

The Devil's River News

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EIGHTH WEEK

... Son of a gun ...

We have just received our first letter of the season for Santa Claus and are forwarding it today to the kind old gentleman at the North Pole. This year's first letter is from Miss Nancy Ann Prugel and states:

"Dear Santa, Please bring me a doll buggy and a sled, a wagon, a train. Mama some perfume. Daddy a necktie. Mama a scarf and nightgown and me some Lincoln Logs." (poor papa).

As has been our custom for the past ten years, we will publish all letters to Santa and sent in care of the Devil's River News.

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Radio listeners tuned in to WOAI, San Antonio, Saturday morning between 6:30 and 7 o'clock were surprised to hear a familiar voice telling them about current economic and agricultural conditions in Sutton County. The voice belonged to George H. (Jack) Neill, vice-president and cashier of the First National Bank. Neill appeared on the program, "The Roving Banker," sponsored by the Alamo National Bank in San Antonio. Purpose of the program is to give listeners an overall picture of current conditions in various sections of Texas.

That's the first time we knew anything connected with a bank started before 9 o'clock in the morning.

—(???)—
Have you joined the Poor Fish Club? Well, it only costs a nickel and you can get a membership card from Bud Smith or Cash Taylor. What some people won't do for a nickel.

—(???)—
If you haven't made a tour of the stores to see the Christmas windows, we suggest you do so, for this year just about every firm in the business district has prepared a window. Employees in the Post Office erected a beautiful tree in their window. Largest tree is in the bank, smallest in the Sawyer Jewelry. Most novel window we've seen is in the office of Clayton Bray. It's a winter scene showing Santa starting down the chimney of a house made of candy. The house was made by Mrs. Bray and has been delighting children and adults alike this week.

We didn't think Santa was the ogling type, but take a look at the Santa with the light-bulb eyes in the McAllister Food Store window.

—(???)—
The State Tuberculosis Association is sending its mobile x-ray unit here December 13, 14 and 15 to take chest x-rays of as many persons over 14 years of age as possible. Part of the money you pay for Christmas seals is used to aid this unit in starting hundreds of people every year on the road to recovery from or prevention of tuberculosis. This may sound silly, but you'd be surprised at the ideas some people get about x-ray pictures. Taking the picture does not hurt or leave any harmful effects; you don't have to take your shirt off; results of the picture are not made public but are sent to your family physician. There is no charge and we suppose your doctor will give you your picture after he's through looking at it.

We're going to have our made and give it to our family for a Christmas present. They have been asking for a picture of us for some time now, and the way we look at it, a picture is a picture.

—(???)—
Several friends of ours recently received letters from the Register Publishing Company at Fort Davis, publishers of the "1950 Edition of The Texas Society Register."

The letter states: "As one of the social leaders and leading citizens of Sonora, this choice (listing in the register) has been made, along with a very few other persons in your community. As you know, only those who are socially prominent, or whose personal achievements warrant it, or whose personal antecedents or position make them of importance in the community, are ever selected for listing in the Register. Prices are \$3 for the regular edition and \$5 for the leather-bound special."

Well, we were pretty sliced up about being left out of this select group of bluebloods, but on checking our antecedents we could certainly see why. We had the cor-

Services Held For Mrs. Briggs

Funeral services for Mrs. L. B. Briggs, 85, mother of Mrs. W. E. Caldwell, formerly of Sonora, were held Thursday morning at 10 o'clock in San Angelo. The Rev. Ray N. Johnson, pastor of the First Methodist Church, of which Mrs. Briggs was a member, officiated.

Mrs. Briggs died Wednesday morning at her San Angelo residence. She was born Lucy Belle Kirk in Palestine, Texas, January 31, 1864, and had spent most of her adult life in West Texas.

She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Caldwell, Miss Bessie Easterly and Mrs. Evelyn Morgan, all of San Angelo; nine grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren.

Interment was in Belvedere Cemetery, and pallbearers were C. W. Roberts, J. W. Henson, H. B. Dunn, Will Kirk, John T. Williams and Raymond Pipkin.

Evaluation Test Being Made At

Sonora high school will be evaluated this year for the first time in the last decade.

The evaluation program is being conducted by Dr. Hob Gray from the University of Texas. He is in Sonora every other week to conduct a meeting of the faculties of the elementary, Elliott and high schools. In these meetings, the various problems of the evaluation are discussed.

The evaluation, simply, is an intensive study of the school and all of its different phases. The faculties are split into committees, each studying a specific phase. Then, detailed reports are submitted, showing how the school might be improved or how it is at present conforming to all needs.

In March, committees composed of visiting school administrators and Dr. Gray will visit teachers in the classrooms, noting their methods of teaching. Some of the things they will be checking on are: classroom environment, physical setting, high teacher morale, teacher attention to individual problems of learning and personality, details of health, application to life activities and use of community resources.

Twenty faculty members are receiving college credits on the work they are doing on the evaluation program. This work is applicable toward either a Bachelor or Master's degree.

This program is designed to give Sonora students a better curriculum, more trained teachers and a better school plant than has ever been had previously.

27 STUDENTS PLACED ON ELLIOTT HONOR ROLL

Twenty-seven Elliott School students made that school's honor roll this six weeks, according to Lloyd Swindle, principal.

Pre-primer: Yolanda Sosa, Emma Lopez, Miguel Duran, Jr.; Low First: Ramiro Castillo, Robert Sosa, Jesus Ramos; High First: Jacinto Tafolla, Pedro Mendez, Ana Maria Badillo, Olivia Noriega.

Second Grade: Benito Castillo, Maria Gomez, Junior Castro, Santa Lopez; Third Grade: Samuel Galindo, Rebecca Chavez, Jose Gomez, Johnnie Brown, Antonio Chavez; Fourth Grade: Francisco Sanchez.

Fifth Grade: Maria Teresa Martinez, Elodia Flores, Oralia Flores. Sixth Grade: Elidia Gomez, Ofelia Ibarra. Seventh Grade: Nona. Eighth Grade: Sixto Chavez and Nolbert Brown.

The Weather

	Max.	Min.	Rain
Thursday	66	42	.00
Friday	57	44	.02
Saturday	61	42	.14
Sunday	62	46	.01
Monday	65	28	.00
Tuesday	76	48	.00
Wednesday	78	35	.00

Aid the Fight Against TB. Get Your Chest X-rayed Dec. 13 - 15.

rect number but all of them were in a plain normal position, and hence unimportant. One of our friends had four antecedents on each side and one of them was in a peculiar position, so that made our friend a cinch for the register. However, he plans to have it pulled out soon and without a single abnormal antecedent left, probably won't even make the register next year.

Anyhow, if the Blue Book is good enough for New York, it should certainly be good enough for Fort Davis.

Broncos Lose Cage Opener To Junction 39 - 21

The Sonora Broncos lost their first cage tilt to Junction Tuesday night by a score of 21 to 39.

The Sonora lads were definitely handicapped by their lack of experience. No lettermen are back from the championship team of last year.

Starting for the Sonora squad were Clay Odom, Pedro Galindo, Henry Berlanga, Jack Ratliff and Pat Carroll. Other members of the first string squad are Don Brown, Herman Peitchinsky and Herb McKee. A. Z. Joy and Gene Henderson, expected to be mainstays for the Broncos this year, are suffering from injuries.

The game started with the Junction boys racking up a fast seven points before three minutes of the first quarter had elapsed. It was here that the Broncos, led by Berlanga, Galinda and Odom caught fire. The half ended after a closely contested battle with Junction on top of a 21-17 score.

The experience of the Eagles showed in the last half as they held the Broncos to only four points, themselves looping in a total of 18. Evans, six foot three center, and Crumley, of Junction each scored a total of 13 points to take top honors. Galinda was high for Sonora with eight points.

The "B" string game which preceded the main event was another display of inexperience on the part of the Sonora cagers. Junction took the decision 47-22. Bill Baldwin was the high point man for Sonora, scoring 14 points.

Coach Billy Willard has done wonders with the Sonora squad in the week they have been working out. Their showing against Junction this week was better than most predicted, and it is expected that they will round out into a more seasoned club as the season progresses.

Players and points scored are as follows:

Sonora			
Player	TP	PF	
Odom	6	4	
Galindo	8	1	
Berlanga	6	1	
Ratliff	0	3	
Carroll	1	5	
Griffin	0	2	
Brown	0	1	
Peitchinsky	0	0	
McKee	0	0	
Junction			
Player	TP	PF	
Evans	13	4	
Crumley	13	2	
Guthrie	9	3	
Moore	4	1	
Brite	0	1	
Bivins	0	0	
D. Schaefer	0	0	
Cardwell	0	0	
G. W. Schaefer	0	0	
McLendon	0	1	

Lions Roar

The Elementary School Choir, directed by Miss Katherine Davis, entertained Lions Tuesday. Composed of students in the fourth, fifth and sixth grades, the choir is a volunteer organization and members come to school early three days a week for practice. For the Lions, the group sang, "The American Vow," and "Thanksgiving."

Guests included Gus Love of the Eldorado Lions Club. Howard Espy was also present.

Treasurer George H. Neill reported on the annual financial statement and announced that the directors had voted to raise meal charges from 60 cents to seventy-five cents.

HEAD INJURY SUNDAY WHEN KICKED BY HORSE

Frank (Big) Turney suffered a skull fracture Sunday afternoon at the Sonora racetrack when he was kicked by a horse. He was taken to a San Angelo hospital where x-ray pictures revealed the fracture, but was released after treatment.

Turney was cleaning the horse's hoof when the animal kicked him in the knee. He fell under the horse and was kicked in the head.

Hightower In Hospital

A. B. Hightower, Sonora cafe owner, is reported to be making satisfactory progress following an operation performed in a San Antonio hospital Saturday. He is expected home soon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Platts of Houston and Mr. and Mrs. John Stanley of Midland were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dantes Reiley at their ranch last week. Platts is a brother of Mrs. Reiley.

Saturday Final Date For Window Display Contest

Tomorrow (Saturday) is the deadline for having store and other business show windows ready for judging in the annual Christmas Decoration Contest, according to H. M. Smith, chairman of the decoration committee of the Lions Club. Smith added that December 20 will be the final date of acceptance of entries in the residence contest.

Although it was formerly planned to give winners of the store contest recognition only, a loving cup will be awarded to the winner of first place. The winner will display the cup for the ensuing year, and a firm winning the cup three years in succession will be awarded permanent possession.

Winner of the residence contest will be given a valuable merchandise prize. The house, the yard, a front window or a front door may be used as a basis for decoration. Cooperation among businesses has been excellent so far, and it is expected that all will have a Christmas window this year.

