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## Life and Property of E. M. Kirkland Are Threatened

### Extortionists Demand \$1000 of Sutton Ranchman

A threat against the life and property of E. M. Kirkland, Sutton and Edwards county ranchman, revealed Tuesday in which Mr. Kirkland was demanded on June 8 to deliver \$1000 in ransom to unidentified extortionists by placing a package of bills near the steps of the Junior High School Building in San Angelo.

Concerning the crime the San Angelo Morning Times carried the following story Tuesday morning: An amazing attempt to extort \$1000 under threat of death from Monroe Kirkland, wealthy Sutton and Edwards county ranchman, went afoul here recently when the perpetrators failed to call at the appointed place for a package purportedly containing the cash demanded.

The bold plot was disclosed Monday night when police announced they have definite clues as to the identity of the would-be extortionists, but do not at this time have sufficient evidence to warrant arrests.

Mr. Kirkland, who is past 70 and is failing in health, received a threatening letter as he started to enter a store at Chadbourne and Beauregard the afternoon of June 8. It was handed to him by a negro man who immediately fled after saying "Be sure and read that."

"No. 1"

The letter, printed in ink, and obviously written by an uneducated (Continued on page 8)

### Lions Club Hears More Convention—Shower Newly-Weds

#### Musical Program Entertaining; New Officers Now in Charge; Key Presented H. V. Stokes

The Sonora Lions Club enjoyed a varied program of entertainment and business at the Monday luncheon in the Methodist church basement. Further reports on impressions of the state convention were delivered by A. C. Elliott and Bill Gilmore, delegates from the local club. Newly-wed Lions were showered with groceries and household articles. Musical numbers provided entertainment. New officers took over their duties for a year, and Lion W. E. Caldwell presented a key to Lion H. V. ("Buzzy") Stokes in token of his work in securing two new members.

Mr. Elliott said that the thing about the convention which impressed him most was the record of charitable deeds being carried on by clubs from all parts of Texas, as outlined in reports at the convention. Mr. Gilmore sketched some of the principal addresses and meetings, praising the talk given by Charles Nixon, Del Rio, new district governor for this area. Mr. Gilmore expressed commendation of the choice of the clubs in choosing Mr. Nixon.

John Eaton and W. C. Warren (Continued on page 8)

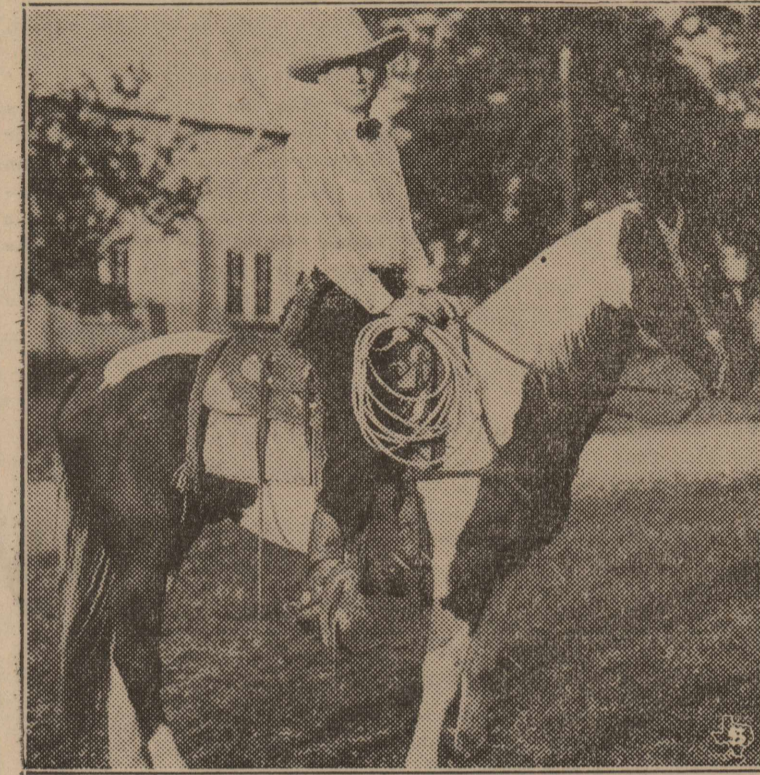
### CURT SCHWIENING HURTS FINGERS IN ROPE MISHAP

Curt Schwiening, 15-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Schwiening, suffered three severely cut and burned fingers Friday afternoon when his hand became entangled in a lariat which he was using to lasso a horse in a corral at the Schwiening ranch 40 miles east of Sonora. Curt was roping from his mount, and when his loop landed on a fat range horse he was unable to handle the rope properly.

He was rushed to Sonora by his brothers, Harold and Junior, and given medical attention. The little finger was most seriously injured, being cut to the bone entirely around the member. Curt is recovering as well as could be expected.

## 3000 Attend Free Barbecue

### Spoke Here for R. S. Sterling



W. W. Sterling, adjutant general of Texas, who spoke at the Camp Allison barbecue Wednesday in behalf of the candidacy of Governor R. S. Sterling, seeking re-election as head of the Texas government. There is no relation.

### Crew Nearing Town on Highway 30 Work

#### Road Being Widened and Made Safer; Blasting Remains

Work of widening the roadbed and cutting out deep ditches is nearing Sonora on Highway 30 in the southern part of Sutton county. The entire 100-foot right-of-way is being utilized by workmen for the State Highway Department maintenance division working under H. L. Taylor. The shoulders at the side of the road are being made much wider and will be smoothed gradually into the drainage ditches at the sides.

Considerable work remains to be completed on the 22-mile stretch, however, since blasting of rock on hillsides has been left until last. Dirtwork will be finished within another few days.

### Killing Deer in Preserve Costly

#### Five Charges May Be Preferred Against Menard Men

Killing a deer in a game preserve of Texas may prove costly, particularly if the methods employed leave the hunters open to other charges. Five possible complaints face three Menard men who are charged with killing a deer in the Bevans game preserve in southeastern Schleicher county.

C. H. Jennings, game warden in Schleicher and Sutton counties, assisted in a case this week in which charges were filed against H. H. White and George W. Brown, both of Menard. The men will face trial in justice court of Schleicher county July 11. They were released on bond of \$100 this week.

The five charges are: trespassing on a game preserve, fine of \$50 to \$100; killing a deer out of season, fine of \$10 to \$200; hunting with artificial light, fine of \$50 to \$200 or 30 to 90 days in jail or both; possession of deer carcass with evidence of sex removed, fine of \$50 to \$200; and hunting at night, \$25 to \$100.

### Local Briefs

**Sidney Bryson Awalt Ill**  
Little Sidney Bryson Awalt, five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Awalt, was taken quite ill Wednesday morning. He was improving on Thursday, it was said.

**Visits Reilly Families**  
Rankin Rudick, jr., of San Angelo, is visiting his uncles, John and Dante Reilly, and their families, on the Reilly ranches this summer. Rankin's father is well-known to Sonora people.

**McDermotts Here from S. Louis**  
Mr. and Mrs. John McDermott and little son, Jackie, of St. Louis, arrived Monday to spend the summer here with Mrs. McDermott's sister, Mrs. C. E. Stites, and her family.

**Morris's Brother Visits Here**  
Alexander Morris of Lockhart is spending several days in Sonora visiting his brother, G. W. Morris. Mr. Morris lives in Caldwell county five miles from the place of his birth 79 years ago.

