

J. P. SMITH OPENING NEW ELECTRICAL BUSINESS

J. P. Smith announces the opening of his own electrical business February 15. Smith, formerly line-

man and electrician with the City of Sonora, plans to have a downtown location in the near future, he said Wednesday.

He will do general electrical work, including contract wiring, as-

appliance installation and repair.

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Texas Merchants "Taken" For \$15 Million Annually By Forgers And "Hot Check" Artists Says Garrison

Colonel Homer Garrison, Jr., Director of the Texas Department of Public Safety, pointed out this week that the majority of the money for the proposed state hospital and school extensions could have been raised in 1949 if the funds filched from Texas merchants by means of forgery and "hot checks" during the year could have been diverted to that worthy cause. Emphasizing that these crimes are on the increase, Garrison stated that a loss of approximately \$15 million was sustained through fraudulent checks last year as compared to the usual annual average of \$10 million. These figures apply to Texas alone.

Garrison attributes this increase to the fact that many people became familiar with the procedure of doing business by check during the peak employment years of World War II and became aware of the ease with which checks may be cashed. Many of these persons, now unemployed, have sought to put this new-found knowledge to illicit use. Garrison further pointed out that lack of prosecution in many cases of this nature offers assurance to the forger that his chances of paying the penalty of imprisonment is slight. Too many times the victim of a "hot check" swindle is satisfied merely to get his money back in event that the criminal is able to make restitution. Also, the ability of the modern forger to make his "paper" look authentic by use of check protectors, typewriter, rubber stamp or printed checks makes the usually wary merchant a more ready victim.

Grocery stores, particularly the larger chain stores, said Garrison, are the most frequently victimized.

Garrison gives us these pointers for everyone to remember when dealing with checks:

1. Know your endorser.
2. Require positive identification. Don't accept Social Security or similar identification cards. These as well as Driver's License, Work Badges, etc., may be stolen or faked.
3. Get a reliable person known to you to identify the passer if at all possible.
4. Beware of the purchaser who seeks to make payment of a small amount with a larger check.
5. If in doubt, forego the profit on the sale for which the check is tendered. Better to lose the one sale than a greater amount equal

to the profit on many legitimate deals.

6. If you use printed checks, keep them secure. Treat them as if they were cash even though they are blank. Many of today's burglars enter an establishment and take only blank checks. Their subsequent use has proven more profitable and less risky.

Finally: Remember that a check is only as good as the endorsement! And, remember, too, that an honest person tendering a valid check will not be offended at your inquisitiveness; but beware of the person who feigns anger when you ask for further identification or details.

SONORA SOLDIER TAKING PART IN ARCTIC OPERATION

WHITEHORSE, Y. T., Can., Feb. 16 — Pvt. Branlio Estrado is participating with his unit, the 505th Transportation Truck Company, from Fort Riley, Kansas, in a sub-Arctic "combat" maneuver in the Yukon, a region long famous as one of the last great outposts of adventure and exploration on the North American continent.

Pvt. Estrado is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Branlio Estrado, who live here.

Exercise Sweetbriar, its code designation, is a controlled training exercise being conducted jointly by United States and Canadian ground and air forces in the Yukon Territory of Canada and eastern Alaska during January and February. Climax of the exercise will be during the period February 13-23, when an Allied Force will seek to dislodge a theoretical airborne "enemy" Aggressor invasion of Alaska.

U. S. Army troops, from Camp Carson, Colorado, have been rushed to Whitehorse, headquarters for the maneuver, by the longest mass-troop airlift in history and by motor convoys over the Alaskan Highway, a distance of some

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 Complete Menu

3,000 miles. Canadian troops likewise have been concentrated here, by air and motor, these movements to be climaxed by a spectacular mass parachute jump as the big push against the "invader" gets underway. U. S. Army and Air Force units in Alaska are providing the Aggressor forces.

Exercise Sweetbriar marks a continuation of Canadian and United States Winter troop training programs since World War II in the Far North.

