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It Happened in Sanderson TEN YEARS AGO This Week—Remember?

February 27, 1931

Following a meeting of the board of directors of the Del Rio National Bank it was announced Saturday by Ross Stafford, active vice-president of the institution, that A. D. Brown, widely known Sanderson ranchman and business man, had been named to the board of directors.

During the noon hour Wednesday a fire alarm was sounded by the whistle at the roundhouse when it was discovered that three cabooses were on fire in the yards a short distance west of the depot.

Shortly after the fire a man was arrested in the railroad yards and placed in jail. The man admitted to the sheriff that he had set the cars on fire and did it because he had been put off of No. 101 on which he was trying to steal a ride.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Brown and children spent Saturday in Alpine.

Mrs. B. H. Dawson and daughter, Florene, spent last weekend with Mr. and Mrs. George Logan at Marfa.

WITH OUR NEIGHBORS

Alpine Avalanche—Full endorsement of the American Legion nationwide plan to register all Legionnaires and World War veterans generally on a volunteer basis, for any possible future national defense service, was given this week by Mayor L. B. Starns.

Eagle Pass Guide—Eagle Pass people felt an interest in the resumption of work in the Rosita mines in Mexico, which took place last Saturday, following a shut down which occurred more than four months ago on account of a strike.

Fort Stockton Pioneer—A. H.

Seely, 61, Fort Stockton druggist who had retired from active business with the sale of his store here last fall, died Tuesday shortly before noon in a Pecos hospital where he had been receiving treatment for the last several weeks for an internal infection.

Big Bend Sentinel—"Miracle Hot Wells, Inc." is the name of a new Presidio county corporation which was chartered by the state last week and which H. D. Wilcox says will engage in the development of mineral water bathing and drinking facilities at the site of the Jones-Coffield No. 3 well near Valentine.

Ozona Stockman—Between thirty and forty members of the San Angelo Flying Club will take off in a dawn flight from San Angelo Municipal Airport Sunday morning headed for Ozona and breakfast.

The San Angelo club decided recently to make a number of dawn flights to surrounding towns, having breakfast and return to San Angelo, and Ozona was selected for the first flight. Several planes will be included in the flight here.

RATTLE OF THE RAIL

Fireman T. R. Arrington has recently established rights as a locomotive engineer.

Engineer F. H. Talbot has been assigned to a switch engine in El Paso.

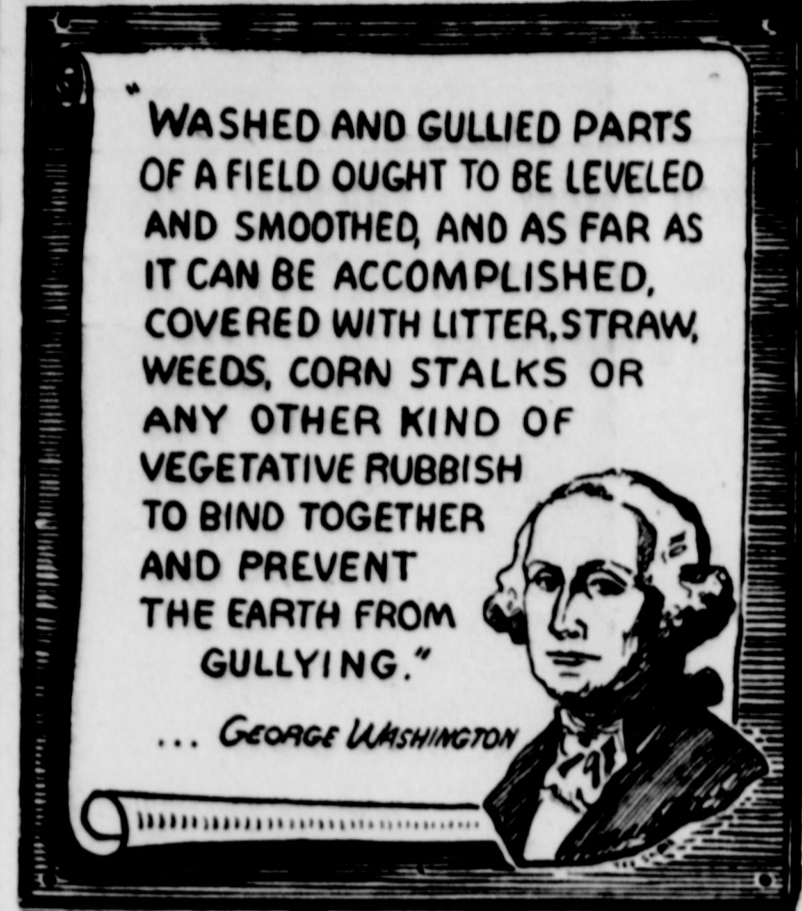
J. G. McCullar, traveling engineer and L. F. Tadlock, trainmaster, were here from El Paso Tuesday.

