

# The Devil's River News

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FORTY-SECOND WEEK

## Texas REA Co-ops Allotted \$4,000.00 Funds

COLLEGE STATION, August 9—Texas rural electric cooperatives recently were allotted more than \$4,000,000 in REA loan funds to finance 4,600 miles of additional lines, which will conduct electric power to the homes of 10,000 farm families and other rural consumers, according to information received by Texas A. and M. College Extension Service from REA headquarters in St. Louis, Mo.

Since the defeat of Germany, restrictions on rural line construction have been lifted, and new power lines will be built as soon as materials are available.

Within the past few months, thousands of Texas farmers have signed up for electric service. REA officials point out that all farmers and other rural consumers wanting electricity should contact the nearest REA office without delay, as the number of signed members is important in determining which lines are to be built first.

The farmer wanting service, whether he lives adjacent to or at some distance from an REA line, should go to the nearest REA office and obtain information on how soon he can obtain service. If the farmer lives at considerable distance from an REA line, every effort will be made to build an extension to his home.

Up to July 1, 1945, REA had allotted approximately \$48,000,000 to rural electric cooperatives in Texas. The cooperatives had built 41,000 miles of lines and brought electricity to 100,000 farm families and other rural consumers. All REA loans are made on a self-liquidating, 100 percent financing basis, at two percent interest for periods not exceeding 35 years. Texas cooperatives are paying off their loans on schedule, REA officials report.

## WELLS ASKED TO SPEAK AT EX-STUDENTS' BAR-B-Q

A. E. Wells, Sonora Schools superintendent, has been invited to speak at the Ex-Students Annual Barbecue, to be held on Sunday, September 2, according to Mrs. Bryan Hunt, president of the Association.

Other program plans have not been completed, but group singing and special musical numbers will be included. More complete details will be worked out by the various committees at their next meeting, the date of which will be announced next week.

Everyone in the county is invited to attend the affair, and it is also anticipated that ex-students who have moved from here will also be here for the occasion.

Mrs. W. H. Karnes and sons, Bill and Dick, and daughter, Anne, are visiting in San Angelo this week with Mrs. Karnes' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Drake.

## AAA FARM NEWS

By Dessie Knott  
Sutton County AAA  
Administrative Officer

## COUNTY FARMERS BELIEVE IN SOIL CONSERVATION

From the interest being shown in 1945, we believe the amount of soil conservation practices being carried out this year will equal that of 1944, despite labor shortages. The extent of practices carried out last year is only a small percent of the conservation work needed in Sutton County. Sutton County ranchers should report to the local AAA office and find out how much they can earn and whether funds are available to carry out the practice for 1945.

Drilling of wells, eradication of pear, cedar, mesquite, lecheguilla and underbrush require prior written approval of the County ACA Committee before the initiation of the practice.

Dairy Production Program payments are still in effect, and producers should bring or mail their sales receipts to the AAA office and should file their applications for payment.

Any producer who has requested prior approval for a practice and now sees that he cannot carry out this practice should report to the county office this information, so that the approval may be cancelled and the money made available to someone else in the county.

## Movement Of Livestock Good Here Recently

Livestock movements in the county have been fairly active for the past few weeks, with a good number of sheep leaving here each week. Livestock weighed in at the local stockyards this week included the following:

To C. T. Jones, Sr.: 503 lambs and 243 ewes from Jap Holman; 86 calves from C. E. Stites; 95 calves from Sol Kelly; 194 ewes from Henry Wyatt; 43 calves from Mack Cauthorn, and 1,507 lambs from Robert Kelley.

To Fred Ball of San Angelo: 1,925 lambs from R. T. Miers of Del Rio.

To J. C. Bell: 101 cattle from A. G. Morris & Son.

To Drake & Miller of San Angelo: 391 lambs from L. E. Johnson, Jr., and 2,098 lambs from W. A. Miers.

To Harry Conley & Co.: 1,696 lambs from Othro Drake of San Angelo.

To Jim Bledsoe of San Angelo: 621 lambs from C. E. Stites.

To Bud Stokes: 606 lambs from Sterling Baker.

Sutton County livestock sold at the San Angelo Livestock Auction Co. cattle sale Monday included some from Sam Allison, as follows: seven pairs at \$93, six cows at \$7.60 to \$8.10, and a whiteface bull, 1,510 pounds, \$11.30.

Local consignments to the Producers Livestock Auction Co. Tuesday included 12 lambs from W. L. Davis, averaging 54 pounds, which brought \$5.10 a head.

## Cox Cites Means Of Preventing Undulant Fever

AUSTIN, Aug. 9—As a safeguard against the serious and disabling disease known as undulant fever or Malta fever, Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, advises Texans to drink milk only from approved sources. Undulant fever is usually acquired by human beings as a result of consuming raw milk or raw milk products from cows infected with Bang's disease.

Raw milk or milk products can be consumed with safety only when they are known to be produced by cows tested and found to be free of Bang's disease. Pasteurization, of course, will kill the germs if present.

To lower the incidence of undulant fever all dairymen are asked to cooperate with the State Department of Health by removing cattle infected with Bang's disease from their herds as soon as the disease is discovered. Even if the milk is made safe for human consumption by pasteurization, infected cows are still a menace to health since they can transmit the disease to healthy animals and to their owner and other persons who handle them.

"Undulant fever," Dr. Cox said, "is one health menace we can eradicate in our State through absolutely safe milk supplies from dairy herds free from Bang's disease."

