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IN AND OUT AND AROUND THE TOWN

Dr. J. C. Bredchoft has returned from Tulsa, Okla., where he has been with a sister who was quite ill.

The Men's Bible Class will meet Sunday morning in the Ford Theatre building at 9:45 for their Bible Class. This class is sponsored by the Baptist and Methodist Churches of Rankin. All the members of Rankin are urged by the pastors to attend.

Mrs. Paul Jacobs of Big Lake was in Rankin last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Gary and children, Wallace and Nancy, of San Marcos, are visiting Mrs. Gary's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Duke Hill, over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Wheeler were in McCamey Saturday where their children, Bobby and Rex Norman, underwent tonsillectomies.

Richard Johnson is here for the summer with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Johnson. Richard is a student in SMU.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Bushong have returned from San Angelo where their two children, Bobby and Barbara, underwent tonsillectomies.

Mr. W. E. Stevenson, who has been ill for some time, was able to return from a San Angelo hospital Saturday. His wife and daughter, Sara Lee of Odessa, were with him.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Pollard left Saturday for a two-week vacation in Tennessee and other southern states. The Pollards' son will visit his grandparents in General Wells for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Workman and daughter, Mary Ann, are spending a few days in Lubbock attending graduating exercises at Texas Tech, where David Workman will receive his BA degree.

Mr. and Mrs. Frog Word, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Kosimer, and Mrs. Elizabeth Rains spent the weekend on Devils River on fishing trip.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Hemphill and daughter, Nancy, of Albany, have been visitors in Rankin recently.

Clara Coleman of Sweetwater has been a guest of her sister, Mrs. Bill Daniel of Rankin, the weekend.

Taylor-Holmes Rites Read At Rankin Friday Morning

Miss Mabelle Taylor, daughter of Mrs. Emma Taylor of Eden, became the bride of Sam Alvin Holmes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Holmes of Rankin, Friday morning.

The wedding was read in the Trinity Lutheran Church with the Rev. A. B. Wagner, pastor, officiating in the double ring ceremony.

The bride's only attendant was her mother, Eugene Holmes of Rankin served as his brother's man. Mrs. Holmes wore a white linen dress with navy blue accessories.

The newlyweds left immediately following the ceremony for wedding trip to Galveston, Corpus Christi and other points in South Texas. Both are students at NTSC, working on a master's degree, and are to make their home in Denton.

Mr. Holmes, a graduate of the High School, received her degree from the University of Texas and for the past two years has been a teacher in the Rankin school. Mr. Holmes, a graduate of the Rankin High School, received his BA degree from Sul Ross College. He served three and one half years in the Coast Guard, spending most of that time in the South Pacific. The past two years he has taught in the Barnhart and McCamey schools.

Out of town guests for the wedding were Mr. Holmes' mother, Mrs. Miss Marlene Holmes of Rankin, an aunt, Mrs. Paul Donham, of Big Lake, and his maternal grandmother, Mrs. Dave Taylor, also of Rankin.

All Girl Rodeo In San Angelo

West Texas will have its first opportunity to view the Sensational Tri-State All Girl Rodeo which will appear in San Angelo Thursday and Friday nights, June 24-25, and Saturday and Sunday afternoons, June 26-27. The rodeo will feature Cutting Horse Contest, Bareback Bronc Riding, Calf Roping, Steer Bull Dogging, Brahma Bull Riding, Trick Riders, and Team Tying. There will be \$2500 in cash purse with entrance fees added. These girls performed in Amarillo last fall and have been again signed to reappear this year. This rodeo is being sponsored by San Angelo Optimist Club with all the profits going in its Boys' Work Fund which supports the Hobby Shop and the Boys' Co-op Ranch. Reserve tickets, general admission, and box seats sales will go on sale June 10. Make your plans to attend this rodeo!



Charles Cox Receives Speech Scholarship

ALPINE, TEXAS, June 5.—The Annie Kate Ferguson Scholarship Committee of Sul Ross State College has announced that Charles Cox, Speech major from McCamey, Texas has been named the Annie Kate scholar for 1948-49, with Miss Peggy Pouncey, Speech minor from Fort Stockton, selected as alternate. Both students will be seniors in September, 1948. Mr. Cox has done outstanding work this year in all phases of dramatic production and in intercollegiate debating. He is incoming president of Mask and Slipper, a charter member and officer of the Gavel Club, and a spring initiate of Alpha Psi Omega. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Cox of McCamey, Texas.

Stanolind Employees Receive Awards

TULSA OKLA., June 7, 1948.—Stanolind Oil and Gas Company employee groups have won 7 out of the 26 safety awards being given this year in the petroleum industry by the Joseph A. Holmes Safety Association. These are considered to be the highest safety awards in the oil industry.

Farms Triple Use Of "Bottled Gas"

DALLAS, Texas, June 10.—Use of "bottled gas", which now performs a variety of jobs on farms and ranches, has increased 299 per cent since 1941, according to the Oil Industry Information Committee. "Bottled gas" refers to such gases as butane and propane which can be stored in portable containers under high pressure.