Train No. 5 and train No. 6 operated in two sections Wednesday.

J. D. Kinsler, superintendent, made a trip over this division the early part of the week.

Several large fractionating columns for the oil industry in Baytown passed through Wednesday. There are several more to follow.

WASHINGTON BELIEVED IN SOIL CONSERVATION AND IMPROVEMENT



George Washington, whose 209th birthday anniversary was observed Saturday, not only was "first in war, first in peace and first in the hearts of his countrymen," Washington also was first in the conservation of his Nation's soil resources. Ernest Williams, County Agent, declared:

"The father of our Country was quick to see the wasteful, exploitive use of the vast resources which he knew must be preserved if the Nation he had fought for and directed in its infancy was to be preserved as a strong, self-supporting democracy" Williams continued. "Washington knew that no nation could outlast its soil."

As evidence of Washington's belief in soil conservation and soil improvement, the following quotations are cited from letters written by the first president of the United States:

Washington to Arthur Young, English agriculturist, in 1787—"The cultivation of tobacco has been almost the sole object with man of landed property, and consequently a regular course of crops has never been in view. The general custom has been, first to raise a crop of Indian corn which, according to the mode of cultivation, is a good preparation for wheat; then a wheat crop. Then the ground is respited (except from weeds and every trash that can contribute to its foulness) for about 18 months—and so on alternately without any dressing until the land is exhausted. Then it is turned out, without being sown to grass seeds or any method taken to restore it; and another piece is ruined in the same manner. No more cattle are raised than can be supported by lowland meadows or swamps and tops or blades of the Indian corn. Few persons have attended to the sowing of grasses or connected the raising of cattle with their crops. There are several among whom I may class myself, who are endeavoring to get into your regular and systematic course of cropping as fast as the nature of the business will permit. I hope that in the course of a few years we shall make a more respectable figure as farmers than we have heretofore done."

Washington to William Strickland in 1797—"Your strictures on the agriculture of the country are but too just. It is indeed wretched; but a leading if not the primary cause of its being so is that instead of improving a little ground well we attempt too much and do it ill. A half, a third, or even a fourth of what we mangle, well wrought and properly dressed, would produce more than the whole under our system of management. Yet such is the force of habit that we cannot depart from it. The consequence of which is that we ruin the lands we have already cleared and either cut down more wood (if we have it) or emigrate into the new Western country."

Washington (while president) to his nephew, George A. Washington, regarding the handling of his farms—"The gullies in these fields, before being sown with grain and grass seeds, ought to be filled up. By so doing and by sprinkling manure thereon, they will acquire a green sward and strength of soil to preserve them. These are the only means I know of by which

exhausted lands can be recovered and an estate rescued from destruction. Save all the honey locust trees you can; all of those that belong to me and others if they can be obtained. And in the fall, plant them in the ditches where they are to remain, about six inches apart, one seed from another."

A portion of Washington's letter to Mr. Anderson regarding Washington's Muddy Hole Farm is quoted in the drawing accompanying this article.

"Washington's methods probably would have been more effective if they had been improved and coordinated in the light of our modern day knowledge," Williams said. "What Washington said about soil erosion shows that soil wastage is not a new problem. Even the early American colonists were guilty of single cropping their soil to death. The principal difference between land decline in those days compared with the situation today lies almost entirely in the amount of available land. There was plenty of good land—free land at that—for the early Americans. Today there is no more free land, and good land is costly."

In the early period of conservation farming efforts, emphasis was placed on single practices, it was explained. The combination of many practices for the complete and coordinated treatment of every acre, according to its needs and capabilities, was unknown. The modern technique of soil conservation is to study the entire ranch or farm

NEW FRED ASTAIRE DANCE CREATION IS JITTERBUG DELIGHT

As if in answer to a jitterbug's prayer, Fred Astaire, America's most popular dancing favorite, has created a new dance.

