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School Honor Rolls for Semester and Period Announced

Jo Nell Miers Has Highest Average in High School; Wesley Sawyer Leads Boys

Jo Nell Miers made the highest average grade in high school the first semester with an average of 96 3-4 per cent. Sara Ory was second with an average grade of 95 1-5 per cent.

Wesley Sawyer made the highest average of the boys with 93 2-5. Rena Glen Shurley made the highest 7th grade average with 94 2-3. Kathryn Brown was second with a grade of 93 per cent.

The honor roll follows:
Seniors: Ora Altizer, Mary Frances Covey, Sara Ory, Ches Thorp.
Sophomores: Kenneth Babcock, Nora B. Hill, Lunetta Marion, J. O. Mills, Wesley Sawyer, Lillie Marie Smith, Cora Belle Taylor.
Freshmen: Elizabeth Brantley, Josephine Dennard, Nora Gilliam, Lillian Kring, Emmalou Logan, Joyce McGilvray, Jo Ann Marion, Jo Nell Miers, Bobbie Nisbet, Richard Vehle.

Seventh grade: Kathryn Brown, Webb Elliott, Alma Louise Glasscock, Jack Shurley, Rena Glen Shurley, Robert Allen Simmons, (Continued on page 3)

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Sonora has an unusual reputation for hospitality in the estimation of one New York gentleman, C. H. Dickson, who has spent several weeks in Sonora just because he likes the town and people. Mr. Dickson, who has traveled extensively for five years, going and coming as he pleases, arrived in Sonora before Christmas, unknown to a soul. He spent the night here, liked the town, and stayed several weeks. Then he went back to New York after the first of the year, returning to Sonora again several days ago.

"There's something about your people," says Mr. Dickson, "something that rings true. Never in all my travels have I found a place in which the residents were such predominantly nice people. They are cordial and friendly, in a sincere way which I appreciate."

Now, that should make other Sonorans feel just as proud of our town as it does Crumbs. It is a fine compliment, but there's a cloud on the sky, for only a few days ago another man complained that he could not get acquainted with Sonora people at all, that Western hospitality was an empty phrase.

These two opposing views lead us to one conclusion, that it must be largely the attitude of the newcomer which determines whether he shall find a real welcome or utter indifference. The chances are that if the man who seeks hospitality does so with a desire to be friendly he will find it.

Be that as it may, a statement such as that from Mr. Dickson, may well prove a source of pride to Sonora people, and no less to Mrs. Josie McDonald, who has entertained this cosmopolitan traveler at her hotel.

Boy Scout Anniversary week, which began Thursday, marks the close of another chapter in this great movement for youth. For 24 years American boys have had the benefit of the Scouting program. Sonora has enjoyed the presence of a Scout Troop for many years, too, and its work has been one factor in the production of a group of young people, many of them now mature men and women, who reflect credit on the town and county. It's a great movement and deserves the support of every forward-looking citizen.

And speaking of codes, this new (un-official) banker's code is one which should prove a model to all other lines of business. Here it is:

Service charges recommended by (Continued on page 4)

Sonora Street Project Gets Approval for over \$5,000

Boy Scouts Observe 24th Anniversary of Founding, America

Sonora Troop Plans Busy Week of Activities and Ceremonies of Scouting

Twenty-four years ago Thursday a small group of citizens in Washington, D. C., formed an association for the development of the Boy Scouts of America. Since that time more than 6,500,000 American boys and men have been members of the Boy Scouts of America.

Thursday night at 8:15 throughout the United States the Scouts rededicated themselves to the Scout Oath. This has been their annual custom for many years.

The high point of the celebration will be the mobilization of 1,250,000 men and boys Saturday morning, Feb. 10, to listen to President Franklin D. Roosevelt talk to the boys of America. Never before in the history of our country has the President taken time from his busy routine to talk to the boys of America. The talk will be broadcast over radio chains, and will be an inspiring talk for all citizens of the United States to hear.

Plans for the week in Sonora were worked out at a dinner meeting of the local troop committee and Scoutmasters at the Hotel McDonald Wednesday night.

Sunday the Scouts will attend the Baptist church in a body, to hear the annual Scout sermon, by the Rev. Z. E. Parker. An afternoon hike is planned for one afternoon next week.

A Court of Honor and Tenderfoot Investiture will follow the usual Tuesday night meeting.

Special show windows are being arranged by the three troops, two at the E. F. Vander Stucken store and the other at the Gilmore Hardware Company. Judges will inspect the windows each afternoon and the troop with the best average for the week will be given a special award.

Several other activities are being planned to make the week an outstanding success.

Weather Continues Favorable for Range

Moisture Indicated; Light Showers Received Thursday

Weather continued unusually favorable for growing plants and livestock this week, with warm days and cloudy nights.

More moisture was indicated Wednesday and Thursday, with light showers and misting rain for brief periods Wednesday afternoon and Thursday morning. Indications were good for further moisture. Grass is beginning to show up enough for sheep to eat on many ranches.

Bitterweed is reported to be giving some trouble in several parts of the territory.

Visits P. T. A. at Humble B. Mrs. Lois Landrum visited the newly-organized Humble B Parent-Teacher association at the station Wednesday night and addressed the gathering on her work as CWA county health nurse, with emphasis on ability of P. T. A. groups to assist through their co-operation.

Mrs. Savell Returns with Son. Mrs. Miers Savell returned home Thursday with her new son, Billy Bryan.

Daughter to Juan Sanches. A daughter, Jususita, was born Monday morning at 7 o'clock to Mr. and Mrs. Juan Sanches of Sonora.

W. W. Williamson and Frank Hargrave of Menard were here on business Monday.

Perry Valliant and W. D. Valiant were in Sonora Monday from their ranches on business.

L. E. Johnson was in San Angelo Monday on business.

Money Will Be Used to Grub Stumps, Improve Drainage

ASKING BRIDGE

Delegation to Austin Monday Regarding Appropriation

Sonora streets are due for a lot of improvement during coming months, with approval this week of a CWA and FERA project allotting over \$5000 for grubbing, grading, and graveling streets.

The city is also in line for a highway bridge across Lowrey draw to replace the present concrete dip. The dip now in use is several feet higher than the grade of the draw since it has been dredged out, and for the flood control work to prove of maximum benefit it must be removed.

A delegation of city and county officials will be in Austin Monday to appear before the state highway commission to request an appropriation for this project. The highway department has indicated interest in the bridge and approval of the grant is expected.

In the street improvement work, the CWA denied application for materials, but will furnish desired funds for labor and team hire.

The street work is expected to be started shortly under Alton Coburn, now supervisor of the flood control work.

Fifty men are being used on the CWA this week, with 35 working on the draw and 16 others under Roland Sewell installing pit toilets and doing other work in the interest of public health.

Lions Meet First Time in Baptist Church Basement

Club to Entertain Scouts; Warm Springs Fund Drive Continues; Speakers Heard

The Sonora Lions Club met for the first time Tuesday in the basement of the recently completed Baptist church, with the meal being served by the Woman's Missionary Union of that church.

