

# Jury Finds That Fowler Not Guilty

### Grand Jury Finds Two Indictments; Conditions Good

Body in Session Two Days; Ed Glasscock Is Foreman; Asks Co-operation

Finding two indictments, the Sutton county grandjury adjourned a two-day session Tuesday night and was discharged by Judge Joe Montague in 112th district court.

Indictment was returned against J. A. Bagley, charged with forgery. In its report the body found that moral and law enforcement conditions were good in Sutton county. Necessity of co-operation with officers on the part of citizens was stressed, particularly as regards prohibition laws.

Bagley, who was arrested here last spring after posing as a cattle buyer, gave worthless checks to a number of local firms. He escaped jail here in June and was later arrested in Mena, Ark. He stayed in jail here from Oct. 15 until the time of the indictment. After the indictment he plead guilty, waived privilege of trial by jury, and was sentenced to three years in the penitentiary, with credit allowed for the time spent in jail after Oct. 15.

W. E. Glasscock was foreman of the jury.

The report follows:  
To the Hon. Joe G. Montague, Judge of 112th Judicial Court:

We, your grandjury, duly empaneled for the March, 1932, term, respectfully report that we have diligently inquired into all violations of the law reported to us, and have returned bills of indictment in such

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### Goat Case Is Set for Trial Monday

Many Civil Cases Disposed of in District Court Here

The case of W. H. Hill et al vs. American Angora Goat Breeders' Association, commonly known as the "goat case" has been set for trial here Monday morning before Judge Joe Montague.

A number of civil cases have been disposed of this term, with several continuances until a later term granted.

The case of Edwin C. Ahrens vs. W. C. Joy et al, foreclosure of vendor's lien, resulted in a judgment in default for the plaintiff for debt and foreclosure of lien as per decree on file.

Wm. Cameron Co., Inc., was granted judgment by default in its suit on account against S. H. Martin.

The case of West Texas Lumber Company vs. E. M. Kirkland, suit on account, was continued, as was the case of Peggy Dotson vs. E. M. Kirkland, suit for slander and for damages, because of illness of the defendant.

The case of Clarkson vs. Keene, suit for rent and foreclosure of vendor's lien, was continued for service.

The case of Mrs. Josie McDonald, Next Friend and Guardian, vs. Mrs. Geo. (Myrtle) McDonald, suit for annulment of marriage, was continued.

In the case of Sutton county vs. the Security Trust Company, et al, suit to collect cashier's check for \$3,500, a plea of privilege was filed for the defendant.

In the suit styled Gabe Smith vs. L. L. Craddock, for damages, continuance for service was ordered.

The case of Mrs. Nannie B. Wilson vs. L. L. Stuart, et al, foreclosure of vendor's lien, was continued to perfect service.

The case of E. C. Garvin vs. S. T. and W. C. Gilmore, for damages, was continued.

### Health Board Meeting Postponed

The County Health Board, which postponed its meeting this week on account of the Methodist revival meeting, will meet Monday night of next week at the regular hour, it was announced.

### Wet Candidate



This is Mrs. Ida M. Darden of Port Worth, who has a strictly wet platform in her candidacy for Congress-at-large. In fact the absolute appeal of the 18th amendment is her only plank. "I shall include no other issue to confuse my campaign, and if it does nothing more than serve as an unofficial referendum on the prohibition question in Texas, it will not have been made in vain, since we have repeatedly been denied this right of self-expression," she asserted.

### School Trustee Election Ordered

Three Vacancies on Board to Be Filled in Balloting April 2

The places of three trustees of the Sonora independent school district are to be filled in an election called by the board for the second of April.

The three year terms of Mrs. Maysie Brown, Joe F. Logan and R. A. Halbert will expire, and it is to fill the vacancies that the election has been called. It will be held in the offices of O. L. Richardson. H. V. Stokes will serve as manager of the election, and will appoint his own clerks.

### Personals

Miss Mora Lee Meckel spent the week-end in Eldorado visiting with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben F. Meckel and family were shopping in San Angelo Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Baker were the week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Maley, at Ozona.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Mayfield, of San Antonio, visited Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Mayfield here last week-end.

Mrs. Barnes, mother of W. R. Barnes, and her daughter, Miss Velma, of Christoval, were Sonora visitors Wednesday.

Mesdames S. T. Gilmore and M. O. Britt, accompanied by Mrs. W. C. Gilmore and her little daughters, Patsy and Peg, were San Angelo visitors Saturday.

Mrs. Frank Baker, of San Antonio, accompanied by her daughter, Miss Ruth, spent Saturday night and Sunday here visiting her son, Roy Baker, and Mrs. Baker at the ranch.

## Del Rio & Northern Makes Emphatic Plea for Permit

Intervenors Tell of the Necessity of New Railroad

Saturday saw the conclusion of oral testimony at the hearing in Del Rio, begun Friday, to determine whether the proposed Del Rio and Northern railroad shall be granted a permit to construct 132 miles of line linking Sonora, Del Rio, and Quemado.

A period of 40 days was allowed by Federal Examiner H. E. Davis for attorneys to prepare and file briefs concerning the requested permit, on request of T. N. Pienot, president of the proposed line, and J. H. Tallichet, attorney for the Texas and New Orleans railway, which is opposed to the granting of the permit.

The Del Rio Chamber of Commerce, through its representatives, W. P. Wallace, jr., and C. C. Belcher, intervened in behalf of the Del Rio and Northern. Other intervenors in behalf of the proposed railroad were: The Nueces County Water District and Port of Corpus Christi; West Texas Chamber of Commerce; representatives of the Maverick County Irrigation District; San Angelo Board of City Development. Sonora was not represented.

T. N. Pienot was representing the Del Rio and Northern in its arguments for the permit.

Efforts of T. N. O. witnesses to show the project unfeasible were featured in closing testimony. Financial set-up of the road was attacked by General Manager L. B. McDonald. The sale of common (Continued on page 4)

### Senior Class in Rehearsal for Its Play April 22nd

Miss Nan Casbeer, Assisted by Mrs. A. L. Smith, to Direct Cast of 15 Characters

"Anne What's-Her-Name," by Walter Ben Hare, is the three-act mystery comedy for which a cast of 15 high school students went into rehearsal Monday, preparatory to presenting it as the annual Senior Play at the high school auditorium Friday evening, April 22.

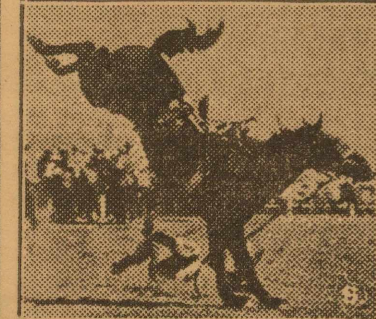
With the exception of several conscripts from other classes to play male parts, owing to the limited masculine element of the graduating class, all parts will be taken by Seniors. The play will be directed by Miss Nan Casbeer, assisted by Mrs. A. L. Smith, teacher of expression in the schools.

The three-act farce, with an intriguing plot full of action and suspense, sounds well-adapted for the high school group, judging from the author's description of his characters in the cast, as follows:

Anthony Wheat (Tony), a victim of circumstances, Harold Friess; Burks, his valet, faithful to the end, Charrie (Miss), a very modern young woman, Velma Chadwick; Aunt Julia, the Judge's sister-in-law, Lillie Margaret Lehne; Barbara, a flapper who flaps, Ealen White; Mooney, the temperamental maid, with nerves, Edythe Carson; Willie Peabody, the boy next door, Herbert Fields; Doran, a plainclothes detective, Charlie Pharis; Gran'ma, aged 82, with young ideas, Ella Roe; Louise Byers, her companion, Pauline Turner; Judge Bunby, the head of the house, Lacey Smith; Doctor Aked, a friend of the family, Cleveland Jones; Nancy Brown, the girl from Rosedale, Mora Lee Meckel; Ebenezer Whittle, the judge's nephew, Lavelle Meckel; Mrs. Ebenezer Whittle, looking for Ebenezer, Alice Sawyer.

Jack Mayfield visited in Ozona Sunday.

### Black Terror



Here is Midnight, the famous bronc that has never been ridden. He threw or disqualified every cowboy who tried to ride him at the Southwestern Stock show and rodeo at Fort Worth, and this photo shows the reason why.

### Methodist Revival Ends Here Sunday

Easter Closes Ten-day Series of Meetings at Local Church

The ten-day evangelistic meeting which has been conducted since last Friday evening by the Rev. E. P. Neal, pastor of the Sonora Methodist church, assisted by E. J. Thomas, Fampa, gospel singer, will close Sunday night, according to the Rev. Mr. Neal.

Week-day services have been held this week at 10 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., with special after-school services for children and young people. A great deal of interest has been manifested by the small children, who have been divided into two teams competing for attendance at the special song services conducted by Mr. Thomas.

A committee of sixteen volunteer workers has contributed assistance in the carrying on of the meeting. No additions had been made to the church membership up to Thursday of this week.

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### Local Briefs

#### Allen's Brother Visits Here

Maurice (Scotty) Allen, San Antonio, a brother of Cecil Allen, visited the latter here Saturday of last week. Sunday the two spent the day in Ballinger with their parents.

#### Fire Department Dance Enjoyed

The dance sponsored Wednesday night by the Sonora Fire Department was enjoyed by a large crowd of local people, in addition to a number of out-of-town attendants at the Fowler trial, as well as couples from neighboring towns.

#### Mrs. Evans Visits Son, Daughter

Mrs. C. H. Evans, accompanied by her little daughter, Mary Jane, leaves today for Austin, where she will visit her daughter, Miss Jessie Louise, who is a student in the University of Texas; and will later either be joined in Austin by her son, Charles Harold, or will visit him in Lampasas where he is associated with the Central Texas Trading Company.

### FIVE CARS MOHAIR NOW ON HAND AT WAREHOUSE

About 175,000 pounds, or five cars, of mohair have been received to date by the Sonora Wool & Mohair Company, and the entire amount is being held by the growers, with no reports of sales.

The majority of Texas growers are saving their clip until announcement of its spring policy is made by the National Wool Marketing Corporation. Action from the co-op is expected before the end of the month.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Holland, and family, of the ranch near Junction, were Sunday guests of Mr. Holland's mother, Mrs. M. E. Holland, and his sisters, Mesdames V. F. Hamilton and Tom Driskell, and their families.

## Robison Praised as "Friend of People" as Bronze Statue is Unveiled in Texas Land Office, Austin

"To me he was just plain Jim Robison—my friend."

Thus Judge William Pierson, associate justice of the supreme court, Tuesday afternoon characterized the late J. T. Robison, for many years state land commissioner, in an address delivered to relatives and friends of Robison who gathered for the unveiling of a bust in his honor in the state office building.

The bronze likeness of Robison, gift of his friends to the state, will remain in a prominent place in the office where he served for so long. It was designed by Frank Teich of

Llano and sits on a pedestal of pink and gray Texas granite.

### Kept His Friends

Other speakers on the dedicatory program Tuesday afternoon were J. H. Walker, present land commissioner and chief clerk under Robison at the time of the latter's death; and George W. Beaver, present chief clerk and for many years an employe of the land department.

Little Gloria Robison of Houston, a granddaughter of the former commissioner, unveiled the bust.