"Unless a herd is known to be free from this infection, only pasteurized milk should be used so that the disease cannot be passed on to the consumer of milk and dairy products."

## LOCKER PLANTS GET CEILING ON GRADING

A ceiling price has been established for the grading of beef, veal, lamb, or mutton by commercial freezers or locker plants for farm slaughterers. A. E. Prugel, chairman of the local War Price and Rationing Board, announced today.

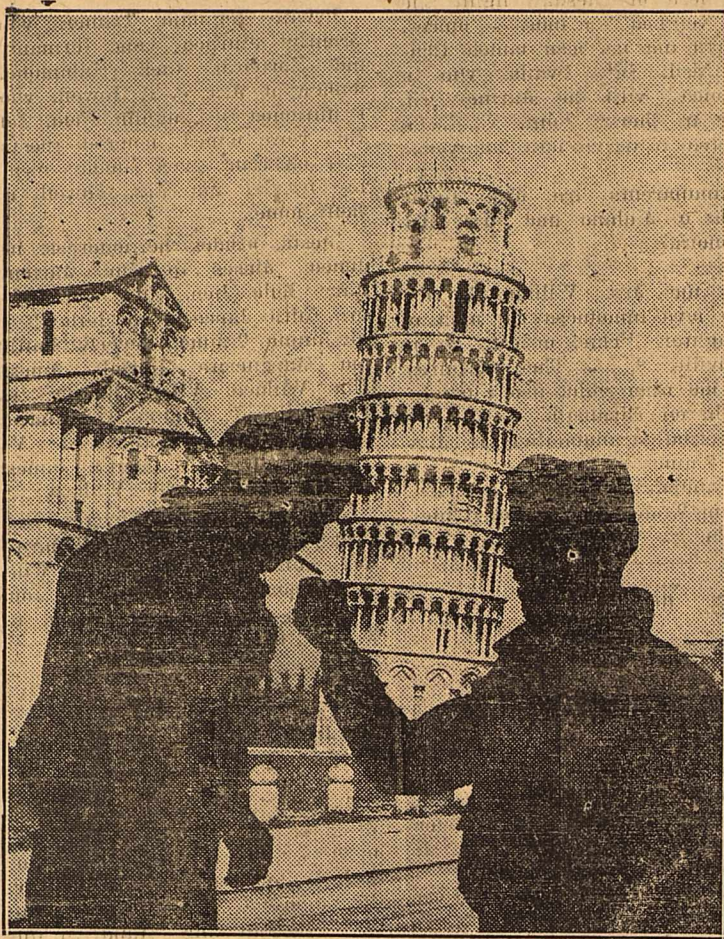
The ceiling is 12½ cents per hundred pounds of meat graded, computed to the next highest multiple of five cents.

For example, a farm slaughterer requests a locker plant to grade a 150-pound cut of meat. The ceiling price for grading this meat would actually figure out at 18-34 cents. Adjusted to the next highest five cent multiple, however, the final ceiling price would be 20 cents.

## KIRBY ELECTED NEW LIONS CLUB DIRECTOR

At the Lions directors' meeting, held Monday night, H. C. Kirby was nominated to the Board of Directors. He replaces E. D. Stringer who is moving to Hamilton, Texas.

Kirby's name was presented to the club Tuesday, at the weekly luncheon meeting, and he was unanimously elected to the board.



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GOOD-BYE, ITALY—Pilots of a night fighter squadron take a farewell ramble to the famous Leaning Tower at Pisa before leaving for more active theaters of war. This unique picture is an Air Forces photo.

## Broadcast To Explain Benefits Of War Fund

AUSTIN—A state-wide radio program, to be broadcast by practically every Texas station Friday, August 10, will tell the story of National War Fund services being sent to our troops and allies as result of the 1944 Texas war chest campaign. Don Weldon, publicity director of the United War Chest of Texas, announced today.

The highly dramatic 30-minute air show will be broadcast from 9:30 to 10 p.m., from a Dallas studio, and will reach every town and county in Texas by way of a great all-station network created especially for the program, Weldon said. Stations in all parts of the state are cooperating to make the war chest show one of the greatest ever staged over the Texas air waves, he said.

With music by the famed 32-piece Eighth Service Command Band, and a script that carries listeners to every part of the world where National War Fund services go "For Our Own and Our Allies", the broadcast will give Texans an authentic picture of the work being done by their war chest dollars.

"Texans who contributed so generously to the war fund, through their local war chest organizations, should know just what their dollars are doing for our fighting men," the war chest announcement said. "The all-station broadcast will give that information in a highly dramatic and entertaining manner. We hope every Texan will hear the broadcast, and believe that every citizen of the Lone Star state will feel a great pride in the work made possible by Texas contributions to the National War Fund."

## LT. HATTIE TAYLOR, HOME FROM EUROPE, VISITS HERE MON., TUES.

First Lt. Hattie Taylor, who arrived back in the States from Europe last week, was in Sonora Monday and Tuesday visiting in the home of her brother, C. W. Taylor. Lt. Taylor, recently promoted to the rank of first lieutenant in the Army Nurse Corps, has been overseas almost two years. Most of her overseas service was in England, but recently she had been serving in France.

When she left here, she planned to visit her father, R. E. Taylor, in San Angelo, with a sister in Dallas, and with friends in San Antonio. At the end of her leave on September 3, she will report for reassignment to Ashburn General Hospital, McKinney. She does not expect another overseas assignment.

