

Wallace Lumber Co. To
Open Yard At Rankin



V. F. WALLACE

V. F. Wallace, owner of the Wallace Lumber Co. in Ft. Stockton, has now under construction a lumber yard at Rankin which will carry the same name.

Mr. Wallace came to Upton County in 1926. He was local manager of the Burton-Lingo Co. in McCamey from 1926 to 1936. He was with the Burton-Lingo Co. for 20 years before going into the lumber business for himself. Twelve years ago, Mr. Wallace took his Masonic Blue Lodge work in Rankin and did banking business with the First State Bank. He is not a new comer to Upton County and says he is glad to be back among his acquaintances.

Mr. Wallace is a wide-awake lumber man. He has been in the business for 32 years. He plans to put in an up-to-date lumber yard and carry a large stock of lumber, all kinds of building materials, builders hardware, plumbing, paints and varnishes, in fact, anything in the building line.

Mr. Wallace has built for sale about 50 houses in Ft. Stockton under the FHA plan and he hopes to build some FHA homes in Rankin to help take care of the housing shortage.



A. E. IVY

A. E. Ivy will have charge of the Wallace Lumber Co. at Rankin. He was reared in Stamford, Texas, and finished high school there and later attended the University of Texas.

He was Chief Dispatcher at the Gibbs Air Field at Ft. Stockton for a while. He married Miss Virginia Wallace. He was in the Navy at the Alameda, Calif., Naval Base for two years. Since his discharge two years ago he has been with the Wallace Lumber Co. at Ft. Stockton.

As soon as a home can be built for them there, Mrs. Ivy and their small son, Jim, will join him there.

Mrs. Jack Franklin Honored At Pink And Blue Shower

Mrs. Walton Harral was hostess Friday, Feb. 6, to a pink and blue shower honoring Mrs. Jack Franklin.

Lovely gifts were in the display room from those present and many others sending gifts.

Mrs. Alvin Bushong, sister of the honoree, assisted the hostess by pouring tea, which was served with sandwiches, cookies and nuts.

Those present were: Meses. Ross Wheeler, Zack Monroe, Sam Holmes, Tom Workman, McCain, Dave Gentry, A. Bushong, R. Saverence, O. Warren, Johnny Rankin, Shorty Thompson, J. D. Shipp, H. Shaw, Jimmie James, Clay Taylor, Herman Chambers, and Mary Pierce.

Mr. and Mrs. David Workman of Lubbock have been visiting in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Workman. David is a Texas Tech student.

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Friday, February 13, 1948

NEWS

County Home
Demonstration Agent
Texas A. & M. College
Extension Service

By Myrna Holman

Here are a few tips to make the wash job on a winter day just a little easier on you—and on the clothes. It will be easier on the machine if it is brought into a warm room several hours before using so that the grease or oil may warm up.

Clothes that freeze stiff on the lines suffer more wear and tear from whipping than soft clothes. If lines are rubbed with vinegar before hanging up clothes, the fabric is less likely to freeze to lines and stick. That is for the good of the washing machine and the clothes. Now for our own comfort, try putting the clothes pins in the oven for a few minutes before using them. It will help keep your fingers warm and so hasten the hanging job. Another thing to save your energy is to remember to put the clothes basket on a cart or a child's wagon and pull it down the line rather than carrying the clothes and then stooping for each piece. A third of the energy used in hanging clothes may be saved by this one simple trick.

You will also want to remember that sudden changes in temperature shrinks and damages wool. So wool clothing or blankets should not be hung outdoors on a cold day.

Fire In Electrical Equipment

The first impulse when fire breaks out in the home is to pour on water. But that is not always the wisest move. When the fire is in or around electrical equipment, water or other fire extinguishers should never be used until the electric current is cut off at the switch. For that reason, every member of the family should know how to "throw" or "pull" the main switch to deaden the wiring system in case of a fire emergency. After the electricity is turned off, the fire can be treated by the proper extinguisher.

DID YOU KNOW—

That the careless smoker is still Public Enemy No. 1, so far as fires go?

That the thoughtless housewife ranks second on the list by continuing to stack papers, magazines, old clothing, broken toys, etc., in the attic, closets and other storage places?

That oranges, tomatoes or tomato juice, grapefruit, raw cabbage, and salad greens are excellent sources of vitamin C and should be included in menus for winter days?

That milk should be refrigerated as soon as you get it? Delay robs milk of food values and hastens spoilage?

That children playing with matches cause 26,000 fires every year in the U. S.?

RANKIN MEETING

The third Thursday afternoon, Feb. 19, is still open for the benefit of Rankin women as promised. The agent is ready to meet with a group for a demonstration at any time the women want to come. The demonstration this month is on refinishing furniture; however, the agent will be glad to give a demonstration on any subject in which the women are interested.

The office phone is 77. If the agent is not in, leave a message and she will contact you as soon as she returns from her meeting.

Lonnie Slaven Dies At Legion Hospital In Kerrville Wed.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Cox were in San Angelo Friday for the funeral services of their brother-in-law, Mr. Lonnie Slaven.

Mr. Slaven died in Kerrville Wednesday. He had been at the Legion Hospital for the last 13 months. He had served in World War I and was a member of the Alamo Heights Terrell Hill American Legion Post. His wife is the former Miss Dove Ellen Cox.

