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Sonora Boys Have 24 Baby Beeves Ready for Shows

Will Enter 5 Events in San Angelo and Fort Worth

Sonora high school boys, working under T. D. White, teacher of Vocational Agriculture, are feeding 24 baby beeves and will have them in top condition for showing at San Angelo and at Fort Worth at stock shows in the two cities. The San Angelo event, beginning Feb. 29 and ending March 2, will offer competition from 19 counties of West and Central Texas, and the winner in this show should be a likely contender for state-wide honors in the show at Fort Worth, beginning March 5 and ending March 13.

Eight boys are feeding 24 calves, one in the senior class (born prior to Jan. 1, 1931), and the balance in the junior classification. They will enter in five different events at the two shows.

The calves have been on feed since last summer, and have made an average gain of between 2 and 3 pounds a day during that time. Feeding has been done under the direction of Mr. White.

Prizes in the San Angelo show, a new venture there, are exactly the same as those offered at Fort Worth.

The best 15 animals in the junior group will be entered as a carlot group, with \$125 as first money. Pug Roueche will enter five of his six calves in the five-calf group for individuals. First prize is \$50. A similar prize is offered in the county group of five, chosen from all of the boy groups. Cleveland Jones, feeding the only senior calf, will enter it in the individual competition of that class for a \$30 prize. All of the junior calves will be entered in that competition, for a similar first prize.

No sheep or goats will be shown this year, though plans are under way to feed a car next year. Bill Merck is feeding four kid Angora

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Personals

Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Halbert were in Sonora from the ranch Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Baker were in from their ranch near Camp Allison Thursday.

Miss Mae Gay, of Hamblin, arrived Saturday for a visit of about a week with Mrs. Paul Smith.

Mrs. Clara Murphy spent the week-end in San Angelo, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Nabers.

Mrs. W. D. Wallace returned to town from the ranch Sunday, after spending several days there.

B. W. Hutcherson went to Fort Stockton the first of the week to look after his ranching interests.

Miss Pat Tolbert, of Menard, is visiting Miss Skeet Lehne, having arrived Monday for a week's visit.

Ralph Odiorne, San Angelo, was in Sonora Wednesday evening while enroute from that city to Del Rio on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Aldwell and Mrs. T. A. Williams and her little son and daughter were in San Angelo Sunday.

Lynn Stuart, little son of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Stuart, was quite ill Sunday and Monday, but was improved the latter part of the week.

Mrs. Mans Hoggett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lowrey, was here from Mertzton Thursday, attending the Methodist zone meeting.

POSTAL RECEIPTS DROP \$621 IN 1931; TOTAL IS \$5135; DECEMBER IS BIGGEST MONTH DURING YEAR

Sonora postal receipts declined only \$621.72 during 1931 as compared with the total of the previous year. In 1931 the total volume through the local office, exclusive of money orders, was \$5135.72, as compared with 1930's total of \$5757.64.

December was the best month in 1931, with a volume of \$553.92. January came second with \$511.82. May, 1930, was the best month in that year, with \$807.60. This year four months showed a volume under \$400, while three months came in this group in 1930. July, with \$356.11, was 1931's low month,

Sam Allison Is New Director of First National

Mrs. Maysie Brown Elected Assistant Cashier at Stockholders' Meeting; Officers Kept

Sam Allison, Sonora ranchman, was elected to the board of directors of the First National Bank of Sonora at the annual stockholders' meeting held Tuesday in the directors' room at the bank. Mrs. Maysie Brown, who has served as secretary to the president for a number of years, was elevated to the office of assistant cashier.

With the two exceptions no changes were made either in officers or in the directorate, with the following being re-elected for a year: E. F. Vander Stucken, chairman of the board and vice president; Roy E. Aldwell, president; George H. Neill, cashier; Roy E. Aldwell, Joe M. Vander Stucken, E. F. Vander Stucken, S. E. McKnight, George L. Aldwell, E. E. Sawyer, and George S. Allison, directors.

The First Loan Company, which is owned by the stockholders in the bank, re-named its officers, as follows: E. F. Vander Stucken, president; Roy E. Aldwell, vice president; Mrs. Maysie Brown, secretary-treasurer.

No dividend was declared for the closing six months of 1931. A five per cent dividend was declared in July for the first half of the year.

The last statement of the bank, prepared at the close of business on December 31, 1931, reveals that it is in unusually strong condition. Loans and discounts total \$510,411. Deposits are \$361,161.25. Total assets and liabilities are \$781,357.06. Deposits at this time of year usually reach a low level, since there is little income from ranch products during the winter.

EARWOOD AND HALBERT SHOW MOHAIR ARTICLES

Fred Earwood and B. M. Halbert Wednesday received from a mohair mill in Portland, Ore., some interesting throw rugs and two imitation dogs made from mohair, and were displaying them in town.

The dogs, one going to each man, are large, life-like, black and white wire-haired Scotch terriers, with characteristic long "faces" and expressive eyes. The rugs are in attractive colors in conservative designs, and are surprisingly heavy and admirably adapted by their warmth for winter use. Five rugs were on display in the business district Wednesday.

WEEK'S FUR SHIPMENT TOTALS 9,000 PIECES

The West Texas Fur Company, Thursday shipped 9,000 furs, partially to Memphis and the balance to St. Louis. Furs of every description, bought from all over West Texas, were concentrated here. The furs were less than one week's accumulation.

Several hundred ring tail furs were sent to Kerrville, there to go with a larger shipment from the Kerrville Fur Company to Memphis. The balance of those bought here went to St. Louis.

A wide variety was bought. Pelts from beaver, trapped along the Rio Grande, were secured in the Sander area, Lynx, bobcat, badger, red fox, swift fox, coyote, raccoon,

FEDERAL MAN IS HERE TO WORK WITH NISBET

K. P. Pickrell, with the Bureau of Animal Husbandry of the United States Department of Agriculture, arrived in Sonora Thursday for a stay of several weeks, during which time Mr. Pickrell will co-operate with W. R. Nisbet, who is working here under the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Mr. Pickrell will assist Mr. Nisbet in the latter's research project dealing with operation methods of Edwards Plateau ranches. He was accompanied here by Mrs. Pickrell, coming from Phoenix.

City Asks Electric Rate Cut

Novel Stone House Is in Reality 'Ranch' Home

Gala Opening of San Angelo Bank



Here's the lobby of the San Angelo National bank, reorganizing after closing several months ago, and opened again last Monday. Large crowds prevailed all day, with farmers and ranchers for miles around attending the opening. The first depositor was C. B. Metcalf, who placed \$100 in gold in the bank.

Stork Wins Race in 1931; All Statistics Show Loss from 1930

Bronchos to Open Basketball Chase with Eagles Today

Eldorado Bringing Good Club; City Team Downs Sonora High in Practice Game, 32-17

The Sonora High School Bronchos will open the chase for basketball honors in this area of West Texas when they clash with the Eldorado Eagles here this afternoon at 4:00 o'clock. Eldorado is bringing a strong club and is expected to give the Bronchos a tough battle.

A. L. Smith, Sonora skipper, expects to start the following crew: Archer and Ory, forwards; Kring, center; Hill and Barton, guards.

Sonora stock dropped several points Wednesday afternoon following a meeting with a group of former town stars. Playing eight 5-minute periods the town boys beat the boys in red and black 32 to 17, with B. Hamilton accounting for 20 of the town's total. Virtually every high school man saw action, while five men went the whole route for the all-stars. Hamilton and Huling played forward, McClelland was center, and Trainer and Allen took the guard posts.

SONORA RANCHMEN ARE RE-ELECTED DIRECTORS

R. A. Halbert and Dan Cauthorn, Sutton county ranchmen, were re-elected directors in two San Angelo institutions, the Texas Wool and Mohair Company and the Guaranty State Bank, at stockholders' meetings of the two Tuesday.

Without exception, the complete slate of officers and directors was re-elected in the two organizations.

Roy Hudspeth, with extensive ranch interests in this county, again is president of the Guaranty State Bank, and is also vice president and general manager of the wool company.

Other officers of the bank are Herman Schneemann, vice president; Ira Swope, cashier; and H. J. Perry, assistant cashier. Directors are Mr. Hudspeth, Victor Pierce and Early Baggett, Ozona; Halbert and Cauthorn, Sonora; and H. Schneemann, San Angelo.

The wool company's officers are: Victor Pierce, Ozona, president; Roy Hudspeth, vice president and general manager; Sol Mayer, San Angelo, vice president; Wayne West, Ozona, vice president. The directorate includes the officers and the following: Cauthorn and Halbert, Sonora; Early Baggett and J. W. Owens, Ozona; and Bob Mims, Water Valley.

possum, skunk, civet cat, and ring-tail were shipped in considerable number.

The Stork was head man in Sutton county during 1931, when all vital statistics showed a small decline. The percentage of loss in birth recordings was smaller than that in any department, dropping from 62 in 1930 to 60 last year.

Deaths showed a much greater percentage of loss, falling from 36 to 28. There were less than half as many deaths as births registered with County Clerk J. D. Lowrey last year.

Marriages came second from a standpoint of comparison with figures of the year before, dropping only one. The total for 1930 was 19. Divorces lost more ground than did marriages, falling from 8 to 5.

By way of summary, the records reveal that population showed an increase of 32 by natural causes, and that 14 more couples are married now than were at the first of the year.

White-Barton Buy Ira Wheat Lambs

Looking for Others at 3 1/2 a Pound; Shipping to McCulloch Co.

C. T. White and Roy Barton, Brady ranchmen, Wednesday purchased 777 lambs from Ira Wheat of Sonora, and are spending several days here looking for more mutton lambs. They are offering 3 1/2 cents a pound.

They also bought 550 head of lambs from W. R. Nisbet, Eldorado. All of the lambs are being shipped to McCulloch county for pasturage there.

CAR REGISTRATION IS LAGGING HERE STILL

One hundred twenty-six automobile license receipts had been issued at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning in Sutton county as owners continued to delay in securing their plates. The time for payment of fees and securing plates ends Jan. 30. (Jan. 31 comes on Sunday.)

Truck registrations totaled 24, with 23 chauffeur's licenses having been issued.

More activity has been experienced in the poll tax department, there having been a total of 145 paid, with 2 exemption certificates issued. Precinct 1 registered 106, with other precincts coming in as follows: No. 2 three tax receipts; No. 3 and No. 4, 18 each.

Total revenue collected for the state, county, and school districts of the county totals about \$47,000 to date. This includes property taxes, poll taxes, and revenue from truck and automobile registrations.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Awalt and sons, A. W. and Sidney, accompanied by Mrs. Awalt's brother, Preston Praetor, drove to Brady Saturday night and spent the week-end with Mr. Awalt's parents.

Utilities Company to Test Meters If Requested

The Sonora City Commission Tuesday night asked for a reduction of one-half cent in the lowest domestic electric rate of 3 cents now charged by the West Texas Utilities Company.

Taylor Rowe, district superintendent; N. T. Poindexter, chief clerk, and A. H. Bengel, engineer, all of San Angelo, and Dudley Westbrook, manager of the Sonora properties of the company, were at the meeting.

Sonora's rate at present is 12 cents for the first 12 kilowatts, 9 cents for the second 15, and 3 cents for domestic cooking and heating on all over the first two brackets. The Sonora commission asked a reduction only in the third bracket, since the majority of Sonora customers use more than the first two minimums.

Mrs. L. E. Johnson and Mrs. Ira Shurley attended the meeting, bearing a petition from the Sutton County Health Board asking for provision for regular inspection of local dairies, and requesting the city to take steps to appoint an individual to read meters of both the West Texas Utilities company and the water meters of the Interstate Public Service company. The discussion was one of entire frankness and excellent spirit.

Mr. Rowe stated that his company would be very glad to conduct tests of any meter, to the complete satisfaction of the customer, and that the company would be glad to instruct its patrons in the method of reading meters, in order that they might keep close check on consumption of current. He pledged co-operation in working with consumers in discovering defective wiring, faulty switches, or other factors tending to cause a waste of current.