Indicative of the changes that have taken place during and since the war as almost every phase of farm and ranch operation have been mechanized, bottled gas is used not only for cooking and for home and water heating, but to operate brooders and incubators as well. Individual users of bottled gas, other than industrial users but including agricultural consumers, now total over 4,500,000.

Upton County Girls Attend District Camp

Upton county girls joined representatives from 12 other West Texas counties at Rooney Park in Fort Stockton on June 1-3 for their annual district 4-H encampment. A total of 134 were registered for the camp including four Upton County girls, the agent, and Mmes. Seigler and J. R. O'Callaghan. The girls attending were selected on the basis of work done.

Miss Pauline McWilliams, Pecos County Home Demonstration Agent was general chairman of the camp, Miss Myrna Holman, Upton county agent and Mrs. Alma Hale, Ward county agent were in charge of food; Mr. Fred McMann of Ft. Stockton was life guard and Mrs. J. D. Numan of Winkler county, a registered nurse, was in charge of first aid. Camp activities included various types of recreation; swimming, soft ball, quiet, and active games. One of the highlights for the evenings was folk dancing, square dancing, and other games directed by Mrs. Phil Hesley of El Paso and Mrs. Hayte Owen of Odessa assisted by a group from Ft. Stockton and some of the agents. The girls enjoyed recording and hearing their voices on the wire recorder owned by Miss Holman. Music and other camp activities were recorded for use in the Upton county camp to be held the last of the month.

During the camp the girls were divided into precincts with a judge, commissioners, sheriff, constable, and town cryer (song leader). Venna May Wade of Pecos county was elected judge, Billie Jean Carlisle of Martin County as town cryer, and Oleta Davis of Big Lake served one group as constable.

Mrs. Seigler and O'Callaghan prepared meals for the group which the girls declared to be the best they had ever had at district camp. Those attending from Upton county were: Paula Osburn and Florence O'Callaghan of McCamey and Maetta Higgins and Alberta Light of Rankin.

Omo, Pope Receive Athletic Letters From N. T. A. C.

ARLINGTON, May 31.—Two Crane students at the North Texas Agricultural College here have been authorized to receive letters for athletic skill displayed this season, the athletic department announces.

Amel Omo, a freshman student majoring in engineering, is a track letterman. Amel is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Max Omo of Crane.

Donald Pope, a freshman engineering major, is a tennis letterman and the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Pope, also of Crane.



Evangelist W. T. Stallings

Assembly of God Revival Announced

Rev. A. R. Vaughn, pastor of the Assembly of God Church of McCamey, has announced that a revival meeting will begin Sunday night, June 13, and will continue through the 27th.

Evangelist W. T. Stallings of Live Oak, Calif., is the speaker for each evening's service. Rev. Stallings is a capable and experienced revival speaker, and Rev. Vaughn urges the public to attend these services and enjoy a spiritual uplift. "If you enjoy lively singing and good music," stated Rev. Vaughn, "you'll want to attend these services."

Mechanization Increases Farm Production 40 Per Cent

Although a million workers have left farms and ranches since 1935, agricultural food production has been increased during that time to a point 40% above any previous peak. Department of Agriculture records show.

This increased productivity has been obtained, it was pointed out as the nation has swung increasingly to oil-powered farming. Since 1935, the number of tractors on farms has virtually tripled and now stands at 3,000,000, operating over 15,000,000 farm implements.

Use of trucks on farms has also greatly increased, the department points out, with almost one-third of the nation's trucks now in use on farms and ranches. Of a total of 6,492,000 trucks, 1,880,000 or 29%, are now in use in agricultural work. This is an increase of 61% since the war began. These trucks, it was noted, added to 4,800,000 farm automobiles and 3,000,000 tractors, make the farm a major user of oil products today.

Dr. Cox Speaks On General Health

AUSTIN, June 10.—"Although we may not be sick, we may be far from well. There is a great and vital difference between high and buoyant health and the health of the average person, or of one who is only well enough to be out of bed," Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, said recently.

"Unless we have the essentials of health in our daily habits of living, we are as sure to pay the penalty of impaired health, sickness and early death as we are of cause and effect in other situations," Dr. Cox continued. "We should ask ourselves, 'How long do I expect to live?' 'How long can I retain my efficiency, both in work and play?' 'Do I want to become incapacitated soon after middle life?'"

The alternative, according to Dr. Cox's statement, is to adjust one's program of living to insure the fundamentals of health and thus, barring accidents, keep young and retain active efficiency to an age of 70 or 80, or even more.

The essentials of health are simple: sufficient fresh air and sunlight, good food and food habits, regular exercise and adequate rest. Yet, in checking the health of thousands of individuals who considered their health good, it has been rare indeed to find a single person who did not habitually disregard one or more of these essentials. Therefore, no matter how good or poor our health, we should check our daily program of living for health habits that are essentially faulty, but of which we may be unaware.

Johnson Rides Range, Prods Opponents

AUSTIN, June 10.—Lyndon Johnson was back in the saddle this week, riding the Texas range for senatorial votes and demanding that his opponents tell the people what they stood for.

