

# The Devil's River News

Published in Sonora, Texas — "The Capital of the Stockman's Paradise"

FIFTY-FOURTH YEAR

Sonora, Texas, Friday, April 28, 1944

TWENTY-SEVENTH WEEK

## Washington Letter

BY O. C. FISHER

### COTTON AND WOOL HAVE COMMON PROBLEMS

The cotton growers and the wool and mohair producers have much in common these days. There is a considerable stockpile of both wool and cotton, and synthetics are cutting sharply into the normal markets for all these other fibers.

In the case of cotton, there was a 9.2 percent decline in consumption during the first seven months of the current season over the same period a year ago. The cotton stockpile on March 1st was 13,870,116 bales, 6.7 percent below the same time last year.

Wool consumption has held up, due to heavy military orders, but the foreign imports and the stockpile have increased considerably. It is now estimated that by the end of this year the wool stockpile may be upwards of two billion pounds.

In the case of mohair, it is feared that sales from recent imports of Turkish mohair may depress our domestic prices which have been fairly stable, with no stockpiling accumulating.

### SYNTHETIC FIBERS PRESENT THREAT

Cotton, wool and mohair have felt the impact of the competition from the synthetics.

Cotton, for instance, lost a portion of its normal market when the WPB ordered rayon to be used instead of cotton in certain tire cords. WPB maintained the rayon was more durable than cotton, especially for truck tires. This contested as not being supported by impartial tests, but WPB thought otherwise and are now using a great deal of rayon in tires.

Normally, tire cords comprise about 10 percent of our domestic market for cotton.

Another reason for reduced cotton textile production has been manpower shortages in the mills.

A WPB official recently expressed fear that cotton textile production may drop as much as 20 percent in 1944 for lack of adequate manpower. That, however, may be partially offset by a belated WMC order providing a minimum 48-hour work week in the cotton textile industry.

It is interesting and indeed alarming to note the rapid increase in production of synthetic fibers in this country.

While cotton still commands 80 percent of the nation's total fiber consumption, in 10 years this rate has dropped three percent plus. Wool has held its own with 9.6 percent of the total.

Yet, during that 10-year period, rayon alone has jumped upward from 6 percent to 10.1 percent last year, the consumption of rayon now being greater than that of wool. In 1933, 217 million pounds of rayon were produced, compared with 656 million in 1943.

Last year synthetics spent over 60 million dollars in advertising and much more in research laboratories.

To meet this rising competition, there is need for more research and promotion of the superior natural fibers of wool, mohair and cotton.

## DRILLING ON S. B. ROBERTS WELL TO BEGIN WED.

A rotary crew began drilling the third S. B. Roberts well on the George S. Allison ranch Wednesday, it having been spudded to 400 feet previously.

This well is located in the north-eastern quarter of Section 57, Block 9.

A business visitor in Sonora Tuesday was W. G. Trout, special representative of the Burrus Mills, Fort Worth office.

### NOTICE

The Soliciting Committee for the 4-H Club Wool Show and Lions Livestock Auction Sale, to be held in June, has asked that ranchers cut back the animals they intend to donate to the sale when they start spring shearing. Animals "in the wool" make the best showing and bring the best prices.

Prospective donations should be reported as soon as possible to the soliciting committee: W. H. Dameron, George D. Chalk, J. M. Vander Stucken, B. M. Halbert, Jr., H. V. Stokes, Jack Mann.

## Texas History Pageant Given At High School

### BASKETBALL TEAMS GIVEN AWARDS

"Texas Under Six Flags", an historical pageant beginning with the coming of LaSalle to Texas in 1687, was presented by Sonora High School and Elementary School students in the High School Auditorium Wednesday morning. Characters in the pageant and the roles represented by each were: French, Jimmy Cusenbary and Katherine Ross; Spanish, Frankie Bond and Helen Martin; Mexico, Nolan Gibbs and Ethel Mae Alley; Texas Republic, Billy Wright Taylor and Wanda Griffith; Southern Confederacy, Tommie Bond and Billie Jo Barker; Uncle Sam and Miss America, George D. Chalk Jr., and Tina Ann Taylor. Raymond Johnson was narrator.

Special numbers presented were as follows: a French dance, "Put Your Little Foot"; Gilbert Teagarden, Jan Sanders, John A. Ward, III, Alice DeBerry, Gene Wallace, Billy Cartwright; vocal solo, "The Bells of St Mary's"; James Theodore Hunt; piano solo, "La Paloma"; Ann DeBerry; accordion solo, "Will You Come to the Bower"; David Shurley; square dance, Tommy Smith, Lila D. Chalk, H. C. Kiser, Ann DeBerry, Bobby White, Geraldine Morrow, Jimmy Cook, Gene Cliff Johnson; a poem, "The Conquered Banner"; Gene Cliff Johnson; a modern jitter-bug, Gilbert Teagarden, Jan Sanders, Jim Martin, Carolyn Johnson.

At the conclusion of the program, H. L. Lackey, basketball coach, presented awards to the basketball team members.

Gold basketballs were presented to the following first string men: Eugene Shurley, Don Nicholas, Tommy Smith, Raymond Johnson, Sidney Awalt, George D. Chalk, Jr. Silver balls were presented to the second team, composed of Frankie Bond, Clayton Hamilton, Cleveland Nance, Dickey Street, Al Boughton and H. C. Kiser.

## 5th War Loan Announced To Begin June 12

Announcement from S. George Little, special consultant for the War Finance Division of the Treasury Department, states that the Fifth War Loan Drive will be launched on June 12, and continue through July 8. In this effort, which Little terms the "most gigantic war financing program the world has ever known", the total national quota will be 16 billions of dollars, six billions of which is to be raised from individuals.

George H. Neill, county chairman of the War Finance activities, said that the Sutton County quota has not been received yet.

Little stated in his announcement to the News that "reaching and exceeding if possible, the quota for sales to individuals will be of supreme importance in the financing of our war loan effort, and also most essential in the nation's fight against inflation."

## ALAN SAUNDERS PROMOTED TO FIRST LIEUTENANT

Alan W. Saunders has been promoted to a first lieutenant, it has been announced here by Brigadier General Thomas O. Hardin, Commanding General of the India-Burma Wing, Air Transport Command.

Lt. Saunders, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Saunders of Sonora was awarded the Air Medal in December, 1943. He has been in the China-Burma-India theater more than a year.

The India-China Wing of the Air Transport Command is the aerial supply route to China over the north Burma "hump" of the Himalaya mountains, an area where enemy air attack is no novelty.

Mrs. Monroe Voigt of Pasadena, Calif., and Mrs. Blake N. Brown of Los Angeles arrived here last Saturday for a visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mont Merri-man and Mr. and Mrs. Dock Rape. Miss Lucille Clark, who had been their guest, returned with them.

Mrs. Susie Blanton left last week for a visit with her daughter, Miss Mary Sue Blanton, a technician at Scott & White Clinic, Temple.

## New Schedule On Bus Service To Begin May 1

Announcement was made this week by Virge Bowen, manager of the O. S. T. Stages, Del Rio, that a new bus schedule will be added on May 1, which will give better service to Sonora, Eldorado and Christoval.

This new schedule, which will afford Sonora people a convenient schedule for visiting San Angelo, transacting their business and returning home in the same day, is as follows: leave Sonora at 7:10 A. M., arrive San Angelo at 9:15 A. M. The return trip will be made by leaving San Angelo at 10:15 P. M. and arriving at Sonora at 12:15 A. M. This will afford Sonorans three schedules a day each way between Sonora and San Angelo.

The new service was granted through the combined efforts of the Lions Clubs of Sonora and Eldorado, and Bowen has expressed his appreciation for the interest his appreciation for the interest better service possible.

## Dr. Cox Names May 1, Texas Child Health Day

Austin, April 27—Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, indorsing the president's proclamation that May 1 be set aside as Child Health Day, has issued an urgent appeal to all Texans to cooperate in this health conservation program.

"While it is true that science has provided for years the means to reduce almost to the vanishing point the occurrence of diphtheria and smallpox," Dr. Cox stated, "nevertheless the actual control of these two diseases is largely in the hands of parents. If children are not immunized, these diseases will continue to take their toll in young lives."

Children should receive diphtheria toxoid treatment between the ages of six and nine months, the State Health Officer advised and pointed out that the necessity for immunizing at this early age was based upon the fact that nearly two-thirds of all diphtheria deaths occur in children under six years of age.

"I cannot emphasize too strongly that to deprive children of the protection that science has made available amounts very nearly to criminal negligence," Dr. Cox warned. "The family physician and the public health workers can only point the way and urge action, but the essential factor still lacking in most diphtheria illnesses and deaths is parental cooperation."

The Doctor stated further that smallpox can be completely stamped out by universal vaccination.

T/Sgt. Lawson Johnson was the guest last week and the early part of this week of his mother, Mrs. Katie Johnson, and his sisters, Mmes. M. C. Scott and C. C. Stroud.

Mrs. J. A. Ward of San Angelo and Miss Jackie Bromby of Los Angeles, Calif., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Rip Ward and

## Local Group Meets To Plan Welfare Work

### NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD TUESDAY, MAY 2

Heads of several local civic, church and charitable organizations met Tuesday afternoon at the First National Bank to begin tentative plans for reorganizing the Coordinating Council that will deal with Child Welfare problems in Sonora. At this time it was voted that a letter be sent to all local organizations explaining the purposes of the Council and asking that a representative of each organization be elected to serve on the Council. G. H. Hall, presiding in the absence of chairman D. L. Locklin, appointed a committee of three, composed of H. V. Stokes, Mrs. W. M. Penick and Mrs. Clay Puckett, to mail the letters.