## EPISCOPAL SERVICES TO BE HELD SUNDAY

Evening prayer and sermon will be held at St. John's Episcopal Church on Sunday night, August 12, at 8:30 o'clock. Mr. Stanley Hauser of San Antonio will conduct the service.

## Rites Held Tues. For Brother Of W. C. Gilmore

Last rites were conducted Tuesday afternoon in Georgetown for Sidney A. Gilmore, 46, former Sonoran and brother of W. C. Gilmore of Sonora. Mr. Gilmore, who was wounded in the last war, had been in poor health for the past several years. He died Sunday in Georgetown.

The son of the late Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Gilmore of Sonora, he had made his home here several years and at one time had operated a ranch on the Llano River. At the time of his death he was engaged in the ranching business near Georgetown, and he was especially interested in the breeding of Palomino horses. His horses had been entered in shows all over the country and one recently took first place in a Fort Worth horse show.

Gilmore is survived by his wife and one daughter, Colleen.

## Howell, Turney, Taylor Take Matched Ropings

Winners in the three matched ropings held at the Dry Devil's River Ropers' Association pens Sunday afternoon were Bruce Howell, Jack Turney and C. W. Taylor, each roping four calves.

Howell's time on the four calves totaled 88.2 seconds over Glenn O'Bryant's 105.3 seconds. Turney edged out his opponent with 75.2 seconds, over Ira Docklear's (of Eldorado) 76.1 seconds. Taylor's time on his four calves was 124 seconds, while his opponent, Pete Featherston of Brady, totaled 214.1 seconds.

Best time in the two jackpot calf ropings was made by Carl Harris of Sonora, with 20 seconds, and Bus Enochs of Eldorado with 16.2 seconds. Second and third places in the first jackpot calf roping were taken by Glenn Reeves, with 22 seconds, and Bus Enochs, with 28 seconds. In the second jackpot calf roping, second best time was made by Jack Turney and C. W. Taylor, who tied with 18.4 seconds.

Bill Reiley of Sonora took first time in the jackpot goat roping, with 12 seconds. He was closely followed in second and third places by Jack Turney with 13.4 seconds, and George E. (Bud) Smith, with 14 seconds.

Much interest is displayed in the jackpot ropings, with around 30 ropers entering each of them. Ropers Sunday came from the Llano River country, Eldorado, the T-Half Circle and other parts of the nearby country.

The county's best ropers are expected to go to Ozona next Sunday for the annual Ozona Celebration. Some local ropers, however, will be at the local pens.

## Adams Clarifies Social Security Benefit Laws

In order to clarify any confusion over payment of social security benefits, Elliott W. Adams, manager of the San Angelo Social Security Board office, announced today that 40 calendar quarters are not needed at this time by all claimants reaching age 65 in order to be eligible for retirement checks.

A calendar quarter, Adams explained, is any three-month period beginning January, April, July, or October. In order for a calendar quarter to count towards benefits, wages of at least \$50 must be earned entirely within the quarter.

As the act now stands, a worker is eligible for benefit payments when he reaches 65 years of age if he has received \$50 in half of the calendar quarters from January 1, 1937, until the quarter in which he had his 65th birthday. January 1, 1937, is the date when the Social Security Act became effective.

"The older a worker was when the Social Security Act became effective, the fewer calendar quarters he needs," Adams said. "For example, a worker who was born July 5, 1880, needs only 17 quarters to be eligible for benefit payments."

Any individual who acquires 40 quarters of coverage as explained here becomes permanently insured for retirement benefits at age 65, even though he may not yet have attained that age.

Business visitors in San Angelo Monday were R. C. Vickers and Mrs. G. C. Hines.

## Two Teachers Added To Faculty

STILL LOOKING FOR MORE, WELLS SAYS

A. E. Wells, newly-elected superintendent of the Sonora schools, announced this week that two new members have been added to the school faculties, one in the L. W. Elliott School and one in the Elementary School.

Miss Chris Douglas of Santa Anna will teach home economic in the Elliott High School. She is now attending Texas State College for Women at Denton, where she will receive her bachelor of science degree at the end of this month.

Miss Lola Norton of Brownwood has been elected as primary teacher in the Elementary School. Miss Norton, who studied at Abilene Christian College and North Texas State Teachers' College, Denton, has had about 15 years experience in primary instruction and comes here from the Quinlan schools. She has also done work on her master of arts degree.

Wells said that several applications for positions in the Sonora schools are now in his possession, but that no satisfactory ones have as yet been received for the positions of commercial teacher, director of athletics, instructor in public school music, and high school principal. On Thursday he left for the coaches school, being held in Abilene, with the hope of finding additional teachers for the Sonora schools.

Wells will be here from now until school starts, having completed the courses he was teaching this summer at Southeastern Louisiana College and Northwestern Louisiana College. Mrs. Wells, who is still in San Angelo, will join him here in the near future.

## Lions Award Keng Victory Garden War Bond Prize

E. B. Keng was awarded a first prize of a \$50 War Bond at the Lions Club luncheon Tuesday for having the best victory garden entered in the club's contest this summer. Winners were picked by a secret committee, and second and third prizes, each a \$25 War Bond, were presented, respectively, to O. C. Ogden and A. E. Prugel.

