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MILLION DOLLAR RAIN COVERED THE COUNTY THIS MORNING

The Devil's Dream

(By W. E. James)

Friday is fairest or foulest,
As the old saying goes;
But the rain came just the same,
Putting everyone up on his toes.

"How dry I am," is no longer the cry of Sutton county ranchmen. They received a billion dollar check this morning in the form of rain. J. Pluvius did not only smile, he opened his mouth and laughed real loud.

Next week is to be one of entertainment in Sonora. On Tuesday evening Miss Elizabeth Francis is to present her piano class in recital at the First Methodist church. Invitations have been mailed to parents and friends. The program will consist of twenty-five or more selections. Refreshments will be served.

Wednesday night, at the high school auditorium the Sonora P. T. A. and Lions Club will present their second play, entitled "Fashions Change." There will be perhaps fifty or more people in the cast. It will be worth the money. Play is directed by Miss Duncan.

Thursday night Troy White and associates will present an old time square dance at the Boy Scout hall, (formerly Sonora dance hall.) This unusual feature is being sponsored for the purpose of providing Santa Claus for children who are not as fortunate situated as those whose daddies make large incomes and therefore in better position to see Santa afar off. Lovers of the old time dances will have opportunity of testing their memories as to the exact step to take or the correct turn. Troy White, past master in the art, will call. Music will be of the same vintage as the dances performed. Everybody is invited to come. It will cost you a dollar bill, but think of the happiness your dollar may bring to some unhappy child.

Friday night a modern dance is scheduled to be given at the Scout hall. Music will be by a good orchestra, playing all the modern dance pieces.

Baptist Ladies Bazaar Was a Big Success

Last Saturday afternoon in the Vander Stucken building the Baptist ladies held their annual bazaar. The net proceeds amounted to \$120 which will be expended for repairs and improvements on the pastor's home.

The ladies wish to thank all those who helped to make the bazaar a success and especially do they want to thank Mr. Vander Stucken for the use of his building.

The Missionary Society will not meet again until after the Christmas holidays.

CATCHES WOLF AND EAGLE ON G. W. STEPHENSON RANCH

Stanley Patton, who is employed on the G. W. Stephenson ranch west of town, had a large Mexican eagle here last Wednesday which he caught last week on the G. W. Stephenson ranch west of here. The bird measured seven feet from tip to tip. It is said that one of these monster birds can fly off with a lamb or kid. There were two bald eagles with the Mexican eagle when Patton made the capture with a steel trap set near a sheep carcass.

A small coyote was also trapped on Mr. Stephenson's ranch last week. It is thought that the varmint had been driven out of the Crockett county section and ventured into Mr. Stephenson's range. There are very few coyotes in this county, most of them being in the northeastern part of the county in the C. T. Jones country.

Old-Time Square Dance December 19

Lovers of the old-time square dance will have an opportunity to "strut their stuff" here Thursday night, December 19 when Troy White will call the dances, while "Polly" Lapoloma and his two assistants will furnish music with a fiddle, guitar and banjo, in the Sonora dance hall. "Doctor" White invites everyone, old and young, to attend this dance.

WOULD LEASE HOTEL HERE FOR 10 YEARS

A modern five-story hotel for Sonora that would cost approximately \$150,000 could be leased for a period of ten years to experienced hotel men, according to C. C. Alexander, member of the firm of Korn and Morgan, San Angelo architects. The parties wishing a lease on a fire-proof hotel here are J. M. Hesslep and Jack Lane, former owners of the Coleman Hotel that was sold by them to C. C. McBurnett of San Angelo. According to Mr. Alexander, these gentlemen would guarantee six and one-half per cent to stockholders in the company.

Messrs. Hesslep and Lane have kept an "eye" on Sonora for the past few years, and are desirous of operating a hostelry in this city. They believe that with the coming of the railroad and the intersection of two national highways that Sonora would be a "good hotel town."

They propose to furnish the hotel throughout with the best furniture, and in the event there is a deficit the furnishings will become the property of the stockholders.

Their idea of a hotel for this town would be for it to have five stories, twelve rooms to the floor.

This proposition is being considered by a hotel committee here composed of business men and ranchmen. It is believed that sufficient stock can be subscribed during the next thirty days.

B. M. Morgan Died From Bus Burns

B. M. Morgan, well-known West Texas architect, aged 44, died Thursday in a San Antonio hospital as a result of burns sustained in a Pickwick bus near San Antonio. The bus caught fire from an explosion of moving picture films which were being carried in the back of the bus.

Associated Press dispatches said that Mr. Morgan could likely have saved his life had he not tried to save the lives of the women passengers. His clothing was almost burned from his body. He attempted to extinguish the flames by rolling in the bar pit.

Mr. Morgan is well known in Sonora, having visited this place on several occasions. He designed the First National Bank building and the high school building which is to be erected here next year.

His body was interred in a San Angelo cemetery.

Miss Ada Steen visited in San Angelo Wednesday.

"A million dollar rain" fell here early this morning covering the entire county, according to reports from ranches in every direction from Sonora. The first moisture began falling at about two o'clock and was followed by another good rain.

Ranchmen are "wearing" broad smiles this morning, and state that sufficient moisture fell to keep weeds growing until spring. No better time could the rain have fallen, as it was much needed and gladly welcomed in this section of the country. The temperature was such that stock were not affected.

According to operators for the San Angelo Telephone Company here, Del Rio had about two inches, the same as registered here. Ozona reported no rain, while rain fell throughout

the night at Rocksprings until early this morning. San Angelo had no rain, a bus driver reported here. Eldorado had about one and three quarters which will be very beneficial to winter grain. Ed Mayfield said he had fine rains on all his ranches, about two inches. One inch fell at the Giles P. Hill ranch and about the same at the J. M. Puckett ranch. It was light at the Roy Hudspeth ranch, about one-fourth inch. Lem Johnson, foreman at the Aldwell Bros. ranch, reports about one and one-half inches there, Cleve Jones, who ranches in the northeast part of the county, reported a good rain in his section.

Ranchmen have been buying much feed, but it is believed that the rain this morning will lessen their feed bills.

H. L. TAYLOR DISCUSSED GOOD ROADS MONDAY

H. L. Taylor, state highway maintenance supervisor of this district, in a talk at the Lions Club Monday told how he thought road bond money should be spent in this county.

One hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars, he said, would be sufficient with state aid to build to the Crockett county line. This would be gravel and asphalt. The state and federal governments would double that amount which would bring road money to \$375,000 toward Ozona. He pointed out that \$13,000 would be sufficient to construct an all-weather road to the Edwards county line, and that \$20,000 or more could be spent on the Menard road and lateral roads in the county.

Mr. Taylor stated that Sutton county was buying additional road machinery and with more funds would be able to improve or make all lateral roads all-weather type.

Crockett county, according to the Ozona Stockman, is calling for a road bond election at an early date in the sum of \$375,000, and if voted, will build a hard-surfaced road to the Sutton line and across the county on the O. S. T. and from Barnhart to Ozona. According to the Stockman, some of the heaviest taxpayers in that county are favoring the road bond election. A two-thirds majority will be required to vote the bonds.

Misses Clara Allison and Sally Wardlaw, owners of the A. & W. Drug Store, will be among those from Sonora who will hear Galli-Curci sing in San Angelo tomorrow.

Mrs. Ira Shurley and children will hear Galli-Curci sing in San Angelo tomorrow.

GRAIN AND FUEL CONCERN OPENS IT'S DOORS HERE

G. B. Shoemaker & Sons, Inc., of Eldorado, opened a fuel and grain branch here Monday in the G. W. Morris building. A. B. Shoemaker, a member of the firm, was here Saturday and closed a deal for the lease on the Morris building. B. C. McGilvrey, of Waco, will manage the firm's yard here.

Mr. Shoemaker said his firm would handle all kinds of mixed feeds, cottonseed products and several well known brands of coal. They will keep trucks here for delivery in town and to the ranches. This firm will make a specialty of handling feeds for the ranchmen.

Shoemaker & Sons hope to get warehouse space and have their building started by the time rails are laid to town.

Champion Ropers to Fight for Laurels

When Bob Crosby of Abilene and Jake McClure of Lovington, N. M., meet in Del Rio December 21 and 22 rodeo fans will have an opportunity to see two of the best ropers in the United States hook up in a battle for championship laurels.

A purse of \$2,500 is being offered to the winner in this calf roping contest. Twenty-five calves will be roped by the two experts each day and the one having the best two-day average will be entitled to the purse.

New Mexico will back McClure to the limit, while all Texas rodeo fans will favor Crosby, a West Texas product.

Joe F. Logan was among business visitors in town Tuesday.

MRS. TORAH LONG WAS INTERRED HERE TODAY

Mrs. Torah Long, who had been in ill health for several months, died at 9:20 p. m. yesterday in the Santa Rosa Hospital in San Antonio. Her body was brought here and laid to rest in the Sonora Cemetery at four o'clock this afternoon. Rev. F. M. Jackson, pastor of the Methodist Church of this place, preached the funeral from the Methodist Church at four o'clock.

Mrs. Long had been in ill health for several months. She was carried to San Angelo where she remained in the Rush, Schulkey and Wall Clinic for several weeks, and was later taken to the Santa Rosa Hospital in San Antonio where the death angel called her above.

Since 1916 she had operated a ladies' ready-to-wear store here, known as the Style Shop.

Surviving her are her husband, E. S. Long, proprietor of a barber shop that bears his name; a father, G. W. Smith; three sisters, Mesdames J. S. Holman, R. D. Trainer and H. L. Taylor; all of this city; seven brothers, O. M. Smith, Brownwood; J. B. Temple; Will, Lubbock; Roy and Fred, San Angelo; Delma, San Antonio; and George of this place. All immediate relatives were present for the funeral except a brother, O. M. Smith of Brownwood, who was unable to be here.

Deceased had been a member of the Methodist Church of Sonora for a number of years. She was also a member of the order of Eastern Stars.

Active pallbearers were: Hi Eastland, Roy Aldwell, J. D. Lowrey, Vernon Hamilton, Ed Mayfield and Alvis Johnson.

Sonora Water Co. Deal Is Closed

J. D. Eaton has closed a deal with the B. E. Buckman & Co., Investment Brokers, whereby the latter becomes the owner of the Sonora Water Company, seven acres of land and all improvements belonging to that firm. A price of \$60,000 was paid to Mr. Eaton through E. J. Crofoot, representative for the purchasers.

The new company will take possession immediately after the Sonora Water Company has collected all outstanding accounts due them. John Eaton, who has been connected with his father in the company, will manage the water system temporarily, it is understood.

Mr. Eaton retained his residence here, and will likely continue to make his home in Sonora. It is his intention to enter the ranching business more extensively. He is interested with his son near Kerrville in a ranch.

Mr. Eaton has operated the Sonora Water Company in Sonora for seventeen years.

More than a year ago he sold the Sonora Light Company to the West Texas Utilities Company, which firm is now serving 110 West Texas cities and towns.

M. E. Ladies Bazaar Cleared Over \$100

The Methodist ladies netted about \$135.00 from their bazaar held last Saturday in the T. L. Benson office. This was done through the sale of sandwiches, coffee, children's dresses, flowers and candy. The bazaar was well attended.

The ladies wish to thank all who helped to make the sale a success, and especially do they thank T. L. Benson for the use of his office.

Streets in Business Section Cleaned

Loose gravel and trash in the business district are being swept into piles hauled away, adding a much better appearance.

It is the intention of the city to have another treatment of asphalt given to the four and one-half blocks of asphalt and gravel streets that were built recently. This, however, will be done at a later date.

Mrs. Carl Morrow and small daughter, Geraldine, returned to their home in Burnett after a visit of several weeks with her sister, Mrs. Johnnie Hamby.

A Round of Slugs

(By S. U. M. Bull)

Arthur (the great) Shires, former Texas league baseball player and who went to the big show, has entered the professional light-heavy weight boxing, and within twenty-one seconds after the gong rang knocked out his opponent. Shires, it is remembered was one of the most colorful ball players in the big league. Twice he whipped h's manager, Lena Blackburne, in a fist fight. This rooster should have been in the ring instead of baseball. He says he wants to meet Tunney or Dempsey next. He can crow loud now since his first victory, but wait and you'll see his feathered like a defeated cock.

Rabbit Tavener, who pastimed for the Fort Worth Cats several years ago, has been bought by the Cats and will play his old position at short-stop. Tavener, it is said, was the greatest shortstop in the Texas league. With this addition and several other positions well bolstered, the Panthers look like a pennant winner for next season.