**Dr. Rude Is Called Away**  
Dr. Joe C. Rude, who was in charge of Dr. J. C. Baker's practice in Sonora during the latter's absence while attending the University of Cincinnati, was called to Oklahoma City this week by the illness of his mother.

**Experiment Station Man Here**  
H. E. Dunlavy, superintendent of a Texas Agricultural Experiment Station substation at Temple, was here Wednesday attending the Camp Allison barbecue and visiting with W. H. Dameron, superintendent of the local substation.

### Two-Day Celebration Acclaimed Big Success

With 3000 people attending the free barbecue Wednesday the two-day Camp Allison celebration was acclaimed a big success, and Alfred Schwiening, general chairman, was given credit for an entertainment which was enjoyed by everyone. The free barbecue, political speeches, dances two nights, airplane rides, goat roping, baseball games, and band music offered diversion to the crowd which overflowed the shaded area in the North Llano river bottom at Camp Allison.

Tents dotted the valley above and below the celebration ground. People from Sonora, Junction, and surrounding towns enjoyed the camping.

Political speakers included Carl Runge, district judge from Mason county, who spoke for Governor R. S. Sterling; Col. P. L. Downs of Temple, candidate for Congressman-at-large, place No. 2;

**THOMASON NOT PRESENT**  
Congressman R. E. Thomason, candidate for re-election, had planned to attend the celebration, but a message to The News Monday announced that press of important legislative duties in Washington would make attendance impossible.

Judge Dan M. Jackson, candidate for congress from the 16th district; Julian LaCrosse of Del Rio, who spoke for Congressman R. E. Thomason of the 16th district; W. W. Sterling, adjutant general of Texas, who attacked the Fergusons (Continued on page 8)

### Movement of Sheep Continues with 19 Cars During Week

#### Three Double Decks Go to Kansas City, Balance to Ft. Worth; Lambs Form Bulk of Load

The movement of sheep from ranches of this area to markets continued heavy this week, with a total of 19 cars leaving Sonora during the period.

S. E. McKnight shipped Saturday, sending three double decks cars of lambs to Kansas City and one double and one single car to Fort Worth. Other shipments Saturday were one double deck car each of lambs for Aldwell Bros., S. H. Allison and Paul Turney.

Monday an additional eight cars went to Fort Worth, with Tom Bond and Fred Simmons shipping one double each, O. L. Carpenter shipping three doubles and Dock Friend two doubles and one single. Sherman Taylor of Juno shipped two doubles Wednesday and Mrs. Velma Shurley shipped one double Thursday, both shipments going to Fort Worth.

#### Enjoy Fishing Trip Last Week

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Halbert and their daughters, the Misses Allie and Bobbie Mae, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Covey, and also Miss Victoria Jones, of Eldorado, returned Friday from a fishing trip to the Devil's River. They were laden with a good catch of cat and perch and reported a successful trip.

### WYATT CAR OVERTURNED TUESDAY; NO ONE HURT

The sedan of Chris Wyatt was overturned Tuesday afternoon at about 7 o'clock on a concrete dip near the Ft. Terrett Ranch 35 miles east of Sonora without injury to four occupants.

Henry Wyatt, son of Christ Wyatt, was unhurt, as were three passengers: Claude Baker, Henry Pulliam and Albi Adams.

The car was jammed into a narrow ditch, which prevented its turning completely over. The top and body were badly smashed. It was towed to Sonora by a wrecker from the Sonora Motor Co.

## Mrs. J. D. Wallace Dies After Extended Sickness

### Funeral Services Held Thursday; Burial in Sonora

Mrs. J. D. Wallace, 33, died Wednesday afternoon at 12:30 o'clock following an extended illness which has lasted nearly a year and which had confined her to bed for the last two months. Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Methodist church, with the Rev. E. P. Neal, Methodist pastor, in charge, assisted by the Rev. Z. E. Parker, pastor of the Sonora Baptist church.

Mrs. Wallace was an active worker in church and social circles until the time of her death. Her marriage to Mr. Wallace, a Sutton county ranchman and son of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Wallace, united two of the oldest families in this area of Texas. Mrs. Wallace was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George J. Trainer, sr. Mr. Trainer, for the last several years tax assessor of Sutton county, arrived in the territory which later became Sutton county, in 1884. Mrs. Trainer was a daughter of the late W. D. Adams, early settler on the North Llano.

Seven weeks ago Mrs. Wallace was taken to Christoval for treatment, remaining there a week. There followed a week's stay in San Angelo, where she underwent clinical examination. She was then returned to Sonora and had been at the Wallace home here for the final five weeks of her illness.

Mrs. Wallace graduated from Sonora high school in 1917, later at (Continued on page 4)

## Cupid Gains in Sutton County in '31; Weddings up, Divorces Down

Cupid was big winner in Sutton county in 1931, bettering his 1930 record in two ways. Weddings gained one, numerically, over the former year, and divorces declined from eight in 1930 to five in 1931. There were 19 weddings in the county in 1931, according to the preliminary report issued by the United States Bureau of the Census, as compared with 18 the year before. Consequently, divorces were slightly more than a fourth as numerous as weddings, whereas, the year before there were almost half as many.

In the state as a whole, Glasscock and Andrews counties tied for low, with one marriage each. The year before, though, Andrews had four, as compared with one for Glasscock. In both counties, divorces in 1931 doubled the weddings, with two each. High score went to Harris county both years, although 1932 was 800 under 1930. The 1931 total was 2,809, as compared with 3,651. Bexar county ran second and Dallas county third. Of the counties bordering Sutton, Val Verde led both years, with 119 in 1931 and 141 in 1930. Other totals were: Crockett, 28 in 1931 and 29 in 1930; Edwards, 14 and 19; Kimble, 18 and 30; Menard, 30 and 34; Schleicher, 28 and 34. (Continued on page 8)

### \$35 Tarp for 25c

Sounds like a bargain, doesn't it? There's no catch to it though, for that is exactly what it cost C. E. Stites to recover a tarp lost a few weeks ago from his truck. A 25-cent "LOST" ad in The News turned the trick. Mr. Stites says the finder delivered the tarp to him with this comment: "I kept it until I saw the ad—figure anybody who would not advertise for it didn't need it."

'Phone 24

## STEAK-BROILING SECRETS TOLD WITH HINTS FOR REST OF MEAL

By STELLA T. PATTON  
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Many people who are fond of broiled steak think that they cannot get as good a steak at home as they can at some of the public eating places. This may be true, but it should not be. One reason broiled steak is so delicious at a steak house is that they make a specialty of broiling steak and have really worked at the job and studied it until they get what they consider the best steak.

Another reason is that the steak is served immediately after broiling, and this is sometimes a difficult thing to plan in the home. One restaurant that specializes in broiling steak insists upon the waitress standing with the tray ready to receive the steak and rush it to the customer as it is removed from the broiler. It may not always be possible to have your family or your guests at the table waiting while the steak is being brought in, but, if possible, that will give the best results. The platter upon which the steak is served should also be hot, and the plates should be warmed so that the servings of steak are not cooled too quickly.

**The Thicker the Steak the Juicier**  
Another advantage of the commercial broiled steak is that it is always the same. A little practice which gives experience will enable you to also have your steaks always the same. To begin with, you should decide upon what thickness of steak you like and always insist upon the meat man cutting that thickness for you. You cannot insist upon the thickness in order to give the required weight. The commercial restaurant that I spoke of cut their own steaks and cut them seven-eighths of an inch thick. It may be rather hard to get a meat man to measure meat to an eighth of an inch, but they will cut it an inch thick or approximately three-fourths of an inch thick if you desire. The thicker steak is much more juicy than the thinner piece of meat.