Mr. and Mrs. Porter Johnson are in Bonham with his mother who has been critically ill for several weeks. The last report



CUSTODIANS OF TOMORROW'S WORLD

Whether it will be one world or many small ones . . . a world of plenty or privation . . . and whether it will be led by wise men, humane and principled, depends upon the guidance . . . the education . . . the ideals instilled in our youth today. On their young shoulders will fall the mantle of leadership. This week we pay tribute to the Boy Scouts of America—citizens at work—and pledge our continued support to an organization which has produced and will continue to give us men who are leaders . . . IN THE HOME . . . THE COMMUNITY . . . THE NATION . . . THE WORLD

IN AND OUT AND AROUND THE TOWN

Mrs. W. E. Weatherby of Odessa was a visitor in the Ross Wheeler home.

Mrs. H. Wheeler and daughter, Miss Kathleen, have been in Lockney several days with Mr. Wheeler.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jacobs of Big Lake visited with relatives in Rankin Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Rankin have returned from Fort Worth where they were called on account of the tragic deaths in the Barcus family. Mrs. Barcus is Mr. Rankin's sister.

Fields Branch, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Branch, is in a San Angelo hospital.

Mr. Sam Holmes is still confined to his home in town because of illness.

Mrs. Walton Poage and children and her mother, Mrs. Elrod, were in Odessa Saturday. Mrs. Poage and Genieve attended a musical program in the afternoon. They also visited in the home of Mrs. Elrod's son, Bill Elrod. His son was having a birthday party which was enjoyed before returning to Rankin.

Mrs. Zack Monroe and Mrs. Calla Henley visited Mrs. Pharr, Mrs. Monroe's mother, in Midland Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Porter Johnson are in Bonham with his mother who has been critically ill for several weeks. The last report

was the mother's condition was not improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jacobs and family of Big Lake visited her mother, Mrs. Gentry, and her sister, Mrs. Sam Holmes and family Sunday.

Mrs. Andy Bushong is ill in her home this week.

Mrs. Annie Chambers left Sunday for Temple. Her son came for her. She was active in church and WMU and will be greatly missed by those circles.

Cody Bell of Rogers, Ark., a former Upton County ranchman, has been in Rankin on business. He owns land north of town in the oil area.

Mrs. Omar Warren visited her daughter, Mrs. C. C. Brown and Mr. Brown in Alpine last week.

Mrs. Dee Locklin was a visitor in the Sam Holmes home Sunday.

James Lee Suffers 3rd, 4th Degree Burns

A number of children who are classmates of James Lee visited him in the Texon Hospital last week and carried him story books and various gifts to show their wishes for his recovery.

Their teacher, Mrs. Conally, accompanied them. James has suffered third and fourth degree burns, and is doing as well as can be hoped for now. He will be in the hospital several weeks more.

COUNTY LIBRARY TO BUY NEW ENCYCLOPEDIA

The Commissioner's Court recently authorized the purchase of a World Book Encyclopedia set for the Library. This set of 19 volumes is now on the reference shelf.



D. S. ANDERSON

D. S. Anderson Joins Rankin 1st State Bank

D. S. Anderson, recently assumed the duties of cashier with the First State Bank of Rankin.

Mr. Anderson spent 21 continuous years in the banking business with more than three years with the State Banking Department as an examiner and 15 years with the Wichita National Bank in various capacities.

Moving to Rankin with Mr. Anderson are Mrs. Anderson and daughter, Mary, age 11.

Mrs. Roy Priest Entertains W. M. U. Monday At Her Home

The WMU of the First Baptist Church met in regular meeting Monday at 3 p. m. in the home of Mrs. Roy Priest.

The study, "The Great Women of the Bible," was given by Mrs. Priest, and was an inspiration to all present.

Humble Oil Co. Spots Upton County Wildcat Near Benedum Field

The first location in the vicinity of Slick-Urschel Oil Co. and Plymouth Oil Co.'s No. 1 D. L. Alford since the completion in December of that Ellenburger discovery near the center of the east line of Upton County has been staked by Humble.

Humble will drill No. 1 Rosa Half Barnett, projected 12,000-foot wildcat to explore the Ellenburger, 1,980 from the north, 660 feet from the east line of sec. 4, blk. Y, GC&SF Ry. Co. survey. The operation will be 3 1/4 miles NW of the Slick-Urschel and Plymouth opener of the Benedum field, which is in sec. 50 1-2-Y, P. B. Scott, only one-half mile west of the Reagan County line.

SOUTH OF 1 PARROTT

Humble's deep operation will be one-half mile south of its No. 1 J. M. Parrott, a small pumper from the Pennsylvanian and opener of the Upland pool. No. 1 Parrott blew out Feb. 24, 1945, when bottomed at 9,576 feet and flowed off its pits for six hours at a rate of between 25 and 50 barrels hourly. To test the section the hole was plugged back, after loss of circulation forced a halt at 10,744 feet in chert, and 5 1/2 inch casing was cemented.

The pipe was perforated and the section acidized but the oil flow could not be revived. No. 1 Parrott was finished early in July, 1945, with a 24-hour pumping potential of 6.30 barrels of fluid, of which 4.90 barrels was 43 gravity oil, the remainder water.

Mrs. Elizabeth Rains, county treasurer, who has been with her mother in Comanche for several days, came home to attend her work, but expects to return to the bedside soon.

S. E. Scott's Sell Grocery And Market To Ray Boggs

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Scott, who have operated the Scott Grocery and Market in Rankin for the past 20 years, sold their store to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Boggs of Rankin last Saturday, Feb. 8.

The Scotts came to Rankin some 22 years ago from Big Lake and operated a cafe for two years prior to opening the grocery store.

The Ray Boggs are well known in Rankin, Mrs. Boggs being the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Scott. Mr. Boggs has been in business around this area for 17 years and is also well known.

