

SNOOTER KNOWS



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NOT MUCH ABOUT ANY-
THING

WITH this issue of the Reporter I'm right back where I started up to three months ago—hustling news, and doing all the mechanical work connected with putting out a weekly newspaper, and turning out such work as comes into the job department. Friday night, Coats Bentley, a strapping lad of 19 summers, an industrious young fellow possessed with a natural "nose for news" and how to put it together to make interesting reading, and unusually well versed with the mechanical department of the paper, left me high and dry. He volunteered his services to the army for a year's training, and passing all mental and physical tests satisfactorily he was instructed to appear at Fort Bliss for assignment of duty, and he's "in the army now!" Bentley had been an employee of the Reporter for the past three months, and outside of operating the linotype, he lifted from our shoulders about all the work connected with this office. I'll miss him much, as he was a young man eager and willing to perform any task assigned him. His pleasant ways, and frequent outbursts of humor while at work, maintained a calm and pleasant atmosphere in the office. He leaves sort of a vacant spot in these here diggings, but I can take it—working as a cog in the machinery to help keep up home defense and keep the "home fires burning" while the youth of our land are training in the army to defend the United States from enemy invasion from without and from within.

RESULT of the issue of the Reporter dedicated to Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Wilkinson two weeks ago, brought a letter addressed to this column from G. D. Triplett, secretary of the chamber of commerce at Anson, extending congratulations for our efforts in paying tribute to an highly respected pioneer West Texas couple. Anson, Jones County, as all Reporter readers are aware by this time, is the spot, where on a Christmas night in 1885, W. M. Wilkinson, then a young cowhand, called the figures to a cowboys' dance. On hand at this event was a young man by the name of William L. wrence Chittenden (Larry for short), from the East, sent to Anson by an uncle to look after his ranching interests. He arrived one Christmas eve night, put up at the Morning Star Hotel where the cowboys were having a big to-do, "The Cowboys' Christmas Ball." He became so impressed with the ball and the cowboy calling the dance numbers, he wrote his famous poem making the cowboy his star character. Today, this poem is known in every cow camp in the United States and adorns library shelves in homes of many others not identified with ranch life.

The caller of the dance numbers at that Christmas ball, was a young cowboy whom Chittenden dubbed in his poem as "Windy Bill From Deadman's Branch," who, today, is none other than Stanton's "Uncle Bill" Wilkinson. Up to two years ago, "Uncle Bill" drove his Ford car to town by 5 o'clock every morning. He is now in his 79th year.

Mr. Triplett, in his letter in part, said: "Many congratulations on your special edition in observance of the Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Wilkinson. I think it was very nice, and I noticed it was full of ads, too."

"I have brought the paper to the attention of the president of the Cowboys' Christmas Ball and he has instructed me to send you the first invitation to the Ball to be held this coming December."

"I am enclosing a pass for yourself and Mrs. Kelly. The dates on the pass will be wrong for we have not had new passes printed for the coming Ball. (continued to page 2)

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BILLY SADLER WINS AT AMARILLO SHOW

(By George Bond)

Amarillo, March 6.—Billy Jo Sadler continued his first place winning at the Eleventh Annual Amarillo Exposition and Fat Stock Show Tuesday by taking the blue ribbon in the group of three calves fed by one boy. He also won fourth place in the heavy class with an E. B. Dickenson calf and ninth place in the same class with a calf bred by J. C. Sale. His light calf a Dickenson calf, stood third in its class.

Elmer Anderson, showing a calf in each the heavy and light classes, won 11th and 9th places respectively. His calves were bred by Renfro Brothers of Hereford.

Tom Estes competed in the light division with two calves bred by his father, Jack Estes. His two calves were placed 25th and 29th for sales order in that class.

The grand champion calf of this year's show was exhibited by John Leathers, a member of the of the typical American family at the World's Fair last year. Leathers is from Donley County. The reserve champion award went to Carlton Eckert, Mason County youth.

Large Number Exhibited

The number of entries and quality of stock were unusually large and good this year, there being some 280 calves entered in the baby beef show. Of this number 71 calves were placed in the heavy class and 98 placed in the light or junior class. Five of the seven calves shown by Martin County boys won \$68 in prize money. Five of the seven are to sell through the auction sale at the show Friday, with the remainder and other calves from home entering the Fort Worth Exposition and Livestock Show Friday.

SKATING RINK TO RESUME OPERATIONS

The skating rink at the school gym will resume operations on March 14, according to action taken by the school board at its regular monthly meeting, Monday night.

The rink will be open two nights per week—Friday and Saturday nights.

J. D. Renfro will have charge of the operation. The fee has been reduced to 20c per session flat, with no reductions for a second session, and no concessions because of age or sex.

HALF HOLIDAY FOR SCHOOLS MARCH 14

There will be a half holiday for the local schools, Friday, March 14, so the teachers may attend the West Texas Teachers association in Big Spring on that date.

Regular monthly examinations will be given on the afternoon of the 13th and forenoon of the 14th as usual, and school will be dismissed at noon the 14th.

INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE DATE SET

The Martin County Interscholastic League meet are as follows:

Literary Events—March 21.
One-act Play (night)—March 21.
Boys Track and Field—March 22.
Girls Tennis—March 22.
Boys Tennis—March 29.
Volley Ball (tentative)—March 28.

All events will be held in Stanton, save possibly volleyball, the place for which will be decided at the County Meet, the 21st.

The Stanton Service club will furnish the ribbons for the place winners: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, in all events of the League meet to be held in Stanton March 21-22, and later dates. Approximately 150 sets of ribbons will be awarded in the various league events.

TO GRADUATE FROM KELLY



Robt. L. Campbell, Jr.

STANTON BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT ENDS

(Cleddie Shelburne)

The Stanton Independent Basketball Tournament ended Tuesday night in the high school gym with crowning of champions, in both the consolation and championship divisions.

Battling for the consolation division in the first game of Tuesday night's bill, DeBerry's Standard Oilers fought to a win over the stubborn Draper Laundry team. Russel Sadler of the Oilers went on a scoring spree which counted up 15 points to his part for the high score honors of the night. Robinson and Egger tied for high point man for the Laundry with four points each. The final whistle sounded when the score stood 21 to 14 in favor of the Oilers.