Mr. Rowe stressed the importance

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Elliott Leaving for Boston Co-op Parley on Jan. 18

Question of Advances on Wool and Mohair to Be Settled; Year's Policy Mapped

L. W. Elliott, who represents the Sonora Wool & Mohair Marketing Corporation as its director in the National Wool Marketing Corporation, and who is also one of the five members of the co-op's executive committee, planned to leave Thursday afternoon or Friday for Boston and Washington, for an important meeting of the committee, and for conferences with the Federal Farm Board.

Matters of greatest immediate interest to be settled are those of advances on spring mohair and of an additional advance on spring wool of 25 cents a head. Although no definite announcement can be made, it is regarded as likely by Sonora men that there will be an advance on mohair, amount uncertain. The advance made on wool last fall was 50 cents a sheep.

The co-ops' policy of operation for the year will be discussed by the committee, conferring with the Farm Board.

A meeting of the directors of the co-op was held in December, but no definite action resulted at that time.

Judge Elliott is termed the "mohair" member of the executive committee, and is giving mohair most of his attention. He says that he has a "surprise" in store, but refuses to reveal for publication the nature of the move until it can be discussed with the Board.

Sol Mayer, San Angelo, president of the national co-op, is the only other West Texan expected to attend the Boston meeting.

The mohair clip of Texas is controlled by the co-op through a trade made last fall with a pool of Texas warehouses. It can either accept or reject approximately seven million pounds of fleece this spring, with the advance the same as announced last fall—15 cents top for adult hair, and 35 cents top for kid hair.

1931 RAINFALL TWO INCHES ABOVE NORMAL; TOTAL FOR YEAR WAS 26.63 IN.; WAS UNDER LAST YEAR

HIGHWAY PATROLMEN ARE COMING TO WEIGH TRUCKS

J. B. Draper, lieutenant in charge of the Abilene district of the State Highway Patrol, together with patrolman E. L. Posey, was in Sonora Wednesday afternoon, and announced that next Tuesday two members of his force would come to Sonora with portable scales for weighing trucks.

Weight certificates showing the net weight of the truck must accompany an owner's application for registration of a truck, no matter what its use may be. The highway men will weigh the trucks without charge.

Local Briefs

Spears Here Wednesday

Walter Spears, San Angelo, inspector for the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association, was here on business Wednesday afternoon.

Tom Bond to Angelo for Bitterweed

Tom Bond went to San Angelo Wednesday to procure specimens of bitterweed to be used in a study which is being made at the Ranch Experiment Station.

Brownwood Man Visits Here

S. T. Yantis, president of the First National Bank of Brownwood, and F. M. Taylor, also of Brownwood, left with S. E. McKnight Wednesday for Carrizo Springs, where they plan to hunt on Mr. McKnight's ranch.

School Term Ends Next Week

The end of the first school semester in the Sonora school will be marked with the beginning of mid-term examinations on Wednesday. The term ends Friday and the second semester begins Monday, Jan. 25.

Yarnell's Daughter Has Twin Boys

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Yarnell received word this week of the birth of twin boys to their daughter, Mrs. J. B. Dean, and Mr. Dean, of Captain, N. M. The twins arrived on Tuesday. The Deans have one other child, also a boy.

Sutton county rainfall, as recorded by W. H. Dameron, superintendent at the Ranch Experiment Station 25 miles south of Sonora, was 26.63 inches in 1931, a figure slightly less than 2 inches above the average fall since 1919, the period during which accurate records have been kept. The average for the 13-year period is 24.77 inches.

November was the wettest month in the year, with a fall of 3.54, while September was low, with only .03 of an inch. Last year's big month was October, when heavy rains totaled 12.80. This heavy October precipitation made 1930 a year above the average rainfall, greater than 1931, and in spite of

With the Churches

METHODIST CHURCH
 Sunday school 9:45.
 Morning worship 11:00.
 Evening worship 7:30.
 Young People's meeting 6:45.
 Choir practice 7:15 p. m. Wednesday.
 Woman's Missionary Society, 3 p. m. Wednesday.
 Stewards meet every first Sunday.
 Workers' Council each first Sunday at 2 p. m.
 E. P. NEAL, Pastor.

Wool Outlook Is Bright, Co-op Man Says in Statement

1932 Should Bring Better Times to Industry, Production Figures Now Indicate

With one of the most difficult marketing years in history behind it, the National Wool Marketing corporation looks forward to 1932, convinced that the trend of events in the coming year will favor a more active wool market at firm to better prices.

This is the opinion of heads of the wool marketing agency for 40,000 wool growers of the United States as the co-operative begins activity to await arrival of an anticipated large 1932 clip from the thousands of producers.

"Through 1931, darkest year of a world-wide depression, when every commodity took price declines, wool held its own," J. Byron Wilson, McKinley, Wyo., manager of the co-op, said. Wool was one of the few commodities to show an increase in consumption during the unsettled year. The increase came during retrenchment periods of production, labor difficulties and general inactivity.

Marketing conditions for wool should improve during 1932 for many reasons, Mr. Wilson believes. These include increased consumption, curtailed production because of smaller carry-over of sheep and a constantly growing demand for wool. Large replacement needs by mills now operating with depleted stocks on a hand-to-mouth buying policy also will bring about heavier buying.

"For the first ten months of '31 the United States consumed 63 million pounds more wool than in the same period of 1930," Mr. Wilson said. "These figures, which are exclusive of imported carpet wools, clearly indicate that the nation has returned to wool and that general betterment is in store for the long-suffering wool industry."

"Style trends brought wool into the spotlight a year ago and the steady demand for lighter wools and worsteds has grown so strongly that wool cannot be easily replaced or removed from a now wool-minded buying public. All branches of the wool industry have co-operated in conducting wool promotion and an educational campaign to boost wool. In the fall of 1931 our organization took the lead in sponsoring National Wool week, when \$25,000,000 worth of woolen and worsted fabrics were sold.

"The present popularity of wool, the sterling of all fabrics, makes it obvious that wool will be the standard-bearer of the dominating style trends for 1932 and for many years to come. With this demand increasing, wool consumption will continue in proportion and the supply for this year should bring better prices.

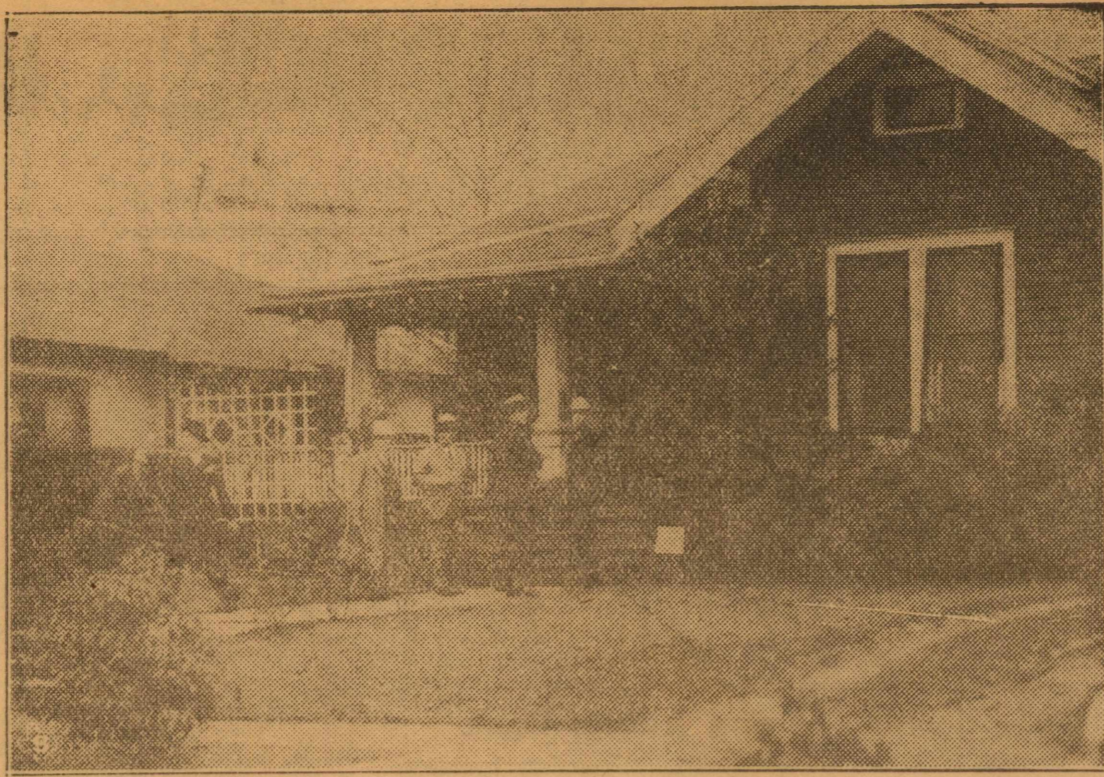
"Consumption on all grades of domestic wool, except low quarter-blood was greater in the first nine months of 1931 than for the same period a year ago. This is especially true of three-eighths blood wool, which experienced a 'run' from mills when it was learned that the supply was low. The increased demand for three-eighths wool also helped stimulate demand for other medium grades.

"Consumption by grades in the United States for the first nine months of 1931 and for 1930 showed that 49,238,000 pounds of three-eighths wool was used, compared to 32,169,000 pounds for the same period in 1930; 122,816,000 pounds of fine combing or 20,000,000 pounds more than for nine months a year ago. The United States consumed 56,000,000 pounds of half-blood wool, or 16,000,000 pounds more than the first three-quarters of the year 1930.

"World wool production for the entire year of 1931 was four per cent above that of 1930, totaling 2,669,000,000 pounds. Figures on the entire year's consumption are not yet available, but for the first ten months of 1931, world consumption was estimated to be 20 per cent greater than in 1930. In the first ten months of 1931 the United States had consumed 357,600,000 pounds of wool, exclusive of carpet wool. This compares to 294,820,000 pounds for the same period a year ago. Estimated United States production for 1931 is 432,700,000 pounds or 28,000,000 pounds more than a year ago."

Sell it through a classified ad.

House Where Slayers Made Last Stand



Here is the home of J. F. Tomlinson, Houston carpenter, where Harry and Jennings Young, slayers of six officers in a pitched battle near Springfield, Mo., Saturday night, either shot each other or themselves rather than give up to Houston and Harris county officers who surrounded the house Tuesday. Tomlinson rented the fugitives a room Monday, and after seeing Harry's picture in a Houston paper Monday night, took his family elsewhere for the night and reported his suspicions to police. The photo above was taken just as officers entered the house, armed with machine and riot guns.

Harry Young



Wanted for murder, Harry Young, with his brother, Jennings, barricaded themselves in a farm house near Springfield, Mo., shot it out with officers who attempted to arrest them, killed six and wounded three. Their subsequent escape to Houston, Texas, and their deaths are told in the other photos.

Jennings Young



He refused to leave his brother's side, and the two of them held a farm house fort against 500 officers and civilians who sought to arrest or kill them Saturday near Springfield, Mo. They escaped in the melee, but either killed each other or themselves three days later when cornered at Houston.

JUDGE EVOLVES LEAP YEAR COMMANDMENTS

Women who desire to take advantage of leap year may receive welcome guidance from the following ten commandments for proper procedure, recently announced by Judge Henry Meade of the Wyandotte county probate court at Kansas City, Kansas:

- Don't pick a sheik.
- Don't let a handsome face influence your better judgment.
- Don't shy from the bashful because the bashful are shy.
- Consider the man who considers his nickels.
- Believe not that the man with the motor car has the only vehicle to happiness.
- Remember clothes may make the man and fill the clothes closet, but they don't fill the pantry.
- Don't delay a proposal because he is old fashioned. He may be like your father.
- Demand much character; but be satisfied with a small part of the pay check.
- Don't be finick you have faults yourself.
- Let love be the only consideration; after all nothing else counts.

JUNIOR HEALTH CLUB HEARS MISS MOURSDUND

Miss Loreen Moursund gave a talk on "Sanitation of Schools" at the regular meeting of the Junior Health Club at the high school auditorium Tuesday afternoon. High points of the discourse were: Ventilation and Heating, Lighting and Cleanliness, and Cleanliness of Buildings.