Mr. and Mrs. Boggs invite the public to come in and look over the store and visit with them. Mr. Boggs will be in charge of the meat department and a complete line of staples, fresh fruits and vegetables and frozen foods will be handled by the Boggs Grocery.

WCS Host Fellowship Luncheon And Program

The WCS of the First Methodist Church met Monday, Feb. 9, for a Fellowship Luncheon at 12 o'clock.

The invocation was given by the pastor, Rev. D. G. Harft.

The guests were welcomed by the president, Mrs. R. H. Johnson, and the response was given by Mrs. Will Nix.

The luncheon was followed by a program with Mrs. Barham, program chairman, in charge.

Mrs. S. H. Boyd was leader of the worship service, assisted by Mrs. D. O. McEwen, Mrs. Ross Wheeler, Mrs. H. W. Barham and Mrs. D. G. Harft.

Mrs. R. O. White gave a solo. Mrs. Harft gave the offertory at which time pledges for the year were made.

The program was concluded by a talk on Paine College, given by Mrs. R. O. White.

A short business session followed.

Those in charge of the luncheon were Mrs. Clint Shaw and Mrs. Walton Harral.

Those present were Meses Zola McSpadden, O. R. Adams, Dunn Lowery, Bill Nix, John Walker, E. D. Yates, Clara Hill, W. T. Elrod, Hamp Carter, Herman Chambers, D. O. McEwen, Ross Wheeler, Clint Shaw, R. O. White, W. Harral, S. H. Boyd, Harry Barham, R. H. Johnson, D. G. Harft, Rev. Harft, Bootsie Harft, and Miss Becky Barham.

State Mineral Society To Meet In Austin

The State Mineral Society of Texas has completed arrangements for a state-wide mineralogical show to be held in Austin, Texas, on April 17 and 18, 1948.

This society has for its sole purpose the encouragement of the development of the mineral resources of Texas and the stimulating of rock collecting, grinding and polishing as a suitable hobby. Of course, many of those that take up the polishing of rocks as a hobby eventually turn their hobby into a profitable vocation, making beautiful stones and setting them into rings, pendants and brooches.

Texas is indeed fortunate that practically the entire length of the Rio Grande has many agate beds which furnish desirable material for polishing into beautiful stones. Again, over the entire State of Texas many rocks are found which fluoresce under ultraviolet lights, such as the Mineralight, Radarlight and others. Just drab looking rocks oftentimes will shine at night under the stimulating influence of these lights just like a live coal of fire, while other will show many bright colors.

At the forthcoming mineralogical show in Austin, according to the President, J. J. Brown, many mineral dealers both in the state and out of the state will bring specimens of the rocks which they have for sale.

Mr. and Mrs. Tyson Gentry and daughter of Sherman spent the weekend with Mrs. Dave Gentry, his mother, and also visited in the home of his sister, Mrs. Sam Holmes.

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MORE THAN CRUTCH NEEDED

When bad weather damages a food crop, the farmer is the first to feel the impact but he is not the last one to be affected.

The consumer is soon hit by the effect of crop damage. A short corn crop means higher corn prices which in turn increase the cost of feed for beef, poultry, and other meat animals. As a result of the shortage in the 1947 corn crop and unfavorable wheat pasture conditions, R. J. Eggert of the American Meat Institute points to a 17 per cent cut in the number of cattle moving into the corn belt compared to a year ago, as a leading factor affecting meat prices.

In a business as highly competitive as food production, price rises are not caused by arbitrary price boosting. Because of a record demand for meat and a scarcity of feed, the total national herd has been reduced by between 3,000,000 to 4,000,000 head according to the American National Livestock Association. Such a reduction in the National herd, at a time when demand for beef is breaking all records, offers little encouragement for reduced prices in the near future. Even with cattle production on the increase, price relief would be doubtful with our present 50-cent dollar.

Price control as a remedy is not the answer. It would not bring more favorable weather to grow more corn to fatten more cattle. Neither would it strike at the causes of our present inflation which advances all prices. It is like offering a crutch to a man with a broken leg, instead of setting the leg.

Kerrville, Lampasas Rank Low In Electricity Cost

BY PAUL BOLTON
In San Angelo Standard-Times

AUSTIN. — Texas now has three small cities which rank among the five lowest electricity bills in the nation. They are Kerrville, Lampasas and San Marcos, with a rate of \$2.15 for 100 kilowatt hours.

This amount is estimated by the Federal Power Commission as a fair average for lighting, small appliances and refrigeration.

Texas as a whole has benefited from a general lowering of rates in the period from 1935 to Jan. 1, 1947, with the state average \$3.76, against \$5.04 in 1935. However, the state's numerical rank in terms of the average bill is 21st—29 other states have a lower state-wide average.

The three towns of Kerrville, Lampasas and San Marcos ranked second in the United States among cities of 2,500 to 10,000 population. All three have publicly-owned utilities.

A study of the rates in effect in all towns in Texas reflect only the wide variance in the cost of the average amount used, of 100 kilowatts.

Here is a breakdown of the various rates with the communities grouped for comparable size.

Houston has the lowest rate among Texas' large cities, with \$2.84 for 100 kilowatt hours. Others are Dallas, \$3.25; San An-

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tonio, \$3.64; Ft. Worth, \$3.66; and El Paso, \$3.75.

Austin's municipal plant showed a rate of \$3.30 per 100 kw; others of comparable size included Corpus Christi \$3.96; Port Arthur and Beaumont, \$4.05; Waco, \$4.01; Galveston, \$2.84.

