BRISCOE
County Treasurer of Sutton County, Texas, of Receipts and Expenditures from August 12, 1944 to November 11, 1944, inclusive:

JURY FUND—1st Class	
Balance last Report	966.31
To Amount received since last Report	651.79
By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. "A",	168.00
By Amount per cent Commission on amount received	.65
By Amount per cent Commission on amount paid out	.17
Amount to Balance	1,449.28
	1,618.10

ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND—2nd Class	
Balance last Report	1,449.28
To Amount received since last Report	2,963.97
By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. "B",	5,169.76
By Amount per cent Commission on amount received	7.68
By Amount per cent Commission on amount paid out	5.17
Amount to Balance	5,459.42
	10,642.03

GENERAL COUNTY FUND—3rd Class	
Balance last Report	1,492.58
To Amount received since last Report	15,188.32
By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. "C",	3,398.68
By Amount per cent Commission on amount received	15.19
By Amount per cent Commission on amount paid out	3.40
Amount to Balance	13,263.63
	16,680.90

SPEC. ROAD REFUNDING FUND—4th Class	
Balance last Report	13,263.63
To Amount received since last Report	342.30
By Amount paid out since last Report	50.56
By Amount per cent Commission on amount received	.34
Amount to Balance	291.35
	342.30

SUTTON CO. ROAD REF. SERIES B FUND—5th Class	
Balance last Report	291.35
To Amount received since last Report	451.20
To Amount received since last Report	342.30
By Amount per cent Commission on amount received	.34
Amount to Balance	793.16
	793.50

SUTTON CO. ROAD REF. SERIES C FUND—6th Class	
Balance last Report	793.16
To Amount received since last Report	877.63
To Amount received since last Report	691.16
By Amount per cent Commission on amount received	.69
Amount to Balance	1,568.10
	1,568.79

PARK FUND—7th Class	
Balance last Report	1,568.10
To Amount received since last Report	423.19
To Amount received since last Report	1,533.47
By Amount paid out since last Report	396.12
By Amount per cent Commission on amount received	1.53
By Amount per cent Commission on amount paid out	.40
Amount to Balance	1,558.61
	1,956.66

SALARY FUND—8th Class	
Balance last Report	1,558.61
To Amount received since last Report	379.56
To Amount received since last Report	16.38
By Amount paid out since last Report	225.00
By Amount per cent Commission on amount received	.02
By Amount per cent Commission on amount paid out	.23
Amount to Balance	170.69
	395.94

RECAPITULATION	
JURY FUND—Balance	1,449.28
ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND—Balance	5,459.42
GENERAL COUNTY FUND—Balance	13,263.63
SPEC. RD. REF. FUND—Balance	291.35
RD. REF. SER. B FUND—Balance	793.16
RD. REF. SER. C FUND—Balance	1,568.10
PARK FUND—Balance	1,558.61
SALARY FUND—Balance	170.69
Total	24,554.24

LIST OF BONDS AND OTHER SECURITIES ON HAND
Defense Bonds 5,000.00

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF SUTTON—
Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared MRS. THELMA BRISCOE, County Treasurer of Sutton County, who being by me duly sworn, upon oath, says that the within and foregoing report is true and correct.

(Mrs. Thelma Briscoe, County Treasurer.
Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th day of November, 1944.
(SEAL) J. D. LOWREY, Clerk,
County Court, Sutton County, Texas.

EDITORIALS AND FEATURES

Page Two

Sonora, Texas, Friday, November 17, 1944

The Devil's River News



I GIVE
YOU
TEXAS
by
BOYCE HOUSE

James E. Ferguson was a stump speaker unsurpassed. His oratory ranged from resounding phraseology: "Fearless as any man who ever flashed a falchion in the face of a foe" to "I spit on the chip and double-dog dare him to knock it off."

Of a pompous opponent, Ferguson declared, "He has only two methods: blubber or bluster."

Crowds shrieked with joy, as he described a scene wherein (according to Ferguson) an adversary made a frantic plea for a loan to avert disaster and "they tell me he actually got down and wallered on the floor like a cow with the cramp colic."

Frenzied supporters yelled, "Pour it on!" and Farmer Jim obliged by relating that the episode took place in a skyscraper and a conferee, noting the absence of a certain rich man, hurried to the phone and urged, "Get over here quick! So-and-so is on the seventeenth floor of this building, threatening to jump out the window if he doesn't get the money." Back over the phone (Ferguson narrated) came the reply, "Open the window and let the darn fool jump."

Master of ridicule and denunciation, he uttered the biography of a political foe in a sentence. The man made a fortune through the discovery of oil and then had seen it swept away. Ferguson said of him, "Rich by accident, poor by ignorance."