The club, organized by Miss Lucille Stone, district health nurse, has 45 members, and meets every two weeks, on irregular days. The

A. & W. DRUG STORE WILL HAVE FREE DEMONSTRATOR

Miss Mary Franklin, representative for Dorothy Perkins cosmetics, will be at A. & W. Drug store all of next week to demonstrate the Dorothy Perkins line of facial accessories, and toiletries.

Miss Franklin will give free demonstrations of facial treatments which she recommends and advice on skin troubles and problems.

group is sponsored by the County Health Board.



WEEK

(January 18 to 23)

FINDS US READY

We are displaying everything needed to make your home complete and livable, and, in keeping with the spirit underlying Thrift Week, prices are placed to meet every demand for economy. Kitchen ware, dishes, tools, decorative novelties, odd pieces of furniture...everything you have been needing for the home is shown here.

Webster defines the thrifty person thus: characterized by economy and good management; provident. Thrift is not miserliness....it is the practice of getting full value for money spent, and buying needed things first.

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Sonora Story Is Carried in 'Lion'

Magazine Article Tells of Wool Week Activity

Sonora and the Sonora Lions Club were given valuable publicity in the January issue of the magazine, official organ of Lions International. The story deals with the part played in Wool week activities by the local club. It follows:

In Sonora, capital of West Texas' greatest ranching section, it is the Lion, rather than the proverbial wolf, who masquerades in sheep's clothing. Every one of the Sonora Club's 60 members has a great interest in this leading industry. As a conservative estimate, at least three-fourths of its membership has actual investment in sheep and the production of wool.

With the assistance and endorsement of the Sonora Lions club, a wool and mohair warehouse of the town sponsored a local Wool week there, in connection with the National Wool week, November 9 to 14. Through their efforts, woolen consumption was greatly increased, as revealed by a check of retail sales.

One feature of the Wool week program was a banquet, held in the regular meeting place of the Lions, all profits from which went to an especially created charity fund to be used in purchasing Christmas gifts for needy children of the town and county.

In addition to its activities to help wool, the Sonora Lions honored the Sonora High

MRS. MARSHALL HULING MADE MEMBER T. D. C.

Mrs. Marshall Huling was voted a member of the Thirteen Dramatic Club at its regular meeting Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Gilmore.

Mrs. Gilmore made a report on correspondence concerning a proposed study course for the club, and the third of the three one-act plays to be given in February was discussed, with several possibilities being considered.

Announcement was made of a called meeting for Thursday evening, for purpose of making final decision on the third play and checking work done on the other two.

Miss Hazel Edwards served delicious refreshments following the business meeting.

Knippa—Detours being constructed at Main and Dry Frio rivers here preparatory to construction of highway bridges to span river at this point on Sabinal-Uvalde strip of Highway No. 90.

School Football team at an evening meeting.

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Poor Home-Lighting Will Affect Your Boy's School Standing

THE kind of home-work your boy is able to do is, to a certain extent, governed by the efficiency of your home-lighting—and largely determines his progress in school. Are you giving him the benefit of the good light he needs? If not, his education will suffer.

If he finds concentration difficult . . . if he becomes drowsy quickly . . . if he complains of headaches, or if his eyes become bloodshot easily—it is entirely possible that poor lighting is the cause.

Lamps must be of sufficient wattage to give plenty of light, and fixtures must be so arranged as to produce no glare—either direct or indirect. Check your lamps and your lighting arrangements. . . . Are you giving your boy a fair chance?

Lamps, fixtures and electricity cost but little—and they may mean the difference between success or failure. Check yours today—or ask one of our Trained Employees to inspect your home. There's no obligation, of course.

Do you know that your increased use of Electric Service is billed on a surprisingly low rate schedule . . . and adds only a small amount to your total bill?

West Texas Utilities Company

Where Nine Were Burned, One Died in Dallas Hotel Fire



This picture of the De Soto Hotel, a small hostelry in Dallas' South Side, was taken immediately after firemen had rescued 25 guests without injury, and succeeded in getting the nine who were injured out with only one death resulting. The flames spread rapidly, after a beginning in the kitchen, and the hallways were turned into tunnels of flame, through which residents were forced to run to escape. Many jumped or climbed down firemen's ladders. J. E. Estill, 42, died of burns.

City Dump Ground Cleaned; Re-Made

Incinerator Will Care for Inflammable Refuse from Sonora

The Sonora city dump ground has been thoroughly cleaned, a portion of it returned to pasture land, all metal classified, and an incinerator erected in a three-week program of work ended this week.

The city commission recently authorized George E. Smith, city manager, to employ Sonora tax-paying Mexicans to clean up the ground, moving trash and metal back from the highway. Under the direction of Theodore Virgen, about 50 different men were given work, being paid partially in cash, and receiving credit for back taxes owed the city on the remainder. At surprisingly low cost the ground was organized to care for Sonora's dumping for the next several decades.

An incinerator, made by placing several layers of wire netting over 4-inch iron pipes, with framework of similar pipes set in concrete, will take care of all refuse from the city. The plant, with inside measurements of 6 by 24 feet, is divided in two sections. An average haul of three days can be placed in either side, and each will be permitted to dry that length of time. Saturated with waste lubricating oil, the trash will then burn readily. Cans and iron can then be raked from the plant and carried to the proper pile higher on a hill.

Cans were formerly dumped on a creek bank under the hill, and washed to adjoining land following rains. Now everything will be kept on the hill, away from flood waters.

For several years garbage, trash, cans, wrecked cars and wire had been dumped without plan, mostly near the gate, and it was difficult to find a place to unload. The entire accumulation was divided into four stacks—wire, tin, scrap iron (which may have a salvage value some day), and small tin cans. This plan of classification will be continued. Near the incinerator a small pit was dug, with automobile frames forming a grate, and there dead animals will be cremated.

Group Enjoys Ranch Outing

Messrs. and Mesdames Ernest McClelland and Marshall Huling and Miss Alice Karnes and Raymond Barker enjoyed an outing to the B. M. Halbert ranch Monday evening, when they were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bustie Halbert, after which the group played bridge.

No Guns Makes Real Hunting



Max O'Brien, Amarillo business man, believes that hunting should be a fair game, so he uses only a pack of dogs and a few clubs. In the last two months he has taken more than \$500 worth of furs. His catch includes 43 coons, 11 coyotes, 10 skunks, eight o'possums, two badgers, two mink, two bobcats, two foxes, and two ring-tailed cats. O'Brien is pictured second from left. With him are his hounds and some of his buddies.

Furs Are Bought on Trips

W. S. and Charles Harold Evans returned Wednesday from a three-day trip to Del Rio where they bought furs. Houston Stokes, also associated with the West Texas Fur Company, made a trip to the Sanderson-Fort Stockton-Sheffield country.

The Scout Trail

(Last week)

Troop 19 held its regular meeting Tuesday night for the first time in three weeks. On account of the Scout Hall, active games took up the largest part of the meeting. Basketball, steal-the-bacon, and over-the-top were played as means of keeping warm.

During the Christmas holidays four Scouts, Wesley Sawyer, Marion Elliott, Lem Eriel Johnson, and J. T. Shurley, passed Scout tests.

Hurry up those tests, Scouts, so that our record will be good! Scouts who have passed tests will please report to the Scribe so he may report to the Scout executive. J. T. SHURLEY, Scribe, Troop 19.

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Camp Allison (Essie Rode, Reporter)

Mrs. Will Hight, of Junction, while visiting her mother last week was taken ill, and was taken home Saturday night. She is much better now.

"Pottie" Hollmig, of Sonora, returned home Wednesday after a short visit with friends and relatives of Camp Allison.

Mr. and Mrs. Burt Rode were Sonora visitors Tuesday.

Dock Joy and son, Edwin, were in Junction on business Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Peters, of Big Spring, and Mrs. Peter's mother, Mrs. Rena Trainer, of Sonora, visited Mr. and Mrs. D. Q. Adams Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Meredith Joy visited Mrs. Joy's sister and brother, Miss Audrey Softgel, and Ted Softgel, of Roosevelt, Sunday.

Lester Shroyer and sister, Miss Faye, were Junction visitors Saturday.

The roads of Camp Allison have been improved very much the last two weeks, and we are sure they are very much appreciated.

The Cedar Hill Basketball Girls took the big end of the score of 64 to 4 Friday afternoon at Segovia. This makes the second game for the girls this season.

25 MILLION POUNDS WOOL MOVED IN 1931

The sum of 25 million pounds of wool and mohair moved out of San Angelo, Mertzon, Sonora, Barnhart, Eldorado, Big Lake, and other points in the immediate vicinity of San Angelo during 1931, according to figures available this week.

This estimate does not include Del Rio, Menard, Junction, and Sanderson. Most of the wool was shipped to Boston by rail and water route.

Consumption Wool Grows in 4 Years

Increase Is 2,000,000 Pounds; Outlook for Future Good

"Consumption of domestic wool in the four years of 1928-1931 showed an increase over the previous four years of more than 200,000,000 pounds in the grease," says the Boston Transcript, wool authority. "This great gain was powerful to bring to a halt the decline in prices of wool, but the tendency downward came to an apparent end in the Boston market at about the time the new 1931 clip began to arrive," the paper continues. "How severe the four-year decline has been is shown in the following table of yearly average prices (the territory price covers the usual six grade clean basis and the fleece wool figures the five grades in the grease):"

Year—	Territory	Fleeces
1928	100.9c	51.6c
1929	87.8c	44.9c
1930	63.2c	31.8c
1931	51.8c	23.2c

The raw material situation for wool seems more promising for the future than a year ago, the National Wool Marketing corporation believes. Then there was a heavy carry-over and a heavy clip added to marketing burdens, making a hard combination in a world-wide depression. Manufacturing showed few signs of the unprecedented mid-summer pickup which resulted in consumption in 1931 of nearly 100,000,000 pounds more wool, exclusive of carpet wools, than in 1930. As a result, the wool trade opens the new year with a normal aggregate of unsold wool and medium grades below normal supply.

BAD CHECK STEALER IS ARGUED TO BE NO THIEF

Is the writer of a bad check who steals it back, a thief? Or, rather, can he be charged with the theft?

County Attorney Rhea C. Myers, of Amarillo, was faced with that question recently when the writer of a hot check snatched it from the hands of a filling station attendant who called to collect.

"If the check had no value, how could the man be guilty of theft?" asked Attorney Myers.

Spearman—Contract let for construction of three-story hotel on main street to cost approximately \$50,000.

LIONS ROAR

Twenty-nine Sonora Lions who were present at the noonday luncheon Monday, were entertained with vocal duets by Misses Joiner and Petnecky, Miss Marie Watkins, newly admitted member who takes the vacancy caused by the resignation of Miss Elizabeth Francis, as official pianist, played the accompaniment for the young lady singers.

Lion R. S. Covey reported on the national essay contest, sponsored by Lions International, with the statement that the matter would be taken up with the high school. The local club will offer a prize for the best essay submitted. The grand prize offered by Lions International to the winner in district 2 is a trip to the national convention, Los Angeles, California, next July with all expenses paid.

Lion W. R. Nisbet reported that baby beeves, being fed by members of the animal husbandry department of the high school, had been brought to town. He stated that the number of calves being fed was greater than that of last year, and the boys were looking forward to a better showing at the fat stock show.

Lion Gilmore proposed the club observe Thrift Week, Jan. 18 to 23. The motion was supplemented by Lion Covey with the suggestion that the club hold a speaking contest and offer 1st and 2nd prizes.

Lion H. V. Stokes called attention to the efforts being made by Congressman R. E. Thomson in behalf of the bitterweed movement in this section. The secretary was instructed to convey to Mr. Thomson the thanks and appreciation of the club. This was embodied in a resolution offered by Lion W. E. Caldwell.

Reports were made on the progress made by the minstrel committee, which included reading the names of members selected to stage the show. Parts being written will be ready soon. No definite date for presentation has as yet been set, but the committee thinks the show will be given the latter part of the present month or the first week of February. The exact date rests with the progress made in memorizing the different parts.

Lion H. V. Stokes was made chairman of the program committee for Monday, January 18.