Johnson has recovered fully from an ailment that sent him to a hospital for more than a week. To make up for the time that he lost, a group of former service men have offered to lease a helicopter to be made available to Johnson for 20 days of campaigning.

Johnson pointed out that hundreds of miles of blacktop roads have been built in his district during his eleven years as Congressman. "As your Senator," he said, "we'll build thousands of miles of them in Texas."

Johnson pointed to the 20,000 rural homes in his district which have electric lights and promised that "as Senator, we'll put lights in every rural home in Texas."

Speaking on soil and water conservation, the Congressman said, "We have a program for every acre of land in our district. As your Senator, we will save the soil and water in every district."

Johnson also advocated a modern hospital for every Texas county, housing assistance, and support for the bill giving federal aid to teacher salaries. He emphasized that this bill, written by Republican Senator Taft, does not give the federal government any control over local schools at all.

The Congressman lashed repeatedly at his "calculating, do-nothing, fence-straddling opponent" and dared him to "tell the people how you stand on federal aid to support prices of wool, mohair, cotton, peanuts and other crops; soil conservation; REA loans; fighting hoof and mouth disease; farm-to-market roads; hospitals; air ports; vocational education; and a \$50. federal old age assistance check," which John favors.

Johnson declared that "the people deserve to know how the candidates stand — what they stand for. I'm going to smoke them out and make them take a stand."

Olson To Replace Enderle On Santa Fe

L. M. Olsen, superintendent of the Santa Fe Railway at Emporia, has been promoted to assistant general manager at Los Angeles effective June 1, George H. Minchin, vice president-operating, announced today.

Olsen replaces A. B. Enderle, who is on leave due to ill health. O. H. Osborn, superintendent at Winslow, Arizona, will succeed Olson at Emporia. J. N. Landreth, superintendent at Amarillo, Texas, will succeed Osborn at Winslow. F. N. Stuppi, trainmaster, San Bernardino, Cal. succeeds Landreth as superintendent of the Plains Division at Amarillo.

Osborn started his Santa Fe career as a stenographer at Chautauque in 1926. He was appointed transportation inspector, then trainmaster, serving at San Angelo, Slaton and El Paso. He became superintendent at Galveston and later transferred to Fort Worth.

During the recent war, Osborn was commissioned lieutenant colonel in the Army Transportation Corps and served on the railroads of France, Belgium and Holland. He was ETO Director of Transportation at Frankfurt until the American Military Government took over operation of the German railroads. Osborn returned to Fort Worth as superintendent and in 1946 was transferred to Winslow.

Trees of 'Lost World' Planted In Missouri

ST. LOUIS.—Rare Chinese evergreen trees from the "Lost World" are being grown from seedlings by the Missouri Botanical Gardens.

The variety, known technically as metasequoia, was nicknamed the "living fossil" when found by a Japanese scientist in 1941 in the "Lost World" section of western China.

Some have grown to a height of 114 feet.

Beauty, Durability Combined In New Ford Automobiles

A precedent has been established in the low-priced automotive field by combining handiness and beauty with durability and comfort in the interiors of the 1949 Ford cars.

Ford has broken away from the neutral tones which have been traditional for mass production automobiles as designers have turned to textured fabrics popular in fashions and interior decorating.

Of the three fabrics, the most unusual is a soft gray tweed mixture with a blue stripe which gives the 1949 Ford interiors a freshly tailored look. It has been combined with a bolster of blue-gray broadcloth to protect the upper section of both front and rear seats.

The same tailored good looks are obtained with the other fabrics—a smooth green striped broadcloth and two new adaptations of mohair in a green and maroon stripe and green and gray stripe combination. In proper combination, they complement the new Ford exterior colors such as Sea Mit Green, Birch Gray, Arabian Green and Bay-view Blue.

The instrument panel of the new Ford has been simplified. All instruments are combined in a single cluster directly in line with the driver's view. Projecting slightly for better visibility, the large figures on a telescoped dial indicate speed, fuel level, rate of battery charge and oil pressure.

The clock dial has been centered on the panel and placed higher. Night glare is eliminated on all instruments by "black lighting."

On each door, the chrome strip makes a decorative arc over the heavy artificial leather kick pad at the bottom. Flame-shaped center pillar lights provide plenty of illumination for the interior and for stepping into and out of the car.

Interior door handles pull up instead of down to open the door. This eliminates the possibility of the car doors swinging open in the handle should be pressed down accidentally.

The new Ford's functionalism has been extended to the roomy seats—57 inches wide in front and 60 inches in the rear, plenty of room for six persons.

New windows demonstrate the new trend. The rear window alone is 88 per cent larger—as large as the ordinary wind shield.

ACS Call For More Cancer Contributions

HOUSTON.—An urgent call for "delayed contributions" to the American Cancer Society's fund campaign in Texas was made this week by former governor W. P. Hobby, state chairman of the cancer drive.

"There are many people in Texas," the chairman said, "who have decided to give to this all-important drive, but have put off their contributions. I want to urge them to wait no longer."

"Although 55 counties have gone over their goal, we are still about 25 per cent short of the money needed to insure an adequate and increased program of education, research and service in the coming year."