But Jim Ferguson could reach dramatic heights -- as when, in Houston during one campaign, a large part of the crowd tried to howl him down. He walked to the edge of the platform and, in measured tones, declared:

"Let the historian write it down that on this night came James E. Ferguson to the city of Houston, named for the liberator of Texas, and almost within sight of the battlefield where freedom was won -- and was denied the right of free speech."

This tribute, the day after his death, was paid to the former Governor by Judge J. W. Strode of Conroe. "I do not for one moment think it was necessary but if I am mistaken in this and if it was a part of the divine plan that he should ask for mercy at 2:45 p. m. yesterday when he knocked at the gates of the far beyond, I know he did so clear-eyed and with confidence, because he had extended mercy abundantly."

"Governor Ferguson was very, very human. Possibly, and without personal gain, he went too far for his friends. Possibly, at times, he was too uncompromising toward his enemies -- but whatever you may think of any mistake made in his long, sad and serviceable career, I feel and know that 'in the court where his conscience shall sit as judge, he will stand acquitted, pure as light, as stainless as a star.'"

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Marine Capt. Ralph Mayfield of Cameron has been awarded the Air Medal for "meritorious achievement while on cargo dropping missions in the Solomon Islands area." Risking his life to save the lives of men fighting on the ground, Captain Mayfield kept the men below supplied with ammunition during a particularly bitter battle against the Japs on New Georgia Island.

In Italy, 1st Lt. Dan Cunningham, 22-year-old native of Corsicana, received the Air Medal for his many exploits aboard a Flying Fortress. And back in Texas, Mrs. Shirley Quillen of Taylor received the Distinguished Flying Cross during ceremonies at Bergstrom Field. The coveted decoration was won by her husband, Maj. Monroe B. Quillen. During heroic flights against the Nazis in Europe, Major Quillen was shot down and now is a prisoner-of-war in Germany. To keep busy until he returns, Mrs. Quillen works in the office of the United War Chest of Texas, helping with the state-wide campaign for the National War Fund.

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How would you like to discover a 14-foot snake beside you, while flying a plane many thousand feet in the air? That happened to a Texan, Lt. Bob Wicker of Slaton . . . and the situation was further complicated by the presence of Jap planes, too. Wicker was flying over New Guinea when he discovered the big snake in his cockpit. It was a python. Needless to say, the Texas flyer landed quickly and disposed of his uninvited passenger.

Some fellows seem to be destined for hard luck. Pfc. Reynold Hajek, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hajek of Abbott, Texas, has been wounded three times, the latest a shrapnel wound in the shoulders received while fighting Germans in Italy. But it's not all bad luck, at that, for the latest news is that he is recovering and expects to be back in the scrap again soon. It takes a lot to stop a Texan!

Practically everyone around Gatesville knows Bob Cross, the former high school football star. After seeing Canada, Scotland, England and "practically all of France", the son of Judge and Mrs. R. B. Cross of Coryell County is now fighting his way into Germany . . . with the help of other Texans, of course.

Another Texan isn't inside Germany yet, but he has been plenty busy above Hitler's "superland". He is Lt. Van Chandler of Wax-

hachie. Recently Lt. Chandler downed a much-touted Nazi jet plane, and helped another pilot chase a second "jettie" right back into its hangar!

And 'way out in the Pacific, two Pampa brothers were reunited last week. They were Seaman First Class C. H. "Chuck" Barrett and Seaman Second Class Floyd Lee Barrett. The two sons of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Barrett met accidentally in a chow line on a tiny Pacific isle. Neither had known that the other was in the area.

So Texas men still are getting around . . . and still walloping the enemy wherever he dares stick his head up! And at home their brothers, sisters, fathers and mothers are keeping the home-fires burning and the home-front fight going. That's the Texas way . . . never to quit until the job is done!

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COLLEGE STATION, Nov. 16—When kerosene is used to kill mesquite trees it should penetrate to all of the buds beneath the ground at the base of the tree, says M. R. Bentley, agricultural engineer for the A. and M. College Extension Service. Some buds may be several inches below the surface, and a complete kill is necessary for successful eradication.

Before making a general application, Bentley suggests testing the depth a certain amount of kerosene will penetrate the soil. Penetration likely will depend upon the kind of soil, the moisture content and, possibly, the temperature, especially if diesel or fuel oil is used. The deepest penetration might be expected in sandy soil which is not wet and when the weather is warm.

A suggested test is to select six or eight trees about the same stump diameter and use a different amount of kerosene around each. For example, if the average stump diameters are about four inches, pour a quarter pint around one, a half pint around another and so on until the heaviest application is well above what is thought to be sufficient. A record of quantity of each application must be kept and notation made whether the ground is wet, moist, or dry, and of the temperature for future use.

Bentley says that it cannot be determined for a year or two, whether the applications have killed all of the under-ground buds. However, a week or more after kerosene has been applied it would be worth while to dig the soil away from the base of the trees to find out how deeply it had moved down each tree base. Similar tests should be made with trees of larger diameter if such are on the acreage to be deadened, and with several of small diameter.