Discussed at the meeting, in connection with Child Welfare work, was the Recreation Center proposed by the Sonora Woman's Club as a partial solution to local Child Welfare problems. Mrs. Penick and Mrs. I. B. Boughton, Woman's Club president, explained the plans for the center.

Hall called a meeting for next Tuesday, May 2, for organizing the Council, and the heads of all local organizations are asked to attend it. The meeting will be held at the Bank.

Those attending this week's meeting, beside those named, were E. D. Stringer, Alvis Johnson, A. E. Prugel, and Mmes. B. H. Cusenbary, Alfred Cooper and Keith James.

## Rule Lifting Ration Of Fats Is Explained

Despite the fact that shortening is no longer rationed, housewives will continue to receive two meat points per pound for waste kitchen fats, J. L. Nisbet, chairman of the local War Price and Rationing Board, announced today.

Kitchen fats have a great variety of uses, and replace edible primary fats, Nisbet explained. These waste fats contribute to the over-all fats supply, vitally necessary in our war effort.

Those who patriotically turn in kitchen fats will help continue the zero point value on shortening, salad, and cooking oil, Nisbet added.

## SAFETY DEPARTMENT MAN HERE WEDNESDAY

J. P. Ridout of the State Department of Public Safety, Austin, was in Sonora Wednesday looking for a residence for his family. Ridout, who is to be permanently stationed in this section, wants to make Sonora his headquarters, as it is the most centrally located city in the area he will serve.

Glen Richardson, student at A. & M. College, Bryan, arrived here last Friday for a visit of several days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Richardson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ward, Jr., last week-end and the early part of this week.

## Lions Show Movie On Soil Conservation

Members of the Lions Club, at their Tuesday luncheon, were shown a cartoon moving picture depicting the ravages man makes on the soil. Showing the picture was E. B. Keng, head of Soil Conservation activities in Schleicher and Tom Green Counties. The picture showed the land from the beginning of time and how nature had provided for the building, enriching and watering of the soil; then, in contrast, the means by which man depletes and destroys the value of the land were shown.

At the end of the picture, Keng spoke on the bitterweed problem in this section of the country and offered two main practices that may be beneficial in controlling it. These were (1) deferred grazing, which gives the good and more desirable vegetation a chance to mature, and (2) grazing sheep on bitterweed at the times when they will eat it, but will not destroy the better and later-maturing grasses and weeds.

Keng stressed particularly the fact that rangelands, just like human beings and all other living things, must have rest and care to grow and to fulfill their maximum possibilities.

## Last Rites Held For Sanchez Baby

Funeral rites were held here for Alfredo Sanchez, Jr., nine-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfredo Sanchez, Sr., at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning. The child, who had been receiving treatment in a San Angelo hospital for the past two weeks, died Monday morning.

Survivors include the parents, the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesus Norqueta, five uncles and six aunts.

The child, whose illness was first diagnosed as poliomyelitis, died as the result of a head injury suffered when he fell from his bed. Partial paralysis set in, and it was not until last Saturday that x-rays were made showing the ailment not be polio.

## A/C EUGENE NEUERBURG NOW IN BASIC TRAINING

Aviation Cadet Eugene Neuerburg, who recently was on leave here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Neuerburg, has been transferred from the Corsicana Army Air Field, where he received his primary flight training, to the Greenville Army Air Field. He is now engaged in basic training.

While at the Corsicana field, Neuerburg was on the honor roll and was a member of the Cadet Supervisory Committee.

Cadet Neuerburg is a 1941 graduate of the Sonora High School and attended A. & M. College before entering the Air Corps ten months ago.

Mrs. George Wynn returned the middle of last week from Lubbock where she had been visiting Warrent Officer Wynn, stationed at the Lubbock Army Air Field.

## Nisbet Withdraws Candidacy From Co. Judge Race

John Lee Nisbet this week announced his withdrawal from the County Judge race, saying that due to the many other interests he must attend to, it would be impossible for him to do justice to the office if elected. The only other candidate for the office is Alvis Johnson, who has served twelve terms.

Nisbet said, "I am announcing my withdrawal from the race, as other business interests and obligations would interfere with my performance of the duties of county judge, if I were elected. It was with a desire to serve the people of Sutton County that I entered the race, and since later developments have made it impossible for me to fulfill the duties of the office as they should be fulfilled, I can not, in justice to the citizens, ask for the office."

In withdrawing from the race, Nisbet also added that his deep appreciation for the support given him by many citizens made the withdrawal a hard decision.

## 31 Registrants Reclassified

Reclassifications of Sutton County men, made by the Selective Service Board in meetings last week and this week, are as follows:

1-A: Paublo J. Perez, Sanford Trainer, Agustin C. Arriaga, James T. Jackson, Guillermo R. Flores, Jointo H. Garza, Ernest C. Stevens, Cecil R. Bowers, Estevan Flores, Modesto G. Meza, Joseph W. Hoskins, Guillermo B. Garza, Louie T. Andrews.

2-A: Alfred Bermea, Lewin Skains, Armando Figueroa.

2-C: Francisco Morales, Travis Glascock, A. R. Baker, Ina D. Wilson, W. B. McMillan, Oscar Adams, Lee B. Friend, Hilton Turney.

4-F: Julius Lawless, Homer H. Hill, Clade S. Wright, Hollis J. Long, Librado Guerra, Sabino H. Mendez, Salvador G. Noriega.

## 9 SUTTON COUNTY MEN REPORT FOR INDUCTION THURSDAY

Nine Sutton County registrants reported to the Induction Center, Fort Sam Houston, for induction into one of the branches of military service on Thursday.

Those reporting are as follows: Benito Cardona Leija, Arthur J. Cavness, Ralph B. Smith, Eric Lomax, Alvin L. Holmig, Clifton Berry Harris, Max Almaguer, Eugene Emit Lewellen and Richard Bertrand Boughton.

## HUBERT FIELDS NOW OVERSEAS WITH NAVY

Mrs. Hubert Fields received word this week from her husband, a Seaman Second Class in the Navy, that he has arrived safely at his post of duty overseas. Mrs. Fields visited with him in California, where he was stationed at Balboa Park, shortly before he sailed.

## SCOUTS TO HAVE CAMP-O-REE THIS WEEK-END

Members of both Sonora Boy Scout troops, 19 and 119, will attend a Camp-o-ree at Camp Allison this week-end. Scouts and Scoutmasters from Ozona, Eldorado, Junction, Menard, London and Rocksprings are also scheduled to join in the camping project.

The annual affair was held at Junction last year.

## Happy Birthday

Saturday, April 29—  
J. S. Morgan, Sr.  
A. F. Kasper  
Sunday, April 30—  
Hilton Turney  
Mrs. W. T. Hardy  
Monday, May 1—  
Mrs. Cashes Taylor  
Herman Thiers  
Tuesday, May 2—  
Joe Berger  
Wednesday, May 3—  
Jack Christie  
Tom Sandherr  
Mrs. Sterling Baker  
Thursday, May 4—  
None  
Friday, May 5—  
Inez Chalk  
John Franklin Howell

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Earwood were business visitors in Rocksprings Monday.

## French Guerillas Occupy Town



INSIDE FRANCE last year the Maquis—French patriots—celebrated Armistice Day by marching through Oyonnax, small town near the Swiss border, right under the nose of German authorities. This photo has just reached the U.S. from official British sources.

# The Devil's River News

ESTABLISHED 1890  
PUBLISHED EVERY FRIDAY MORNING  
ENTERED AT THE Postoffice at Sonora, Sutton County, Texas, as second-class matter under the Act of Congress of 1879.

CLAY FUCKETT . . . . . Editor and Publisher  
ANY ERRONEOUS REFLECTION upon the character, standing, or reputation of any person, firm or corporation will be gladly corrected if the matter is brought to the attention of the publisher.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES—PAYABLE IN ADVANCE  
One Year In Sutton And Adjoining Counties . . . . \$2.00  
One Year Elsewhere . . . . . \$2.50

National Advertising Representative  
**NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING SERVICE, INC.**  
(an affiliate of the **N. A. S.** National Editorial Association)  
Serving America's Advertisers and the Home Town Newspapers  
188 W. Randolph — Chicago 1, Ill. • OFFICES • Holbrook Bldg., San Francisco, Cal.

## The Spirit That Is America

The spirit that is America—no word written, spoken, or printed can express it, it is too elemental; a force that descended upon Washington and the Continental Congress and was the guiding light when no human precedent could show the way.

The Spirit that is America produced the Monroe Doctrine. It brought about the Louisiana Purchase. It prevented the building of fortifications between the United States and Canada and it won the West.

The spirit that is America enveloped Lincoln and made him immune to the barbed shafts of ridicule and criticism and although the assassin's bullet ended his physical being it gave him immortality. It was the spirit of America that carried this country through the trying days of the reconstruction period.

It was the spirit of America that composed the Star Spangled Banner and the Gettysburg address. It was the spirit that is America that brought about compulsory education for every citizen. It sprinkled libraries all over the country using as its instrument men of great wealth.

It was the spirit of tolerance that is America that made possible the National Conference of Christians and Jews, of which a former vice-president of the United States is president.

It was the spirit of cooperation that is America that guided our secretary at the Havana Conference and is building the great Pan-American automobile highway; and is bringing into closer affiliation the educational facilities of the Americas.

It was the progressive spirit that is America that produced the greatest inventions and made possible the greatest purchasing power of every citizen and gave to those who create by hand and brain the greatest returns for their efforts.