It was decided to entertain the Boy Scouts at next week's luncheon, and let them present the entertainment program, since observance of Boy Scout week will thus be observed.

A report of Carlton Leatherwood on the Warm Springs foundation drive in honor of President Roosevelt showed a total of more than \$20 collected. The members decided to continue the drive a few days and ask for additional donations.

Two speakers, the Revs. John Sicheloff of Coleman and L. D. Hardt of Paint Rock, here for the Methodist church revival, were heard. Both were outspoken in their praise of the Sonora club's activities. They asked co-operation of the Lions in the revival now being held, and expressed appreciation for the hospitality accorded them.

The Rev. Z. E. Parker, Baptist pastor, expressed the pleasure of the church members in having the Lions at the new building and thanked all those who had a part in financing the structure.

Entertainment was provided by Miss Marie Watkins, who sang a solo, with piano accompaniment by Miss Gertrude Babcock.

LEVELS BEING RUN ON U. S. GEODETIC SURVEY

C. B. Payne and L. O. Nordbye, engineers with the U. S. Costal and Geodetic survey, are making headquarters in Sonora while running line levels and establishing bench marks between Del Rio and San Angelo.

They have about a week's work out of Sonora.

Texas' Fashion Plate



Adjudged one of the ten best dressed women in the United States this Dallas girl, Miss Betty Edwards, hates shopping, and isn't interested particularly in how she looks. A famed designer for Hollywood motion pictures, named the ten best-dressed women in America. Miss Edwards and one girl from New Orleans were the only two from this section of the country.

Fred Earwood Made Executive Vice-p. of Warehouse Firm

George H. Neill Is Treasurer; E. F. Vander Stucken New Director; Fields, Manager

Fred T. Earwood was made executive vice-president, in direct charge of the firm's affairs, at the annual stockholders' meeting of the Sonora Wool & Mohair Company here Thursday morning.

Only change in the directorate of the firm was the replacement of A. C. Elliott by E. F. Vander Stucken. Mr. Elliott, who had been secretary-treasurer, was made secretary and George H. Neill elected treasurer.

W. J. Fields, jr., warehouse manager for the last 18 months, was made general manager of the firm.

Officers re-elected were: Ed C. Mayfield, president; W. A. Miers, J. N. Ross, and R. A. Halbert, vice-presidents in the order named. Directors are the officers, Mr. Vander Stucken, and the following: Sam Karnes, Roy Aldwell, Sam Allison, Dan Cauthorn, E. D. Shurley, Ben F. Meckel, Joe M. Vander Stucken, L. W. Elliott and C. T. Jones.

Sale policies and charges will remain the same.

Carson Takes Over Marathon Property

Will Be Independent Oil Dealer Selling Marathon Products

C. H. Carson, for several years wholesale agent here for the Marathon Oil Company, has bought the local properties of the company, and will operate the business in the future as the Independent Oil Company.

Mr. Carson will continue to handle Marathon products, however, buying through the Marathon Oil Distributing Company, which recently secured the Simms Oil Co. storage facilities in San Angelo.

Mr. Carson will continue to serve Sutton and Crockett counties. The change was effective Feb. 1.

Attends Nurses' Meeting

Mrs. Lois Landrum, CWA county health nurse, attended a meeting of CWA nurses of this district at the Tom Green county courthouse in San Angelo Tuesday. Miss Olza Buresh, CWA state advisory nurse, conferred with those attending, on problems of their work. Miss Buresh superintended extension health work in Sonora about a year ago. Mrs. Landrum was accompanied to San Angelo by Mrs. Will Eaton of Eldorado.

Sonora Schools to Finish Year with Cash Surplus

Fire Department Ready for Meeting in Ballinger Tues.

Twenty Members Expected to Attend; Rancing Team Working to Better Score

The Sonora Fire Department is rapidly contemplating plans for sending a sizable delegation to Ballinger Tuesday for the semi-annual convention of the Hill Country Firemen's Association. About 20 men are expected to make the trip.

The racing team of the local department has been drilling hard for several weeks in order to better its standing. For four consecutive times the Sonora group has placed third in the convention horse race. Ten men went to Junction Friday to drill on the Junction truck, which is the same type as Ballinger. The Sonora boys made a time of 28 seconds, just one second more than the best the Junction team has ever done.

Floyd Dungan, local chief, will probably make a speech for Sonora on "Why the mayors and city commissioners should attend firemen's conventions." The firemen hope to take Mayor W. C. Gilmore along to make the talk, but it is unlikely that he will be able to go.

At the usual monthly meeting Wednesday night the department ordered badges for each member and allowed individual members to order lapel buttons if desired.

Tom McKee was elected to active membership.

Service for Young People at Revival Meeting Tonight

The Rev. L. D. Hardt Has Charge of This Work; Rev. Sicheloff Is Preacher

With the Rev. L. D. Hardt in charge of young people's meetings, and the Rev. John Sicheloff delivering the sermons at regular services, the annual Methodist church revival is being well-attended this week. Great interest has been worked up among young people and children.

A special young peoples' service is planned tonight. Reversing the arrangement, Mr. Hardt will deliver the sermon at the main service, with his subject "The Young Ranchman's Return."

During the last week Mr. Hardt has been addressing the young people at 6:30, prior to the regular service. He has discussed several vital subjects concerning youth, including "Friendship," "Courtship," "Marriage," "The Devil," and "God." Saturday night the subject will be "Ye are the Light of the World," while Sunday night it is "The Leprosy of the Soul." Tuesday morning at the chapel hour Mr. Hardt addressed the high school students on "Fools."

Great interest has greeted Mr. Sicheloff's thought-inspiring sermons at the regular services in the morning and at night.

Children services at 4:15 each afternoon have been well attended, with 86 present on one occasion. A class is expected to be received into the church Sunday morning. Infants will be baptized at 10:30 o'clock Sunday morning.

Motor Co. Sells Two Fords

The Sonora Motor Company has delivered two Ford V-8 cars recently, a coach to Sibe McKee of Mertzon and a pick-up to Stanley Patton.

Should Have \$12,000 on Hand by First of September

COVEY RE-NAMED

Superintendent's 3-yr. Contract Renewed for Three More

Sonora public schools will end the year with money in the bank, and by the first of September the surplus funds will total about \$12,000 according to present estimates. That sum will be available for immediate expenses of the fall semester, doing away with the necessity, as in some former years, of borrowing money for operating expenses during the first few weeks of the term.

R. S. Covey was re-elected superintendent, and has been given another 3-year contract. Mr. Covey finishes his first three-year period July 1.

A financial statement as of Feb. 5 shows estimated expenditures of \$12,811.05 between now and September 1, while receipts are expected to total \$24,192.07, leaving a balance of \$11,381.02. Bond interest and payments will require a sizable portion of the surplus, however.