In the championship division of the tournament, Graham's Texaco team came through undefeated and unchallenged for the crown. The Texaco boys topped all their opponents by a wide margin during the meet. Toggery Ceaners were the victims Tuesday night of a very bitterly fought fracas which ended 37 to 17 for the Texaco quintet.

The furious speed and dead-eye of little Owen Kelly was the difference in the teams in their final round combat. Kelly piled up 12 points with the next man to him, J. W. Graham, with 8 points.

"DRAFT" CLOSING IN LIKE A FULL-FLEDGED W. T. SAND STORM

A letter addressed to the Reporter editor from "Jiggs" Hall, Charlotte, North Carolina, received this week, said, among other things, "Boy, this 'Draft' business is beginning to look like a full-sized West Texas sand storm to me," and it will be noted that Jiggs started the word "Draft" with a capital "D," leading one to believe it is trailing close on Jiggs' heels.

Jiggs enclosed in his letter a copy of the "World's Smallest Daily Newspaper," according to the line in its masthead. The name is the Tyron Daily Bulletin, published at Tyron, North Carolina, which, according to Jiggs, "is a small resort town in Western North Carolina—in mountains—very pretty."

The Daily Bulletin was established January 31, 1928—yearly subscription price \$1.50, and single copy 1-cent. There are eight pages, each type page measuring 7x4 inches and well balanced with advertising.

A SURPRISE BIRTHDAY DINNER

On Sunday, March 2, Mrs. E. A. Baugh, gave a surprise birthday dinner in honor of her husband's 53rd birthday, which was March 4th.

Those present for the dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Baugh and daughter, Martha Lylene, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Gilmore and children, Ruby Fern and Kenneth, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hughes and Ronald Lee, the honoree and hostess.

INVITATIONS RECEIVED TO AIR CORPS GRADUATION EXERCISES AT KELLY FIELD, SAN ANTONIO

George Blocker, Wednesday morning, received in the mails, an invitation to attend the graduation exercises of Class 41-B of the Gulf Coast Air Corps Training Center of U. S. Army on March 14, at Kelly Field, San Antonio. The invitation from Robt. L. Campbell, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Campbell of the Courtney community.

Recently he was graduated from Randolph Field, to Kelly Field, the Field from which the cadet is presented his wings, the most coveted prize of student pilots.

SAME CALENDAR DAYS IN MARCH AS FEBRUARY

Whether or not this is an unusual or a common case with calendar months, we are not prepared to say, but we had never noticed before, hence it was an eyeopener to us when we looked at the March calendar and found that every day in the week bore the same number as those in February up to the 28th which was all the days the month boasts of, except in every four years when one day is added making 29 days.

The first day of February came on Saturday and the first day of March was ushered in on Saturday.

What called our attention to the similarity of days in the months of February and March, came when we looked at Friday on the March calendar, to see what day of the month the Reporter's publication day came on, and we found the dates to be the same as in March.

CELEBRATE THEIR 25TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Thursday, Feb. 20, was the Twenty-fifth Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. John Marshall of Lorine, and on Sunday, Feb. 23, friends and relatives gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Marshall, near Big Spring, for a dinner in commemoration of the occasion. Many pretty gifts were presented the couple.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Robertson and children, Wilma Lee and George of Lamesa; Mrs. Ruby Robertson of Stanton; Herbert Loghry of Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Robertson and children, La Vena and Bonnie, of Midland; Miss Ruby Jo Marshall of McMurry College, Abilene; the honorees, Mr. and Mrs. John Marshall of Loraine, and the host and hostess.

MARY GEORGE MORRIS ENTERTAINED FRIENDS

Last Friday night Mary George Morris entertained a group of her friends with a "42" party at her home. A color scheme of pink and green was carried out. Refreshments of pink and green chicken salad sandwiches, olives, potato chips, cookies and hot chocolate were served to Irene Barker, Pete Gregg, Mary Kathryn Barfield, Prentiss Bristow, Josephine Houston, James Webb, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Kindrich of Big Spring; David Draper and the hostess.—Reported.

OFF TO MIAMI AND TAMPA FLORIDA TO SHOOT

Jesse Woody left Thursday for Big Spring, where he was joined by L. P. McCasland of the highway patrol, on a trip to Miami and Tampa, Florida, to enter the national shoot. The contests will cover a period of three weeks and the prizes, both in merchandise and cash, amount to \$3,000. Woody and McCasland will enter practically every contest. Both are crack marksmen, and have many medals and trophies stowed away that they have won at various state and national shooting contests.

Rural Schools Receive \$2022 State Aid Money

A visit Saturday morning to the office of Judge B. F. White, county superintendent, revealed that five rural schools of Martin County, received 50 percent state aid, and were notified that another grant would be made on March 5th.

The schools receiving state aid and the amount of each follow:

Lenorah	\$601
South Plains	28
Brown	624
Valley View	401
Merrick	358
In the local funds from January tax collections the school and the amount of each follows:	
Lenorah	\$302.84
South Plains	885.20
Badgett	392.37
Brown	542.38
Goldsmith	88.77
Valley View	542.25
Merrick	317.47
Moore's Hill	41.23
Wolcott	279.22

AT RECEPTION CENTER AT FORT BLISS

Friou Cathey, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Cathey of the Lenorah community, paid the Reporter a pleasant call Saturday morning and subscribed for the paper. Friou is stationed at Reception Center of the army camp at Fort Bliss, and was home on a 2½ day leave. He says he likes the army training life fine.

TREES SET OUT AT BROWN SCHOOL

In town Saturday, A. C. Fleming, principal of the Brown school stated his school had set out 50 Chinese elm trees on the grounds that week. Thursday, the ladies of the Brown community, will meet and organize their first Parent-Teacher association.

He ordered the Reporter to trek into his home for a year.

LEASE ACREAGE OF 2,536 TURNED TO TEXAS CO.

Maybe there's something to this Martin County wildcat, anyway, Allan Hargrave, Midland operator has announced that he has assigned The Texas Company leases on 2,536 acres in northern part of this county, two miles southwest of the interesting wildcat now being drilled by the Magnolia Petroleum Company on N. B. Teague land. Consideration was not revealed. Acreage all lies in league 259, Borden County school land, and consists of labors 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 24 and 25.