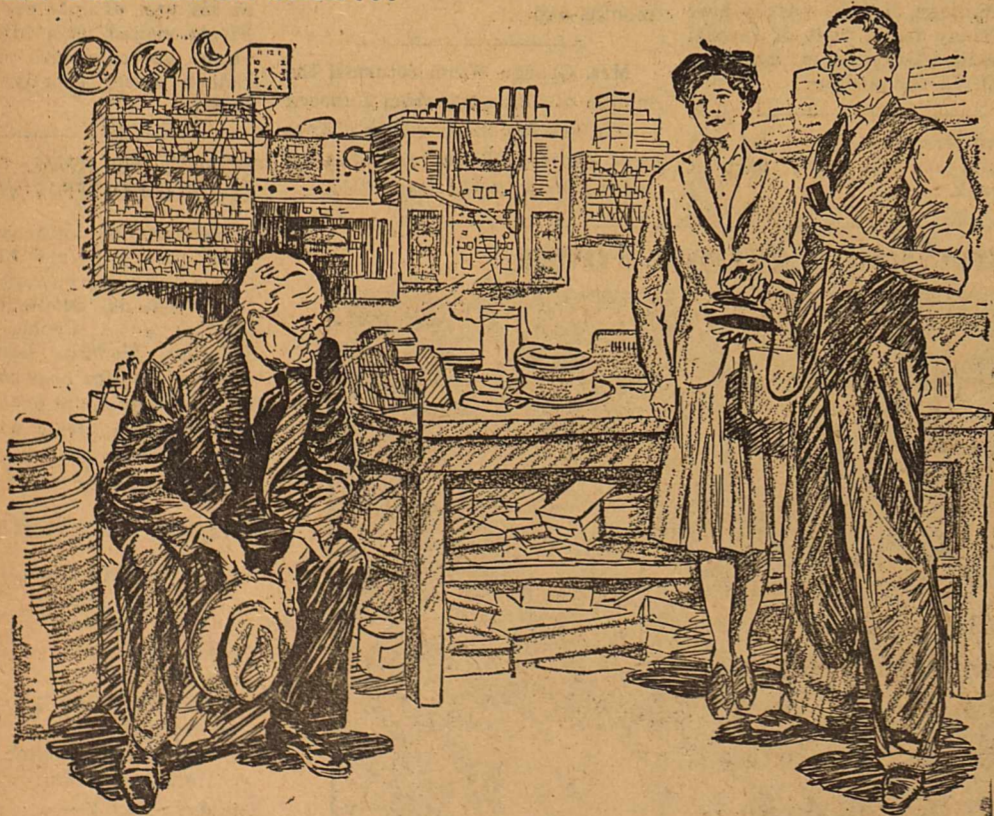
May it continue to inspire every artisan in our factories and the leaders of our military forces and remove from them jealousies and vaulting personal ambitions May it turn our practical politicians into statesmen and weld us into a more united hemisphere. —R. O. Vanderepock

(Reprinted from the August, 1941 issue of The Graphic Arts Monthly by the students of The Chicago School of Printing and Lithography)



**That's the Kind You Get at This Shop**

### THE OLD JUDGE SAYS...



"We can't argue with the Judge on that point, can we Mabel? It's not fair to penalize the many for the actions of the few."  
"That, folks, is exactly what we would be doing in this country if we ever voted for prohibition again. Authorities who have made a careful study of the problem, report that only about 5% of those who drink abuse the privilege occasionally... 95% drink sensibly. Probably doesn't compare with the number of folks who overeat and do other things to excess. Prohibition certainly

isn't the answer. It's not that simple. We had nearly 14 years proof of that, didn't we?"  
"The real answer is education and better control. In fact, the responsible members of the distilling industry are working constantly toward that end. They don't want anybody to abuse the use of their product any more than the three of us do."  
"If everybody would take that sensible attitude, Judge, and cooperate as more and more are now doing, we'd be a lot better off a lot quicker."

This advertisement sponsored by Conference of Alcoholic Beverage Industries, Inc.

# EDITORIALS AND FEATURES

Page Two

Sonora, Texas, Friday, April 28, 1944

The Devil's River News



## I GIVE YOU TEXAS by BOYCE HOUSE

On May 24, 1919, several hundred men met in the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce—and that was the birth of the Texas Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Association, which can now look back 25 years filled with marvelous achievement for the Texas oil industry.

1919! Woodrow Wilson was President of the United States and was campaigning for the League of Nations. It was Babe Ruth's first year as home run king, and he set a record by knocking 29 over the fence. Jack Dempsey kayoed huge Jess Willard for the world's heavyweight championship under the broiling Fourth of July sun at Toledo.

Newspaper readers thought "Mutt and Jeff" funny. Irvin S. Cobb, who died just the other day, was writing short stories for the Saturday Evening Post. Alcock and Brown flew non-stop from Newfoundland to Ireland. Women had not yet begun to bob their hair and they were about to receive the right to vote.

Radio had not arrived and talkies were years away. Folks were whistling or humming "Dardanella" and "Hindustan". Douglas Fairbanks, Mary Pickford, Harold Lloyd (with his glasses) and Theda Bara, the "vamp", were the stars of the screen. Wartime prohibition was still in effect and the Eighteenth Amendment was at hand. Men were wearing those stiff, detachable collars. (Remember the collar ads in the street cars.)

What changes a quarter of a century has brought—and nothing in all the story is as remarkable as the progress which the Texas oil industry has made.

For in those days, there were only 7,100 wells in 29 counties; now, there are over 100,000 oil and gas wells in 173 counties—and there are drilling or leasing activities in all the other counties in the State.

At that time, the deepest production was less than 4,000 feet; now the average depth is 5,300 feet and, at present, a well is drilling below 15,000 feet—almost three miles beneath the surface of the earth!

The production of oil in Texas the year before the organization meeting was 39,000,000 barrels; last year, the output was six hundred million barrels.

Legend says that the meeting was called by promoters for the furtherance of their own gaudy and irresponsible activities but, whether true or not, real oil men took the session over.

Veterans of the petroleum in-

## Dr. Cox Declares Measles Danger Not Understood

Commenting on the seasonal rise in the incidence of measles, Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, said today that the treachery of this disease should be recognized by all parents.

"Measles is a dangerous, widespread and highly contagious disease, and with various complications results in more than 10,000 deaths every year among very

dustly will find much to reminisce over—as well as vital war-time problems to grapple with—when the Texas Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Association holds its Silver Anniversary convention in Houston, Oct. 12 and 13.

young children," he said. "It is impossible to foretell at the onset of measles just how serious the attack will prove to be."

The first sign of this disease, according to the State Health Officer, are those usually associated with a cold; red, watery eyes, a harsh, dry hacking cough. It is most contagious at this point and can be readily spread by droplet infection from coughing or sneezing. About the second day fever is present and often a tender sore throat; on about the fourth day a profuse nasal discharge and a red splotchy rash appears.

Contrary to a widespread belief, it certainly is not "better for a child to have measles early in life and get it over with." Statistics show that nine-tenths of all measles deaths occur in children under 5 years of age, and that the older a child is the less he is likely

to suffer a severe, or fatal, attack of this disease. It is obvious, therefore, that a baby, or a very young child, should be protected from exposure to measles.

During an out-break of measles, Dr. Cox said, it would be well to keep the child under 5 years of age away from all children since they are most likely to carry the infection.

Five University of Texas students from as many Latin-American countries were recently interviewed in a "Vox Pop" radio program carried over 126 stations on a national hook-up. The program was also recorded by the War Department for re-broadcast to Latin American countries on shortwave.

FOR SALE: 2 bronze baby beef turkey toms \$7.50, and 2 hens \$5.00. These are last May turkeys and are laying. Call 152. 1tc. 4-21

# PIGGLY WIGGLY A GOOD PLACE TO TRADE

Fri. April 28

Sat. April 29

**COFFEE** MAXWELL HOUSE 1 LB. BAG 29c 1 LB. JAR 33c

ROYAL PUDDING, 2 Boxes PINT BOTTLE	13c	K. B. Peanut Butter, Qt. Jar	43c
Wesson Oil, No Pts.	30c	QUART BOTTLE Wesson Oil, No Pts.	59c
PLUM - 1/2 GAL. CAN PRESERVES, No Pts.	\$1.00	PLUM - 16 OZ. JAR PRESERVES, No Pts.	30c
UVALDE - EXTRACTED HONEY, 1/2 Gal.	\$1.05	FRESH COUNTRY EGGS, Doz.	27c
YELLOW BAR SOAP, 2 Bars	15c	CORN SUGAR, 2 Boxes	25c

**FLOUR** LIGHT CRUST 10 LB. BAG 59c 5 LB. BAG 31c

ADMIRATION TEA, 1b Bag	95c	MISSION PEAS, No. 2 Can No Pts.	17c
MILE HIGH Green Beans, No. 2 Can	15c	LIBBY'S Mixed Vegetables, 8 Pts.	20c
MRS. TUCKERS' - - - NO POINTS Shortening, 3 lb Pkg.	59c	CRUSTENE - - - NO POINTS Shortening, 3 lb Pkg.	59c
BROWN - KRISPY CRACKERS, 2 lb Box	33c	HI HO CRACKERS, Box	23c
QUAKER CORN MEAL, 2 Boxes	17c	SKINNERS' MACARONI, 2 Boxes	19c
ARM & HAMMER SODA, 2 Boxes	17c	SOIL OFF, Large Bottle	47c