Plans Completed For Visit Of Mobile X-ray

UNIT TO MAKE FREE
X-RAYS OF CITIZENS

A mobile x-ray unit, sponsored by the Sutton County Tuberculosis Association, will be in Sonora Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, December 13, 14 and 15, to make chest x-rays for persons from 14 years of age up. There is no charge.

Mrs. George Barrow, Mrs. Jack Mackey, Mrs. Charles F. Browne and Mrs. John Bell, officers in the county organization, urged that Sutton Countians make every effort to have a chest x-ray made while the unit is here.

The truck containing equipment will be parked on the parking lot adjoining the Sonora Men's Store and will make x-rays between 9:30 and 11:30 o'clock in the mornings and 1:30 and 4:30 in the afternoon, each of the three days.

Many people who have tuberculosis feel well, because in its early stages the disease usually has no warning signs or symptoms. Often people do not know they have it. With modern machines an x-ray finds out what is going on inside the chest long before there is any other way to tell whether a person's lungs are healthy. Having a chest x-ray is as simple and easy as having a picture taken. It is not necessary to undress. Just take a deep breath, hold it a few seconds, and the picture has been made.

The x-ray will allow the subject's family doctor to look inside the chest and can show one of several things:

1. You're healthy. There are no abnormal shadows, nor any sign that tuberculosis germs have hurt your lungs.

2. You have fought a battle with tuberculosis and won. The scars are still there. Your doctor may ask you to have more x-rays and tests to make sure your lungs are healed.

3. Your body may be fighting a battle against tuberculosis now. If more x-rays and tests prove this and you need help in fighting the disease, the doctor will tell you to rest in bed. Probably he will ask you to go to a hospital for treatment. Follow the doctor's advice without delay.

4. Sometimes there are abnormal shadows which are not caused by tuberculosis. The doctor will ask you to have more x-rays and tests made to find out what they mean. Among other pertinent facts about tuberculosis are those concerning the mortality rate which is highest in men over 45. About 50,000 persons die in the United States each year from tuberculosis, and it strikes in all ages, all classes, all occupations.

Tuberculosis is "catching" and you can't inherit it from your parents. You can have it without feeling sick, but if it's found early enough and treated properly, recovery chances are excellent.

E. B. Keng is in Fort Worth this week attending a conference of all district soil conservationists. He is expected back Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Taylor are spending several weeks in San Angelo. Taylor continues to show steady improvement following a stroke suffered last year.

Attend SOME Church Sunday.

Feeder Circuit Energized By City Sunday

Three tons of copper line was energized Sunday as the Municipal Light and Power plant put into operation a new three-phase feeder circuit to South Sonora. Purpose of the installation of the 2,500-volt line, according to R. M. McCarver, city manager, is to lighten the consumer load on other circuits and to keep up with the steady growth of Sonora.

The new circuit runs about a mile and a quarter and requires about 300 horsepower for energization. The entire job was done by city linemen using city equipment.

The city has also installed five new streetlights in the court house area, McCarver said.

Reserve Training Unit To Start Work Monday

The first training assembly of Co. F 357th Inf. 90th Division, the local reserve training unit, will be held Monday, December 12, at 7:30 o'clock in the Court House.

Captain Miller of the Austin Instructors office will be in charge of the training for this first assembly.

All ex-servicemen can enlist in the reserve for this training, and receive pay and retirement credits for active reserve participation.

All men between the ages of 17-35 are eligible and anyone interested should attend this training period Monday.

Enlistments will be taken at this time for the Organized Reserve Corps.

Western Trees Show Up Best In Recent Tests

Since the spring of 1932, spacing tests with coniferous trees have been conducted at the Big Spring Field Station. The purpose of these tests, according to Superintendent F. E. Keating, was to determine what spacing should be used when the trees were planted.

He has made available in Progress Report 1177 of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station the findings up to the present time.

Keating reports that the Arizona cypress is the most useful of the evergreen windbreak trees. It is drought resistant and has had excellent survival. Growth is comparatively fast. For the first eight years, the average growth was 26 inches per year and 17 inches for the 14-year period. He recommends a spacing for these trees of 12 x 15 feet. For local plantings, he says it is best to use seedlings from selections grown in the immediate area.

Red cedar rates next to the Arizona cypress in vigor and rate of growth and a spacing of 12 x 12 feet is recommended. With this spacing, it has developed into a dense, compact tree that gives a maximum amount of protection for windbreak use. The species should be transplanted when small if handled bare-rooted, says Keating. Two to three year old seedlings are preferred and for best results, even the small sized red cedar should be handled with a ball of earth.

The Rocky Mountain juniper has shown up well from plantings made in 1937 at the Station. Growth is slower than either the Arizona cypress or red cedar but the average per year for 12 years has been seven inches. It makes a compact, broadly - pyramidal growth that might be used in combination with the faster growing Arizona cypress and red cedar. It should be used as the outside row in a three-row windbreak with the Arizona cypress in the center and the red cedar on the other side. Keating says it is a very drought resistant tree but that it should be balled or transplanted from pots for best results. He also recommends the use of seed from selected plants that have proved their adaptability in the area.

Keating points out that rainfall has averaged only 18.89 inches at the Station and that supplemental watering has not been used. He says that with a spacing of 12 feet between the trees in the rows and the rows 12 feet apart that no trouble should be experienced because of moisture deficiencies even in dry years. On terrain that permits, he says the windbreak should be planted on the contour.

Funds Drive For Scouts, Summer Work, USO Quota, Set For Tuesday

An all-day drive to raise funds for the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Boys and Girls Summer Program, and the Sutton County USO quota of \$250 will be held Tuesday. Lea Roy Aldwell and Mrs. Duke Wilson will head soliciting committees of men and women.

One of the main purposes of the drive is to raise money for the annual assessment of \$1,000 the Boy and Girl Scouts pay into the Concho Valley Council. Last year the Lions Club advanced the payment and it is intended this year to raise enough money to pay the Lions back and pay this year's assessment which comes due in February. Money for maintenance of Boy and Girl Scout homes

is also needed.

Members of the soliciting committees will mainly be those active in Lions Club, Scouting, Cubbing or summer work. It is planned to use part of the funds raised for operation of the swimming pool this summer.

The drive will start with a breakfast Tuesday at the Elementary school cafeteria and drive captains will meet with the Lions Club at noon for a progress report. The program will be dedicated to Scouting.

Every attempt will be made to wind up the campaign Tuesday afternoon, according to Aldwell, although it may be necessary to continue it for several days.

High School Debate Teams Making Trips

The Sonora high school debate team will swing into action tomorrow when they go to Austin to compete with other high schools in trial debates.

The team, coached by T. M. Harvey, is composed of Billy Scott, Tyree Hardy, John Stanley Hamby and Joe D. Ross.

The high school debate question this year is: Resolved, That the President of the United States Should Be Elected by Direct Vote of the People. It is a subject which entails much research on the part of the debaters, and one which was debated by colleges throughout the nation in 1948.

This will be the second trip of the season for the team, since all members of the high school interested in interscholastic league activities were in Abilene last Saturday attending a clinic for the various events.

Amnesia Victim Found On Hiway Near Sonora

A young woman, apparently a victim of amnesia, was found wandering along the Junction highway Tuesday afternoon by two Kerrville travelers who brought her to Sonora. A clothing label identified her as Ruth I. Lines. Wednesday morning she remembered the names of some friends in Abilene who came after her Wednesday afternoon. Officers were told she had been working in Lubbock although she could not recall how she got to Sonora.

Although she recalled the names of her friends Wednesday, she said that the last thing she could remember regarding her trip was that she was running down the highway crying. "I felt that I was running from something, but I had no idea what," she said Tuesday night.

GAS LEAK CAUSES HOUSE BLAZE MONDAY

Fire resulting from a leak in a gas cook stove caused slight damage to the kitchen wall of the Joe Whiddon home Monday afternoon. Firemen reported that gas from the leak was ignited by the pilot light. The blaze was put out with a hand extinguisher.

Ends Furlough Here

Pvt. Billy Joe Nance left Thursday for Camp Lee, Va., following a furlough here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Nance. Pvt. Nance is a clerk and typist in the Army Quartermaster School at Camp Lee.

Buy Christmas Seals



Help Stamp Out TB

A. E. Prugel was in Waco this week to attend a Masonic meeting.

SUBSCRIBE TO THE NEWS

Annual Statement Shows Lions Club Sponsors Many Improvements

The annual statement of the Sonora Lions Club, published here, reveals that the Club spent over \$8,000 last year on projects it sponsored. Total expenditures were \$10,948.77. A study of the statement reveals that the Lions

Club serves also as a chamber of commerce, and sponsors or helps sponsor nearly every civic improvement in Sonora. The statement also shows why the support of every Sutton Countians is needed at the annual auction sale.

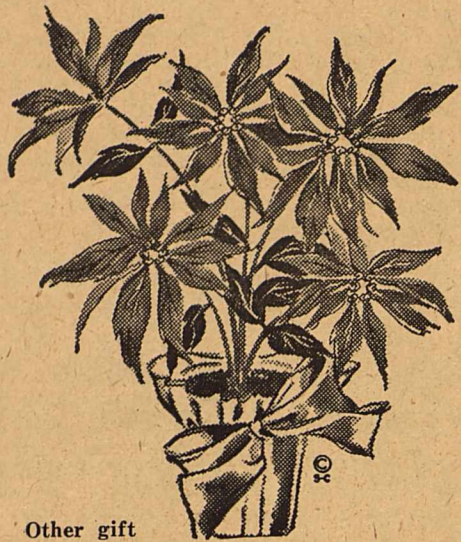
Cash in Bank as of May 26, 1949		\$ 988.30
INCOME		
Auction Sale	\$5,964.54	
Member Dues & Meals	2,715.89	
Rodeo	512.00	
Christmas Program	292.00	
Chances Sold on Calf	233.50	
Talent Program (net)	128.95	
Sale of Panels	103.25	
Income from Dances	742.75	
TOTAL	\$10,692.39	
		\$11,680.69
DISBURSEMENTS		
Luncheons	\$1,524.35	
Wool Show, Rodeo & Auction	1,783.83	
Two Delegates to Convention in N. Y.	857.27	
Hudspeth Memorial Hospital	2,500.00	
Boy Scouts Council	1,000.00	
International Dues & Supplies	488.51	
Panels & Lumber Not Returned at Wool Show	959.04	
Soil Conservation Award Dinner	146.88	
Local & Transit Aid to Needy	118.00	
Dance Expense, Tax and Advertising	683.09	
Firemen Convention	100.00	
Lions District Convention	87.00	
Lighting Tennis Court	100.00	
Directors Meeting	85.95	
Meals for Football Boys	100.00	
"Make It With Wool"	100.00	
W.T.C.C. Delegate Travel Expense	33.17	
Eldorado & Ozona Auction	32.00	
P-TA - Teachers Party	63.76	
Street Markers	30.35	
Miscellaneous Expense	49.07	
Gift (Wendt)	26.50	
Secretary-Treasurer's Compensation	25.00	
TOTAL	\$10,948.77	
Cash in Bank as of November 30, 1949		\$ 731.92

News Want Ads Bring Results

POINSETTIAS

BRING GAY CHRISTMAS GREETINGS!