The new routine is danced by Astaire and his new screen partner, Paulette Goddard, in the new Paramount picture, "Second Chorus," which opens Monday March 3 at the Princess Theatre, featuring Artie Shaw and his band, Burgess Meredith and Charles Butterworth.

Astaire fashioned the dance, which is called the "Dig It," after a song written by Johnny Mercer, "I Ain't Hep to That Step But I'll Dig It," one of the hit tunes of the new screen entertainment.

While in reality it is a gay, simple dance, its steps give the impression of being spectacular. But Astaire so devised the dance that it can be done even on smaller dance floors, with only a bit of modification for the more conservative dance enthusiasts.

For the incorrigible jitterbug, the dance, which has already begun to invade the nation's dance halls, should be a sensation. In the picture, Astaire and Miss Goddard go through the routine with easy grace, but the confirmed rug-cutter will probably add the violence of movement characteristic of their gyrations.

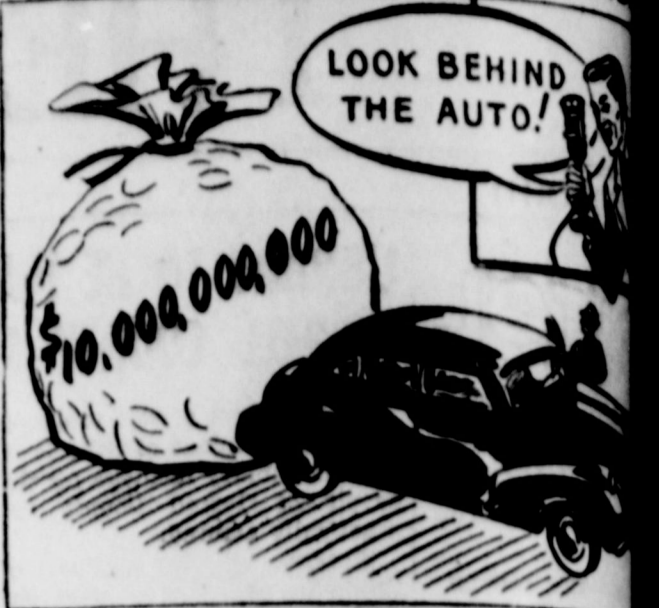
For the past two years jitterbugs throughout the country have sent Astaire letters complaining about a dearth of new fads to keep their feet occupied. Dance floors everywhere, they pointed out, have witnessed a revival of many types of dancing discarded long ago, such as the rumba, but which have come back strong because of the dance dearth.

to determine what land-use, erosion and water conservation measures are needed. All of these practices are brought together and modified as necessary to fit the ranch or farm unit and the economic limitations of the owner.

In this country, the Extension Service, with the assistance of Soil Conservation Service technicians, are cooperating with the Prosser W Ranch to demonstrate the value of soil and water conservation and safe land use.

"They are doing exactly what Washington would have done for his lands if he could have had the benefit of modern conservation knowledge," Williams continued. "As the Father of our Country once said, 'A man should love his land and keep it well.'"

\$10,000,000,000 BIRTHDAY



"LOOK behind the automobile, Johnny Tax Collector, and you will find a nice birthday gift of \$10,000,000,000."

If you heard that come out of the radio loud speaker, you would probably think that Orson Welles had taken over one of the popular birthday salute programs, in which listeners with birthdays are told about hidden gifts.

Such a message, however, would be entirely appropriate for use on Tuesday, Feb. 25. That day is the 22nd birthday of the American gasoline tax. Behind the automobile is more than \$10,000,000,000 that has been contributed in gasoline taxes by the motoring public since the birth of the youngster.

These billions of dollars in gasoline taxes are being paid largely by families with modest incomes. According to studies by the federal government, more than half of the car-owning families in the United States have incomes of less than \$30 a week. For that reason they have small ability to pay taxes.

First inaugurated in Oregon in 1919, the gasoline tax was soon adopted by all the states. In 1932 the federal government imposed a duplicating levy, the rate of which was increased in 1940. Most of the states also have increased their tax rates, chiefly in the de-

pression years of the market. The overall burden of state gasoline taxes is about 46 per cent of price. For every \$1 that age motorists pay for he also pays a cent in taxes.

At this time American salute the gasoline birthday, for the revenue the roads have isolated of the farm, have facilitated the market of products of factory. By opening the beauties of the country made real the slogan, "ics First."

