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By Congressman O. C. FISHER

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SEVENTEENTH WEEK

## Crucial Play-Off For West Half Of District Saturday In Big Lake

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of District 22-B in the Sonora Schools on Thursday morning, it was ruled that the western half basketball championship will be decided by a one-game playoff between Ozona and Sonora, the competing teams. The game will be played on Saturday night, February 12, at the Reagan County gym in Big Lake. Game time will be 8 o'clock, admission will be 50 cents for students and 75 cents for adults.

The game will climax a season-long duel between the two teams, coached by J. A. "Swede" Pelto and D. D. "Yank" McKnight. The teams have met four times this year, and each has posted two wins. Both the Ozona wins came in the Ozona gym, while the locals copped their one home game and another in the Eldorado tournament.

The Executive Committee was called into session when officials of the two schools were unable to agree upon a site and date for the single playoff tilt. The committee ruling was a compromise between a Thursday night playing date

and the game on one of the team's home court. Two previous playing dates for the Ozona five this week dictated the Saturday night date, while the tremendous advantage of playing on a home court in a single-game playoff caused the Big Lake site to be selected.

Present at the meeting were Superintendent C. R. Brace and Coach Guy Wheeler of Menard, Superintendent C. E. Ellison of Reagan County, Superintendent Cecil Allen of Rocksprings, Superintendent C. A. "Lefty" Reynolds of Eldorado, Superintendent Jack McIntosh, Principal J. E. Bramlett and Coach Pelto of Ozona and Superintendent A. E. Wells, Coaches Bud Moody, Edwin Thompson and McKnight of the local system.

Winner of the Saturday night game will meet Coach Bob Short's Junction Eagles, winner of the eastern half of the district, in a best two-out-of-three series during the following week to determine the district 22-B champion. Winner of the district will play in the Regional meet in Abilene on the 24-25-26 of this month.

## Broncs Beat Eldorado, Lose To Ozona To Tie For District Half

Coach Yank McKnight's cagers won the right to half of a half of a district title on Monday night when they downed Bud Hopkin's Eldorado Eagles by a narrow 35-30 count on the Eagles' home court, in a game that was closer than relatives with oil field holdings. It was a tight squeeze for the Broncs, who had bounced the Eagles around rather handily in previous meetings this season.

As has been the custom in the last few games, the Broncs nearly lost the game from the free-throw line, missing ten gratis tosses during the night. Included in the misses were one for Allen, four for Smith, two for Ogden, two for A. Z. Joy and one for Walters.

The Broncs jumped into an early lead and managed to hang onto it throughout the game. They led at the end of the first quarter 8-7; at half-time 17-13; at the three-quarter mark 22-21 and finally managed to pull away to a fairly safe (if any lead in this 22-B race could be termed that) lead in the closing minutes.

Bobby Allen led Bronco scorers with 17 points, including an 8-point first quarter. Jones, lanky forward for the Eagles, paced that team with ten markers.

I the preliminaries, the local Juniors dropped a 27-12 game to Eldorado boys, and the Bronco B team was the loser in a 28-23 fracas. Bobby Scott paced the Juniors with six points while Gene Henderson made seven in the B game to cop scoring honors.

The win kept alive the local's chances to meet the Ozona Lions in a playoff to decide which team shall be the representative of this half of the district in the final games. Should Ozona take two from Big Lake, the teams will finish the season in a deadlock.

BOX SCORE:

ELDORADO	FT	FG	PF	TP
Jones, f	4	3	4	10
Hamm, f	0	4	3	8
C. Biggs, c	0	4	1	8
Baker, g	1	1	4	3
Hicks, g	1	0	3	1
TOTALS	6	12	15	30

SONORA

FT	FG	PF	TP	
Allen, f	3	7	2	17
Smith, f	2	2	1	6
Ogden, c	2	3	5	8
J. W. Joy, g	2	1	3	4
A. Z. Joy, g - c	0	0	1	0
Walters, g	0	0	1	0
TOTALS	9	13	13	35

Half-Time Score: Sonora 17, Eldorado 13. Officials: Dillon and Storrs.

## OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS RENAMED AT WOOL, MOHAIR COMPANY MEETING

All officers and directors of the Sonora Wool and Mohair Company were re-elected Tuesday morning at the annual stockholders meeting held at the warehouse.

Renamed as president was Ed C. Mayfield; vice-president and manager, Fred T. Earwood; vice-president, W. A. Miers; secretary, A. C. Elliott; treasurer, George H. Neill.

Directors include S. H. Allison, B. M. Halbert, Dan Cauthorn, L. W. Elliott, Ben F. Meckel, E. D. Shurley, Joe Brown Ross, W. H. Karnes, J. M. Vander Stucken, E. F. Vander Stucken and Bryan Hunt.

Attend SOME Church Sunday

## Wool Organizations Of 4 Nations Merge As The Wool Bureau, Inc. To Start Long Term Wool Program

SAN ANTONIO — Organizations representing four countries producing more than two-thirds of the world's apparel wool today announced, an amalgamation of their efforts to increase the usefulness and the markets for wool in the United States and Canada through a broad scale program of research, education and promotion.

The information was contained in an announcement made simultaneously in San Antonio by the American Wool Council, representing wool growers and allied wool interests in the United States, by the Wool Boards in Australia, South Africa and New Zealand, and in London and New York by the International Wool Secretariat.

The new organization, which will be known as The Wool Bureau, Inc., will conduct a long term program of technological and market research, education, trade surveys, and promotion. The Bureau, with principal offices in New York City, will function as a non-profit membership corporation.

### Directors From Wool Growing Countries

The Board of Directors will include eight representatives of American and British Dominion wool growing interests with the chairmanship of the Board rotating annually between representatives of each group. Administration of the Bureau will be under direction of an Executive Committee comprising F. Eugene Ackerman, Executive Director of the American Wool Council, Chairman; W. Francis FitzGerald, Acting Manager Director of the International Wool Secretariat in North America, who will be president of the Bureau; and Earl Newson & Co., American representatives of the International Wool Secretariat of London.

American representatives on the directorate will be named at the present meeting of the National Wool Growers Association and the American Wool Council. The British Dominion representatives will be selected at the annual executive meeting of the Dominion wool growing organization in London next May.

In announcing the merger, Mr. Harry J. Devereaux, President of the American Wool Council, emphasized the mutual advantages to wool growers, wool textile manufacturers and the public inherent in the non-political cooperative program. Mr. Douglas T. Boyd, of Melbourne, Australia, speaking for the underlying Dominion Wool Boards, stated in a cablegram to Mr. Devereaux:

### "Greatest Act of Wool Grower Cooperation"

"The arrangements agreed on between the Wool Boards of Australia, South Africa and New Zealand and the National Wool Growers Association and the American Wool Council is probably one of the greatest acts of international wool grower cooperation in history.

"It means the set-up in New York of a Wool Bureau representative of all sections of the wool industry of the three Dominions and the United States.

"No single act in recent times has shown so vividly the great spirit of understanding which exists between all those with the welfare of wool at heart. This great achievement is to me even more than a wool industry success. It is a grand example of what can be done by people of different nations when they have a common objective view."

### United States Largest Wool User

In outlining the benefits of concerted action by the chief apparel wool growing countries and American interests, Mr. Devereaux said:

"The United States is the largest user of apparel wools in the world. Its consumption averages one billion grease pounds annually compared to an estimated production of 225 million pounds in 1949. As a result of this country's industrial expansion and the contraction of our western range lands, we must now import between 70 and 80 per cent of our apparel wools and 100 per cent of our carpet wools.

"Even though sheep raising again reached a prewar maximum, it would be necessary for the United States to import between 50 and 60 per cent of its apparel wools.

"It is, therefore, sound judgment for American wool growers and American wool interests generally to work in close harmony with their chief sources of supply in the non-controversial fields of research, education and promo-

tion. Concerted action will increase the use values of wool and, we hope, develop economics in processing which will be reflected in lower costs to the public. In this world of warring ideologies it will serve as a practical, working example of international cooperation."