WE DELIVER!



Other gift house plants

Large blooming poinsettias.

Saunders Flower Shop
Dial 27191

A Look At The Book

Standing one day in the temple the Lord Jesus Christ watched the crowd pass by and cast their offerings into the treasury. Rich men passed by casting in large gifts. Then, came a poor widow who dropped in two mites, about one quarter of a cent in our money. The Saviour called His disciples unto Him and said to them, "Verily I say unto you, That this poor widow hath cast more in, than all they which have cast into the treasury: for all they did cast in of their abundance; but she of her want did cast in all that she had, even all her living" (Mark 12:43,44). A gift is to be judged not upon its value but upon the spirit which it is made. An offering is to be measured not by the amount given but by the amount left after the gift has been offered. In the temple that day rich men brought rich gifts. Doubtless some gave because their social position demanded it. Some gave out of compliance with tradition. Possibly some gave to be seen of men and admired for their beneficence. Some may have given out of a natural generosity of heart. But, all of them had infinitely more left over for themselves than they gave to the Lord. A poor widow, who must have made her offering out of a heart full of love for God since her circumstances were such that no one could have expected her to give, nevertheless cast in her offering. Having given she retained nothing. Her gift was greatest because she alone of all who made offerings that day did not consider herself.

It is fine to give generously to the Lord's work. Sometimes, however, our gifts come not from a heart full of love, but from either a cold sense of obligation or from fear of what people will think of us if we do not give. Judged by the standard which Christ fixed that day in the temple most of

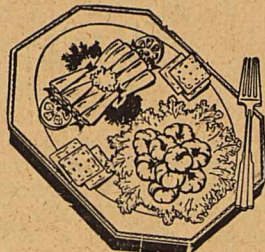
us make poor gifts because we keep so much more than we give away.

God wants our gifts, but He wants more than the gifts. He wants our hearts. The truly surrendered child of God considers all he has—possessions, family, life itself—not his but God's. He has given to God everything he possesses. The gift is given and the giver also.

For A Lifetime Gift

\$5 down and \$5 a month will buy her that beautiful set of 1847 Rogers or Community Plate silver. We stock all patterns. George Barrow Jewelry Store. 4tc7

Burning is an easy but wasteful way to tidy up the home premises of fallen leaves but it is not the best. Use them in the compost pile.



SEA FOOD TREATS —
OCEAN FRESH
AND SO TASTY!

It's a savory kettle of fish... ocean-fresh seafoods in salads, cocktails, and main dishes. Temptingly good... deliciously prepared and always fresh at The Cluf Cafe.

Club Cafe
SETH LANCASTER

CARLOADINGS DROP

Santa Fe System carloadings for week ending December 3, 1949, were 24,702 compared with 26,149 for same week in 1948. Cars received from connections totaled 9,130 compared with 11,313 for

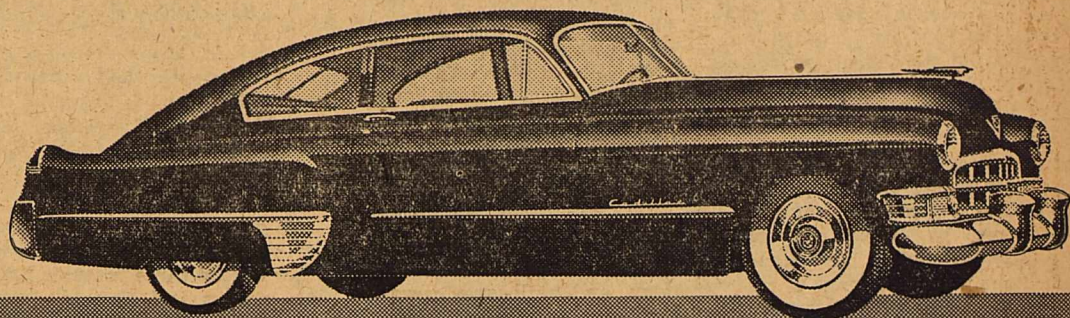
same week in 1948. Total cars moved were 33,832 compared with 37,462 for same week in 1948. Santa Fe handled a total of 31,697 cars in preceding week of this year.

Drive safely! Observe stop signs.

Very few homes have ever been built with too much storage space but the lack of storage and closet space contributes to over-crowded closets, hallways and cluttered rooms. The latter condition creates many accident hazards in the home.



To the Man Who Is
Worried About His Friends...



OCCASIONALLY, we encounter a man who hesitates to buy a Cadillac for fear his friends might think him ostentatious.

For all such people, we have the most reassuring news: The experience of Cadillac owners would indicate that your fears are without foundation.

True, the world has long since recognized that a Cadillac car is a fine and distinguished possession—but most people understand that quality is not a luxury, and that distinction is the offspring of goodness.

The facts in support of Cadillac's practicality are so convincing that the mere recital of just a few should be sufficient reassurance for the most hesitant buyer. Take, for instance, the matter of cost. There are eight other makes of cars which actually have certain

models that are priced above the lowest-priced Cadillac. There is long life, for example. Four Cadillacs, of the 1942 Series, ran a total of 2,599,000 miles in a test recently concluded by a great tire manufacturer—almost 650,000 miles per car. All four were then sold into private service—and are still going strong!

Then there is economy. Innumerable tests show that the 1949 Cadillac actually approaches the lowest-priced popular cars in gasoline economy.

And, finally, there are the dependability records—which prove that the car's freedom from the need of repairs is just as unusual as its performance and beauty! Yes—if you are ready for a Cadillac, come in. You will never make a more sensible purchase—or one of which your friends will more heartily approve.



Granger & Johnson
Concho and Plumb
Sonora, Texas



Handsome Neckties

Silk, rayon or wool. All fully lined, all of generous length for Windsor knitting.



Our counters are stacked with hundreds of items

to make your man happy on Christmas morn --

and for months to come!

Shop NOW while the

selection is complete!

Anklets or Regular Length



Soft, non-shrinkable socks in cotton, wool, or longwearing nylon. Colors and patterns to please any man!

Shirts for Christmas

He'll never have too many! Smooth broadcloths that wear and wear -- tailored right! Regular or French cuffs.

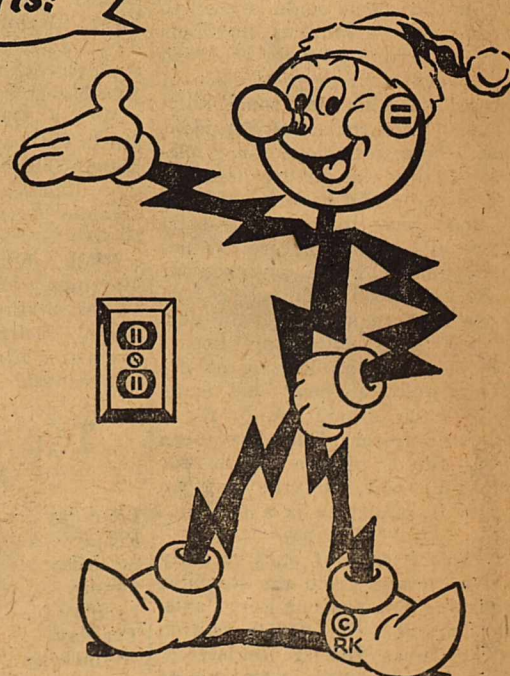


Sonora Men's Store
DIAL 27931 — PICKUP & DELIVERY



Give
Electrical
Gifts!

... an
Electric Blanket or Comforter
is an ideal gift.



ELECTRIC GIFTS... gifts of convenience and comfort... are the answers to your need for gifts that are "sure to please."

Whether it's a beautiful new refrigerator or range, an automatic washer, an electric bed covering (blanket or comforter), a lamp, an ironer or iron, or any of the many wonderful electric gifts available, you're doing something smart and sensible when you decide to "Make it an Electrical Christmas!"

West Texas Utilities
Company

For gifts of
Convenience
and
Comfort
see your
ELECTRIC
APPLIANCE
DEALER

Christmas GIFTS that speak a Sportsman's Language



See Your Sporting Goods Dealer First-
for the best in sports equipment, at
prices less than you expect to pay!

Typical Gift

Suggestions....

For All Good Sports

Rifles and Shotguns
Sleeping Bags
Air Mattress
Casting Rods and Reels
Fly Rods and Reels
Coleman Camp Stoves
Coleman Floodlight Lanterns
Stanley Vacuum Bottles
Thermos Bottles
Thermos Pic-nic Sets
Big Beam Lights
Burgess Lanterns
Camp Cots and Stools
Skillets and Lids
Dutch Ovens
Pistols and Revolvers
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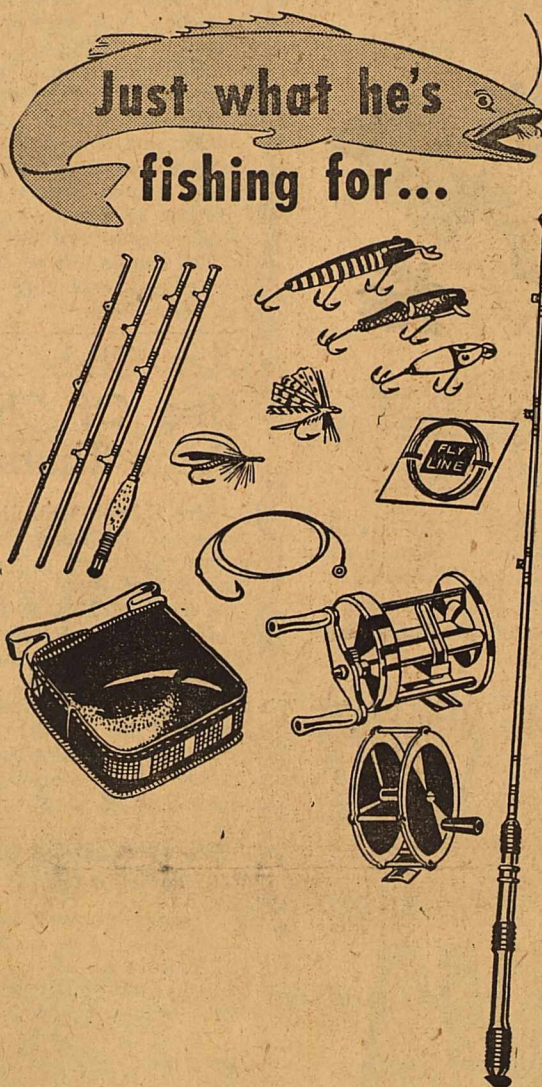
If fishing is his hobby you will have no trouble in finding the exact type of tackle he likes, as I have in stock, all the famous brands, including Shakespeare Coxe, Pflueger, Langley, Heddon and Bronson. Casting reels from \$1.00 to \$45.00, Fly reels from \$1.00 to \$11.00. Casting rods from \$3.50 to \$32.50.