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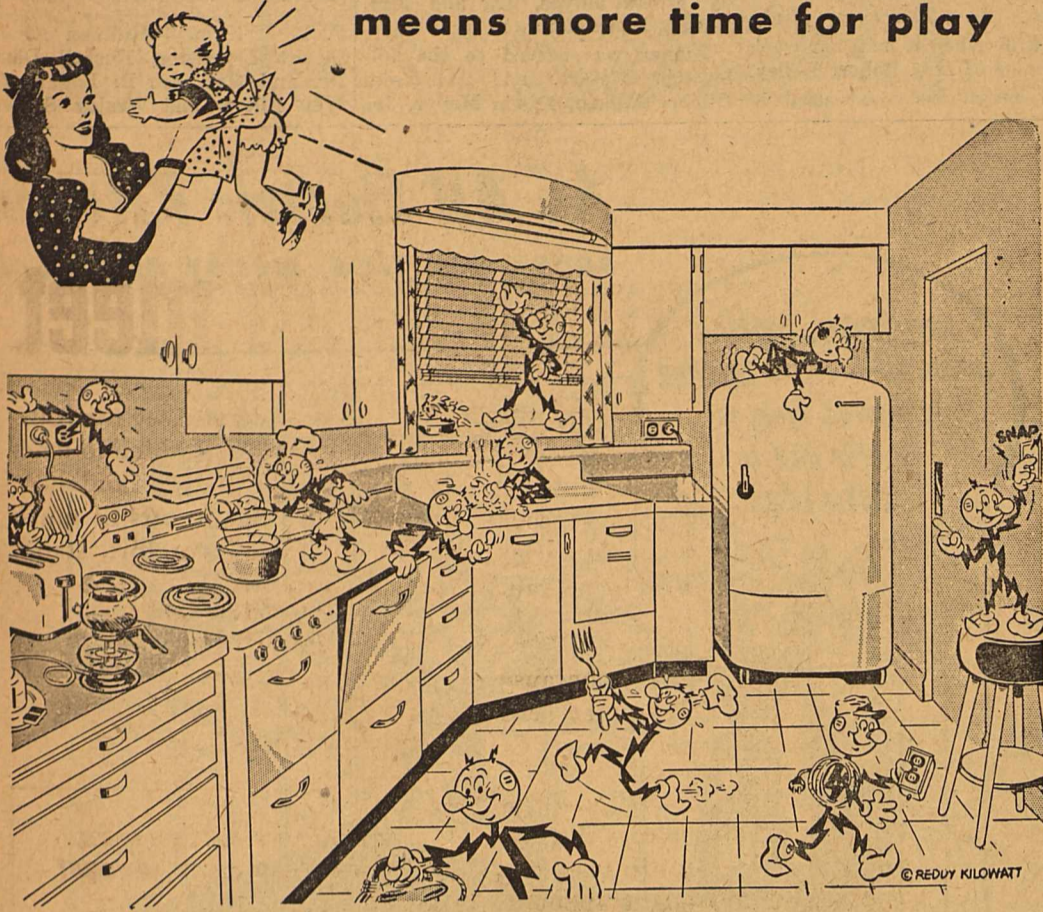
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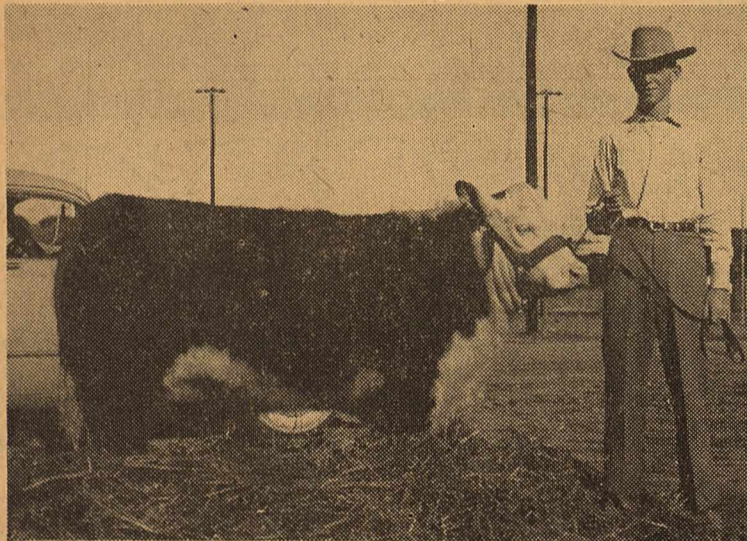