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HELP KEEP SONORA CLEAN

Need for civic cleanliness is always very great. Epidemics focus attention on unsanitation and create favorable sentiment for efforts to keep towns clean and beautiful. A necessary part of every sanitation and clean-up program is a dump ground and disposal plant for the refuse, garbage, and trash which accumulate in any town.

The city, at considerable expense, and with an enormous amount of work on the part of Mexican taxpayers, has changed everything at the local dump ground. The entire ground is re-arranged. It has been cleaned thoroughly, with all of the accumulated junk properly classified and placed in huge stacks—quite a contrast to the former vast spread of scattered heaps.

An effectual, yet inexpensive, incinerator sufficient to care for the city's needs, has been built. Citizens of Sonora are urged to take advantage of disposal facilities now offered, and to have proper regard for the system worked out and co-operate in keeping the dump ground clean and as attractive as it is possible for a dump ground to be.

"Devil's Dream"

(By W. E. James)



TO HIM WHO WAITS

Three years is a long time to wait, but completion makes satisfaction all the sweeter because of delays. The Sonora Lions Club first agitated the matter of removing the unsightly dump ground. This agitation began three years ago, after considerable complaint had been made by injured parties. Three years is not a long time to wait if the thing planned and hoped for is accomplished. It is the finished tasks which count most. Many improvements begun but never completed, may as well not have been started, inasmuch as public good is concerned.

According to a News story, published elsewhere, the removal of the unsightly dump ground has been accomplished. Not only has this task been finished, but a new system of handling city refuse and rubbish has been inaugurated. Credit for this piece of good work rightfully belongs to Sonora's efficient city manager, backed by the city commission, and sponsored by the Lions club.

Two good things have sprung from the dump ground undertaking: work on it provided beans and bacon for a half hundred Mexican citizens and enabled them to liquidate at least, if not all, a portion of tax obligations due the city; 2nd, it has provided a systematic means of disposing of refuse in a sanitary manner and eliminates the hit or miss method of scattering trash from the city limits to the dump ground.

All of which proves that "all things comes to him who waits."

Two-Gun Ike says that according to the belief of an Amarillo attorney if a fellow gives a hot check in payment for goods purchase and then steals the check, he has not committed theft. Accordingly, if the merchant can steal the hot-checker's purchase—tit-for-tat, kinda—seems as if they should call it square. Two-Gun believes the hot-checker's intentions were to steal the goods, else he wouldn't have taken the trouble to steal his own hot check.

"MY BOY"



PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wardlaw were in town from the ranch Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Neill and baby daughter, Jane Elizabeth, went to San Angelo Tuesday night, spending Wednesday there.

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Rankin, of Center Point, passed through Sonora on Monday, returning from a business trip to Fort Stockton.

J. B. Westbrook, of San Angelo, arrived Thursday of last week and spent the week-end visiting his son, J. D. Westbrook, and family here.

Mrs. Totsy Barton and her daughter, Margaret, left Tuesday for San Antonio where they will spend several days visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Stephen left this morning for Austin, where they will spend the week-end visiting Mr. Stephen's mother, Mrs. J. A. Stephen.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Peters and son, Howard, jr., of Big Spring, spent the week-end visiting Mrs. Peters' mother, Mrs. Rena Trainer, and her daughters.

B. B. Kelly, of Texon, was in Sonora Monday, returning Tuesday. He was accompanied home by Mrs. Kelly and their baby son, James Britton, who had concluded a week's visit with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. James and family.

Mrs. Mary Briscoe, formerly of San Angelo, but more recently of Abilene, spent Wednesday night at the S. E. McKnight ranch, visiting her sister, Mrs. Edna Ramsey, before going on to Abilene. She was on a business trip.

Boys Feeding—

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bucks, to be shown and sold at the Ozona sheep sale in July.

Joe Logan, Alvis Johnson, jr., V. J., Edward, and Elwerd Glasscock, Lem Eriel Johnson, Cleveland Jones, Herbert Fields and Pug Rouche are the boys planning to go to San Angelo.

Herbert Fields is feeding one calf, which weighed 480 pounds Nov. 1, and 644 on Dec. 27, a gain of 164 pounds in 56 days, a daily average of 2.9 pounds.

Edgar Glasscock weighed his three calves Jan. 4. "Big Boy" weighed 790; "White Tail" 795, and "Buster" 700. There were no previous weights.

Pug Rouche's six calves on August 4 averaged 423 pounds, on Nov. 1, 577.6, and on Dec. 27, 725.6. During the first period the average daily gain was 1.7 pounds, and during the second was 2.67.

No weights are available on Cleveland Jones' 2 junior calves and 1 senior.

Other boys are feeding as follows: V. J. Glasscock, 4; Jack Turney, 1; Lem Eriel Johnson, 3; Alvis Johnson, 1, and Joe Logan, 2.

Richmond—Construction of canning plant on grounds of grammar school here completed.

Levelland — Annual Hockley County Poultry Show held here recently.

Fort Davis—Work started on Davis Mountains Scenic Highway.

Brackettville—Work on Highway No. 2 east progressing.

Twelve additional miles paving on Highway No. 28 between Crowell and Paducah opened to traffic recently.

Seminole—Construction of \$50,000 high school building progressing.

Survey being made of proposed rerouting of Highway No. 29 between Llano and Burnet.

Sheep on U. S. farms and ranches have increased 44 per cent in the last nine years. The present total of 31,684,000 is almost 10,000,000 larger than in 1925. There are approximately 16,000,000 more sheep now than in 1922.

Alpine — Waterworks extensions costing \$25,000 to be constructed here.

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35 YEARS AGO

The Devil's River News for a little less than 35 years ago, July 17, 1897, carried notice of a state summer normal school, "Thirty Days Profitable Work," beginning July 12th and closing August 13th, 1897, directed by J. C. Johnson, "Conductor." Prospective students were assured that "Sonora is a business town, removed from the noise and excitement of the city," and that "The people are progressive and wide-awake to all educational interests, and know how to make a stranger feel at home when among them." Teachers in the school were Mr. Johnson, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Burroughs, formerly a teacher at John Tarleton, and Miss Mary Matthews. The notice was signed by J. O. Rountree.

Two-thirds of the main column of the front page was devoted to an interesting article reproduced from the Century magazine, entitled "Bicycling in the Tyrol," and comparing methods of bicycling abroad with those in the United States. The article begins with the significant statement: "We found that the bicycle fever had reached even to our landlord...." The writer advised against the use of a bell fastened to the wheel, saying, "They say they can make their way safely at a moderate speed if the people keep on their way, while if they are disturbed and made nervous by a bicycle bell they are liable to make some unexpected movement that may lead to a collision. I remember a case of mutual dodging at a street crossing in New York between myself and a lady whom my bell had startled which came near being annoying."

E. C. Saunders' name appeared on the front page as "Windmill Repairer and Machinist." Ben Norvell advertised "ICE CREAM and SHERBET every Wednesday and Saturday nights." Two boot shops—those of Fritz Kessler and H. Spruce—had identical wording of ads: "Boot and Shoe Maker. Repairing a Specialty."

The Church directory announced that the Juvenile Aid Society would meet "on Saturday at 7:30 p. m. before the second Sunday." Other items follow:

Uncle Joe Everett sold his ranch to Mayer Bros. of Sonora, last week, for \$1500. This was a cheap place considering that Uncle Joe had two wells and a 15-section pasture.—Ozona Courier.

Chas. Schreiner, Kerr county's largest merchant and stockman, was among our welcome callers last week. His impression is that business of every kind is on the upgrade, and he looks for better times in the near future.

Fred Koenig sold to F. Mayer & Sons of Sonora 53 one-and-two-year-old steers at \$12.50 and \$16.50 per head.

Only a few days and a child may speak in Sonora and be heard in San Angelo.

The horse races at Rock Springs were not a success. The principal race of the meeting between Thurman's and Wallace's mares did not take place although they kept running the horses for several days. Sam Cox's Jenny Lind went up against a race horse from Uvalde 350 yards and was beaten.

RUSSELL BUYS O. S. T. STAGE; NEW SCHEDULE

J. C. Russell, San Angelo, a former oil man, last week bought the O. S. T. Stage Line, running from San Angelo to Sonora to Del Rio, from J. B. Lee, who had operated the line for eight years. C. I. Russell, a son of the new owner, drives one of the buses.

A new schedule has been announced, providing the same twice-a-day service between Sonora and San Angelo, with only one trip a day between Sonora and Del Rio. Times of arrival and departure are much the same, except that the morning bus stops here and returns to San Angelo, making the through trip to Del Rio only in the afternoon.

J. A. Cauthorn was in town from the ranch Tuesday on business.

PERSONALS

Lea Aldwell, San Angelo ranchman, was in Sonora Tuesday.

Marion Stokes made a business trip to Kerrville Wednesday.

Mrs. R. Watkin was in San Angelo Sunday visiting her daughter, Mrs. B. G. Cross.

Miss Imogene Batchelor, of San Angelo, spent the week-end here visiting Miss Clovis Neal.

Miss Lillian Ramsell returned Wednesday afternoon from a visit with friends in San Angelo.

Mrs. Joe Logan was in from the ranch and attended the Methodist zone meeting here Thursday.

Mrs. L. W. Elliott returned Tuesday night from Temple, where she has been receiving treatment in a sanitarium.

FLOWER-EATING BUCK IS KILLED BY WOMAN

Mrs. Sarah E. Surber, of near Kerrville, got both her buck and her revenge the last day of the hunting season, according to Kerrville Mountain Sun, when she killed a 10-point flower-eating buck that had been making it a practise to pay a nightly visit to her carefully-kept flower bed in the doorway.

The buck came to grief through his lack of regard for Mrs. Surber's love of flowers when, after trying vainly for several days to get a dog to protect the flowers, and attempting to "ambush" the animal before nightfall several times, in order to be within the law for shooting him, Mrs. Surber got a shot at twilight on the season's last hunting day, and didn't miss.

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WOMAN'S PAGE



SOCIETY

Mrs. George Baker, Editor

Community Social Club With Davises On Friday Evening

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Davis were host and hostess to the Community Social Club at their ranch home Friday evening, with a delightful party which ended in a surprise birthday celebration in honor of Mrs. Gene Lightfoot.

At bridge, high score went to Gene Lightfoot and low to E. A. Bode.

Following the bridge Mrs. Lightfoot was called from the room, and upon her return she was greeted by the hostess with a large birthday cake trimmed with pink and white, and bearing lighted candles. The cake contained twelve symbolic articles, such as padlock and key, certain animals, and other traditional symbols. Mrs. Davis read an explanation of the significance of each article to the guests, who had each made a wish before the cutting of the cake, which was served with cocoa and salted almonds. A horoscope was read for Mrs. Lightfoot, who was the recipient of good wishes from the assembled company.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Bode were guests of the evening, and the following members were present: Messrs. and Mesdames Sam Thomas, Gene Lightfoot, Perry Mittel, Archie Mittel, and W. L. Davis.

Mrs. Stella Locklin Entertains in Honor Daughter's Birthday

Mrs. Stella Locklin entertained a group of children at the home of her mother, Mrs. S. H. Stokes, Tuesday afternoon, in honor of the fourth birthday of her little daughter, Davie Dean, which occurred on that day. Mrs. Neill Roueche also had a birthday on the same day, and was included in Davie Dean's party.

The children enjoyed various games, and were served grape juice, cake, and all-day suckers, by the hostess. Little Davie Dean was the recipient of pretty gifts from her guests.

Mothers of several of the children were present and enjoyed bridge during the afternoon.

The little guests were Peggy Reming, Jo Alice Evans, Jamie Trainer, Martha Jo Moore, Ramie Jo McClelland, Billy Sid Evans, J. M. and Gerald Huling, and Kelo Locklin.

Mothers present were Mesdames Sid Evans, Andrew Moore, Ernest McClelland, and Marshall Huling.

Miss Clovis Neal Entertains With Party for Guest

Miss Clovis Neal entertained informally at her home Saturday evening in honor of her house guest, Miss Imogene Batchelor, of San Angelo. Eight young people enjoyed games, popping corn, and making candy.

Miss Neal's guests were the Misses Nina Roueche, Ches Thorp, and Imogene Batchelor; and Messrs. James Ed Hutcherson, Herbert Fields, Troy White, and V. J. Glascock.