The degree of doneness is a matter of individual desires. It is to be hoped that all your family like steak cooked the same way. If they do not, you can still suit everyone by having small, individual steaks, or by cutting the steak in servings before broiling. In this way you can start the steaks that are to be cooked well done earlier and add the rare steaks later. During the broiling you need a hot fire, but do not want the meat so close to the flames if gas is used that the fat catches on fire. If steak is to be served quite rare, it can be cooked quite close to the flame, but if it is to be cooked medium or well

done, I would advise starting it a little lower in the broiling oven, cooking the steak until well done on one side, then turning it and cooking on the other side. It should not be necessary to turn the steak more than the one time.

### When to Salt the Steak

There has been quite a variation of opinion as to salting meat. The latest research work seems to indicate that it doesn't make much difference when it is salted, so if it is more convenient to salt it at the beginning, some of our late authorities tell us the meat will be just as good as if salted when removed from the fire.

When the steak is removed from the broiling oven to the hot platter, the juice that has escaped into the broiling pan may be poured over the steak, or melted butter may be put on the steak if preferred.

Many people dislike washing the broiler pan, and for this reason often refuse to serve broiler steak or chops to their family. A friend recently gave me a hint that I think will be valuable to you people who dislike washing broiling pans. When she is broiling just a few small chops she puts a pan under the rack on the broiler pan and places the chops directly over this pan. This catches all the fat or juice that escapes from the chops and leaves the broiler pan in good condition. If gravy is to be made from this juice, a small amount of water may be put in the pan and you have the hot juice diluted with hot water all ready to make the gravy, and it may be made directly in this pan, or the juice may be poured over the steak without making it into a gravy.

### What to Serve With Steak

Now, what are you going to serve with your broiled steak dinner? Quite often French fried potatoes are served in public eating places. It takes just about as long for French fried potatoes to cook as it does the steak to broil, so if you have your potatoes all prepared they can be cooking at the same time your meat is cooking, and it is not impossible to watch both of them. If you do not want the French fried potatoes, baked potatoes or potatoes in the half-shell are nice to serve. Some public eating places always serve mashed potatoes with the steak. This is a very good combination if there are two of you to do last minute work in the kitchen, but I find it rather difficult to mash potatoes—and they certainly should be mashed at the last minute—and watch broiling steak at the same time.

Any green vegetable is attractive with steak. Tomatoes are also good either cooked or if you are serving the tomato as a salad it may be in a

## S. M. U. Beauty



Here is Virginia Waters of Dallas, named the most beautiful girl in Southern Methodist University, when the 12 girls who will grace the beauty section of the student annual were selected.

gelatin salad or just raw sliced tomatoes.

Of course, you will serve rolls and coffee with a steak dinner, and the coffee will be served with the dinner course as well as with the dessert.

For your dessert have a fruit of some kind that is in season, or a fruit and cake combination, and give your guests another cup of coffee with their dessert.—Hereford Journal.

## Combination Grill Offers Meal Ideas

Preparation Includes Vegetables  
Cooked in Same Pan With Meat

Often the combination grill is associated with only clubs and hotels, but it is not at all difficult to serve at home. With a long shallow pan or a fire-proof platter to be used as a grill pan and a broiler oven, a delicious grilled dinner may be prepared in less than an hour.

Especially is this method of cooking good for those meats and vegetables which are broiled, for, strictly speaking, grilling is another name for broiling. Sometimes vegetables cooked in other ways are included in the combination grill, but usually it consists of grilled vegetables and acid fruits cooked in the grill pan with meat. Vegetables such as tomatoes, eggplant, cucumbers, white and sweet potatoes, carrots, beets, and turnips make attractive combinations with lamb chops, hamburger steak, little link sausages or sausage cakes, bacon, sweetbreads, or ham. Fruits such as apples, bananas, pineapple, and sometimes apricots and peaches, are cooked in grill combination to add unusual flavors to the meat and vegetables.

### Lamb Chop Grill

Saratoga chops (cut from the boned and rolled shoulder of lamb) are nice for this dish. Brown 4 chops on one side. Place the chops in the center of the grill pan or fire-proof platter. At one end place 4 slices of eggplant which have been dotted with butter and sprinkled with grated cheese. At the other end place 4 slices of pineapple which have been dipped in melted butter. In between place 4 large mushroom caps which have been dipped in melted butter. Place the grill pan on the tray of the broiler oven about 2 inches from the gas burner, and turn the flame down to what would be about a moderate oven temperature. Cook until the chops are done and the eggplant and pineapple are browned.

### Hamburger Steak Comb. Grill

Hamburger steak make an equally good grill combination with tomatoes and sweet potatoes. It is cooked just as the chops are. The sweet potatoes are especially good if a paste of 4 tablespoons brown sugar and 2 tablespoons butter is made to spread over them.

A garnish of a sprig of parsley or of watercress and a cube of tart jelly or a dash of paprika can be used to add color to a delicious combination grill.

## WOMEN USE PENNY BANKS FOR FEDERATION FUNDS

Members of the various women's clubs of Del Rio, and many other towns where clubs are federated, have recently received penny banks, which were distributed to be used for the accumulation of funds for the payment of the permanent home of the State Federation of Women's Clubs recently constructed in Austin.

The home will be ready for occupancy early in the fall.

Dallas—New \$2,500,000 cut-off between Rome and this place, State Highway No. 114, completed.

Timpson—New shipping shed under construction here.

## CLUB BOYS CALLED LEADERS IN TEXAS FEEDER MOVE BY EX. EDITOR

By W. H. DARROW, Editor Extension Service News

better market for farm feed than the cash market.

If Texas continues to develop as a farm-fed cattle state it is not improbable that future historians will give 4-H club boys the credit for forcing the change. Seasoned stock men are already saying it.

Ten years ago a mere handful of farm boys were feeding baby calves. Farmers regarded it as a county agent fad. In recent years the big livestock shows of the state have had a hundred and more well finished club calves on exhibit where formerly a score or two constituted the showing.

Copying the club boys, farmers have gone to feeding calves for themselves. It has graduated from kid stuff to a respected farm enterprise. The collapse of prices has helped instead of hindered the move, for even with low-priced beef, beef calves have provided a

Club boys haven't done it all, by any means, but by steady plugging they have charted the way for others in the calf-feeding business. In the meantime a change has taken place in the demonstrations of the boys. Instead of feeding one animal they have been finishing two and three and five, and even 15 or 20 calves.

In 1931 there were 801 beef calves finished by 535 club boys who made total profits of about \$12 per animal. This money represents the premium the calves brought their owners for the farm feed consumed.

What the results of the feeding year completed the past spring will be, no one yet knows, but a fair example may be that reported from Hockley county where boys and girls made average profits of about \$7 apiece on 61 beef calves

fed, not including \$165 received in premiums.

County agents report increasing enrollments in beef calf clubs in practically every part of Texas this year.

### Whitehead Buys Hughes Bulls

F. C. ("Tuff") Whitehead, rancher in the Vinegarone country, last week bought three young Hereford bulls from the Duwain Hughes registered herd at Mertzon. The terms were private.

Phone your news items to 24.