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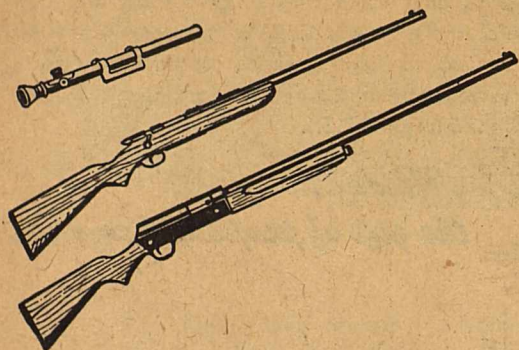
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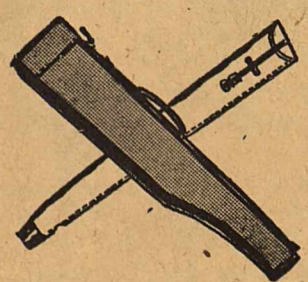


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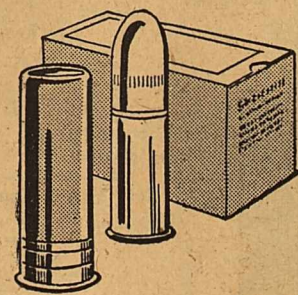
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A hunting knife or pocket knife is always a useful gift. See our big stock of beautiful patterns at prices you can afford to pay.



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Retail Sales Climb As Buying Season Nears Christmas Peak

Estimated retail sales in Texas, totaling \$443,80,000 in October, stepped up 4 per cent from September and 1 per cent from October a year ago, the Texas Bureau of Business Research reported.

October sales of total durable goods stores rose 3 per cent from September. Jewelry sales increased 8 per cent; furniture and household goods, 3 per cent; and building material, lumber, and furniture, 2 per cent.

In comparison with October 1948, total durable goods sales advanced 9 per cent. During the 12-month period, automotive supply sales climbed 24 per cent for the biggest gain.

Sales of building material, lumber, and hardware stores fell 9 per cent during the yearly period, while jewelry sales declined 3 per cent and furniture and household goods sales decreased 2 per cent from October 1948.

In the nondurable goods group, October sales rose 6 per cent from September but fell 5 per cent from October 1948.

All stores in the nondurable goods group except office and school supply stores, down 6 per cent, and filling stations, down 4 per cent, turned in Stepmeber-to-October sales increases. Monthly sales gains were reported in general merchandise, 13 per cent; florist sales, 12 per cent; department stores, 11 per cent; eating and drinking places, 8 per cent; country general stores, 6 per cent; food stores, 5 per cent; and apparel stores, 4 per cent.

Florists and apparel stores

turned in the largest declines in October from October a year ago -- 10 per cent. Other sales declines were recorded in eating and drinking places, 6 per cent; general merchandise and food stores, 5 per cent; country general stores, 3 per cent; and department stores, drug stores, and filling stations, 2 per cent. Sales of office and school supply stores dropped fractionally from October 1948.

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ELEMENTARY STUDENTS WORK ON OPERETTA

The Elementary School has started work on a Christmas Operetta entitled "The Legend of the Snow-man." Those taking part in the operetta were chosen from the second, third and fourth grades. Miss Katherine Davis is directing the music with Miss Edith Eldridge assisting her with the dramatics.

The operetta is to be presented Tuesday night, December 20, at the Elementary School Auditorium. There will be no admission fee.

Those playing parts of main characters are: Clayton Friend, Katherine Ann Taylor, Jon H. Dunagan, Kenneth Fuqua and Joe Thomas Friess.

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THURSDAY BRIDGE CLUB
MEETS WITH MRS. PATRICK

Mrs. Lee Patrick was hostess to the Thursday Bridge Club at her home last week. Those present included Mesdames O. G. Babcock, Joe Berger, H. V. Morris, Sim Glasscock, J. W. Trainer, Lee Labenske, Robert Rees and John Bunnell.

W.S.C.S. FOOD SALE TO
BE HELD SATURDAY

The food sale to be sponsored Saturday by the ladies of the Women's Society of Christian Service will be held at the Sonora Gas

Mrs. Morris won high score and Mrs. Trainer low score. Refreshments of pie and coffee were served to the guests.

Attend Convention

Among those attending the National Wool Growers' Convention in Denver are Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Mayer and Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Halbert of Sonora. The meeting opened Tuesday and ends today.

Company beginning at 9:30 o'clock. Funds realized from the sale will be used in furthering activities of the organization.

Miss Marrs Bride Of Sidney Awalt
Sunday At Methodist Church

Miss Gene Marrs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Marrs of Coleman, became the bride of Sidney Awalt Sunday morning at the Methodist Church here.

The Rev. J. E. Eldridge, pastor of the First Baptist Church, performed the double-ring ceremony. Gladioli and palms and candelabra decorated the church where Dan Duncan of Coleman played traditional wedding music and accompanied Mrs. Ted Dodson of Coleman who sang "Because" and "I Love You Truly."

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a gray tissue faille dress with navy accessories. She carried a white prayer book topped with gardenias and bouvardia.

Attending her sister-in-law as matron of honor was Mrs. Mayo Marrs of Coleman who wore a maroon crepe dress with gray accessories. She carried pink carnations.

Lighting candles were Rose Alice Turney and Darcy Carroll.

The bridegroom, who is a son of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Awalt, was attended by Don Nicholas. Ushers were Donald Marrs of Coleman, brother of the bride, and Duane Prater, cousin of the bridegroom. The couple left on their wedding trip. Upon returning they will be at home here.

The bride was graduated from Coleman High School, and attended Texas Tech. She is employed at the city hall here. Mr. Awalt, after graduating from the Sonora High School, entered the Navy where he served in the hospital corps. For the past three years, he has been employed here by the engineering department of the state highway department.

Out-of-town guests were Messrs. and Mmes. M. L. Marrs, Johnnie Marrs, C. F. Mayo, Ben Thomas, and Mmes. Lillie Huckaby, Grundy Gaines, and Ted Dodson, all of Coleman, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Ray and Buddy Ray of San Angelo, Miss Blanche Awalt of Brady, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Harris of Mason, Mr. and Mrs. Grady Lowrey of Del Rio, Mr. and Mrs. Preston Prater of Junction, and James Bishop of Big Spring.

VICKI JO SAVELL FETED
AT SQUARE DANCE
BIG TURNEY RECEIVES

Vicki Jo Savell was honored Monday night on her eleventh birthday with a square dance given by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Miers Savell, at the Sonora Country Club.

Following the dancing sandwiches, cake and punch were served to the following: Marla and Aline Schwiening, Nancy Bryan Hunt, Ruth Drennan, Pricilla Pfister, Cynthia Hall, Martha Jean Valliant, June Henderson, Betsy Ross, Barbara Chalk, Barbara Schwiening, Martha Mittel, Mary Ellen Stephenson, Greta Shaw.

Freddie Fields, Edward Aldwell, Benny Friend, W. H. Hill, Dickie Copeland, Rus Chalk, Carlos Loeffler, Jack Adkins, Connie Mack Locklin, Tracy Crites, Bill Ratliff, Shannon Ratliff, Turney Friess, Raymond Darrow, Darcy Carroll, Donald Fuqua and Albert Ward.

Also Miss Tris Scott, Mrs. Sam Karnes, Mrs. Theresa Friend, Mr. and Mrs. Craig Miller and Bryan Hunt.

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ELLIOTT SCHOOL PLANS
MEXICAN SUPPER TUESDAY

The L. W. Elliott School P-TA will sponsor a Mexican supper Tuesday night at the Elliott School home economics room. Money will be used to buy candy and fruit to give the school children at Christmas.

The dinner will be served from 5 until 9 o'clock and may be eaten at the school or taken home. The public is invited to attend.

W.M.U. CONTINUES
STUDY OF JAPAN

Members of the Women's Missionary Union met in study circles again Wednesday. Subject of study was "Modern Japan." Twelve members met with Circle Y with Mrs. G. G. Bennett, seven members of Circle U met with Mrs. Alfred Cooper and 12 members of Circle O met with Mrs. J. A. Let-singer.

Attend SOME Church Sunday.