"Jim Robison had that genial, pleasant easy-going way about

him," Judge Pierson declared. "He made friends and kept them. He was a man of sterling qualities, character and motives."

### Had Proper View

"Jim Robison and I went to the university night law school together years ago. At that time he was just beginning his service to the state in the land office, but I saw then that he had the proper vision that the policy of the state in regard to its public lands should be to help those who were trying to keep their homes.

"Men who serve Texas best have a view of the whole state—not a

view of just a portion. Jim Robison had the proper view."

Judge Pierson declared that Robison was ever in the forefront "trying to help the common man of Texas in time of need."

"If he had a fault (and it's not a fault) it was in going the limit to help the man who was trying to keep his land and maintain his family in time of drouth and hardship. That's why the people of West Texas loved him—that's why hundreds in all sections of the state loved him and knew him as just plain Jim Robison—their friend." (Continued on page 4)

### Body Out 50 Min. Murder Trial Ends Thursday, 8:53 p. m.

Upton Sheriff Acted in Self Defense in Shooting of Graham Barnett, Testimony Shows

### BULLETIN

"Not guilty," was the verdict returned Thursday night at 8:53 o'clock by a Sutton county jury in the case of W. C. Fowler, Upton county sheriff, charged with the murder of Graham Barnett in Rankin on the morning of Dec. 6.

The jury received final argument at 8 o'clock, and was out only 50 minutes in reaching its decision. Cleve Jones was foreman.

When the decision was read by Judge Montague, clapping and cheering was the response of the audience. Fowler and his wife and three children were showered with congratulation and well wishes.

Judge Montague thanked the jury for the manner in which the case was handled.

The decision came just as The News was going to press.

The case of the State of Texas vs. W. C. Fowler on a charge of murdering Graham Barnett in Rankin Dec. 6 was called at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning, by Judge Joe Montague. Roll of a special venire of jurors and of both state and defense witnesses was called.

Little difficulty was encountered in selection of a jury. The defense questioned prospective jurors concerning their willingness to follow the instructions from the judge and concerning their recognition of the right for a man to act in self defense whether his danger is real or imagined. The state questioned venemen concerning their knowledge or prejudice in the case, asking each if he would give an officer of the law the same consideration he would a private citizen.

About twenty-five of the 60 members of the special venire were examined in getting the group. Members were John Ward, jr., ranchman; W. P. McConnell, jr., civil engineer for the Humble company; W. R. Barnes, telephone exchange manager; Joe B. Ross, ranchman; William Fields, ranch and dairy owner; George E. Allison, ranchman; R. W. Drennan, garage employee; Theo Savell, ranchman; G. P. Hill, ranchman; Libb Wallace, ranchman; T. W. Sandherr, ranchman, and C. T. Jones, ranchman.

The case was brought here on a change of venue after Fowler was indicted several weeks ago by an Upton county grandjury. One hundred and thirty-five witnesses, all told, were subpoenaed by state and defense.

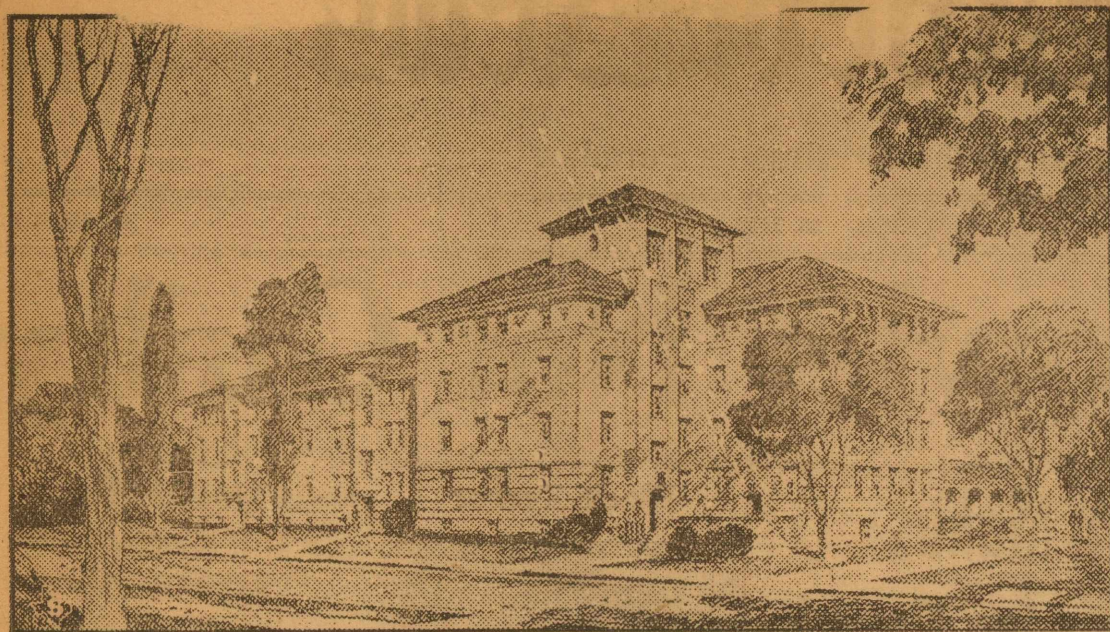
The state was represented by Weaver H. Baker, Junction, district attorney, assisted by Bascom Stevenson, Junction, county attorney of Kimble county. The defense lawyers were Tom Garrard, Lubbock, and Senator Walter C. Woodward, Coleman. With state counsel sat O. H. Graham, an uncle of the slain man, and D. T. ("Bug") Barnett, a brother, both of whom live in Alpine. Fowler sat with his counsel, together with his father, Mrs. Graham Barnett, now of Sterling City, was here.

Taking of testimony began when court was resumed at 1:30 o'clock Wednesday.

### State Has Six Witnesses

The state put on six witnesses. Harry Yoachim, owner of the filling station where Barnett met his death, described the scene of the shooting. He said that about one and one half hours before the shooting happened that Graham Barnett and two others came to the station, loafed around a while, and then went away. Later they drove up again into the station after driving up and down the street. Then Fowler drove up out in the street, motioned Tony Hess of Alpine out of the way and began to (Continued on page 4)

**\$3,000,000 Building Program at Texas U. Takes Form**



Ground has been broken for this men's dormitory, the first of nine new buildings to be built on the campus of Texas university, Austin, at a cost of about \$3,000,000. This structure is the first unit of a men's dormitory group, and will cost more than \$200,000. Other buildings will be engineering, architecture, home economics, geology, physics, auditorium, union building and a library which alone will cost \$1,000,000. Herbert M. Greene, La Roche & Dahl, architects.

**Farm Special Brings Many Exhibits to Sonora**

**Valuable Lessons Are Offered by A&M Experts**

**EDITOR'S NOTE**—The farm demonstration train brought here last week by the Santa Fe railway in co-operation with the A. & M. College of Texas, had many exhibits of a practical nature. Detailed description of the exhibits in last week's issue of The News was not possible because of limited time and space. The following briefly describes the various exhibits:

By CURTIS VINSON  
Director of Publicity, A. & M.

Exhibits prepared by the college occupied four cars. Livestock from the college farms filled one car and farm electrification exhibit another. Results of the latest experiments in improved farming practices and livestock production were cited and the possibilities and benefits of a live-at-home program, including home improvement and beautification, were emphasized.

Exhibits of especial appeal to women and girls were found in the 4-H pantry and home industries displays. The 4-H pantry display pointed out that no farm family of five, with proper attention to home production, need spend more than \$80 a year in cash on the family larder. The exhibit showed a model pantry, well stocked with home grown and home canned food products bearing the 4-H label. More than 24,000,000 tin cans and more than 8,000,000 glass jars

were sold in Texas in 1931, specialists aboard pointed out in citing the growth of 4-H pantry demonstration work among farm women. Summary of the work in 122 counties showed more than 47,000 women reached during the year, 10,490,578 quarts of fruit, vegetables and meats canned and 6,271,224 products put up by Texas farm women represented a value of more than \$3,600,000.

**Farm Home Industries**  
Farm home industries exhibit showing various gift packages pointed out what can and what is being done by Texas farm women in augmenting their income through the preparation and sale of better 4-H products and articles. Nearly 900 home industry demonstrators and co-operators received \$31,431 for such products in 1931.

How old wool and cotton garments, discarded hose, feed sacks and scraps of new material may be turned into attractive rugs was the story of one exhibit. During 1931, Texas farm women turned out 2,688 hand made rugs and mats valued at \$13,632.

Reflecting a growing revival in the use of cotton clothing, one display showed cotton garments for a family of five, illustrating the adaptability of such fabrics for men's suits, sports and evening wear for women and numerous other garments. Texas farm club girls during 1931 made articles of clothing valued at \$33,428.

**New Uses for Cotton**  
New uses for cotton, opening the way to greater consumption of Texas' major agricultural product, were cited in another exhibit. Specimens of cotton bagging, mesh

bags for shipping vegetables, nuts and citrus fruits as well as samples of various textiles, all manufactured from cotton, were on display.

Industrial uses for cotton were illustrated with display of various mechanical parts, such as spools, silent timing gear used in automobiles, airplane propeller tips, and parts for weaving machinery. Attention was called to the fact that 65 per cent of the 6,300,000 bales of cotton consumed in the United States in 1928 was for industrial uses as compared to 34 per cent of the domestic consumption in 1919.

The need of reducing production costs and improving staple quality of the 1932 cotton crop was stressed. Important factors in accomplishing this were cited as terracing of the land to conserve moisture and soil fertility, use of proper crop rotation, planting of good seed of known breeding, seed treatment to hasten germination, proper cultivation, and use of fertilizers.

**Orchards, Gardens and Lawns**  
Terracing hillside orchards, featuring the development of pecan orchards in Texas, was the theme of one exhibit showing miniature orchard and the proper method of terracing.

Lath garden sub-irrigation system was the subject of another miniature model showing cross section of underground irrigation system eight inches below the surface. This exhibit called attention to the fact that a vegetable garden, 100 by 150 feet in size, properly cultivated and irrigated, will supply the needs of family of five with fresh and canned vegetables for a year.

How proper landscaping with a few shrubs and a lawn, add to the beauty of the grounds about a house was the story of another exhibit. It was pointed out that in 1931, a total of 1,217 farm yards in Texas were improved with landscaping and planting of shrubs and flowers at a cost of a little more than \$1 a yard.

**Farm Electrification**  
Farm electrification exhibit, featuring electricity as the new "hired hand" on the farm, filled one whole car of the train. This display demonstrated the many uses to which electricity may be put in bringing conveniences of the urban home to the farm home, as well as in lightening the tasks and increasing the efficiency on the farm. Appliances and equipment for household, kitchen, laundry, dairy, poultry raising, shop and general farm use were shown. This exhibit was sponsored by the Texas committee on the Relation of Electricity to Agriculture and the Southwest division of the National Electric Light Association.