105 Years Old



Grandma Sarah Jane Gillis, who passed her 105th birthday Christmas day, celebrated New Year's by helping herself to a second helping of turkey at the Harris county home for aged, near Houston, where she lives. "I've been through a lot of hard times," said Grandma Gillis, "and the signs are right for the return of prosperity in 1932. You just watch!"

P.-T. A. Program to Observe Thrift Week

Regular Monthly Social Gathering Is Next Tuesday Afternoon

National Thrift Week will be stressed on the program at the regular monthly social meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association at the grammar school auditorium Tuesday afternoon, January 19, at 3:30 o'clock. Further attention will be given to topics outlined in the study of child psychology which is attracting much interest among the members.

The program will consist of music by Miss Marie Watkins; a Thrift Special, by children of the third grade; talks on "Jealousy," by Mrs. Clayton Puckett, "Thrift," by Mrs. George Baker, and "Fear," by Mrs. W. L. Davis—these to be followed by a round table discussion by the group, and a business session.

Hostesses for the afternoon, Mesdames M. G. Shurley, Ralph Trainer, and Libb Wallace, will serve in the cafeteria following the meeting.

Mrs. P. J. Taylor Is Hostess to the Just Us' Club Friday

Mrs. P. J. Taylor entertained members and guests of the Just Us auction club at her home Friday afternoon, with three tables of bridge. High scores went to Mrs. J. C. Stephen, for club, and Mrs. W. C. Gilmore, for guest; and low club score went to Mrs. A. W. Awalt.

Tallies and score pads carried out a Spanish motif. The hostess served unusually clever refreshments, consisting of chariots, fashioned from saltinas and cheese crackers, ingeniously put together with toothpicks and drawn by animal cracker "teams," and loaded with delicious chicken salad; these being accompanied by potato chips, olives, fruit cake, and tea.

Club members present were Mesdames T. D. White, A. W. Awalt, H. V. Morris, J. C. Stephen, and Sid Evans.

Guests of the club were Mesdames John Fields, Bailey Renfro, A. L. Smith, R. C. Vicars, Ira Shurley, W. C. Gilmore, and George Baker.

Social Calendar

Friday, Jan. 15
WOMAN'S CLUB BENEFIT PARTY at 8:00 p. m. at the club house.

Saturday, Jan. 16
QUEEN OF CLUBS at 2 p. m. with Mrs. Joe Brown Ross.

PASTIME CLUB at 3:00 p. m. with Mrs. W. E. Caldwell.

Monday, Jan. 18
THIRTEEN DRAMATIC CLUB at 7:30 p. m., with Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Gilmore.

Tuesday, Jan. 19
PARENT - TEACHER ASSOCIATION at 3:30 p. m. in the grammar school auditorium.
ORDER EASTERN STAR at 7:30 p. m. at the Masonic building.

Wednesday, Jan. 20
COUNTRY CONTRACT CLUB at 2:30 p. m. with Mrs. L. L. Stuart.

Thursday, Jan. 21
LAS AMIGAS CLUB at 3:00 p. m. with Mrs. Tom White.

Friday, Jan. 22
JUST US CLUB at 2:30 p. m. with Mrs. J. D. Wallace.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith Are Recipients of Miscellaneous Shower

Members of the school faculty surprised Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Smith, newly-married members of the staff, Tuesday evening at their home with a miscellaneous shower consisting of a variety of attractive and useful articles for their home. Superintendent and Mrs. R. S. Covey paved the way for the surprise by arranging an evening of "42" with Mr. and Mrs. Smith, who were thoroughly astonished when their expected guests were followed into the house by a line of laughing well-wishers.

Those present were Mesdames and Messrs. R. S. Covey, T. D. White, and E. A. Bode; Mesdames M. O. Britt and Roy Grimland; and the Misses Johnnie Allison, Loreen Moursund, Maurine Phillips, Nan Casbeer, Lucille Dubois, Dora Petmecky, Helen Joiner, Ione Reagan, Vivian Ball, Marie Watkins, Gretta Cawyer, and Jamie Gardner.

W. M. U. RESUMES STUDY OF MISSIONS WEDNESDAY

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Baptist church resumed its mission study at a meeting Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Ban Odum, with Mrs. W. R. Nisbet, president, presiding.

Nine members were present, and all quarterly reports were received to be sent to headquarters.

A motion was made by Mrs. R. D. Trainer that the plans of the Ways and Means Committee concerning making money be adopted. The motion carried.

The next meeting will be Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. R. D. Trainer.

HEALTH CLUB TO GIVE SECOND INNOCULATION

The second shot of serum in the anti-diphtheria treatment begun Friday, Dec. 18, by the Adult Health Club, will be administered to children who took the first inoculation at that time, this afternoon at 2:45 o'clock, in the 1st and 2nd grade rooms of the grade school building.

Two hundred shots of the serum are on hand for follow-up work with children who have received the first treatment.

WOMAN'S CLUB BENEFIT TONIGHT AT CLUB HOUSE

Reservations are still available for the Woman's Club's bridge and "42" benefit party at the club house tonight. Mrs. C. H. Evans is in charge of these reservations, which are available at 50 cent each. Returns from the benefit will go into the club's general fund.

CHRISTOVAL PROCLAIMED DISEASE FREE AT LAST

All quarantines have been lifted and diphtheria has been stamped out at Christoval, according to J. A. Terry, superintendent of the schools there, in a statement Saturday.

The diphtheria epidemic greatly set back the first semester of school work there, Mr. Terry said. A ten-day recess was caused shortly before the two-week Christmas holiday period.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest McClelland spent Monday in San Angelo.

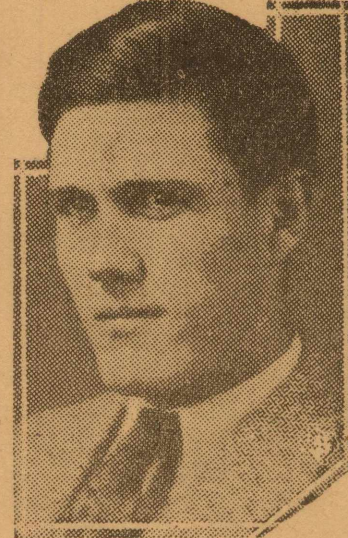
Mesdames Ted White and J. M. Curry, both formerly of Sonora, were in town Thursday attending the Methodist zone meeting. Mrs. Curry was formerly Miss Barbara Swanson, and was employed by the West Texas Utilities Company here before her marriage.

Most Representative Baylor Students



Miss Dorothy Cox Terrell, Texas

They are the most representative students at Baylor University, Waco, Texas, according to a recent vote of the students. Pickle is editor of the Daily Lariat, student newspaper; president of the journalism fraternity and Brooks Hall council, and president of the Senior class. Miss Cox is secretary of the Senior class, managing editor of the Round-up, year book, and officer in two honor societies.



Mr. Joe Pickle Big Spring, Texas

G. M. McDonald Weds Miss Merle A. Davis

Couple Married at Lawton, Okla.; Will Make Home Here

Miss Merle A. Davis and George M. McDonald, son of Mrs. Josie McDonald, were married at noon Tuesday in Lawton, Oklahoma, coming directly here, where they will make their home.

The bride is a daughter of Colonel Rhodes, of Wimberly, Colo., and is an ex-service nurse, in clinics and hospitals of San Angelo.

Mr. McDonald is a native West Texan and a World War veteran, having been at the front during the war. He is at present associated with his mother in the operation of the Hotel McDonald.

Mrs. Westbrook Is Las Amigas Hostess Thursday Afternoon

Mrs. J. D. Westbrook entertained members and guests of the Las Amigas club at her home Thursday afternoon, January 7, with three tables of contract. High scores went to Mrs. Sterling Baker, for guest, and Miss Ada Steen, club. Low club score went to Mrs. Ira Shurley.

The hostess served delicious refreshments of sandwiches, cake, and coffee to the following: guests—Mesdames Sterling Baker and R. C. Vicars; members—Mesdames Tom White, W. C. Gilmore, P. J. Taylor, Jack Earhart, Collier Shurley, John Fields, and the Misses Alice and Nan Karnes, and Ada Steen.

Mrs. Roy Aldwell Is Tuesday Hostess To Contract Club

The Contract Club met Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Roy Aldwell. High score went to Mrs. S. R. Hull.

Members present were Mesdames Sterling Baker, Clara Murphy, S. R. Hull, and Roy Aldwell. Mrs. T. A. Williams was a guest.

PERSONALS

W. L. Miers was in town from the ranch Wednesday.

Fred Earwood was in town from the ranch Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Wallace were in San Angelo Tuesday.

Dan Cauthorn was in San Angelo Tuesday and Wednesday.

Roy Aldwell made a business trip to San Angelo Thursday.

Mrs. Richard Vehle spent Friday and Saturday in Del Rio on business.

Fred Opp and Maxie Oliver, of Menard, were Sonora visitors Wednesday.

Mrs. Tom White and Miss Jessie Louise Evans were in San Angelo Monday.

Mrs. J. M. Puckett was in town Thursday, attending the Methodist zone meeting.

Miss Joanna Stokes spent Sunday afternoon and night at the Willie B. Whitehead ranch, returning Monday.

Mrs. Lee Labenske and her daughter, Miss Mildred, went to San Antonio Tuesday to shop for the store.

Miss Addah Miers returned Thursday from Uvalde, where she had been visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Perrine.

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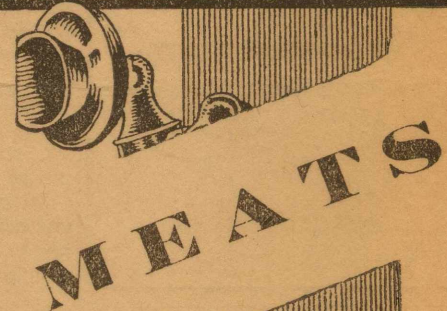
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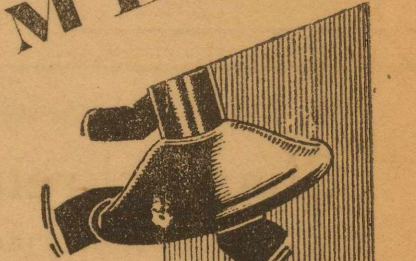


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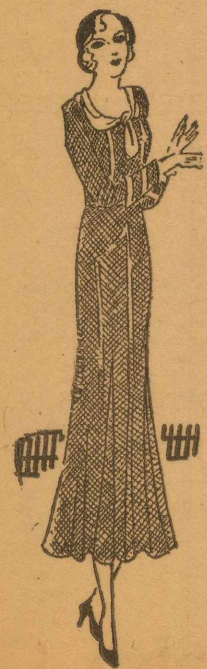
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APPLES, ladge Delicious	3 for 10c
LETTUCE—Nice Size Heads	each 6c

COMPLETE CALENDAR 1932 POLITICAL EVENTS PREPARED AND RELEASED BY JANE Y. McCALLUM, SEC. STATE

Editor's Note—The following schedule, officially prepared and released by Jane Y. McCallum, secretary of state in Texas, gives complete and authentic information on political activities and on voting dates. It is suggested that readers clip the article and preserve it for future reference.

BY JANE Y. McCALLUM
Secretary of State, Texas

Presidential election year is impending again.

Also state primary nominations for executive, judicial and legislative powers to be, down the line to county and precinct office-holders. Then in November each of the successful nominees is to be voted on again and is practically certain of election.

In addition, cognizance is to be taken of a sheaf of eight proposed constitutional amendments to be voted on in November, as some of them are far-reaching in effect, and of a number of recent changes in the election laws which will govern the year's activities.

In anticipation of doubts and questions that will arise, attention is called to the election law changes and the accompanying voters' calendar has been worked out.

Changes in Election Laws

The law now makes exemption from payment of poll tax certificates permanent under certain conditions.

In all elections, the polls shall be

open from 7 a. m. to 7 p. m. in all counties having a population of 150,000 or more according to the last federal census and in all other counties the polls shall open at 8 a. m. and remain open until 7 p. m.