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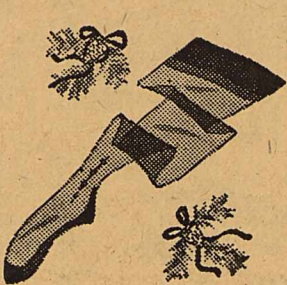
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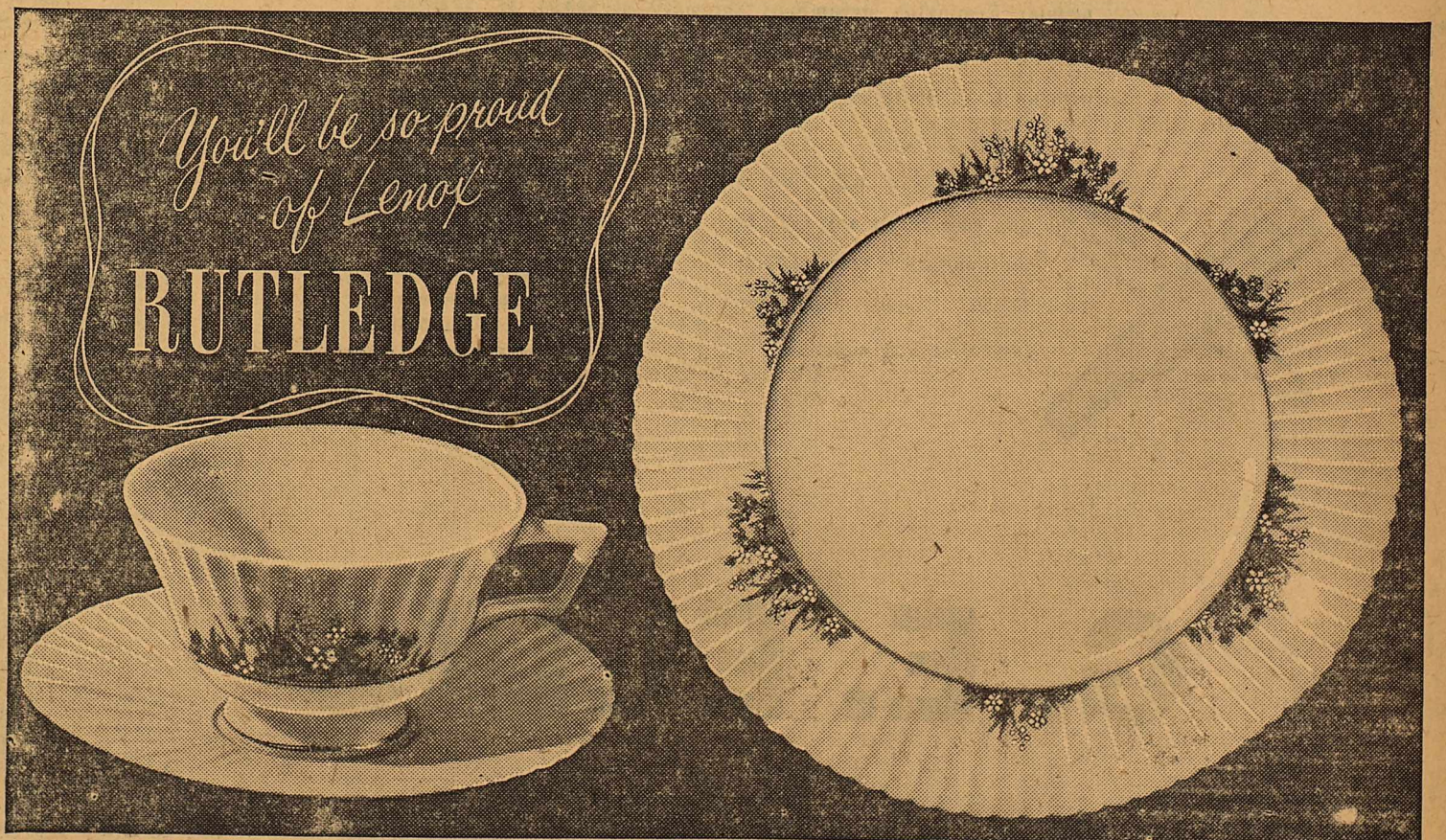
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Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Jones of Fluvanna announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Miss Janie Sue Jones, to Billy Mack Willard, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Willard of Wortham.

The wedding is to take place Thursday, December 22, in the First Presbyterian Church at Snyder.

Miss Jones attended Fluvanna schools and received her degree from Hardin-Simmons University. For the past three years she has been a member of the Sonora Schools faculty.

Willard is a native of Wortham, and received his degree from Rice Institute, where he lettered in football, basketball and baseball. He

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served four years in the Marine Corps during the war, and was overseas with the Second Marine Division as a first lieutenant.

Mrs. Askew Feted With Shower

Mrs. Vestal Askew was honored with a shower Monday, November 28, by Mrs. Duke Wilson, Mrs. Bill Fields and Mrs. W. B. McMillan at the Wilson home.

Mrs. Jack Ellingson sang a lullaby and Mrs. Rip Ward gave a reading. The centerpiece was made of pink carnations surrounded by baby shoes and toy animals. Coffee and a cake, decorated with pink and blue storks, were served. Salted nuts were served in pink plastic cups edged with tiny animals.

The guest list included Mesdames Fred Simmons, Dayton Cain, Bryan Hunt, E. B. Keng, E. S. Mayer, Jr., Rip Ward, Stanley F. Hauser, Louie Trainer, Fred Earwood, Armer Earwood, Tom Darrow, Bill Galbraith, W. T.

SONORAN'S FATHER DIES IN CALIFORNIA

Funeral services for G. W. Moore, 78, father of Boyd Moore, Santa Fe employee here, were held in Riverside, California, Tuesday. Mr. Moore, who moved to California in 1929, died at a Riverside hospital Monday. He was born March 19, 1871 in East Texas. He is survived by nine children, eight of whom live in California.

Order your Christmas flowers early from the Duckett Nursery and Floral. 2tp8

Hardy, F. L. McKinney, Sam Karnes, Shelley Lowe, Dan Cuthorn, Howard Espy, James D. Trainer, Joe B. Ross, James Wilson, Seth Lancaster, Clay Puckett, Pat Lyles, Jack Ellingson, Carl Cahill, Jack Mackey, Stanley Mayfield and H. T. Espy. Also Misses Alice Karnes and Tris Scott.

From The Churches

ST. ANN'S CHURCH
Sunday Masses 8 o'clock
10 o'clock
Weekday Masses 7:30 o'clock

BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00
Morning Service 11:00
Young People's Meeting 6:00
Evening Services 7:00
Mid-Week Services
Each Wednesday 7:30
W.M.U. Each Wednesday
Men's Brotherhood meets Tuesday after the first and third Sundays.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Bomer B. Gist, Minister
10:00 a. m., Bible Classes
10:45 a. m., Worship
6:15 p. m., Young People's Meeting
7:00 p. m., Worship
WEDNESDAY
3:45 p. m., Ladies' Bible Class
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W. H. MARSHALL, Pastor
Church School 9:45 o'clock
Morning worship 10:50 o'clock
Evening Worship 7 o'clock
Methodist District Conference
Bishop Smith Presiding

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH
Sunday Morning
9:30 Church School
11:00 Morning worship with sermon.
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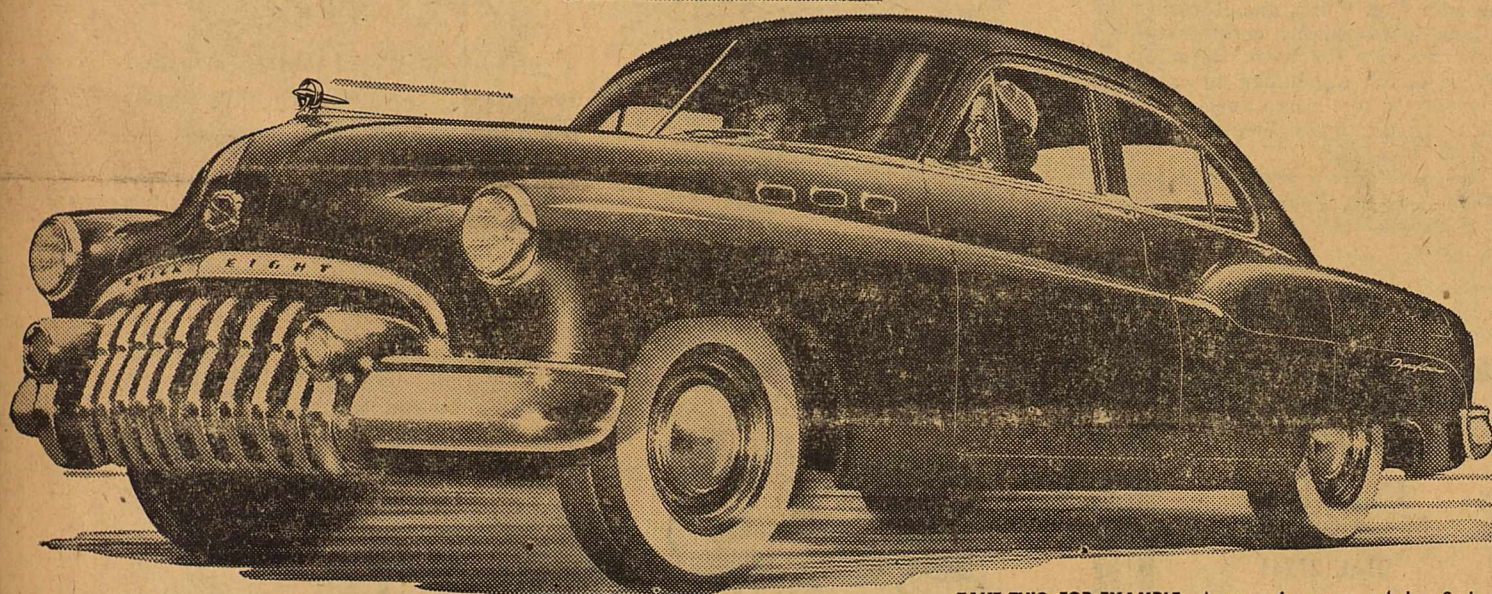
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SYRUP, 1/2 Gal. Jar 45c
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PURE LARD
3 lb Carton 45c

PET MILK
2 Tall Cans 25c

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SOAP
3 Bars 25c

SUGAR, 10 Lb. Bag

89c

Cauliflower, Large Head 25c
CELERY, Large Stalk 15c
YELLOW SQUASH, lb 12c
Cucumbers, Fresh, lb 15c
Tangerines, Texas, Doz. 23c
CALIFORNIA OR TEXAS
ORANGES, lb 8c

SEVEN STEAK, lb 49c
SHORT RIBS, lb 39c
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Cheddar Cheese, lb 49c
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A successful immunization gives complete protection against the disease."

Other diseases for which there is immunity are: smallpox, lock jaw and whooping cough.

Dr. Cox advises parents to consult their family physician and gives these instructions for parents to follow concerning immunization:

"Vaccination against smallpox at any age during an epidemic, but routinely between 3 to 12 months of age. Repeat at 6 to 12

years of age and during an epidemic. Revaccinate after any exposure.

"If immunization is to be given against diphtheria only, start between 9 and 12 months of age.

"If single vaccination against whooping cough (pertussis) is employed, start at 6-9 months or at any subsequent time. It is questionable whether pertussis vaccination should be employed after 6 years of age.

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57 Years Ago

From the Devil's River News, October 24, 1892.

William Beach and Miss Louisa Adams were married at the home of the bride's parents at Bee Hollow, Sutton County, on Sunday, October 16th, 1892. Hon. J. L. Dunagan, county judge officiating. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Adams, formerly of Sonora, and the groom is the son of Enoch Beach, a well-known cattleman of the Llano. There was a large attendance of neighbors and friends of the contracting parties. The dinner is said to have broken the record. The principal festivities were postponed until November 1st when a big dance and supper will be given.