COURTNEY AND STANTON BEAT WOMEN'S QUINTET

The women's basketball team the Ozark Hillbillies, champions lost their "powder puffs" to a combination boys' team made up of members of the Stanton Buffaloes and the Courtney Eagles, at the Courtney gym Friday night. The game ended 25-23 in favor of the Buffaloes-Eagles.

COURTNEY EAGLES END SEASON WITH VICTORY

Courtney Eagles closed out the district season against Sterling City last Thursday, winning 33-21.

J. W. Graham was high point man for the Eagles with 12 tallies.

The Eagles won the trophy for ranking first in the area.

Visitors From Lubbock

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Munn and little daughter, Mary Ann, of Lubbock, drove down Sunday in their new car to spend the day with kinpeople, visiting in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Loyace Hazlewood, Mr. and Mrs. Ode Hazlewood, the Ebbersol families, including the grandmother, Mrs. Zelpha Ebbersol, and the parents of Mrs. Munn, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Collier.

ELECTRIC CO-OPS. ELECT DIRECTORS LAST SATURDAY

SIX OF THE NINE DIRECTORS ELECTED ARE RESIDENTS OF MARTIN COUNTY

Annual membership meeting of the Cap Rock Electric Co-operative was held last Saturday in Big Spring with approximately 300 subscribers to the system in attendance. The all-day affair was featured by an electrical appliance show.

The parley opened at 10 a. m. with a range demonstration by Kathryn Harris, REA representative of the Washington, D. C., office.

During the business session, which got underway in the forepart of the afternoon, it was pointed out that the Co-op had on hand \$144,000 when building of the system started and completed the entire setup with \$42,000 yet untouched and \$1,650 in the local office.

Directors elected were Jim McCreless, route 1, Stanton; C. F. Gray, Stanton; Glenn Cantrell, route 1, Big Spring; Mrs. Lee Castle, Knott; Miss Arak Phillips, route 1, Big Spring; Mrs. W. L. Clements, Star route, Stanton; Riggs Shepperd, route 1, Stanton; H. W. Deavenport, Lenorah; and Reece Adams, route 1, Ackerly, being named on the board.

Seven dealers with electrical appliances were on hand with their wares to give prospective customers a line on adaptability of various machines to rural needs.

MISS JONI LU JONES AND MR. RAY WRIGHT MARRIED IN LUBBOCK

(BY KATHLEEN MCCRELESS)

Lubbock, Mar. 6 (Special).—Miss Joni Lu Jones, daughter of Mrs. S. E. Jones, Stanton, and Ray Wright, son of Mr. E. E. Wright, were married in a candlelight service Saturday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Boling, 2417 seventh street, Lubbock. John R. Freeman, Church of Christ minister, read the ceremony.

The bride wore a navy blue dress with black patent accessories, white gloves and white hat. She wore a corsage of white gardenias. For "something old" she wore a horseshoe locket belonging to her father, the late S. E. Jones. For "something borrowed" she wore a sweetheart bracelet belonging to Kathleen McCreless.

Mrs. Wright is a graduate of Courtney high school and is a student at Texas Technological college where she will continue her studies in physical education.

Mr. Wright attended Texas Technological and Draughton's business college. He is now employed at a milling company in Lubbock.

Following the ceremony a reception was held and cake and punch were served to Mrs. S. E. Jones, Mrs. Jack Jones and Belle, Stanton; Mrs. Bill Rhodes Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Albert, Ackerly; and Mr. Casey Jones, Monahans.

Messrs. S. P. Boling, E. E. Wright, Edgar Wright, and Edward Smith, Lubbock.

Mrs. S. P. Boling, and Misses Lona Bell Adams, Lola Francis Rountree, Irene Koen, Iva Lue Wright, and Kathleen McCreless, Lubbock.

The couple will be at home at 2405 fifteenth street in Lubbock.

WILL FILL PULPIT AT BAPTIST CHURCH SUNDAY

Rev. Perry Barber of Celeste, Texas, will fill the pulpit at the Baptist Church next Sunday, at both services, 11:00 a. m., and 7:30 p. m. A cordial invitation is extended to all to hear him.

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but nevertheless, the pass will be honored and you will be notified of the correct dates."

To all of which Mr. and Mrs. Kelly extend sincere thanks to the president of Anson's Cowboy Christm's Ball, and if everything goes smoothly, we will be there with bells dangling on our spurs.

SOMETIMES I wonder if the weekly newspaper gave away its advertising columns if it would be appreciated. I once knew an editor, very young in experience, when soliciting a merchant for an ad. and met with the reply from the merchant, "your rate is too high." he would cut his price to meet the merchant's request. He soon had every merchant in town paying a different price. The result the merchants lost confidence in their young editor, discontinued their advertising with him, and the paper folded up. Establish an advertising rate that in the end will help defray the operating expense of the paper and its taxes, and stay with it. If you can't get the business on that basis, move out before the sheriff gets you. It pays to be square with your merchant. He knows any business must make a fair profit to stay in business. And if you operate your business in a way that will gain his confidence, you'll get the business.

Speaking of advertising rates, I read where a page advertisement in the New York Daily News costs \$2,400, in the Detroit News \$1,205, in the Saturday Evening Post in black ink,

\$8,000, or in color \$15,000. Life receives for a page \$5,700 and for the back covers in color \$10,545. But the Reporter doesn't happen to be any one of those periodicals.

MRS. P. A. BERRY ELECTED PRESIDENT OF STANTON STUDY CLUB

The Stanton Study club met Thursday of last week in the home of Mrs. Homer Poole for a study program on Art of the Southwest. Mrs. Earl Powell, president, presided over the business session when new officers for the coming term of two years were elected as follows:

Mrs. P. A. Berry, president; Mrs. Paul Jones, vice president; Mrs. James Jones, recording secretary; Mrs. P. L. Daniell, corresponding secy.; Mrs. Floyd Smith, treasurer; Mrs. Earl Powell, critic; Maude Alexander, parliamentarian; Mrs. H. A. Poole, reporter; and Mrs. Edmund Tom, club musician.

The club also inspected a large number of new books purchased that day for the Martin County Library, which is sponsored by the club. Plans were made for the art exhibit and tea when members will be hostesses Thursday, March 13, at the home of Mrs. Jim Tom. Invitations will be issued in the near future to the annual tea.