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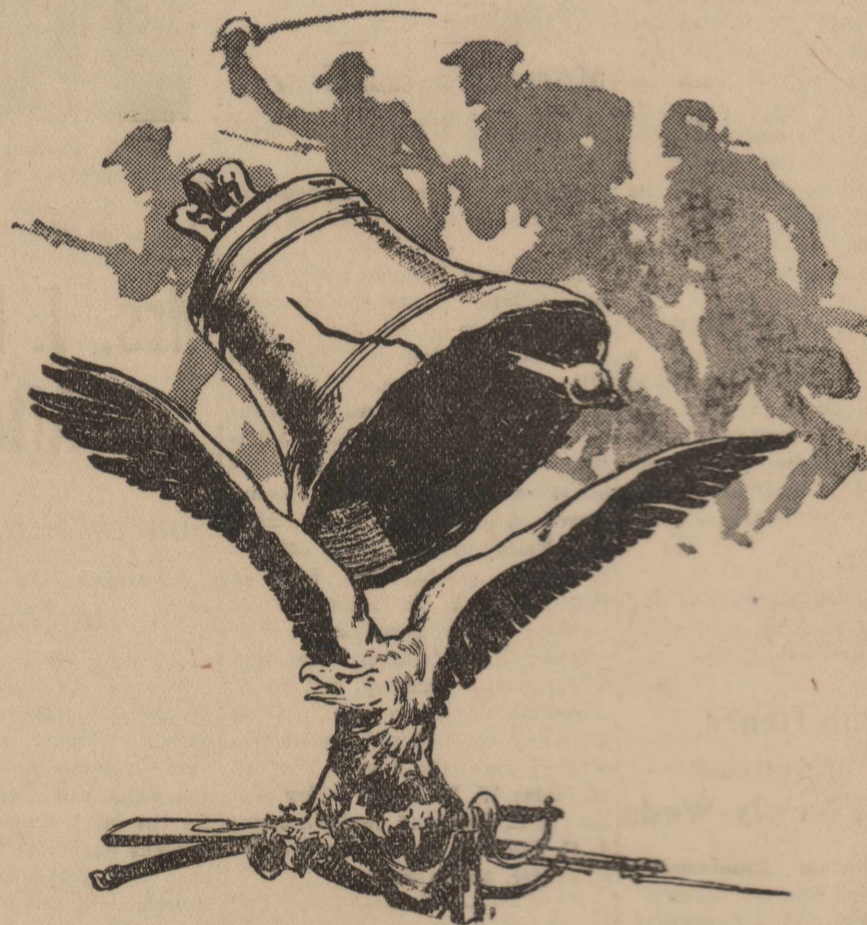
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**WHAT A WOMAN CAN DO! ALBANY EDITOR PAYS TRIBUTE TO ABILITY**

What a Woman Can Do; What can't she do? The opinions of that veteran philosopher, Col. Dick McCarty, long-time editor of the Albany News, are really interesting. Read on:

She can say "No," and stick to it for all time.

She can also say, "No," in such a low, soft voice that it means "Yes!"

She can sharpen a lead pencil if you give her plenty of time and plenty of pencils.

She can pass a display window in a dry goods store without stopping—if she is running to catch a train.

She can dance all night in a pair of shoes two sizes too small for her, and enjoys every minute of the time.

She can appreciate a kiss from her husband seventy-five years after the marriage ceremony has been performed.

She can walk half the night with a colicky baby in her arms

without once expressing a desire to murder the infant.

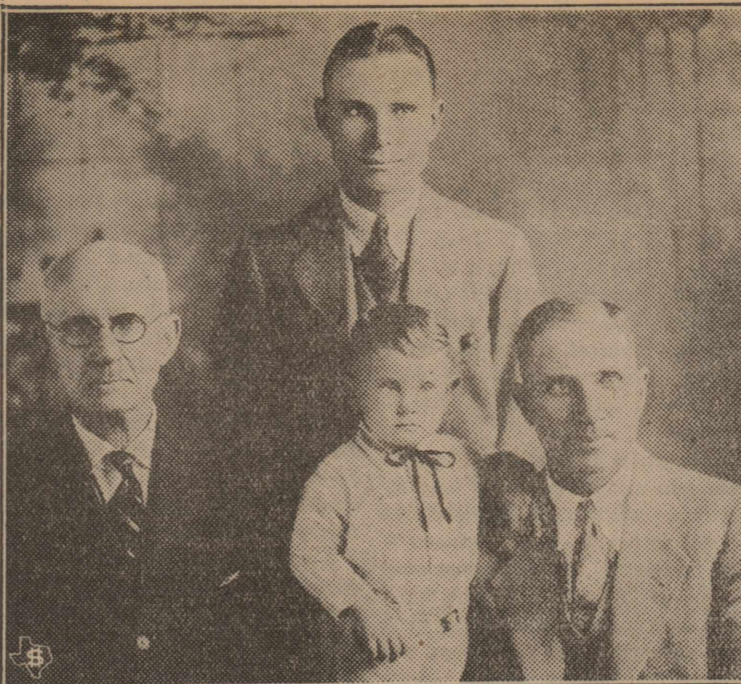
She can suffer abuse and neglect for years, which one touch of kindness or consideration will drive from her recollection.

She can go to church, and afterwards tell you what every woman in the congregation had on, and in some rare instances can give a faint idea of what the text was.

She can go to the theatre every evening, and the matinee on Wednesday and Saturday, and still possess sufficient strength to attend a Sunday night sacred concert.

She can—but what's the use? A woman can do anything or everything, and do it well. She can do more in a minute than a man can do in an hour, and do it better. She can make the alleged lords of creation bow down to her own sweet will, and they will never know it.—Albany News.

**R. H. Cooper I, II, III, and IV**



Four generations in one family, all with the same name, all first sons, is the unusual occurrence in Crowell, Texas. R. H. Cooper I lives in Fayette, Mo., and is 84 and a Methodist preacher. R. H. Cooper II is a Crowell farmer, and his son is engaged in business in that city. The fourth link will be three on July 25.

culty in putting into shape the business upon which we had met."

"Did you meet Grant upon that mission?"

"Oh, yes," was General Gordon's reply as he stretched his arms out over the back of the settee upon which he was sitting. "I was very much impressed with the modesty and unpretending character of the man. He wore no uniform except the blue blouse, overcoat and breeches—not even a sword to be taken his rank. His manner was most gracious and courteous. Not a word escaped him which did not give evidence of his purpose of treating the defeated Confederates with every mark of respect and consideration. Indeed, this spirit seemed to actuate all the Federal officers, with one exception. They made constant reference to the battles in which the Confederates had been victorious, and avoided those in which the Federals had been successful.

"With all their courtesy, however, and all their kindness, the trial to the officers and to the men was one of the greatest through which a brave army has ever had to pass. Men kissed their arms as they stacked them to be delivered up. Many color bearers wept bitterly as they folded their battle

flag and there was scarcely a dry eye when the realization came upon them that it was all over.

"Ah, sir, every ragged soldier that surrendered that day, from the highest to the lowest, from the old veteran to the beardless boy, every one of them, sir, carried a heart of gold in his breast. It made my heart bleed for them, and sent the tears streaming down my face as I saw them surrender the poor, riddled, battlestained flags that they had followed so often, and that had been made sacred with the blood of their comrades. The poor fellows would step forward, give up the scanty rag that they had held so precious through so many long and weary years, and then turn and wring their empty hands in an agony of grief. Their sobs and the sobs of their comrades could be heard for yards around. Others would tear the flag from the staff and hide the precious rag in their bosoms and hold it there. As General Lee rode down the lines with me and saw the men crying, and heard them cheering "Uncle Robert" with their simple but pathetic remarks, he turned to me and said, in a broken voice: 'Oh, General, if it had only been my lot to have fallen in one of our battles,

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**Want-Ads Reveal Variety of Humor**

Small Messages Have Serious Intent, But Get Laughs

The want-ad business of the newspaper is a serious business, but because it is real life, it has much humor in it—generally unintentional humor. This ad appeared in a western paper not so long ago: "Secretarial position wanted by young lady with eight years' business experience to her credit. Can be as dumb as men expect a girl to be, or, if necessary, can show signs of unusual intelligence."