Jackie Atz, perhaps the most successful Texas league baseball manager, has been signed by Dallas to pilot the Steers next year. Atz won several pennants for the Felines, and it is predicted that he will be much help to his new team.

And that proves that more rivalry will exist between Fort Worth and Dallas. Atz will draw many fans from over Texas to the Steer stadium and this will be worth thousands of dollars in gate receipts to the Dallas club. Milton Stock, who piloted the Steers to the Texas league pennant last year will manage a club in the Southern Association next year.

E. R. Lawrence, teacher of animal husbandry in the Sonora High School, states that there are 21 calves being fed and will be taken to San Antonio and to the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show in March. There are fourteen members in the 4-H club and seven others who are not members who are feeding calves. Mr. Lawrence is well pleased with the success the boys are having and believes that several prizes will be copped. It is his opinion that not one penny will be lost in the experiment. This will be encouraging to the boys and girls and will be beneficial from a financial point. Let the boys do this and they will know the value of a dollar not to mention the valuable experience they will gain.

B. W. Hutcherson, present sheriff and tax collector, announced this week that he will again be a candidate for that office, "Hutch," as he is widely known, made no statement other than that he would like to serve this county again as sheriff.

Other county officers have not expressed themselves, but it is understood that all of them will have their hats in the political ring when old Sol casts his rays more vertically.

Two or three fur buyers are active in this county, and state that furs will command a fair price this year. Last year there were more than fifty thousand dollars worth of furs bought by buyers here.

There is no better time than at present to circulate a petition requesting a road bond election. What's the use in waiting? It is believed that the election will call for a sufficient amount to build to Chockett's line, Edwards, Menard and improve lateral roads in the county.

There are several dangerous curves on the O. S. T. near Sonora. This week there were two car wrecks, due to the abrupt turns. These danger spots should be eliminated.

Speaking of salesmen, Gene Bailey, the ever-ready salesman at the Corner Drug Store, has them all beat—beat when it comes to the length of time required for him to make a sale. Gene, so his friends say, took 2 days in which to sell a baby buggy. The boss, not liking the manner in which he made the sale, canned him, and that is Gene's reason for leaving the Cracker state and coming to Texas. Gene has another reason for being in Texas, and we will let him explain.

Now We Know Why They Called Them Red Skins By Albert T. Reid

Now we are told there is a serious question whether the Indians who sold Manhattan Island to Peter Minuit really owned it.

TELL THE OLD STIFF TO MAKE IT THREE QUARTS AND WE'LL THROW IN THE BROOKLYN BRIDGE, AND ASK HIM: IS IT PRE-WAR STUFF?

SAY!—LISSEN—YOU GUYS—WHO DO YOU THINK I AM—JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER—WHAT?



Fashions Change

A THREE-ACT COMEDY, ENTITLED "FASHIONS CHANGE," BY MRS. MAMIE H. MOBLEY, WILL BE GIVEN AT THE HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM, WEDNESDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 18, AT 7:30 O'CLOCK.

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Miss 1944—Queen of the New Order	Miss Barbara Way
Spirit of Dreams—Jumbled Dreams	Miss Grace Trainer
Dolly Dee—a doll girl	Miss Joanna Stokes
Miss Elizabeth Blair—a girl of 1844	Miss Edith Bellows
Mr. Steven Allen—Miss Blair's lover	Mr. Ted White
Pluto—Mr. Day's chauffeur	Mr. Bill Gilmore
Hannah—Mrs. Day's cook	Mrs. Chas. Evans
Fairies—Jimmie Guinn Langford, Elizabeth Elliott, Katha Lea Keene, Robbie Jo Wyatt.	
Crown Bearer	Wesley Sawyer
Models in Style Show	Ladies of Sonora
Chorus	High school girls
Male Chorus	Business Men of Sonora

Ensemble

Benefit P. T. A. and Lions Club of Sonora.

Mr. and Mrs. Dantes Riley and children were visiting and shopping in Sonora yesterday.

Dr. E. A. Tunnick, veterinarian at the Experiment Station, and wife were visiting here the first of the week.

Roy Aldwell returned from Temple Wednesday where he had been for an operation.

L. W. Wardlaw, San Angelo attorney, was transacting business here Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Merton Shurley were here Tuesday, visiting and shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Duke Wilson were here from their ranch Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Chipman were here from the ranch Saturday, visiting with friends and shopping.

Judge L. W. Elliott transacted business in San Angelo the latter part of last week.

Ira L. Cain, district agent for the Great Southern Life Insurance Co., with headquarters in San Angelo, was here during last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Wilkinson have leased the J. W. Wilson residence here and moved into it the latter part of last week.

Theo. Savell, one of Sonora's pioneer ranchmen, was here Wednesday.

Mr. Savell stated that his range was getting dry but stock are doing well.

J. C. Stephen, Magnolia agent of San Angelo, was here yesterday calling on the local trade.

Miss Gwendoline Rutledge returned Wednesday night from El Paso where she had been visiting with her sister for several days.

E. C. Beam, who ranches in Sutton and Edwards county, was among business visitors here Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Riley and children, prominent ranch people of the Owensville community, were here Thursday, the guests of Mrs. Riley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Wyatt.

Emil Vander Stucken, young attorney of San Angelo, was here on business Wednesday. While here he visited with his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Vander Stucken.



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Our Anniversary Sale is not a sale to make money for us—but is a determined effort on our part to move the goods—to change our stock into cash, and by so doing to show appreciation for the years of continuous patronage of our old friends, and to make new acquaintances by these unusually low prices.

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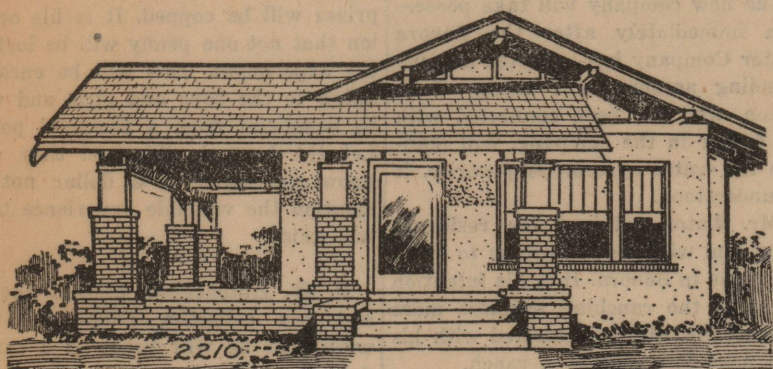
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From the Devil's River News date of October 17, 1896:

A man may puff and blow! but he can't get trade by sitting in the shade, waiting for business to grow. If he's wise he'll advertise in the Devil's River News.