**Crisco** 3 LB. JAR NO POINTS 73c **Snowdrift** 3 LB. JAR NO POINTS 73c

FAIRY SOAP, 3 Bars	16c	PALMOLIVE - - BATH SIZE SOAP, 2 Bars	21c
KELLOGG'S VARIETY PACK OR POST TENS, Box	25c	GRAPE NUTS, Box	15c
Wax Paper, 25 Ft. Roll	19c	K. B. MUSTARD, Pint Jar	10c
ROYAL - - - 1 LB. CANS Bakin gPowder, 2 Cans	20c	DIAMOND MATCHES, Carton	33c
JOHNSON'S CARNU, Pint Can	49c	JOHNSON'S WAX, Pint Can	49c

**Spuds** COLORADO 10 LBS. 29c **Onions** WHITE 2 LBS. 19c

GRANDMA'S COOKIES, 2 Bags 25c GULF SPRAY, Pint Bottle 25c

VEGETABLES		MEATS	
GREEN BEANS, 2 lb	27c	NO POINTS SHERBIT, Pint	17c
CARROTS, Bunch	5c	COTTAGE CHEESE, No Pts. 1b	19c
FRESH CORN, 2 Ears	15c	ARMOURS' SLICED BACON, 1 Pts. 1b	33c
NEW SPUDS, 2 lb	15c	CORN FED BABY BEEF ROAST, 7 Pts. 1b	32c
YELLOW SQUASH, 1b	10c	SWIFTS' Bacon Squares, No Pts. 1b	22c
5 DOZEN SIZE LETTUCE, 2 Heads	19c	PORK SHOULDER ROAST, 2 Pts. 1b	30c
STRAWBERRIES, Box	33c	PORK CHOPS, 6 Pts. 1b	35c
CUCUMBERS, 1b	20c	COD FISH FILLETS, No Pts. 1b	55c

**PIGGLY WIGGLY**  
LOMAX and TRAINER



Townfolk cheer troops of 45th Division advancing through Lioni, Italy.

**HONORS FOR THE 45TH DIVISION**—Soldiers distinguished by the "Thunderbird" shoulder patch—members of the fighting Infantry organized from the Colorado, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Arizona National Guard—are the first in the Army to share the glory of a unit citation of an entire Division. While still battling the enemy with the 6th Army in Italy the 45th was cited for its gallant conduct in action. Besides the "Thunderbird" shoulder insignia the men now are entitled to wear the wide blue citation ribbon with the border of bronze oak leaves—badge of honor for the personnel of a unit cited for gallantry.



In the 45th Division upon its organization were 1,500 Indians, representing 28 different western tribes. While undergoing training these true Americans carried along their Indian clothing and regalia and frequently indulged in tribal ceremonies and war dances to the wonder—and sometimes the disquietude—of civilian spectators. On going overseas they left their warbonnets behind, but not their warwhoops, and carried terror to the hearts of Hitler's wehrmacht. While made up largely of plainsmen and cow-punchers from the Southwest the 45th Division has representatives from nearly every State in the Union and all are imbued with the same dauntless fighting spirit. The nucleus of one contingent is the old 157th Colorado Infantry, organized in 1881, a regiment that bears on its colors three streamers inscribed to victories in the Spanish War, the Philippine Insurrection and the World War. Following the landing at Salerno the 45th was in action 66 battle days.

Released by U. S. War Department, Bureau of Public Relations

### Baptist Academy Head Seeks State Education Post



San Marcos, April 27—Earl Rogers, principal and director of education of San Marcus Baptist Academy and for many years a prominent figure in the Texas education field, has announced his candidacy for the office of state superintendent of public instruction, subject to the action of the Democratic party primary in July.

Mr. Rogers, for over 20 years a teacher, principal and superintendent in Texas public schools, and with over two years administrative experience under two State Superintendents, the late S. M. N. Marrs and the present incumbent, announced he proposed to give the people of Texas "an educational, not a political administration" of the office he seeks.

He said he proposed to rid the educational scene of many confusions and conflicts existing at present, and to lay the foundation for a better Texas educational system for the post-war world, when children of fighters will be in the public schools, by adhering to a policy of cooperation between the state department of education and the state board of education. Under his administration he said, the department will be brought closer to the people through a policy of cooperation with the state legislature. Further, it is mandatory that closer relations exist between the

department heads within the state department if a far-reaching program is to be established.

A graduate of May High School, Mr. Rogers obtained his B. A. degree at Howard Payne College and his M. A. degree at Southern Methodist University, his graduate work centering on education and school administration. Since obtaining his masters' degree he has earned 66 semester hours in advanced education at Southern Methodist University, the University of Texas and Colorado University.

As teacher, principal or superintendent Mr. Rogers has served in the Elm rural school in Brown County, two years; the Clara rural school in Wichita County, one and one-half years; the Electra public schools, 15 years; and the Denison public schools, four years.

In addition, he has served as teacher of education in Howard Payne College, and as associate teacher of education in Colorado University.

He served one summer as special supervisor under S. M. N. Marrs, then state superintendent of public instruction; and for two years was deputy superintendent in the Austin district under the present state superintendent.

A year ago he was elevated to his present position with San Marcos Academy.

### Sisters Under the Helmets



IN THE FRONTLINE ON THE ANZIO BEACHHEAD near Rome, the differences in shapes of helmets and mess tins means nothing to these nurses from America and England. The Nazis have divebombed and gunned their station on a number of occasions. Here they are outside their tents enjoying their morning tea after coming off night duty.

### Commercial Cars Now Eligible For Used Tires

All small trucks and other commercial vehicles have been made eligible for used tires, J. L. Nisbet, chairman of the local Rationing Board, announced today. Small "essential" delivery trucks, which until now have been eligible only for used tires, will now be able to obtain certain sizes of new ones as well.

"All small trucks will now be able to obtain needed tires of some sort to replace those no longer usable," Nisbet said. "Small trucks which deliver the more essential products, such as food and laundry, will be provided with new tires, and used tires will be authorized for trucks engaged in less essential services."

Effective April 21, the eligibility requirements are: Delivery trucks heretofore in-

eligible for any tires will now be able to obtain used truck tires of sizes smaller than 7.50x20, obsolete sizes of new passenger tires, and all sizes of used passenger tires. Trucks delivering essential foods, laundry, drugs and medicinal supplies and dry-cleaned apparel will be eligible for new truck tires of eight or less ply construction, and all sizes of new passenger tires.

Nisbet stressed the fact, however, that all truck operators must still obtain a ration certificate before tires can be purchased. Also, that it is still necessary to make all tires last as long as possible, in view of the shortage of tires available for all needs.

Buy War Bonds Every Pay Day  
Let's Double Our Quota



Mrs. W. A. Ezell and son, Kelson Locklin, were here last week-end visiting friends and relatives.

### Monthly FEMALE WEAKNESS

**With Its Cranky, Nervous Feelings**  
If at such times you suffer from cramps, backache, nervous, tired feelings, are a bit blue—due to functional monthly disturbances—  
Start at once—try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to relieve such symptoms. It's famous not only to help relieve monthly pain but also accompanying tired, nervous feelings of this nature. This is because of its soothing effect on ONE OF WOMAN'S MOST IMPORTANT ORGANS.  
Taken regularly—Pinkham's Compound helps build up resistance against such symptoms. Follow label directions!  
**LYDIA E. PINKHAM'S VEGETABLE COMPOUND**

## Your City

Your Municipal Light Plant opened March 1, 1942. We make this complete city report to you, as of March 1, 1944, to show you the progress made during these hectic two years.

We have expended from revenues approximately \$15,000.00 on extensions and improvements of our lights, water and sewer systems.

We have paid \$5,000.00 on the bonded indebtedness, paid off City Hall and Fire Station bonds 11 years before the due date and paid \$4,411.22 on a new fire truck during these 2 years.

We have reduced the electric, water and sewer rates during this time, yet we have increased cash and bond balance by \$31,043.43 with continued lowest taxes since 1928. All this was done, although our operations cost, the same as yours, are greatly increased because of war conditions.

	THEN MARCH 1, 1942	NOW MARCH 1, 1944
GENERAL FUND: CASH BALANCE	\$ 4,115.81	\$ 7,691.87
SEWER FUND: CASH BALANCE SECURITIES	\$ 10,631.80 9,000.00	\$ 4,201.52 22,300.00
	\$ 19,631.80	\$ 26,501.52
WATER FUND: CASH BALANCE BONDS	\$ 5,590.92 5,000.00	\$ 5,414.93 16,000.00
	\$ 10,590.92	\$ 21,414.93
LIGHT & POWER FUND:		\$ 1,862.28
LIGHT & POWER SINKING FUND: CASH BALANCE BONDS		\$ 1,200.00 6,000.00
		\$ 7,200.00
PAVING FUND: CASH BALANCE	\$ 33.19	\$ 744.55
	\$ 34,371.72	\$ 65,415.15
<b>NET INCREASE</b>		<b>\$31,043.43</b>

Sonora, your Home Town, situated at the intersection of two International highways, in the center of the "Stockman's Paradise", and at the terminus of the Santa Fe Railroad, has fine churches, a good school system, pretty homes and the best of people.

We also have the cheapest water, electric and sewer rates in the history of Sonora. We have 100 brilliant street lights now, compared to the 22 here two years ago, with dozens of awning lights besides.

We are planning for the day when several hundred Sonorans will come home. We intend that they shall find employment when they come. HELP US PLAN FOR THAT DAY.

This good report was made possible by the planning and diligence on the part of the city officials and employees, coupled with the full cooperation of the citizenship of Sonora.