### Present Organizations to Merge Operations

Both the American Wool Council and the International Wool Secretariat in this country will continue, it was announced, as liaison agencies with their underlying wool organizations. All of their previous functions in the field of wool promotion and their operating staffs will be transferred to The Wool Bureau in its new headquarters. The program of operations, it was stated, will include research and technological surveys for all processes of converting wool into end use products; education of trade elements and the public; and an information service, material for which will be drawn from all world wool producing and fashion centers.

The International Wool Secretariat in North America has operated in the United States for the past ten years as a branch of the parent organization with chief offices in London. The Secretariat, which is financed by a tax upon all wool grown in Australia, New Zealand and South Africa, supports extensive programs of wool research and information, aiding all phases of wool growing, wool textile manufacturing, and distribution throughout the world. It reports to an International Wool Executive which includes Douglas T. Boyd, Chairman, Australian Wool Board; W. R. Jameson, Chairman, New Zealand Wool Board; and J. H. Moolman, Chairman, South African Wool Board.

World operations of the Secretariat are centered in London under the direction of Sir Charles McCann, Acting Chairman; Reginald G. Lund, New Zealand; L. F. Hartley, South Africa; and Ewen M. Waterman, Australia.

The American Wool Council has been in operation for seven years. It was organized originally by wool growers associated principally with the National Wool Growers Association, and has since added to its membership packers who pull wool, wool dealers, and a group of wool textile manufacturers. Its officers include: Harry J. Devereaux, President; J. M. Wilson, Vice President; J. M. Jones, Secretary and Treasurer, and F. Eugene Ackerman, Executive Director. Its Policy Committee includes: G. N. Winder, Honorary President of the National Wool Growers Association; W. P. Wing, Secretary, California Wool Growers Association; J. B. Wilson, Secretary, Wyoming Wool Growers Association; Steve Stumberg, formerly President, Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association; Curt E. Forstmann, President, Forstmann Wool Co.; Walter A. Netsch, Vice-President, Armour and Comany; and James H. Lemmon, President, National Wool Marketing Corporation.

## The Lions Roar

The Infantile Paralysis Association's drive for funds was enriched by \$275 Tuesday, when the Lions Club held a rake and pie auction in lieu of the weekly program.

Wesley Sawyer, county chairman of the drive, opened the auction with a short talk in which he pointed out that the fund used throughout the nation to give aid in epidemics was over 2½ million dollars in debt; that Texas received \$200,000 more in aid last year than was raised in the state drive; that half of funds collected here stay in Sutton County; that last year the Sutton County spent \$187 on the only local case which needed help.

### With A. E. (Poly) Wells

handled the gavel, cakes and pies donated by Mesdames A. E. Wells, George H. Neill, Frank Bond, George D. Chalk, Emmitt Askins, Joe Berger-E. E. Sawyer, H. M. Smith and C. T. Jones, Jr., were knocked down at prices ranging from \$10 to \$25. Many were donated back and auctioned again.

Buyers at the sale included J. D. Lowrey, Ben F. Meckel, Howard Espy, Lea Allison, First National Bank, J. Wray Campbell, Joseph Vander Stucken, Edwin Sawyer, Bill Fields, John Fields, B. M. Halbert, Lions Club, Jack Mackey, Bryan Hunt, George H. Neill, W. L. Davis, Frank Bond, Sonora Drilling Company, R. Ratliff and

## Judges Inspect Entries In 4-H Lamb Show, Sale

J. A. Gray, animal husbandman, and R. S. Miller, district agent of the Texas A&M Extension Service, were in Sonora Wednesday to inspect lambs the 4-H Club growers will show in the lamb show Tuesday, February 22. The Lions Club will have club boys as guests for luncheon and the show and auction will follow.

Both Gray and Miller commented Wednesday on the good condition of most of the lambs and indicated that prospects were good for an excellent lamb show.

Group pictures were also made of the club this week for the school annual and two full pages will be devoted to 4-H activities.

Twenty 4-H boys and a large number of parents met Wednesday night to discuss plans for the show. George Hamilton gave a report on the Fort Worth Stock Show and O. L. Carpenter, of the Ranch Experiment Station, gave a talk on the selection and feeding of lambs for show purposes.

## Minnick Elected President Of Hill Firemen

### SONORA HOST CITY TO AUGUST MEETING OF CONVENTION

Gomer Minnick was elected the 21st president of the Hill Country Firemen's Association and Sonora was selected as host city for the August meeting when the organization, oldest of its kind in Texas, held its semi-annual convention Tuesday in Mason.

Minnick was elevated from the first vice-presidency. Other officers elected were: Charles Staach, Miles, first vice-president; Floyd Sims, Winters, second vice-president; the Rev. Jim Hays, Eldorado, chaplain. John Hankins of Junction is lifetime secretary-treasurer.

The next meeting will be held on the second Tuesday in August. In addition to being invited to Sonora by local delegates, Mayor Alfred Schwingen sent the following telegram to the convention: "The Mayor and city commissioners of Sonora join our Fire Department in extending you a most cordial invitation to meet in our city for your next convention."

Dr. H. R. Brayton, director of the Texas Firemen's Training School at Texas A&M College, spoke on fire prevention and fire losses during the last year.

"There were \$712 million in fire losses in the United States in 1948," Brayton said, "and 40,000 human casualties with 10,000 people perishing in fire graves. In Texas, 550 people burned to death and fire losses exceeded \$23 million. The only solution, the only way to cut down these losses and deaths is through these meetings and exchanges of ideas."

Attendance prizes went to Winters, Ballinger and Brady. Other cities represented included were Mason, Sonora, Eldorado, Miles, Eden, Menard, Junction, Santa Anna, Austin, Coleman, Bangs and Harper.

## To Assist With Income Taxes

Hershel J. Boggs, deputy collector of internal revenue, will be in Sonora at the court house Wednesday, February 16, from 8:30 until 5 o'clock to assist citizens with their income tax problems.

According to a letter received by County Judge George Wynn from the Dallas office, this will be Boggs' only visit before March 15. The letter also stated that this service is not required by law, but that the deputy collector's advice and assistance is extended purely as a courtesy and without cost to any citizen.

## FIRE REPORTED THURSDAY AT B. M. HALBERT RANCH

Firemen were called out on the second run from the new station Thursday morning at 11:15 o'clock when a car was reported afire on the B. M. Halbert ranch. The fire was out when the fire trucks arrived, however. Halbert said the fire started when he stepped on the starter of his coupe. He put out the blaze with a bucket of water.

Davis Insurance Co., Joe F. Logan and George E. Smith. The rest of the club got in on a Chinese auction held at 50 cents a throw.

## ... Son of a gun ...

Many ranchers are shearing goats this week and if the weather holds up all ought to go well. Some feel that the price of mohair ought to go over 40 cents per pound and in the not too distant future.

Here's the darndest thing you ever heard of: Bottles left in two business establishments in Sonora for collections for the March of Dimes were stolen and a thief was caught stealing money out of a third bottle.

We've read of thieves who stole from church poor boxes, but had never heard of anyone stealing money from crippled children. The bottles in Merriman's Service Station and Bob Duncan's Cafe were stolen outright and have not been recovered. The man who stole money from the collection jar in the Humble Service Station was caught but had only 15 cents left when apprehended. He was a transient and was sent on his way.

Some of the most spirited bidding seen here in recent years was reported Tuesday at the Lions Club luncheon, when a pie and cake auction was held for the benefit of the Sutton County and National Infantile Paralysis Associations.

The hot contest came when auctioneer Poly Wells held a lush lemon pie aloft and called for an offer. In no time at all, Bill Fields, John Fields and Howard Espy had eliminated other bidders. Finally Bill Fields won out and donated the pie back. Or rather the pie was donated back in the name of Fields, since neither he, nor John nor Espy was present. Anyhow, Wells got ready to auction the pie again, but was reminded of a story. While he was telling the story, bidders took charge and auctioned the pie again, this time to Ben Meckel, also not present. The total realized from the sale was \$275, which goes to prove that all you have to do to have a successful auction in Sutton County is to get Poly Wells to tell a few stories and keep the buyers away.