J. D. Minnis, the sheepman, returned from Waco, Hillsboro and

San Antonio Plans \$30,000 Prizes For Feb. Rodeo

Top professional cowboys in the nation will compete for \$30,000 in prize money at the San Antonio Livestock Exposition, February 17-26 at the new \$3,000,000 Coliseum, according to Everett Colborn, veteran rodeo producer.

Colborn, who recently completed one of the longest engagements on record -- 44 performances in Madison Square Garden in New York City, has signed a contract with the San Antonio Livestock group to bring his troupe to the ten-day meeting.

The veteran producer will bring to San Antonio more than 500 head of livestock including bucking horses for bareback and saddle riding contests, wild Brahms and other bulls for bull dogging and bull riding, saddle horses for arena work, calves for roping contests and cattle for cutting horse competition.

The rodeo, opening the first annual livestock exposition, has been approved by the Rodeo Cowboys' Association as a major show and places the Alamo city rodeo on a par with Fort Worth and Houston.

Colborn was highly enthusiastic about the new Coliseum. He said, "There is not a building to compare with it for design and utility and I should know because I've worked them all."

The top flight rodeo will open Friday evening, February 17, for 14 performances including four matinees.

diphtheria, tetanus (lock jaw) and pertussis, starting at 3 months of age."

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1/3 cup sugar

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Friday, Dec. 9

Saturday, Dec. 10



Produce

APPLES, 2 lb 19c
CELERY, Stalk 19c
SQUASH, 2 lb 25c
CUCUMBERS, 2 lb 27c
CARROTS, 2 Bunches 15c
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BEANS, CRC, 10 lb 87c
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Crackers, Hi Ho, lb 33c
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PICNIC HAMS, lb 45c
KORN KING
SLICED BACON, lb 49c
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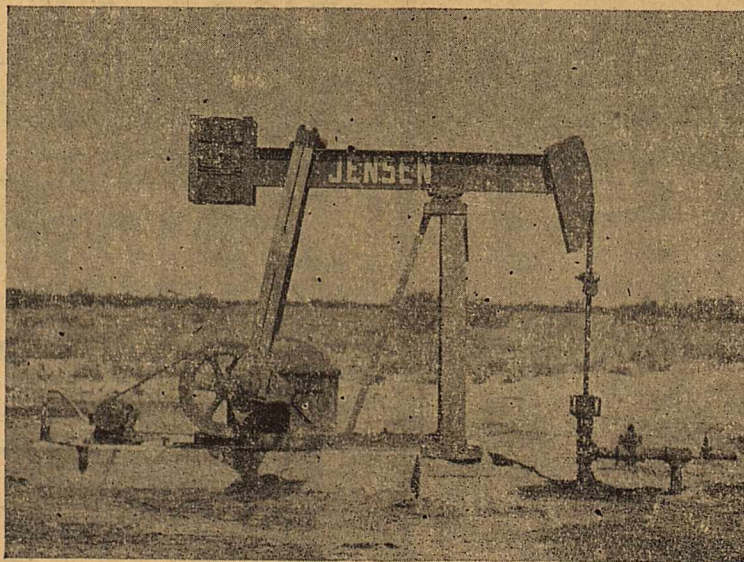
Pump Handle Pete



Says:

HERE'S ANOTHER JOKE

A menu is a list of dishes the restaurant has just run out of!



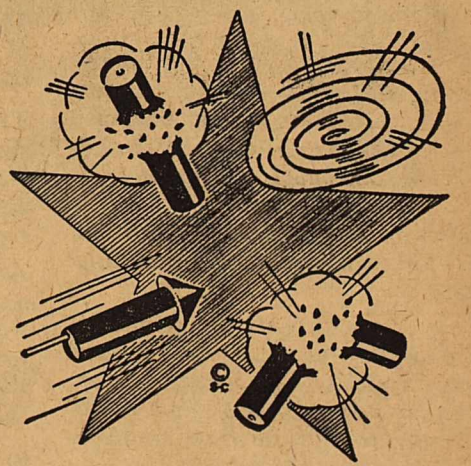
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Weekly Swing of
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Majority of southwest farm products sold unchanged to a little lower Monday than a week earlier, according to the Production and Marketing Administration, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Cattle and calves sold steady to \$1 lower for the week at Fort Worth and Oklahoma City, and mostly steady to 50 cents higher at Denver and South Texas markets. However, steers and heifers lost 50 cents to \$1 at Denver, and stocker calves fell the same amount at Houston. Average-good steers reached \$28 at Denver.

Slaughter lambs lost \$1 to \$1.50 at Fort Worth and Oklahoma City during the week. Aged sheep and feeder lambs were little changed at most markets, but ewes gained 50 cents at Fort Worth where feeder lambs dropped \$2. Top lambs brought \$22 Monday at Fort Worth and Oklahoma City. Goats changed little at San Antonio.

Wool sold in good volume in Texas at firm prices of 55 to 60 cents a pound in the grease. Territory wool found good demand in Boston. Mohair sold actively in Texas at about steady prices of 53 cents a pound for adult and 75 for kid.

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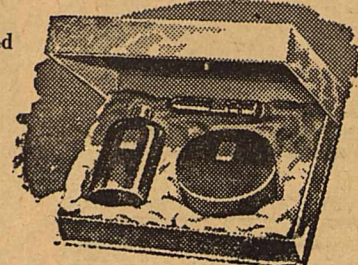


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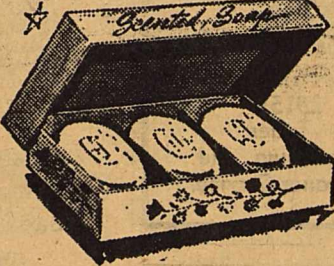
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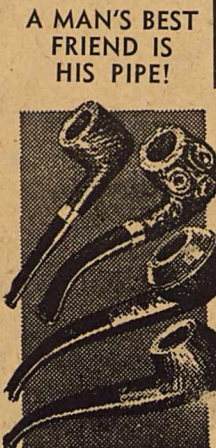