**Livestock Exhibits**  
Livestock from the college herds and flocks filled one car, illustrating points brought out by some of the booth displays in other cars. Beef cattle and dairy stock, hogs, sheep and Angora goats were featured, type, production and care being stressed. Exhibits and special

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**Proper Packing of Spring Wool Clip Stressed by Dealers**

**Low Price Increases Need for Care in Keeping Fleece Clean and in Good Condition**

Whether wool prices are low or high it pays to prepare and pack the clip properly for delivery, wool dealers assert as they prepare for arrival of wool coming from growers of the United States this year. Growers can save themselves many dollars by using care in handling the clip at shearing time, it is pointed out.

The plea to growers to take better care of their wool while shearing and packing is an old, old story that is always new and worth repeating, especially at this time of year before work in the sheds is begun. This year the need for better handling is more apparent than ever, since prices are unfavorable and supplies are plentiful.

When the market prices are good the penalties for improperly packed wool are all the traffic will bear. When prices are as low as at present, it is difficult to sell inferior and poorly packed wool at all.

Growers are giving more attention than ever before to proper packing of wool, but even today every wool warehouse in the country contains plenty of examples of improperly packed clips. There will be a few fleeces tied with the weather side out, some loaded with chaff and dirt from shearing, others with dung locks rolled inside, a few tied with binder twine and some bags with the gray and black wool thrown in with the white fleeces.

Mill buyers appear to have remarkably keen eyesight when it comes to spotting imperfections. They can see defects from afar and when they try to strike a bargain for a particular lot of wool, the imperfections are emphasized to the utmost, usually considerably more than conditions actually warrant.

The first requisite to good market demand is good wool. Frequently growers fail to realize full value on good wool because of indifference or careless methods at shearing time. Proper packing is the most important item. It is partic-

ularly desirable that ranchmen use diligence in shearing and packing their clips to bring the best possible returns. Poor packing means extra grading and handling costs at assembling points to put the clip in marketable condition.

Rules to be observed in shearing and packing wool are simple and it costs no more to do things the right way.

Shear only when wool is dry. Shear in a clean place. Keep dirt and chaff out of the wool. Keep the fleece with the flesh side out. tags and stained wool. Roll the fleece with the flesh side out. Tie each fleece separately with paper twine. Never use binder twine or string. Pack the dead, gray, seedy, burry wool and tags separately.

Much wool is penalized because of excessive use of branding paint. This is one of the most difficult problems faced by the industry today, by growers and manufacturers alike. Growers should avoid having too much paint on the fleeces, as this usually is difficult to remove. Only standard branding paints should be used. Insoluble branding fluids must be clipped off by hand before the wool can be made into cloth. This is expensive and the cost is discounted from the clips.

**P.T. A. Easter Sale Tomorrow**

A sale of Easter eggs, candies, and cakes will be held by the finance committee of the Parent-Teacher Association at the Gilmore Hardware Company store tomorrow afternoon from three to six.

**With the Churches**

**St. John's Episcopal Church**

Will hold evening service on April 3rd, the Sunday after Easter, and at 7:30 o'clock. Mr. Brasier, the rector, will preach. We lovingly invite you to this service, more especially so if you have no church home or membership elsewhere. On Monday, April 4 at 10 o'clock a. m., the Holy Communion.

FREDERICK M. BRASHER.

**Methodist Church**

Sunday school 9:45.  
Morning worship 11:00.  
Evening worship 7:30.  
Young People's meeting 6:45.  
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.

**O. L. Richardson, jr, Has Operation**

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Richardson took their little son, O. L. jr., to Temple Wednesday of last week for an examination, and word was received here Monday that he had undergone an operation for the removal of his appendix on Monday. It is understood that he is doing well since the operation.

**Spearman**—Construction work on highway 117 east of here to Ochiltree county line, nearing completion.

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# WOMAN'S PAGE



## SOCIETY

Mrs. George Baker, Editor

### Mrs. G. H. Davis Entertains the Just-Us Contract

Mrs. G. H. Davis entertained three tables of members and guests of the Just-Us Contract Club at her charming ranch home Friday afternoon.

High club score for the afternoon was won by Mrs. P. J. Taylor and high guest by Mrs. Ira Shurley. Novel tallies in the form of small fans and the pretty refreshment plate carrying out a color scheme of green and yellow, were attractive details of the party. The hostess served a delicious moulded salad with saltines, individual pecan pies, and coffee.

Club members present were Mesdames Taylor, V. F. Hamilton, T. D. White, Gus Love, and J. C. Stephen.

Guests were Mesdames Shurley, B. W. Hutcherson, John Fields, A. G. Blanton, R. A. Halbert, and George Baker; and Miss Joanna Stokes.

### Miss Exa D. Meckel Gives Surprise for Mr. George Barrow

Miss Exa D. Meckel entertained at the Meckel ranch home Monday night with a surprise birthday party in honor of Mr. George Barrow. There were two tables of bridge.

A color scheme of pink and green was carried out in the attractively arranged plate lunch which was served with punch and angel food cake on green china with glasses to match; and also in the tallies, table covers, and pink birthday cake.

Participants in the affair were the Misses Edythe Carson, Mora Lee and Exa D. Meckel; Mr. and Mrs. Allen Adkins, and Messrs. George Barrow, Jimmie West, and Carlton Leatherwood.

### Mrs. McClelland Is Jolly Joker Hostess Saturday Afternoon

Mrs. Ernest McClelland entertained the Jolly Joker Contract Club and several guests at the home of her mother-in-law, Mrs. J. T. McClelland, Saturday afternoon with a party which hinted of Easter's approach, in its attractive bridge accessories and delicious refreshments of salad, ice box cake, and iced tea, appropriate to the warm day.

High club score was achieved by Mrs. B. M. Halbert, jr., and high guest went to Mrs. Johnie Hamby. Cunning cut prizes, consisting of boxes of Easter candies, were presented at each table. These were received by Mrs. Sam Allison, and the Misses Joanna Stokes and Jamie Gardner, respectively.

Guests for the afternoon were Mesdames W. A. Carroll, Roy Baker, Sam Allison, Henry Decker, Johnie Hamby and George Baker. Club members present were Mesdames John Fields, Andrew Moore, B. M. Halbert, jr., and Ernest McClelland; and the Misses Joanna Stokes and Jamie Gardner.

### Mrs. Bryan Hunt Entertains Queen Of Clubs Tuesday

Mrs. Bryan Hunt was hostess to the Queen of Clubs at the home of her mother, Mrs. Theo Savell, Tuesday afternoon. Four tables enjoyed bridge at which Mrs. L. L. Stuart won high score and Mrs. Johnie Hamby, low.

Guests for the afternoon were Mesdames Theo Savell and Miers Savell. The hostess served an attractive salad course, carrying out a St. Patrick motif.

Club members present were Mesdames George H. Neill, L. L. Stuart, John A. Ward, jr., Joe Brown Ross, John Fields, Johnie Hamby, Marshall Huling, Lloyd Earwood, R. C. Vicars, Duke Wilson, Tom White, Henry Decker, and W. P. McConnell, jr., and Miss Joanna Stokes.

The Sonora Cleaners will give you prompt service and expert laundry work. It's a home business.—Adv.

### Woman's Club Hears Good Papers on Art

Mesdames Vander Stucken, Nisbet, Aldwell Contribute Material

At the monthly meeting of the Sonora Woman's Club Thursday afternoon of last week at the club house, Mrs. E. E. Sawyer read an interesting paper on "Texas Artists," prepared by Mrs. E. F. Vander Stucken who was unable to be present; Mrs. W. R. Nisbet presented a comprehensive exposition of "The Period of Foreign Influence on American Art"; and Mrs. Roy Aldwell read a charming paper on "Landscape Gardening," which, though it had been scheduled for the previous meeting, was worked out upon artistic lines which rendered it decidedly appropriate to the subject of the day.

The yo-yo quilt which members of the club have been making for several weeks was displayed, complete, at the meeting, and plans were made for the disposal of the quilt for the benefit of the club's treasury. A committee composed of Mesdames John Fields, C. H. Evans, and George Baker; and Miss Alice Karnes, was appointed to make arrangements concerning this matter.

Planting of more trees in the park sponsored by the club was discussed.

Reports of the library committee and the treasurer were heard.

The program for next month will be on music, with roll call to be answered with descriptions of recent musical events.

Members present were Mesdames Hi Eastland, W. E. Caldwell, Roy Aldwell, E. E. Sawyer, R. S. Covey, W. R. Nisbet, John Fields, J. H. Brasher, B. W. Hutcherson, and George Baker. Mrs. J. L. Nisbet was a visitor.

### C. S. C. Enjoys Weiner Roast at Perry Mittel Ranch Saturday Night

Members of the Community Social Club enjoyed a weiner roast the Perry Mittel ranch Saturday evening preceding the usual weekly playing of bridge.

High score for the evening went to Mrs. Gene Lightfoot and low to Mrs. Perry Mittel. Tallies carried out an Easter motif.

Members present were Messrs. and Mesdames Archie Mittel, Gene Lightfoot, W. L. Davis, and the hosts.

### Mrs. Johnie Hamby Las Amigas Hostess Thursday Afternoon

Mrs. Johnie Hamby entertained the Las Amigas Club at her home Thursday afternoon of last week, with three tables of members and guests participating in Contract, at which high club score went to Mrs. Collier Shurley, low to Mrs. W. C. Gilmore, and high guest to Miss Joanna Stokes.

The hostess carried out a green and white color scheme in tallies and attractive refreshments.

Guests were Mesdames Henry Decker and Paul Smith, and Miss Joanna Stokes.

Members present were Mesdames Gilmore, Shurley, Jack Earhart, Ira Shurley, J. D. Westbrook, P. J. Taylor, and Tom White; and the Misses Alice Karnes and Ada Steen.

### FOWLER'S FAMILY IS HERE FOR HIS TRIAL

Among the interested spectators present during the trial of Sheriff W. C. Fowler were the members of the defendant's family, Mrs. Fowler, wife of the sheriff, their two sons, Kenneth and Gene, and their daughter, Marguerite.

Gene and Marguerite are students in the McCamey schools. Kenneth graduated there last year with highest honors and is this year a student at Texas A. & M.

### HAMILTON GROCERY WILL DEMONSTRATE FOOD SAT.

A demonstration of cakes and coffee carried by the Hamilton Grocery will be given at the company's store all day Saturday, it was announced this week. Free sandwiches will be served also.

In connection with the demonstration two angel food cakes and four buckets of coffee will be given away during the day.

### WORLD BRIDGE OLYMPIC TO BE ANNUAL EVENT, IS ANNOUNCED

The World Bridge Olympic, sponsored by Ely Culbertson, author of Contract Bridge Blue Book, in which Sonora Contract enthusiasts will participate at the Woman's Club house Friday evening, April 1, 7:01 o'clock, is to be an annual event and plans are being made at present for the 1937 tournament with a view to caring for a total entry list of more than 100,000 players, according to information recently released by the National Bridge Association at New York. The amazing amount of interest displayed in the tournament is credited with this decision.

When Sonora players sit down to the sixteen sealed and secret hands devised by the Committee on Hands of the N. B. A., whose members, alone, know their contents, local contestants will be sharing the thrill of competition with citizens of thirty-five countries now entered in the event.

These countries include England, Germany, Hungary, France, Denmark, China, Poland, India, Spain, Switzerland, Czechoslovakia, Egypt, Italy, Yugoslavia, Austria, all South American countries, all provinces of Canada, every state in the United States and our island possessions, and also Scotland, Ireland, British West Indies, and Cuba.