The Lions Club will give a dance Wednesday night, February 23, at the woolhouse with Johnny Carrico and his orchestra from Alpine furnishing the music. Proceeds will go toward sending two delegates to the annual convention in New York. We don't know who the two delegates are yet, but they ought to have to take up tickets, fix the chairs, light the stoves and sweep the place out after the dance.

The weather probably had little to do with it, but measles is making its annual visit. The third grade, for example, was minus 19 children Wednesday, all due to red measles. Most of the kids had been given shots to lighten effects of the disease and hold complications down.

Boy Scout Troop 25, composed of Scouts from the Elliott School district, took top honors in the Roundup Contest held for the West Ranch District composed of Sonora Troop 19 and 25, Ozona and Eldorado troops. An attractive banner and plaque will be awarded Troop 25 by the Sonora executive committee.

Troop 25 scored 2,590 points, while Troop 19 scored 650, Troop 13 in Eldorado 1,850 and Troop 63 in Ozona 970. The contest was held during the last four months of 1948 and points were awarded on a basis of attendance, recruiting new members, advancement, hikes, civic good turns and the wearing of uniforms.

Mrs. G. E. Barker and Mrs. Nelson Stubblefield spent Sunday in Harper visiting their father, Charles E. Bein.



From The Churches

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

BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00
Morning Service 11:00
Evening Services 7 o'clock
W.M.U. Each Wednesday
Mid-week Services Each Wednesday 7 o'clock

Men's Brotherhood meets Tuesday after the first and third Sundays.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Bomer B. Gist, Minister
LORD'S DAY

10:00 a. m., Bible Classes
10:45 a. m., Worship
6:15 p. m., Young People's Meeting
7:00 p. m., Worship
WEDNESDAY

4:15 p. m., Ladies' Bible Class
Everyone Is Welcome At Every Service.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
W. H. MARSHALL, Pastor
Church School 9:45 o'clock
Morning worship 10:50 o'clock
Evening Worship 7 o'clock

It will be next Sunday night at the Methodist Church. Big Sub-district Worship Service, with Eldorado and Ozona coming here for the evening service. Speakers will be Mr. McCress from San Antonio. He spoke for us last November at the Men's Banquet. You men will want to hear him again. Rev. Mr. Dean, associate pastor

of First Methodist Church of San Angelo, will also speak, and Rev. Mr. King of the Ozona Methodist Church. These men will speak on the four year program of the Methodist Church, "The Advance for Christ and His Church." The service will be held at 7:30 o'clock. Come early for a good seat. We expect the church to be filled. You will not want to miss this great service. The worship will not be long-drawn out, so be sure and come.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

Sunday Morning
Holy Communion 7:30 A.M.
9:30 Adult Bible Class
9:30 Church School
11:00 Morning worship with sermon.

Sunday Club 7 P.M.
This Sunday at 11 o'clock at St. John's Episcopal Church, the Rev. Jennings W. Hobson, missionary to Alaska, will be the preacher and tell of his life and work in Tanana (rhymes with Panama) Alaska. Mr. Hobson graduated from the Boston Theological Seminary in 1942. He went to Tanana

in 1943 and returned to the U. S. late last year.

Accompanying Mr. Hobson to Sonora will be his wife, the former Mrs. Isobel Tillman of Menard, and their son. Everyone is cordially invited to this service to hear Mr. Hobson.

SONORAN ON BOAT CREW IN SUCCESSFUL TRANSFER

Men of the 347th Harbor Craft Company were responsible for the successful transfer of a sick officer and his family from the USAT General J. H. McRae recently.

The officer, Capt. J. H. Holt, formerly director of the Yokohama Education Center, was taken ill aboard the transport two hours from the pier. The call to shore was answered by the QS-5, 104-foot vessel of the Harbor Company, manned by Cpl. Perry R. Henderson, Sonora, Cpl. Earl Kaltenbaugh, Akron, O., and Cpl. Lewis Accorsi, Springdale, Penn.

The boundary line between the United States and Canada is 3,898 miles long.

LITTLE THINGS about the Stars

NEW YORK, N. Y.—Holding up on the radio networks this season better than most any other type show are the homey man-and-wife domestic comedies. Latest to join the ranks with a new sponsor (and new time—Friday nights, CBS, rather than Saturdays now) is "My Favorite Husband," starring the merrily married couple, "Liz" and "George Cooper."



Lucille Ball ... dizzy enough

Lucille Ball, is one of those ever-loving wives dizzy enough, yet definitely not as dumb as she seems to be. "George," portrayed by Richard Denning, is fifth vice-president of the local bank and, of course, the ever-suffering husband. In real life the stars are mates of bandsmen Desi Arnez and film player Evelyn Ankers.

MAN FROM THE SOUTH

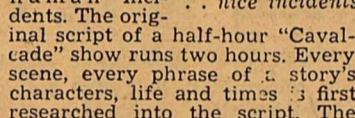
Seeing Phil Harris' full-faced pictures and hearing that booming voice on the radio always has given me the impression of a bulking fellow—about 220 pounds. Actually, this transplanted six-foot "Northerner" is a trim 168 pounds. The bandsman-comic, who with wife Alice continues Sunday nights on NBC, was born "up" in Linton, Ind., then moved to Nashville, Tenn., where he was reared since childhood. He headed a band, "The Dixie Syncopaters," at 15. He traveled the Southern carnival routes as a drummer, later passed several years leading a honky-tonk band in Honolulu and Melbourne, Australia. His song "That's What I Like About the South" is no gag. Harris loves it, will sing it to anyone at the drop of a hat.

"HOUSE OF MYSTERY"

On the ordinary principle that superstition and fear are based on ignorance of facts has been founded one of the most extraordinary radio programs. The Sunday afternoon Mutual network "House of Mystery" is a mystery radio show. The difference between it and some 30-odd other radio thrillers is at the end of the program. All of the frightening chills and thrills of the show are carefully explained by narrator "Roger Elliot" (John Griggs) with easily understandable facts. Critical organizations, who hate to see children left dangling in suspense at the end of a program, have called "House of Mystery" the "best children's show on the air."

FEW FLAW FAVORITE

Like movie-goers, there are fans who like to detect radio boners—flaws and inaccuracies in script detail, etc. One of their favorite targets, but very tough to pin something on, is the 14-year-old (Monday nights, NBC) "Cavalcade of America." This show, dramatizing the lives of great Americans and American developments, past and present, splatters its stories with relatively unknown and human incidents. The original script of a half-hour "Cavalcade" show runs two hours. Every scene, every phrase of a story's characters, life and times is first researched into the script. The "boil-down" leaves meaty roles attractive to stars—Paul Muni, Linda Darnell, Burt Lancaster, Basil Rathbone, Irene Dunne, among those responding often.