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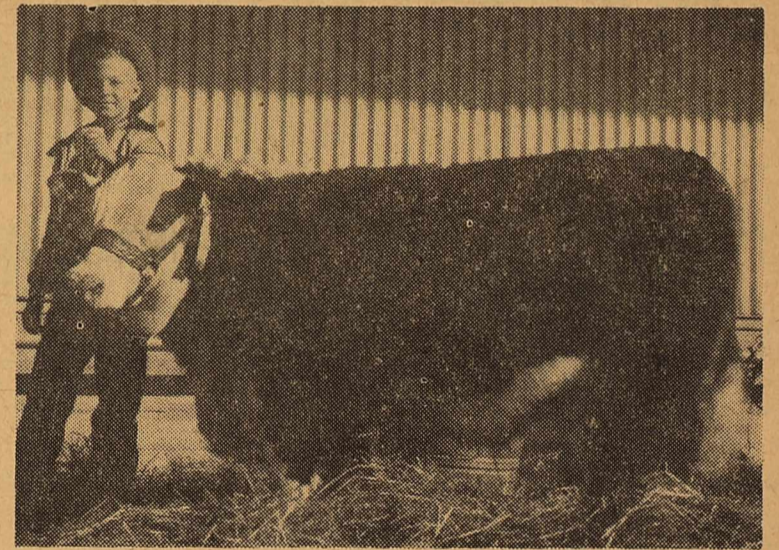
Norris Loeffler, 16, Sutton County 4-H Club boy, is shown holding Possum, a C. T. Jones-bred calf which placed third in the Sutton County 4-H show and 17th at the Fort Worth show. This calf gained 2.5 pounds a day for 10 months and was 12 months old at show time. Show weight was 830 pounds. Possum and Mickey (opposite page) brought \$157 in prize money plus a Hereford calf. Possum brought 40 cents a pound from Swift and Co. after the Fort Worth show.

The complete ration fed to each of these calves at 6 A.M. and 6 P.M. daily, and supplemented by nurse cows, was 11 pounds each of K-B Buck Feed, yellow corn and calf cubes. The nurse cows were fed on K-B Cow Feed.

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Carlos Loeffler, 11, younger brother of Norris and likewise active in 4-H Club work, shown above with Mickey, another C. T. Jones-bred Hereford, which was second in its class and reserve champion in the Sonora show and won 6th in the Fort Worth show. Mickey was started out on K-B Buck Feed and gained an average of 2.8 pounds per day over the 9 months feeding period and weighed 845 pounds at show time. Mickey was sold to Graham Mill and Elevator Company, a branch of the Kimble Milling Company, for 43 cents per pound. Carlos and Norris each have a calf on feed for next year's shows.



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A&M Mothers Name Miss Alley Duchess To Ball

The A&M Mothers Club met Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Joe Berger. Miss Ethel Mae Alley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Alley and a student at Sul Ross College, was selected as duchess from Sonora to the A&M College Cotton Ball on April 28. Her escort will be Darrell Alley.

A general committee was selected to be in charge of the annual A&M muster to be held here San Jacinto Day, April 21. Chairman is Mrs. Roy Aldwell, and Mrs. B. W. Babb, Mrs. W. T. Hardy, and Mrs. E. E. Sawyer are members. Refreshments were served following the meeting.

WESLEYAN GUILD MEETS MONDAY AT ROGGE HOME

The Wesleyan Guild met Monday night at the home of Mrs. Sid Rogge with Mrs. Ellen Ray assisting the hostess. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. C. E. Scott had charge of the program and Mrs. Vernon Hamilton and Mrs. Malcolm Bolinger gave readings. Following a short business meeting refreshments were served to the following: Mesdames Dick McCalmont, Vernon Hamilton, Bess Davis, C. E. Scott, Malcolm Bolinger, Ervin Willman, Thelma Briscoe and Leonard Caldwell.