## City of Sonora

Announcements  
From The Churches



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

**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH**  
Evening Services, second Sunday, each month 7:30  
**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Sunday School 10:00  
Morning Service 11:00  
Evening Service 7:45  
Mid-week Service and Choir rehearsal, Wednesday 7:45  
W. M. U. each Wednesday 3:00  
Ra's, Ga's and Sunbeams second and fourth Sunday afternoon 4:30

**Pan-American Club Concludes Year's Study**

Mrs. Lloyd Earwood was the guest speaker when the Pan-American Study Club met in the home of Mrs. I. B. Boughton for their concluding study of the year on the South American countries. Mrs. Earwood told of her trip through South America and showed moving pictures of the different places she had visited.

Also on the program was Mrs. Harold Evans, study leader for the meeting, who conducted the study of "Mexico".

The topics, studied by the members this year and the study leaders are as follows: "Panama and Venezuela" by Miss Charlotte Kavanaugh; "Argentina" by Miss Ann Palmer; "Chile" by Mrs. Gene Lightfoot; "The Highland Countries and Peru" by Miss Ura Mae Haggard; "Paraguay and Uruguay" by Mrs. W. L. Davis; "History and Settlement by the Spaniards of the Americas" by Miss Annie Duncan; "Caribbean Islands" by Mrs. A. E. Prugel and "Mexico" by Mrs. Harold Evans.

At the concluding meeting Friday night refreshments were served to over thirty guests.

**WAR BONDS** will buy a stake in your country's future.

**Mary Jane Queen Honored On Eighth Birthday**

Mary Jane Queen was honored on her eighth birthday with a party given by her mother, Mrs. W. H. Queen, Monday afternoon.

Pastel shades and pastel cut flowers were used in decorating the party rooms, and refreshments of birthday cake and milk chocolate were served to the following guests:

Billy Bryan Savell, Lois Ann Mann, Sally Dawn Prater, G. A. Barrow, Jr., Connie Mack Locklin, Darcy Carroll, Turney Friess, Marilyn Mittel, Carol Marvin, Bill Ratliff, Charlotte Ann Tant, Joe Richard Lancaster, Tommy Wood, Jimmy Morrow, John Stanley Hamby, Lois Lou Lomax, Billy Scott, June Rose Lyles, Mary Ellen Stephenson, Kay Chalk, Oscar Lee Carpenter, Rayford Lee Hull, Johnny Lois Johnson, Albert Ward, Rita Frances Renfroe, Wanda Merriman and Dixie Ann Queen.

Also Mmes. Arthur Carroll, D. L. Locklin, Pat Lyles and Miss Emma Hamilton.

**P-T. A. TO MEET MAY 2**

The P-T. A. will hold its next meeting Tuesday afternoon, May 2, at 3:30 o'clock. Members are urged to attend.

*Congratulations*

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Patrick are the parents of a daughter, born Monday morning in a San Angelo hospital. The child, who weighed eight pounds at birth, has been named Betty Ann.

A son, named Robert Bradley, was born in a Houston hospital last Saturday to Chief Petty Officer and Mrs. Woodrow Norris. The father is serving with the Seabees at Pearl Harbor. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Norris of Sonora.

**Mitchell McKee Honored On Eighth Birthday**

A hike to Johnson's Park and a weiner roast were enjoyed by guests when Mrs. Joe McKee entertained with a party honoring her son, Mitchell, on his eighth birthday, Sunday, April 16.

Refreshments of punch and birthday cake were served to Wanda Morrow, June Henderson, Leroy Marvin, Edward Valliant, Herbert Burleson, Martha Neill Moore, Donald and Carolyn Valliant, Joe Richard Lancaster, Turney Friess, Bobby Dee McKee, Mary Ellen Stephenson, Barbara White, Lou Ann Adkins, W. T. Watkins, Violet Burleson and Margaret McKee. Assisting Mrs. McKee were Mrs. George Burleson and Miss Ruth Bourn.

**Party Honors Joe R. Lancaster**

Joe Richard Lancaster was honored on his seventh birthday, when his mother, Mrs. Seth Lancaster, entertained with a party Thursday, April 20.

Ice cream and cake were served as refreshments, and miniature flags were given as favors.

Present were Nancy Bryan Hunt, Darcy Carroll, Joe Thomas and Turney Friess, Mary Ellen Stephenson, Cynthia Ann Hall, Rose Alice Turney, Mary Jane and Dixie Ann Queen, Billy and Bobby Scott, Sally Dawn and Mary Lehne Prater, Lois Lou Lomax, Mary Elaine Stringer, Lynn Kirby, Albert Ward, Connie Mack Locklin, Mitchell McKee, Jack Berry Johnson, Russ and Barbara Chalk, Billy Bob Ellingson, Lou Ann Adkins, Lois West and Betsy Ross.

Also present were Mmes. John Bunnell, M. C. Scott, Rose Thorp, J. K. Lancaster and Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Callan and Misses Margaret Boone, Ruth Bourn and Frances Jo Lancaster.

**J. F. Howell Home Scene Of Bridge Club Party**

Mrs. J. F. Howell was hostess to the Just Us Bridge Club in her home Monday afternoon.

High score for club was held by Mrs. J. S. Glasscock, high for guests by Mrs. A. E. Prugel, and Mrs. W. H. Damern won the high cut.

Spring flowers were used in decorating the playing room, and a salad plate was served to the following:

Mmes. E. E. Sawyer, Edwin Sawyer, G. H. Hall, Earl Duncan, R. A. Halbert, Libb Wallace, C. A. Tyler, W. R. Cusenbary, S. M. Loeffler and Velma Shurley.

**THE WOMAN'S PAGE** Clubs • Parties • Features

PAT REILEY, Editor

Sonora, Texas, Friday, April 28, 1944 - The Devil's River News

**Blue Monday Club Meets With Mrs. J. Bunnell**

Mrs. John Bunnell was hostess when the Blue Monday Bridge Club met in her home last Friday afternoon.

Vases of columbines were used in decorating the playing room.

Mrs. O. L. Carpenter held high score for the afternoon, and refreshments of angel food cake and punch were served to the following guests and members:

Mmes. O. G. Babcock, Joe Berger, George Trainer, Lee Labenske, George Trainer, Lee Labenske, Elmo Johnson, O. C. Ogden, Seth Lancaster, M. C. Scott, J. H. Brasher, Carpenter and John Kring.

**WMU Has Bible Study Wednesday**

A business session and Bible Study were held when the WMU met Wednesday afternoon at the Baptist Church.

The meeting was opened with a song by the group, after which Mrs. Alfred Cooper read the devotional. A prayer was then offered by Mrs. J. E. Eldridge.

A report was given by the members about the box they sent recently to the Buckner Orphan Home. The box was valued at \$57.00 and there was also a cash offering of \$36.00.

A discussion on welfare for the underprivileged children was led by Mrs. Cooper, after which Mrs. Eldridge led the group in Bible study.

Closing prayer was given by Mrs. Fern McGhee.

Other ladies present were Mmes. C. D. Crumley, Fred Wright, R. G. Nance, Pearl Martin, Arch Crosby and G. G. Stephenson.

**Idle Hour Club Meets With Mrs. McDonald**

Mrs. Ella Wallace won high score, and Mrs. G. H. Hall won second high when the Idle Hour Bridge Club met this week with Mrs. Josie McDonald.

Others present were Mmes. G. H. Davis, Sterling Baker, B. H. Cusenbary, Charles Davis and Clara Murphy.

**METHODIST CHURCH NOTES**

In the absence of the pastor, F. L. Meadow, Miss Virginia Ryan will speak at the Methodist Church, Sunday morning at 10:50 o'clock. Miss Ryan is a well-known and capable speaker, and a cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend the worship service.

Sunday being the fifth Sunday, evening service will be held with the Baptists at their church.

Shelly Lowe of San Angelo was a visitor in Sonora last week-end.

George H. Neill was a visitor in Eldorado Monday.

**Recent Bride**



The former Miss Edna Joyce Gribble of Wellington, who became the bride of William Dantes Reiley of Sonora on April 12.

**W. S. C. S COMPLETES STUDY OF BOOK**

Mission study of the book "For All of My Life" by Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wiser was completed when the members of the W. S. C. S. met at the Methodist Parsonage Thursday afternoon, April 20. Mrs. F. L. Meadow was the hostess at the meeting, and Mrs. B. H. Cusenbary was the study leader.

Mrs. Lea Allison and son, Pascal, are the guests this week of Mrs. Allison's mother, Mrs. E. L. Brown, in San Angelo.

Gene Alley, a student of A. & M. College, was a visitor in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Alley last week-end.

Back The ATTACK With BONDS

**TIME**

Hello, Folks:

It takes time to prepare fats for salvage—*your time.*

It takes time to get papers and cans ready for salvage—*your time.*

It takes time to hustle out and sell bonds—*your time.*

It takes time for Red Cross and other activities—*your time.*

But the twenty-four hours a day, I'm at your call—*that's my time.*

*My time is your time at prewar cost. My time is the biggest bargain on the market.*

Plug in—I'm Reddy.



**West Texas Utilities Company**

**Sonora Abstract Co.**  
J. D. LOWREY, Mgr.  
EFFICIENT LAND TITLE SERVICE  
ON SUTTON COUNTY LAND  
We represent several of the old line fire insurance companies.