In the next size group, Lubbock's \$3.60 appears to be the lowest rate. Others in this general population bracket are: Abilene and San Angelo, \$1.30; Amarillo, \$3.85; University Park, \$3.26; Tyler, \$4.29; Wichita Falls, \$4.36; Laredo, \$4.48; Brownsville, \$5.13.

Another population group would include Marshall, with a rate of \$3.93; Paris, with \$4.29, which is the same as Sherman, Temple, and other cities served by the same utility. The Texas state rate is \$3.50.

In Big Spring, the rate is \$4.62. Others in the general population bracket include Denison, \$4.23; Denton, \$2.41; Borger \$4.88; Del Rio, \$4.48; Greenville, \$3.90, and Clarksville, \$4.29.

Another point of comparison would be the difference in charges made in different towns by the same utilities.

West Texas Utilities show a range like this: Vernon, \$3; Abilene and San Angelo, \$4.30; Ballinger, \$4.45; Haskell \$4.75; Sonora, \$5.18; Alpine, \$5.32; McCamey, \$5.75.

Central Power and Light apparently has three prices for 100 kw: Corpus Christi's \$3.96; \$4.48 charged in Alice and several other towns; \$4.78 in Benavides and other towns.

Southwestern Gas and Electric has a short range: \$3.80 in Texarkana, \$3.93 in Glade water, \$4.29 in Gilmer. Southwestern Electric Service gets \$4.12 in Marlin, \$4.62 in Jacksonville. Texas Electric charges \$4.62 except in Burkburnett where there's a muni plant and both charge \$5.04. Community Public Service ranges from \$3 in Hamilton to \$4.76 in Olney.

Rates of municipal plants range with the same lack of uniformity. Typical examples: Austin, \$3.30; Bowie, \$4.90; Brady, \$4.35; Brenham, \$3; Brownsville, \$5.13; Brownwood, \$4.29; Bryan, \$4.63; Coleman, \$5.60; Llano, \$2.37; San Antonio, \$3.64.

Weekly Swing Of Southwest Markets

Most SW farm products sold sharply lower last week.

Grain prices tumbled 20 to 40c a bushel as unfavorable feeding rations, smaller livestock numbers, and better world prospects for wheat stiffened buyer resistance. No. 1 wheat sold Friday at \$2.67 at Texas common points as No. 2 white oats moved at \$1.28 to \$1.33 and sorghums \$3.40 to \$3.50, off 80 cents.

All classes of hogs dropped generally from \$2 to \$3 for the week. San Antonio bought good and choice medium weight butchers late in the week at \$24.50, as Fort Worth paid a top of \$25.

Sows ranged generally from \$19.50 to \$22, and stocker pigs from \$14 to \$16.

Slaughter steers, yearlings and heifers brought generally lower prices for the week, while cows and calves lost at some markets. South Texas markets showed some firmness. San Antonio bought good to average choice calves higher at \$25 to \$26.50, as Houston paid \$24 to \$26 for most good calves. Ft. Worth dropped fully \$1 on heavy calves at \$22 to \$27 for good and choice grades.

Slaughter lamb prices fell generally 50c to \$1 during the week, as other sheep classes held largely steady to strong. San Antonio held firm to higher on good and choice lambs at \$21.50 to \$22 as Fort Worth sold woolled offerings at \$23 to \$23.50.

Eggs weakened slightly in the Dallas-Ft. Worth area.

Political Announcements

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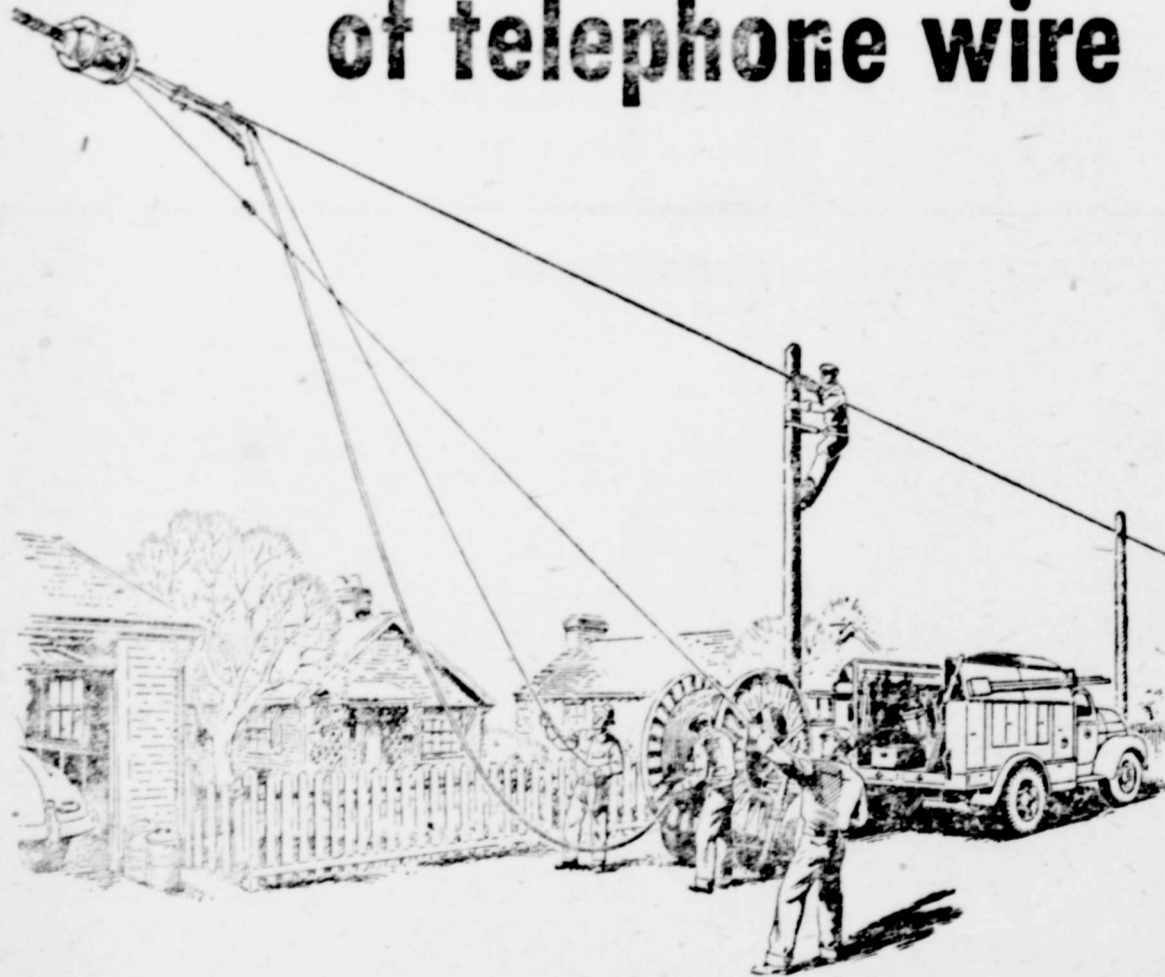
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This year we will install a million miles of wire in telephone cables in the Southwest.