Mrs. Libb Wallace and Mrs. Ella Wallace left Thursday for San Antonio for a few days visit.

Production Of "Snow White" Here February 23

A professional stock company from New York will present the operetta, "Snow-White and the Seven Dwarfs," at the High School auditorium Thursday night, February 23, at 7:30 o'clock.

The cast is made up of midget actors who have presented the operetta in several Texas cities including Ft. Worth, Dallas, Amarillo and Wichita Falls. The troupe is enroute from El Paso to Austin and will stop here overnight.

Tickets are \$1 for adults and 50 cents for students.

Attend SOME Church Sunday

Book Review Given At Meeting Of WMU Wed.

A book review by Mrs. Rip Ward was presented at the meeting of the Women's Missionary Union of the Baptist Church Wednesday. A delegation of Eldorado ladies were present. Mrs. Ward reviewed "The Prophet of Little Cane Creek," by Harold E. Dye.

Mrs. Bob Odum opened the program and Mrs. W. O. Crites gave the devotion. Mrs. Archie Mittel of Eldorado gave the opening prayer. The group sang, "Christ For The World We Sing."

Mrs. Jim Hays of Eldorado sang a solo, "I Am A Child of the King," accompanied by Mrs. John Steigler of Eldorado. Mrs. Boyd Moore dismissed the group with a prayer.

BOBBY KELLEYS HOSTS TO THURSDAY NIGHT CLUB

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Kelley were hosts to the Thursday Night Bridge Club when it met last week at the home of Mrs. Robert Kelley. Early magnolias were used in

decorating the game rooms. High club prize was won by Mrs. Russell Davis, high guest was won by Edwin Mayer, Jr., and Mrs. Dewitt Lancaster won the bingo.

Dinner was served to the following: Messrs. and Mesdames Gilbert Allison, Edwin Mayer, Jr.,

Thomas Morriss was reported doing as well as could be expected following an operation Thursday morning in a San Angelo hospital.

F. L. McKinney, Hillman Brown, Dewitt Lancaster, Russell Davis, Dr. and Mrs. Joe B. Logan, and Web Elliott and Wesley Sawyer.

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MRS. PURYEAR ENTERTAINS SON WITH BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mrs. Monroe Puryear honored her son, Roland, last Thursday with a party on his sixth birthday. A Valentine theme was carried out, and the birthday cake was pink and white in the shape of a heart. Favors were small baskets filled with heart candies.

Gayle Rode and Johnny McCalmont won prizes for pinning the tail on the donkey. Refreshments were served to the following:

Francine and Freddie Fields, Bill and Dick Karnes, Frank Joe, Jerry and Gay Potmesil, Beverly Robinson, Betty Ann Patrick, Dick McCoy, Gayle Rode, Steve and Linda Fuqua, Arthur and Karen Trainer, Charlie Howell, Phillip Chalk, Danny Clendennan, Robert and Katherine Taylor, Donna Gholson, Nancy Anthony, Bitsy Tice, Kenneth Fuqua, Johnny McCalmont. Also Mesdames Bill Fields, W. F. Clendennan, Walter Anthony, Wiley Trainer, Dick McCalmont, J. M. Taylor and C. W. Gholson.

Jim Baldwin, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Letsinger, is improving following an appendectomy in a San Angelo hospital Monday. Baldwin is a high school student.