Mrs. Joe North left on a few days visit to her mother and friends at Ozona Thursday.

Chris Haglestein the hardware, windmill, wagon and machinery dealer of San Angelo was in Sonora Friday on business.

The Y. P. A. & I. C. of Sonora charged 10 cents admission to the debate Saturday night and had over 200 people present. The charge is made in order to raise funds for the library and will be made at subsequent meetings of the club. Mark Baugh was chairman of the evening. The subject of debate was: Resolved, "that capital punishment is justifiable." The speakers on the affirmative being Montie Mills, Miss Abby Miller and Cal Miller; those on the negative being J. H. Boggs, Miss Besie Wyatt and Rev. Tom Covington. The judges were Mrs. Keene, Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Mayer and rendered their decision as follows: That Montie Mills had made the best argument and that the negative side had won the debate. They were unable to decide on the recitations made by Misses Annie Stokes and Lota Stephenson and the ribbon was divided between them. Montie Mills rendered a comic song in a very amusing manner. J. H. Boggs gave a dialect recitation. Miss Maggie Ward sang "Keep a loving heart for me," which was well received as was also the closing chorus: "Some day I'll wander back again," by Misses Mamie, Sue, Tom and Maggie Word and Montie Mills and Mark Baugh. Some interesting news was read from the Society Times by the editress, Miss Joanna Stokes. Taken altogether the evening was much enjoyed by those present and the members of the club are encouraged by the appreciation shown their efforts by the public.

Fireman's Ball

At a meeting of the Sonora Fire Department on October 1st, it was decided to give a grand ball at the courthouse on Friday, Nov. 6th, the proceeds to go to the fire department fund. The following committee of management was appointed: D. H. Burroughs, W. H. Moon, Felix Vander Stucken, Geo. Traveek and Jess Hill.

April 2, 1904

J. L. Cook, of Christoval, was in Sonora this week attending court.

J. F. Harris was one of the petit jurors this week.

Wm. Guest, one of the old timers, was up from his sheep ranch on Devil's River Tuesday for supplies.

Sam Merck was in from his ranch this week as a petit juror.

It is reported that Mont Noelke bought the Bob and Wilburn Miers muttons about 6,600 at \$3.00, after shearing, also the Hudspeth & Phillips muttons.

J. D. Eaton, proprietor of the Rock-springs water works and ice plant, was in Sonora several days this week on business.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Tillman and Miss Tillman were in Sonora Monday visiting.

John W. Martin was in from the

Middle Valley ranch Tuesday, and says some of his neighbors are burning off the range.

Frank Bihl, Bob Fruttsch and W. W. Williamson, three prominent and jolly stockmen from the Owensville neighborhood, were in Sonora this week on jury duty.

Giles P. Hill was in from the Stokes ranch Wednesday for supplies and to get herders.

Ben Hill was in from the Ben Stokes ranch where he has his cattle, this week courting.

D. B. Woodruff has moved the Sun from Eldorado to Sonora, this week. We will have some nice weather now as the Sun has moved south.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Fields and family were in Sonora Tuesday shopping. Mr. Fields will have to buy a hack soon or leave some of his family at home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hamby were up from their ranch a few days this week the guests of the Decker Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Wyatt and children were in from the ranch a few days this week visiting Mrs. Wyatt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Baker. Chris says his stock is doing fine, some of his cattle are shedding off.

Lewis Mayfield was in Sonora several days this week in the interest of his float valve. He is also representing the Challenge Windmill Company, whose headquarters is at Dallas. Lewis says his float valves are giving good satisfaction.

D. M. West, of Ozona, candidate for representative of the 102 district, was in Sonora several days this week giving the voters a talk. Mr. West says he has little hopes of carrying Sut-

ton county, but is very well pleased as to the outlook generally.

Mrs. R. K. James will take charge of the Commercial Hotel April 1st.

Jess Mayfield went to Del Rio last week to get some herders for some of our ranchmen. Jess said they were hard to get until he mentioned that he wanted them for Uncle John Brown, and after that he had no trouble. Mr. Brown mucha buenor umbre.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ross and children were in Sonora this week the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dee Wallace.

Mr. W. T. O. Holman and daughters, Misses Clyde and Rubey were in Sonora this week. Mr. Holman as a grand juror and ladies visiting friends.

PRIEST PROTESTS CRAFT CORNER-STONE LAYING

San Diego, Calif.—The Grand Lodge of Masons of California when requested laid the corner-stone of the Herbert Hoover High School, despite the protest of Rev. Martin C. Keating, pastor of St. John's Catholic Church here.

When announcement was made that the Masonic ceremonies would be observed at the corner-stone laying, Rev. Keating wrote a letter of protest to the San Diego Union, which that paper did not publish. In his letter it was pointed out that the ceremony was strongly suggestive of an Episcopal or Catholic one, and that it violated "the letter and spirit of American political institutions."

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BUSINESS MEN AND GOVERNMENT

In calling upon the Chamber of Commerce of the United States to summon the business leaders of the nation into conference President Hoover has given the highest official recognition to the most distinctively American type of business organization. No previous president has so completely understood business men and business methods. As a business man he had made himself independently wealthy at forty. In his eight years as Secretary of Commerce he gained the confidence of business men, regardless of their individual party affiliations, as few men in public office have ever been able to do.

The president knows what a chamber of commerce is, what it means to its community, what it can do for its

community. The Chamber of Commerce of the United States, whose component parts are the local chambers of commerce in every part of the country, is the representative of every business interest in America. It ought to work hand in hand with the federal government for the common welfare, just as local chambers of commerce co-operate with their local governments. Mr. Hoover has put it in a position to do precisely that.

This is not injecting politics into business; far from it. It is putting business into politics, or, rather, into political administration, and that is something sorely needed.