Musical numbers on the program were presented by Miss Betty Sue May of Lampasas, who sang "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling" and "Always", accompanied by Miss Sammie Jeanne Allison at the piano.

A report of the directors' meeting, held Monday night, at which H. C. Kirby was nominated as a director, was made and the members voted unanimously in favor of his election.

Guests included Misses May and Allison and Sue Anne Stokes and Ward Hardeman, W. W. Leamons and W. D. Leamons of Junction.

## MRS. SHANKS RETURNS HERE, HUSBAND GETS OVERSEAS ASSIGNMENT

Mrs. J. B. Shanks, and son, Jackie, who have been in California for the past three months with W/O J. B. Shanks, returned this week to Sonora and will make their home here with Mrs. Shanks' mother for the remainder of the war.

W/O Shanks has just reported for another overseas assignment with the Navy, having returned last April from 26 months in the Pacific. During the past three months he had been stationed in Los Angeles and at Port Hueneme, California.

## Happy Birthdays

Saturday, August 11—  
Mrs. Edwin Sawyer  
Henry Decker  
Sunday, August 12—  
Betty Nell Merck  
J. F. Hamby  
Frances Lancaster  
Monday, August 13—  
Nadine Hill  
Tuesday, August 14—  
Earl Merck  
Mrs. Homer Byrd  
Joe Thomas Friess  
Wednesday, August 15—  
T. L. Harrison  
Hazel Holmig  
Frances Atchison  
Virginia Bunnell  
Dearl Lee Beard  
Thursday, August 16—  
Mrs. Jake Merck  
Louis Davis  
Friday, August 17—  
Vernon Marion  
Andrew Moore

## Announcements From The Churches



**METHODIST CHURCH**  
Men's Bible Class 9:45  
Sunday School 9:45  
Morning Worship 10:50  
Evening Service changed from 7:30 to Vesper Service at 5:30  
Womans Society of Christian Service meets each Wednesday Afternoon 3:00  
Men's Brotherhood Social every second Thursday evening at the church.  
Cordial welcome to all.

**ST. ANN'S CHURCH**  
Sunday Masses 8:00  
10:00  
Weekday Mass 8:00

### THURSDAY CLUB MEETS WITH MRS. JOE BERGER

Mrs. Joe Berger was hostess to the Thursday Club when it met last week. Mrs. B. C. McGilvary won high club score, and Mrs. C. W. Taylor won high guest score. The party room was decorated with potted plants, and a salad plate was served to Meses. Robert Rees, McGilvary, J. W. Trainer, W. E. Glasscock, O. G. Babcock and John Bunnell, members; also Meses. Taylor, Lee Patrick, S. M. Loeffler, J. H. Brasher, Woodrow Norris and W. H. Queen, guests.

### WEDNESDAY CLUB MEETS IN MAYFIELD HOME

Mrs. Stanley Mayfield was hostess to the Wednesday Club when it met last week. High score was won by Mrs. E. B. Keng, and Jr., of Del Rio, guests. Tea guests.

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Sunday School 10:00  
Evening Services 8:00  
Held every second Sunday in the month.

### PRISCILLA PFIESTER HONORED WITH PARTY ON BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Beulah Pfister honored her granddaughter, Priscilla Pfister, with a party on her seventh birthday, Thursday, August 2. The children played party games, after which green birthday cake and punch were served to Vicky Jo Savell, Mary Lois Hull, Jack Adkins, June Rose Lyles, Dixie Ann Queen, Martha Jean Valliant, Ruth Drennan, Vicky Archer, Cynthia Hall, Sue Ann Stokes, Josephine Bailey, Margaret Faye Moore, Barbara Inez, and Russ Chalk, Mary Lehne Prater and Darcy Carroll.

cut prize was won by Mrs. Russell Davis.

A salad plate was served to Meses. Keng, R. D. Lancaster, H. C. Kirby, W. B. McMillan, Harold Friess, Edwin Sawyer, Davis and A. P. Prater, members; also Meses. Vestel Askew and John Rowland, were Mrs. A. C. Elliott and Miss Van-Cable of Fort Worth.

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## Congratulations

The arrival of a baby girl, Janet, to Mr. and Mrs. Dick Morrison on August 5, has been announced.

Sgt. and Mrs. Daymon Swails are the parents of a son, born here on Tuesday night. The baby weighed 7 pounds, 14 ounces, at birth and has been named Richard Cecil. Sgt. Swails, who is stationed with the Marine Air Wing at Cherry Point, N. C., is expected to arrive here this weekend.

Grandparents are Mrs. Addie Swails of Midland and Perry Ory of Sonora.

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Lt. and Mrs. William T. McGuire have announced the birth of a daughter, Vickie, on July 27, in Greenville, S. C. The McGuires have one other child, also a daughter, Sharon Elizabeth. Maternal grandmother is Mrs. Rena Trainer of Sonora, and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. William T. McGuire, Sr., of Arlington, Va.

### Mrs. Wallace Is Hostess To Just Us Club

Mrs. Libb Wallace was hostess to the Just Us Club when it met Monday. Mrs. J. S. Glasscock won high club score, Mrs. C. A. Tyler won high cut, and Mrs. G. H. Neill won high guest score.

Ice cream and cake were served to Meses. Glasscock, Tyler, G. H. Hall, J. F. Howell and Edwin Sawyer, members; also Meses. J. H. Brasher, Wylie Trainer and Neill, guests.