The financial statement follows:

Estimated expenditures from now until Sept. 1, 1934—	
Salaries	\$ 9,939.20
Bills due and unpaid	767.85
Fuel, water, light, phone	310.00
Janitor supplies	200.00
Grounds improvement	500.00
Painting, repair, bldgs.	250.00
Teaching supplies	200.00
Miscellaneous	500.00
Total	\$12,811.05

Estimated Receipts

State appor., 683 @ \$10	\$ 6,830.00
Co. avail., due June 1	905.68
Split tax pay., due July 1	3,000.00
Bal. in bank	3,929.99
Jan. tax col., mtnc.	9,526.40
Total	\$24,192.07

Estimated expenses 12,811.05

Estimated bal., Sept 1 \$11,381.02

The board, which met Tuesday night, discussed school ground improvements. Plans are being made to remove present fences surrounding the grounds and to replace them with concrete sidewalks, entirely along sides of the campus facing the streets. Application is being made for use of CWA labor on this project.

Interior of the grammar school is being painted and varnished.

Methodist Workers Attend Meet Wed.

Hear Rev. Bob Shuler; Schools Planned for Sonora

Eleven members of the Sonora Methodist church attended a special district set-up meeting in San Angelo Wednesday, and at that time the program for the San Angelo district was planned for the balance of the conference year. A feature of the meeting was an address by the Rev. Bob Shuler, militant leader from Los Angeles.

Possibility of a workers' training school in Sonora during the summer was discussed, and a committee consisting of the Rev. E. P. Neal, local pastor, the Rev. W. H. Marshall of Eldorado, and the Rev. J. H. Meredith of Ozona, was placed in charge of arrangements for this event. A training school will be held in San Angelo for April 11 to 18.

E. D. Shurley represented Sonora as a district steward. Others attending from Sonora were Mr. Neal, Ira Shurley and O. L. Richardson, Mesdames Willie Martin, Russell Long, C. E. Stites, J. T. Shurley, and W. E. Caldwell, and the Misses Elizabeth Caldwell and Thelma Rees.

With the Churches

Baptist Church
 Sunday school, 10 a. m.
 Preaching, 11 and 8:00 each Lord's day.
 B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m.
 Song service, 7:30 p. m.
 Preaching service, 7:45 p. m.
 Prayermeeting Wednesday, 7:15 p. m.
 Choir Practice, 7:15 Thursday night.
 Z. E. PARKER, Pastor.

Church of Christ
 Bible Study, Sunday 10 a. m.
 Worship, 10:45 a. m.
 Ladies' Bible class, Wednesday, 8:30 p. m.

Methodist Church
 Sunday school 9:45.
 Morning worship 11:00.
 Evening service, 7:30 o'clock.
 Young People's meeting, 6:45.
 Woman's Missionary Society, 3 p. m. Wednesday.
 Choir rehearsal on Thursday, 7:30 p. m.
 Stewards meet every first Sunday.
 Local board meeting each first Tuesday night, 7:30 o'clock.
 E. P. NEAL, Pastor.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH
 Episcopal church services will be held Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, with Holy Communion and address by the Rector. Everybody is welcome, to attend our services, whether a member of our church or not.
 Frederic M. Brasier, Rector.

Doe Jumps at Car, Slams Door Shut

Leaps at Passing Auto, Thinking Itself Pursued

A Llano county doe almost achieved the hall of fame when, with a flying leap, it slammed shut the door of a car, which it evidently thought was pursuing it. Wilson D. Jordan tells the story.

In company with a Llano man, Wilson was driving along the road southeast of Llano recently. As the car started out of a swag in the road, the headlights picked up four bright lights ahead, which proved to be the reflections from the eyes to be the reflections from the eyes along ahead of the car for some distance, one doe gracefully leaped aside and crawled through the pasture fence. The other deer, however, galloped down the road, evidently being engrossed with watching its own shadow, cast before it by the car lights. Suddenly it stopped dead in its tracks. Jordan swerved his car to avoid striking the animal, and at the same time his companion partly opened the car door, preparing to get out and drag the carcass out of the way, so sure was he that the car would strike the deer.

But the deer had other ideas—it leaped straight at the car, striking the partly opened door and slamming it shut. Had the Llano man had his foot out of the door, he would most certainly have suffered a broken leg, or worse. On the other hand, had the door opened forward, as do many of the newer model cars, the deer would have landed inside the car and on top of the passenger.

Dazed only for a minute, the deer got up out of the gutter, shook itself and dashed off into the pasture. Meanwhile Jordan and his companion were congratulating themselves upon the fortunate outcome of the incident.—Brady Standard.

Former Sonoran Has Accident
 Johnny L. Martin of Ozona, formerly of Sonora, suffered a broken collar bone Tuesday on a ranch below Roosevelt when he was roping a steer.

Classified ads will get a buyer.

Poisoning of Prickly Pear One Way to Solve Serious Range Problem

By W. H. DAMERON
 Superintendent Ranch Experiment Station, Sonora

On account of screw worm trouble and malnutrition among livestock on the range caused by their eating prickly pear the past few years, information as to how to eradicate the plant has become necessary.

Results of experimental work done during 1933 by the Ranch Experiment Station indicate that control measures are feasible but before they are discussed it should be of some value to say something about the utilization of the pear as feed to livestock during these times of drouth.

There has been some practice of prickly pear feeding to cattle during times of adverse range conditions in Texas since 1853. In the beginning of these feeding practices the pear was prepared by burning off the spines over a brush fire or by cutting off the outer spiny edges of the slabs with machetes. These methods of preparation were slow hence the necessity of feeding only those cattle that were in the poorest condition. As the demand increased for feeding

of prickly pear, due to increased numbers of livestock and greater crowding of ranges, a faster method of preparation was made necessary hence the development of the gasoline torch or prickly pear burner. It was also observed early in the the prickly pear feeding practice that overfeeding of the plant produced scours and thus 1½ to 2 lbs. of cottonseed products fed with the pear produced much more satisfactory results. This led to the belief that the pear was probably high in some mineral salts to cause scours and low in feeding value on account of the cottonseed products fed with it producing a much more desirable response to the feed. These ideas were conveyed to the United States Department of Agriculture who became interested to the extent that they did considerable work with pear from a feeding standpoint.

In Bulletin No. 60 of the New Mexico College of Agriculture in co-operation with the U.S.D.A. the following feed analysis is given, which compares the feed composition of prickly pear with other green feeds:

	Feed Composition (green)									
	Water	Ash	Protein	Fat	Nit.	Fr.	Ex.	Fib.	Or.	Mat.
Prickly Pear	84.26	3.06	.73	.34		9.04	2.41	12.53		
Pasture Grass	80.00	2.00	3.50	.80		9.70	4.00	18.00		
Turnips	90.50	.80	1.10	.20		6.20	1.20	8.70		

You will note from this chart that pasture grass has an advantage over prickly pear in very element except in ash and fiber. The most pronounced difference is in protein which is approximately five times as great for grass as it is for pear.

Turnips, which is a root crop, was shown here for the benefit of men who raise registered stock and need succulent feed for fitting animals for show purposes. Thornless pear which has practically the same feeding value as prickly pear can be produced and utilized much more economically under West Texas conditions than turnips.