"In every county I am sure there are people who still want to give. If they can't find their county chairman, I hope they will immediately send the gift to state headquarters in Houston."

The former governor said that comparatively few people have donated to the total of \$341,101 so far received. When cancer control means so much to so many people, Mr. Hobby added, this is a difficult fact to understand.

Workers will continue their efforts, the chairman added, until the goal has been gained—"Because this is the only way in which the ambitious Texas Division program can be realized."

Mr. Hobby reminded workers that 60 per cent of all money collected is used in Texas for facilities which will soon cover all of the state's counties, and that 25 per cent is used in research projects which he is convinced will determine the cause and cure for all cancer.



WORTH ITS WEIGHT IN GOLD—A letter from home is received by Moh Lien Tsai, home economics and sociology student at Texas State College for Women. The letter has \$110,000 postage at Chinese currency rates on it. Miss Tsai is from Shanghai and is attending TSCW on a scholarship after having the school recommended to her by friends in China.

Permian Basin API Meet In Hobbs, N.M.

ODESSA, Tex.—Members of the Permian Basin Chapter of the American Petroleum Institute will attend a day-long meeting June 12 at Hobbs, N. M., according to R. B. Saxe, Gulf Oil Corp., Odessa, chapter chairman.

Principal speaker will be John E. Miles, N. M. Land Commissioner and former governor. Mr. Miles' topic has not yet been announced.

The Odessa Chuck Wagon Gang will serve a barbecue dinner at 7 p. m. (CST) before the speech and entertainment.

A blind boggy golf tourney at the Hobbs Country Club will open the day's session at 10 a. m. (CST). Prizes will be given for all events based on average scores according to F. R. Lovering, Shell Oil Co., Hobbs, tourney director.

Entertainers will include Fred Christanelli, Baroid Sales Co., Houston, who will sing, accompanying himself on a concertina. Christanelli appeared on the API program at Hobbs, last year.

Sexe urged all members who cannot attend the full day's program to plan on coming to the evening session. Tickets may be obtained from the officers and members of the advisory board and membership committee, he added.

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Wanted 25 Working Men Monday to Help Erect Shows.

Edwardian



HOLLYWOOD, CALIF.—Diamonds, orchids and ermine seem the perfect accoutrements for the beauty of Leslie Brooks. The new drop earrings, Edwardian in design, with the diamonds securely set in palladium, point up the lovely off-the-shoulder neckline of Miss Brooks' draped gown.

SHEFFIELD NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Poyner and son J. F. made a business trip to Ft. Stockton this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill McKinley and daughters Yvonne and Dortha, Mrs. Jim Burleson and daughter Dortha, were visiting in Ft. Stockton over the weekend. They were accompanied home by Mrs. Burleson's son, Johnny, who has been visiting in the home of his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Joyce Richardson.

Rev. and Mrs. James F. Black left this week for their new home in Sterling City. Rev. Black has been pastor of the Sheffield Church of Christ for the past four years. They were honored last Monday with a farewell picnic at the Church of Christ Camp Grounds.

John Hargrave and Billie Hale, Jim Watt and Wanda Owens went to Ozona to the picture show Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Creech of Ft. Stockton were in Sheffield Sunday visiting their daughters Myrtle Jo and Faye.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sandel, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Garner and son, Pat, Mr. Garner's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Garner, Jr., spent several days fishing on the Rio Grande.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Sandel and baby son have returned from Madisonville where they have been visiting Mrs. Sandel's parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. A. McKay.

San Angelo visitors this week include Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cauble and son Bruce, Mr. and Mrs. Nip Blackstone and children, George Edward and Carole, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Poyner, and son J. F. and Mrs. Chas. Hale.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Merck had as their guests this week Mr. Merck's brother-in-law and sister, Dr. and Mrs. E. B. Pool and son Billy of Lindsay, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Yancey and sons Herman and William accompanied by Mrs. P. G. Fikes and son Oscar spent several days in Chrystal City visiting Mrs. Yancey's mother, Mrs. B. F. Ivy.

Mrs. Ollin Smith is in Uvalde visiting her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Fayette Wise.

Mrs. W. C. Winkler and daughter, Carole, are guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Burleson. Mrs. Winkler is the former Margie Burleson.

Mrs. S. Hartley and daughters Jo Anne and Shirley are visiting in San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Thorn and baby have moved to Iraan where they will live in the Ohio Oil Camp No. 2. Mr. Thorn is the new manager of the Co-op Grocery there.

Mrs. Loise McGhee spent the week-end visiting with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and

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A long-standing priority, that of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, has been removed from future disposals of surplus property. Heretofore, the RFC had preference rights in the purchase for resale to small business just under World War II veterans in all personal property sales and below government agencies in disposals of real property. In recent months this priority group has been active in securing camp buildings and other

Mrs. Aubrey Edwards.

Those on jury duty in Fort Stockton this week include Hubert Collett, John Monroe and Jeff Yell.