People speak 20 languages will meet in more than 100 groups, banding the globe, and play the same hands of Contract Bridge as all other entrants.

A total of \$56 gold and silver prizes will be awarded the winners, including prizes for each member of the winning North and South pairs and East and West pairs. Two solid gold trophies will go to the

pairs winning the International Championship, to be retained by them for one year, while each member of each winning pair will also receive a solid gold replica of these trophies. Silver trophies will be awarded each member of each winning pair in every country and in every state in the United States and in every province of Canada. All cups will be inscribed with the names of the winners. The gold trophies will be known as the Culbertson International Bridge trophies and the silver trophies as the Bridge World trophies.

Tournaments in various localities range in size from 375 tables at a Los Angeles hotel, to very small groups. Many events are turning over the proceeds to charity and the unemployed. Players from remote points are traveling in some instances 200 miles to participate. Among the most interesting games to be played will be held at the Officers' Club of the Army War College, where there will be from 24 to 32 tables in which all the players will be army and navy officers and their wives.

A four-table game to be played in Samoa by army and navy officers on foreign duty, made necessary the forwarding of special equipment on Feb. 20, in order to reach the last boat for Samoa before the date of the game.

Roy E. Aldwell, appointed Sutton County Game Captain by the World Bridge Olympic Committee, has on hand entrance coupons for the tournament, which are available at \$2 each. Half the proceeds of the affair will be retained by the Sonora Woman's Club, which is sponsoring the tournament here.

### Homemakers' Class Organized Monday

Miss Loren Moursund, Home Ec. Instructor, to Direct Group

The Adult Homemakers' Class, which is open to all Sonora women and has positively no financial obligation attached, was organized Monday in a meeting with Miss Loren Moursund, home economics instructor at the high school, at the home economics cottage, with seven charter members.

The class, organization of which is an outgrowth of many requests, will meet at the cottage each Wednesday evening from 7:30 to 9:00 o'clock, with the purpose of helping homemakers of all ages and degrees of efficiency in the management of their homes along more healthful, economical and generally practical lines.

Miss Moursund, who is contributing her services to the class, has aroused interest in her work among housewives through the attractive entertaining and intelligent class work done by her high school pupils during her time in Sonora.

The subject for next Wednesday evening will be "Functions of Food; Food Requirements; and Menus That Fulfill These Requirements." Members of the class will be encouraged to propose subjects on any phases of home economics which they desire to hear discussed. Attending the first meeting were Mesdames Clayton Puckett, Lois Landrum, W. L. Davis, Gene Lightfoot, P. J. Taylor, M. G. Shurley, T. D. White; and Miss Moursund.

### MISS RAMSELL'S SISTER VICTIM OF PNEUMONIA

Funeral services were held from the First Baptist Church in Eldorado Friday of last week for Mrs. Floyd Sproul, nee Miss Alma Ramsell, and sister of Miss Lillian Ramsell, who died Thursday, March 17, at her home in Sweetwater following an attack of pneumonia.

Mrs. Sproul is survived by her husband and two little daughters, Lillian Louise and Geraldine; her mother, Mrs. F. Ramsell, of Eldorado; three sisters and four brothers. Mrs. Sproul was a member of the Baptist Church.

Miss Ramsell returned to Sonora Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Rees and two little sons, of Big Lake, spent the week-end here visiting Mrs. Rees' mother, Mrs. M. E. Holland, and her sisters, Mesdames Tom Driskell and V. F. Hamilton, and Mr. Rees' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rees, and sister, Miss Thelma.

### P.-T. A. Conference Opens on Thursday

Fourteen Sonora Delegates to Angelo Welfare Meet

Fourteen members of the local Parent-Teacher Association will formally represent Sonora on next Thursday, Friday, and Saturday at the sixth district P.-T. A. Child Welfare Conference in San Angelo for which plans are nearing completion this week.

Between 150 and 200 visitors are anticipated for the sessions by executives of the district, of which Mrs. S. T. Gilmore is president. Mrs. Will Drake, mother of Mrs. Sam Karnes, is chairman of the homes committee which is planning to provide accommodations in homes for those who desire them.

The Thirteen Dramatic Club of Sonora, directed by Mrs. George Baker, will present "The Undercurrent," by Fay Ehlert, a one-act play dealing with social welfare, as a feature of Entertainment Night of the convention, which is scheduled for Thursday night at the San Angelo High School auditorium at 8 o'clock.

Members of the cast are Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Gilmore; Mesdames Marshall Huling, Tom White, and Gladys Kothmann; and Joseph Trainer. Members of the club will be honor guests at a convention dinner on Thursday evening.

Dr. and Mrs. D. M. Wiggins, of Simmons University, Abilene, and the Mother Singers of Sweetwater, are to be features of the Friday evening program at the First Methodist Church. Dr. Wiggins will speak on the "Child in Society." Mr. S. T. Gilmore will be an honor guest at the session.

General theme of the conference will be "The Challenge of the Children's Charter."

Sonora delegates will be Mesdames S. T. Gilmore, Ira Shurley, L. E. Johnson, Lois Landrum, M. O. Britt, George B. Hamilton, W. C. Gilmore, W. L. Davis, J. C. Puckett, R. A. Halbert, and George Baker; the Misses Loren Moursund and Maurine Phillips; and R. S. Covey.

### Miss Hall Hostess To Country Contract Wed'ay Afternoon

The Country Contract Club met with Miss Elizabeth Hall at the Gordon Stewart ranch home Wednesday afternoon, with one table of members present. High score went to Mrs. Stewart.

The hostess served refreshments of sandwiches and chocolate to the following: Mesdames Stewart, Joe Brown Ross, and L. L. Stuart. Mrs. Arthur Stuart will be the club's next hostess.

and honorary, were Ben Martin, Eagle Pass; Francis and Walter Whitehead, Del Rio; John and Mac Cauthorn. Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Aldwell attended the services.

### Social Calendar

Friday, March 25  
COMMUNITY SOCIAL CLUB at 7:30 p. m. with Mr. and Mrs. Archie Mittel.

Saturday, March 26  
P.-T. A. EASTER SALE from 8 to 5 p. m. at the Gilmore Hardware Company's store.

Wednesday, March 30  
ADULT HOMEMAKERS' CLUB at 7:30 p. m. at the Home Economics cottage at the high school.

COUNTRY CONTRACT CLUB at 2:30 p. m. with Mrs. Arthur Stuart.

Thursday, March 31  
P.-T. A. CHILD WELFARE CONFERENCE opens in San Angelo.  
LAS AMIGAS CLUB at 2:30 p. m. with Miss Alice Karnes.

### PERSONALS

Miss Jennie Murray was a week-end visitor in Ozona.

Mrs. E. F. Vander Stucken was a San Angelo visitor Thursday of last week.

Mrs. S. T. Gilmore has spent the week in Christoval taking treatments at a sanitarium there.

Miss Ruth Whittaker, of San Angelo, was the guest of her cousin, Mrs. Tom White, here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Huling, accompanied by Jodie Trainer, made a business trip to San Angelo Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mears, of Menard, were week-end guests of their daughter, Mrs. Joseph Vander Stucken, and Mr. Vander Stucken.

Charles Harold Evans, jr., of Lampasas, passed through Sonora Monday on a brief visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Evans, enroute from Eldorado to Brady on business.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Stuart brought their little son, Lynn, to town Saturday for medical attention when he was suffering with ear trouble. He is showing improvement this week.

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**SULPHUR DIP USED TO EXTERMINATE GOAT LICE**

Menard, March 24.—Lice were satisfactorily exterminated on 2,200 head of goats in a demonstration covering seven Menard ranches last year by the use of a sulphur dip as worked out by the Sonora Experiment Sub-Station, accord-

ing to Frank N. Newsom, county agent.

Two dippings ten days apart were made in cattle dipping vats slightly changed so that the goats could be thrown in from the side of the vat and held in the solution one-half minute. It was necessary to get every goat rounded up to insure good results. The method is based on the fact that the lice do not live on the ground.

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**Panhandle Explosion Injures Five**



Here is the scene of the downtown gas explosion at Panhandle, Texas, which resulted in injury to four people and \$50,000 damage. The blast occurred when W. H. Rogers, grocer, struck a match to look for a gas leak. Rogers, J. I. Raines, Roscoe Vance, Ed Baker, and his son, Esco Baker, were all injured, and three buildings were damaged, one being completely demolished.

**Bitterweed Lab to Fill Many Uses Here**

Control of Plant Urged While It Is Not So Numerous

College Station, March 24.—The new laboratory at the Ranch Experiment Station, south of Sonora, which was presented during the past week to the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station by the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association will supply needed facilities for experimental work not only with bitterweed, its original project, but also with other suspected poisonous plants, experimental station officials have announced. Fifty test animals will be maintained at the laboratory for use in experimental work with suspected plants.

The laboratory was accepted on behalf of the Texas A. & M. college, of which the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station is a branch, by Dr. T. O. Walton, college president. The presentation ceremony was held during an executive committee meeting of the association.

In commenting on bitterweed experimental work which has been under way since the past fall, A. B. Conner, experiment station director, remarked that the past winter has been a hard winter for the bitter-

**Calves Pay Better Than Yearling, Twos**

Iowa Tests Favor Younger Stuff as Feeder Stock

For several years the Iowa Agricultural Experiment Station at Ames has been trying to help Iowa farmers determine the most profitable age of feeder cattle to use and the first 3 years of this work has been summarized and published in a new bulletin, "Shall I Feed Calves, Yearlings or Two-Year-Olds?"

The new publication is only eight pages in length and is prepared for the practical farmer and feeder who wishes to know what was found out without having to "wade through" a long discussion of methods and too many details of the experiment. Those who wish the bulletin may secure it upon request to the bulletin section of the college at Ames.

In the particular years covered by these experiments, the calves made a greater margin per head over feed cost than the yearling or 2-year-olds. Furthermore, calves required the least feed per cwt. of gain, and their gains were made at the lowest cost in two of the three years. On the other hand, the 2-year-olds gained fastest in two of the three years and were a close second to the yearlings one year. The yearlings gained fastest one year and in all three years gained more rapidly than the calves.

The comparative profit or loss in other years might be entirely different than that obtained from the steers of the three ages in the experiments. On the other hand, the rapidity of gains, the amount of feed per cwt. of gain and some of the other differences noted between the calves, yearlings and 2-year-olds probably would be about the same in other years as they were found to be in the three years of these experiments.—The Hereford Journal.

weed and that now it appears principally in scattered patches, especially around water holes. He added that the plant can be controlled by use of calcium carbonate sprays at a cost of approximately \$1.25 an acre. Although the cost of spraying a large area would be almost prohibitive, the scattered patches of the bitterweed can be destroyed at a comparatively low cost. Mr. Conner also pointed out that bitterweed control work is aided by parasites which feed on approximately thirty per cent of the heads of the plant.

**ELDORADO GIRLS HIKE TO HOME CITY FROM SONORA**

Eighteen Eldorado girls hiked from Sonora to Eldorado Saturday, covering 22 miles. During recent weeks the group had hiked a total of more than 50 miles in easy stages, qualifying for the distance event. Miss Lela Parker, head of the physical education department of the Eldorado high school, is sponsor of the hiking class, known as the Tee Waa Hiss.