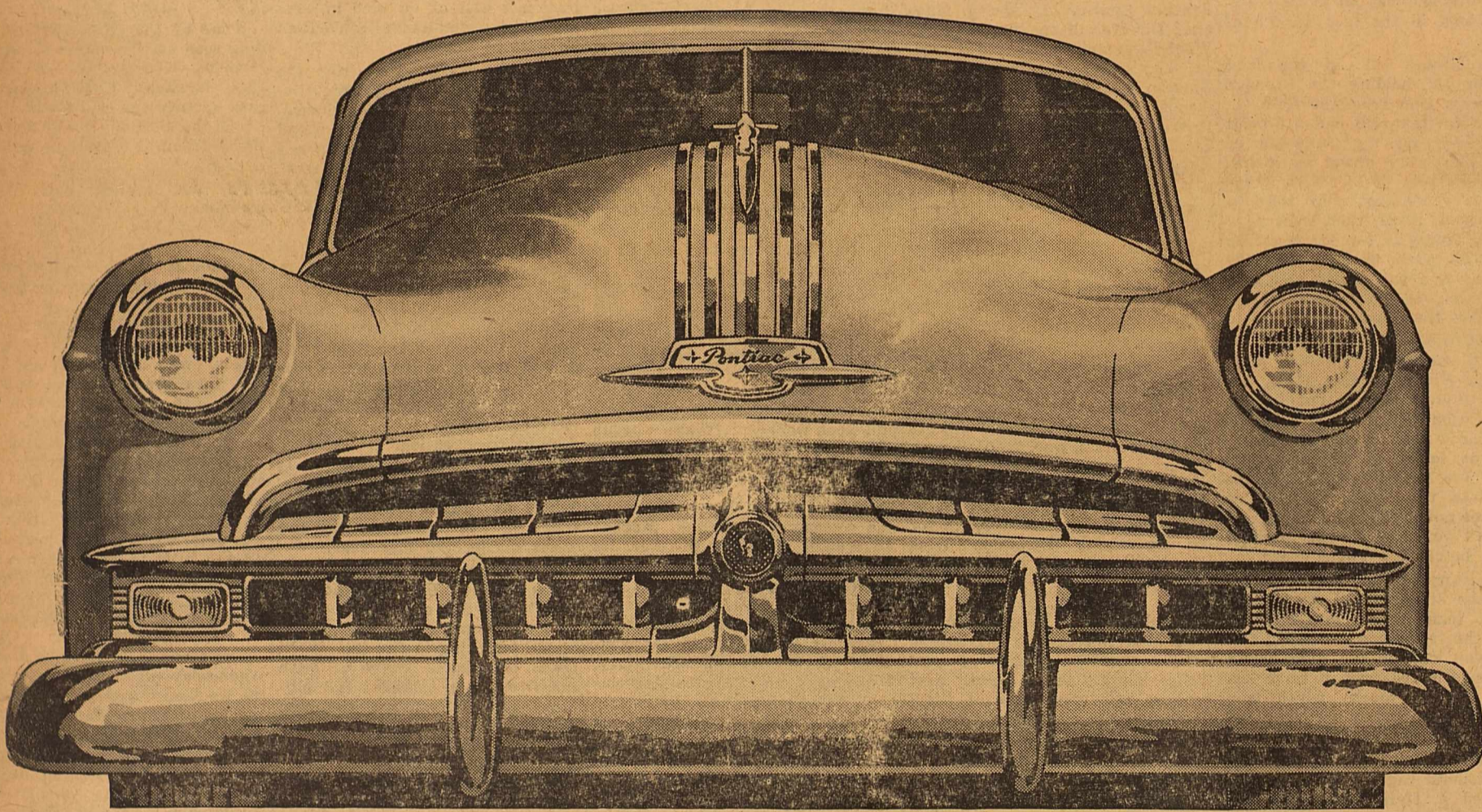
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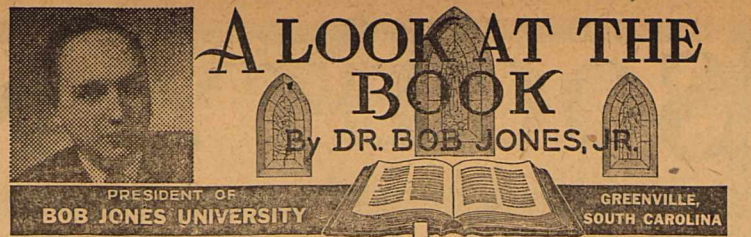
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**Carloadings Gain In January**  
 Santa Fe system carloadings for week ending January 29, 1949 were 19,355 compared with 23,447 for same week in 1948. Cars received from connections totaled 9,662 compared with 10,417 for the same week last year. Total cars moved were 29,017 compared with 33,864 for the same week in 1948. Santa Fe handled a total of 31,754 cars in the preceding week of this year.  
 Women who really know how to raise children are too busy to tell.



In ancient Oriental lands when sorrow came, a man clothed himself in sackcloth, sat down in the dust, threw ashes upon his head, and mourned aloud. Job grieved in just this fashion for his children who had been killed.  
 Today the world is wrapped in sorrow. Hearts are heavy. In western lands sorrowing women in widow's weeds and heavy-hearted men with bands of crepe upon their sleeves are mourning amid the dust and ashes of wrecked cities. In our own land which has been spared the physical destruction of battle and the marks of bombing, there are some whose hearts feel dusty with grief and who in their sorrow find food like ashes to the taste. Sad world! but there is promise of a change. Isaiah foresaw it over 2,500 years ago. Looking down the ages he beheld a new dispensation when the Prince of Peace shall have come to bring peace and joy to the earth. The attitude of men's hearts is richly described in Oriental symbolism: "beauty for ashes and oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness (Isaiah 61:3). There are no disheveled mourners defiled with ashes. There is no dust, but beauty. There are no mourning robes. There are no cries of sorrow. Dressed in garments of worship men and women are singing hymns of praise. Perfumed oil, the symbol of happiness and joy and festivity, has been poured upon their heads.

Such is the picture which Isaiah draws of the world wherein Christ reigns, a world in which the very dust of the desert has become the rich soil of a garden in full bloom. Men come and go in peace and all creation seems to sing with joy.

It is a change from present sorrow and distress that will not be brought about through the post-war planning or the schemes and treaties of men. It is a picture of the "kingdom age" instituted and established with the coming of the

King. The Bible is full of promise of that day.

**Receives University Degree**

Miss Mary Lu Neuerburg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Neuerburg of Crane and formerly of Sonora, received her degree of Bachelor of Administration from the University of Texas last week. She was a member of the Beta Beta Alpha, Cap and Gown Club, Campus League of Women Voters and the West Texas Club.

Miss Neuerburg, who was a member of the 1945 Sonora High School graduation class, is now at home with her parents in Crane.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Baker and son, Scooter, who have resided here for the past two years, left Thursday for Midland, where they will make their home. Baker is connected with the C. G. Morrison stores.