Here are some others:

LONELY lady would appreciate male canary for companionship. EM5507. Los Angeles Evening Express.

GARTER LOST—Lady's, with a gold buckle clasp containing the photograph and word "husband." Reward. Capitol 1025.—Illinois State Journal.

FLAGPOLE SITTING—I will sit on one of Chicago's highest flagpoles 30 days. Leave by balloon, jump from balloon by parachute, release from chute at 30-ft. height and dive into Lake Michigan. Address K. H. 32, Daily News.—Chicago Daily News.

One want-ad in a London paper sold a battlefield in the Ypres sector of France. The ad reads:

HILL 60—This historical site, being the only intact position of the Ypres sector, with pill boxes, dugouts, etc., is for disposal. For particulars apply to owner's sale agent, L. C. Poyar, Bromley, Kent.

Here are two recently in the San Francisco Examiner:

A LARGE artistically furnished sleeping room, bay window corner; fireplace, marine view if you stick your head far enough out of the window.

STENOGRAPHER whose alarm clock is dependable; who washes her neck before she powders it, and who, having been married, takes dictation instinctively.

There are always to be found plenty of humorous ads. This one appeared in the Visalia (Calif.) Times:

LOST—Sunday morning, black bag containing baby and vanity articles.

And this one got a laugh when it appeared in the Oakland Tribune: WHO will finance me while I rewrite the Bible? Don't call me, but write to A. J. Swenson, 2926 Football Blvd. Oakland.

But this is a light film of facetiousness on the want-ads. Mostly they are very serious. Their range is as broad as human needs and human desires. The want-ad is the universal market place.—Boston Herald.

**STORY 48 YEARS OLD PAINTS GRAPHIC PICTURE OF GEN. LEE'S SURRENDER IN LAST DAYS SOUTH'S 'LOST CAUSE'**

(The following article, accredited to an eye-witness was published in the Bureau Bulletin 48 years ago.)

On the evening of April 8th, 1865, upon a little eminence in the woods a brush fire was burning brightly. Reclining at full length on the ground beside it was that noble old hero, General Robert E. Lee, his head resting upon his saddle, his eyes vainly seeking a few moments' repose, but his brain was too busy with thought of the responsibility thrown upon his shoulders. As he laid there it could be observed that he was clothed in a well worn gray sack blouse, with ordinary gray pantaloons, while by his side was the black felt hat, which had grown to be a part of "Uncle Bob" himself. A figure of stalwart man approached—walking slowly, as if fearful of the place. When the firelight fell across it it disclosed the face of Gen. Longstreet, the bull dog of the army. His flashing eyes, his full, black beard, his ill-fitting uniform of lieutenant general, all presented a figure as sturdy as the giant oak against which he leaned unwilling to disturb his old commander. From opposite directions then came General Gordon, who, with Longstreet, commanded the two Confederate wings, and General Fitzhugh Lee. A manly, royal pair they were, looking more like men who should be leading their soldiers into a new born conflict than being the mourners of an expiring campaign. The addition of General Pendleton, commanding the artillery, completed the council.

By this time General Lee was reclining upon his right elbow, and at once disclosed the object of the council. With firm voice, yet giving evidence of the suppressed emotion under which he labored, he asked the decision as to whether the four years war should then come to an end. For four hours the discussion lasted, the fullest liberty of expression being given. It was the unanimous decision that one desperate attempt should be made to cut through the obstructing Federal works and by the delay thus gained, secure a new front, and under the present prestige of the temporary success gained secure better terms from Federals. The generals, some of whom had been lying upon the ground, others sitting upon roots of trees and others standing, were then ordered to prepare for the last struggle of the Confederacy. As they turned away from the council fire, and were lost in the darkness, the fire burned more dimly, while for a long time by its light Lee could be seen in a sitting posture, his head resting upon his hand, in profound meditation.

As General Gordon's wing was the one upon which devolved the battle which daylight would bring, he thus became the central figure around which the events of the day would revolve. "The attack was made," said General Gordon, the old firelight flashing in his eyes, "we took the works, and had pressed the enemy back, when a letter signed by General Lee, was borne to me. It stated that under a flag of truce he was in negotiation with General Grant, and that I might inform the Federal commander—whom I supposed was General Ord—of the fact. Calling up my chief of staff, I ordered him to carry a flag of truce into the Federal lines with the information."

"Did he carry it?"

"Well," said Gen. Gordon, with a grim smile, "not a flag of truce exactly—we had no flag, and it was impossible to procure one. I told him to get a stick and tie a white handkerchief to it."

"There is not a handkerchief in the whole command," he said.

"Then tear off a piece of your white shirt."

"I have no white shirt."

"Then get some one else's white shirt."

"There is not a white shirt in the whole army," he replied, in utter despair.

"Finally he got hold of something white, rode into the federal lines, where he found General Sheridan in command, instead of General Ord. General Sheridan immediately sent an officer into my lines to demand immediate and unconditional surrender."

"Give General Sheridan my compliments," was my response, "and say to him that I wished merely to inform him of the existence of the flag of truce, and was not prepared to surrender."

"In a few moments I observed a cloud of dust encircling a dozen horsemen. With my staff I rode out to meet the party, and found it to be General Sheridan and staff who had ridden within our lines. Again Sheridan demanded of me in person that we surrender. Upon my exhibiting to him General Lee's letter it was agreed that firing should cease; that no advance should be made in either line, while we should await the result of the negotiations under the flag of truce between General Grant and General Lee. After that there was some desultory fighting, but it was soon checked. In a few hours came the final message that terms of surrender had been agreed upon."

"How were these terms of surrender agreed upon?"

"General Lee appointed General Longstreet, General Pendleton, and myself to meet officers similarly appointed by General Grant who should agree upon the language of the parole, and the details for the surrender of arms, etc. We met in the brick house in which Lee and Grant had met, and had no diffi-

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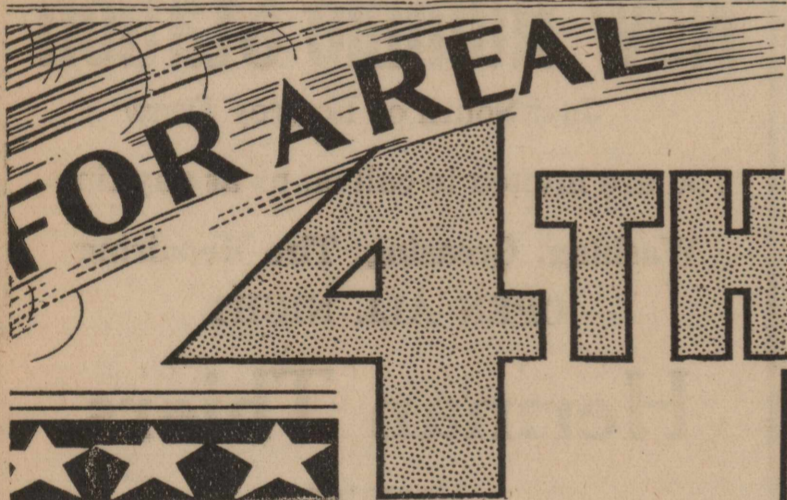
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**General Lee—**

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to have given my life to this cause that we could not save. I told him that he should not feel in that way; that he had done all that mortal man could do, and that every man and woman in the South would feel this and would make him feel it. "No, no," he said, "there will be many who will blame me. But, General, I have the consolation of knowing that my conscience approves what I have done and that the army sustains me."