### MR. & MRS. JONES HAVE SATURDAY NIGHT CLUB

Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Jones, Jr., were hosts to the Saturday Night Club when it met last week at their ranch. The bridge tables were placed on the porch where the guests were served a covered dish supper.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Friess won high club score, and Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Johnson, Jr., won high guest score.

Those present were Meses. and Meses. Rip Ward, Edgar Shurley, Friess, E. B. Kenk, H. C. Kirby and Edwin Sawyer, members, and Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. E. E. Sawyer, Mrs. J. H. Brasher and Wesley Sawyer, guests.

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CLUBS . PARTIES . FEATURES

FRANCES LANCASTER, Editor

Sonora, Texas, Friday, August 10, 1945

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### Trainer, Hammond Named Honorees At Barbecue

Private Reginald Trainer, who recently returned from Germany, and Corporal Jack Hammond, nephew of Mrs. J. H. Howell, who is stationed at Laughlin Field, Del Rio, were named honored guests at a barbecue given Sunday evening by Dr. and Mrs. Howell at their home.

Guests, besides the honorees, included Meses Jo Ann Marion, Mary Belle Bien, Tina Ann Taylor, Edith Babcock, Jo Beth Taylor, Jamie Trainer, Beverly Smith and Marguerite Howell; Meses. Ella Wallace, Wiley Trainer, A. F. Moffitt, Jr., and J. D. Wallace; and Meses. and Meses. L. W. Elliott, George E. Smith, James D. Trainer and Libb Wallace.

Also Sgt. Wesley Sawyer, Pfc. Dock Simmons, Lt. O. L. Richardson, Sanford Trainer, Gene Wallace, George D. Wallace, Pvt. Don Nicholas, Robert Trainer and A. F. Moffitt, III.

### Mrs. Hall Is WSCS Hostess

The WSCS met Wednesday with Mrs. G. H. Hall. The meeting opened with a song, "Just for Today", followed by a prayer by the Reverend F. L. Meadow. Cynthia Ann Hall sang "Stand Up For Jesus" and Mrs. Rip Ward gave a review of the book, "The Unquenchable Life", by Kenneth Scott Laouette.

Mrs. Hall was assisted by Mrs. Frank Turney in serving the refreshments of punch and cookies.

Members present were Meses. L. E. Johnson, Sr., Rose Thorp, Ella Wallace, J. F. Howell, E. E. Sawyer, J. T. Ratliff, Robert Rees, John Kring, Annie Sharp, J. W. Trainer, J. D. Lowrey, C. E. Stites, Arthur Carroll, Lloyd McMullen, Jane Hamilton, Edgar Shurley, L. B. Boughton and Ward.

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### Williams - McGhee Rites Solemnized In San Antonio On August 3

In a ceremony read at 7:30 o'clock Saturday evening, August 3, Miss Virginia McGhee, daughter of Mrs. L. H. McGhee and the late Mr. McGhee of Sonora, became the bride of Staff Sergeant C. J. Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Williams of Exater, Virginia. The ceremony took place in the Alamo Methodist Church at San Antonio.

The bride wore a navy two-piece dress with white accessories for the ceremony.

She was attended by her sister, Miss Jewel McGhee, as bride's maid, and she wore a light blue printed silk dress with white accessories.

The bridegroom was attended by G. T. Williams of San Antonio as best man.

Mrs. Williams attended the Sonora Public Schools and graduated from Sonora High School. She has been a government employe in San Antonio until recently.

Sergeant Williams graduated from Exater Public Schools and is a veteran of the European War, having served in North Africa and Italy. He is now stationed at East Kelly Field where he is a demolition instructor.

The couple will make their home in San Antonio.

### Reggie Trainer Honored With Barbecue Wed.

Pvt. Reginald Trainer was honored with a barbecue and dance at the Scout Hall Wednesday night by Meses Katha Lea Keene, Jo Ann Marion and Mary Belle Bien.

Guests present were Meses. and Meses. Collier Shurley, Ralph Trainer, Vernon Marion and James D. Trainer; Meses. L. M. Roueche, Jr., Stella Keene, M. M. Stokes, Carl J. Cahill, Leroy Whitworth and Vestel Askew; also Meses. Marguerite Howell, Lucille Clark, Jamie Trainer, Sammie Allison and Cathryn Fuller and Pvt. Don Nicholas, FC 3/c Charles Moore, Sgt. Troy Spott, Pfc. Dock Simmons, F/O Wayne White, David Shurley, S. H. Stokes, Rd. M. 2/c Vernon Cook, Lt. O. L. Richardson, Jr., and Sgt. Neal King.

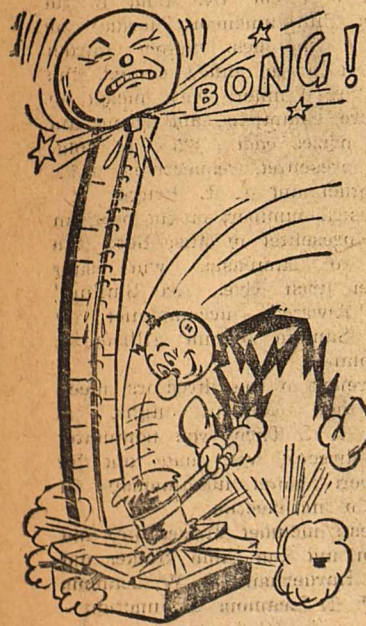
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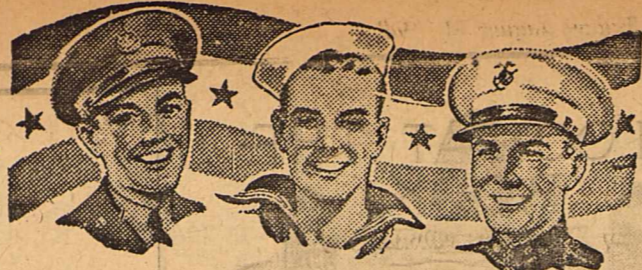
## AGAINST RISING COSTS

The last generation has been the most important in the history of electricity and worth ringing the bell for, because it's during this last era that the use of electricity in America has become so popular, so widespread, so useful, and so cheap.