It is shown from the above analysis table that prickly pear has a feeding ratio of 1 part digestible crude protein to 18 parts of digestible carbohydrates and fats. A balanced ration should have a nutritive ratio of 1:5 to 1:7. This means that for cattle to get a balanced ration or full feed of prickly pear alone they would have to consume 350 to 400 lbs. per head per day. Such quantities as these are beyond all reason and expectations. In fact it has been well demonstrated that cattle should not be expected to consume more than 40 to 50 pounds of pear per head per day without experiencing the ill effects of excessive scouring. If this quantity is fed with 1 to 2 pounds of cottonseed cake and there is some old grass or browsing plants available for cattle they will maintain strength and a fair condition throughout the winter, or a reasonable drouth. Prepared pear with a concentrate is also considered of value for stimulating milk production.

Chemical analysis of the ash of prickly pear reveals that it is extremely high in potassium, magnesium and calcium salts. The total mineral salts content is 3.93 lbs. per 100 lbs. of pear. It is quite probable that this may be responsible for stock scouring when they consume large quantities of the plant.

The question is now brought on as to what will happen to the cattle after carrying them through a period of adverse feed conditions on burned prickly pear and a concentrate. It has been well demonstrated that a large number of the animals will continue to eat on non-prepared pear, with the results that they will suffer from malnutrition during the whole year. Also their mouths become sore and they are subject to screw worm infestation during the summer. A few head may perhaps suffer from impaction caused by the pear fiber. Cattle

plants on the range by their knocking off and scattering the slabs. The increase in number of these plants means a decrease in space for grass and other desirable range plants.

It is shown above that prickly pear, if prepared for consumption, is of some value for maintaining livestock through adverse range conditions but that the ill effects of the plant when not prepared for them is of far more importance. The question now arises, "What should be done to correct or control the evil?" Apparently there are two alternates. (1) Eradicate the prickly pear. (2) Plant one to two acres of spineless cactus (Opuntia Ellisiana) for each section of land in the ranch to provide an adequate feed reserve for use during an inevitable drouth.

Methods of eradication or control of prickly pear may be considered as follows: During times of adverse range conditions as they are now and there is a necessity of feeding livestock, burn the spines off of the pear so the livestock can consume it without injury.

If new growth shows up later from the old stumps that were burned they can be killed cheaply by injecting poison into them with a prickly pear poison injector. This poisoning work should be done ONLY during the summer months and early fall. The plants that are not prepared and fed to the livestock can also be killed out quicker and more economically by poisoning than by any other method.

The prickly pear poisoning work done at the Ranch Experiment Station has consisted of testing the efficiency of different kinds of equipment, poisons and the most satisfactory time of the year to do the work.

The most satisfactory equipment we have found thus far is the stabber or injector for injecting the poison into the upright or standing plants and stumps of old plants. The blade of the machine is jabbed into the plant at its base and into the second terminal joint of each runner. At each point of injection a very small quantity of poison, (sufficient to kill the largest plants) is liberated by means of pressing a hand gauge. For the large running type of pear it is considered advisable to use the prickly pear atomizer which sprays a light mist of the poison over the whole plant. This method is considered better for these plants than the stabber because it is some faster and will require less clean-up work later due to the fact that there are usually several small individual plants growing among a big bunch of spreading type pear that will be missed by stabbing. The machine should operate under about 100 to 120 lbs. air pressure for best results.

The only satisfactory prickly

pear poison we have found thus far is arsenic pentoxide. It is very effective for killing the plant but has the disadvantage of being somewhat expensive and difficult to secure. Our cheapest quotation has been 29c per pound in ton quantities. For stabbing purposes this product has given the best results by dissolving it at the rate of 3 lbs. per gallon of water. For spraying, the solution is made by dissolving 1 3-4 lbs. of arsenic pentoxide in 1 gallon of water to which has been added ½ pint of commercial sulphuric acid. The stabbing solution or the spraying solution should be allowed to set over night before being used.

Our results thus far clearly indicate that prickly pear cannot be poisoned effectively and satisfactorily from January to May inclusive nor after October 1st. The reason is that the tops will die from the effects of the poison but the roots are not killed. This condition permits the plant to re-establish itself the next growing season. The tests that were run in June, July, August

and September killed the whole plant, tops and roots.

It is impossible to state what it will cost to eradicate prickly pear on account of the wide differences of infestation of different areas. By figuring on a plant basis we (Continued on page 3)

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By BESSIE RODE

Mr. and Mrs. Carney Wyatt visited in San Angelo Monday.

Mrs. R. S. Franks and sons, Blanton and Johnnie, of Sonora spent last week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Burt Rode.

Mrs. Pete Andrews of Eldorado visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Q. Adams, Sunday.

Mrs. Burt Rode is spending this week with her sister, Mrs. R. S. Franks, in Sonora.

Mr. and Mrs. Sibe McKee and Oscar Adams of Mertzon visited Mrs. McKee's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Q. Adams, Sunday.

Lester Shroyer was a business visitor in Sonora Tuesday.

Mrs. Dock Joy and Mr. and Mrs. Dave Joy made a three-day business trip to San Antonio.

Miss Ray Adams returned home Sunday after spending a week with her sister, Mrs. Sibe McKee, in Mertzon.

Prickly Pear—

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have found that the cost is approximately 22 per cent for labor and material to kill out 40 plants. On most ranches in the San Angelo trade territory the average prickly pear infestation per ranch is estimated at about 25 plants per acre. Of course, there are areas with a much denser growth while there are areas with much less.

It has been pointed out above that prickly pear serves as a valuable source of reserve feed supply during times of drouth or adverse feed condition. It is also shown that

there are many evil results brought about in the livestock industry in Southwest Texas on account of the plant. It is quite probable that the evil or bad effects will be felt more and more as time goes by, unless this range pest is controlled. It is shown that control measures are feasible and will no doubt be practiced extensively in the future.

Practically all of this discussion has been on the merits and demerits of prickly pear. Very little has been said about spineless cactus (Opuntia Ellisiana). This species of the plant is endowed with all of the merits and none of the demerits of the spiny (thorny) kind. It has as good feeding value, will grow as thrifty and yield as heavy under the same conditions. It is easily handled and can be produced at practically no cost. All that is needed to get it started is a well-fenced area of fertile soil that can be lightly cultivated for a year or two; and at the end of about four or five average years there will be a reserve feed supply of 65 to 75 tons per acre for use during adverse feed conditions. Two men can haul out enough of this feed in one-half day to feed a large size herd of cattle. It does not need any preparation for feeding to cattle. The cattle should, however, receive some cottonseed cake as a supplement, as with burned prickly pear. This feed if chopped up or sliced is also of value for providing succulent feed for sheep during lambing in times of drouth.

West Texas ranchmen need some source of reserve feed supply for livestock during times of adverse range conditions. Prickly pear has been resorted to many times and has no doubt contributed much in the form of relief. It is generally conceded though that the plant is responsible for far more evils on the range than are benefits derived from it and for that reason it should be eradicated. Eradication methods have been found feasible and the production of a substitute to provide a reserve feed supply in the form of spineless cactus (Opuntia Ellisiana) has been demonstrated. With these points in mind and put into practice there will be a considerable enhancement in value of the land and livestock by those who adopt it.