Names of presidential electors will not appear on ballots for the general election as heretofore. Instead, names of the candidates for president and vice president of the respective parties will appear and a vote for both president and vice president of a particular party will constitute a vote for the presidential electors of that party.

1932 Voters' Calendar

Following is a voters' calendar for 1932:

Jan. 31—Last day to secure poll tax receipts and certificates of exemption for 1932 voting.

Feb. 8—Election judges appointed by commissioners' courts.

March 10—Last day for tax collectors to make reports to county clerks showing poll tax payments.

April 1—On or before this date tax collectors furnish county election boards with list of poll tax payers and exemptions.

May 7—Primary presidential conventions held in precincts for election of delegates to county conventions.

May 10—State executive committee of any party which cast as many as 10,000 and less than 100,000 votes in next preceding gubernatorial election, shall meet and decide whether candidates for state, district and county officers are to be nominated by convention or primary election, and shall certify such decision to secretary of state.

Decide on Delegates

May 24—State presidential convention held to name delegates to national convention.

June 6—On or before this date candidates for party nominations including candidates for county chairman file applications for place on primary ballot.

June 9—Chairman of state executive committee notifies members to meet June 13.

June 13—State executive committee meets to select place of meeting of state convention and to attend to other matters.

June 14—Republican National Convention meets in Chicago. (Date for Democratic National Convention will be determined in January.)

June 18—Last day for candidates for offices within counties, including districts within confines of any single county, and candidates for county chairmen to file for places on primary ballot.

June 20—County executive committees meet to determine order of names on ballot, estimate cost of primary and apportion cost. A bal-

Celebrate Discovery of Rich Kilgore Oil Pool



The Crims and the Batemans held a family reunion at Kilgore last week to celebrate the anniversary of the discovery well drilled by Bateman on the Crim land, which resulted in the opening of the rich Kilgore, East Texas, oil pool. Left to right are Mrs. Pauline Florence and her son, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bateman, "Mother" Crim (Mrs. Della Crim, on whose land the well was drilled), Mayor J. Malcolm Crim and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. John T. Crim, and Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Crim. Bateman and his stockholders sold out for \$2,100,000 after the area was proven.

Texas Wild Game Is on Increase

New Law Proposed Governing Wild Geese and Duck Breeding

Game has been more plentiful than for several years past, according to an estimate of officials of the Texas game department. The increased wild life has been attributed to the game conservation laws that have been in effect for several years. Texas hunters now are beginning to realize the fruits of the years of work and the sums of money expended in building up the state's game system.

The number of deer was noticeably increased, with few hunters experiencing difficulty in bagging their limit. The ducks killed this season were considerably larger than those of last year, there being reports of more deer of eight points or more killed than three points, the minimum number allowed by the law.

Wild geese and ducks showed the greatest deficiency in numbers. Poor breeding conditions in the Canadian marshes last spring and summer were blamed for scarcity of this type of game.

The large number of hunters reporting that they had bagged their limit showed that turkeys were plentiful. One of the principal causes for game increases was named by the officials as the rapid growth of privately-operated hunting preserves, where the owner charges a fee for permitting hunters to use his land. Establishment of the private hunting preserves was authorized by special law.

Operators of the preserves are careful to prevent violations of game laws and in addition spend considerable time and money in propagating and preserving the game. The better the preserve, the more operators can charge and the more customers they can get. A plan for increasing the number of wild game birds has been worked out, and will probably be presented at the next regular session of the legislature, or at a special session, should Governor Ross S. Sterling decide to call one.

The new plan would authorize the issuance by the game commission of permits to private breeders of game birds, the stock to be sold and used solely for propagation purposes. Sale for eating would be prohibited.

The state has no facilities to engage in the bird breeding business, depending solely on natural conditions for increases in wild game. Dependency on this form of propagation will not provide sufficient game, with the rapid increases in the number of hunters, and in time the game stocks will be depleted.

A lucrative field for operators of game bird hatcheries would be opened by the law, and at the same time a means of increasing the game supply of the state would be increased.

The fee charged game farm operators would be placed in the game, fish, and oyster fund. Persons convicted of violating the proposed act would be fined from \$20 to \$190 also to go into the game fund.

lot, or primary subcommittee of five is appointed.

June 23—First day to file first statement of campaign expenses.

June 25—Last day for candidates to pay ballot fees.

June 27—Last day to file first statement of campaign expenses.

June 27—Primary committee meets to prepare ballot.

Absentee Voting

July 3—First day for absentee voting.

July 10—First day to file second statement of campaign expenses.

July 14—Last day to file second statement of campaign expenses.

July 18—Tax collector delivers to county executive committee chairman list of voters.

July 19—Last day for absentee voting.

July 21—County clerk sends absentee votes to presiding judges.

July 23—First primary.

July 23—Precinct conventions.

July 27—Returns made to chair-

DR. L. P. ALLISON DIES AT HOME IN BROWNWOOD

Dr. L. P. Allison, 70, widely known surgeon and builder of the first modern hospital in Brownwood twenty years ago, died at his home there Thursday night, January 7.

Dr. Allison's further contribution to Brownwood was through his part in the organization of the Medical Arts Hospital and Clinic there. He also planned and operated for three years the Overall Memorial Hospital at Coleman. He had practiced in Brownwood since 1893. He is survived by his widow, one daughter, Mary, and a son, Roger P. Allison.

Dr. Allison visited in Sonora last July, at which time he conferred with Dr. A. G. Blanton on professional matters.

man of county executive committee.

July 28—First day for filing first expense account for second primary.

July 30—County conventions held and county executive committees meet to canvass returns.

Aug. 1—Last day for candidates to file first expense accounts for second primary.

Aug. 2—Last day for candidates to file last expense accounts for first primary.

Aug. 4—Presiding election officers seal and deliver ballots to county clerk.

Aug. 7—First day for absentee voting in second primary.

Aug. 8—State executive committee meets to canvass returns and commissioners' court may form additional election precincts.

Aug. 8—On or before this date publication of proposed constitutional amendments must begin.

Aug. 18—Last day for candidates to file second expense accounts for second primary.

Aug. 22—Tax collector delivers list of voters to chairman of county executive committee.

Aug. 23—Last day for absentee voting in second primary.

Aug. 25—County clerk sends absentee votes to presiding judges.

Aug. 27—Second or run-off primary.

Aug. 31—Returns made to chairman, county executive committees.

Sept. 3—Date for county and precinct chairmen to assume respective offices following declaration of results of run-off primary by county convention by outgoing committee.

Sept. 6—Last day for candidates to file last expense account for second primary.

Sept. 8—Presiding election officer seals and delivers ballots to county clerk.

Sept. 10—County clerk certifies to secretary of state nominees in one county district.

Sept. 12—State executive committee canvasses result of run-off primary.

State Convention

Sept. 13—State convention meets.

Oct. 1—Poll tax payment begins for following year.

Oct. 19—State committee chairman and secretary certify to secretary of state names of candidates for president and vice president.

Oct. 19—Absentee voting for general election begins.

Nov. 2—Last day for voters who have moved to obtain corrected poll tax receipts.

Nov. 3—The collector furnishes lists of voters to chairman of county executive committee.

Nov. 4—Last day for absentee voting.

Nov. 8—General election.

Nov. 11—Returns made for presidential electors. (Votes for president and vice president count as votes for presidential electors.)

Nov. 14—Commissioners' court canvasses returns and county judges certify to secretary of state election returns.

Nov. 18—Last day to file expense account reports.

Canvass Returns

Nov. 28—Secretary of state, attorney general and governor canvass returns for presidential electors.

Dec. 18—Secretary of state, attorney general and governor canvass returns for state and district offices.

Jan. 9, 1933—Presidential electors meet.

Del Rio Highway to Be Improved

State Will Widen Shoulder Along Paving; Correct Deep Ditches

Highway shoulders along Highway No. 30 leaving Sonora toward Del Rio will be widened and the deep ditches will be made safer within the next few weeks, it was announced in Sonora Tuesday by A. F. Moursund, engineer in Division No. 7 of the State Highway Department, with headquarters in San Angelo.

At present the dirt shoulder beside the paving through Sutton county is dangerously narrow, and ditches are narrow and deep. The sides of the ditches will be graded, the bottoms of the ditches increased to 4 feet and the outside of the ditches sloped, making danger of turning over much less likely.

Right-of-way, or boundary fences will not be changed.

H. L. Taylor, Sonora, foreman of the district, said Wednesday that the date of beginning the work was not definite. The time required to

Five Wool Co-ops Advance \$208,930

Fifty Cents Per Head Is Rate Given on Sheep in 12-Months Wool

The amount of \$209,930 has been advanced to date on sheep in 12-months wool by the five co-operatives of the National Wool Marketing Corporation, at the rate of 50 cents a head.

The advances by co-operatives are as follows: San Angelo, 200,000; Sonora, 41,838; Menard, 73,167; Del Rio, 75,764; Uvalde, 27,092.

The advances are still being made, and no pre-shearing funds have yet been made on goats.

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complete the project is also uncertain, said Taylor. It will be a sizeable job requiring several weeks work, however.

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Benefits of D. R. & N. Railway Outlined by President Picnot

Editor's Note—In last week's issue of The News the first portion of this article was published. The article, which was the text of an address given by Mr. Picnot before the railway committee of the San Angelo Board of City Development, details the advantages which the building of the line, from Sonora to Quemado, in the Maverick county Irrigation district, would give, not only to the immediate territory, but to south and north Texas as well.

(Continued from last week)

To mention a few salient features of what this railroad will do, it may be observed that the mileage San Angelo to Del Rio at the present time is 500 miles and over the proposed new railroad is 158 miles, thereby effecting a direct saving of 341 miles. Between San Angelo and Eagle Pass the present mileage is 495 miles. The proposed mileage is 228 miles, which shows a saving of 276 miles. From San Angelo to the heart of the Winter Garden District, Carrizo Springs and Crystal City, is an average distance at the present time of 460 miles. Over the proposed line this will be changed to an average distance of approximately 175 miles. Time does not permit me to go further into the saving of mileage that will be effected by the new Del Rio and Northern Railway when built, but the points mentioned serve as a basis for further mileage reductions, except to say that the saving in mileage will be appreciable and will affect every city and town and county in West and Northwest Texas and every city and town in South and Southwest Texas.

It is unfortunate that before construction can begin on the lines mentioned, permission to build must be secured from the Interstate Commerce Commission. Both of these lines have now been surveyed and construction is ready to start on the Winter Garden Belt, as this first link has been financed, and the money available for construction. This is all being done without draining the finances of the citizens of our country and the same applies to the Del Rio and Northern Railway, upon which construction will be started as soon as permission is given.

In the case of the Winter Garden Belt Railway we have been fought by existing railroads of the territory. We have no criticism to make of the carriers now serving us and I do not believe the citizenship of the entire state of Texas should criticize the railroads of Texas where such railroads are conscious of the rights of the people they serve and do not seek to prevent construction of roads in their territory. Those railroads who fight additional construction we lay down the gage of battle, especially where they selfishly seek to hold their territory, declining to develop that territory by building needed extensions to the detriment of the citizenship they serve. A few words may be pertinent with reference to the railways of the country.

It is true that at the present time railroads are suffering losses but they are not alone in this respect, as all businesses of the United States are in the same shape. The system of rate making that has in the past permitted the promulgation of low rates on long hauls regardless of mileage and made higher rates on short hauls is probably one of the contributing causes of loss of rail revenue for the reason that this has created strong competition from trucks on short hauls and depleted railroad revenues from this source, and left to the carriers the low paying long haul freight on which operating revenue is very small.

Personally, I believe all rates will eventually go back to a mileage basis and group rates will be greatly limited as a matter of protection to the railroads of the country.