Every member of every chamber of commerce which is affiliated with the Chamber of Commerce of the United States has a potential voice now in the administration of national affairs. The business man who does not avail himself of this opportunity by joining his local chamber of commerce has no just ground for complaint if the relations between the government at Washington and the business interests of the nation do not suit him. And the local chamber of commerce which is not affiliated with the national organization is doing its community and its business men an injustice by withholding their opportunity to make themselves heard in the councils of the nation.

YOUTH

"This is the age of youth." How often we hear that said, sometimes in extenuation of youthful exuberance

which shocks the elders, sometimes with the hopeful view that youth, somehow, is going to make the world over.

Every age has been the age of youth. Young folks are more vociferous just now than they were before the war. They get more publicity, mainly because there are more medium of publicity. But in all history it has been youth which has gone adventuring, which has injected new ideas into the world's thought, which has started movements which have, in time, changed social and economic conditions.

It was youth that settled America. The Pilgrim Fathers were mostly boys in their twenties when they landed on Plymouth Rock. The pioneers of Virginia and Pennsylvania were no older.

From the beginning, young folks have done things of which their elders did not approve. "The only service the young can render the old is to shock them and so keep them up to date," says George Bernard Shaw in one of his plays. A man or woman must be very old indeed or have a very poor memory, to have forgotten that in his or her own youth the old folks seldom approved of the activities and interests of the young.

And when the young people of today have become the parents of boys and girls of eighteen or twenty, they, too, will be shocked by the things their children will do or want to do.

Congress is in session again and promises to do some more farm relieving. When it gets through we shall discover that good farmers manage to get along somehow and poor farmers will still be hollering for help, same as always.

Uncle Si Tinklepaugh says he used to read a city paper but it made too much noise around the house. The headlines were so big he had to holler to read 'em.

VERY LATEST
(By Mary Marshall)

There is something rather mysterious about some of the flower color names that have recently been favored. American beauty on the one hand cannot easily mean but one thing to the person who has once seen the lovely rose that bears its name. In any case it is an easy matter to settle. On the other hand, there is capucine, or nasturtium, which may mean a brownish orange, a greenish yellow or an infinity of shades in between. And now comes dahlia, which

nasturtiums shades. There are pink dahlias, white dahlias and dahlias almost black in the depth of their purple tones.

Actually there is much variety in the color that fashion chooses to call dahlia, but always it is a bluish purple, more becoming usually than the wine shades that were favored last season because it is softer and contains more blue.

At best dahlia should be reserved as a rather ceremonious color. It is not a good choice for the dress in which one intends to appear day after day. To make it truly becoming one's complexion must be at its best. Another thing that should be remembered about this tone is that despite its place of honor in the color range of the season it is still not generally worn. It is always more conspicuous than brown or green, black or dark blue, and for that reason, if for no other, is a color that should be avoided by the woman who is too stout.

W. H. Perry, who has been very ill, is able to be up this week.

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Leland Voted Most Valuable Gridder

Fort Worth, Dec. 12.—Cyrus Leland, the "Lubbock Jack Rabbit" of Texas Christian University, has been voted the outstanding and most valuable player in the Southwest Conference for 1929, and will be awarded the Houston Post-Dispatch annual grid trophy.

Leland was the composite selection of a committee composed of one sports writer in six of the conference cities, as follows: Jere Hayes, Dallas Times-Herald; Jinx Tucker, Waco Tribune; Flem Hall, Fort Worth Star-Telegram; Johnny Earp, University of Arkansas Razorback; "Punk" Stacey, Austin American, and Lloyd Gregory, Houston Post-Dispatch.

Leland won easily over all opposition. Each of the sports writers was asked to list in order the seven outstanding gridmen of the conference. Leland was the only player to be named by all six of the committee, two of whom rated him first, three second and one fourth.

Here's the way they doped them: Jere Hayes, Dallas Times-Herald; Hammon, schoonoover, Sanders, Leland, Long, Mason, Grubbs.

Jinx Tucker, Waco News-Tribune; Leland, Koch, Mason, Wilson, Schoonoover, Brumbelow, Shelley.

Flem Hall, Fort Worth Star-Telegram—Grubbs, Leland, Mason, Brumbelow, Wilson, Mills, Atkins.

"Punk" Stacey, Austin American—Shelley, Leland, Hammon, Rose, Grubbs, Sanders, Beaty.

Johnny Earp, Arkansas Razorback—Schoonoover, Leland, Wilson, Miller, Brown, Mills, Sanders.

Lloyd Gregory, Houston Post-Dispatch—Leland, Schoonoover, Grubbs, Brumbelow, Hammon, Richter, Bush Jones.

Leland, stopped by the Mustangs for the day by the simple expedient of assigning two and three men to the task, finished second in individual scoring honors in the conference. Wilson, flashy Baylor half, crossed the Rice goal line twice, to complete the season with an individual total of 85 points scored—14 touchdowns and one point after touchdown. Leland's total was 78—13 touchdowns.

Personal

B. R. Cauthorn was among business visitors here the latter part of last week.

Mrs. S. E. McKnight and niece, Miss Lucille White, were here from the ranch Wednesday visiting.

J. S. Holman returned Wednesday from San Antonio where his sister-in-law, Mrs. E. S. Long is ill in a hospital. Mr. Holman stated that Mrs. Long was resting very well when he left. Her husband and sister, Mrs. Holman, are at her bedside.

Roy Hudspeth, banker and stockman, was here the fore part of the week transacting business.

Mack Cauthorn, prominent young ranchman, transacted business in town last week-end.

B. M. Halbert, well known Angora breeder, was among business visitors in town during the week-end.

C. T. Jones, county commissioner, wife and children were in Eldorado recently to visit Mr. Jones' mother, Mrs. John I. Jones, who has been ill. Stanley Patton and Geo. D. Chalk left Saturday for Laredo on a deer hunt.

Mr. and Mrs. Sid Evans were Sunday visitors in Sonora from their ranch east of here.

Giles P. Hill transacted business here Monday.

Mrs. Z. C. Landrum, of Beaumont, Texas, and baby Allyne, are here to spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Landrum's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Eaton.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Allison visited with relatives and friends here the first of the week.