Mr. and Mrs. George Sidlo and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wright, Jr., of Monahans, were in Sheffield Sunday on their way to Galveston where they will place the Knight's baby daughter in the hospital.

real property from War Assets Administration for resale. But congress' new RFC act, passed May 25 1948, repeals this agency's authority to function in the surplus property activities. However, War Assets Administration will continue to encourage the development of small business and will maintain the present priority accorded to dealers and businessmen who are World War II veterans.

South Texas will be the scene of considerable disposal activity during the latter part of June. Two sites at Orange, Texas, will be cleared of about \$75,000 worth of surplus June 21 to June 23. Mattresses, laundry equipment, hose, tubing, motors and pipe located at the Orange Naval Air Station and the Orange FPFA project will go under the high bid hammer. Veterans, dealers and the public are invited to attend the informal bidding at the naval station beginning at 10 a. m. June 23. Another disposal on the heels of this will occur at Hitchcock, Texas, June 24 and 25. Two sites also housing \$75,000 worth of surplus, galley equipment, hospital supplies, warehouse equipment and miscellany are the Hitchcock Naval Air Station and Camp Wallace. Bids will

be taken at the navy station June 25 at 1 p. m.

Two industrial plants were moved into the ranks of private industry by disposal action this week. The Sunray Carbon Black plant, which has been operated under lease since 1944 by the Continental Carbon Company of Amarillo, was sold to that company for \$1,100,000. The government-owned toluene plant of Ponca City went to the Continental Oil Company of that Oklahoma City for \$175,000. This Company plans to convert the facility to oil refining.

First two months of the WAA's new donation program witnessed a total of \$137,669.98 worth of government surplus turned over to Texan and other state educational institutions without cost. Most unique donation was 52 South American flags given to the City of New Orleans. Other items included obsolete aircraft and radio parts, telephone switchboards and about 13,000 volumes of textbooks, fiction and non-fiction books, many of which went to veteran hospitals and schools. The program is being administered by the priority claimant division of the Grand Prairie regional office. The latter part of June, dur-

ing which the WAA southwestern region will lose more than a fourth of its present working force, will also be marked by a number of small sales of war surplus to veterans and other buyers. Because of WAA's rush to finish these disposals before it loses some of its sales people,

customary advance notice to the public may not always be given. Local newspapers, however, will be advised of the sales several days in advance. Additional information will also be furnished by contacting the WAA Customer Service Center, Grand Prairie, Texas.



From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

Who is this Man?

Now and then, in the pages of the *Clarion*, I run a biographical quiz, under the heading of "Who Is This Man?" For instance...

"He was one of the earliest lovers in American history..."

"And yet he was too shy to court a woman outright..."

"He came to the New World on the Mayflower..."

"A cooper to repair the beer barrels accompanying the Pilgrims..."

"Who is this man?"

I thought that everybody was

stumped. But not Ma Hoskins, who returned the clipping to me with "John Alden" on it. She recognized all the clues—including that reference to "beer" and "cooper."

For Ma—who's read her history, knows that beer as the beverage of moderation, is as old in this land of ours as the never-ending American search for tolerance which brought the Pilgrims over to this country in the first place.

Joe Marsh

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Seersucker-Stripes and Prints, yd.	64c	Wash Silks, yd.	\$1.19
Powder Puff Muslin, yd.	79c	Eyelet Embroidery yd.	98c
Satin-finish Chambray-solid-stripe, reg. \$1.39 now	98c	Taffeta, reg. \$1.75, now	98c yd.
Indian Head Linen, yd.	69c	Ninon Vaile, yd.	98c
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Children's Seersucker Pajamas,	\$1.29
Children's Bathing Suits	69c
Misses Seersucker Gowns,	\$1.49
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Maybe You'll See Extinct Animals Looking Hard

By JOS. L. MILLER Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Discovery of "living fossil" redwoods in China has stirred speculation among the imaginative that man might one day find equally sensational survivors of supposedly extinct animal species.

Maybe dinosaurs; perhaps saber-toothed tigers; possibly mastodons.

To a question as to whether the speculation had any scientific validity, Dr. Austin Clark of the Smithsonian Institute replied "No."

There are, Clark said, no places on earth, which haven't been reached by man, capable of supporting the giant beasts of other eras.

And if any such animals were living in any such places—the Amazon or Amazon swamps, say—remnants of their existence would have reached civilization by now, he contended.

Persons interested in survivors of the dim past of millions ago can find plenty of examples to absorb them if they settle for less spectacular specimens than the dinosaur.

Like the camel, Clark said. In the wild state the camel has been hunted for thousands of years.

It was domesticated before the dawn of history.

The camel, incidentally, is an American animal. How and at what point in its ancestral line the camel reached Africa and Asia nobody knows. American hemisphere survivors of the extinct camel include the llama, guanaco and vicuña. They, too, are domesticated.

Another "living fossil" is the latimeria, a fish. Until a few years ago science thought it had been extinct for about 100,000,000 years.

That belief was exploded when a lively specimen of the extremely primitive creature was caught off the west coast of Africa.

A great many living plants and animals are related to extinct species. But for the most part they are evolutionary improvements of considerable magnitude over their dead kin.