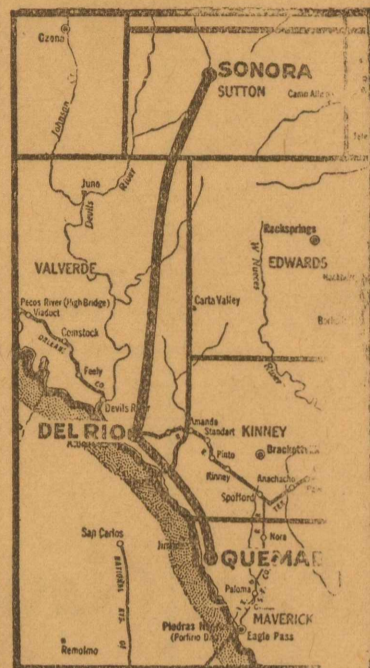
In this connection it is well to note that when this time arrives it behooves the communities of West Texas to look to shorter rail connections to tidewater, where the lower water rates will equalize increasing freight rates.

With a direct connection to the Port of Corpus Christi, which I have stated is West Texas' own port and seeks to serve this section, manufactured products of the Mississippi River Basin over barge lines in existence will be laid down as cheaply in this city as they are in the cities of Dallas and Fort Worth, and other middle Texas cities. This will mean that the manufactured goods from the Pittsburg District, the Ohio River Basin, St. Louis and the Mississippi River Basin will be shipped by barge down the Mississippi and through the Intracoastal Canal when finished to Corpus Christi. As a matter of fact, this service now exists and rates are quoted on barge shipments from the points mentioned to Corpus Christi. This service will be augmented when the stretch of Intracoastal Canal is completed into Corpus Christi, barges taking open

sea to make this trip at the present time.

From those railroads who continually fight new rail construction needed to develop our country, the public is justified in withdrawing their moral and trade support. Any corporate organization, whether railroad or others, who selfishly fight progress and expansion of trade territory, has no place in the upbuilding of this great western country.

This opposition on the part of existing railroads, to prevent new lines being built in pioneer territory, such as West Texas and South Texas, is a short sighted policy to say the least. In passing, I would



mention that it has cost one railroad considerable money to oppose the application of the Winter Garden Belt, and during this period while spending money to fight us they were cutting off employees, changing their division points in a frantic effort to cut down expenses.

Coming to the transportation act which the Interstate Commerce Commission is charged to enforce, a few remarks upon its actual operation is not amiss at this time. The transportation act, no doubt, contemplates a fully developed and finished territory such as we have at the present time in the eastern states where railroad service is often competitive and paralleling other lines between the major cities. The old countries of Europe have the same problem. However, that may be very well east of the Mississippi River, but west of the Mississippi River, and especially in West and Southwest Texas a great deal of discretion should be exercised by those who are charged with enforcing the Transportation Act and in applying the interpretation of the law to new lines of railroads.

The theory, that our railroad systems of today, seek to impress upon the people arguing against new railroad construction, that the territory should first be developed before they are forced to give service, is preposterous, and not in keeping with the spirit that has built up this wonderful state of Texas.

It is true that our railroad investments should be safe-guarded as a matter of public interest, but it is also true there is a decided discrimination to prevent a territory to be served by railroads when that territory in itself has invested millions and millions of dollars and which needs adequate rail transportation. In this particular instance I refer to the Maverick County Water District. The Winter Garden Belt Railway will cost something like two billion dollars to build through this district with an adequate connection with the Missouri Pacific to the East. The district itself has already spent four and one-half million dollars upon irrigation works and over twenty million dollars will be immediately spent for further development in this country.

Let us take the question of the Lower Rio Grande Valley upon which I read a statement showing that the rapid development of this magic valley has been entirely dependent upon adequate railroad facilities. The railroad whom I quoted, occupied this territory alone until the year 1925 when the Southern Pacific railroad made application to build into the Valley. After a great deal of money was spent in legal matters and hearing; the applicant was permitted to build into the territory. The main argument against this application was that there would not be freight enough for either railroad in the event permission was given. Again I am fortunate in being able to quote from direct statistics, which show in the year in which the application to enter the Valley was made 12,977 carloads were shipped out and in the year 1930 approximately 29,000 carloads were shipped, or an increase of over 150 per cent, and at the end of five years giving each road more than one road handled when that territory was served only by the Missouri Pacific.

It is, therefore, a very short-sighted policy for the railroads of

this western country to fight additional facilities except in the case of direct parallelization of tracks, but where new territory is being opened up and served, both the new and the old railroad systems will profit, and in no case, with maybe one or two exceptions in this country, has there been any deviations from this rule.

The citizens of West and Southwest Texas, know what railroads can do for this country, and have in the past and will in the future co-operate with any railroads for the purpose of bettering the country, but when the time arrives that the railroads themselves tell the people what to do, from that time railroads and the people will part friendship.

I have touched in a general way on the advantages of new railroad construction in pioneer countries like West and Southwest Texas, and in conclusion I want to show you what the Del Rio and Northern Railway project will do to help West and Southwest Texas.

I wish to sum up the distinct benefits to be received by West Texas and Southwest Texas through the building of both the Del Rio & Northern Railway and the Winter Garden Belt Railway.

First, it will give direct communication between two territories that should be closely allied in trade association. It will give to West Texas an outlet to Corpus Christi, and in addition an outlet to the Mexican port of entry at Del Rio and the Mexican port of entry at Eagle Pass and the Mexican port of entry at Laredo; it will reduce the rates on agricultural products from South Texas to West Texas and permit the marketing of products from these sections that will inure to the benefit of the consumer; it will knit closely together the

cities of West Texas and render them independent of the influence of the larger cities of East Texas; it will open new lines of traffic from the North and Northwestern states to South Texas and to Mexico; it will permit the shipment of high bred cattle into the great cattle ranges of South Texas, which today cannot be accomplished economically on account of the long circuitous route now existing; it will permit the marketing of forage crops of South Texas at low prices for the purpose of feeding livestock, and it will permit the shipment of your livestock to the fields of South Texas for feeding purposes.

One of the projects that only awaits the building of these railroads is the establishment of two beet sugar mills on the lines of these railroads. After four years of experimentation it has been found that the land around Del Rio and in the Winter Garden District is ideal for the raising of sugar beets, that one crop tonnage in this section averaged eighteen tons per acre against an average in the western states of ten and one-half tons per acre. The average sugar content runs 17 1/2 per cent as against the average of the west of 11 per cent. The lines of railroad now projected will permit the shipment of products of these sugar mills into West and North Texas to the benefit of the consumers of West Texas. And in addition there is a feature which is of special interest to the livestock industry of West Texas, and that is that the mill waste or pulp from the sugar has great value as feed for livestock. Annually from the state of Texas there are thousands and thousands of carloads of stock cattle shipped to the feeding pens of

Brownsville—Plant to can oysters from gulf, and winter vegetables and citrus fruit from Rio Grande Valley planned for this place.

feeding pens are to be found in the vicinity of beet sugar mills of the west.

The bringing to Texas an industry as I have outlined will mean that the livestock industry need not ship on long and expensive hauls out of the state for feeding purposes, but will have at its back door the same facilities as they now find in the west for this purpose, and in addition thereto we will be able to effect a great saving in unnecessary freight charges, while building up on of the real great industries of the west.

The railroad opposing the construction of the Del Rio & Northern and the Winter Garden Belt railroads has attempted to show that these projects are sponsored by one or two men. The entire southern country is behind this movement, and are giving the same their whole-hearted moral support. They even attempt to show selfish motives in the building of these lines. At this time I think it is appropriate to publicly state that I and my associates, and I include every man in South Texas as an associate in this respect, will at any time, in spite of the large amount of work already accomplished, turn over all of our work and include right-of-ways and terminal grounds to any railroad in this country who will build as outlined is our plans. In other words, gentlemen, we are in this move to secure better and more adequate railroad transportation with one sole object in view—to see our country developed as it should be developed and to safeguard our own investments in the territory in which we live.

Brownsville—Plant to can oysters from gulf, and winter vegetables and citrus fruit from Rio Grande Valley planned for this place.

Mohair Advisory Men Get Approval

Appointment of Fred Earwood Is Affirmed By Farm Board

Co-operatives handling wool and mohair have established a new advisory committee for their commodity in accordance with the provision of the Agricultural Marketing Act. The membership as certified to the Federal Farm Board is as follows:

F. J. Hagenbarth, Spencer, Idaho, president, National Wool Growers Association.

James A. Hooper, Salt Lake City, Utah, secretary-treasurer, Utah Wool Marketing Association.

Fred T. Earwood, Sonora, Texas, vice president, Sonora Wool and Mohair Marketing Corporation.

W. Marshall Ross, Gibbon, Nebraska, president, Midwest Wool Marketing Association.

S. W. McClure, Bliss, Idaho, breeder and wool grower.

Charles F. H. Johnson, Passaic, New Jersey, president, Botany Mills.

Merle Bell, Worcester, Mass., president, The Bell Company.

Mr. Johnson and Mr. Bell are manufacturers. The committee was chosen at an election held in Chicago, Illinois, December 8, 1931, and will serve for one year beginning January 1, 1932.

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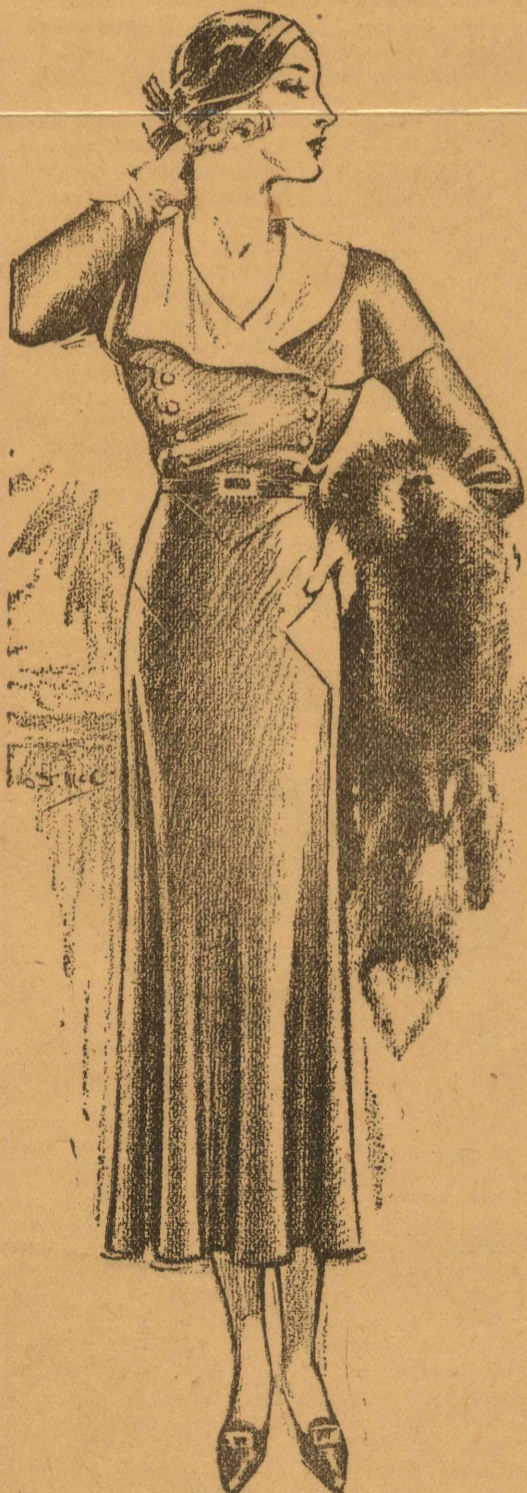
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Stone House—

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fit of Mr. Halbert, an enthusiastic breeder of Angoras and booster for rayon.

Above the center of the room, suspended from the natural ceiling, between giant hand-hewn beams, is a unique chandelier in the form of a wagon wheel—a real one—which has been painted orange and black, and drilled to permit placing of electric lights on the under side, with the wiring concealed above. Globes are placed at the end of each spoke on the wooden rim, in the center of the spokes, and a red light brightens the hub. Dwain Hughes, San Angelo, a friend of the Whiteheads, gave them the wagon wheel.

Appointments of the room, from the big stone fireplace to the table lamps, carry out the ranch idea. The branding irons of the Whitehead ranch, of undetermined age, are crossed above the fireplace, and beneath the irons the brands, "G Cross" for cattle and "V" for sheep and goats, are carved in the stone. Floors of the room, as well as those in kitchen, porch, and bath, are constructed of thin stones, picked up about the ranch. Inside walls are also of unfinished stone. Much of the furniture is antique, collected from ancestral homes. The dining table is made of lumber, with benches to match, both stained to correspond with the woodwork of the house.