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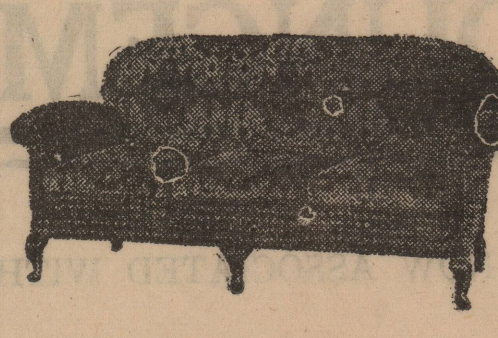
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San Angelo, Texas, Dec. 7.—To the committee, Messrs. G. W. Stephenson, Roy E. Aldwell, W. D. Wallace, S. R. Hull, W. A. Miers, W. E. Caldwell, W. J. Fields, Ed C. Mayfield:

I have delayed somewhat in answering your letter or petition of October 23rd, pending the collection of certain engineering data and reports, and handling the matter with the officials of my company at Chicago.

In going over this situation on the ground, I find there are two other locations which have been found satisfactory to you people to get the stock yards in the south end of town, one location being on the Allison property just beyond the sewage disposal plant and the other extending the main line across Devil's river and locating the yards adjacent to and immediately south of the Mexican town of Sinaloa fronting on the state highway.

The location on the Allison property will require one mile of extra trackage, and cannot be considered by the railway company, as this much trackage, in the event our line is ever extended south of Sonora, would be of no use to us, to say nothing of the maintenance expense.

In the event that all contributing factors are worked out satisfactorily, the stock yards if moved from their present agreed-on location north of town on the Murphy and Benson land, will in all probability be placed south of Devil's river adjoining the Mexican town of Sinaloa. To do this, however, the railway company will be put to an additional expense of between \$20,000.00 and \$25,000.00, which is occasioned mainly by having to bridge Devil's river, and I hesitate to recommend to my company the expenditure of this additional amount in the face of the uncertainty of the trap situation in that vicinity.

My understanding is that there is about a 160 or 200-acre dry trap adjoining the yards that the trap company can lease, but that there is some doubt regarding the section Frisco trap without some strings tied to it by the Frisco Railway Company, which we feel are detrimental to the Santa Fe's interest. We want to be assured, also, that all shippers will have ample facilities for holding over their stock; that all are treated alike, and for this reason the railway company feels that they should own and control this so-called Frisco trap, which is to be used for the benefit of the public, as is any other railway facility.

For the above reasons, you are hereby requested to obtain title to this piece of land for the Santa Fe Railway Company without expense to it, and I will appreciate it if you gentlemen will immediately take steps toward that end, for it is now getting to the point in our construction program where we will have to have a definite decision quickly on the location of these stock yards, as I expect to have a grading outfit in Sonora in less than thirty days.

Some definite understanding should also be had by the trap company, in the form of a written lease or otherwise, of the 160-acre dry trap immediately adjoining the possible stock yard location.

I trust you gentlemen will see the Santa Fe's side of this matter, and

will continue to give me your hearty co-operation to the end that your town will be one of the largest stock shipping points in Texas, for the Santa Fe is doing everything within its power to accomplish that end, as our yards will be absolutely the thing in stock yard construction and design, and will cost a good many thousand dollars. We intend even to paint these yards white, and as stated above, we will consider going to the additional out-of-pocket expense of between \$20,000 and \$25,000 to locate the yards south of town, provided we can own and control the trap which will be done for the benefit of the public and will be to the interest of all concerned.

In the event you gentlemen desire to go into this with me personally, I will be pleased to meet you at any time or place you designate, on one day's notice.

Thanking you gentlemen for the interest you have shown in this matter, and with best wishes, I am,

Yours truly,
W. H. ROCHESTER,
Assistant Engineer.

EXPERIMENT STATION GETS THIRD PRIZE ON FLEECE

Two fleeces from Rambouillet ewes of the Experiment Station in an exhibition at the National Wool Growers' Convention in San Angelo a few weeks ago, were given first prize for fine clothing and third on French combing, according to W. H. Dameron, superintendent of the station, who was here last Friday in company with his wife and baby. The fleeces were judged by Mr. Willingmeyer, head of the wool department of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, and a well known wool expert. The fleece that took third prize also took 5th prize at the Dallas Fair.

A fleece from a Rambouillet ewe out of Sol Mayer's flock in this county took second on French combing at the National Wool Growers' Association convention in San Angelo. A fleece from California took first.

News has been received here that Mrs. W. L. Aldwell, who has been in Temple for several months is doing well, and that she is in San Angelo for a visit.

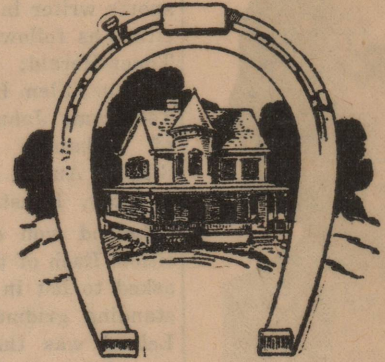
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VERY LATEST

(By Mary Marshall)

It is an interesting fact that even now that the most influential dress-makers here and abroad have featured lingerie collar and cuffs on dark dresses, women are rather loath to adopt the fashion. Yet only a few years ago when these accessories were quite out of fashion women used to wish for their return. They said that this touch of lingerie made a dress more becoming, and kept it in daintier condition, since the bits of lingerie might be frequently washed or cleaned.

The trouble is of course that these collars and cuffs require such frequent changing that women are reluctant about adopting the fashion. If



you watch women selecting new dresses you will see how often they reject an otherwise satisfactory model all because it has these troublesome accessories.

But there is no gainsaying the fact that this light touch at the wrists and neck does make almost any daytime dress more becoming. The amount of trouble and time needed to keep them in fresh condition is time very well spent.

With the afternoon dress of crepe or satin, cuffs and collar of ecru lace are most appropriate. For the everyday dress of light-weight tweed or jersey there are attractive pique sets that are less fragile and most becoming. With two sets of this sort a dark dress may be given a much

longer lease of life than would otherwise be the case.

Net, especially black lace, has taken a leading role in this season's evening fashions, and of all nets the square-meshed rather coarse sort known as fish net is the most highly favored. Net has all the advantages of lace in arrangement of drapery and the added advantage of greater youthfulness. Chiffon while lending itself to the new long draped and gathered treatment has less body than fish net and so much has to be used in these new longer, fuller dresses that the actual cost of material is sometimes amazingly high.