The program for the afternoon was directed by Mrs. Jim Tom, who also gave a resume of Texas and New Mexico artists. She spoke especially of H. W. Caylor, noted western artist of Big Spring. Mrs. H. A. Poole gave an interesting talk on Arizona artists.

Present were Mrs. Jim Tom, Mrs. Charles Slaughter, Mrs. Poe Woodard, Mrs. Ode Hazlewood, Mrs. Arlo Forrest, Mrs. Dan Daniell, Mrs. Floyd Smith, Mrs. Edmund Tom, Mrs. Paul Jones, Mrs. P. A. Berry, Mrs. Earl Powell, Mrs. Robert Anglin and Mrs. Poole.

Attend San Angelo Show

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Stone and Mr. and Mrs. Son Powell, attended the stock show at San Angelo, last Friday.

Back to Stanton

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Angel have moved back to Stanton from Snyder where Mr. Angel spent the past fall managing a gin.

MARTIN COUNTY BOY IN PUERTO RICO SAYS RAINS SO MUCH HE LONGS FOR SANDSTORM

Hq. and Hq. Sqd.
48th Air Base Grp.
Ponce Air Base
Ponce, Puerto Rico

2-28, 1941

The Stanton Reporter
Mr. and Mrs. Kelly, Pub.
Stanton, Texas

Dear Sir:

In a recent issue of your paper I noticed a letter written by myself to my parents. I did not know at the time I wrote the letter that it would be published, however, I was very much pleased as I have lived in and around Stanton for a number of years and I have a large number of friends that I will not be able to write to, so I would like very much to send you an account of the happenings here in Puerto Rico, the customs of the people and description of the scenery, and different things that might be interesting to those that have never been to Puerto Rico. I think most of the people at Courtney and community around Stanton of which I am acquainted, are subscribers to your paper, so this would serve as material for your paper and also a type of correspondence from me to my friends. I am enclosing a general view of the scenery and happenings in this letter.

I remain,
Sincerely yours,
D. W. CHISHOLM

In a more recent issue of the Reporter was a letter written by me to my parents telling of the trip from Barksdale, La., to Puerto Rico, on the Ship Chateau Thierry. We landed at Ponce Puerto Rico on the 6th of January, where we have been stationed from that time to now.

This is a very beautiful place, being a tropical country there is almost every kind of fruit and other kinds of trees to be found anywhere. The coconut palm is outstanding here, as there are unnumbered groves of them all over the island. They bear the year around and is the sole means of livelihood for many of the natives. There is also an abundant amount of bananas grown here, some being exported and the balance being consumed by the islanders. Oranges are also plentiful as every farm home has a grove. Grapefruit is not raised commercially but is enough for the inhabitants here. In fact, there is almost any kind of fruit or vegetable raised here that you could possibly wish for. There are thousands of acres in sugar cane plantations. Some of this is used to make the Boco Chica or Puerto Rican rum that this island is so famous for. The rum is the favorite drink of the natives, which, when mixed with this hot sunshine will cause temporary loss of memory when used extensively. The popular term here for that drink is "Rum Dum!"

The same system of travel, a

small oxcart with a pair of oxen, is still used here as in the early days. The higher class of people only can afford automobiles. They being the old Spanish families that settled here years ago.

There are two outstanding races of people on the island—the old Spanish and the negro races. The negroes speak the Spanish language the same as the Spanish. Very few of them know any English. The type of dwellings used by the natives are usually a small plank building, some of them being thatched with palm leaves, and in some instances of the very poor type—the family and stock all live together. It is not an uncommon sight to see the children up to 10 years of age running around in the village streets naked, having little or no modesty. Some of them have never had a pair of shoes on in their lives. The men also go barefoot, their feet being tough and immune to the sharp rocks and thorns. A very funny thing about the children is their size according to age. A boy of 15 is no larger than some 7 to 10 the U. S. A. This is due to improper nourishment and prevailing diseases. One of these is malaria fever which is very common. The Government requires at least two quinine tablets a day for the soldiers but the natives take very little if any precautions to prevent this disease.

The towns in Puerto Rico are modern to a certain degree. You can order and get a milkshake, ice cream and any other kind of drink that we have in the United States, if you will tell them how to mix them. The Government forbids soldiers eating ice cream or anything with milk because it is not pasteurized and sanitary. We have a commissary at the post where we always go when we want any thing like that to eat.

The towns, as I mentioned before, are usually of the Old Spanish type, having a plaza or park in the center of the main district. Here is where all the courting and flirting is carried on. Every Sunday, Tuesday, and Thursday nights the boys and girls of the vicinity meet to walk the Plaza. Usually the girls have a chaperon with them. They start walking around in one direction and the boys in the opposite direction. When the boy sees a pretty senorita he wishes to walk with, if he can catch her eye, and she is willing, the boy can cut across and walk in her direction. Then if the parents of the boy and girl think they are suited to each other, after about two months of walking the Plaza together they are allowed to hold hands, and eventually get married.

In the center of the Plaza is a huge fountain. At night the water is turned on amid a hundred different colored lights. The spray and lights create an hundred rainbows, and is a very beautiful sight. The Plaza is overrun by little boys with shoe shine kits, pestering you till you can hardly get away without two or three shines in one

evening. The religion of the natives is Catholic. There is one of the most beautiful Catholic churches here in Ponce that I have ever seen. It is probably a hundred years old or older. There are some nondenominational churches here also.

The death rate in Puerto Rico is very high due to the island being so small and also due to the carelessness of drivers of automobiles. The drivers seem to rely more on the horn than the brakes. Also the roads are very narrow and precarious, especially in the mountainous regions. Usually, there is a grove of trees on both sides of the road, the branches overlapping from each side, thus causing a hazard, being dark even on the brightest days.

After I have visited more parts of the island I will have more to write about next time. Even though I am telling all the fine things about Puerto Rico, I don't think I have mentioned the rain here. The amount that falls here in one week would probably raise a good crop in West Texas. Sometimes I would like to see a good West Texas sand storm for a change.