One guest's pleased observation was that 'you can strike a match anywhere without getting into trouble.' The guest was J. D. Lowrey, Sonora.

An arched stone open doorway leads to the kitchen, where another detail of ranch days is worked in, with the cabinet taking the shape of a round-up wagon chuck box, made at the ranch, and also stained. Electrical refrigeration, lights all over the house and all of the barns, and modern plumbing give the place city advantages.

The house is rugged enough to make the most awkward cowhand feel immediately at home; yet its details of design and decoration reveal taste and consistency which make it immediately appealing to the most feminine and sophisticated visitor.

Visitors to the ranch first enter a porch, forty feet long, and extending entirely across the front of the living-dining room and the kitchen. Bedrooms open from the porch at each end. The guests enter through a big front door, made right there on the ranch. Hardware was beaten from iron, and is typical of the ruggedness of former ranch dwellings.

Each of the bedrooms is planned in definite colors, one orchid and green, and the other black and red. The larger room is heated by a fireplace. Extra beds are built in the form of bunks, in alcoves fashioned in the stone walls. Beneath the bunk-beds are cleverly concealed drawers for storage. Closets are provided in each room. Only these two rooms are floored with wood. The black and red room has many appointments of "homey" nature, including black and white check gingham draperies. An elaborately carved and painted table was imported from Mexico for the room.

The bathroom, too, carries out the stone idea, with the built-in bathtub carefully inclosed in stonework. Shelves beside mirrors are shaped of flat rocks, placed in openings in the walls.

The house is built with the floor at ground level on the upper side, and the front yard will be built up to the same level, carefully landscaped, and enclosed by a retaining wall of stone. Plans also call for a rock garden and a cactus garden with a stone wall and a goldfish pond for the grounds. A separate stone house was built to house the electric plant. The dwelling is roofed with tile.

The design of the house will permit additions at front, sides or back, or the placing of an additional story, should these be desired later.

Not all of the attention given improvement of the ranch went to the residence however. Mr. Whitehead is equally proud of a new barn, concrete floored, electrically lighted, and especially designed and placed in corrals to permit facility in shearing sheep and handling other livestock.

Corrals are especially designed to work both cattle and sheep, conserving space and reducing the investment.

A hay barn, a galvanized iron grain "tank," stables for horses, a feed room, and a blacksmith shop complete the ranching facilities.

A small house, about 50 yards from the residence, is used as a school house, and each morning little Rosemary, 7-year-old daughter, skips off to school. Miss Thelma Couvert is the little lady's governess. Young Bill, a robust youngster of four, occasionally "visits" the school, but devotes most of his time as an understudy to his father in the management of the ranch.

The ranch is watered by two wells, about 275 feet deep. Water is stored in two big rock reservoirs, located about 200 yards from the

ANNOUNCEMENTS
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(Editor's Note—Candidates will be listed in the order received. Rates will be as follows, payable in advance: Precinct offices, \$5; county offices, \$10; district offices, \$15. Announcement will be carried throughout entire year until time of final election. Payment of fee entitles candidate to a statement not exceeding 100 words. Portions of statements over 100 words will be charged for at 10 cents a line.)

The following candidates announce for the offices designated, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, July 23, 1932:

For Sheriff and Tax Collector:
B. W. HUTCHERSON
D. Q. ADAMS

For Tax Assessor:
GEO. J. TRAINER, SR.

One of the reservoirs is 85 feet in diameter and has an average dept of 7 feet. Side walls are 7 feet thick at the bottom, and four at the top, and its capacity is 185,000 gallons. A smaller reservoir, higher on the hill, gives adequate water and good pressure for the house and yard. Water is piped to half a dozen troughs placed in as many watering lots and pastures.

The ranch is located 35 miles southwest of Sonora, 75 miles north of Del Rio, and 25 miles east of Juno. It is served by the Vinegarone telephone exchange. Ranch trading is done in Del Rio, Sonora, and San Angelo.

Postal Receipts—

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while August was low in 1930 with \$361.18.

Four months in 1931 showed an increase over the same months of 1930.

Comparison of the two years is show in the following table:

	1930	1931
January	\$434.97	\$511.82
February	394.24	461.27
March	438.12	433.42
April	437.58	413.66
May	807.60	476.22
June	398.20	404.70
July	467.66	356.11
August	361.18	404.82
September	451.51	364.40
October	436.75	395.95
November	439.41	359.69
December	690.42	555.86
Total	\$5757.64	\$5155.92

FORMER SHERIFF MENARD COUNTY CRITICALLY ILL

Robert Spillers, former sheriff of Menard county, and now a ranchman in Kimble county, is in a critical condition following infection with charbon received through handling of old gloves which had been worn when treating cattle afflicted with the disease, it was learned here this week. The man was rushed to a San Antonio hospital, and little hope is held for his recovery.

Mr. Spillers was known here by a number of people. F. H. Hamby, of whom he is a close friend, stated Tuesday that he had worked under Mr. Spillers for seventeen years as deputy sheriff of Menard county.

Evans Gets Wool Tie

C. H. Evans, manager of the Sonora Wool and Mohair Company, is wearing proudly a tie of wool crepe, sent him as a Christmas gift by the The Southwest Wool & Mohair Marketing Corporation of Del Rio. The tie was made by a Boston woolen manufacturer.

Fresh Jersey milk, delivered twice daily. Phone 72. Fields' Dairy.

Crosbyton—Paving to start soon through this city.

Tentative plans considered for beautifying Highway No. 38, Galveston-Alvin road.



FOR SALE—bicycle. May be inspected at Sonora Cleaners. Phone 103. 1tp

Lost—Two female white hounds, from ranch Wednesday Reward for return. John Fields. 1te

FOR SALE—New Hoover vacuum cleaner, with attachments. HALF PRICE! See it at Sonora Cleaners. 11-2te

NOTICE RANCHMEN: Will trade first-class plumbing jobs for Rambouillet sheep. If interested, write W. B. Brown Plumbing Co., Kerrville, Texas. 9-3te

ANCIENT CLUB RULES HOLD INTEREST TODAY

The increasing popularity of luncheon clubs in the United States, some of which have a custom of limiting their membership to only one of each business or profession, recalls a similar rule of the famous Spectator Club, organized by Addison, the English essayist, more than two centuries ago.

That rule stated that "None shall be admitted into the club that is in the same trade with any member in it."

A number of other rules, however, find no counterpart among the modern regulations governing the Lions, Rotary, Kiwanis, and similar organizations, but are, nevertheless, interesting and, in some cases, most amusing. The following are a few examples:

"If any member swears or curses, his neighbor may give him a kick upon the shins.


"If any member tells stories in the club that are not true, he shall forfeit for every third lie a half penny.

"If any member brings his wife into the club, he shall pay for whatever she drinks or smokes.

"If any member's wife comes to fetch him from the club, she shall speak to him outside the door."

The last rule was considered quite necessary in a day when there were no telephones, and may have enabled a timorous husband to escape by the back door while a faithful steward assured his wife that he was not in.

BATTERY SERVICE



OILING



GREASING

WASHING

EACH \$1.00

These are just 3 phases of our Dependable Service.

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1931 Rainfall—

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a long drouth earlier in the year. The total was 27.96.

The dampest year in the 13 years was 1919, with 33.63; 1931 was low, with 17.27 inches.

The fall, by months, for the last two years, follows:

Month—	1930	1931
January	.16	2.95
February	.05	1.51
March	.54	2.45
April	1.64	3.23
May	.95	3.37
June	3.86	1.46
July	1.44	3.24
August	2.05	2.10
September	1.11	.03
October	12.80	.52
November	2.63	3.54
December	.73	2.23
Total	27.96	26.63

The fall by years since 1919, follows:

1919, 33.61; 1920, 25.51; 1921, 17.27; 1922, 25.07; 1923, 31.65; 1924, 19.61; 1925, 21.32; 1926, 19.18; 1927, 24.86; 1928, 25.97; 1929, 22.65; 1930, 27.97; 1931, 26.63.

Rate Cut Asked—

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of education of the public in the proper use of electricity, and Mr. Westbrook agreed to instruct children through the school in the reading of meters. Requests from individuals for this information will be granted, he stated.

Mr. Rowe promised to make every effort to secure from his company information regarding capital invested in the Sonora plant, and figures showing the volume of business done here.

A plan to increase the number of street lights was discussed.

IRA G. YATES NEW HEAD WOOL GROWERS CENTRAL

Ira G. Yates, San Angelo capitalist who made a fortune from oil royalties in the Pecos county Yates field, was elected president of the Wool Growers Central Storage Company at the annual stockholders meeting Wednesday morning. Prior to discovery of oil on his ranch, Mr. Yates was a sheep man.

George S. Allison, Sonora, and Lee Aldwell, with Sutton county ranch interests, were re-elected directors in the company. Judge J. A. Whitten, Eldorado, who has served as president for the last six months following the death of Robert Massie, will remain a member of the board of directors. J. M. O'Daniel will continue to be manager of the company.

The company has a capital stock of \$200,000, surplus of \$300,000, and undivided profits of \$108,000. It handled over 12 million pounds of wool and mohair in 1931, the greatest volume of any inland concern in the United States.

Newcastle—Bridge costing \$175,000 planned across the Brazos near here.

Let the Devil print it for you.

Wise Spending



The careful man or woman saves without stinting. That is the wise way. To buy what you need when you need it at prices that are within your spending budget, and saving the remainder which is within your saving budget. Then make regular deposits in the FIRST NATIONAL BANK toward your future budget.

First National Bank

Capital and Surplus \$237,800.00

State of Texas
County of Sutton.
To the creditors of the Sonora Cash Gro., Sonora, Texas, O. F. Priest, Proprietor.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed as trustee for the said Sonora Cash Grocery of Sonora, Texas, O. F. Priest, proprietor.

All creditors of the said Sonora Cash Gro., O. F. Priest, proprietor, consenting to this assignment must make known to the undersigned in writing their acceptance and must

file their claims with the undersigned, whose postoffice address is shown below, within the time prescribed by law.

Witness my hand this 12th day of December, A. D. 1931.
JOHN E. MARTIN, Trustee.
8-3tc Box 835, San Angelo, Tex.

Classified ads will get a buyer. Phone 72 for fresh Jersey milk.

Tulia—Community building being floored.

SPECIALS

Friday--Saturday

- SALT PORK—fine for boiling—special for Friday and Saturday, per pound **9c**
- COFFEE—good blend, bulk. Special for Friday and Saturday, 10 pounds **1.00**
- FLOUR—Canadian's Best—every sack guaranteed—24-lb. sack for **59c**
- BAKING POWDER—K. C. Brand, special for Friday and Saturday, 50-oz. can **44c**
- BACON—Breakfast, unliced. Special for Friday and Saturday, per pound **16c**
- TUBS—No. 3 galvanized.... special for Friday and Saturday, each **69c**
- MACARONI—ready cut, excellent quality, three packages for **10c**
- SALT—Diamond Crystal.... none better. Three 5-cent boxes for **10c**
- MUSTARD—French's, special for Friday and Saturday, 2 for **25c**
- CRACKERS—Brown's, clean fresh stock, week-end special, 2-lb. box **19c**
- BUTTER—Golden Valley, absolutely fresh, special for Friday and Saturday, lb. **29c**
- GREEN BEANS—Good grade. Three number 2 cans, special at **25c**
- TURNIP AND MUSTARD GREENS—No. 2 cans, special, 2 for **24c**
- SOAP—Luna Brand....30 bars, and 2 large boxes of Washing Powders, special at **99c**
- SYRUP—Steamboat Brand—special for Friday and Saturday, gallon **57c**
- MOPS—Linen, well made, special for Friday and Saturday, each **42c**
- PLUMS—Green gage, special for Friday and Saturday, gallon can **47c**
- BEANS—Pork & Beans, kidney beans, brown beans, Mexican style beans, Wapco. No. 303 can, 3 for **25c**
- PRESERVES AND JELLIES—in all flavors, White Swan Brand, excellent grade. One-lb. Jars, each **23c**

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