"In a few hours the army was scattered, and the men went back to their ruined and dismantled homes many of them walking all the way to Georgia and Alabama. All of them penniless, worn out and well nigh heart-broken. Thus passed away Lee's army; thus were its last battles fought; thus was it surrendered, and thus was the great American tragedy closed, let us all hope, forever."

A speech that General Gordon made to his men that night, as they gathered about him for the last time, is an unwritten classic of the South. Men who heard it described it as surpassing in eloquence and in effect any thing they ever heard from human lips. "No man," said one of them to me, "who heard Gordon that night can ever cease loving him."

Mrs. Ed Wycoff, of San Angelo, accompanied by her small daughter, Caula Sue, and her mother, Mrs. Myers, also of Angelo, were house guests of Mrs. E. E. Steen and Miss Ada Steen at their ranch home last week. Miss Steen accompanied them home on Saturday, planning to make a brief visit in San Angelo before returning.

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**Salvage Ship to Recover Treasure**

**Gold Content of Five Million in Sunken Liner Being Sought**

The first contents of the sunken liner Egypt's bullion room were recently brought to the surface off Brest, France, by divers of an Italian salvage ship, the Artiglio, when they resumed their efforts to recover the liner's \$5,000,000 treasure. The following account of operations was given in a recent report:

"Nearly the whole roof of the bullion room was removed Friday and yesterday. One of the divers reported yesterday that he could see rectangular objects piled in tiers inside the room. They probably are bullion boxes. So far the divers have not been able to get any gold or silver from the bullion room because the bullion boxes are covered with broken wood and other debris which can be raised only a little at a time.

"As the bullion room is between the baggage rooms and under the first-class saloon, a curious assortment of lost property comes up in the divers' grab. A bent deck plate brought with it a rusty, broken cash box containing a dozen silver coins, including three large Malay pieces, a square 5-cent piece from Ceylon, a silver rupee with Queen Victoria's head and a Belgian 10-centime piece.

"The clearing of the bullion room has also brought up a loaded Mauser automatic pistol, a set of golf clubs without their heads, a battered silver pitcher, a pair of gray woolen socks and part of a catalogues of sporting equipment from a London company.

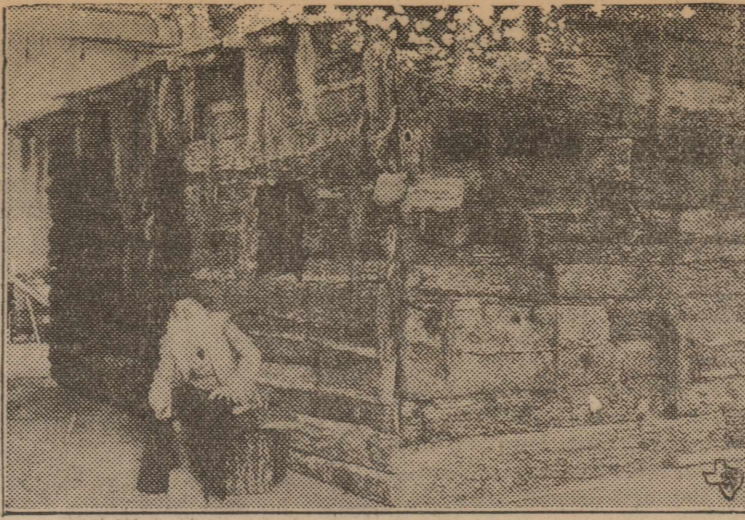
"The Artiglio was forced to suspend yesterday because of bad weather."

**Awalts to Llano Saturday**

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Awalt, and their sons, A. W. jr., and Sid, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lomax, drove to the Llano river below Junction Saturday afternoon and were met there by Mr. Awalt's sister and brother, Miss Blanche Awalt and Arthur Awalt, who were accompanied by Miss Arvie Wagner, all three being from Brady. Mr. Awalt accompanied the Brady group home for a visit of several days, and the remainder of the party returned to Sonora Sunday afternoon.

Citrus fruit shipments out of Rio Grande Valley for season just closed were 8,200 carloads.

**Burroughs Replica for Texas Museum**



A replica of the cabin home of John Burroughs, famous naturalist, built by Steve Krom for the Texas Museum of Natural History, was dedicated recently by the Campfire girls of Dallas. The girl in the role of John Burroughs, shown in the picture, is Miss Betty Tackett.

**Ranchers Urged to Raise More Quail in Western Texas**

**Game Cultivation is Excellent As Source of Added Revenue, Authorities Say**

**Farm and Ranch:** The new crop is quail—Bob Whites and blue quail which can be distributed and raised on the farm with little effort and considerable profit. The profit is derived both from the standpoint of the value of the birds in killing insects that might destroy other crops, providing food for the family and revenue from "city fellers" who want to hunt.

South Texas ranchers for several years have been increasing their earnings considerably with the raising of deer for hunters, charging a rate per day for hunting privileges. Last year a few farmers did likewise, and indications are that other farms are to follow the same system.

It is a plan, also, that has the approval of the state as well as the backing of the state, and aid in obtaining the birds for distribution.

In the year of 1931 the state department distributed more than 7,000 birds on Texas farms, while the year before nearly half that number were distributed. Probably as many will be distributed this year as can be bought and produced in Texas. Under the present Texas laws quail raisers are not permitted to sell them, so quail must be bought from Mexico even though thousands might be raised in Texas.

Every help possible, however, is given by the state game, fish and oyster department at Austin to aid the farmers in obtaining these birds to "plant" on their farms in hopes of increasing the crop in Texas next year.

If farmers and sportsmen do not combine their efforts for an increase in a few years the supply will become almost exhausted, because of heavy kills and ravages of cats and hawks.

The deer crop in Texas has been materially increased with the ranchers recognizing the money possibility from hunters. The same can be done with the quail crop, figures show. More attention now is given to the protection of the deer than to fertilization and cultivation of field crops in some of the areas of Texas, according to a report of the department.

The department also asks, "Why not the farmer sell the hunter the right to hunt quail on his farm land the same as the ranchman sells the privileges of hunting deer on his ranch?"

A report from J. G. Burr, director of research for the game department at Austin continues:

"We believe that some plan could be evolved by the game department in co-operation with the county agent and the farmers in various localities suitable for propagation of quail, whereby a movement could be put in motion that would greatly increase the quail crop each year, and incidentally create a source of revenue for the farmers in the area that would almost equal the cotton crop at the present prices.

"For example, if a farmer produced 100 quail on 100 acres and permitted hunters to kill two-thirds of his crop at \$4 a day, if his farm produced 1,000 birds, the revenue would be increased in proportion, figuring the bag limits at 12 birds a day, and the hunting privileges at \$4 a day, which is permitted under the law.

"The quail by nature is a wild bird, but with the proper cover and ample food and water supply, is almost as prolific as domesticated birds. To make the success of quail culture that would be reasonably expected the farmers in the community or a given area suitable for

form clubs, or at least co-operate with each other in the planting, propagation and protection of them.

"These organizations could, and no doubt would, be perfected thru the efforts of the county agent, who, I am sure, would be glad to lend his support to this movement just as enthusiastically as he does to the boys' pig clubs, and other meritorious movements that have for their purpose the financial and social improvement of the farming interests of the community.