Riding to Sonora early Saturday morning, the girls cooked their breakfast in the open. Mrs. H. G. Parker and Miss Marie Stanford, of Eldorado, rode out at noon, taking lunch to the hikers.

Levelland — Postoffice facilities to be enlarged.

Sabinal—Ten cars livestock shipped from here recently.

Mt. Pleasant—Standpipe for water system of city repainted.

Rankin — Preliminary work of surfacing of east half of Highway No. 99 east of here to Reagan county line underway.

**The Scout Trail**

Troop 19 had fifteen members present at the regular Tuesday night meeting. In the absence of the scoutmaster, J. T. Shurley took charge. First, Chain Tag was played and then the patrols had a contest to see which could outdo the other in Steal-the-Bacon. The Beaver, as the patrol led by Lavelle Meckel has been dubbed, led by a narrow margin. Next, the patrols held their private meetings to decide when and where the patrol meetings were going to take place that week. After the collection of dues and the recording of attendance, the meeting was closed with the Scout Oath led by Wesley Sawyer.

During the week, on Saturday to be exact, the Beaver Patrol took a trip to Felton Cave accompanied by John Eaton. The following is the story submitted by Wesley Sawyer, scribe of the patrol:

"Lavelle Meckel, W. B. Brantley, Reginald Trainer, Marion Elliott, Lloyd McGhee, Kenneth Babcock and Wesley Sawyer, accompanied by John Eaton, left town about 1:15 p. m. and went to Meckel's Davis ranch where they stopped for a drink. The next stop was made at 'Prairie Dog Town' to watch the little rodents for a while.

"At the top of the hill the cars were left and each Scout took his lunch with him into the cave. After entering the cave five or six tunnels were discovered and explored. After being in the cave about two hours, John Eaton told a 'ghost' story, and then scouted around for about an hour and a half. As soon as the entrance was reached and the Scouts got out of the cave they all went to the cars and 'cleaned up' on every ounce of grub present.

"After eating, a patrol meeting was held and after a long discussion the name 'Beaver Patrol' was decided upon for the patrol. Then

plans were discussed for building a patrol room in the Scout hall.

"On the way back to town another stop was made to watch the prairie dogs and, as it was dark, quite a few more were in evidence than at the first stop. After getting back to town each boy declared he had had the best time ever and pledged himself to the patrol and its welfare. No tests were passed as the Scouts were in the cave too long."

Thanks for the fine report, Wesley.

J. T. SHURLEY, Scribe, Troop 19.

**SONORA A. & M. FRESHMEN RANK HIGH FIRST TERM**

Graduates of Sonora high school who entered Texas Agricultural and Mechanical college at College Station as Freshmen this year, did highly creditable work during their first semester, according to a report received Monday by Superintendent R. S. Covey from the college.

Lea Roy Aldwell led the Sonora students with a total of 24 grade points which, according to Mr. Covey, renders him eligible for Freshman scholarship honorary society. Students receiving as high as 24 grade points are ranked with the highest 8 per cent of their class.

John Hull, Pat Cooper, and Edwin Sawyer also achieved commendable records, according to the report.

**ORCHESTRA SECURED FOR SONORA MOTOR CO. DANCE**

Teagarden's orchestra of San Angelo has been secured by Sam Hull, manager of the Sonora Motor Co., for the annual free dance of the company, to be given this year on the night of April 4.

The affair this year is the sixth to be sponsored by the company as an expression of appreciation of its good will toward friends in Sutton and other West Texas counties. Scores of invitations are being mailed to out-of-town friends of many Sonora people.

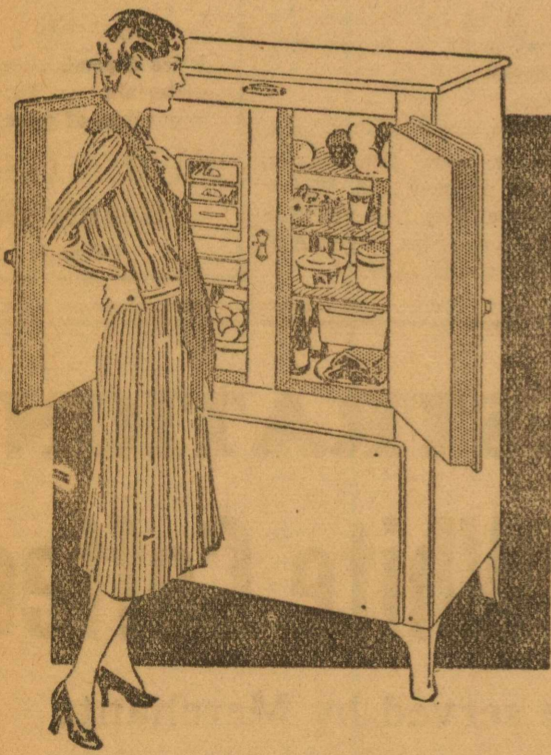
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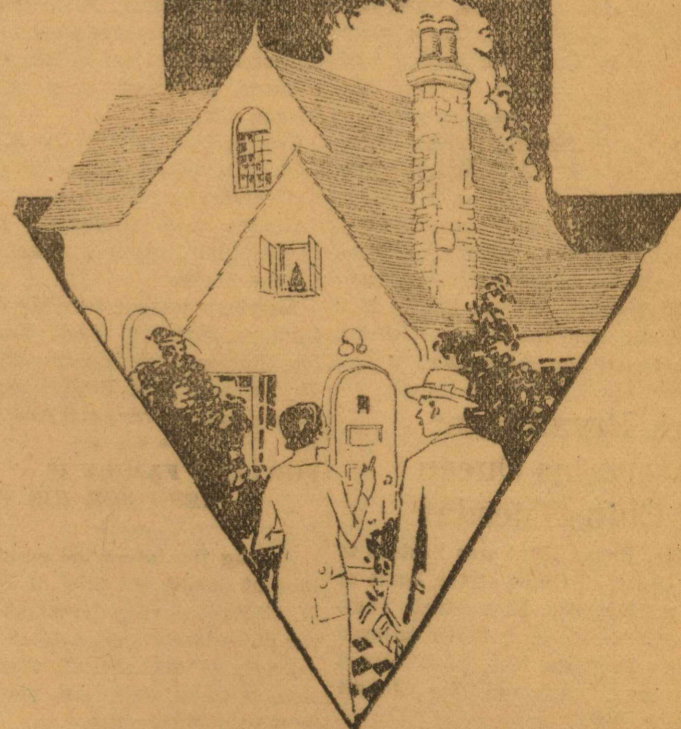
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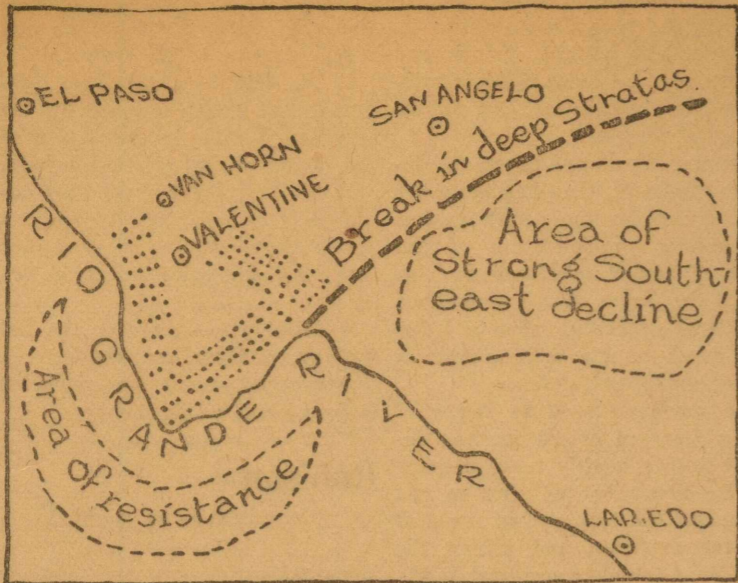
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Predicted Valentine Quake; Now Forecasts Coast Tremors



L. G. Wade, Yoakum, Texas, postal employee, who has successfully predicted five earthquakes, now announces that tremors may be felt at any time along the Texas and Louisiana Gulf coast. With only a high school education, Wade has evolved a method all his own to determine areas where earthquakes may occur. In the spring of 1931 he wrote a pamphlet, which was copyrighted, stating that tremors who visit Southwest Texas in the fall of 1931. On August 19, rumbles in that area resulted in a severe shock at Valentine. Wade also predicted a quake in Western Oklahoma just 19 days before a slight tremor occurred there. Wade is shown, with his drawing of how the Valentine quake occurred.



Camp Allison

(Essie Rode, Reporter)

Lester Shroyer was injured while sawing wood Saturday afternoon when his hand slipped and hit the saw blade. He was immediately rushed to a hospital in Junction, where it was necessary to amputate his thumb and first finger. Lester was moved from the hospital Sunday afternoon to a residence where he will remain for about 15 days.

Miss Zada Sue Kelley, who has been ill the past week in Junction, returned to her home Tuesday, feeling much better.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Barker, of Junction, visited Mr. and Mrs. Aldie Garrett Sunday.

Mrs. Hilton Turney, of Sonora, visited her sister, Mrs. Leonard Caldwell, the past week.

Mrs. Burt Rode and daughters, Essie and Bessie, and Ben Rode visited in Junction Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Reeves visited in Junction Friday.

Terry Baker transacted business in Junction Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Duncan, of Sonora, visited Miss Lotia Cozby Sunday.

J. T. Eubanks and Aldie Garrett were Sonora visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. E. E. Bode, of Ozona, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Q. Adams, Tuesday.

Mrs. Dave Joy and Mrs. Artie Joy and son, John Wesley, of Owensville, visited Mr. and Mrs. Dock Joy Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde McKnight, of Sanderson, visited Mr. and Mrs. Asa Hallum Friday.

Miss Ray Adams, who had been visiting her sister, Mrs. E. E. Bode, of Ozona, returned home Sunday.

Mrs. S. L. Shroyer and daughter, Miss Fay, visited friends in Sonora Saturday.

Bob Hallum, of Sonora, visited with his brother, Asa Hallum, and Mrs. Hallum last week.

Mrs. Tom Thorp and children, and Miss Pearl Pharis, of Sonora, visited Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Shroyer and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Spaulding and Mrs. Burt Rode and daughters, the Misses Essie and Bessie, visited in Junction Saturday.

Sam Adams, of Christoval, visited

ed his mother, Mrs. W. B. Adams, Sunday.

The Misses Grace, Frances and Dee Trainer, of Sonora, visited friends and relatives in Camp Allison Sunday.

Miss Lotia Cozby was the guest of Mrs. M. A. Valliant, of Sonora, during the week-end.

Prompt laundry and cleaning service. Sonora Cleaners.—Adv.

Westbrook Attends Convention  
J. D. Westbrook, manager of the Sonora properties of the West Texas Utilities company, returned Tuesday night from a three-day stay in Fort Worth, where he attended a state convention of dealers and salesmen of Frigidaire electric refrigerators.

Right-of-way secured for new approach to Hochheim river bridge.—Cuero Record.