Consult us about insurance before you have a loss—  
**Nisbet Insurance Agency**  
"INSURANCE FOR EVERY NEED"  
PHONE 50

When not convenient to shop in person, use our mail service. Mail orders given personal, prompt attention.  
**Personal Shopping Service**  
**Cox-Rushing-Greer Co**  
"Serving West Texas Since 1913"  
SAN ANGELO, TEXAS

When you've a  
**PRESCRIPTION**  
to fill, Come to us  
**You will find our services**

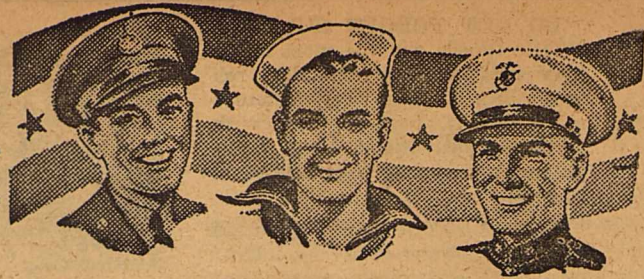
- Prompt
- Accurate
- Just what the doctor ordered!

**Sonora Drug Co.**  
SONORA, TEXAS

**Just Arrived—**  
A Large Shipment  
of Spring Dresses  
Gay little cottons  
and rayons - to  
wear all summer

**Children's Dresses  
and  
Play suits**

"USE OUR LAY AWAY PLAN"  
**The Ratliff Store**



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

## In The Service

### States' Shoppers Can Help Solve Paper Shortage

Texas' 1,678,674 housewives could conserve enough paper daily to make 87,431 containers for 75 mm. shells by saving one paper grocery bag a day, according to an announcement by Howard Coonley, director of the conservation division of the War Production Board. This daily paper saving would amount to 157,375 pounds.

Paper conservation also releases supplies for ammunition and food boxes, practice bombs, bomb bands, blood plasma cartons, protection for ambulances in shipment, camouflage materials and many other items. More than ten times as much tonnage of munitions, food and materials is being shipped overseas in this war as in 1917-1918.

"The paper shortage is creating a critical scarcity of bags in the stores," Mr. Coonley explained. "So far during the emergency bags have been available because of inventories and the elimination of variety bags, but in the future stores will have to depend entirely upon current reduced production and buyers' cooperation."

Food buyers and other shoppers are asked to conserve bags by having several items put in one sack, bringing their own bags for re-use or carrying home packaged items unwrapped. Housewives aren't asked to return bags for re-use by other than themselves. If all housewives in the United States saved one ounce-and-a-half bag each day, the saving would amount to nearly 600,000 tons annually.

Allocations of pulp for the manufacture of wrapping paper and bags during the second quarter of 1944 have been set by WPB at less than one third the quantity used during a comparable pre-war period. Labor shortages in the wood pulp industry and the loss of pulp imports, as well as military demands, have caused the paper scarcity.

Western Mattress Co. representative, T. C. Bilderback, here twice monthly. Leave name at News office. 3tp-4-14.

### ROLL OF HONOR



208 ARMY



39 NAVY



12 MARINES

The Sonora Lions Club received the following letters of thanks recently from Master Sergeant Earl R. Patrick:

"Recently I received several packs of cigarettes from your Lions Club and was very thankful to get them. They really make you realize that the folks back home are thinking of you.

"I am a Texas boy from Palestine, and I try to let everybody know that I am from there too. There are quite a few boys from Texas over here, and we are proud of them.

"We sure do appreciate the things you send us through the Red Cross, as they are doing a lot for the boys over here.

"I would like to hear from you when you receive this card."

R. C. Luckie, Baker, 3/c, who is stationed overseas with the Navy, writes the following letter:

"I got to go to the show the other night, the first I have been to see in sometime. It was really a good show the name of it being 'Coney Island'. While I was there it started raining; however it rains a lot over here, so that is nothing unusual.

"I have received quite a few letters from home recently, and it really was good to get them. Let-

ters mean a lot to us over here.

"You wanted to know how high in rating I can get in this branch of the service. A person can get a lot higher than I suppose I will ever get, as it takes a long time. From a baker third class a person becomes a baker second class, and then from a baker first class one may become a commissary chief. After that you get an officer's rating. One would have to stay in the Navy a long time to get that high; however, in six months, if I can pass my next tests, I will be given another rating. Sometimes these tests are pretty hard to pass.

"I have broken my watch several times while doing this kind of work. As my watch is not waterproof, it is really hard to keep from getting it wet.

"I like this job just fine, however, and always have a lot to do. I never have to be worried about having something to do.

"Tell everyone 'hello' for me and to write."

S/Sgt. Joseph H. Brasher sta-

tioned with the Air Corps in the South Pacific writes:

"I have been kind of slack in writing letters for the past few days, because I have been busy since Crouch (friend) and I have been assigned to this crew. I have been on quite a number of missions and have had a lot of experiences. While on the missions I wasn't scared like I thought I would be; however it isn't a pastime to be recommended to people with weak hearts.

"I got nine letters today and was I tickled to get them! I am beginning to believe that it is as safe here as in the States even if we did get a piece of 'flak' through our plane the other day. When the 'flak' hit the plane it made an awful racket, but no one was hurt and that is really what counts.

"Guess who I saw here in the same group with me recently; Major Savell Lea Sharp. When he came in the building where I was and looked at me I recognized him. We were both very surprised.

"You asked about the difference in the time of air mail and V-mail. There is a difference of about two days in the length of time it takes them to get to our old base; how-

ever, since we have moved this last time, our mail was messed up again. I believe that regular air mail is the quickest; however it is hard to tell.

"The light wires on our barracks got shorted just before dark and caught on fire. I climbed up and had it put out by the time the fire apparatus got there; however it seemed like old times to me—almost like being with the old Sonora Fire Department again. I got the lights back to working and everything is alright now."

Lt. Hattie Taylor, stationed in England with the Army Nurse Corps, writes:

"Surely was glad to hear from you again. I hadn't had any Sonora news in a long time, and I really like to hear from that section of the country.

"I met Jimmie (Taylor) in London last week, and we had a very gay time. We both had two-day passes, so we had plenty of time to prowl around and see all of the sights. We had a lot of fun. Jimmie looks real well and is doing o. k. in every way.

"I am planning on spending my next leave on a farm near here

### Stock Medicines and Vaccines of All Kinds

We do Stock Drenching—

The way you want it, When you want it.

For good work and medicine. See Us

**TAYLOR & MOORE STOCK MEDICINE CO.**

PHONE 102 or 58

SONORA, TEXAS



From where I sit ... by Joe Marsh

### Silas Clay Gets Mad at Women's Hats

Silas Clay is complaining that his wife's new hat cost more than a bull calf. "And I wouldn't mind it, if it was a hat," he says, "but all it is, is a small bow and a piece of feather."

"It isn't the size of the hat that counts," says Bivon Earp, reproachfully.

"Well, what is it that counts?" asks Si, exasperated.

"I'll tell you what it is that counts," says Doc. "It's the lift that a new hat gives to any woman. It sort of picks up their spirits ... boosts morale. Little

things can do that. Like the flower in your buttonhole," he says to Silas, "or that glass of beer that you're enjoying."

From where I sit, Doc has given us a mighty good definition of morale. Important little things. A flower in your buttonhole ... a kind word from a stranger ... a mellow glass of beer with friends. Little things especially important in these days of strain.

Joe Marsh

No. 84 of a Series

Copyright, 1944, Brewing Industry Foundation

### ANNOUNCING

#### New Bus Schdeule, May 1

SERVING SONORA, ELDORADO, CHRISTOVAL

Leave Sonora — 7:10 A. M.  
Arrive San Angelo — 9:15 A. M.

#### Return Trip

Leave San Angelo — 10:15 P. M.  
Arrive Sonora — 12:10 A. M.

### O. S. T. STAGES

Virge Bowen, Mgr.

### RIDE PAINTER BUS LINES, INC.

#### Schedule

SONORA Uvalde SAN ANTONIO  
11 A. M. 2:40 P. M. 5:35 P. M.

#### Return Trip

SAN ANTONIO Uvalde SONORA  
2 P. M. 5 P. M. 9 P. M.

Connections At Uvalde For  
Eagle Pass — Crystal City — Del Rio  
Laredo — Carrizo Springs

### Helene Curtis Cold Wave



COOL and Lovely

simple as a shampoo ...  
delightfully relaxing ...  
cooling, kind to your hair ...

The new Helene Curtis "Cold Wave" is your dream come true of an excitingly beautiful permanent that is also cool and comfortable! You'll be thrilled when you find it curls every hair right down to the scalp, without heat or tiring equipment. Gentle liquids we use transform any type hair to a halo of beauty!

VICTORIA...\$20 EMPRESS...\$15 DUCHESS...\$10

Clemencia's Beauty Shop recommends the cold wave BECAUSE

WE HAVE SOLD MORE COLD WAVES THIS YEAR THAN LAST.

4 OUT OF 5 OF OUR CUSTOMERS ARE GETTING THEIR SECOND COLD WAVES.

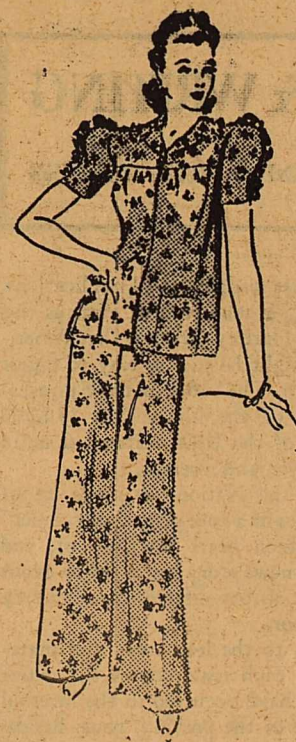
WE HAVE SATISFIED CUSTOMERS WITH "PROBLEM HAIR" THAT WE FAILED TO CURL BY OTHER METHODS.