Bobbinet, which is sometimes used for dresses, is made with the threads so twisted around each other that the spaces take on a six-sided appearance. Filet net, either the hand-made or the machine-made sort, has four-sided meshes. Pointed d'esprit is a cotton net, characterized by the dots or "points," and is used to some extent, though this season its place has to a great extent been usurped by fish net.

NEW DRUGGIST FOR CORNER DRUG STORE

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Hazlett, Abilene, arrived here Monday to make Sonora their home. Mr. Hazlett has accepted a position with the Corner Drug Store as prescription clerk.

Mr. Hazlett is well pleased with Sonora, and stated that in his opinion Sonora would benefit from the Santa Fe's extension to Sonora.

Misses Guila Lowrey and Bonnie Glasscock spent last week-end in San Antonio.

URGES SERUM FOR THOSE EXPOSED TO DIPHTHERIA

Dr. A. G. Blanton, county health officer and local physician, urges that parents whose children have been exposed to diphtheria, have them take the minimum doses of antitoxin for prevention. Dr. Blanton states that there are two serums that will immunize a child of six months to ten years of age, during the time they are more susceptible to the disease. The antitoxin is used when an immediate immunity is desired, he said, but will only protect from the disease about six weeks.

Dr. Blanton informed this paper that he can get either of the serums desired.

Mrs. Oscar Holliday and Mrs. S. D. Williams, mother and grandmother of Frank Holliday, city manager, returned to their home in Ballinger Sunday after visiting with their son and grandson.

L. I. Sanford, Jackson county, has been here several days, the guest of his daughter, Mrs. Tom White.

J. H. Whittaker, San Angelo implement dealer, was here this week, the guest of his granddaughter, Mrs. Tom White.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Pierson were here from their ranch east of town Monday visiting and shopping.

J. M. Puckett was here Monday transacting business.

B. B. Dunbar, prominent ranchman, was here Thursday on business.

AN ORDINANCE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN OF SONORA:

That a special municipal election be held in the town of Sonora at T. L. Benson office on the 13th day of January, 1930, for the purpose of ratifying and or authorizing an ordinance closing and vacating portions of the following streets and alleys in the East Addition to the Town of Sonora, and South Heights Addition to the Town of Sonora, Sutton county, Texas, to-wit: Chestnut Street and East Third Street in East Addition to the Town of Sonora; East Second Street in East Addition and South Heights Addition to the Town of Sonora; Water Avenue in East Addition to the Town of Sonora; Crockett Avenue in East Addition and South Heights Addition to the Town of Sonora; Glasscock Avenue, Mesquite Avenue and Orient Avenue in South Heights Addition to the Town of Sonora; also portions of alley in Block 22; all of alley in Block 21; portion of alley in Block 25, and all of alley in Block 16 of East Addition to the Town of Sonora; also a portion of alley in Block A-16; a portion of alley in Block A-17; all of alley in Block A-28; a portion of alley in Block A-39; a portion of alley in Block A-40; a portion of alley in Block A-51; a portion of alley in Block A-62 and a portion of alley in Block A-63 in South Heights Addition to the Town of Sonora; that said election be held at the T. L. Benson office in the Town of Sonora, Texas, and that H. V. Stokes is hereby appointed Judge and Chas. Evans and Geo. J. Trainer, Sr. are hereby appointed clerks to hold said election. That only qualified voters residing

within the city limits of the Town of Sonora be allowed to vote in said election.

That the City Secretary furnish said judge and clerks with proper ballots for the holding of said election, said ballots to be printed according to law and shall contain the words, "For the Ordinance" and the words, "Against the Ordinance." Those desiring to vote in favor of the enactment of said ordinance closing and vacating said streets and alleys shall cross out and interline the words, "Against the Ordinance," and those desiring to vote against the enactment of the ordinance shall cross out and interline the words, "For the Ordinance."

A copy of this ordinance signed by the Mayor of the Town of Sonora shall serve as a proper notice of such election, said notice to be published for four (4) consecutive weeks prior to the holding of said election, the first publication being at least thirty (30) days before said election in the Devil's River News, said paper being a weekly paper of general circulation published in the Town of Sonora, Sutton county, Texas.

In testimony whereof, we Roy Aldwell, Mayor of the Town of Sonora, and S. R. Hull and W. C. Gilmore, Commissioners of said Town, have this day signed and caused the seal of the Town of Sonora to be affixed and attested by the City Secretary, this 12th day of December, A. D. 1929.

ROY E. ALDWELL,
Mayor of the Town of Sonora.
S. R. HULL,
Commissioner
W. C. GILMORE,
Commissioner

Attest:
C. F. HOLLIDAY,
City Secretary.

SONORA CHAPTER NO. 355

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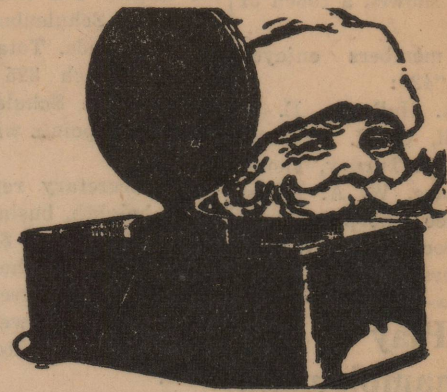
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Mrs. Cauthorn Hostess to Thursday Club

Mrs. J. A. Cauthorn entertained the Thursday Pastime Club at her home Thursday of this week. Her beautiful home was decorated with Christmas flowers, fern and candles. Refreshments also showed a touch of the holiday colors.

The following members enjoyed several games of "42":

Mesdames R. A. Halbert, E. E. Sawyer, Sam Hull, O. G. Babcock, W. E. Caldwell, Paul Turney, Thomas Espy, D. Wallace, W. A. Miers, Joe Trainer, Rose Thorp, Claude Stites, Sim Glasscock, Orion Brown, and B. W. Hutcherson.

Junction to Play for Championship

The Junction Eagles and Schulenburg Short Horns will clash on the Junction gridiron this afternoon (Friday) at 2:30 o'clock. This game will

decide the regional championship of Region Six, according to G. V. Stewart, secretary of the Junction Chamber of Commerce.