It's during this last historic generation that most of our electric appliances have come into common use—electric refrigerators around 1925; radios around 1930; electric washing machines and vacuum cleaners in the early twenties; electric roasters and clocks around 1932; and so forth. Their economical use has been made possible through the lowered price you pay for electricity. For it's been during these same years that the price of your electricity has been coming down and has stayed down, even in wartime. For example, if you're the average user of electricity, you are now getting about twice the electricity you got fifteen years ago for the same money.

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H. C. Kiser, who is now in Officer's Candidate School at Camp Fannin, writes:

"You should see the M1 that have. It is a real rifle. It will carry for five hundred yards, and it hits right on the spot every time. Boy, you sure could bring down a deer with it, or an elephant too, if it got in front of you. This rifle will shoot two miles. It weighs ten pounds, but it seems like it weighs a hundred before you get back off one of these six-mile hikes.

"I am taking highly specialized training here. Boy, they throw this stuff to us in a hurry. If you blink your eyes, you get a day behind.

"There are sixteen thousand men here in this camp. It is about one hundred and five miles north-east of Dallas. It has low rolling hills, red sand, and pine trees.

"Last week when they gave us our rifles, they also gave us a parade. It was very good. All the colors flying and bands playing made it quite an occasion. The rifles we get are the most highly respected thing you have; you

have to keep them clean, you clean them once a day and they are kept shiny all the time. I have fired so many shots that every time I see a bullet it makes me sick."

A later letter reads as follows: "Well, I am in O. C. S. now; there are twelve boys out of my company in it. When we signed up, 'the old boy' said 'If you don't have plenty of guts you can't make it, because you will sit up many a night with a book in your face'.

"I guess you know that I held expert for three days on rifle range. I lacked three points making a possible on the carbine rifle today. I also passed for an expert swimmer today; our next class will be life saving. I hope I can pull my guy to shore O. K.

"We were restricted to camp and had dismantled drill tonight and later we had rifle inspection, so

## ROLL OF HONOR



I stayed up until the last minute and then fell out at three o'clock. Two boys in our company, messed up things today. One had a match stem by his foot locker and the other had a wrinkle in his bunk."

Another letter states: "I feel pretty good today. I got to bed at 1:00 A. M. and got about three hours sleep, so that makes me with about seven hours sleep in twenty-four hours, and that is the first time I have had that much sleep in twenty-four hours since I have been here.

"You know, all the people look down on the Infantry, but let me tell you that it is one great outfit. People look down on it because they just don't know a thing about it. The Infantry is dressed down perfectly now. When we first got in this camp we had a bunch of softies, but the first four weeks weeded them out.

"You probably heard what General MarArthur said about Camp Fannin; he said that all men coming out of Camp Fannin should be put in a rest camp when they get through here. I don't think so myself. They are doing nothing more than making men out of us, and good soldiers.

"General Eisenhower visited this camp over a year ago and they asked him for a report on it after he had left. He said, 'There are two places I don't want to go, and they are Hell and Camp Fannin, Texas'.

"Well, we are going back on the bayonet course tomorrow; also we will have some more automatic rifle instructions.

"I have been talking to a Japanese boy. He is in here getting

ready to fight against Japan. From the way he talks, he sure doesn't like the Japanese government. There are seventy-five of them in the Fifty-Seventh Battalion and lots of others scattered around through the Thirteenth Regiment.

"We went to range nine early Thursday morning, which is a mile from camp; then we went to range nineteen, which is five miles from camp, then that night we went on a ten-mile hike. That made a total of twenty-two miles we stepped off that day."

S 2/c Glen Richardson writes from Norman, Oklahoma: "I went into Oklahoma City this weekend. We had a good time. I ate a big Mexican dinner. Also I ran into one of my buddies who used to be in my class. I'm writing this outside so it may be full of Oklahoma sand, as it blows here all the time.

"It seems like time has fairly been flying lately. It won't be long at all, I guess before I'm leaving here, as we graduate September 8.

"I met a boy yesterday, by luck, on the signal range. We were sending back and forth, and I found out he was from San Antonio. He knew practically everyone I knew, so we had a fine talk.

"Oh yes, I got the cookies yesterday, and they are just about gone already. Every time I pass my locker, I grab one or two.

"We have inspection this Saturday, so I'm running around trying to get some clothes in shape, my hair cut and a couple of dozen other things all at once.

"My grades are still O. K.—not quite what they were at first,

but things are getting quite a bit harder. We're working on turrets now—the kind that go in bombers. They are a lot of fun to run. One boy was running one in a B-24 the other day, so another guy proceeded to climb up and stick his arm down inside. About that time he made a big swerve on the turret and nearly mashed the boy's arm. They are pretty dangerous if you mess around too much in them, but a lot of fun.