D. W. Chisholm,
Previously of Wolcott

BROTHER, A SELECTEE AND BROTHER, VOLUNTEER

At the first call to register for the selective service, Jack Bentley, 24, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Bentley of Stanton, registered before the board in Reagan County, as he was an employee in the electrical service of the Big Lake Oil Co., at Texon. The time came for him to appear for a year's training in the army, and he left Tuesday, Feb. 18, for Fort Bliss. While at home for a few days visit with his parents, Coats Bentley, 19, Jack's brother, made application to join the service as a volunteer. He went before the local board, the proper papers executed and physical examinations made. Final papers for Coats' induction into the army training service from Austin were received last Friday morning, and just four days from the time his brother left for Fort Bliss, Coats was on his way to join his

brother Jack at the same training camp. It is thought it will be made possible for the brothers to be together during the year's training period.

Coats Bentley has been a valued employee of the Reporter for the past three years and we regret losing him, but knowing his services to Uncle Sam is more valuable and needed more in preparation for defense of his country and mine, and the further fact he volunteered his services to that end, stimulates this "old codger" to the point he is willing to buckle down and pull long an extra amount of work while this young man is working in defense of his country.

The Bentley brothers are very much attached to each other, and their background of stalwart young men, exemplary habits, and sterling characters, we are sure the brothers will make Uncle Sam two outstanding soldier boys.

Here's the best of luck to you both, Jack and Coats Bentley.

STANTON CLINIC HOSPITAL

Mrs. Edgar Standefer, a boy, Sunday, March 2, Jimmie Clayton.

Mrs. John Wilkes an appendectomy.

Mrs. Marian Gibson, a girl, Wednesday, March 29th.

Dr. J. Leslie Hall took Mrs. Finley Rhodes to Midland Clinic Hospital for major surgery Thursday.

Visitors From Midland

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Robertson and children of Midland, were Sunday guests of his mother, Mrs. Ruby Robertson.

To Midland to Work

Miss Willie Robinson left Saturday for Midland, where she has employment.

Visiting in Anderson County

Mrs. C. L. Louder left Sunday night to visit relatives in Anderson County. C. L. can now rare back in his chair, put his feet on the dining table, and read his daily newspaper.

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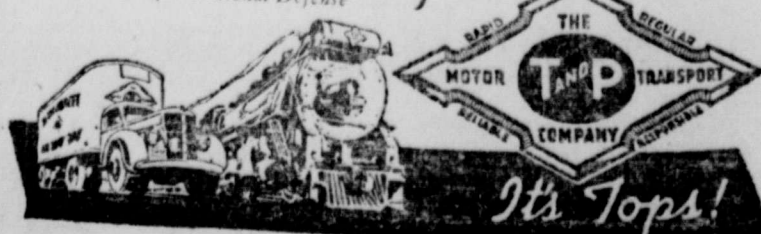
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GIFT TEA GIVEN FOR BRIDE BY FOUR HOSTESSES

Four hostesses entertained Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. H. A. Houston, with a gift tea complimenting Mrs. Jack Turner. Other hostesses besides Mrs. Houston were Mrs. Earl Burns, Mrs. L. M. Estes and Mrs. Jack Jones. Mrs. Turner was Miss Maurine Roberts daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Roberts of Coahoma before her marriage Feb. 22.

Included in the house party were Miss Alice Mae Widner, who presided over the bride's registry, Virginia Atchison, Ruby Atchison, and Ruth Kelly, who served punch to guests from the lace-laid table, Josephine Houston, Mary George Morris, Mary Kathryn Barfield, Corrine Turner and Belle Jones, who greeted guests in the receiving rooms.

Present were Mrs. Edd Bloomer, Mrs. O. C. Turner, Mrs. J. B. Harvard, Mrs. Jim Webb, Mrs. Fred Bodine, Mrs. V. F. Roberts of Coahoma; Mrs. W. H. Cox, Mrs. A. D. Widner, Mrs. Bill Blocker, Mrs. Pat Howard, Mrs. A. G. Bohannon of Midland; Mrs. Donald Stroud, Mrs. J. P. Stroud, Mrs. M. S. Etes, Mrs. W. Y. Houston, Mrs. Dave Foreman, Mrs. Harry Baker.

Mrs. J. L. Thompson, Mrs. Joe Stewart, Mrs. Geo. Lewis, Mrs. Morris Zimmerman, Mrs. Clara Atchison, Mrs. W. E. Kelly, Mrs. Sam Timmons, Mrs. Finley Rhodes, Mrs. O. W. Flanagan, Mrs. Dan Greene, Mrs. W. A. Kaderli, Mrs. John Pinkston, Mrs. W. T. Blankenship, Mrs. C. F. Atchison, Mrs. Raymond Bennett, Mrs. John Atchison, Mrs. C. C. Kelly, Mrs. Horace Blocker, Mrs. F. R. Peyton, Mrs. Jack Heaton, Mrs. Leeman Henson, Mrs. Glen Petree, Mrs. Alton Turner, Mrs. A. T. Angel, Mrs. Pat Howard, Miss Maude Alexander.

Sending gifts were Mrs. P. K. Hay, Mrs. Earl Powell, Mrs. John Poe, Mrs. H. C. Burnam, Mrs. E. H. Hardy, Mrs. Bevy Purser, Mrs. Jim McCoy, Mrs. Jim Kelly, Mrs. Bob Schell, Mrs. John Epley, Mrs. Frank Dyson, Mrs. Weaver, Mrs. James Jones, Mrs. T. W. Haynie, Mrs. W. J. Smith, Mrs. Larry Morris, Mrs. Virgil Brothers, Mrs. Parker, Mrs. George Bond, Mrs. Earl Douglas, Mrs. J. R. Bassett, Mrs. Sam Jones, Mrs. Homer Poole, Mrs. W. A. Thompson, Mrs.

Paul Jones, Mrs. Calvin Jones, Mrs. Alta Henson, Mrs. Walter Morris, Mrs. Geo. Shelburne, Mrs. M. L. Gibson, Mrs. G. W. Alsop, Mrs. D. Richards, Mrs. Paul Peeler, Mrs. Beula Mae Stoeger, Mrs. J. S. Blackford, Mrs. J. E. Moffett, Mrs. J. I. Jones, Mrs. Morgan Hall, Mrs. A. W. Keisling, Mrs. Wm. Henson, Mrs. Lillie Douglass.