These roads built taxes to serve the needs of the nation, the first line of a great program of ity. These roads have been produced. They to be built. Men, supplies can be more today. There is no next month or next roads. In a national the entire nation could with a seat for every cars and buses now our highways. Our trucks now on our could service the that this nation could field.

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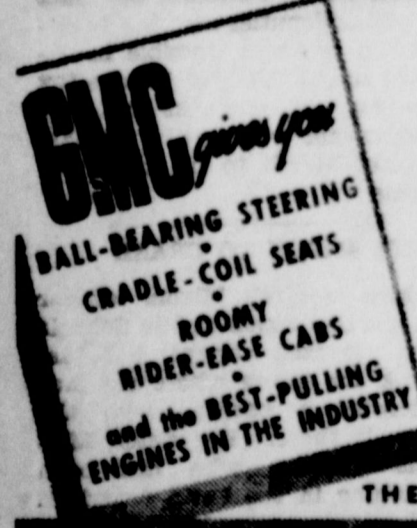
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THE EAGLE NEWS

EDITED BY THE STUDENTS OF SANDERSON HIGH SCHOOL

Oil oddities



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BUENA VISTA LONGHORNS WIN DISTRICT 30 MEET

By Earl Hurst

The Buena Vista Longhorns beat out the Sanderson High School Eagles 33-24 to win the Interscholastic District 30 Basketball tourney held in Fort Stockton last week-end. They are automatically advanced to the Regional Meet to be held in Marfa. No third time charms helped the Eagles win the meet. This was the third consecutive time the Eagles have been runner-up in the meet and it was the third time Sanderson had lost to Buena Vista.

The first round scores went from one extreme to the other. The first game was the one-sided game which contained no thrills and chills. Buena Vista was beating Mentone 36-22. The next game between Ozona and Grandfalls was the average game. The final score was 21-14 in favor of Ozona. But the last game topped them all for excitement and thrills. Sanderson High School (known as Junior High School before the game by Pecos) beat out the Pecos Eagles in a game that sent fans to their feet. When the final whistle blew it was 23-20 in favor of Sanderson. Pecos was the team that was to win the meet (just ask Pecos) but the Sanderson Eagles changed their attitude. The Eagles had difficulty in getting started and were trailing completely throughout the first half. The half time score was 12-9 in favor of Pecos. Another point that hindered the Eagles was their ability to miss charity shots. They hit only two out of twelve given them.

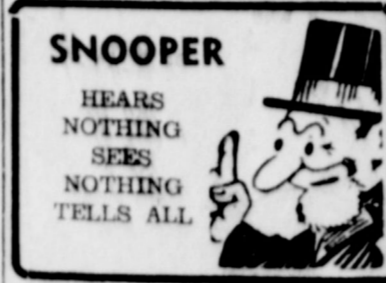
The Eagles met more deep water Saturday afternoon when Ozona was as determined as Sanderson to get in the finals. Ozona's ability to move quickly and shoot sharply were decided points against the Eagles but Kerr got hot and kept the Eagles in the game for the second time in two games. When the final whistle blew the Crockett County champs were trailing 29-25.

In the meantime, Buena Vista was hurdling its opponents to get itself into the finals. They gently told Alpine Saturday morning that they had no place there and went on to beat them.

In the curtain-raiser of the final round Mentone won the consolation trophy by sending the defending champions, Grandfalls, home with only one win in the tournament. The final score was Mentone 30; Grandfalls, 25.

Then the grand finale. Sanderson vs. Buena Vista. The Eagles came in as the underdogs and came out likewise. Sanderson trailed continuously throughout the game. The skyscrapers from Imperial were too much for the "dwarfs" of Terrell County. Buena Vista did not have the game in the bag until the last three minutes of play when they pulled into a 9 point lead over the Eagles.

Turning in their suits for the last time in their high school careers were: Campbell Kerr and Manuel Ochoa, 3-year letter men; Bill Cargile with two years and Jimmie Wilkinson and Earl Hurst with one year apiece of experience. Ross Stavley, junior



SNOOPER
HEARS NOTHING
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TELLS ALL

What was Sambo doing in front of Joyce L.s house Sunday afternoon. Johnny Hardgrave wants to know.

It seems to be serious with Helen and Allen. Always together—what about it Helen? Doris, don't worry about your boy friend. Maybe there is two sides to that story.