These cables will connect telephones to switching equipment in the telephone office. Inside the lead cable sheath are hundreds of tiny wires, and it takes one pair of these wires for each telephone line.

Most telephone cables are full today. All wires are in use serving as many people as possible. New applications keep coming in almost as fast as we can

install new cables to connect telephones. That's why we need more cables in practically every telephone exchange.

Even a million miles of wire in cables won't be enough. We need to continue asking people to take party-line service — so that one pair of wires may serve as many as four families.

If you're one of those waiting, you may be sure that we're working hard to get and place cables to connect your telephone as soon as we can. We don't like to keep anyone waiting for telephone service.

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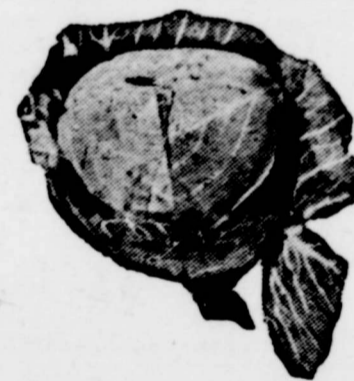
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Friday and Saturday Specials!

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- Pork Roast (shoulder) lb. 49c
- Pork Chops, lb. 59c
- Stew Ribs, lb. 34c
- Shoulder Roast (beef) lb. 57c
- Bacon, lb. 69c



We would like to take this means of introducing to you our new and very capable butcher, Mr. R. A. Carter. Mr. Carter was with the Cash Food Mart of McCamey for 4 1/2 years where he had a very large and popular following. He comes, however, directly from Meritton where he was manager and butcher of the M-System Store there. Mr. Carter promises both courteous and efficient service handling nothing but meat at its best at fair prices.



- Apples, per lb. 09c
- Cabbage, per lb. 06c
- Celery (large and crisp) stalk 19c
- Lettuce, nice firm heads 09c
- Carrots, 2 bunches for 15c
- Yams, per lb. 09c

- CIGARETTES, per carton \$1.65**
- CORN, Trellis, No. 300 can, 2 for 29c
- CATSUP, CHB, 14 oz. bottle 19c
- BABY FOOD, new stock, per doz. 89c**
- IMITATION FLAVORING, Cages, 4 oz. bottle 05c
- PEETS GRANULATED SOAP, 2 lb.-1 oz. 45c
- COFFEE, Bright and Early, per lb. 42c**
- WOODBURY . . . Facial Soap, 3 bars 29c
- WOODBURY DENTAL CREAM 19c
- SUGAR, five pounds for 49c**
- WOODBURY SHAVE CREAM 19c
- C. H. B. MEAT SAUCE, 6 oz. 19c
- FLOUR, any kind, 25 pound bag \$2.19**
- PASTE WAX, Old English, per lb. 51c
- DRINKS, Case (Plus Deposit) 85c
- EGGS, per dozen 49c**
- MALTOMEAL, per package 35c
- WAX PAPER, 125 feet of 12 inch, per roll 21c
- OLEO colored, per pound 54c

SUNBEAM MARKET
PHONE 36 CRANE, TEXAS



Four Crane fishermen would have caught more fish had the weather permitted more than ten hours fishing. As it was they didn't bring back but 265 pounds from Lake Don Martin, Coahuila, Old Mexico. There were 66 bass, averaging three pounds each; one yellow cat weighing 40 pounds; and about a dozen and a half blue cat to total the haul! Pictured left to right are the Isaak Waltons: Jack Boyd, R. E. Wesberry, Jr., Al Warner of McCamey, and R. D. Shaffer. They left on the trip Wednesday of last week, and returned Tuesday, February 10.



DR. AUBRA N. LEE
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NEWS BUILDING
McCamey, Texas
TUESDAYS AND FRIDAYS

Main Street
Crane, Texas
Mondays, Wednesday, Thursdays and Saturdays

Chevrolet Announces 2 New Truck Features

DETROIT. — Two mechanical devices which contribute importantly to driving ease are among features disclosed today on new 1948 Chevrolet trucks.

They are the steering column gearshift as standard equipment on all models equipped with three-speed transmission and a four-speed synchro-mesh transmission on heavy duty trucks. Both are firsts in the truck industry and highspot improvements that assure greater comfort, safety and reliability.