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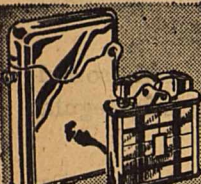
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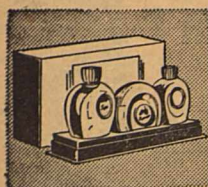
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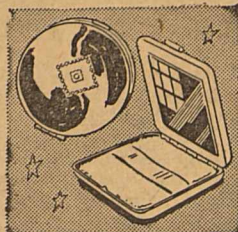
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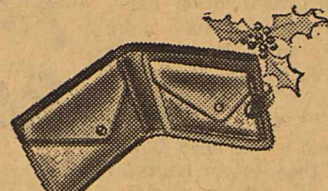
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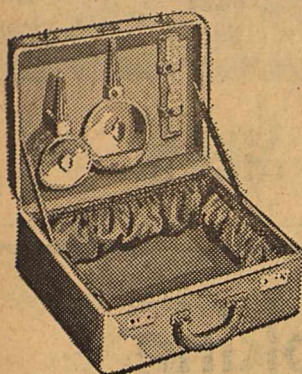
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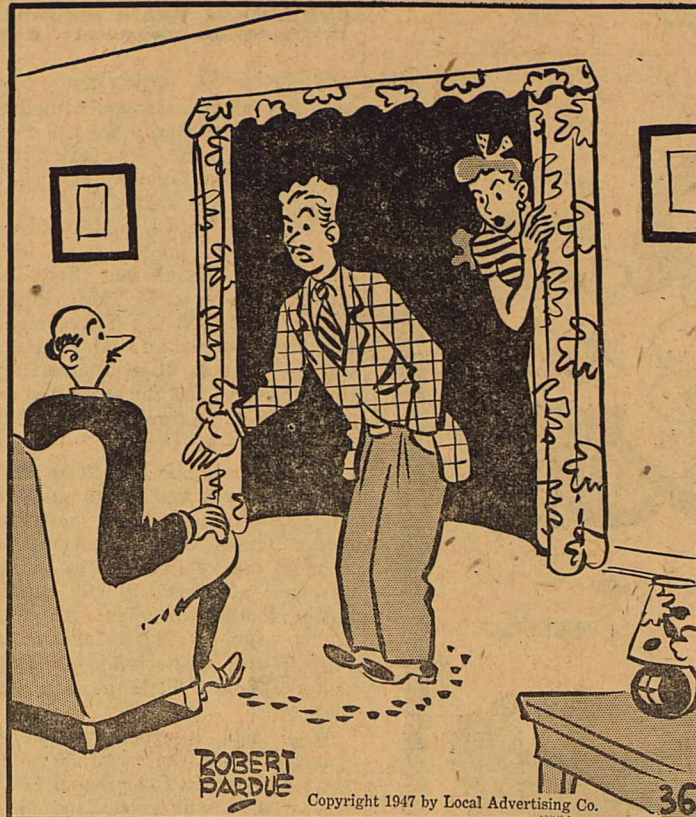
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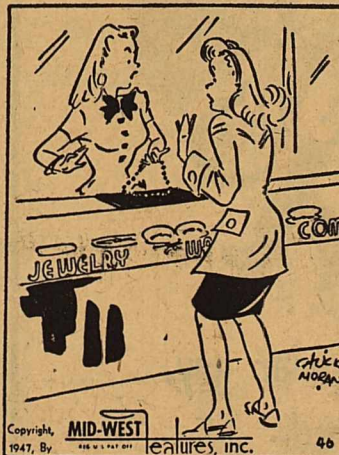
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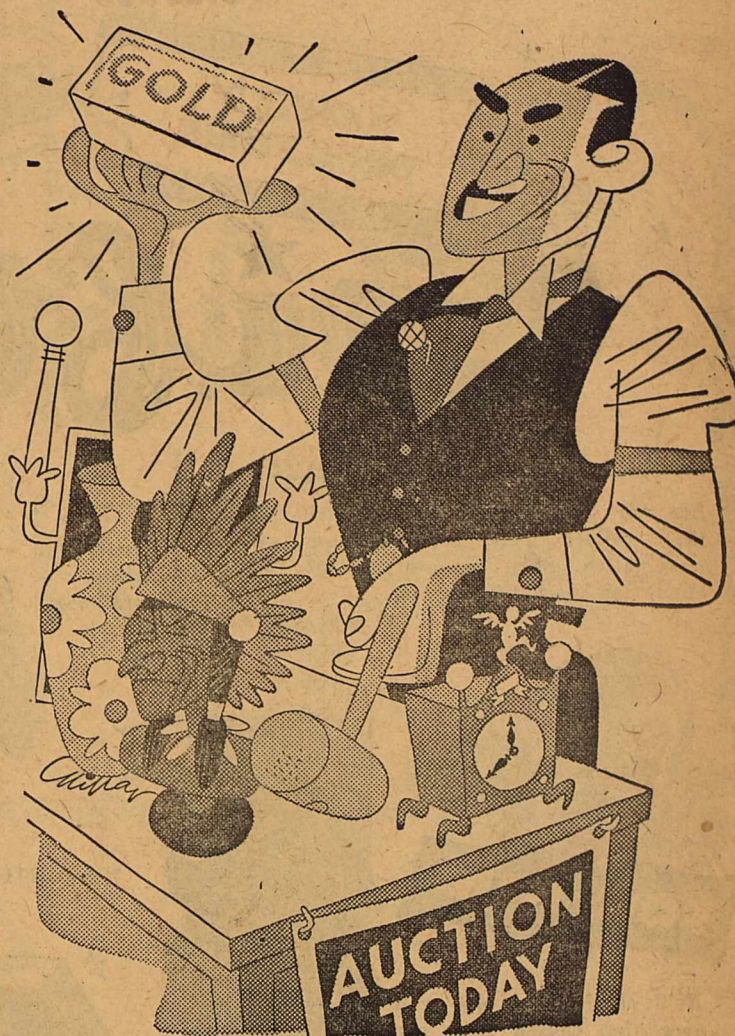
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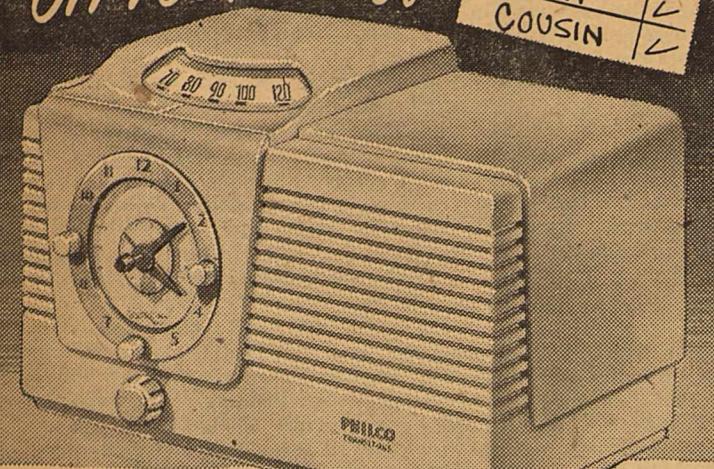
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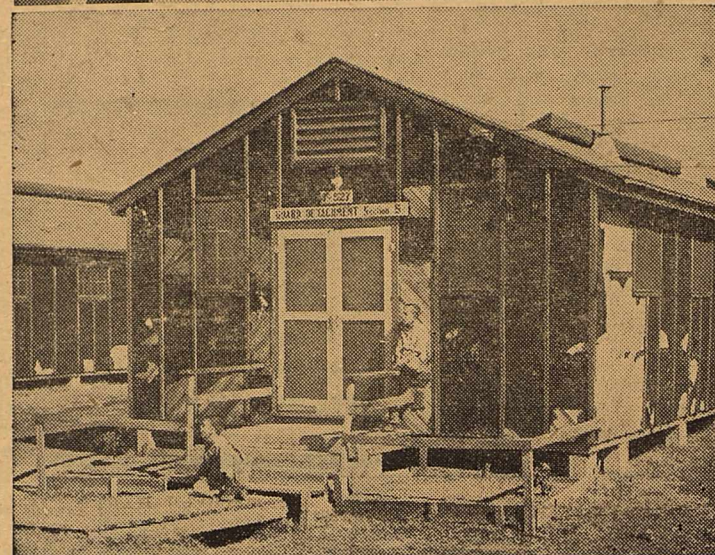
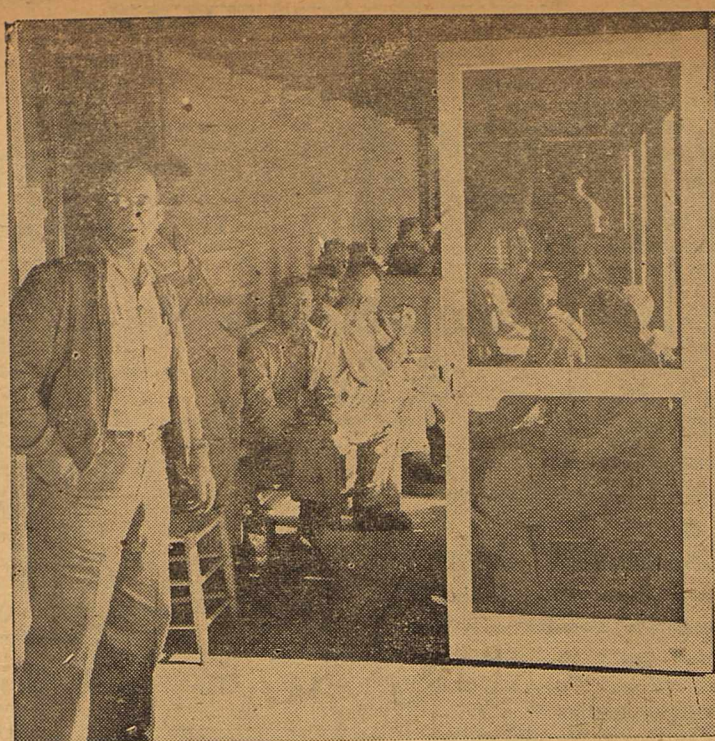
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1/2 teaspoon paprika
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2 cups cooked diced chicken
16 oz. can broiled mushrooms
Evaporated milk
Buttered Cracker Crumbs
Melt butter or margarine, blend

in flour, salt, pepper and paprika. Measure combined oyster liquor and mushroom liquor, add enough evaporated milk to make 3 cups, add to flour mixture. Cook over low heat, stirring, until smooth and thickened. Cover and cook over hot water 10 minutes longer. Add chicken, oysters and mushrooms. Spoon into ramekins. Top with buttered cracker crumbs. Bake in moderate oven 350 degrees F. 20 minutes. Makes 6 ramekins.

P-TA Hears Talk On Equipment

A. E. Wells, superintendent of schools, was the main speaker Tuesday, when members of the Parent-Teachers' Association met in the auditorium of the new Elementary School at 3 o'clock. Wells spoke on "School Equipment To Meet The Individual Need of The Child," and illustrated his talk by having children from different grades use different types of desks and tables with which the new school is equipped.

The meeting opened with a music program by the Bronco Band under the direction of H. R. Hay. Mrs. Tom Ratliff presided at the business meeting which followed. About 60 attended.

Elliott School News

The pre-primer grade has been making decorations for their tree. Miss Shivers, their teacher, says that she plans to use only pupil-made decorations this year, believing that the children will take much pride in seeing their work displayed in such a prominent place.

Learning to do the Virginia Reel and Put Your Little Foot Right Out occupies some time on the daily program of this group at the present time. The activity of directed play is one of the best ways of accomplishing the primary purpose of this grade -- getting the children to speak and understand English.

Taking advantage of the approaching holiday season the two first grades are working on a unit centering around toys. Language Arts, Number work and Social Studies are all correlated with the general subject of toys. This unit will be terminated with a playlet about a toy shop presented by pupils of the two grades.

The second grade is studying the habitat of animals during the winter months. Scenes are being made and placed in cutaway boxes depicting how such animals and reptiles as turtles, frogs, rabbits, foxes, squirrels and skunks spend the winter.

The third grade has been building a post office. Every pupil in the room has a mail box or is listed in general delivery. Plans are being made to exchange correspondence with other grades. The class has learned the difference between the different classes of mail. They have studied post marks and are making a collection of different stamps and postmarks. A trip to the post office is being planned at the end of the study in order to more fully acquaint the boys and girls with the work of the mail service.

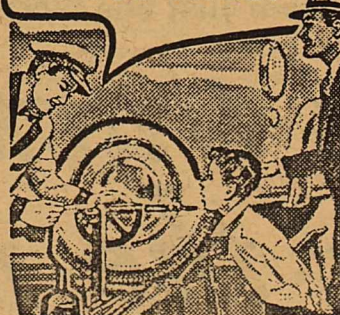
Cotton and its uses has been the general theme under discussion in the fifth grade geography class for this week. The location of the cotton belt and its importance to all of us has been discussed. Cotton booklets are also being made. In conjunction with the cotton study the class has been studying the different kinds of clothing, how and when to wear woolsens, cottons, etc.

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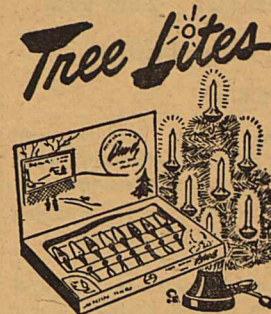
Guest day was observed Thursday when the Sonora Woman's Club met at the club house. Mrs. Louie Trainer and Mrs. Marion Elliott read "How Come Christmas." A Yuletide theme was used in the table and room decorations, with blue and gray as predominating colors. Presiding at the table were Mrs. Rip Ward and Mrs. Leo Merrill. Twenty attended. Hostesses were Mmes. G. ed.