Mrs. French Gray, Mrs. J. N. Woody, Mrs. R. M. Deavenport, Mrs. E. Mims, Mrs. Otis Blackerby, Mrs. Albert Louder, Mrs. Roy Ebbersol, Mrs. C. E. Story, Mrs. J. W. Morgan, Mrs. Wayne Moffett, Mrs. Poe Woodard, Mrs. Evelyn Woodard, Mrs. Nobye Hamilton, Mrs. W. W. Eiland, Mrs. Curtis Fisher, Mrs. J. A. Wilson, Mrs. B. P. Eidson, Mrs. Mace Howard, Mrs. W. L. Gregg, Mrs. Bill Dawkins, Mrs. Bud Mitchell, Mrs. J. H. Kelly, Mrs. A. L. Houston, Mrs. P. L. Daniell, Mrs. Edmund Tom, Nina Holder, Loretta Schell, Angela Schell, Virginia Reddell, Loree Massey, Eva Mae Cook, Marjorie Richards, Beulah Crow, Lora Bell Crow, Mildred Wright, Vestal McClane, Mamie McDurmon, Tommye Keisling, Addie Beth Blocker, Lela Hamilton, and Dr. P. M. Bristow and Tom Houston.

SHOWER HONORING MRS. FAHRENDER OF NEW MEXICO

Mmes. W. Y. Houston and J. R. Sale, were co-hostesses for a very lovely party in compliment to Mrs. Bill Fahrlander, of Roswell, New Mexico, the former Guyrene Mott, of Stanton, at the home of Mrs. Houston, last Saturday.

Mmes. Morgan Hall and A. L. Houston greeted the arriving guests. After registering in the bride's booy presided over by Mrs. Woodford Sale, the guests were served punch by Mrs. J. C. Sale from a candle lighted dining table. Spring flowers were used on the table throughout the house.

Mrs. A. L. Houston gave greetings to the bride and Mrs. P. L. Daniell played a violin solo as a part of a short program. Jo Jon Hall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Hall, read an appropriate poem, and assisted by Eula Belle Mott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Collison Mott, presented the many gifts.

Invited guests were Mmes. J. E. Milhollen, Bill Epley, Cal Houston, Jess Woody, Bland

Cross, B. T. Hill, Calvin Jones, J. J. Mills, Evelyn Woodard, J. M. Dickenson, Bill Wilkinson, George Tom, V. Y. Sadler, Sam wilkinson, H. A. Houston, A. R. Houston, Jim Tom, Wilmer Jones, James Jones, J. E. Moffett, Elizabeth Graves, J. H. Zimmerman, Lyles, Virgil Brothers, Jno. F. Epley, Filmore Epley, Charles Ebbersol, Allen Kaderli, Nobye Hamilton, Claud Houston, Sam Stamps, M. E. Stamps, John Atchison, Edmond Morrow, W. G. Morrow, J. H. Kelly, J. L. Hall, John Priddy, Zelpha Ebbersol, J. B. Collier, J. S. Lamar, B. P. Eidson, F. W. Flanagan, Roy Ebbersol, Dan Daniell, Warner Haynie, Clara Haynie, T. E. Mashburn, Mamie Tom,

Bart Smith, Collison Mott; Misses Maude Alexander, Mamie McDurmon, Gret Mae Connell, Lela Hamilton, Lurline Rogers.

Out of town guests were Mrs. R. S. Sullivan, Pecos; Mrs. Terry Elkin, Mrs. Woody Elkin, Mrs. Walter Anderson of Midland; Mrs. Seth Thompson, Mrs. Ben Nutter, Mrs. Alice Bell, and Mrs. Jim Tom Smith, of Odessa.

Buy Prevo Property

Judge J. S. Lamar has traded for the E. S. Prevo residence property and is having the old house repaired and remodeled on the interior and exterior, and the lots cleared and cleaned of

old rubbish and burned. The yard will undergo a thorough overhauling, new dirt supplied, levelled, and fertilized, and grass and trees set out. In fact, the place will be made over anew and attractive to surround ing property. Hurrah, Judge! we need more of this home-pride in Stanton.

THREE SELECTEES LEAVE FOR FORT BLISS

Wednesday night James Milton Moffett, William Irvin Currie, and Howard Otis Cox, left for Fort Bliss to enter army training for a period of a year. It was Martin County's quota for March 5th. The next call is

for March 19, at which time three selectees are to go.

Midland Visitors

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Simpson and son Ray Jr., were in Stanton for a few hours Wednesday afternoon visiting with Mrs. Simpson's sister, Mrs. Wayne Moffett. Mrs. Simpson said her brother Gene Parks, was in the army but they didn't know yet where he would be located.

Visited in Big Spring

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Baugh and Mrs. Fred Hughes and son Ronald Lee, visited Monday and Tuesday in Big Spring with Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Baugh.

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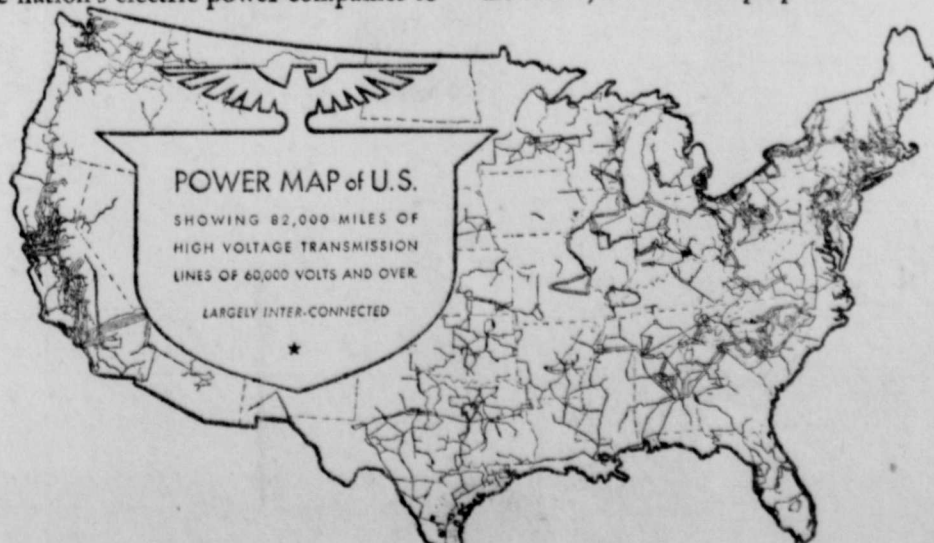
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HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB NEWS

FANNIE LUCKIE
Home Demonstration Agent

VALLEY VIEW CLUB

The Valley View home demonstration club met Feb. 27, at the home of Mrs. T. J. Poindexter, with the president, Mrs. Clarence Keele, presiding.