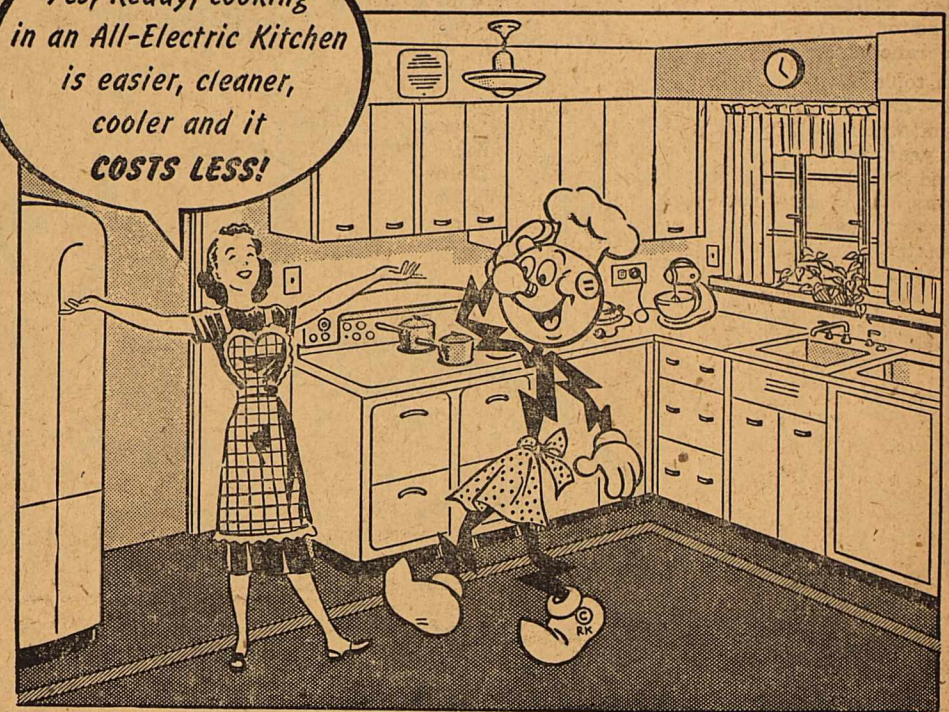
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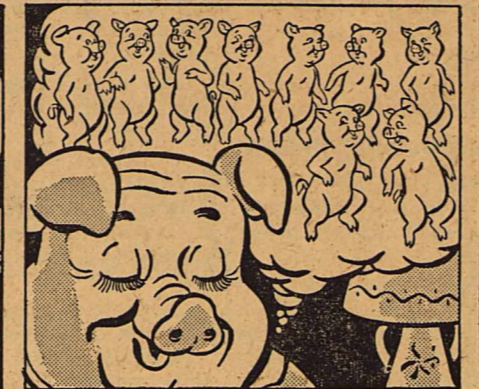
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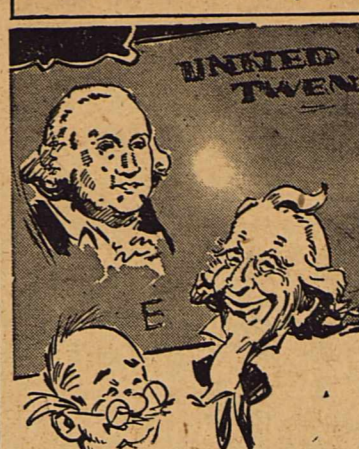
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ST. JOHN'S CHURCH HOLDS CHURCH EDUCATION SCHOOL

Members of St. John's Episcopal Church vestry and representatives of St. John's Guild were present Tuesday night for a school on church education...

MRS. BUNNELL HOSTESS TO THE PASTIME CLUB

Mrs. John Bunnell was hostess to the Pastime Club when it met at her home Thursday, February 9. Narcissus, jap magnolias and jonquils were used in decorating...

TEACHER REGISTRATION IN TEXAS JUMPS 77%

Teachers and prospective teachers have more than doubled their registration with the University of Texas Teacher Placement Service in the last two years, Director Hob Gray reports.

During 1949 the 1,157 registrations brought a 62-per-cent increase over 1948 enrollment. More than 3,600 calls for teachers, administrators and university personnel were received during the year.