COLD WAVES ARE THE MOST ADMIRER AND DESIRED OF ALL OUR SERVICES.

We guarantee our Cold Waves

**Clemencia Flores**

PHONE 60



Pretty, Pretty Pajamas!

\$5.00

Delicate pastels, flower-sprigged in fine rayon crepe

Rayon Crepe and Satin Gowns  
Florals and Solids  
\$3.75 to \$5.98

SLIPS Crepe & Satin  
\$1.50 to \$3.25

E. F. Vander Stucken Co. Inc.

SINCE 1890

SINCE 1890





The armadillo that had been playing havoc with victory gardens in his neighborhood has made his last deprecation, according to C. A. Tyler. Monday morning Mrs. Sam Allison and Mrs. Earl Lomax discovered the armadillo and got out their trusty rifles. According to Tyler's story, Mrs. Lomax shot the front half of him away, and Mrs. Allison shot the behind half.

—(1/2\*?!&lb\*1/2)—

Practically all ranchmen in the county have stored their spring lamb clip at the Sonora Wool and Mohair Company warehouse, according to George D. Chalk, assistant manager, and several are now winding up the rest of the job.

Those who have completed all spring shearing are the E. E. Sawyer Co., the Glasscock Ranch Co., Hillary Philipps and the Fowlkes Brothers of Marfa. Sol Mayer is reported about half through with his shearing.

An approximate total of all spring wool now in the house, including clippings, is 410,000 pounds.

—(1/2\*?!&lb\*1/2)—

The Fowlkes Brothers, Manny and Ed, have the largest clip, amounting to 70,000 pounds, stored so far in the house.

—(1/2\*?!&lb\*1/2)—

The serious housing shortage that exists here, which is a familiar fact but one often overlooked, was brought home this week, when twenty families, now living in Eldorado and Ozona, started house-hunting here. These families, employed by an oil company working near here, are only part of the number who have vainly sought homes in Sonora.

If there are any home owners in Sonora who have apartments, rooms or houses to rent, give the Devil a ring. Then, when these house-hunters come by and ask us about the prospects, we can give them the information they want. (P. S. This is not a solicitation for advertising. We once were looking for a house here!)

## 49 Years Ago

The shortage in the cattle supply at the principal western markets thus far this year, amounts to nearly 270,000 head compared with a year ago. The shortage in pounds of dressed beef since the first of the year figures out about 173,000,000 pounds, or nearly 2,000,000 a day. At the same time the price of live cattle has advanced about two cents a pound.

Tom Palmer, the well-known Schleicher County stockman, was in town Thursday.

Born on Tuesday, April 23, 1895, to Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Rudicil, a girl.

B. M. Halbert, the popular book-keeper for A. A. DeBerry, returned from a short visit to the ranch of Mrs. Halbert's parents at Kickapoo in Edwards County, Wednesday. Mr. Halbert says the country is in fine shape and that Judge Ellis's ranch is one of the finest he has seen in West Texas.

T. White and Holes sold to N. T. Wilson 1,000 head of stock sheep at \$1.20 a head.

Charles Carr, the sheepman, was in from his sheep camp in Edwards County, for supplies Saturday.

If you want sheep, Sonora is the place to operate from.

A. W. Mills, the sheepman, was in Sonora Saturday trading.

A. A. DeBerry of Sonora bought steers from the following parties this week: S. J. Palmer, 100; R. T. Baker, 150; Tobe O'Neal, 30 head at nine, twelve fifteen and eighteen dollars.

Good showers of rain have been falling in the Sonora country all week with the prospects good for more. It looks as if we will have another season like last spring. The Sonora country will have had plenty of rain before May 15.

D. C. Key, the Edwards County sheepman, was in the trading cen-

ter for supplies this week.

Fred Berger returned from a trip to San Angelo Monday. He is now working for J. W. Reiley.

C. F. Adams and T. B. Birtrong returned from St. Louis this week. The Santa Fe gave them a good run to market.

F. Mayer arrived from San Antonio to look after his interest in the Sonora country. His family is comfortably situated in San Antonio and enjoying good health.

F. Higginbottom and son, Harry, of New York arrived in Sonora Saturday on an extended visit to their brother-in-law and uncle, Dr. J. B. Taylor.

One of the most enjoyable hops of the season was given at the Court House Monday night following Easter and was well attended. The music being good and the restrictions of Lent having been thorough good time.

County Court has been in session all week. In the gaming cases seven indictments were quashed, removed, everybody reported a

and the eight cases tried resulted in verdicts of not guilty. About 30 cases have been continued until the next term of court. There were no civil cases of importance disposed of.

Pierce Keaton was in town this week and reported that John Keaton has 1,200 muttons for sale.

L. L. Russel and John Panny of Menardville were in Sonora Tuesday. They left for Ozona Wednesday to look after their business interests.

## Rationing At a Glance

MEATS, FATS—Red stamps A8 through M8, are good indefinitely. PROCESSED FOODS—Blue stamps A8 through K8, good indefinitely.

SUGAR—Sugar stamps 30 and 31, each good for five pounds indefinitely. Sugar stamp 40, good for five pounds of canning sugar through February, next year.

GASOLINE—In 17 East Coast states A-9 coupons, good through May 8. In other states A-11 coupons good through June 21.

SHOES—Stamp 18 in Book One, good through April 30. Airplane stamp 2 becomes good May 1 and remains good indefinitely.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lomax and Lois Lou were in Rocksprings last Sunday, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Eric Lomax and daughters.

BUY WAR BONDS & STAMPS

## \$500 Reward

I will pay \$500.00 to any person furnishing information leading to the arrest and conviction of anyone stealing any kind of livestock from any ranch in which I am interested.

SOL MAYER



### THE RATLIFF FUNERAL HOME

UNDERTAKERS EMBALMERS  
24-Hour Ambulance Service  
Burial Insurance  
Ph. 87-250-80 Sonora, Texas

### HOTEL McDONALD

"The Home Away From Home"

Sonora, Texas

### For Sale Fine Haired GOATS

JOE B. ROSS  
Sonora Texas

225,000 Acres  
STATE SCHOOL LAND  
FOR SALE  
May 2, 1944

Information, description and location of this land, together with application blank, will be furnished FREE!

Write  
BASCUM GILES  
Commissioner of the  
GENERAL LAND OFFICE  
Austin, Texas

# Gardening for Victory

along the



Soon travelers will be seeing plots of beets, beans, tomatoes, corn and other needed vegetables "coming along" on both sides of our tracks.

For once again Santa Fe has made its right-of-way available to its employees for Victory Garden space.

This railroad is heart and soul behind America's Victory Garden project. Not only has land been made available, but we are offering \$2000 in War Bonds to our best Victory Gardeners as an added incentive toward helping "Food Fight for Freedom."

Located as we are "Along the Route to Tokyo," Santa Fe people throughout our 13,148 miles of track can "feel" this war. They are working full hours to move along the never-ending loads of guns, tanks, men and munitions.

Perhaps that's another reason why they're not only working harder on their railroad jobs, but are pretty fine War Bond buyers and Victory Gardeners as well.

It's Santa Fe all the way for the U. S. A!

SANTA FE SYSTEM LINES  
ONE OF AMERICA'S RAILROADS—ALL UNITED FOR VICTORY



## Speaking of SALT

We Carry In Stock

STOCK SALT—Coarse, Medium, Fine  
BLOCKS—Sulphur, White, Iodized, Mineralized,  
Medicated  
PHENO-SALT—With or Without Minerals

## MINERALS

We Are Carload Buyers Of

Tobacco - Sulphur - Shell Lime - Carbotex  
Chemi-Calfos (28% Calcium, 14% Phosphorus)  
VITAWAY CONTAINS 18 MINERALS AND VITAMINS, NO SALT. MIX IT AT HOME. NONE BETTER.

BUY AT HOME - SEE IT MIXED

# H. V. STOKES FEED CO.

Phone 89

Scribblings  
Pink Eye Powder

We are the exclusive agents for Scribblings Pink Eye Powder—which is warranted to cure "pink eye" in your herd. A 5-gram bottle—enough to treat 30 to 40 cases—sells for \$1.00. Drop in any time and let us tell you about this new and fully-guaranteed remedy for the treatment of an infection which annually causes losses to cattlemen amounting to many millions of dollars.

Grower Owned & Operated  
A Federal Bonded Warehouse

# SONORA Wool & Mohair Co.

Phone 8

Sonora, Tex.

BERAKO—A Specially Prepared Liquid for Control of Ox Warble & Heel Fly.  
Also a full line of Shearing Supplies

CARRYING A FULL STOCK OF  
PHENOTHIAZINE DRENCH AND  
PHENO-SPECIAL; A DRENCH  
FOR THE ELIMINATION OF  
TAPEWORMS.

New Dache nets  
to glamorize  
your hair-do



In Lily Dache's glorious shades—  
Tiger Lily Pink, Chinese Red, Lavender, Chinese Green,  
Turquoise

**Fine Mesh** 3 for \$1.00  
55c each

**Snood Mesh** 3 for \$2.00  
70c each

**Corner Drug Store, Inc.**  
Phone 41  
SONORA, TEXAS

**Pre-Use Of Meat Stamps Outlined**

College Station, April 27—Permission to purchase rationed meat directly from farmers through the pre-use of ration stamps will be continued, according to information from the Office of Price Administration. This means that stamps in War Ration Book Four may be used for this purpose ahead of the time they are good for buying rationed meat at retail stores.