HEALTH NOTES

Clinics and Conferences

Infant and pre-school conferences are organized and conducted in different parts of the county or city. Where there is no organized health department, these conferences are established in co-operation with local physicians.

To these conferences are invited parents with infants and children of pre-school age. The children are given a thorough physical examination by a physician assisted by the nurse, and the parents' attention is called to any defects found. The parents are then urged to consult their own physician and to have any abnormality corrected.

If parents in general were to give their children of pre-school age periodic examination with correction of defects, we would have a lesser number of defective school children, and consequently fewer "repeaters" in the different grades in the schools.

Great stress is laid on the teaching of health habits early in life or before children reach school age. It is generally conceded that the majority of our habits, good or bad, are established during the first six years of our lives. Certainly it is much easier to establish a habit previous to this time than it is after.

Physical Inspection

Any work in the school is always done in co-operation and correlation with school authorities, and the teachers are more and more taking over the routine health inspection of the school children. It is gratifying to note the increased interest on this subject evidenced by many of the teachers. It is to be hoped that in times to come the

Bear Skeleton Closely Resembles That of Human; Found Near Here

A search for a buzzard's nest led A. L. Smith, coach of athletics in the Sonora high school, to explore a remote cave on the Barton Twin Springs ranch in the east end of the county a few weeks ago. Within the cave Mr. Smith found a bone, which to all appearances was the forearm of a human. Further search revealed other bones, including a thigh bone, and pelvis structure, both also resembling closely parts of the human structure.

A head was uncovered; and that head definitely established the fact that the skeleton was not that of a human. The skull, probably hundreds of years old, was weathered and beginning to decay in some parts. Two long front teeth, though, were in perfect state of preservation, having every appearance of elephant tusk ivory.

Smith was not familiar with the skull, and appealed to E. C. Saunders, long-time resident and surveyor in West Texas. Mr. Saunders identified it as that of a bear.

A later search by Mr. Smith uncovered all of the animal's bones. They will be brought to Sonora, according to the finder's plans, and installed in the high school's museum as a special gift.

Paving to start about April 1 on Highway 9 from Canyon to Happy.

Paving on Highway 4 connecting Wheeler and Shamrock completed.

Sabinal—Twenty cars grain was shipped from here recently.

teaching of health in the schools will be considered just as important as the teaching of any other subject on the school curriculum.

Usually the nurse assists the teacher in weighing and measuring the children and to inspect them for any evident defect. Health talks and drills are given, and here as well as in other groups, the nurse endeavors to arouse or encourage interest in individual and public health, and here as well as elsewhere the work should be primarily educational.

Irion Voters In Favor Good Roads

Bond Issue of \$50,000 Passed With Vote of 432-127 Saturday

Irion county declared in favor of good roads Saturday by a vote of 432 to 127, or 59 more than the required two-thirds majority.

Large majorities were recorded in favor of the issue at Mertzon and Barnhart, while Sherwood, county seat, though it will be off the main highway but reached by a spur, voted 77 to 53 in favor of issuing the bonds. At Arden, which even yet will remain off pavement, voted 19 for to 20 against.

By the latter part of April, work on the \$800,000 project will be underway, according to R. J. Atkinson, Irion county judge.

Matching county's \$50,000 with \$750,000, the state highway commission has informed Irion county officials that when the bond issue passed it would let contracts at the first succeeding regular meeting at Austin for unit 1 of the work, the grading, drainage, and structures.

Work must await action of the commissioners' court on a petition to lay out the road which, though the route to be followed by the proposed highway has already been surveyed and completely planned out, will largely follow a revised routing.

Results of the Irion county bond election will open the way for Reagan county, which has already voted an issue for paving Highway 99 through its borders, to proceed with the work.

Considered, heretofore, the missing link in plans of affected counties for a through pavement from San Angelo to Fort Stockton, Irion county has now taken a leading position in road work.

The full issue will take care of all the county's expenses incident to its road improvement program, but all of the \$10,000 group of bonds for lateral road work probably will not be sold.

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Fowler Case—

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shoot. Barnett, the victim, had been in a room adjacent to the office of the station but was killed in front of his own car.

Tony Hess, described as the most important witness for the state, is a native of Switzerland, but has lived in this country eight years and had known Barnett one and one half years.

Barnett, Romo Chaves and he had been in the McCamey. Rankin and Big Lake section for three days prior to the slaying, he revealed and on Friday night Barnett had been drinking heavily.

Barnett Not Drunk

On the following Sunday morning when Barnett met his death, Barnett had not been drinking, he said. When Fowler drove his car up the street, stopped and motioned him (Hess) out of the way and at the same time gave a command to "stand aside." Hess said he did not understand the command at first and walked toward Fowler to hear the command repeated. This time he heard and complied and a machine gun began to speak.

Sought Fowler at Jail

Hess related a trip to the Upton county jail in Rankin, where a negro trusty was encountered and to have some fun with the negro he was shown a gun and forced to look down the barrel and to smell of it to see if it was clean. Hess said the purpose of the trip to the jail was to see Fowler. Hess admitted that Barnett was a man of bad temper when intoxicated but of pleasing disposition when not so. He was quick on the draw and bore a reputation for being a good shot. He heard of no threats by Barnett against Fowler.

Joe Robertson of Rankin and of the Key Hotel where Barnett and party stayed the night before the trouble, said that Barnett had not been drinking on Sunday morning.

Killed by Machine Gun

Further testimony of the state brought out the fact that a machine gun was used in the slaying.

I. C. Elliott, a laborer and an eye witness to the shooting, said he was inside the office of the filling station operated by Yoacham when the shooting occurred.

Dr. Homer Powers, 55 years a practicing physician and one of the best known men in the Pecos country, said he examined the body after death and that the death was due to gunshot wounds.

C. W. Livingston, undertaker, described the wounds that took the life of the best known gun expert in the west. There were four shots on the left side, three inches apart and ranging downward from the left shoulder blade; one in the corner of the nose and one under the right shoulder blade, and one two inches below the diaphragm on the right.

Bob Miller, former Concho county sheriff, later a ranger and highway officer but now deputy sheriff at Littlefield, described Barnett as a dangerous and violent man who would carry out a threat when drunk but a different man when sober.

Beab M. Northcutt, justice of the peace at Rankin, said he found on the body of Barnett after the slaying, a 45 automatic, cocked, a full clip of bullets in the stock, and one bullet in the barrel, the hammer drawn back and the safety on.

In Barnett's car at the filling station he said there was a sawed off shotgun, with six shells of buckshot, two army rifles, one with five bullets and the other with six. All the guns were presented in evidence in a special sealed exhibit.

Barnett's left hand was about halfway in his pocket, and the right hand thrown free when the justice examined the body, he said.

Senter Recounts Threats

There was some diversity of testimony as to whether the leather jacket that Barnett wore was buttoned all the way, the justice of the peace saying that it was buttoned all the way up. All said it covered the Barnett gun. Others said one or two buttons were fastened.

Fred Senter, chief of police of McCamey, said that on Friday night before the killing on Sunday that Barnett came out of a restaurant in that town apparently very angry, saying that Fowler was avoiding him, that if he did not get money from Fowler, he would shoot Fowler and throw him in the Pecos. Senter said he phoned Fowler a warning; and Fowler came over Saturday morning and Senter told Fowler of the asserted threats.

Barnett Hand in Pocket

F. W. Nixon of Iraan testified that he saw Barnett fall backwards after the shooting and said there was a gun on Barnett.

O. L. Dickinson of Rankin was in a filling station to the north of the Yoacham operated station and started to go to Fowler to talk with him when Fowler began firing. He said Barnett had his left hand in his pocket and as he fell mortally wounded, the right hand passed across the stomach. Previously the defense had sought to show that Barnett always drew his gun, kept under the left side of the belt, by pushing upward with the left hand in the left pocket and pulling it into action with the right hand. State evidence sought to show that Barnett was shot unawares of any danger to himself as he came out of the garage.

The state desired to know why it was that Dickinson noticed Barnett's hands and did not know the position of other men in the scene. Thursday morning's testimony sought to show first that Barnett was recognized in several sections of West Texas and along the border as a dangerous and violent character, and a generally known bad reputation, and that he was, in the opinion of several witnesses, a man who would be reasonably expected to make good any threat uttered.

H. H. Talley, Texon, an employee of the Big Lake Oil company, said he had known Barnett for 12 years, knowing his reputation, but that with him Barnett had been friendly. Talley testified that Barnett's rapid draw was accomplished in the manner previously described.

C. C. Girding, manager of a McCamey hotel, told of Barnett and Chaves having come to his lobby Saturday afternoon, repeating the statement which had been made to him by a negro porter, E. A. Gratta, who testified last night of having overheard Barnett say to Chaves: "I'll bet you \$50 I get the before sun down." When cross-examined, Girding was not sure of the exact wording.

A. L. ("Bud") Whistler, sheriff of Val Verde county, and Bud Blair, sheriff of Crane county, both testified to acquaintance with Barnett and to knowledge of his reputation as a dangerous man. Blair said that Barnett had come to Crane a few days before the shooting and tried to get money from him, without avail.

Barnett Tries to Get Money Ellison Carroll, Big Lake, Reagan county sheriff, gave much the same testimony, saying that Barnett had come to his office the Friday of the week before the fatal Sunday, and had also tried to get money from him.

Raymond McKay, Fort Stockton filling station operator, once worked on the E. L. Ranch with Barnett and knew him well, considering him a friend. Later, in 1929, McKay had a room at the Rooney hotel in Fort Stockton, and Barnett came to the room, apparently seeking trouble. He sat on McKay's chair and handled him roughly, jibing him with a gun carried under the left arm, according to McKay's testimony. McKay refused to fight. Fowler, in Fort Stockton attending a trial, had been told to look after Barnett and came to the room in time to prevent trouble, taking Barnett away.

Riser Warns Fowler W. D. Riser, editor of a newspaper in McCamey, and a former justice of the peace in Big Lake, where he had been intimately associated with Barnett, testified that on Friday afternoon he was in Fowler's office when Barnett came in and requested a private interview. At Barnett's suggestion the two men went to the district court room on an upper floor, and were there several minutes later when Riser interrupted briefly to ask Fowler an irrelevant question. Riser stated that when he entered, he noticed a look of strain on the faces of both men, stating that Fowler was unusually pale, and that Barnett's face showed anger, bearing an expression which he characterized as "the killer look," and with which he was familiar through former association when Barnett was a deputy in Big Lake.

Welcoming the interruption of the conversation, Fowler went down stairs with Riser. Riser inquired as to the trouble, and Fowler told him that he was afraid that he (Fowler) was going to have trouble with Barnett. Riser, then, feeling it his duty, warned Fowler of the danger of Barnett's mood and expression.

Mrs. Fowler Testifies Joe Starnes, Fowler's office deputy and tax collector, told of Barnett's having come to the office on Thursday, inquiring for the sheriff, roaming about the office and asking questions about guns, and finally, without permission, taking .45 shells from Fowler's desk,

placing some in his automatic, which Starnes saw, and dropping the remainder of the box in his coat pocket. Starnes later told Fowler of the incident.