Daughter to Herbert McKees
Mr. and Mrs. Herbert McKee are the parents of a daughter, Myrtle Ann, born at the home last Friday. The young lady tipped the scales at 10 pounds.

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VETERANS OF ALL WARS ON PENSION
ROLLS CUT FROM 1,016,561 TO 514,784

Washington, Feb. 4.—Outlining major changes in veterans' relief provisions under the amendatory legislation passed at the special session of the Seventy-third Congress and the resultant applying presidential regulation, Gen. Frank T. Hines, administrator of veterans' affairs, has announced that the number of veterans of all wars receiving some form of pension had been reduced from 1,016,561 on March 31, 1933, to 514,784 on November 30, 1933. During the same period the number of pensioned dependents of deceased veterans dropped from 279,926 to 265,528.

The pension disbursement total for March of last year was \$44,017,141. For November it was \$21,393,346. The veterans' totals for the two months, respectively, were \$34,566,022 and \$15,643,560. Dependents of deceased veterans received a total of \$9,451,119 in March and \$7,749,785 in November.

The number of veterans receiving hospitalization on March 31, 1933, was shown by General Hines to be 42,823, of whom 27,892 were non-service-connected cases. The total on November 30 was 34,738 and of these 22,182 were patients suffering from non-service connected disabilities. A total of 20,544 veterans were receiving domiciliary or institutional care on March 31 and 11,339 on Nov. 30.

Enactment of legislation known as Public No. 2 and Public No. 78, Seventy-third Congress and Presidential Regulations issued thereunder, said General Hines, materially changed the provisions for relief in the form of pensions, hospitalization and domiciliary (institutional) care previously provided for veterans or peacetime soldiers in the armed forces of the United States commencing with the Spanish-American War. The more important changes he enumerated as follows:

1. Veterans of all wars subsequent to 1898 suffering from disease or injuries incurred in or aggravated by service are paid at a uniform rate depending upon the per cent of disability, \$90 per month, with certain exceptions, being the rate for permanent and total disability.
2. The considered duration of veterans' service in the several wars or expeditions has been modified more nearly to agree with the period of actual combat.
3. The monthly payments for disabilities incurred during peacetime service are placed at one-half the value of those incurred during wartime service.
4. The payment of benefits to veterans of the World War for non-service connected disabilities is now restricted to those veterans who are totally and permanently disabled, although in the case of the War with Spain, Boxer Rebellion, Philippine Insurrection, non-service pensions are authorized also for those who are, or hereafter become, 55 years of age or over and disabled to a degree of 50 per cent and over, and for those who attain the age of 62 years.
5. The granting of service connection on the basis of presumption has been materially modified.
6. The value of awards made to veterans or dependents of deceased veterans residing in foreign countries is reduced to 50 per cent of the value of awards made to those residing within the United States or its possessions.
7. Emergency officers' retirement pay is now restricted to those suffering from disabilities incurred or aggravated in, and directly resulting from the performance of military duty.
8. For the wars prior to the War with Spain, the basic laws are not changed; but a flat reduction of 10 per cent is made in the value of the awards.
9. The payments for pensions to beneficiaries of deceased veterans of the War with Spain, whose death was due to service connected disability, are made at the rate provided for the dependents of veterans of the World War; however, the payments to dependents of veterans of the War with Spain whose death was not due to service are reduced to 50 per cent of the value of service connected awards.
10. Hospitalization and domiciliary care is now limited to those veterans requiring treatment for a service connected disability or those who served 90 days or more during the war period and are suffering from a permanent disability, tuberculosis or neuropsychiatric disease and have no adequate means of support.

As of March 31, 1933, 1,016,561

living veterans and the dependents of 279,926 deceased veterans were receiving some form of pension. Through the application of the provisions of Public No. 1 and Public No. 2 (73rd Congress) and the decrease by death and other reasons, the number of pensioners had been decreased on November 30, 1933, to 514,784 living veterans and the dependents of 265,528 deceased veterans.

The reduction in disbursements thus indicated for wars prior to the War with Spain is due primarily to the losses to the roll by death and the application of the provisions of Section 18, Public No. 2 and Section 15, Public No. 78. Section 18, Public No. 2 provides that a reduction of 10 per cent shall be applied to any pension or other monetary gratuity payable to former members of the military service in wars prior to the Spanish-American War, and their dependents, for service, age, disease or injury. Section 15, Public No. 78 provides that every pension payable under any private act, not subject to provisions of Section 18, Public No. 2 shall be reduced 15 per cent.

Provisions were made by the amendatory legislation for special boards of review to be appointed by the President to consider those awards allowed on the basis of presumptive service connected disabilities as set forth by the World War Veterans Act, as amended. Of the 51,213 awards based on presumptive service connected disabilities, reviewed by the special boards, 21,955 were continued and 29,258 were discontinued.

As of March 31, 1933, there were 42,823 patients remaining in hospitals and 20,544 veterans receiving domiciliary care, while as of November 30, 1933 there were 34,738 patients remaining in hospitals and 11,339 veterans receiving domiciliary care.

Sun Explodes Gas, and Fire Results

Naptha in Bottle Explodes After Being Warmed

Rays of the sun beaming down upon a bottle of naptha Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock caused an explosion that sent city firemen to the home of Oscar Stehling, 1503 Main street. A fire that followed the explosion resulted in only slight damage before it was extinguished.

Mrs. Stehling was asleep in a room adjoining a screened porch where the tightly-corked bottle of cleaning fluid had been left in the sun's glare. She was awakened by the explosion and rushed to the porch to find it ablaze in several places. The shattered bottle on the floor told the story of the fire's origin.

Tuesday's alarm was the first call to duty in 1934 for Kerrville firemen.—Kerrville Mountain Sun.

More Food for Those in Need
More food for Sutton county's needy has been allotted by the government. Cereal, cheese and Flour are coming.