"I was talking to some buddies of mine at Oklahoma University last night. A lot of them are Aggies, so we had a lot of fun talking over things in general. Also, a bunch of boys whom I played football with at Millsap are playing out here at Oklahoma University.

"We have been boxing and wrestling a lot in P.T. for the last three or four weeks. I won nearly all my boxing bouts and never have lost a wrestling match. The Navy really goes in for boxing."

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## Home From The War

Here on 10-day furlough, visiting his parents, is Charles Moore, fire controlman in the Navy, who is stationed in New York. After a short tour of duty in the Pacific, Moore is scheduled to enter pre-flight school in the Naval Air Corps around the first of the year.

Evil Dock Simmons, who is stationed at Fort Sill, Okla., is here on furlough visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Simmons, and his sister, Mrs. Joe Hull.

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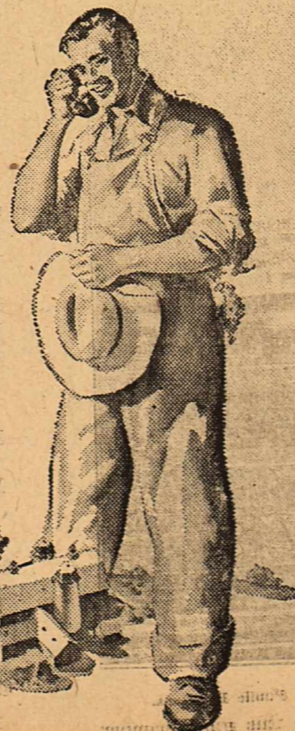
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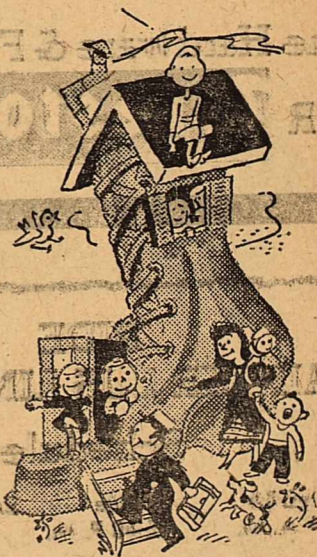
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## A LOOK AT THE BOOK

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"They despised the pleasant land" (Psalm 106:24). These words the psalmist applies to Israel. Having been freed from Egyptian bondage, having been saved from Pharaoh at the Red Sea under the leadership of Moses, they came to the border of Canaan. The spies sent in to look over the land came back reporting a rich and fertile land, but with high-walled cities inhabited by giants. The Lord had promised to give them the land—to make it theirs forever, but they despised it. That is, they did not want it enough to fight for its possession. Their fear of the giants was stronger than their desire for the land of promise.

How many people fail to realize all the fullness of blessing that God has in store for them because they are unwilling to pay the price or because they are afraid of the giants that must be faced, giants of scorn and ridicule, giants of loneliness and privation, and sometimes the giant of self.

The tribes of Israel despised the pleasant land because they lacked vision to see it as God intended it should be—their land. They saw it as a country held by giants. God saw it as a dwelling place of Israel. They beheld the heathen altars and groves. God saw the temple of Solomon. Their eyes were upon the walled cities of the Canaanitish nations. God's were upon a land of twelve united tribes. So we often despise a pleasant thing which God wishes us to possess because we see it, not as it may become with the victories of the years, but as it looks to us today, frightening and to be avoided.

The root of the whole matter was that Israel lacked faith. The God of Moses and his people had proved Himself powerful enough to overthrow the Canaanites and give Israel the land which He had promised, but their fear was greater than their faith. Perhaps that is all too often our trouble!

year, in the percentage crop, up in 9 states, down in 3 and unchanged in 1. The number of lambs saved was down in all states except in Colorado and Texas.

Texas is the only one of the Western sheep states where the number of ewes 1 year old and over on January 1 was larger this year than last. This larger number of ewes and a rather marked increase in the percentage lamb crop from 71 in 1944 to 77 this year resulted in a record lamb crop of 5,284,000. This number is nearly 700,000 head or 15 percent larger than the 1944 crop and is about 550,000 head above the previous record crop of 1941. The Texas crop this year was about 19 percent of the total lamb crop and 23 percent of the Western Lamb Crop - These being record percentages.

Although the 1945 lamb crop was smaller than that of 1944, available records of marketings and slaughter indicate that at least as many 1945 lambs had gone to slaughter by August 1 as had 1944 lambs to the same date - a result, in part, of the record slaughter of California and Texas lambs. With early and generally good to excellent pastures in the native sheep states the lambs in this area made better than average growth. In the Western sheep states cold, wet weather to the end of June in the Rocky Mountain and Inter-Mountain states was somewhat unfavorable for the growth of the lambs, but with good summer range conditions the lambs from these states are expected to make at least average growth. The severe drought that has developed over much of New Mexico and parts of Arizona and West Texas has reduced the condition of the lambs over this area and a large part of these lambs may have to be marketed at light weights.

The estimate of the 1945 Lamb Crop is based upon reports of sheep producers whose flocks on January 1, 1945, contained about 2.9 million breeding ewes (including ewe lambs). This number is about 8 percent of the total estimated ewes. For the native sheep states the reports were largely obtained by rural mail carriers in cooperation with the Post Office Department. For the Western Sheep States they were obtained by mail from owners of both range and ranch flocks.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Allison are Mr. and Mrs. Matt Larkin of Dallas.