Ginger and Marzee seem to be very popular at noon. Whose the cute boys in the convertible gals?

The speech class just has more fun watching this pet romance bloom in the auditorium. Who could it be?

Marybell was seen out with Bob Phillips Saturday night. What happened to Kenneth? Guess we'll have to flip to see who gets to go with Doris. It's between Jimmie and Bill.

guard, and Forward Bill Cochran, sophomore, can be given a great deal of thanks for continued work and nice playing on the Varsity squad.

The Eagles' season can be rated at a fairly successful one. They can boast of wins over Marathon, San Felipe of Del Rio, Marfa, Rankin, Pecos, Ozona and Fort Stockton. They have lost only to Buena Vista, Fort Stockton and Marathon. This makes a total of 8 wins to 7 losses for the season.

At the first of the season the Eagles were said to have one of the poorest teams in recent years. But looking back to records we find that they got as far as most other teams from Sanderson did. The Eagles defeated Marfa 31-17 which was the most decisive win of the season. Buena Vista defeated them 36-21 and this looked the worst on paper. Their closest game was one of 5 played with Marathon when they edged them out 18-17.

The team of 1942 is looked upon to be the pay-off year. Let's not forget next season and show them all the support possible to get them through with a successful season.

Folks Are Funny

Other people do not see the same person you see before the mirror.

H. E. II Girls Study Child Care

By Margaret Pierson

The H. E. II girls have completed a study on child care. We studied particularly the discipline and routine habits as food, sleep, elimination, and clothes. We learned that a routine is important because the child will be less fatigued, knows what to do at certain hours and his system is better regulated. We learned what to do when children have temper tantrums or run away continually. It is just natural for children to do some of these things. For punishment, it is better to deprive them of some toy or privilege or put them away by themselves rather than spank them. Children should be provided with sufficient interesting playthings to keep them busy.

The clothing of children was given special study. The clothes should be made so the children can dress themselves. The material should be durable, easily cleaned and of pleasing design and color. White collars and ruffles or lace are not practical. The garment should be fastened with zippers or large buttons instead of snaps or ties. Fastenings should be placed in the front of the garment.

At present we are making play dresses for pre-school children.

What I Owe America and What America Owes To Me

By Margaret Arrington

I owe America far more than I in my life time can pay. To America, I can thank for not either actually fighting as many girls younger than I are fighting in war, or being forced to plow fields as women are forced to in the warring countries. I can thank America for giving me the privilege of choosing my life's work, instead of the government doing so. America offers freedom of speech, freedom of religion, liberties that I would not have in any other country. I am allowed to vote for whom I please and take a part in my government when I am 21 years of age. To America I owe much.

America owes me, on the other hand nothing but the right to make of myself what I can. America does do far more than just this—it aids all citizens in every possible way. I am proud to be an American and I hope to show America that I am.

ONE-ACT PLAYS ARE SELECTED

The two plays which are being "worked up" for elimination for bi-county meet this year are: "Rehearsal" and "Dust of the Road". The first play, Rehearsal, is a comedy that consists of six characters portrayed by: Joyce Yeates, Billie Raye Bowden, Margaret Arrington, Billie Jo Carter, Adeline McCaughey, and Lois Bassett. This is really a comedy, too, chucked full of laughs and nonsense that offers a lot of entertainment. While the above play consists of three boys and one girl. These are: B. F. Davis, Bill Cargile, Earl McDonald, and Roberta Lochausen. This is a very dramatic play with a good moral.

Both of these plays are good and it will be hard to choose between them. But may the best one win!

—E-N—
If you have visitors don't forget to tell the news to the Times.

Dr. E. A. Robertson
DENTIST
Fort Stockton, Texas
AT KERR HOTEL EACH THURSDAY

Bill Benchoff of Bobby Lea arrived this week this week visit from Burbank, Calif., and Mr. and Mrs. visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lea.

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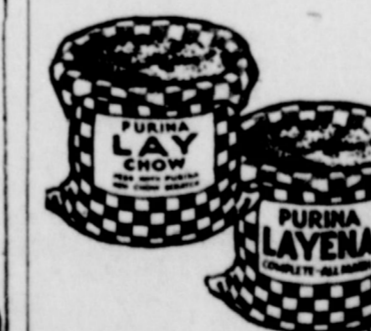
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