Friday morning as Mrs. Fowler was fixing breakfast, Barnett knocked at the door, and when she opened it, asked: "Where is Bill Fowler?" She had a casual conversation with him, telling him that she did not know, and that she did not know when he would return. She saw an automatic pistol in the waistband of Barnett's trousers, with the hammer back. His hand was in the left trouser pocket. Before leaving he said: "Tell Fowler that I was here looking for him, and that I'll be back."

Fowler Goes on Stand

As a last witness, the defense called Fowler, who was on the stand for an hour and a half. The defense examined him directly for an hour, and Mr. Baker conducted a thirty-minute cross examination. Fowler narrated the entire happenings of the three days prior to the killing, outlining his activities during the time, and corroborating the testimony of other witnesses.

It was developed in his testimony that he had known Barnett for 4 or 5 years, largely as a friend, that he had known of two murders, an altercation with Carroll Bates in San Angelo, threats made to Raymond McKay, resistance offered Will Rooney, sheriff of Pecos county when the sheriff sought to cans and residents of Presidio, on the part of Barnett. He told of being informed of Barnett's several visits to his office, to the jail, to his home, and of learning of several threats expressed by Barnett to various McCamey people.

Learns of Threats

He stated that the first time he saw Barnett was when the latter came to his office Friday at 4 p. m., at the time outlined in Riser's testimony. That night, he said, he received a message from Fred Senter in McCamey telling of threats, and that the next morning early he went to McCamey, and interviewed Senter at the latter's home. He then went with Riser to Crane county to examine a grass lease which he was considering, returning to McCamey at 10 o'clock Saturday, where he was informed of other threats. He worked on an official case that afternoon and evening, leaving for home at 11:30 o'clock. The next morning at 9 he was awakened by his wife, to hear the negro trusty's account of the Saturday visit of Barnett to the jail. Shortly thereafter his sons came up from the postoffice, telling him that Barnett was in Yoacham's filling station. Feeling it his duty to have an understanding with Barnett, he took the gun in the car and drove to the station, as related. As he drove up he beckoned Hess to the car to inquire of Barnett's whereabouts. As he did so, Barnett walked out of the filling station storeroom, advancing toward him with his left hand in his pocket, and with "the killer look" on his face. Barnett called to Hess to get out of the way, as he advanced. Fowler repeated the warning to Hess, and the latter stepped back. As he did so, Fowler raised the machine gun and fired.

Had Given Barnett Money Questioned by the state, Fowler said that he had seen Barnett twice since becoming sheriff, and that each time he had given him money to get him out of the county and save trouble.

With this testimony complete the defense rested its case, and court was recessed until afternoon.

In its rebuttal testimony the state introduced Mrs. Graham Barnett, who stated that she was the mother of five children, and a resident of Sterling City since Barnett's death. She is a slight, pale woman, and was visibly overcome with grief.

Whitley Praised Barnett J. N. (Bill) Whitley, customs inspector at Marfa, and friend of Barnett for 15 years, testified that he thought Barnett a peaceable and useful citizen, admitting knowledge of several difficulties in which Barnett had been engaged.

Tony Hess was again called to the stand, but gave no testimony relevant to the case. Tom Bargesar was then called and the state sought impeachment of his evidence on grounds that he had been convicted of a felony (a liquor offense).

Stevenson Opened Argument The court was recessed for an hour and a half to permit the judge to prepare his charge for the jury and give lawyers opportunity to prepare for argument. When court resumed argument was limited to an hour and half for each side by agreement. Following the judge's charge, in which he instructed the jury relative to the laws governing

homicides in this case and in general, Mr. Stevenson opened the argument for the state, seeking to minimize the weight of evidence on the part of some defense witnesses, and asking the jury for an impartial verdict.

Senator Woodward began the defense argument, thanking the court and officers for their courtesy and expressing commendation of the work of the state's lawyers. He urged the jurors to put themselves in Fowler's place in order to judge the merit of his action, from a standpoint of self-defense.

Argument Closed by Baker

Mr. Garrard closed for the defense with a hastily told summary of the circumstances prior to and attending the tragedy, as revealed by the evidence, and asking the jury for a complete acquittal, in the name of justice.

Mr. Baker closed the state's argument at the beginning of the evening session at 7:30, asking that justice be done, without regard to the status of defendant as an officer.

D. R. & N. Plea

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stock at as high a figure as preferred is unusual, he said. The stock of the Del Rio & Northern has been listed to sell common at 100 and preferred at 85. McDonald compared these quotations with earlier roads.

He also pointed out the importance of knowing definitely that the proposed road had traffic support and whether or not a division of traffic would ruin both roads, before the proposed one is built. He cited the fact that the Southern Pacific line has a \$244,000 payroll at Del Rio and intimated that the parent company might build new spurs in the Quismado area.

The area which would be touched by the proposed line is not a prospective oil or gas field, according to Gordon Gray, geologist for the Rio Bravo Oil Company, in a testimony.

R. W. Barnes, chief engineer for the T. & N. O., termed the costs of crossing the divide between Del Rio and Sonora "unreasonable."

F. L. Gordon, traffic manager, maintained revenues from the line would fail to pay expenses.

On the other hand, friends of the

proposal declared the line would provide a short route to tidewater from the West Texas plains and urged granting of the permit.

C. B. Wardlaw, ranchman, declared that services given by the Southern Pacific in Del Rio area was far below that given elsewhere.

F. E. Whittaker, Eagle Pass engineer, testified that transportation of some sort was necessary for the development of an irrigation project.

A decision in regard to the Del Rio and Northern application for a construction permit was expected in from three to six months.

Robison—

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"And he knew that the hearts of Texas people beat for him. That's why we can do no less than erect in this office where he worked so long, this bust to his memory."

Mr. Beaver told the audience that Mr. Robison came into the land office as a lease clerk at a time "when the cattle barons were running cattle wild over the great Texas domain."

"The records show that Jim Robison stood by the land owner even then," Beaver asserted.

Robison knew more about the lands of Texas than any other man in the state, Beaver also declared.

"Robison put in more hours in the service of the state than any other man," he said. "He worked day and night, and traveled thousands of miles over almost impassable roads and under adverse conditions—expecting no reward, but considering it only his duty and doing it for the landowners of the state."

Statutes Upheld

"I regret that he didn't live to see the great victory he won in the supreme court," Beaver referred to a supreme court decision handed down last year and upholding the Texas land statutes, most of which Robison wrote.

Present at the unveiling ceremony were Robison's relatives; his widow, Mrs. J. T. Robison of Austin; his sons, Dr. Paul Robison and Dr. Mathis Robison of Houston, and Bob Robison of Austin; Mrs. E. H. Marek of Yoakum; and grandchildren, Gloria and Nancy.

PROF. HENRI ROGERS TO LIVE HERE PERMANENTLY

Prof. Henri Rogers, who has taught instrumental music in Sonora for the last two years, and who has served as director of the high school orchestra, this week moved to Sonora, with Mrs. Rogers, to make his home here permanently. Mr. Rogers had been living in San Angelo, driving to and from his work here two or three times each week.

He has occupied one of the Alfred Schweining houses in South Sonora, and plans to devote his entire time to his work here.

CLEOFAS LOPEZ DIES IN STATE PENITENTIARY

Cleofas Lopez, about 22 years old, who was serving a five-year sentence from Sutton county on a charge of murder, died Tuesday in the state penitentiary at Huntsville.

Lopez was convicted of the killing of Manuel Rodriguez here in the September term of court. Rodriguez was stabbed to death in a draw in West Sonora early in the morning following the marriage of Lopez the night before.

No details of his death are available here. He was reported to have been sick only two days. The remains were buried in Huntsville Wednesday.

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Jane Robison.—Austin Statesman.

West Texas friends of J. T. Robison were responsible for the erection of the bust of the former land commissioner in the Texas land office. The idea of perpetrating the memory of Mr. Robison in that manner was conceived as an expression of the appreciation for the consideration shown West Texas ranchmen in time of drouth and distress.

B. M. Halbert, one of the first to suggest such a token of respect, was vice-president of the J. T. Robison Memorial Association. The late W. L. Aldwell was active in the work as committee member, while his son, Roy Aldwell, was one of the principal workers on the finance committee.

The unveiling ceremonies took place Tuesday, March 15.

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Preparations for a party that is expected to attract about 8,000 visitors have begun at Lufkin, Texas, where the East Texas chamber of commerce will hold its sixth annual convention April 17 to 19. Here are George Buchanan (left) of the Marlin chamber of commerce going over plans with Jack McDermott, secretary of the Lufkin chamber of commerce. Buchanan is explaining how Marlin, host last year, gave a welcome that made history.

**Farm Special—**

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ists aboard brought out that Texas farms and ranches show approximately 4,500,000 beef cattle, 6,000,000 sheep and 3,300,000 goats and that the feeding of calves and lambs in Texas is showing an appreciable increase. All told, it was pointed out, about 150,000 head of cattle and 270,000 lambs are being fed in Texas this year.

Creep feeding of calves was stressed in exhibit showing two Hereford cows with calves, pen arrangement allowing the suckling calves access to approved type of self-feeder being demonstrated. Such feeding will enable a calf to put on 100 pounds additional weight by weaning time with the consumption of ten bushels of corn or equivalent in other grains, specialists aboard pointed out. Booth display featuring beef production, pointed out advantages of trench silos, pastures, good breeding, creep feeding and the marketing of feed through cattle.

**Dairy Cattle and Hogs**

The dairy exhibit, including two Jersey milkers in the livestock car and booth display in another car, emphasized the economic necessity of keeping only cows capable of high butterfat production if a profit is to be expected. The cow in the exhibit representing the profitable type produced 470 pounds of butter fat in a year, representing a value of \$94.08, at feed cost of \$64.38, or a profit of \$29.70, as contrasted with 191 pounds of butter fat for the unprofitable type, valued at \$38.24, or \$9.16 less than the feed cost of \$47.40.

Half a dozen pigs on feed, Duroc Jerseys, Berkshires and Hampshires, demonstrating use of self-feeder and arrangement of feed, water and shelter facilities so as to give the animals every possible chance to do well, made up another exhibit in the livestock car.

Cured meats exhibit in adjoining car told a story of how proper butchering on the farm pays, cured and canned products from one 225-pound hog being displayed. These products were valued at \$20 as against \$9 the hog would bring in cash on the market.

**Sheep and Goats**

Two Rambouillet ewes and three Angora does made up the sheep and goat exhibit in the livestock car, these being shown as the most practical types for farm and ranch flocks. Proper methods of feeding

and shearing sheep and goats and the value of scouring fleeces before marketing were stressed in display booth complementing the sheep and goat exhibit in the livestock car. Use of the wool scouring plant of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station at the college was urged for wool growers desiring to learn more about their wool crop qualities.

Specimens of desirable grasses and clovers for different sections of the state were shown in pasture exhibit. Growth of interest in the East Texas permanent pasture demonstration contest sponsored by the East Texas Chamber of Commerce was brought out by announcement that more than 1000 entries have been made in the contest this year as compared with 266 entries in 1930.

**Wheat and Grain Sorghums**

The market penalty incurred by smutty wheat and control measures for this serious wheat disease were points emphasized by another exhibit. During 1931, approximately 7 per cent, or about 4,000,000 bushels of the Texas wheat crop graded smutty on the terminal markets, and varying discounts, depending on the degree of smut damage, were assessed by buyers, it was set forth.