Education day was the program.

Talks were made on Land Use Planning by Mrs. W. L. Clements; AAA benefits to the home by Loree Massey; mattress program by Miss Luckie.

Miss Loree Massey was elected a candidate to be voted on by Council to go to District No. 6, at Big Spring in April.

This club is proud to have a Martin County woman up for vice president of District 6.

Refreshments were served to the following members: Mrs. E. M. Massey, Mrs. H. Puckett, Miss Loree Massey, Mrs. Lemuel Free, Mrs. Kent Howell, Mrs. W. H. Munn, Mrs. Claud O'Donnell, Mrs. Powell Yates, Mrs. Clarence Keele, Mrs. W. L. Clements, Mrs. Jim McCreless, Miss Luckie, Mrs. O. V. Fuller, Grandmother Keele, Mrs. T. J.

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Poindexter, and one visitor, Bobbie Clements.—Reporter.

WIN A PRIZE

For the best year's record of reporters, both women and 4-H girls a prize will be given. Miss Luckie, home demonstration agent of Martin County, told members of the Reporters' Association in their first meeting on March 1st, in the court room in Stanton.

"Each reporter is expected to write a report of each club meeting, and to advertise each meeting, keeping records of each report. She is expected to keep a scrapbook of the year's work, and the book will be graded according to club attendance, reporters' association attendance, number of reports written and published, quality of reports, and the neatness and appearance of scrapbooks," was further explained by Miss Luckie.

Mrs. C. W. Butcher, Council reporter, automatically became chairman of the Reporters' Association, and Mrs. Bonnie Smith, was elected secretary. Mrs. Glen Jackson was appointed recreational leader for next meeting.

Seven women and five girls were present. The women present were: Mrs. C. W. Butcher, chairman; Mrs. Bonnie Smith, secretary; Mrs. Glen Jackson, Mrs. A. E. Hogue, Mrs. Otis Davidson, Mrs. Leo Phelan and Miss Luckie. The reporters from the 4-H girls' clubs were Barbara Neal, Aylene Farrington, Betty Ruth Gieson, Christine Mims, and Charlene Butcher.

Next reporters' meeting will be April 5th, which is the first Saturday in April at 2 p. m. Reporters of both clubs are urged to be present at this meeting. Get in the race for the prize!—Reporter.

MRS. CLARA HOOD RUGEL TO SPEAK MARCH 14

Mrs. Clara Hood Rugel will speak on the topic, "What the Axis Alliance Has Cost Italy," at the high school auditorium in Midland at 8:15 o'clock, evening of Friday, March 14.

Mrs. Rugel has visited Italy five times, interviewed Mussolini in the famous Venezia Hall, been entertained in the home of the late Balboa and wife. She will tell of the real story of the death of the famous flier, Balboa.

This entertainment is sponsored by the P. T. A. and the admission price is 50c.

Leave For Ennis

Mr. and Mrs. Son Powell left Thursday for Ennis to visit her parents. While there they will visit the Fort Worth Fat Stock show.

Brothers in Co.'s C and D

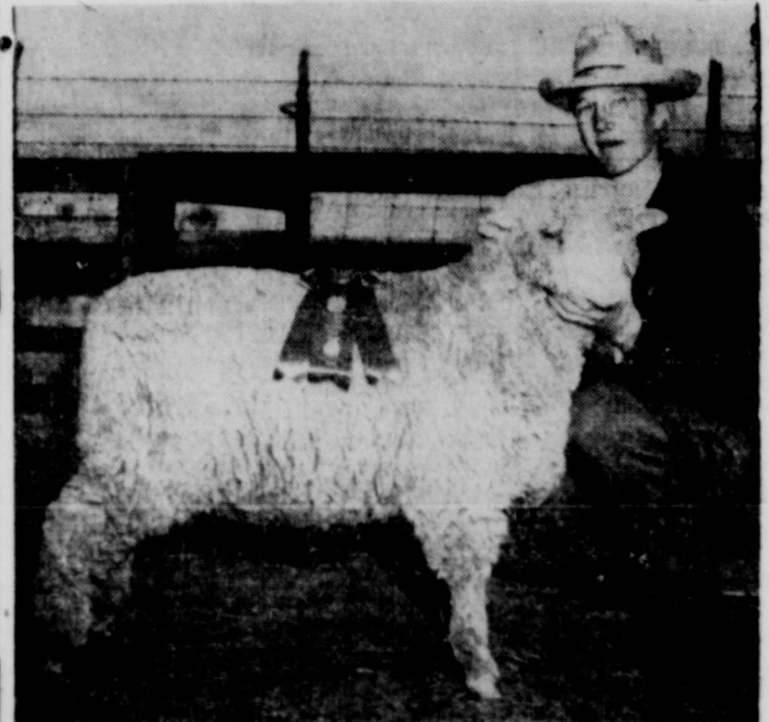
Word from Jack and Coats Bentley, brothers, in the army training service at Fort Bliss, states that Jack has been assigned to Co. D, and Coats, who arrived at camp early last Saturday morning, is in Co. C.