TWO GREAT SERVICES LAST SUNDAY  
 At The  
**Church Of Christ**  
 VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME  
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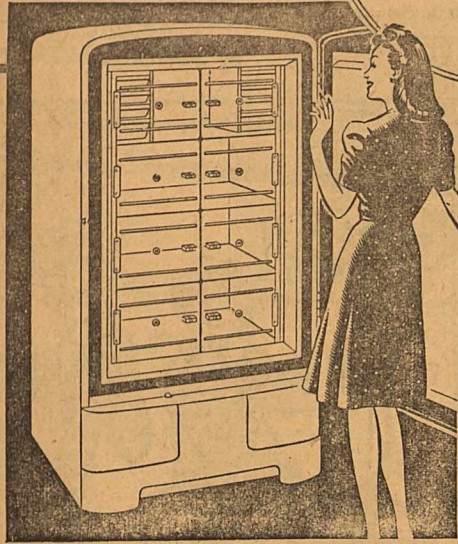
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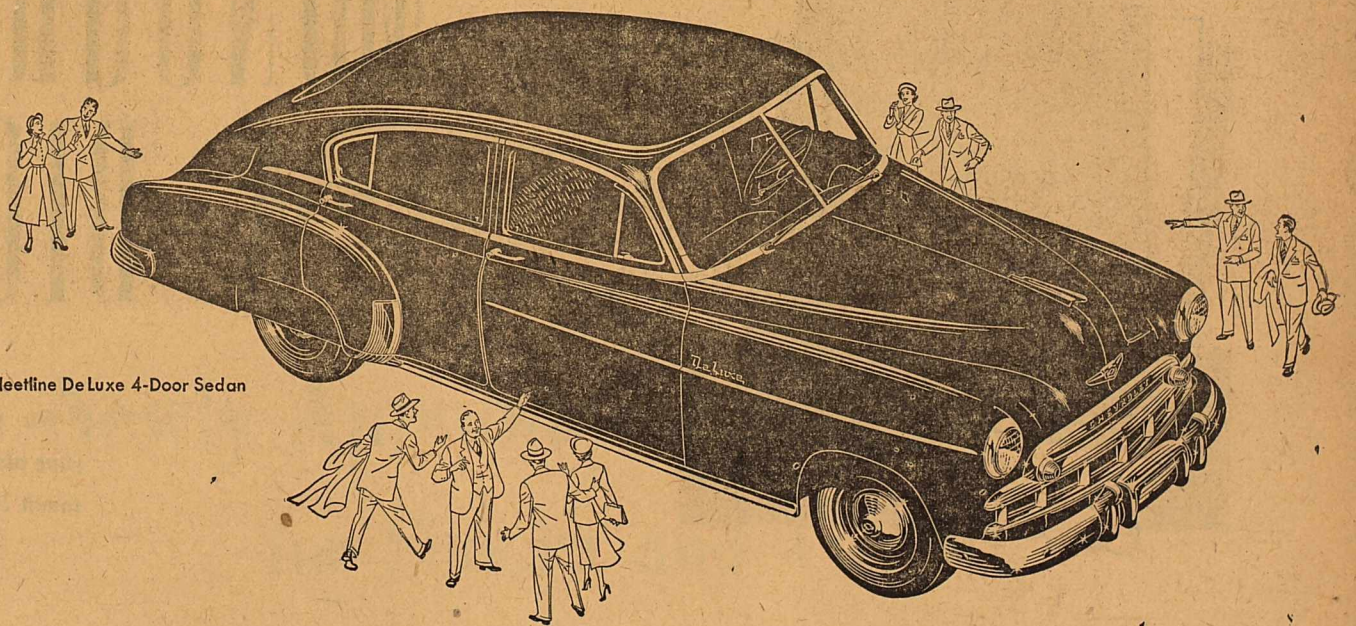
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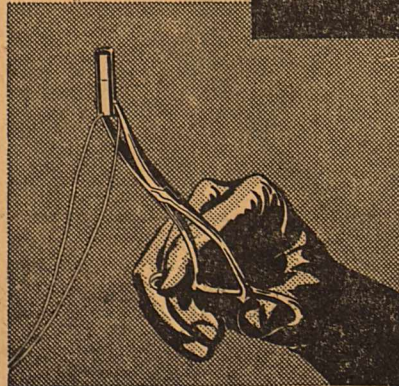
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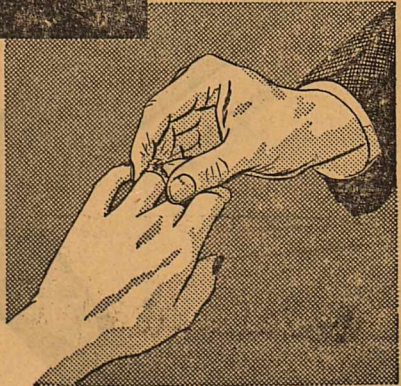
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Mrs. B. J. Horner and Mrs. Carl Newton of San Antonio spent Monday here visiting in the S. F. Hauser home.

### Valentine Motif Used At Party Saturday Night

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hamby, Mrs. Violet Mrow and A. C. Elliott were hosts Saturday night at the Sonora Woman's Club with a bridge and dinner party.

The Valentine motif was carried out.

Guests were Messrs. and Mesdames Russell Davis, Frank Bond, W. W. Wendt, A. E. Wells, L. E. Johnson, Sr., Edwin Sawyer, Ben Cusenbary, W. R. Cusenbary, Rex Dullnig, E. B. Keng, Henry Decker, G. H. Hall, George Wynn, Joe B. Ross, A. E. Prugel, Lee Fawcett, R. C. Vicars and R. A. Halbert. Also Mesdames G. H. Davis, E. E. Sawyer, Ella Wallace, Miss Alice Karnes, Dr. J. F. Howell and Dr. E. M. deBerry.

Mrs. G. H. Davis won high for ladies, Prugel won high for men, Wells won the slam prize and the bingo prizes were won by Mrs. Wells and Ben Cusenbary.

### L. E. JOHNSONS HOSTS TO THURSDAY BRIDGE CLUB

The Thursday Bridge Club was entertained last week by Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Johnson, Jr.

Dinner was served to Messrs. and Mesdames Russell Davis, F. L. McKinney, Hillman Brown, L. P. Bloodworth, Louis Davis and Robert Kelley. Also Dr. and Mrs. Joe B. Logan and Dr. and Mrs. Charles F. Browne.

McKinney won high club prize and Dr. Browne won the bingo prize.

### P-TA TEA TUESDAY

The Parent-Teachers Association's Founders Day Tea and program, which was postponed Feb. 1 due to weather conditions, will be held Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 15 at 3 o'clock. Guest speaker will be the district's vice-president, Mrs. Edwin Jackson of Eldorado.

Guests in the Mrs. E. E. Sawyer home over the weekend were Don Miller of Corpus Christi and John Didrickson of Denmark. Didrickson is a member of the royal family of Denmark and has been visiting in the United States for the past six months.

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### MRS. BOB BAKER FETED WITH FAREWELL PARTY

Mrs. J. Wray Campbell, Mrs. T. E. Askins and Mrs. Frank Potmesil honored Mrs. Bob Baker Wednesday night with a farewell party in the Campbell home.

The honoree was presented a corsage and gifts, and pie and coffee were served to Mesdames Maysie Brown, C. P. Davis, Dick McCalmont, Ariel Newton, C. E. Scott, Leonard Caldwell, J. F. Howell, Thelma Briscoe, Ellen Ray and Don Banscum.

### Royal Service Held

The Women's Missionary Union met at the home of Mrs. Lawrence Nichols Wednesday afternoon for Royal Service. The meeting began with the song, "O For A Thousand Tongues," followed with a prayer by Mrs. Fern McGhee. The topic of study, "Christ, the Answer in the City Streets," was given by Mrs. Nichols. Mrs. Arch Crosby gave the devotional, "The City in the Saviour's Heart."

Those on the program were Mesdames W. O. Crites, Rip Ward, Bob Odom and R. C. Hall.

Refreshments of spiced punch and sandwiches were served to Mesdames R. R. Warren, W. K. Regeon, McGhee, G. G. Bennett, Alfred Cooper, H. V. Morris, J. A. Cauthorn, B. H. Crites, R. G. Nance, B. C. McGilvary, Jim Perry, J. H. Brasher, J. E. Eldridge, Jack Drennan, Crosby, W. O. Crites, Ward, Odom and Hall.

### NOTICE

The Young Women's Episcopal Guild will have a Bazaar Saturday, April 23, which will include a country store, grab bag, cooked foods, white elephant, and many things useful in the home. We will appreciate your help. Adv.

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2 cups meat (cooked and ground)  
1 1/2 cups gravy or meat stock  
1 clove of garlic (minced)  
6 ripe olives (chopped) (optional)  
1 tablespoon raisins (chopped) (optional)  
2 tablespoons chili powder  
1 teaspoon salt  
1 quart stiff cooked mush  
Mix meat, gravy, garlic, olives, raisins, chili powder and salt. Line the bottom of a casserole with mush, pour in the meat mixture. Cover the mixture with a top layer of mush. Bake in oven at 375 degrees for 30 minutes. Serve hot from the casserole.  
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Hot Tamale Pie

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3. There is an abundant supply of carrots, lettuce, onions, cabbage and citrus fruits now.  
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### ART CLUB STUDIES OIL PAINTING AT MEETING

The Sonora Art Club met Thursday night in the Elmer Wilson home with Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Bill McGilvary and Myrtle Sellman acting as hostesses.

A program on "Oil Painting" was given by Mrs. Maysie Brown, Mrs. John McClelland and Mrs. Dantes Reiley.