The Junction Eagles hold championship honors over districts twelve and fifteen while the Short Horns have triumphed over districts eighteen and twenty-two. Secretary Stewart says the Eagles will average 160 pounds while the Schulenburg team average is 151 pounds. Total points won by Junction reach 325 with 26 points against. The Schulenburg team has gained 176 points with seven against, he says.

The secretary reports enthusiasm at its height, business men of Junction having raised \$1,000 to have the game played on the local field. The town, through Secretary Stewart, extends a cordial welcome to Sonora and vicinity to attend this deciding game.

R. F. Halbert, former Sonora ranchman, was here this week attending to business. While here he was the guest of his son, Robert A. Halbert, prominent ranchman.

"Bully" Johnson, foreman of the Aldwell Bros. ranch south of here, was here today on business. Mr. Johnson reports that they will start lambing over eight thousand ewes about the 15th of January.

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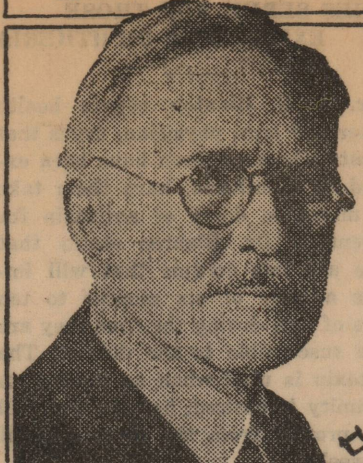
Preaching and communion services at 8:30 p. m.

Prayer service each Wednesday evening at 8:15.

You will receive a cordial welcome.

Do your Christmas shopping early.

A President's Son



James R. Garfield, son of former President Garfield, who has been appointed Chairman of President Hoover's Commission on Conservation and Administration of the Public Domain. He is a former Secretary of the Interior.

RED CROSS EXPENDS EIGHT MILLIONS FOR RELIEF IN DISASTER

Year Just Closed Put Heavy Task on Society—120 Calls for Help Were Met.

An unusually large number of disasters in the United States and its insular possessions have required assistance from the American Red Cross during the year just closed. The organization sent emergency relief workers to the scenes of 120 tornadoes, floods, fires and other types of catastrophes and expended \$8,020,000 in relief and rehabilitation of the victims.

Calls for aid came from eleven other nations in which earthquakes, floods and other problems caused distress to large populations, and the Red Cross sent \$76,300 to help in relieving the suffering.

The catastrophe causing the greatest loss of life and most widespread devastation was the West Indies hurricane of September, 1928, in which more than 2,000 lives were lost in Florida, Porto Rico and the Virgin Islands. A relief fund of \$5,883,725.62 was contributed by the public, following a proclamation by the President of the United States, to which the Red Cross added \$50,000 from its own treasury, and the society was enabled to give relief to more than 700,000 persons.

In the early Spring, river floods in the southeastern states cost a heavy loss to many persons, 76,000 inhabitants being affected in four states. The Red Cross assisted 4,383 families. Approximately 28,000 persons, with food, clothing, temporary housing, feed for stock and seed for replanting.

In all, thirty-eight states were visited by calamities during the year, affecting 364 counties. Twenty-eight counties were devastated twice by storms, fires and floods.

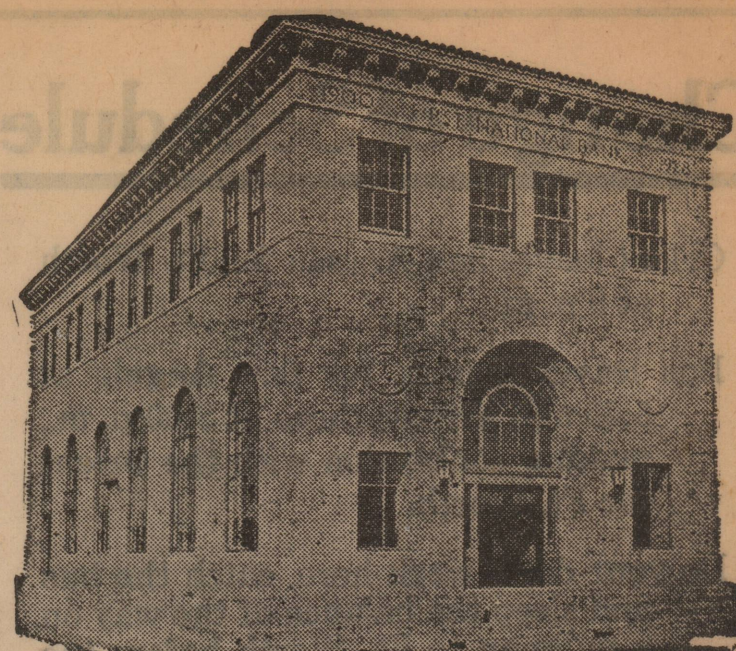
Red Cross expended \$434,000 from its treasury in giving relief in these disasters, and at one time had as many as 120 disaster relief workers, nurses and other representatives in the field.

Funds for this relief work are obtained in the annual roll call for members, which occurs from Armistice Day to Thanksgiving Day, November 11 to 23. Only once a year—during this period of Roll Call—does the Red Cross ask public support to carry on its many activities.

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B. M. Halbert was here on business this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Gilliam of Junction were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gilliam and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith and children of San Angelo were guests last week-end of his sister, Mrs. H. L. Taylor and family.

Mrs. Fred Hull, John and Lottie Hull were week-end visitors to Abilene, and while there saw Howard Payne College defeat Simmons University.

R. A. Steen, manager of the Corner Drug Store, returned from San Antonio Monday night where he doctored 1,800 sheep for C. C. Tuberville. He made the trip from San Antonio to Sonora in a Ford coupe in four and one-half hours.

C. W. Adams, one of Sutton's commissioners, was here on business Monday.

Mrs. R. A. Steen visited and shopped in San Angelo Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Libb Wallace and children were among visitors in town the first of the week.

Geo. S. Allison, prominent ranchman, was transacting business in town Monday.

Cecil Elliott, manager of La Vista Theatre, left the latter part of last week for Dallas on business.

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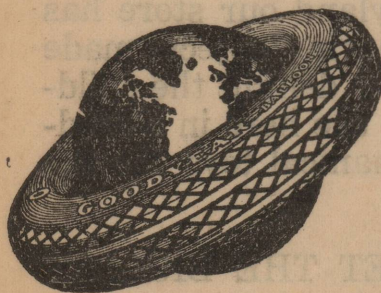
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