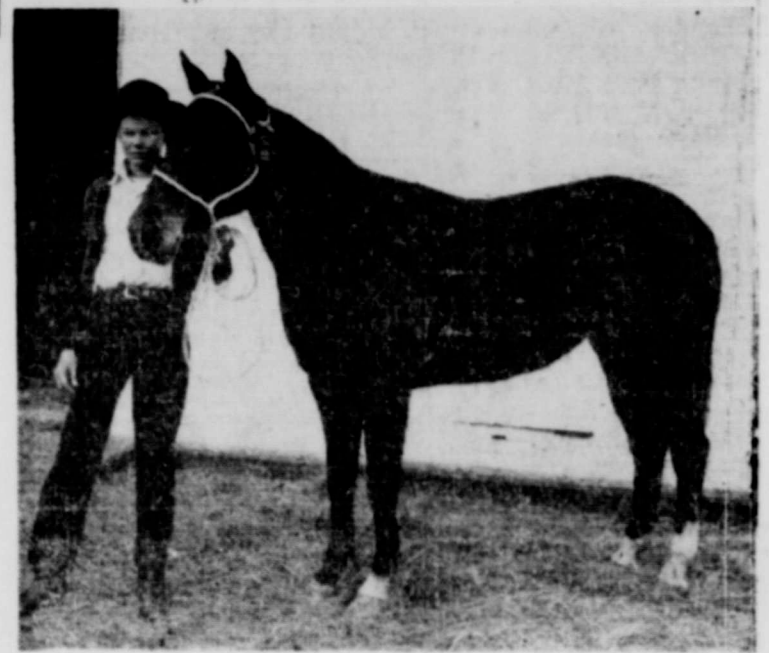
POWELL BRED CALF WINS GRAND CHAMPION AND CHAMPION OF HEAVY-WEIGHT CLASS OF 800 POUNDS OR OVER AT GARDEN CITY SHOW HELD LAST WEEK



CHAMPION CALF AT GARDEN CITY Wednesday was this 840-pound Hereford fed and exhibited by Horace Underwood. It was bred by Son Powell of Garden City.



BEST FAT LAMB at Garden City was shown by Robert Lawson. Joy Wilkerson of Garden City was the breeder.



GRAND CHAMPION HORSE at Garden City was this seven-year-old quarter mare owned by Curtis and E. P. Driver of Big Spring. She is held by Billy Neal of Big Spring.

(Through the courtesy of the San Angelo Standard-Times we are able to print the pictures of these prize-winning animals at the Glasscock County Livestock Show held Wednesday of last week at Garden City.—Ed.)

Son Powell of the "69" Ranch in Glasscock County, 24 miles south of Stanton, saw the calf he bred on his ranch, capture grand champion of the show and champion of the heavy-weight class of 800 pounds and over, at the Garden City Livestock Show held last week. The calf was fed out by Horace Underwood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Underwood of Garden City. From September 15, 1940 the date Underwood commenced to feed the calf up to February 26, the date of the Garden City show, some five months, the calf gained 430 pounds.

The calf was purchased by the San Angelo Auction Co., at 18½ cents a pound, together with prizes he won, after all expenses had been paid, netted young Underwood over \$100.

When Horace Underwood

came to the Powell Ranch to select his calf, Mr. Powell was not at home but he hired hand Sam Perry was on hand, and he helped Underwood pick the calf. Having ranches in the Menard country many years where they grow prize calves, Mr. Perry knew a good calf when he saw one as the honors won at the Garden City show will testify.

Another Powell calf won third in heavy-weight class and first in two-calves class fed by one boy who was Robert Lawson.

That was not all the honors won at the show by stock from the "69" ranch. Powell entered a cow horse in the saddle horse class and won first in reining and second place as saddle horse. Buck Ballard of Glasscock County rode the horse in this event.

The occasion was the Fourth Annual Livestock Show for Glasscock County and proved to be of such outstanding success that residents there are figuring on giving the institution a permanent home.

Twenty-two calves—all but one of the club boy animals entered—sold for an average of

14.5 cents per pound. Eighteen top sheep brought an average of 31.2 cents per pound.

Over \$300 was raised by Glasscock County folk to defray the expense of having a 11 pamphlets printed and other ad-

vertising expense, prizes, etc.

It was estimated there were more than 1200 persons attended despite the seven days of cloudy and rainy weather that prevailed preceding and up to the day of the show.



THAT'S A VICTORY GRIN on the face of little Jack Berry, for his bull, shown above, was champion Hereford bull at Garden City. The bull was bred by A. E. Ballou of Sterling City.

SOUTH PLAINS

SCHOOL NEWS

(By G. M. Springer)

The South Plains School finished work on another six weeks period Friday, Feb. 28. The following pupils are eligible to be placed on the honor roll for the six weeks' period:

A-Honor Roll

Tommy Glaze and Andrew Robinson, first grade; Patsy Ruth Howard, second grade; Felix Russell, Bruce Key, and Joan Free, third grade; Billie Evelyn Lindsay, sixth grade; Billy Ray McMorries, eighth grade.

B-Honor Roll

William L. Lindsay and Hubert Harris, second grade; Lois Thompson and J. T. Sreinger, third grade; Ruby Nell Lawson, Eldon Welch, Bob Cox, Glean Francis, and Joyce Read, fifth grade; F. B. Hale and Mary Frances Howard, sixth grade; Bill Free, and Loyce Miller, seventh grade.

The South Plains P. T. A. met Thursday night, Feb. 27, instead of Friday, Feb. 23, be-

cause of the program at Courtney Friday night. A short program was given followed by a "42" party. C. S. Carwele received the honor for having the highest score. Plans are now being made by the P. T. A. to present a play in the near future.

BABY GIRL TO THE PHIL BERRYS

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Berry are the parents of a baby girl, born at Big Spring hospital Wednesday, March 5th, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon. The name chosen for the young Miss is Betty. Dr. J. Leslie Hall of the Stanton Clinic-Hospital, accompanied Mrs. Berry to the hospital.

J. K. BARFIELD SELLS RANCH TO MONAHAN'S MAN

J. K. Barfield, last week, sold his ranch northeast of Stanton to Dr. Y. D. McMurry of Monahan. The ranch contains 4½ sections. Mr. Barfield took a two years' grass lease on the ranch. The sale price was \$12.50 per acre and Barfield retained one-fourth of the mineral rights.

Visits Mother in Big Spring

Mrs. B. A. Purser went to Big Spring last Sunday to see her mother, Mrs. Winslow, who is recovering in a hospital there following major surgery.

Visiting In Callahan County

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Burnam are visiting friends and relatives in Callahan county this week.

Thieves Rob Country Home

Thieves took advantage of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Nance's absence from their farm home southwest of Stanton, Saturday afternoon and entered the house, getting off with an electric radio,

cash register, brand new suit of clothes and other wearing apparel belonging to their son, Herbert Nance. It was reported the ranch home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Wilkinson, down the road from the Nances, was also entered the same afternoon but the report could not be verified.

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