Grain sorghum exhibit pointed out the advantage of planting only well bred, pure line seed. During 1931, a total of 1,500,000 pounds of seed, all tracing back to bagged pure line seed developed by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, were state certified. This latter information was cited to bring out the point that there is no longer any need of planting other than seed of high producing strains and known pedigree.

Equipment for use in raising turkeys was featured in another exhibit, attention being called to breeding, feeding and management. So-called "luck" in turkey raising is management rather than luck and management is largely a matter of sanitation, it was pointed out.

Miniature exhibit of horses and mules as farm work animals, featuring big hitches, was another display.

Alpine—Contract may be let soon for construction of U. S. highway 90 from this place west to Presidio county line.

**NOTICE OF ELECTION**

Notice is hereby given that on the first Tuesday in April, the same being the fifth day of April, 1932, an election will be held in the city of Sonora at the O. L. Richardson office, for the purpose of electing a mayor and two commissioners.

H. V. Stokes will preside as judge. Polls will open at eight a. m. and close at seven p. m.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 7th day of March, 1932.

ROY E. ALDWELL, Mayor.  
SAM R. HULL, Com.  
W. C. GILMORE, Com.  
GEO. E. SMITH, Secretary.

**Velvet Hammer**

(By Harvey Walker)

Col. Smedley Butler found the Japan-China war too big for him to handle so has left it for the Hammer to pound out and now Smedley is back home to run for the United States Senate on the Volstead-Republican ticket. If they will give him the old guard of Marines he will capture not only the Senate but the House of Mis-Representatives and have Hoover a prisoner and Mellon exiled before they can make many more Goose Steps. Success to you, Smedley.

To get a really intelligent view of this Sino-Jap trouble we will have to go back to the first cause of trouble between these two nations of rice and rat eaters and as Henry Ford says ancient history is the bunk we do not know that we have it as clear as the Wickersham Report when we have gone back so far in our investigations but China claimed that she had a superior civilization some 6,000 years ago and Japan said their civilization was several birthdays earlier

and as each side dug up old chopsticks and soup bowls of their ancestors each claiming their discovery older than the other until they went back before the creation of the world.

It is easy to see how one side will get mad with the other when they both get caught lying about their ancestors and then they begin to shuck their jackets for a scrap. Right when winter was on in Manchuria Japan sent a lot of kimonoas over for China to buy and China offered to swap them paper fans for their goods as they had spent all their tael and had nothing left but a few Mexican dollars and Japan said that they would not spend a yen to keep cool but would take Manchuria away from China because it had a cold climate and fans would not be needed and straightway an army was sent over and war was on to the utter consternation of the League of Nations and the U. S.

The League of Nations met over at Geneva and told Japan it was naughty and would have to be led back to the wood shed for correction if they did not stop fighting but Japan said their army needed a lot of practice because they ex-

pected to take a slap at the world in the near future. Hoover considered it high time to get the Japs in a good humor and sent Will Rogers over there to tell them a few jokes to entertain them while he got the entire navy over on the Pacific where Japan could see our 5-5-3 ratio as allowed at the Naval Conference.

This column is sure that the Democrats do not want war with Japan because prohibition provides strife enough for them and they

have seen Murray at one end of a bridge with his militia trying to open it and Sterling with his Rangers at the other and trying to keep it closed all of which caused a lot of perspiration if no blood was shed.

Lefors—A \$12,100 contract for grading and draining on 5.7 miles of county road beginning east of here and ending at pavement on Pampa-Lefors road, has been awarded.

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## Sonora Athletes Start Season In Splendid Shape

Local Team Leads Eldorado Meet  
43-21; to Barnhart Saturday;  
Baseball Begins Today

The Sonora High School track team defeated the Eldorado High School team 43-21 in a meet here Friday of last week, when Ikey Kring led all competitors with a total of 26½ points, and the local Junior and Senior relay team won first place in each of their respective events.

Kring won first place in both the 100-yard and the 220-yard dash, first in broad jump, first in discus throw, second in shot-put, and a tie for first place in high jump, in addition to constituting a leg of the Senior relay team.

This team consisted of G. W. Archer, Wes Hill, Harold Friess, and Krings, and, according to Coach A. L. Smith, staged a beautiful exhibition of running the mile relay, when they closed a 75-yard gap, for first place.

Harold Friess won the 440-yard dash in a record time of 54 seconds. Troy White, jr., a member of the Junior class, placed second in the 100-yard dash.

Five of the regular track events—the mile run, pole vault, javelin throw, and two hurdle races—were omitted from the meet Friday, but will be included in an invitation meet at Barnhart Saturday, to which Coach Smith intends to take his complete Senior team of Archer, Hill, Kring, Friess, Charlie Pharis, and V. J. Glasscock; and also Troy White, jr.

Invitation to the Barnhart meet has been sent to 25 schools, and 10 league school teams have already entered, with more expected to be listed.

Added to all this, the baseball season opens this afternoon with a game at Eldorado, with the Eldorado team scheduled for a return game here Friday, April 1. Coach Smith has announced that he needs cars to transport his team, and will appreciate offers along that line.

music at the revival this week at the Methodist church.

Other guests were: W. R. Davis, Austin, Dr. Fred Crowder, San Angelo, Frank Patterson, Junction, Rector Cusenbary, Frank Bond, Bustie Halbert and John Fields of Sonora.

Raymondville — Work on installing new equipment for creamery here nearing completion.

## Grandjury—

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cases as, in our opinion, the facts warranted. There have been some cases under advisement by this grandjury in which all details relating to the alleged offense are not available at the present time, and we are passing these cases for future consideration of grandjuries of Sutton county.

We have found the condition of the public morals in this county to be in a good state, with the exception of a few instances in which the liquor laws have been violated, and, in our opinion, other laws of the state. We especially request the citizenship, and especially parents, to give more heed and attention to the whereabouts of their children. In our opinion, other laws of the state render more effective the work of all the officers of Sutton county. There have been some violatoin



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS POLITICAL

(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 State Senator, 29th Dist.:  
K. M. REGAN

For Sheriff and Tax Collector:  
B. W. HUTCHERSON  
D. Q. ADAMS  
J. K. LANCASTER  
J. L. COOK

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

For County Judge:  
ALVIS JOHNSON

For Commissioner, Prec. 3:  
J. T. EUBANK  
C. W. ADAMS

For County Treasurer:  
MRS. A. J. SMITH

For County and District Clerk:  
J. D. LOWREY

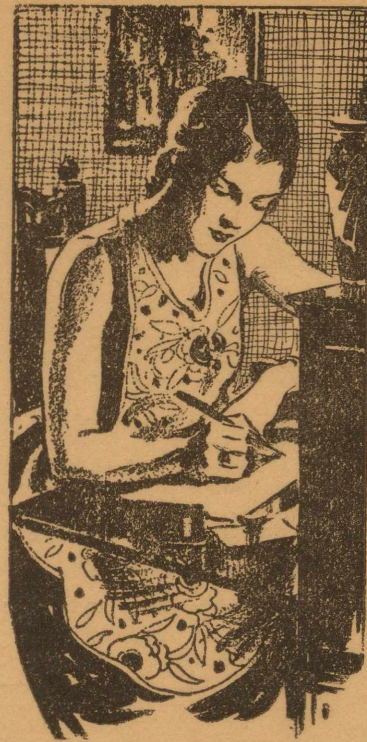
For Constable, Prec. 1:  
TOM THORP

of the state liquor law called to our attention that, by reason of an insufficient amount of testimony being available, no action was taken. We desire to commend those responsible for the apprehension of men engaged in the unlawful sale of liquor. In our opinion, a better co-operation of our citizenship will result in more effective work on the part of those charged with enforcing this law.

We have examined all transcripts of officers submitted to us, and especially commend the neatness and correctness of those before our body.

We have inspected all public buildings and courthouse grounds, and recommend that all the collections of debris and trash that have accumulated in the jail and in the courthouse yard be moved; that a proper effort be made to place the jail in a sanitary condition; that a plan be worked out as soon as possible, that is in keeping with the county's finances, to beautify and improve the court yard, and

## Managing the FAMILY BUDGET



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## Lowrey Is Given Honor By Lions

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Visitors Entertained

J. D. Lowrey was given a special Lion button by the club at its Monday luncheon in token of appreciation of his work as a former president. W. E. Caldwell made the presentation and Mr. Lowrey responded briefly.

A number of guests, including Judge Joe Montague and District Attorney Weaver Baker, here for district court, were present and spoke briefly.

Entertainment was furnished by a reading by Wynona Hutcherson, and songs by Guyon Shurley, Nora B. Hill, Wilma Hutcherson, and Cora Belle Taylor, accompanied by Miss Marie Watkins.

E. J. Thomas, accompanied by Mrs. Thomas at the piano, sang two solos. Mr. Thomas is leader of

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Bananas, nice size, **19c** Salt Pork, fresh per doxen **7½c**

CRACKERS—Premium sodas, good grade, special, 2-pound box **19c**

PICKLES—Sour, good grade, special Friday and Saturday, quart jar **19c**

Cheese, fresh **18c** Vanilla Extract, cream, lb. **19c** French's, bottle

HAMS—Armour's Star, medium size, Friday and Saturday special, per pound **17c**

OATS—Mother's China or Mother's crystal ware, 55-ounce package **29c**

## Fresh Garden Seeds

MAYONNAISE—El-Food, special for Friday and Saturday, 8-ounce bottle **18c**

FRUITS FOR SALADS—White Swan brand No. 2 can **26c**

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COFFEE—Magnolia, extra special for Friday and Saturday, 3-pound pail **67c**

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# Piggly Wiggly

that if no other plan can be placed in operation at the present time, that the trash, and especially the ash pile now on the court yard be removed, and the wood be kept in an orderly pile; and that sewer connections be made for the county jail with the city sewer system.

We want to express our appreciation and commendation for the helpful advice, the great assistance, and the diligent work given by our judge, Hon. Joe G. Montague, our district attorney, Hon. Weaver H. Baker, and the bailiffs.

W. E. GLASSCOCK,  
Foreman of the Grandjury.  
Members of the grandjury were as follows:

W. E. Glasscock, foreman; Roy

Aldwell, T. A. Bond, W. R. Cusenbary, J. A. Cauthorn, W. E. Caldwell, Hi Eastland, John Fields, W. C. Gilmore, V. F. Hamilton, B. M. Halbert, jr., and L. L. Stuart.

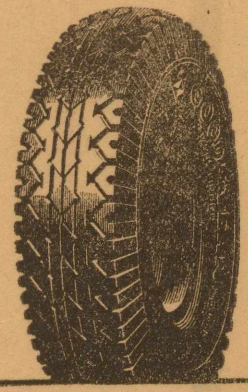
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29x4.75-20	6.43	6.24
29x5.00-19	6.65	6.45
30x5.00-20	6.75	6.55
28x5.25-18	7.53	7.30
29x5.25-19	7.75	7.52
30x5.25-20	7.89	7.65
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29x4.75-20	5.20	5.04
29x5.00-19	5.39	5.23
30x5.00-20	5.45	5.29
31x5.00-21	5.72	5.56
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