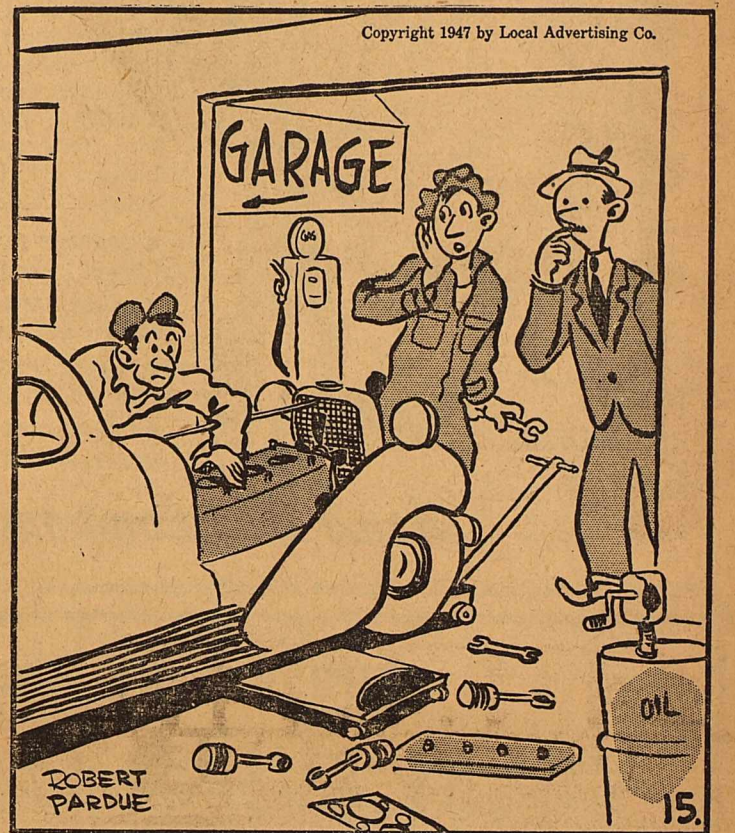
A nominating committee, composed of Mesdames Howard Kirby, Wilson and McGilvary, was appointed by Mrs. Lloyd McMullen. The committee will report at the March meeting with nominations for next year's officers.

Sandwiches, hot punch and fruit cake were served to Mesdames Brown, McClelland Sellman, L. M. Roueche, Jr., Marion Elliott, McMullen and C. E. Scott.

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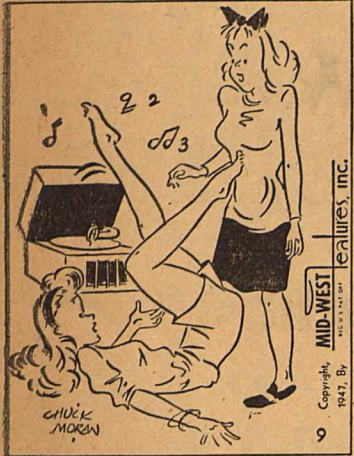
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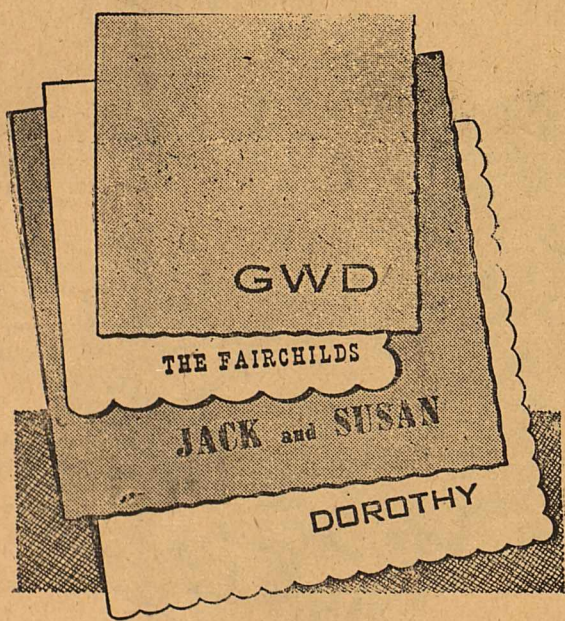
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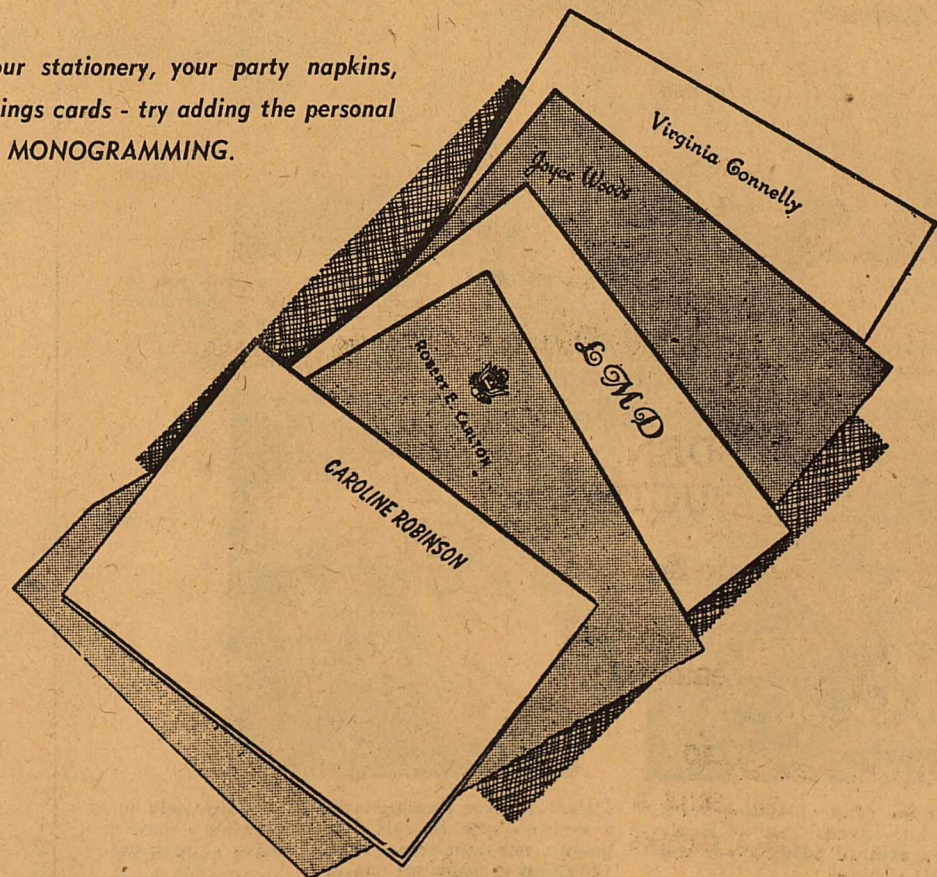
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**March Of Dimes Drive Nets \$507**

Total receipts at the end of the March of Dimes Pofio drive are \$507, according to Wesley Sawyer, county chairman. Sawyer said Thursday that total collections from collection bottles is \$115.99, Lions Club cake and pie auction \$275 and others \$116. These included: Lions Club fines \$4.67, La Vista Theatre \$39.26, Elementary School \$62.78, High School \$9.30.

Half of this money, Sawyer said, will stay in Sutton County for local use. Collection jars were placed in 29 Sonora business houses.

Mrs. J. T. Penick is recovering in a San Angelo hospital from a foot operation performed last week.

Mrs. John Bell and Harold Saunders, Jr. left Sunday for a few days visit with relatives in Houston, Galveston and Lovelady.

**Harvesting Of Grass Seed Becoming Big Industry Throughout Southwest Area**

Harvesting of grass and legume seed -- a business almost unknown in the Southwest a few years ago -- reached an all-time high in 1948 with a yield of 27,826,600 pounds of seed urgently needed in the soil and water conservation program.

The big harvest will help relieve a serious shortage in the seed of legumes and grasses necessary to halt erosion and improve crop and range lands in Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana, Louis P. Merrill, head of the Soil Conservation Service in the four-state region, explained.

The sharpest gain was in native grass seed harvested -- 4,041,183 pounds, largely the result of a tremendous fall harvest of bluestem, Indiangrass and switchgrass in northeastern Oklahoma, Merrill said. The native grass seed harvest was greater by more than 3,000,000 pounds than any previous harvest of such seed in the entire nation, Merrill estimates.

A total seed harvest poundage by individual states includes: Arkansas, 6,060,888; Oklahoma, 9,341,326; Texas, 11,563,314; Louisiana, 861,079.

"As big and as timely as last year's grass and legume seed harvest was, it is enough for only a fraction of the land that needs plant cover to control erosion, to lessen flood damage to agriculture and to make the land more profitable and permanently productive," Merrill said.