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Honor Roll—

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- Jim Taylor.
- Grammar School, 3rd Six Weeks
- First grade: Ellen Jo Early, Geraldine Meckel, Don Nicholas, Patsy Nisbet, Eugene Shurley.
- Second grade: Edith Mae Babcock, Margie Crowell, Alta Pearl Liveley, Leslie Nance, Betty Lou Shoemaker, Billy Shurley.
- Third grade: Mabel Davis, Sue Gilliam, Peggy Gilmore, Roy B. Glasscock, Willie Nell Hale, Glen Richardson, Addie Thorp, Jamie Trainer, Glendon Westbrook, Mary G. Wyatt.
- Fourth grade: Billy Jo Henderson, R. W. Johnson, Doris Keene, Billy Sid Evans, Carmon Neal, Betty Grace Vehle, Doris McDaniel, Doris Meckel.
- Fifth grade: Marjorie Davis, Dorothy Henderson, Lois Jackson, Lillie Owens, Dock Simmons, James D. Trainer.
- Sixth grade: Margaret Martin, Katha Lea Keene, Jimmie G. Langford, Robby Jo Wyatt.
- Grammar School, Semester
- First grade: Don Nicholas, Patsy Nisbet, Eugene Shurley.
- Second grade: Edith Mae Babcock, Margie Crowell, Alta Pearl Liveley, Peggy Reming, Betty Lou Shoemaker, Billy Shurley, Elizabeth Lee Taylor.
- Third grade: Sue Gilliam, Peggy Gilmore, Willie Nell Hale, Louise Merriman, Glenn Richardson, Addie Thorp, Jamie Trainer, Glendon Westbrook, Mary G. Wyatt, Geo. D. Wallace.
- Fourth grade: Doris Meckel, Betty Grace Vehle, Billy Sid Evans, Doris Keene, O. L. Richardson, R. W. Johnson.
- Fifth grade: Dorothy Henderson, Dock Simmons.
- Sixth grade: Jimmie G. Langford, Katha Lea Keene.
- High School, First Semester
- Seniors: Sara Ory, Ches Thorp.
- Sophomore: Kenneth Babcock, Wesley Sawyer, Cora Belle Taylor, Lillie Marie Smith.
- Freshmen: Elizabeth Brantley, Nora Gilliam, Lillian Kring, Joyce McGilvray, Jo Ann Marion, Jo Nell Miers, Bobbie Nisbet, Richard Vehle.
- Seventh grade: Kathryn Brown, Alma Louise Glasscock, Jack Shurley, Rena Glen Shurley, Robert Allen Simmons, Jim Taylor.

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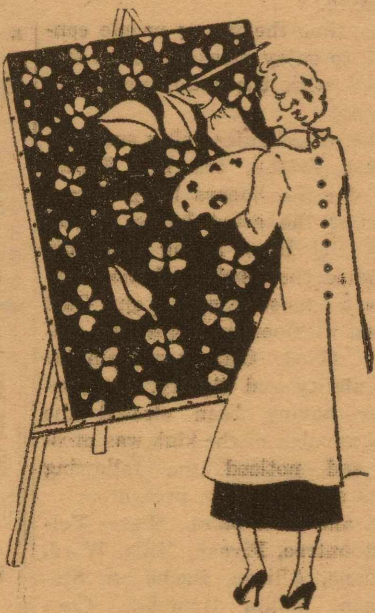
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BIRDS, AND DOLLARS, COME HOME TO ROOST

Dollars, as well as birds, come home to roost, in full accord with the old-time proverb. In the case of the dollars, internal disturbances in France have resulted in a flow of gold back to the United States, offsetting, in some degree, the egress of money from our nation to France during the period of economic stress which preceded the present governmental regime.

It is fitting that American money should return to America, for the dollar has again been stabilized. It is unfortunate, of course, that the return of gold to the United States is occasioned by a near disaster to France, but such is the economic set-up of the world. It was a form of disaster which cost America so much gold in the preceding years.

When Roosevelt placed an embargo on gold last spring it saved the United States from complete disaster. Another few weeks of the drain and the U. S. financial system would have toppled. Today, though, with a devaluated dollar, gold has an added value in America, and nowhere is the outlook brighter than in our own United States.

IMMIGRANT TIDE IS DROPPING OFF

More People Leaving U. S. Now Than Entering It.

Washington.—The problem of America's "melting pot" has been solved by the depression. For the first time in this nation's history more persons are leaving its shores to live in other countries than are entering as immigrants.

During the 1932-33 period only one-fifth of the world-wide quota of 150,000 aliens admissible to the United States under the present law has been filled. At Ellis Island, for every alien seeking entry to this country there are three awaiting deportation.

In marked contrast to the hordes of arrivals from other countries, as many as 6,000 a day, in years past, seldom more than 200 or 300 are to be found on Ellis Island today. Two-thirds of these are deportees, the rest being, for the main part, wives, children, or aged parents of naturalized citizens who now find that the quota laws which barred them for years no longer keep them out if they can comply with the regulations.

The island is no longer a clearing house through which all newcomers must pass. Aliens whose visas are in order step off the ship at the pier just like other passengers, free to proceed to their destinations.

The only aliens detained at the island are those who arrive ill, whose papers are suspected of being irregular, or whose relatives or responsible friends fail to appear at the pier or communicate with the immigration department.

Those who are sent to the island seldom are detained more than a week. While there they are shown every courtesy. No longer are the newcomers shoved around like animals in a stockyard, as in former days. Now they are considered as guests.

Trade Pigs for Fashion Tips in the South Seas

Philadelphia.—The value of new fashion designs and new tribal songs is measured in terms of pigs and other foodstuffs by the natives of the South seas, according to Dr. Margaret Mead, who recently returned from a 22-month research among primitive tribes.

With her husband, Dr. R. F. Fortune, of Columbia university, Doctor Mead traveled extensively among the primitive mountain dwellers in New Guinea, a mandate of Australia, formerly known as Kaiser Wilhelm's Land.

The inland tribes, Doctor Mead said, surrender their food supplies in return for latest fashion ideas and songs. Communication between the tribes, however, is irregular, she said, and so slowly does a fashion travel that it may take as long as five years for it to cover the 20 miles from the sea to the mountains.

Doctor Mead is assistant curator of ethnology of the American Museum of Natural History.

Meaning of Words Has Changed Much in Years

Montreal.—The world has changed a lot during the last few centuries. So has the meaning and pronunciation of every day English words.

Here are a few examples, quoted by Prof. C. H. Carruthers of McGill university, during a speech here:

Once upon a time "idiot" meant a private citizen, "silly" meant fortunate, "boudoir" meant a place to go and sulk in, "insulted" meant jumped upon, "salary" was an allowance to soldiers to purchase salt, and a "scavenger" was a customs inspector.

Faithful Watchdog Left Life Income by Mistress

Chillicothe, Ohio.—A watchdog, "Jack," her sole companion and protector in her suburban home here, is left the income from a \$5,000 fund set up in the will of the late Mary B. Smart, entered for probate recently. The money is left in trust to Charles Allen Smart, a nephew, of Wallingford, Conn., and is to be used to provide a home and good food for the dog as long as he lives.

1837 Half Dime Found

Great Bend, Kan.—During a reburial of several soldier bodies near here, a half dime, coined in 1837, was found among the remains. The soldiers were stationed at Fort Zarah, abandoned in 1869.

\$16 to Sit Down; Rising Costs \$2.29

Dallas.—Director of Trade Extension Henry W. Stanley sat down. It cost the chamber of commerce \$16. He got up and it cost Wholesale Manager Elvie Anderson \$2.29.

Stanley, who makes the scale pointer whiz past the 200-pound mark as if it were not there, sat down on Anderson's plate glass table top.

It broke several different ways. He jumped up, hit an ink well with his hand and splashed water-proof ink all over Anderson's white shirt.

USES PASSION PLAY TO SHOW TOLERANCE

Hitler to Make Propaganda of Great Spectacle.

London.—The Nazi government not only will permit the famous passion play to be held in 1934 at Oberammergau without attempt to "Aryanize" it, but will use the greatest of all religious spectacles as an instrument to show the world that Germany is not a nation of intolerance and persecution, says the Chicago Herald-Examiner.