The purpose of these tests would be to determine within a few days about how much kerosene is needed to cover a tree base of a certain size down to a depth of some six or eight inches below ground surface under conditions which exist.

"It is a waste of time and material to apply an insufficient amount of kerosene to a tree," Bentley says.

AAA County
Committee To Be
Elected In Dec.

Rancher committeemen who will have important roles in war and post-war farm problems will be named at an annual AAA election in Sutton County between December 11 and December 16. Locations and dates of the election meeting will be announced as soon as they are arranged. Ranchers will choose committeemen for the county.

Committeemen represent both their neighbor ranchers and the executive branch of the Federal government in the work and responsibilities of the Agricultural Adjustment Agency. Their recommendations, based on personal knowledge and experience, help shape agricultural programs to fit the needs of their own localities and to meet the problems of ranchers, farmers and consumers throughout the nation.

"The election meeting will give local ranchers a chance to consider the problems and the demands of the coming year," says Joseph Vander Stucken, county AAA chairman. "A program is being arranged for a full discussion of what is ahead. Every rancher should attend the meeting to take part in that discussion and to vote in this election."

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EXPERIMENTS IN DRAMA
CONDUCTED AT UNIVERSITY

Austin, Nov. 12—Facilities of the University of Texas will be used as a laboratory for new experiments in drama, Lawrence Carra, acting director of the University's drama department, said today.

University theaters are the last "major source" for experimentation in drama, Mr. Carra believes, so American playwrights will be encouraged to submit new plays to the University of Texas. One play will be selected for production next spring.

Dr. E. P. Conkle, associate professor of drama and resident playwright, is in charge of the project.

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READING & WRITING

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You often find Americans writing historical novels about England, but it's rare to find an Englishman writing a novel about pioneer America. One who has done just that and made a success of it is Herbert Best, whose novel, "Young 'Un," is a Book-of-the-Month Club selection for November.



HERBERT BEST

"Young 'Un" is a story of life in upper New York State, about a century and a half ago. It begins dramatically when Old Man Post drives his oxen back to his home, to find that his cabin has burned down and that his wife has perished in the flames. Old Man Post has never been much of one for settling down. When this happens, he goes off to the North woods, leaving his three children to fend for themselves. The rest of the book tells how they made out.

The three children are Eldest, whose real name was Elvira and who was seventeen; Dan'l, a stalwart lad not given much to words, and Young 'Un, this story's heroine. In his characterization of her, the author paints an endearing picture of a young girl on the verge of womanhood, torn between her curiosity of what it would be like to be grown up and wear a long rose gown, and her very natural pride in her tomboy prowess.

When the father finally returned, it was Young 'Un's feminine intuition that prompted her to send him back to the woods; she knew he wouldn't ever be happy as a farmer. But that decision nearly spelt tragedy for her. For Young 'Un was in love then, but she knew that Dan'l needed her on the farm, and the land had to come first. Fortunately a way is found out of these difficulties, and the story has a happy ending.

Herbert Best, author of "Young 'Un," has had an interesting career. A veteran of the last war, he was subsequently for several years District Officer in Nigeria. He met his American wife, an artist, Erick Berry, when he was on leave in London, and married her on his next leave, in New York. Since then, she has been his collaborator in a number of boys' books about Africa. They have had all kinds of working conditions, says Mrs. Best: "In a bush house in Africa during the tornado season; on a tiny orange-freighter, waddling with a dangerous list to port, up the coast of Turkey; shivering before a seven-foot-wide fireplace in an ancient stone house in Devon." They now live on a farm overlooking the wooded hills and the headwaters of Lake Champlain, the very site which Mr. Best chose for his novel.

HUMBLE TO BROADCAST
3 CONFERENCE GAMES SAT.

Humble football broadcasts this week-end will present what are probably the most crucial games of the season as the Conference race tightens in the final weeks before Thanksgiving.

At 2:20 o'clock two games take the air simultaneously. The S.M.U.-Arkansas game, with Bill Nahas as play-by-play announcer and Jerry Doggett as color man, will be broadcast over stations KTRH, Houston and KRLD, Dallas.

The second 2:20 o'clock game will be the T.C.U.-Texas University tilt. Ves Box and Dave Russell will announce the game over stations KXYZ, Houston; KTSA, San Antonio; KGKO, Dallas-Ft. Worth; KTBC, Austin; KRIS, Corpus Christi and KRGV, Weslaco.

The Rice-A. & M. game will take the air at 2:50 o'clock with the Kern Tips and Fred Nahas team announcing. Stations KPRC, Houston; WOAI, San Antonio; WFAA, Dallas-Ft. Worth and WTAU, College Station will carry the broadcast.

Mrs. Nannie Wheat, who has been receiving treatment in a San Angelo hospital, was able to return home last Sunday and is doing nicely.

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