Not so the ginkgo tree. It is just like the ancient ginkgo tree which once grew in great droves on this continent. It is another "living fossil." And, like the camel, it has never been found in a wild state.

The ginkgo, or maidenhair tree, escaped extinction because the ancient Chinese placed it under cultivation. It still flourishes in the temple gardens of China, and imported ginkgos thrive in Washington, D. C., where they line 14th Street a few blocks from the downtown shopping district.

Persons who see in dragon lore

a "racial memory" of dinosaurs that survived to the Age of Man get no comfort for their theory from Clark. He has gone pretty thoroughly into the evolution of dragons.

The ancient Chinese dragon was an alligator, China's most fearsome beast. The Chinese alligator is bigger, meaner, quicker and rarer than its American cousins.

When the Manchus swept down from the north and took over China, they modified the dragon symbol. Because in Manchuria the tiger was the most ferocious of animals, the Manchus endowed the Chinese dragon with a tiger's head and claws.

Ancient Europe had dragons, too. Their inspiration was the python which, like the lion, once dwelled in southern Europe. In the course of time the European and Chinese dragons made a marriage. The European offspring had the head and feet of the Chinese parent.

Look at the reverse of an English sovereign and, Clark pointed out, you will see St. George slaying a dragon. Although it has the Chinese dragon's head and feet, a tell-tail loop in its body gives away the monster's snakish origin.

"This dragon," Clark said, "is a hybrid alligator and python."

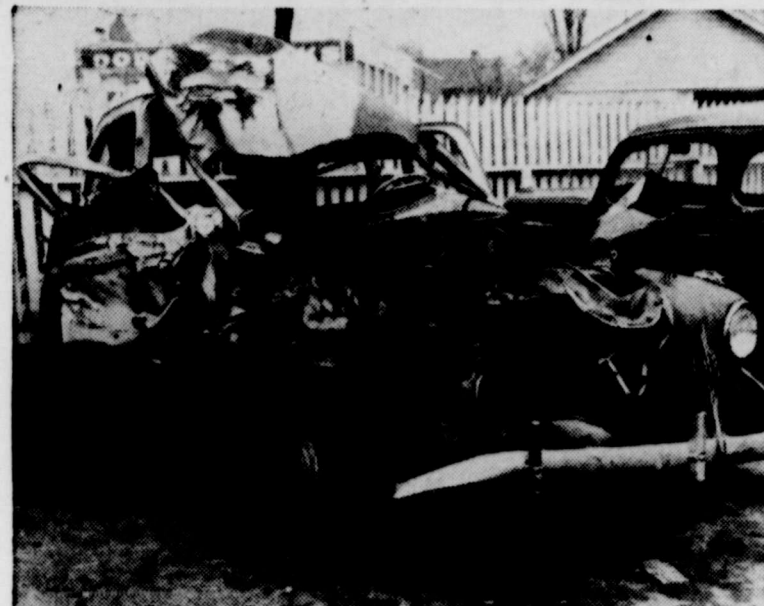
Tommy Parrott To San Marcos Academy

SAN MARCOS, Texas, June 10.—Tommy Parrott, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Parrott, this week was enrolled as a student for the 10 weeks summer session of San Marcos Academy.

A senior in high school, young Parrott will take regular school work in addition to participating in a special program of camp and recreational activities.

He also attended SMA during the summer of 1947, but was a student at Crane High School during the last long term.

School Bus Proves It Can Take It



CAROL, MICH.—A passenger car traveling at high speed rammed into a 48-passenger school bus from the rear while it was parked here for the night. The terrific impact forced the automobile under the bus, but fortunately the driver was thrown clear. Photos above show the car completely demolished, the Reo safety school bus only slightly damaged, not even a windowpane cracked.

Weekly Swing Of The Southwest Markets

Most farm products brought steady to strong prices at southwest markets last week, except for wheat and milo losses, reports USDA's Production and Marketing Administration. Cotton hovered around 37.75 cents per pound for middling 15-16 inch offerings, with Mon-

day's price about 50 cents per bale less than June 1, but around \$5 per bale higher than a year ago at this time at Dallas.

Heavy receipts of new wheat dropped prices to \$2.39 per bushel at Texas common points Monday, the lowest since last August. Milo declined 12 cents to \$3.68 to \$3.73 per hundred lbs. as the new crop started moving from south Texas. Oats were

stronger around \$1.29 to \$1.32 at Fort Worth. Barley gained about 4 cents as corn declined as much.

Southwest fruit and vegetable markets reflected the "in-between" season for early and late crops these first June days. Prices held generally steady for dwindling supplies. Tomatoes were firm at \$3.75 to \$4.00 per crate for best quality with both East Texas and the Rio Grande Valley shipping carloads. Widespread harvest of potatoes depressed prices in some areas, but most offers held around the support level. Increasing supplies of Texas Black Diamond watermelons brought about 2 and one half cents to 3 cents per pound at Fort Worth's wholesale market and cantaloups sold around \$3.50 per bushel per bushel basket. Onions were dull and prices about steady at most shipping points.