Ever since Adolph Hitler came to power, the fate of the Passion play has been in doubt. In line with the Hitler policy to revise the Bible, rule the church and make the state pre-eminently Aryan, it was believed that the Passion play would either be abolished or perhaps censored.

Now the Nazi chiefs, smarting under world condemnation for their persecution of the Jews and other anti-religious demonstrations, have completely reversed their attitude toward the Passion play.

Consuls Are Promoters.

Every German consular office throughout the world is acting as a promotion department for the Passion play. From these floods of literature have been released to newspapers, magazines, and all other avenues of public information. Attention is drawn to special inducements in the matter of reduced fare round-trips from anywhere and the very low inclusive cost of the stay in Oberammergau.

As a result of balloting for parts in the play, held on receipt of the news from Berlin, under the supervision of Herr Preisinger, who operates the town's most popular restaurant and beer garden, Alois Lang has again been chosen as the Christus. This gifted actor, who like the majority of his neighbors, is a woodcarver by profession, played the same part in 1930.

Herr Preisinger, although judge of election, was doomed to a bitter disappointment in the voting for the girl best suited to play Mary Magdalene. In 1930 the role went to his daughter, Hanzl, a buxom lass who is the chief barmaid in her father's beer garden. Hanzl in a close contest lost out to Clara Mayr, whose father, Hans Mayr, has for two decades enacted the role of Judas Iscariot. Herr Mayr, this coming year, has been cast as King Herod.

Stenographer as Mary.

Anni Rutz will play Mary, mother of the Christus. She is a stenographer and is 27 years old; Judas Iscariot is to be interpreted by Hans Zwick, new to the role, whose father portrayed it in three former performances. Melchior Breitsmarter will be Pontius Pilate; Peter Bendt, Simon Peter; Annas, Anton Lechner. The immense choir, comprising the entire population of the village not engaged in principal parts, will be led by the veteran Guido Diemer and the production will be under the direction of Johann Georg Lang, burgo-master of Oberammergau, and direct descendant of the man who wrote the original play and staged it in 1633.

In the 1930 production of the Passion play more than 50,000 Americans journeyed to Oberammergau to see it. The performances begin at eight in the morning and last till six at night with a two-hour intermission for luncheon. The entire play takes a day to present.

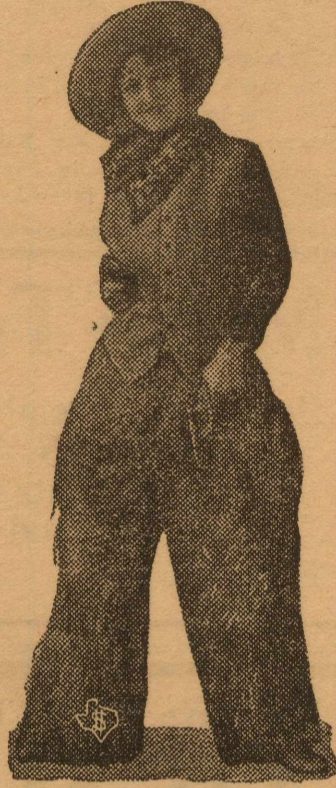
98,000 Sent to Canadian Farms in Three Years

Montreal.—The Canadian government has placed approximately 98,000 people on farms throughout the dominion during the past three years.

Since inauguration of its "back-to-the-land" movement, in 1930, the federal government, aided by Canadian railways, has settled 90,000 persons, mostly from urban centers, on farms without direct financial assistance.

An additional 8,000 persons were placed on land with financial assistance under an unemployment relief land settlement plan, shared by the dominion and provincial governments.

Bandit Queen



Pictures of Bonnie Parker, girl companion of Clyde Barrow, Texas' will o' the wisp bandit-gunman, are rare. Here is a photo of Bonnie taken before she turned wild woman, though you couldn't tell it by the picture. The guns were toys, however, and perhaps Bonnie, herself, didn't know that her garb and "gats" foretold her career.

PERSONALS

Leslie Nance was in San Angelo Saturday.

Mesdames S. R. Hull and Stella Keene were San Angelo visitors Saturday.

The Rev. Z. E. Parker and Leslie Nance spent Monday in Ozona on business.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Warren and Mrs. Russell Long spent Saturday in San Angelo.

Mrs. R. A. Halbert and her daughter, Miss Bobbie, were in San Angelo Friday.

R. E. Taylor, county relief administrator, made a business trip to San Angelo Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Stuart and their little son, Lynn, went to San Angelo Monday, returning Tuesday.

Miss Vivian Ball accompanied a group of girls to San Angelo Saturday, including the Misses Wilma and Wynona Hutchinson, Elizabeth Elliott, and Muriel Reiley.

Mesdames P. J. Taylor and her daughter, Jobeth, and J. D. West brook, accompanied by Miss Maurine Phillips, spent Saturday in San Angelo, being accompanied home by Mrs. George Baker, who went up on Friday.

Mrs. Earl B. Lomax returned to Rocksprings on Friday last week after spending Wednesday and Thursday here from there. Mr. Lomax joined her on Sunday. Mrs. Lomax is visiting friends, Mr. and Mrs. E. I. Miller, and family.

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ed their confidence in him by electing him to the office of district clerk. It was my pleasure to visit his office last summer just as he was finishing the poem. In the second place Mr. Morris is a faithful church attendant and this poem is the product of his observation and an expression of his disappointment that people shun the front seat. It expresses my sentiments. E. P. NEAL.

The MAIL BOX

THE BACK SEAT

By L. A. MORRIS, District Clerk Hamilton, Texas

I went to the show the pictures all to see, The front seats were full, no room for me; At the back there were seats, and to spare, But to sit there, no one seemed to care.

I went to a ball game, in the sun bright and hot, Along the front there was not a vacant spot; But, on the back seats, where it was cool and secure, For no one there seemed to be a lure.

I then visited the races, a front seat tried to procure, But the crowd and jam I could not endure;

At the back, where I could neither see nor hear, There was room plenty, and the seats were all clear.

I then to the court room went, a trial to hear, The front was full, even the bar not clear; At the back a seat I could easily get But back in the rear I did not care to set.

Then to the church I went, to hear Christ proclaimed, By a minister, who far and wide was famed; That I might not suffer disappointment as before, I, early arrived at the meeting-house door.

On entering its portals to find a pleasant pew, Great was my surprise to find at the front so few; While at the rear, and suffering with heat, Everyone there had taken a back seat.

At the races, games and shows, people seem to make An effort to be first a front seat to take; While at the most sacred place they could attend, They always at the rear their presence lend.

I wonder, if, when that time shall be no more, And we are all gathered on yonder shore; If the back seats will then, all be occupied, By those for whom Christ suffered and died?

Or, will each and everyone, both young and old, Try, among that throng, a front seat to hold; Leaving all the back ones to be taken By those who have their Saviour forsaken?

Dear friends, one and all, on the Sabbath day, Let us towards God's Temple wend our way; And when, early or late, we there arrive, For the front seat to always strive.