"Small patches of grain suitable for quail to feed upon should be planted in the fence corners and in open spaces of land not in cultivation. This would supply food for the birds during the dry seasons when other foods are scarce, and will prevent them from drifting a the propagation of the birds, should very great distance from their habitat. The value of the grain eaten by the quail would be offset by the number of insects destroyed and weed seeds consumed as food. Such grain is harvested only by the game.

"House cats, opossums, polecats, armadillos, roadrunners, sharp shinned and blue darter hawks are the natural enemies of quail and other game birds.

"Quail culture in Texas has been undertaken only in a very limited way, but we believe it would be promoted successfully if given the same attention and protection by

the farmers that is given deer by ranchmen. At any rate it is worth a trial."

**HAIL USED FOR ICE AND LASTS OVER FIVE WEEKS**

Fred S. Mason, Uvalde ranchman, last week exhibited in Uvalde a sack of hail which he had gathered from a drift in Indian Creek at his ranch, which piled up during a hail storm May 5.

During a violent hail storm and waterspout, the hail was washed into a drift in a bend of the creek and tons upon tons of the ice formed in the drift. A perfect coat for the ice was formed by leaves and trash which washed downstream, and after five weeks, there was still plenty of hail left to last two weeks or more, Mason asserted.

Since the hail fell, the ranch hands have been taking hail from

the drift, which is several feet deep, and using it in place of ice taken from town, without seeming to greatly diminish the supply. Some of the stones taken to Uvalde were as large as a hen egg.

Andrews: Right-of-way north to Andrews-Gaines county line, being obtained.

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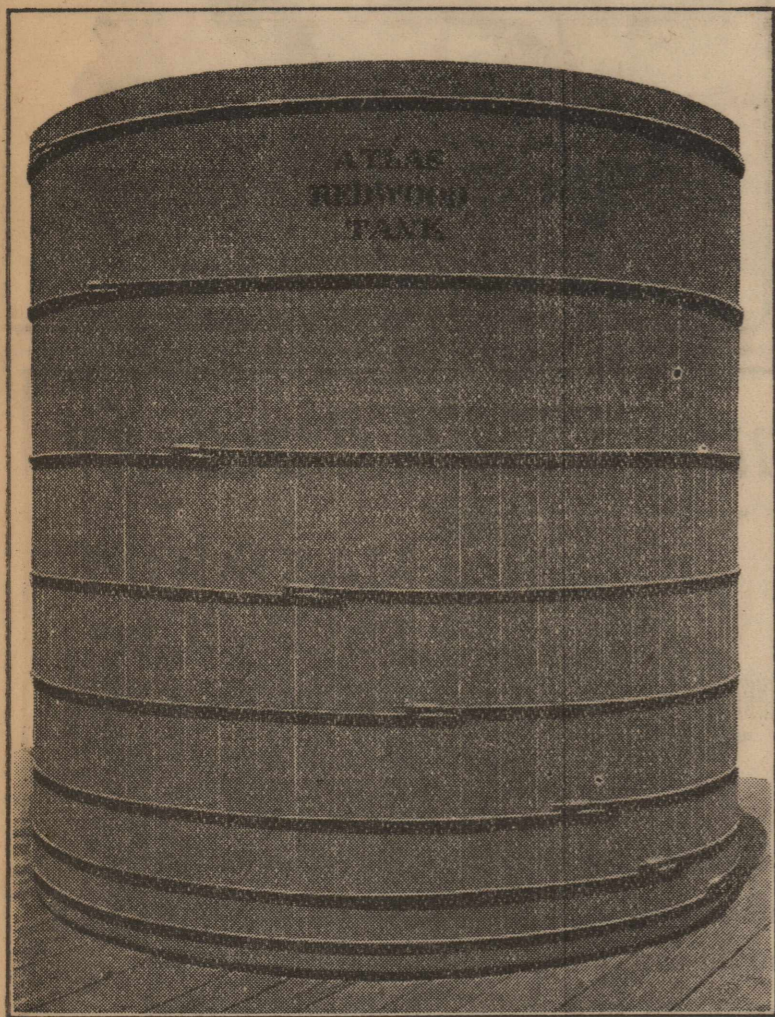
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In 1930 the shippers of Texas paid the railroads \$225,223,142 in freight charges. If the same volume and character of traffic had been carried by trucks it would have cost the shippers, according to the best available data on trucking costs, \$900,000,000, or four times as much.

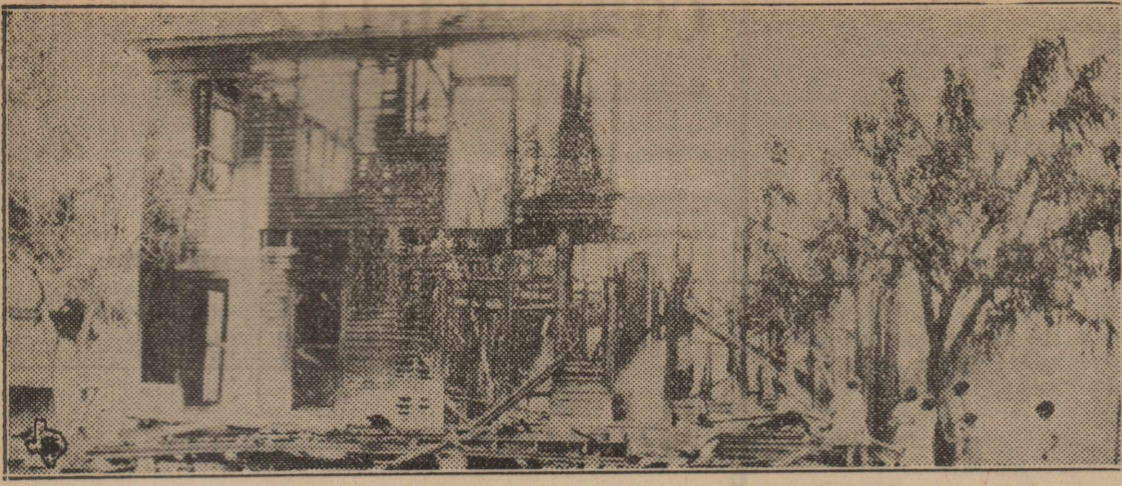
What will be the effect on the shippers of Texas if only the traffic which the trucks cannot handle is left to the railroads? If traffic paying the higher rate is taken from the railroads by the trucks, it will be necessary for the rail carriers to increase their rates on the low grade traffic or go out of business. The total transportation bill will be greatly increased.

The railroad rate structure is a composite designed for the purpose of enabling the free movement of ALL ARTICLES OF COMMERCE, making it possible to bring even the cheapest commodities into general use and distribution. Were it not for the low rates made available by the railroads on many low grade commodities and raw materials, their distribution and use would be impossible and all commerce and industry would be seriously affected.

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Letter Written by Martyr of Alamo  
Few Weeks Before His Death Tells  
Interesting Story of His Travels

A letter written a few weeks before his death by one of the band of martyrs who fell with the Alamo in San Antonio nearly a hundred years ago tells an interesting story of the travels and adventures of 23-year-old D. W. Cloud, an attorney who left his home in Kentucky for the great land that later became the Republic of Texas.

The letter, now a possession of R. A. Slack of Dallas, was shown in Big Lake recently by Mr. Slack while a visitor there. The Big Lake Wildcat reproduced the letter, written from Nachitoches, La., to Cloud's brother, and dated December 26, 1836, little more than a month before Cloud's death in the Alamo.