Last week's trading in southwest egg and poultry markets showed some improvement. Monday's prices held this firm tone with lighter supplies of farm run eggs quoted mostly at 36 to 38 cents per dozen. New Orleans paid 43 cents for all white current receipts. Fryers ranged from 38 to 41 cents on the farm. Turkeys found good demand at 38 cents for toms and 40 cents for hens. Roosters held around 10 to 15 cents per pound.

Hog prices were fully steady to stronger at most southwest markets Monday, reflecting a decline in last week supplies and continued good demand for pork. Best butchers brought \$23.75 at San Antonio; \$24. to \$24.50 at Ft. Worth and Oklahoma City; \$24.25 to \$24.50 at Wichita and \$24.50 to \$25.50 at Denver. Sows ranged mostly from \$17. to \$19.

This week's sheep and lamb trading opened on the same basis as set last week at south west markets. Spring lambs made the sharpest gains. Prices ranged from \$23.50 to \$29.50 for top gra-

des. Medium to good ewes brought anywhere from \$10.50 to \$11.25 at San Antonio to \$11.50 to \$11.75 at Denver.

Except for occasional weak spots on lower grade cattle and stockers, southwest markets reported steady to strong prices for slaughter classes so far this June. Light receipts last week were just about half as large as for the same period last year, but Monday's run was heavy. Good demand took common and medium cows around \$17. to \$21.50 at Texas markets, while medium and good cows ranged from \$22 to \$24.50 in Oklahoma, Colorado and Kansas.

Heifers reached an all-time high at \$33.25 at Denver.

BARFIELD ON FURLOUGH

Ed Barfield is home this week from the Navy on a two weeks furlough. Upon his return to duty, he will be stationed permanently with the Naval Air Service in Seattle, Wash.

"Boxing the compass" means naming in sequence the 32 points of the compass.

NOTICE

The Commissioners Court of Upton County, Texas, requests bids for filter and circulating system for the Rankin swimming pool. The bid is to include not only the purchase price of such equipment but the installation thereof. Bids will be received by the Commissioners Court and opened at 10:00 A. M., the 28th day of June, 1948. The Commissioners Court of Upton County reserves the right to reject any or all such bids. Any persons interested in bidding for this work can secure plans and specifications from the County Judge of Upton County, or John G. Becker, County Architect and Engineer, San Angelo, Texas. (SIGNED) Ralph H. Daugherty.

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Pity the Poor Platypus

MELBOURNE, Australia. — A sudden worm shortage has hit here, but no one minds much except Barligan, the zoo's lone platypus. Barligan eats nearly a quarter of his own weight in worms every day. The zoo is offering a shilling a pound for wrigglers.

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RANKIN, TEXAS

FRIDAY and SATURDAY, June 11 and 12

Johnny Mack Brown · Raymond Hatton in
"CODE OF THE SADDLE"

— PLUS SECOND FEATURE —

John Carroll · Movita in
"WOLF CALL"

SUNDAY and MONDAY, June 13 and 14

Bing Crosby · Bob Hope · Dorothy Lamour in
"ROAD TO RIO"

TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, June 15 and 16

Lana Turner · Van Heflin in
"GREEN DOLPHIN STREET"

THURSDAY ONLY, June 17

Robert Hutton · Joyce Reynolds in
"ALWAYS TOGETHER"

Rankin OES Chapter Installs Officers

Officers for the coming year were installed at a called meeting of Rankin Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, Friday night, June 4th, in the Masonic Hall.

Mrs. Thelma Hemphill, of Albany, Grand Representative from Rhode Island to the Grand Chapter of Texas Order of the Eastern Star, was Grand Installing Officer; she was assisted by Mrs. Louise Hudson, Grand Installing Marchant, Mrs. Charlene Taylor, Grand Installing Organist, and Sister Ilene Jacobs, Deputy Grand Matron, District 5, Section 2, Grand Chapter of Texas O. E. S. installing Grand Chaplain.

Mrs. Estell Harral, retiring Worthy Matron presided during the opening of Chapter and presented the Grand Officers in the East. Mrs. Evelyn Jo Moore read "The Crowded Ways of Life", and Mrs. Lelia Workman sang, "He Smiled On Me," both were dedicated to Mrs. Harral. Mrs. Odessa Edwards presented her with a gift from the retiring officers, and Mrs. Lelia Workman presented the Past Matrons Pin, a gift from the Chapter.

Officers installed were Mrs. Evelyn Jo Moore, Worthy Matron; Mrs. Randolph Moore, Worthy Patron; Mrs. Odessa Edwards Associate Matron; Mr. Tom Workman, Associate Patron; Miss Maggie Taylor, Secretary; Mrs. Viola Warren, Treasurer; Mrs. Lelia Workman, Conductress; Mrs. Monnie Ray McSpadden, Associate Conductress; Mrs. Jerusha Robbins, Chaplain; Mrs. Dorothy Hurst, Organist; Mrs. Blanche Mitchell, Marshall; Mrs. Anna Hardt, Ada; Mrs. Leola Smith, Ruth; Miss Myrna Holman; Esther, Mrs. Maude Frazier, Martha; Miss Mary Ann Workman, Electra; Mrs. Lavina Boyd, Warder; Mr. Lee Smith, Sentinel.