The grasses and legumes are needed not only in the normal soil conservation district but in the agricultural flood control program on the Trinity and Middle Colorado River watersheds in Texas and on the Washita River watershed in Oklahoma and Texas. The native grass seed harvested will plant about 400,000 acres. About 25,000,000 acres of Texas and Oklahoma eroded and depleted cropland are in need of native grass cover. In addition, an estimated 20,000,000 acres or more of depleted grazing land need seeding.

Some of the grass and legumes now recognized as being extremely useful in the soil conservation battle were introduced by the Soil Conservation Service. Use of others already known to be good weapons in the fight was encouraged by Soil Conservation Service personnel and by soil conservation district boards.

Hubam sweetclover is an annual legume adapted to the Blackland soils of Texas. It was first used in soil conservation work in 1934 by the Soil Erosion Service on the Elm Creek Project near Temple. Before this time there was no legume that was considered usable in Blackland soils. Hubam, in addition to providing grazing, hay and improving fertility, has become especially useful in combating the cotton root rot hazard. The demand for seed has spread to northern states and buying by northern firms has made it difficult to keep enough seed in Texas. The hubam seed yield in Texas alone last year was 4,042,852 pounds.

Kink Ranch Bluestem is a comparative newcomer to the soil conservation program but it is becoming immensely popular and very useful east of the Pecos River. It is not a native grass but has been growing for 30 years on King Ranch in South Texas. Observing that the grass had spread from a small test plot for miles over the ranch, personnel of the San Antonio Nursery of the Soil Conservation Service gathered 75 pounds of seed in November, 1939. A test planting at the nursery showed this bluestem strain to be outstanding. Trials by soil conservation districts have been almost uniformly successful. It is a rug-

ged grass that withstands low temperatures as well as heat and drought and is palatable to cattle and other livestock. Seed supply has been gaining rapidly in recent years but demand still far exceeds supply. KR bluestem seed harvested this year in the region totaled nearly 120,000 pounds.

Heretofore the principal sources of legume and grass seeds important to the soil and water conservation program have been foreign lands and other regions of the United States. The 1948 yield means that the Southwestern states are on their way toward independence from outside markets, Merrill pointed out.

Some of the major grass and legume seed harvests in pounds were: big bluestem, 40; KR bluestem (clean), 19,077; KR bluestem (tailings, seed hay), 86,066; little bluestem, 8,849; grass mixture, (Big and little bluestem, switchgrass, Indiangrass and sideoats grama), 2,815; buffalograss, 15,010; blue grama, 38,100; sideoats grama, 9,724; sand lovegrass, 17,688; weeping lovegrass, 17,549. This harvest was in Texas alone.

During the next 60 days many ranchers, cooperating with the Edwards Plateau Soil Conservation District are planning to plant various grasses and legumes. KR bluestem and slender grama are the chief warm season grasses and Madrid Clover, the legume most ranchers are going to try.

The Sonora Wool and Mohair Company has grass seed on hand to meet the needs of District Co-operators, and the District supervisors have obtained the use of a grass and legume seed planter for the first two weeks in March. This planter is furnished by the Soil Conservation Service and made available to local ranchers through cooperation with their Edwards Plateau Soil Conservation District.

Mrs. Louis Davis and daughters, Yvonne, Mary and Irene, left by train from Del Rio Monday night to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Boland, in El Paso. They expect to be gone several days.

**Campaign Against Heart Disease To Start March 13**

The Sutton County Chapter of the American Heart Association will open a drive here March 13 for funds to be used for research, education and service in combating heart disease, America's number one killer. Dr. Charles F. Browne has been appointed chairman of the local chapter. Dr. Browne said Wednesday that a plastic heart, symbol of the drive, is being placed in the Sonora Drug Co. for collection of donations.

Heart disease takes a greater toll annually than the next five leading causes of death. In 1946, the last year for which complete figures are available, more than 588,000 persons died of diseases of the heart and blood vessels. Cancer, accidental, kidney disease, pneumonia and tuberculosis deaths totaled 475,000.

Much of the national goal of \$5 millions will be used in scientific research to discover new methods of preventing or treating the constantly increasing number of cases. Seventy percent of contributions will be used to develop and expand "heart" programs in local areas. These local programs will assure the best possible cardiac services.

Mrs. Mrs. L. E. Johnson, Jr. returned Sunday from a three day trip to Dallas.

Mrs. Bob Teaff and children of McCamey spent the weekend here visiting Mr. and Mrs. Neil Roueche.

Mrs. Bernice Roueche was here last week visiting Mr. and Mrs. Bill Logan and Mrs. Katie Brasher. She left Monday for her home in Chicago.

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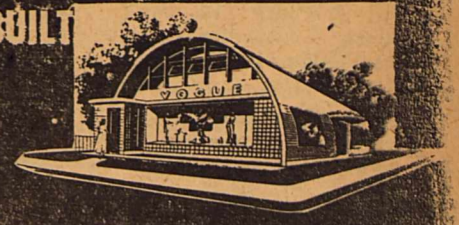
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**WASHINGTON NEWS LETTER**

**REA Visitors**  
The annual REA convention held in New York last week attracted some 350 Texans who made the trip via special trains. A varied program featuring subjects of vital interest to rural electrification was presented to the 3,700 visitors from all parts of the country. Among the top speakers was Rep. Bob Poage of Waco, an outstanding REA leader. I was able to attend a part of the session.

Many of the Texans made a stop-over in Washington. Among those from our district were: Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Stehling, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stehling of Fredericksburg; Willis Hill of Goldthwaite; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Garr of Kerrville; Mr. and Mrs. Babe Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Fretwell, of Lam- asas; Victor Niemier of Knippa, Uvalde County; Mr. and Mrs. Luke Moss, Mrs. Ben Donop of Llano; W. W. Cardwell, Manager of the Bandera Coop; W. G. Ankele of Bandera; Henry Buss of Medina; and Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Garrison, also of Bandera. Other manager included Sam Lanham, of the Medina Coop; Martin Hyltin, of the Pedernales; and Weldon Groves of the Hamilton group.

Other visitors last week included, Ensign and Mrs. Aubrey Loeffler of Sonora; Harry Bengo Crozier of Paint Rock and Austin; B. F. Vance, PM&A Chief of College Station; Major Harvey Lynn of San Angelo; Col. Douglas Smith of San Saba, now Secretary-General of the Inter-American Council; Mary Love Oliver of Uvalde; Capt. H. C. Davis of San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Dalrymple of Llano. Mr. Dalrymple is now with the FBI in Washington.

**Television Expands**  
Television is growing by leaps and bounds. A few days ago I appeared on a one-hour televised program which originated in New York and which was carried over the Dumont network to cities as far away as Chicago and St. Louis. It is said that within another year or so this coverage will include most of the big cities of the Nation.

I also took part in a radio forum program in Washington last week. The topic was, "Should the State or Federal Government Handle Questions of Civil Rights?" I defended the right of the States and was ably assisted by Congressman Dixie Gilmer, a new member from Tulsa. On the other side were Rep. McCarty of Minnesota and a Mr. Levy.

It won't be long until the Congress will come to grips with this important issue -- the issue of the extension of the power and authority of a centralized, Federal gov-

Thursday, February 17—  
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ernment over matters purely local in character. The demand for this Big-Government stems from political appeal to minority pressure groups. In addition to some support from vote-conscious respectable groups, the civil rights by-Congress proponents have solid backing from the Communists and the subversive front organization. Washington News Coverage

Washington is a glass house. Several thousand people up here make their living keeping tab on Congressmen, Senators and other public officials. In that way, the public is kept well informed.

Take the House of Representatives, for example. There are exactly 780 members of the press admitted to the House Press gallery. That is a sort of special privilege from the Speaker and a Standing Committee of Correspondents. A reporter must apply for the privilege. Of the five members of the Correspondents' Committee, two are Texans--David Botter of the Dallas News and Bill White, formerly of DeLeon, now with the New York Times.