The letter follows:  
"Beloved Brother. A long time has elapsed since we have parted, and long before this period I expected to write to you; but continual traveling and employment have prevented.

"After leaving Uncle Louis in Missouri, which we did on November 29, we journeyed south. I left the family well except grandma, who was extremely ill. I have no idea that she yet lives. She had blankets and every kind of comfortable clothing and all that aunt could do to alleviate her suffering was done. We set off before Aunt Rice and her family arrived, but were informed they had good health and enough to eat and to wear.

**Illinois Soil Very Good**  
"Now you wish me to say something of the countries through which we have traveled, viz: Illinois, Missouri, Arkansas and Louisiana. The soil of Illinois, north of 38 degrees, is the best I ever saw and, from all that I can learn, the best body of land on earth of the same extent. The water is abundant and may be called good.

"Yankees, Kentuckians and Ohioans are filling up the state with a rapidity unparalleled in the history of the west. I saw on the farms as good horses, houses, barns and women and children as I ever saw in Kentucky. I view this state at no distant day far in advance of any western state except Ohio.

**Law Docket Not Heavy**  
"The reasons which cause us to travel on were, briefly, these: first, our curiosity was manifested; second, law dockets were not large, the fees low, and Yankee lawyers nu-

merous; third, the coldness of the climate. Missouri, unlike Illinois, has too much prairie and unlike her, has very poor prairies.

"West of 15 degrees west longitude from Washington city, the lands along both sides of the Missouri river, about the depth of one county, including Boone, Howard, Carroll, Ray, Clay and Clinton on the north and Conner, Saline, Lafayette, Jackson and Van Buren on the south, are very rich and well settled already. Our reason for not stopping in Missouri: first, we were displeased with the face of the country and the coldness of the climate, but most of all with the smallness of the dockets. There is less litigation in this state than in any other in the union for its population, as I was informed by one of the judges of the supreme court (Judge Thompkins) and what is going on redounds very little to the emolument of the practitioners. I am happy to find such a state of case existing, but while following the chase, like other hunters, wish to go where the game is plentiful large and fat.

**Didn't See Boone Then**  
"We rode through from north to south, about 600 miles; the weather was growing cold. We knew we could settle. It was out of our way to go through Booneville, and we had no opportunity for presenting ourselves to Colonel Boone and Mr. Grubbs, but we thank Brother Grubbs for the letter of introduction he gave us, which we yet kept. We wish you to acquaint him with these facts and present our love and compliments to him and family.

"We found Arkansas territory in some places rich, well watered and healthy, and the society tolerably good; but the great body of the country is stony, sandy and mountainous. In passing through, we traveled ten days continually in crossing the mountains. On Red river the lands are immensely rich, and planters also, many of them worth two and three hundred thousand dollars. Had we chosen to locate in Arkansas we could have made money rapidly if blessed with health and life; dockets and fees being large.

"The reason for our pushing still farther on must now be told, and as it is a matter on which our hearts have been set, it will suffice without mentioning any other one. "Ever since Texas unfurled the banner of freedom and commenced

a warfare for 'Liberty or Death' our hearts have been enlisted in her behalf.

"The progress of her cause has increased the ardor of our feeling until we have resolved to embark in the vessel which contains the flag of liberty, and sink or swim in its defense.

"Our brothers of Texas were invited by the Mexican government while republican in its form to come and settle; they did so; they have endured all the abuse and privation incident to the settlement of a frontier country and have surrounded themselves with all the comforts and conveniences of life. Now the Mexicans, with unblushing effrontery, call to them to submit to monarchical, tyrannical, central despotism at the bare mention of which every true hearted son of Kentucky feels an instinctive horror, followed by a firm and steady glory of virtuous indignation.

**Humanity Demands Action**  
"The cause of philanthropy, of humanity, of liberty and human happiness throughout the world calls loudly on every man who can aid Texas. If you ask me how I can reconcile the duties of a soldier with those of a Christian, I refer you to the memorable conversation between Generals Marion and DeCalb on this point, and the sentiments of the latter I have adopted as my own.

"If we succeed the country is ours. It is immense in extent and fertile in soil, and will amply reward our toils. If we fail, death in the cause of liberty and humanity is not cause for shuddering. Our rifles are by our sides, and choice guns they are. We know what awaits us and are prepared to meet it. My dear brother, I am in the hands of omnipotence and rejoice in the hope of His favor and protection. Oh, how I would have rejoiced to have received a letter from some of you in Jefferson in compliance with the request I made in my letter from Springfield, Ill. I waited ten days and nothing came.

**Then Leaves for Texas**  
"In a few days we shall be in Texas and then, having no means of writing when we please, you may not hear from us for many days, but when we can we will write. Some of you must take the trouble of informing me at length of what has occurred in Logan. I am extremely anxious to hear. I will some time write to Brother Anderson. Tell him I think well of the country about Quincy, Ill. I think he would be pleased with it if it is not too cold for him. "My health has been tolerably

Ranches Bringing  
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to Cowboy Reunion

Third Annual Affair at Stamford  
Begins July 4; Variety of Entertainment Is Offered

Stamford, June 30.—With the opening of the third annual Texas Cowboy Reunion only four days away, preparations are being completed for the entertainment of the largest crowd in the history of the Reunion. The meeting opens Monday, July 4, and will continue thru Tuesday and Wednesday.

Pioneer cowboys will begin pouring into the city Sunday, as registration will begin at 9 a. m. Monday and the first meeting of their association will be held at 10:30 a. m. Active cowboys who will participate in the rodeo contests also will begin coming in Sunday, bringing with them their favorite roping ponies. Attractive girl sponsors from surrounding cities will come, bringing their mounts.

A dozen ranch outfits from various parts of West Texas will bring their own chuck wagons and camp here during the Reunion. Free beef, wood and water is being provided for the visiting chuck wagons. Among the ranches which have indicated that they will bring their chuck wagons are: Ed Bate-man, Strawn; D-Z Ranch, Sweetwater; S. M. S. Flat Top Ranch, Stamford; Matador Ranch, Matador; S. M. S. Throckmorton Ranch, Throckmorton; Paddle Ranch, Clairemont; S. M. S. Spur Ranch, Spur, and Judge J. A. Matthews, Albany. Many others have been invited. The Reunion will have a wagon on the grounds at which meals will be served to members of

good. I have suffered a great deal from my stomach, but am now considerably improved. I hope I shall recover entirely by the hardships I am destined to undergo. We have been traveling ten weeks and I have gone over about 2500 miles. If I were with you I could talk enough to tire you, I hope we shall meet soon.

"our affectionate brother,  
"D. W. CLOUD."  
D. W. Cloud and his brother were destined never to meet again. Cloud went straight to San Antonio where he died in the Alamo.

EDEN COUPLE MARRIED  
HERE SUNDAY AFTERNOON

An Eden couple, former friends of the Rev. Z. E. Parker when he had a pastorate there, motored to Sonora Sunday afternoon and were

married by the Rev. Mr. Parker at the Baptist parsonage here. Miss Gladys Wilks, daughter of M. G. Wilks of Eden, became the bride of George Wright in a simple ceremony witnessed only by members of Mr. Parker's family. Mr. Wright is a son of Mrs. Josie Wright of Eden and a brother of the late Nick Wright, former Sonora barber. He is at present employed on the Mont Noelke ranch near Mertzon.

Mr. and Mrs. Wright will make their home at the Noelke ranch following a honeymoon of a few days in Big Spring.

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