As War Ration Book Four contains meat stamps equivalent to a year's ration, the number which may be used for purchases from farmers has been limited to the 18 stamps following those valid for purchases in store. If, for example, a housewife desired to buy half a hog from a farmer she could use 180 points—the value of the next 18 stamps—in addition to those valid for general use. This arrangement applied to each ration book in a family.

It works this way: Assuming it is the period when red stamps A8 through J8 are good for use at retail stores, the next 18 stamps—K8 through Z8 and A5 through C6—could be used in buying meat from a farmer. When the next set of red stamps was validated for general use, the consumer automatically would be able to use the following 18 stamps for buying meat from a farm slaughterer. Meat stamps are validated for general use three at a time every two weeks, each being worth 10 points.

The OPA emphasizes that the advance use of meat stamps for farm purchases does not mean that the meat ration has been increased. It is simply a procedure which will enable consumers to follow the practice of buying meat in bulk from farmers.

The pre-use of stamps for buying farm killed meat has been permitted since rationing began a year ago. But the OPA explains that as book number four is designed to last longer than earlier ones some limitations upon the number of stamps which could be used ahead of time was necessary. This was done by the limit of 18 stamps, or 180 points.

Seven University of Texas experts on community planning recently were called to serve as an advisory committee in assisting the Gainesville Chamber of Commerce and citizenry of Cooke

**1944 Political Announcements**

District \$15.00  
Congressional \$20.00  
Sheriff, Assessor and Collector \$10.00  
County \$10.00  
Precinct \$7.50  
Commissioner \$7.50  
Justice of the Peace \$7.50  
Constable \$7.50  
City \$7.50  
(One Insertion Per Week)

Terms: Strictly cash in advance.

No announcements unless cash accompanies same. Announcements inserted in order in which fees are paid at this office. No refund of fees, or any part thereof, will be made after announcement is published, even though candidate should withdraw from his race. Withdrawal notices published at the rate of ten cents per line. Announcement fee does not include subscription to The Devil's River News.

The Devil's River News is authorized to make the following announcements, subject to the action of the Democratic primary:

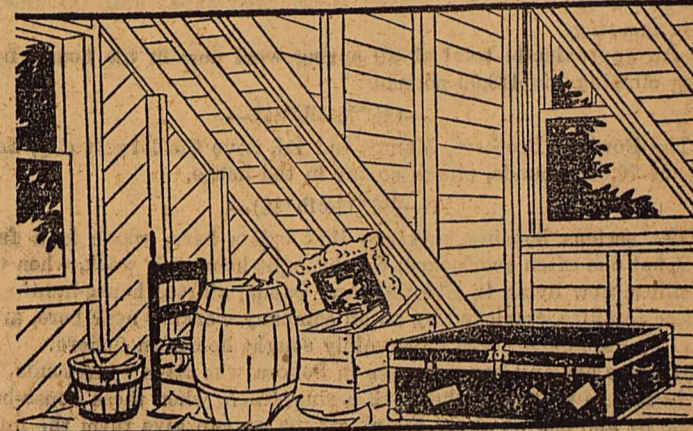
- COUNTY:**
- For Sheriff, Assessor and Collector—  
**LEO E. BROWN**  
(Re-election)
- For County Clerk—  
**HOWARD C. KIRBY**  
**JOHN D. LOWREY**  
(Re-election)
- For County Judge—  
**ALVIS JOHNSON**  
(Reelection)
- For County Treasurer—  
**MRS. THELMA BRISCOE**  
(Reelection)

A World War I stratosphere flying suit—electrically wired, bear fur-lined and leather-covered—is one of the latest gifts to come to the Texas Memorial Museum on the University of Texas campus. This suit was rescued from the salvage drive, to be added to other World War I relics in the Museum.

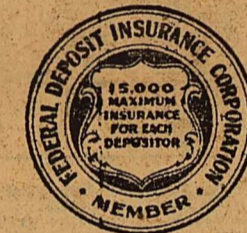
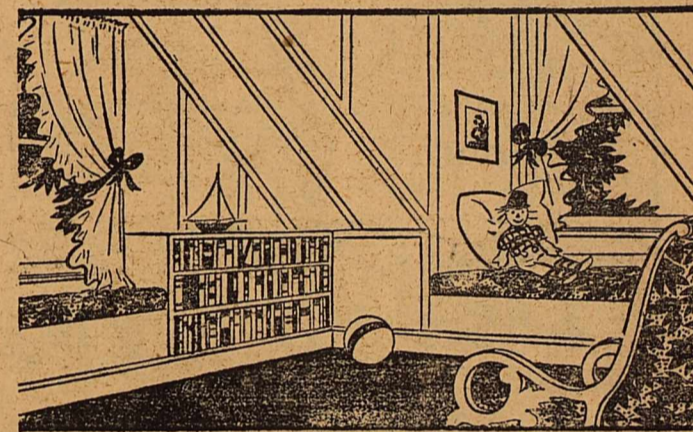
County in setting in motion that country's post-war planning program.

**FHA LOANS UP TO \$500**  
for home maintenance and repair  
**MADE FOR 3 YEARS**  
**PAYABLE MONTHLY**

Put that unused closet  
or attic to work



Like this!



**First National Bank**

43 YEARS  
SERVING SUTTON COUNTY

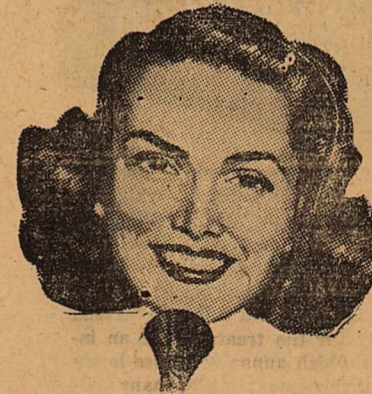
Eyes Examined GLASSES Scientifically Fitted

**DR. A. J. BLACK**  
OPTOMETRIST

710 San Angelo Nat'l Bank Bldg.  
San Angelo, Texas  
PHONE 7957

Reasonable Prices All Work Guaranteed

YOUR USE OF THE TELEPHONE  
IN WARTIME



Please do not ask for  
the time of day

OUR SWITCHBOARD HERE IN TOWN IS SO CROWDED WITH CALLS THAT WE CAN NOT GIVE GOOD SERVICE ON THOSE NECESSARY CALLS AND GIVE OUT THE TIME OF DAY TOO.

THE SAN ANGELO TELEPHONE CO.

The Texas Flag which accompanied the Texas 36th Division to Casablanca, Oran, Algiers and on to Italy was honored in a memorial service on the University of Texas campus in a program sponsored by the Austin Women's Victory Committee.

Industry is still booming in Texas, to judge by its increased demand for electricity, the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research reports. In February industrial consumption of electric power was up 33.1 percent over February, 1943.

Seven University of Texas experts on community planning recently were called to serve as an advisory committee in assisting the Gainesville Chamber of Commerce and citizenry of Cooke

**L. W. ELLIOTT**

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW

SONORA, TEXAS

Will practice in all state and federal courts



217 S. Chadbourne  
SAN ANGELO

Phone 5384

**G. A. WYNN**

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW

Fire, Windstorm, Auto

—and—

Other Types Of  
**Insurance**

OFFICE: Sutton Co. Courthouse  
MRS. GEORGE WYNN  
Acting Agent for the  
Duration  
Phone 199

BUY WAR BONDS & STAMPS

**Charles K. Moore**

CERTIFIED PUBLIC  
ACCOUNTANT

Audits — Income Tax Counsel  
702 San Angelo Nat'l Bank Bldg.  
San Angelo, Texas

POSTED!

No Hunting

Violators Prosecuted

**Aldwell Brothers**

**Robert Massie Co.**

Funeral Directors, Embalmers

Superior Ambulance

Service

Phone 4444

Day or Night

SAN ANGELO, TEXAS

REAL ESTATE  
SEE US FOR CITY PROPERTY

INSURANCE

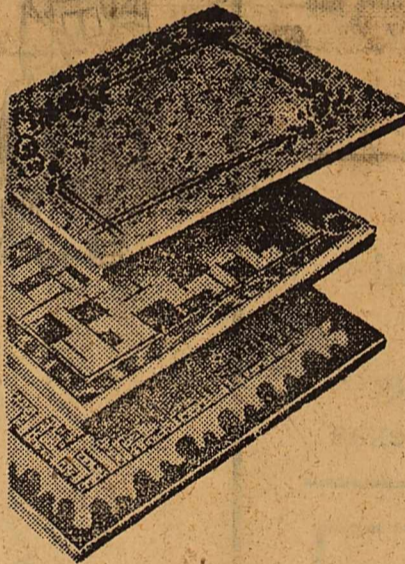
Every kind of protection known to Standard Insurance

Companies.

RANCH LOANS  
THE BIGGER THE BETTER

Auditing—Tax Consultants

**Elliott Brothers Co.**



Reg. \$5.95

9' x 12'  
FELT  
BASE  
RUGS

\$4.95

TWENTY NEW PATTERNS

**Wood Furniture  
Store**



REGULAR  
PRICE 75c

3-Pc.  
Fire King  
Ovenproof  
Bowl Set

49c

7 — 8 — 9 INCH

ON SALE MONDAY

126 Prs. Children's Shoes

OPA Release

RATION FREE  
CHILDREN'S SIZES — 8½ TO 3

\$1.65

PAIR

**City Variety Store**

5c \$5