But that is not all. In addition to the Press gallery, 175 are admitted as representatives of magazines and periodicals. And an additional 153 come in as radio correspondents. A total of 18 Texas newspapers have reporters admitted to cover the doings in the House of Representatives. Additional papers get UP and AP service, of course. The Dallas News has the best capitol coverage of any other Texas paper. The News maintains three outstanding, full-time correspondents here -- Walter Hornaday, David Botter and Ruth Schrumm.

**SWING OF SOUTHWEST MARKETS**

Southwest farm markets showed generally declining price trends during the past week, the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Production and Marketing Administration reports.

Wholesale meat prices at New York dropped \$1 to \$3 a hundred pounds on all classes except veal and mutton during the week ended Monday. Clearing weather saw increased livestock receipts at the principal markets early this week.

Cattle and calves sold generally 50 cents to \$1.50 or more lower for the week. Steers, yearlings and heifers lost the most, and vealers the least. Fort Worth's market held up better than most terminals, and showed net gains.

Slaughter lambs declined 50 cents to \$1.50 in the southwest, although ewes and feeder lambs changed little. Best lambs brought \$21.50 at Oklahoma City, \$22.50 at Fort Worth, and \$21.25 at San Antonio. Goats sold about the same as a week ago.

Cold, snow and ice delayed shearing in much of the sheep and goat country. Some 8-months Texas wools were contracted in the Del Rio section at 60 cents per grease pound, and 12-months wools in West Texas at 70 to 71, f.o.b. A fair volume of mohair sold in Texas at 38 cents a pound for adult and 58 cents for kid.

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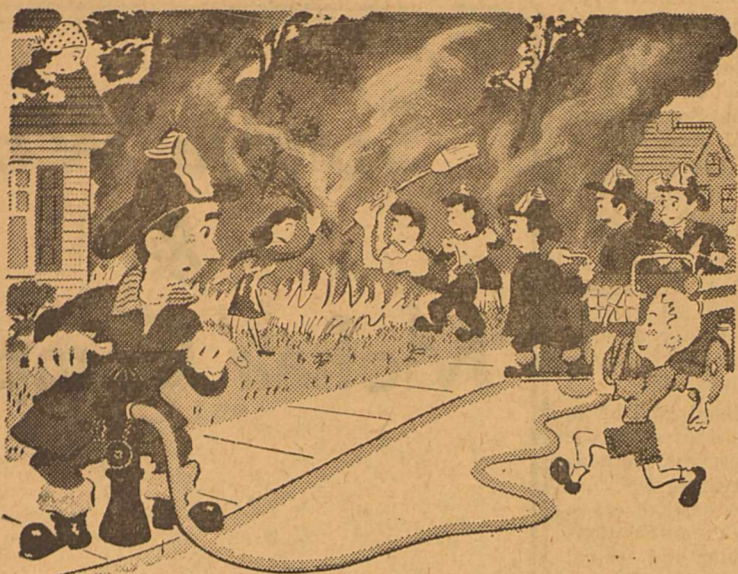
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# Son of a gun



The district supervisors of the Edwards Plateau Soil Conservation district this week received official rules of the "Save the Soil and Save Texas Awards Program." This contest is sponsored by the Fort Worth Press, and provides \$13,000 in prize money for outstanding accomplishments in soil and water conservation in districts. The contest divides the state into five areas and the Edwards Plateau district will compete with other West Texas districts. Cash awards will be given to the outstanding districts, conservation group (Community), and conservation farmer or rancher in the area. An additional \$3,400 in cash prizes will be given to the state winners of each division.

Awards of \$100 each will be given for the best editorial on the soil conservation district program in a weekly newspaper, and in a daily newspaper, and a similar award for the best conservation advertisement. A prize of \$500 will be given to the farmer or rancher who had done the best job of reclaiming and restoring to productivity an eroded farm or ranch.

A high school essay contest will also be conducted, with \$100 in prizes for each area plus an all expense trip to Colorado for the state winner. An essay of 200

words or less on the subject "Why soil conservation pays." The essays must be submitted by March 1.

Numerous plaques for outstanding accomplishments will also be presented. The awards for the West Texas area will be presented at Sonora at a meeting sponsored by the Sonora Lions Club during the week of May 23.

The Edwards Plateau district supervisors plan to meet soon to enter the local district in the contest, as well as nominating individuals to compete for the various awards. Joe M. Vander Stuckton, board chairman, stated that "he hoped a good number of Sonora High School students would enter the essay contest, not only to compete for the prizes, but for the educational value the student will receive."

Nothing amazes us more from year to year than the rapid and extreme changes in West Texas weather. Particularly during this time of the year. Last week, ice, sleet and snow along with below-zero temperatures. This week - sunny spring days in all their glory. Even the norther scheduled to hit here Tuesday night turned out to be just a gentle north breeze which affected the mercury very little.

## 44 Years Ago

Jeff Pierson and Jim Barton left for San Antonio Thursday on a pleasure trip.

Mr. and Mrs. George Allison and some of the children were in from the ranch Wednesday visiting.

Mrs. C. J. Nichols left last week for San Angelo on a visit to her mother and sister.

G. W. Smith left for his old home at Morris Ranch last week to bring home some more of his family.

Corp. John Q. Adams, of Troop A 12th Cavalry, who has been stationed at Balargas, Philippine Islands, is expected to leave there on June 15th for home.

Culey Brotherton of Juno was in Sonora a few days this week attending to some business and renewing old acquaintances.

Bob Sims, who has been visiting his brother-in-law, Caruthers, left for Mason Thursday.

Blake Cauthorn of the sheep firm of Hamilton & Cauthorn was in Sonora Monday on his way to see his sheep.

Miss Myrtle Huffman, who has been teaching school at the Joe Turney ranch near Juno, came home last week.

Orville and Cal Word were in from the ranch Thursday.

Mrs. Jennie Brown of Little Valley, N. Y., arrived in Sonora Thursday on a visit to her son, M. J. Brown, the sheepman.

Mrs. W. B. Keese and children arrived home Thursday from a visit to friends and relatives in Bosque County.

Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Gillespie were up from their ranch Tuesday shopping.

Chas. Epps, who has some land in the Clarkson pasture, was in town trading Tuesday.

Rev. E. L. Spurlock, business manager of the North Texas Female College of Sherman, Texas, arrived in Sonora Wednesday on a business trip.

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His voice has been silent 15 years—and a new generation asks, "Who was Will Rogers?" It is a pathetic commentary on the fleetness of fame.

Will Rogers said the most thrilling spot in Paris was the place where the American tourists went each day to see if their friends back home had cabled them any money.

Of the sidewalk cafe, he declared, "The saloons are so full, half the people can't get in—so they set them on the sidewalk."

And the Latin Quarter was named that because nobody living there spoke Latin or had a quarter.

He was not very enthusiastic about American tourists, who usually grumbled and boasted. "Real people in any country are the ones who stay," he quipped.

Will said he didn't belong to any organized party—"I am a Democrat."

It snowed in Washington but you couldn't "see the ground for the lobbyists."

Mrs. Dionne, mother of the quintuplets, "put maternity on a mass production basis."

When he was a boy, Will's father was putting up a fence and when he learned that their neighbor was a lawyer, he put two barbed wires on top of the fence!

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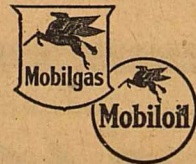


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Both Chieftain and Streamliner series use a 120 inch wheelbase. The Torpedo line has been discontinued.

Approach pattern of both Chieftain and Streamliner from Indian head hood ornament to wrap-around bumper is accentuated by Pontiac's traditional Silver Streak, stylized for 1949 but still serving to make Pontiac the world's best identified motorcar. Grills of both series have a unique simplicity: a single chrome bar, so heavy as to simulate a second bumper, spans the entire front above the ten modernistic louvers. Rectangular parking lamps, convertible to dual duty as directional signals complete the concept.

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SQUASH, Yellow, lb	19c
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PICNIC HAMS, Cooked, lb	53c
BACON SQUARES, Sugar Cured, lb	32c
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