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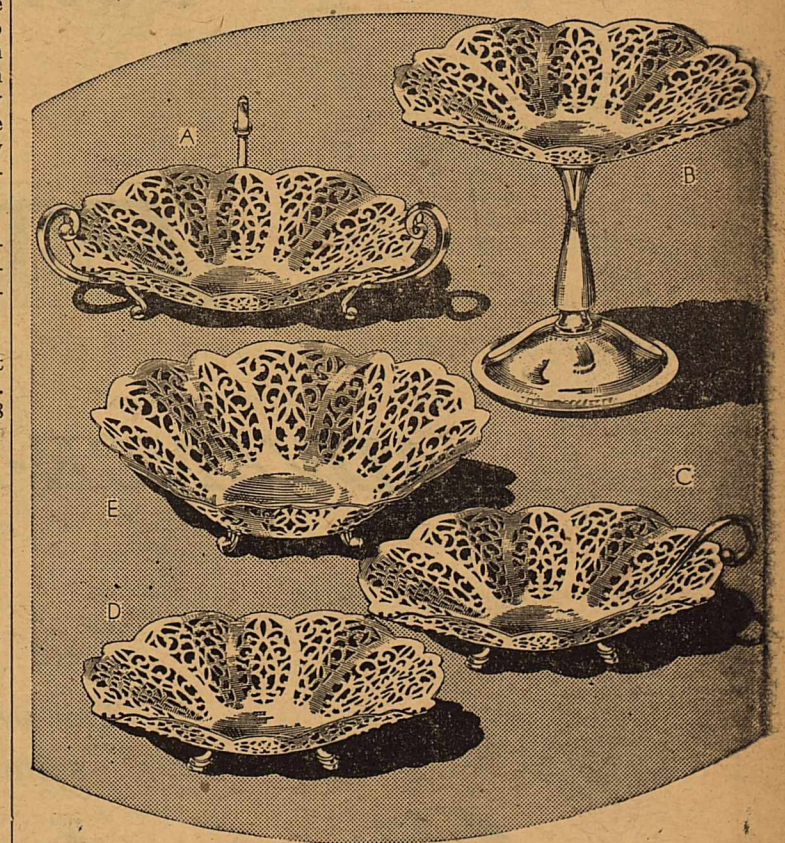


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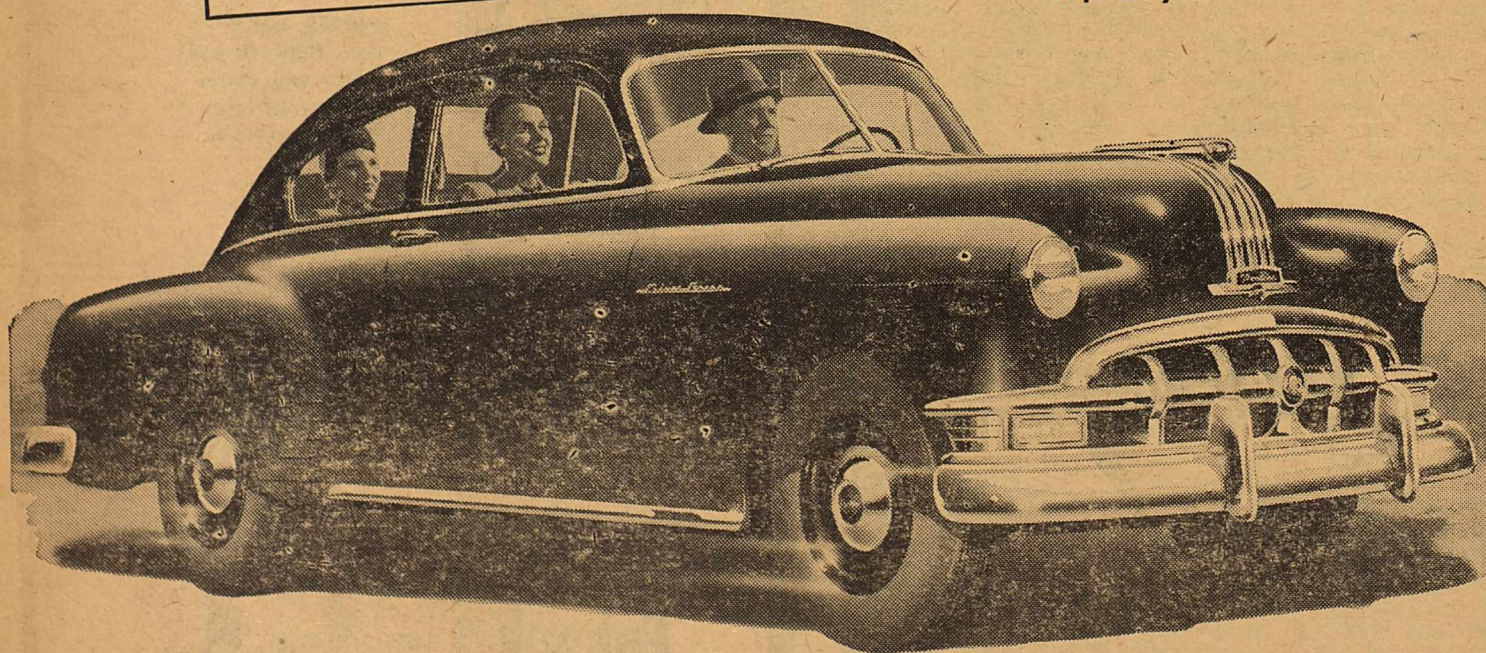


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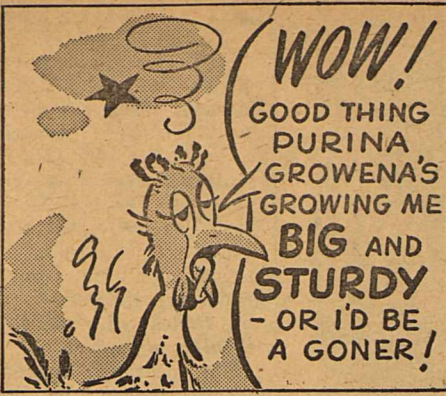
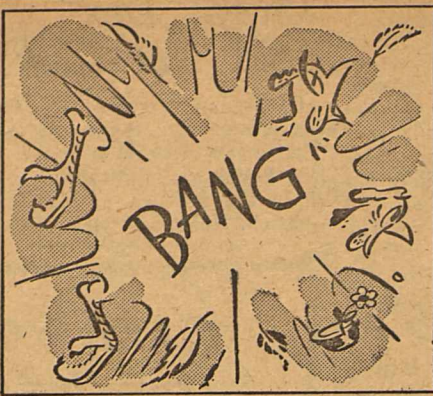
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Soil Conservation District News

News of Edwards Plateau Soil Conservation District

Prepared by Local SCS Personnel

Stanley Mayfield has made some marked range improvement on his Hill Road Ranch this past year.

Mayfield, cooperating with the Edwards Plateau Soil Conservation District, has taken advantage of a summer's good rainfall. During the growing season, the rate of stocking was reduced to 10 animal units per section. This rate of stocking coupled with rotated deferments has brought about an improved range condition.

Many of the better grasses have increased considerably. Sideoats grama is probably the most prevalent with numerous young seedlings going to seed out in the open away from protective thickets. Silver and little bluestem are becoming more prominent and noticeable. The grass cover as a whole

has shown much improvement with many of the bare and weak spots now completely covered.

Showing concern over invading oak, Mayfield cabled approximately one section last spring. In order to speed up grass improvement in the cabled area, sideoats grama and K.R. bluestem were seeded in areas disturbed by cabling. Excellent results were obtained from this type of seeding. In an effort to control oak sprouts Mayfield plans to stock the cabled pasture heavily with goats early in the spring before grass is green. He is also considering fencing the cabled area in order to facilitate control of sprouts with grazing.

Mayfield has set the stage for continued range improvement. He

plans to follow thru next summer with light stocking and rotated deferments. Even with normal rainfall his range should continue to improve under this type of treatment.

The cultivated field has played an important role in supplementing the grazing of native pasture. Fifty three acres of volunteer oats has carried 500 sheep, fifteen cows and calves, and 9 horses for approximately six weeks in October and November. Grazing of this field has permitted prolonged deferment of native pastures during a critical period when most grasses have matured seed heads. During this period seed heads have shattered and will not be subject to grazing.

November's gone
And here's December
And come next March
You'll remember
If your cows have grass
You'll be mighty glad
'Cause the boys cutting brush

LINDA THOMPSON GIVEN PARTY ON BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Edwin Thompson entertained her daughter Tuesday afternoon with a party in honor of her third birthday. Favors were toy hats and umbrellas. The children listened to records and played with toys.

The birthday cake was yellow decorated with roses and was served with ice cream and Santa Claus candy.

Guests included Tommy Lynn Smith, Jimmy Trainer, Randy Fawcett, Gaddy Lyles, Jimmy Wilson, Tommie Black, Jimmy Black, Allison Espy, Gil Allison, Mary Madelyn Hauser, Don Hay, Carol Hay, Candace Cauthorn, Bucky Bloodworth, Margaret Alice Smith, Diana Cahill and Edwin Thompson.

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Acreage reductions in 1950 of cash crops will probably result in larger planting of soil-building legumes, small grains and forage crops. In many cases, it may mean the seeding of hay meadows and permanent pastures. The relatively favorable prices expected for livestock and livestock products should help to "cushion" this shift, provided farm operators plan wisely, says C. H. Bates, extension farm management specialist of Texas A&M College.

On many family-sized farms livestock can be used to help balance the production for the farm. Bates points out that farm operators should plan to utilize all of their labor and machinery as well as the land previously planted to cash crops. The extra grain and forage production that is expected to result from the acreage reduction programs, believes Bates, should be used on the farm where it is produced.

He says even without favorable livestock prices over cash grain prices, farm profits can be increased when the extra grain and forage are sold in the form of meat, milk, and eggs. Feeding this extra production to farm livestock is sound business and he says farmers should not forget the extra dividend that they can derive from the manure when it is returned to the land.

Here are his suggestions on planning for profitable farm livestock production in 1950 and in the future. Plan to grow into the business as feed and pasture production are developed; select the phase of livestock production suited to the farm family and to the farm; produce quality products

and provide fences, buildings and equipment needed to save labor and feed.

He points out that electric fences can be economically used for enclosing temporary pastures but says where permanent type fences are needed, it is better to build the sturdy, long-lived ones. It is cheaper in the long run to build or purchase the best equipment and materials available; and Bates suggests that you check with your local county agent for plans and suggestions that might prove helpful in getting your livestock program underway.

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Pruning the fruit trees is a job that comes around regularly about this time of the year and it shouldn't be neglected, says J. F. Rosborough, extension horticulturist of Texas A&C College, for next year's fruit crop depends to a large degree on the care you give the trees during the dormant season.

According to Rosborough, fruit trees are pruned to stimulate new growth for next year's fruit to grow on. Pruning also keeps the trees down to handling dimensions. It is much easier to harvest the fruit crop from properly pruned trees and he points out that fruit needs sunlight to ripen as it should, and pruning will allow the sunlight to reach the ripening fruit.

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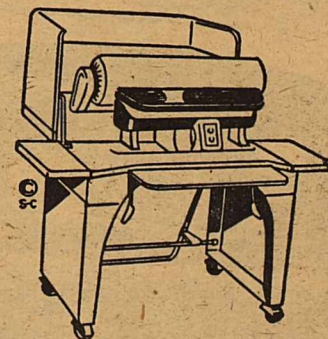


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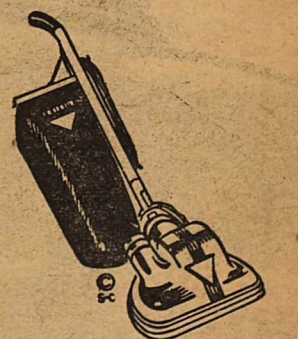


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