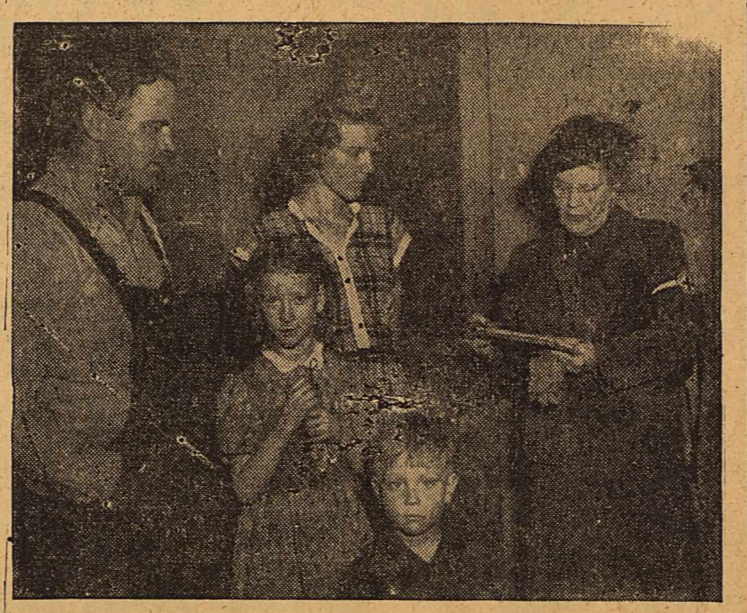
WCS HOLDS PROGRAM WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

'The World Must Learn to Read' was the subject of a program held by the Women's Society of Christian Service, when it met at the home of Mrs. Dave Locklin Wednesday.

MRS. SCHWIENING FETED WITH LAYETTE SHOWER

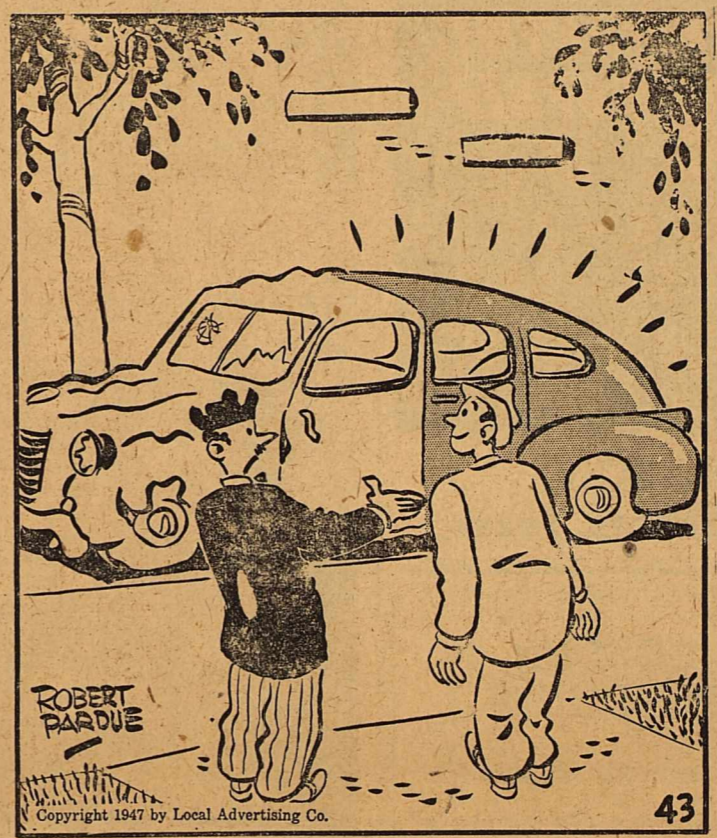
Mrs. George S. Schwiening was honored with a layette shower last week at the Masonic Hall following the OES study class meeting.

RED CROSS HELPS RESTORE FAMILIES TO NORMAL LIVING AFTER DISASTERS



Planning resumption of normal living with this disaster stricken family of East Prairie, Mo., following mid-January floods is the task of the Red Cross worker. Scenes like this are duplicated in Arkansas and Illinois following floods that drove 30,000 from homes, damaged household furnishings and buildings.

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