Mrs. S. T. Lancaster, who underwent an emergency appendectomy in a San Angelo hospital last Saturday night, is reported to be recovering nicely. She will probably be well enough to be brought home some time next week.

Sgt. Neal King, who has just returned from service with the Army in India, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Clay Puckett. They will go to Marfa this week-end to visit their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. King, who have also been visiting here.

Cpl. Jack Hammond of Laughlin Field, Del Rio, was the guest last week-end of his uncle and aunt, Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Howell.

Miss Edith Babcock who has been attending summer school at Texas State College for Women, Denton, has returned home to spend the remainder of the summer with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Babcock.

The estimated daily population of Rockefeller Center, which comprises an area one block wide and three blocks long, in the heart of New York City, is 152,132 persons - a fair-sized city in itself.

### 1945 LAMB CROP REPORT

The 1945 Lamb Crop, estimated at 28,250,000 head, was about 1 million head or 3 1/2 percent smaller than the 1944 Lamb Crop, the Department of Agriculture reported today. It was about 2 1/4 million head or 8 percent below the 10-year (1934-43) average and with the exception of 1935 - following the 1934 drought - it was the smallest since 1929.

The higher percentage lamb crop (number of lambs saved per 100 ewes 1 year old and over on January 1) this year offset to some extent the decrease of 6 percent in breeding ewes compared with 1944. This higher percentage resulted largely from the rather favorable weather at lambing time over most of the country. The percentage this year is 86.7 compared with 84.3 in 1944, 83.0 in 1943 and a 10-year average of 84.8. The estimated number of ewes 1 year old and over on January 1 this year was 32,591,000, compared with 34,707,000 a year earlier, a 10-year average number of 36,054,000 and a peak of 37,722,000 on January 1, 1943.

The lamb crop of 9,432,000 head in the native sheep states was 681,000 head or nearly 7 percent smaller than the 1944 crop and 1,376,000 below the 10-year average. The number of ewes 1 year old and over in these states on January 1 (9,486,000) was down nearly 1 million head or 9 percent. This decrease in ewes was partly offset by an increase in the percentage lamb crop from 96.6 last year to 99.4 this year. The lamb crop was below last year's in all the North Central States and in most of the important sheep states in other regions.

In the 13 Western sheep states (the 11 Western states, South Dakota, and Texas) the estimated lamb crop of 18,818,000 is only about 317,000 head or less than 2 percent smaller than the 1944 lamb crop but is 963,000 head or 5 percent below the 10-year average. It was the smallest crop for these states since 1937. The number of breeding ewes on January 1, 1945, was 23,105,000, a drop of 1,134,000 or about 5 percent from a year earlier. The percentage lamb crop for these states as a whole was up from 78.9 last year to 81.4 this year. There was considerable variation among the states in the changes from last



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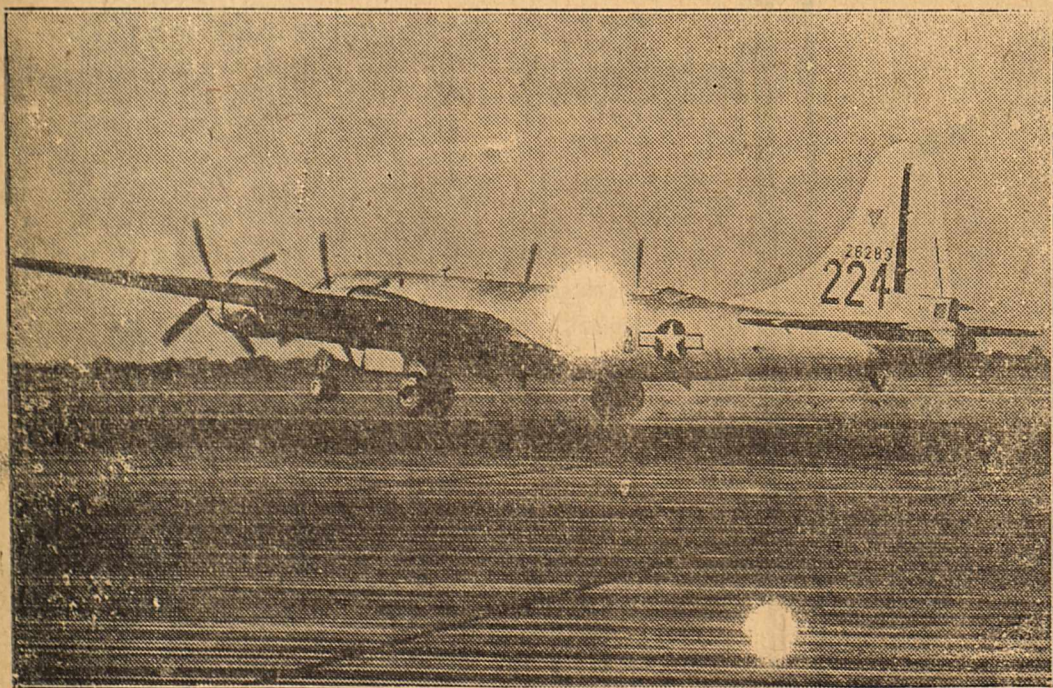
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