Announcement of the new series by J. W. Burke, manager of the Chevrolet truck department, follows one of the most successful truck years in the company's history. Domestic truck sales in 1947 established a new Chevrolet peak, while production of 335,344 units was close to the previous all-time record.

The new series is the first since the company's Advance-Design models pioneered in the low-price market the wide, spacious cabs that have won universal acclaim. Blanketing the light, medium and heavy-duty truck categories, the line contains 107 models on eight different wheelbases.

Burke described the four-speed synchro-mesh transmission as the most significant truck development in years.

"In the passenger car and light truck field the three-speed synchro-mesh transmission has been synonymous with operating efficiency and smoothness," he said. "Because it offers similar advantages, the four-speed synchro-mesh will find an equally enthusiastic reception in the heavy-duty truck market. To owners synchro-mesh reduced wear, less time lost and lower maintenance costs. To the driver the transmission means reduced driving strain, easier shifts and quicker acceleration in emergencies."

The steering column gearshift is standard on all models with payloads up to 2,100 pounds. Combined with a newly designed foot-operated parking brake, the innovation makes possible a cab floor clear of obstructions. This is a safety as well as a comfort factor. Engines powering the 1948 Chevrolet trucks have been appreciably improved. Engine bearing life, to illustrate, has been more than doubled. Crankshafts are heavier and more rigid. Main bearings are new and precision-built.

While the new four-speed synchro-mesh transmission draws top billing, other parts of the chassis benefit by reinforcements. Particularly engineers have added increased safety margins so that performance will meet exacting standards even under most adverse conditions.

News And Suggestions From Upton Co. Agent

By W. O. Adams

"The 1947 enrollment in boys' 4-H clubs in the state reached an

all-time high of 42,350, and production and income records were broken in several fields," says J. W. Potts, boys' 4-H Club state leader of Texas A&M College, in his annual report.

The livestock business of 4-H Club boys in Texas has been a multimillion dollar business, and 1947 was no exception. More than four million pounds of beef were sold during the year for a total sales price of \$1,403,204; 9,897 hogs that weighed 1,847,279 pounds were sold for \$504,464; sheep brought in \$108,461 and dairy cattle \$32,462, while poultry and egg sales totaled \$241,141.

"In this summary," Potts points out, "there are hundreds of individual stories of failure as well as success, but every 4-H Club member is better educated for future livestock production, whether he is on the red or the black side of the books at the end of the year."

In addition to the individual marketings of livestock, 337 boys and 103 local leaders went to market with group shipments of hogs, sheep and beef cattle. The sales amounted to \$299,396.

More than 35,000 acres of land were covered by demonstrations in the production of cotton, corn, peanuts, grain sorghums, legume crops and garden and truck crops, Potts says. In addition, 4-H Club boys were trained in livestock judging, wildlife conservation, fire and accident prevention, soil and water conservation, forestry and health and recreational leadership.

More than 290 camps were held during the summer and 9,075 boys and their leaders attended. "Much of the credit for the growth and strength of the 4-H clubs in Texas can be given to these local leaders," says Potts. "It is through their encouragement and guidance, as well as that of schools and civic organizations, that the boys are able to accomplish these outstanding results."

IRAAN NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Murrell, Tipton and Lanell, moved into one of the new five room cottages in the Sand Hills Gulf Camp last week from the McElroy camp at Crane. Mr. Murrell is production superintendent of the Sand Hills District, and has been waiting some time on the completion of a house there.

Mrs. Ida Curtis of Little Rock, Ark., is a guest in the home of Mrs. Edna Pettiet of Sand Hills Gulf Camp.

David, small son of Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Lockhart, is recovering from a severe case of tonsillitis and flu.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Wood spent the past weekend in the home of their son, H. B. Wood of San Angelo.

Mrs. Raymond Knox is a victim of the flu, and the D. K. Lockharts are reported convalescing from the prevalent sore throat malady.



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SHEFFIELD NEWS

SHEFFIELDITES ARE FETED ON SIXTH BIRTHDAYS

Charlotte Adams and Steve Heflin were jointly honored by their mothers with a birthday party on their sixth birthday Saturday, Feb. 7, at the community hall in Sheffield. The Hal-lowe'en motif was used in the decorations and games. Favors were valentines and balloons.

After the gifts were opened and admired, the guests, about 35 in number, were served cake and punch.

Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Perry have moved to Ozona. Mrs. Perry is a niece of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Holmes.

Mitebel Sandel is sick with the flu.

Amos Owens and Robert Hartley of Iraan are fishing on the Rio Grande.

Mrs. Clint Owens and Mrs. R. R. Kink visited in Balmorhea this week with Mrs. Owens' son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Owens and daughter, Judy.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Adams had as their guest last week, Mrs. Adams' mother, Mrs. W. D. Green, of Wall, Texas. She was joined over the weekend by her husband who accompanied her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Dub Heflin had as their weekend guest, Mr. Heflin's sister, Mrs. Lois Mann, of San Angelo.

Mrs. Sam Shaw and baby son returned home this week from St. John's Hospital in San Angelo. Both mother and son are doing fine.

Mrs. Bernice Sandel was taken to the Shannon Hospital in San Angelo Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Burleson had as their guests this week, Mr. Burleson's brother and sister-in-law.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Anderson had as their weekend guests, Mr. Anderson's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Anderson of Fort Worth. They spent the day in Rankin on Friday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Knight had as their weekend guests their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. George Sidlo and sons of Grandfalls.

Mr. and Mrs. Travis Freeman have moved to Seminole.