An impressive ceremony was held amidst a rose garden setting in which climbing red roses and vines graced the white laticed fence and trellises. The entire background was a blue which looked like the sky and above the scene hung a lighted star. The Star Point stations had back of them white fan shaped trellises from which hung foliage and flowers appropriate to each station. Tall white candelabras holding white tapers with dimmed lights lent an air of solemnity to the room as the officers entered.

The colors and flowers appropriate to the star point stations were carried out in their dresses and nosebags. All other officers wore white dresses and carried nose bags of red roses.

After receiving the gavel the Worthy Matron gave an inspiring address on the beauty of the rose garden. Her watchwords for the year are "Love and Light"; her colors are red and white and her flower the red rose.

In her very charming manner Mrs. Moore thanked the installing Officers and presented each with a gift.

Mrs. Lelia Workman, Conductress and Mrs. Monnie Ray McSpadden, Associate Conductress, distributed attractively bound year books, after Mrs. Moore dedicated them to Mrs. Thelma Hemphill and Mrs. Louise Hudson.

Mrs. Hemphill presented Mrs. Moore with a book which would serve as a guide to her in her work.

Following the meeting, refreshments were served in the reception room by a committee consisting of Mrs. Odessa Edwards, Miss Myrna Holman and Mrs. Louise Hudson. The large table was covered with a lovely linen cloth and centered with a bouquet of red roses, flanked by tall white tapers. On the opposite end of the table from the punch bowl was a large white cake adorned with a spray of red roses and the inscription, "Evelyn Jo and Randy". Mrs. Jerusha Robbins, mother of the Worthy Matron presided at the punch bowl and Miss Myrna Holman cut the cake.

There were guests from Midland, McCamey, Texon, Big Lake, and Luling.

Buried With Trimmings

FREDONIA, Kan.—Little Sammy Lee, an 11 year old Pekinese dog, was like one of the family in the Dr. E. C. Duncan home. When he died he was accorded a fitting burial. At a cost of \$300, the dog was taken in a hearse to Independence and buried in a special casket in a pet cemetery. A tombstone marks the grave.

A char--banc is a sight-seeing bus.



TO PRESIDE—Senator Alben W. Barkley (D., Ky.), left, keynoter, and Representative Sam Rayburn (D., Tex.), commended as permanent chairman for Democratic National Convention July 12.

Executive Body Picks Chairmen For Convention

Barkley Named Keynoter,
Rayburn Commended

In recognition of their long and valiant service to the Democratic Party and to the nation as a whole, Senator Alben W. Barkley, of Kentucky, and Representative Sam Rayburn, of Texas, minority leaders of the Senate and House, respectively, have been named unanimously to fill key posts at the Democratic National Convention, convening in Philadelphia at 2 P.M., Monday, July 12.

The party executive committee, meeting in Philadelphia recently, elected Senator Barkley as temporary chairman and keynoter and commended Representative Rayburn to the convention as permanent chairman.

Representative Mary Norton, of New Jersey, was commended to the convention as chairman of the credentials committee, a more im-



HONORED — Representative Mary Norton (D., N.J.), commended as chairman of credentials committee for convention.

portant post than ever before held by a woman. Commendation by the executive committee is usually tantamount to election by the convention.

The executive committee authorized Senator J. Howard McGrath, of Rhode Island, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, to select a temporary committee to begin the preparation of a platform draft. It also authorized Senator McGrath to make other necessary convention arrangements.

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Ronald Reagan · Eleanor Parker in
"THE VOICE OF THE TURTLE"

TUESDAY ONLY, June 15

Joan Fontaine · Richard Ney in
"IVY"

Brick Bradford No. 1

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, June 16 and 17

Esther Williams · Jimmy Durante in
"THIS TIME FOR KEEPS"

State Fair Sponsors Egg-Laying Contest

Here is the announcement by which the State Fair of Texas hopes to send barn-yard biddies all over the State into dithers of anticipation.

Another big-time egg-laying competition sponsored by the State Fair is scheduled to start Friday, October 8, at 6 p. m., and will continue until Saturday, October 23, at 8 p. m.

Prize for the winning pen of eight hens will be \$25. State Fair visitors will be able to keep posted on the race by means of a score board in the contest area. Last year's contest was won by eight production White Leghorns owned by George M. Meberer of San Antonio, with 109 eggs during the 16 days of the fair.

Walter Burton of Arlington, Texas is general superintendent of poultry for the 1948 State Fair.

Prospective exhibitors interested in further details on poultry classification may obtain the 1948 Fair premium list by writing to the State Fair of Texas, Dallas 10, Texas.

Skunks are also called wood pussies.

He Had Taking Ways
FORT WAYNE, Ind.—Claude A. Helms was brought to the police station because his ex-landlord said he had stolen a vacuum sweeper when he moved. Officer Milton Barton thought Helms had a familiar look—he was wearing a gray coat that had been stolen from Barton in a restaurant.

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