C. C. BROOKS HONORED ON 57TH BIRTHDAY

Mrs. C. C. Brooks honored her husband Sunday on his 57th birthday with a family dinner at their home. Among those present were Mrs. Brooks' sister, Mrs. John Carson of Bakersfield, and her brother, Will Smith, Jr., and her uncle, Ed Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill McKinley have as their guests, their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Parks of Knox City.

Mr. and Mrs. Parks are here to attend the funeral of Mrs. Parks' uncle, Jimmie Henderson, who died in Fort Stockton Saturday.

Mrs. Dick Collett is visiting with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. John Carson, of Bakersfield.

Grand Theatre

McCamey, Texas

Friday and Saturday, February 13 and 14
2—SHOWS PRICE—1

'DRIFTWOOD'

with Ruth Warrick and Walter Brennan
PLUS SECOND FEATURE

Hoosier Hotshots—Jack Leonard in
'SWING THE WESTERN WAY'

CHICK CARTER NO. 15

Sunday and Monday, February 15 and 16

'GUNFIGHTERS'

Randolph Scott and Barbara Britton
IN CINECOLOR

Tuesday Only, February 17

Robert Ryan in

'WOMAN ON THE BEACH'

SON OF ZORRO NO. 9

Wednesday and Thursday, February 18 and 19

Ann Sheridan, Lew Ayres, Zachary Scott in
'THE UNFAITHFUL'

NEW WARNER SENSATION

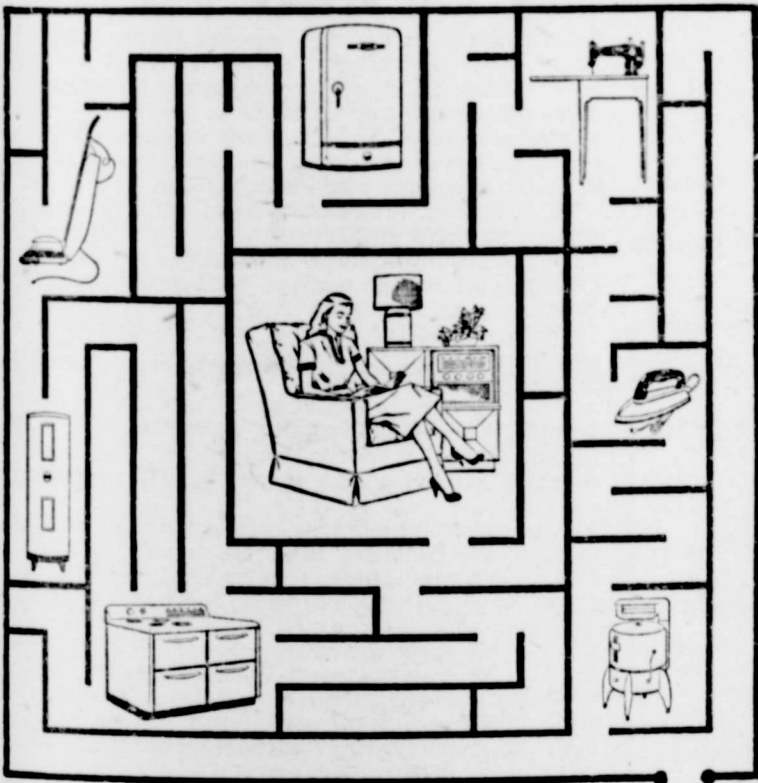
COMING, SUNDAY AND MONDAY

February 22 and 23

'THE FOXES OF HARROW'

with Rex Harrison and Maureen O'Hara

Due to the nature of the story and dialogue, this picture is not recommended for children.



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Wildcats In 5 Counties; Eighteen Counties List Locations For 54 Tests

Locations for 54 tests for oil, including five wildcats, were staked last week in 18 West Texas counties, compared with 48 starters, of which six were wildcats, in 17 counties the preceding week. Totals for the first five weeks in 1948 became 29 locations for wildcats and 256 in fields, a total of 285. This is a weekly average of 57, down from 57.75 through preceding week. The 1947 weekly average was 47.11. The wildcats were one each in Crane, Edwards, Reeves, Sutton and Yoakum, with a semi-wildcat in Ector listed with the field locations. Hockley County led in proven area starters with nine, Andrews, Crockett and Ector gained seven each, Crane, Pecos and Upton

three each, Gains, Howard and Lamb two each and Glasscock, Scurry, Ward and Winkler one each.

Locations follow:

UPTON COUNTY

Gulf No. 23 J. H. Shirk, 330 from north, 1,650 ft. from west line of sec. 1-3-MKT; 2630 ft., cable tools, McCamey field.

M. R. McManigle No. 1 Cordova-Union, 360 from south, 330 ft. from west line of west half of SE quarter of sec. 31-1-MKT; 2500 ft., cable tools, McCamey field.

Rutler & Wilbanks Bros. No. 4 G. H. Rogers, 990 from north and east lines of a 160-acre lease in sec. 4-3-MKT; 1400 ft., cable tools, McCamey field.

CRANE COUNTY

Gulf No. 120 W. N. Waddell, 990 from south, 1450 ft. from east line of sec. 6-B24-B&L; 3270 ft., rotary, Ellis Waddell field.

Linn No. 1-B G. H. Cowden, 330 from south, 790 ft. from west

line of sec. 13-X-OCS&R&G; 3200-foot combination tool wildcat five miles SW of Crane.

Shell No. 3-B C. W. Hobbs estate, 669 from north, 665 ft. from west line of south half of sec. 46-35-H&TC; 5500 feet, rotary Crossett field.

Tide Water No. 6-SG U. 990 feet from south and west lines of NE quarter of sec. 23-30-U; 3000 feet, cable tools, McElroy field.

PECOS COUNTY

Ohio No. 13-T-D Ira G. Yates heirs, 47 feet west of Pecos River and 1378 feet from south line of sec. 42-1-1&GN; 450 feet, cable tools, Toberg field.

Ohio No. 14-T-D Ira G. Yates heirs, 47 feet west of Pecos River, and 1602 feet from south line of sec. 42-1-1&GN; 450 feet, cable tools, Toberg field.

J. C. Roberts No. 4-T Reed-State, 1950 from south, 150 feet from east line of lease in sec.

1. J. H. Taylor survey; 700 feet, cable tools, Toberg field.

Crossett Location Is Spoiled By Shell

Shell plans to start at once No. 3-B C. W. Hobbs estate of San Angelo in the Crossett (Devonian) field in SE Crane County. The proposed 5,500-foot, rotary operation will be 669 from the north, 635 feet from the west line of the south half of section 46-35-H&TC.

Humble No. 1 C. W. Hobbs estate was conditioning mud and stopping water flow, with total depth 3,259 ft.

Writers on horticulture say that seeds, graftings and trees of the various fruits were imported into the U. S. from France and The Netherlands as early as 1650.

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How We EARN Our Profit In addition to providing a market for livestock and many other agricultural products, Swift performs many essential services for producers and consumers. Most people can't go to farms to buy their meat—neither can retail dealers. Swift brings the meat to them. We have been doing this big, necessary job for 62 years, efficiently and economically. Here are the services Swift & Company performs to earn its small profit: 1) We buy livestock and many other products that farmers and ranchers raise; then process and distribute them. 2) We process, brand, and perform all the many necessary operations to prepare our products for market and consumption. 3) We utilize all by-products. Every part that can be used is processed and sold in various forms. The income from this source increases the price of livestock to producers, decreases the cost of meat to consumers. 4) Our research finds new uses and new markets for farmers' and ranchers' products. 5) Our Martha Logan experimental kitchens test foods under home conditions, so that Swift products may give consumers the greatest possible satisfaction and value per dollar. 6) We pay transportation charges on our finished products, delivering them to dealers in all parts of the United States. This makes a broad, nationwide market instead of a limited local market for the products of livestock producers. 7) We provide employment and a livelihood—good wages, good working conditions and security—for 73,000 people who work for Swift & Company. Our earnings for all this were one cent on each dollar of sales.

HOW SWIFT'S DOLLAR WAS DIVIDED 79.3 Cents to Producers—Swift & Company during 1947, returned to millions of producers of agricultural products an average of 79.3 cents out of each dollar received from sales. We provide a daily cash market for your livestock, dairy, poultry and other products. 9.7 Cents to Employees—In 1947, Swift's 73,000 employees earned \$217,072,169 in wages and salaries, or an average of 9.7 cents out of each dollar of Swift sales. It takes many skilled people to process livestock and other raw agricultural products into Swift's quality foods. 3.8 Cents for Supplies—Last year, out of each dollar of sales, Swift spent an average of 3.8 cents, or a total of \$86,005,885, on supplies of all kinds—mountains of salt and sugar; trainloads of boxes, barrels, other containers; miles of twine, tons of paper, fuel, electricity, etc. 1.8 Cents for Transportation—Swift's transportation bill was \$41,958,244 in 1947, or an average of 1.8 cents of each sales dollar. Approximately 1/3 of the livestock is produced west of the Mississippi River, 1/3 of the meat is eaten east of it. Swift service bridges this average 1,000-mile gap between America's producers and consumers. 1.3 Cents for Taxes—Our total tax bill in 1947 was \$25,915,888. This averaged 1.3 cents out of each dollar Swift received for the products it sold. In addition to federal taxes, Swift & Company paid taxes during 1947 in each of the 48 states, and in hundreds of municipalities where the company owns plants or other property. 3.1 Cents for Other Expenses—Among other necessary business costs are depreciation, interest, employee benefits, sales promotion, rent, research, insurance, development of new products, advertising, stationery, postage, telephone, telegraph, passenger travel, etc. These necessary expenses took an average of 3.1 cents of each sales dollar. Where the Dollar Went—SUPPLIES 3.8c TAXES 1.3c TRANSPORTATION 1.8c OTHER EXPENSES 3.1c EMPLOYEES 9.7c REMAINING AS EARNINGS 1c Here is a quick "picture" of how Swift's average sales dollar was divided in 1947. Smallest slice a Swift & Company's net earnings for many essential services in the processing and marketing of the agricultural products you produce. It averaged a fraction of a cent a pound on the millions of pounds handled.

Conservation of Our Land Resources by H. H. Kildee, Dean of Agriculture Iowa State College During recent years we have become increasingly conscious of the importance of conserving our land resources. Accordingly, we have initiated conservation programs and practices which are sound and logical. Such action was and is urgently needed, not alone for the current generation, but as an obligation to generations yet unborn. As one result of the programs adopted, much land (which because of its character and slope was being destroyed by erosion) has been turned back to grass. Thus, expanding livestock production has become an increasingly important part of the program of conserving our natural resources. Continual sale of crops off a farm or ranch results in serious loss of plant food. But the maintenance of plant food elements in the soil is urgently needed if our crop land is to continue to provide adequate quantities of human food. Livestock farming is helping accomplish this. For when land is used for grazing, rather than for crops, soil erosion ceases and the unnecessary loss of plant foods is checked. Swift & Company UNION STOCK YARDS, CHICAGO 9, ILLINOIS Nutrition is our business—and yours

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