I am presenting the above poem for two reasons. In the first place Mr. L. A. Morris, the author, was my teacher during the first two years of my public school career. The influence of his manly and Christian character has had much to do with shaping my life and determining my attitude toward life in general. Mr. Morris has remained in Hamilton county for these years and the people have express-

Odd Texas

Advertisement for Odd Texas featuring a portrait of Mr. Beaubien Lamar and text about Dallas, Texas being the third largest telegraph center in the world.

35 YEARS AGO

February, 1899 was an exciting month. The issue of The Devil's River News for Feb. 11 of that year contained strong protests against the proposed land bill for sale of all lands set aside for the benefit of the public free school and several asylums, lying within certain defined boundaries.

Will Whitehead bought 250 steers 1 to 4 years old from Ed Franks of Juno at \$14 to \$20.

The wool sold by Chas. Schreiner of Kerrville, so far as heard from, brought 8 1/2 to 9 cents per pound.

Glacier, Missing Several Weeks, Found in Rockies

Boulder, Colo.—All is well on the Continental divide again—Henderson glacier, missing for several weeks, has been found.

Louis O. Quam, assistant in geography at the University of Colorado, found the glacier after it had been lost for some time. One reason the glacier was so difficult to locate, Quam reported, was the fact that it was considerably reduced in size, only about 300 by 600 feet.

The glacier is located in Henderson valley, about seven miles from the university camp on the Continental divide.

Rhode Island Rock Can Be Rung Like a Bell

East Greenwich, R. I.—A local oddity is Drum Rock, a big boulder which cannot be overturned. When it is moved it produces a deep, bell-like tone. Indians, according to tradition, used Drum Rock to call councils and spread alarms.

Advertisement for FAST DAILY FREIGHT SERVICE by L. M. BARNES, Sonora, Texas.

Advertisement for Low Priced WATER by GILMORE HARDWARE CO., featuring a water pump illustration.



WOMAN'S PAGE



Society Notes

Mrs. J. S. Glasscock Gives Party Series At Home Last Week

Mrs. J. S. Glasscock entertained at her home on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons last week with attractive bridge parties employing a Valentine motif in bridge accessories and refreshments.

On Tuesday high score went to Mrs. A. P. Prater and high cut to Mrs. John Fields. Mrs. Ernest McClelland held high score on Thursday afternoon, with high cut going to Mrs. Clara Murphy.

Tuesday afternoon the hostess served strawberry shortcake and coffee to the following guests: Mesdames Fields, Prater, O. G. Babcock, A. G. Blanton, W. E. Caldwell, R. A. Halbert, B. M. Halbert, jr., B. W. Hutcherson, E. C. Mayfield, W. P. McConnell, jr., Josie McDonald, Rose Thorp, E. F. Vander Stucken, Libb Wallace, R. D. Trainer, and S. R. Hull; and the Misses Muriel Simmons, Alice and Nan Karnes, and Elizabeth Caldwell.

Refreshments of ice box cake with whipped cream and cherries were served with coffee to the following Thursday guests:

Mesdames McClelland, Murphy, J. A. Ward, jr., V. F. Hamilton, W. S. Evans, Stella Keene, William Fields, J. W. Trainer, J. C. Stephen and the Misses Ada Steen and Lyda Archer.

Classified ads will get a buyer, a renter, a worker—they're fast

Miss Ada Steen Is Hostess Saturday To Queen of Clubs

Entertaining two tables of members and one of guests of the Queen of Clubs, Miss Ada Steen was hostess at her home Saturday afternoon when high score for members went to Mrs. G. H. Neill, high guest score to Mrs. V. F. Hamilton, and low club to Mrs. Sam Allison.

A Valentine motif was carried out in accessories, and a salad plate was served the following:

Members: Mesdames Neill, Allison, John Fields, J. M. Huling, Bryan Hunt, Joe Brown Ross, and Tom White; and Miss Alice Karnes.

Guests: Mesdames Hamilton, A. G. Blanton, Lawrence Steen of Eldorado, and Roy Baker.

Mrs. Kilman, Mrs. Kennedy High in Bridge Tournament

Mrs. J. R. Kilman and Mrs. N. R. Kennedy, as partners, were high scorers in the Sonora contest of the nation-wide bridge tournament held last Thursday night. They scored 6 pars out of a possible ten on the 16 hands played. They were playing the east-west positions. Mr. and Mrs. George H. Neill were second for east and west with 4 pars.

Five tables of players participated at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Aldwell.

Mrs. T. A. Williams and Mrs. Walker Ragsdale of Rocksprings tied with the Misses Alice and Nan Karnes for north-south players, with 3 pars, while Dr. J. R. Kilman and P. J. Taylor, with two pars, were second in that position.

Mrs. Earl Lomax Entertains Two-Bit Club Last Thursday

Mrs. Earl B. Lomax was hostess to the Two-Bit Club at her home Thursday afternoon last week, having two tables of players.

High score went to Mrs. Otis Murray for club members and to Mrs. John Fields, for guests.

The hostess served apricot pie with whipped cream and coffee to the following:

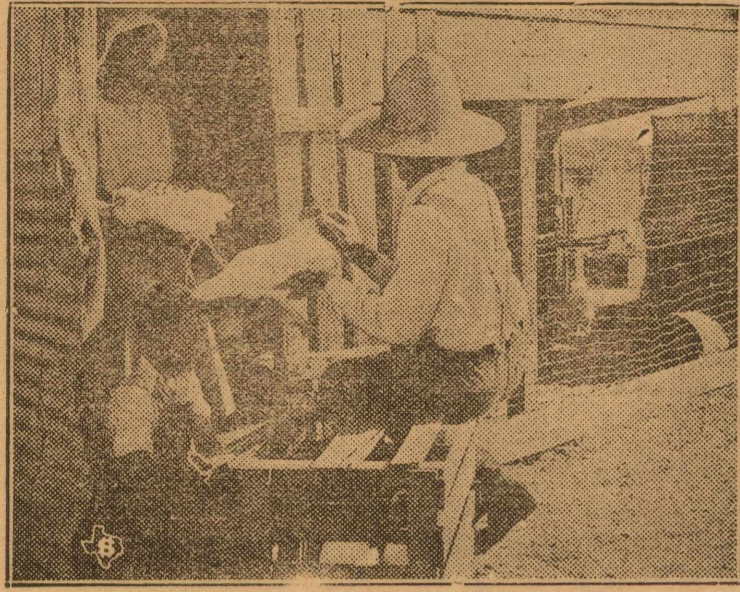
Members: Mesdames Murray, John Eaton, A. P. Prater, and Joe Hull; and Miss Zella Lee Thorp.

Guests: Mesdames Fields, A. W. Awalt, and Collier Shurley.

Mary Jane Evans Is Ill
Little Miss Mary Jane Evans, daughter of Mrs. Mary Evans of San Angelo, has been threatened with pneumonia following illness with a heavy cold. Her grandmother, Mrs. A. J. Smith, left Monday for San Angelo to be with her and her aunt, Mrs. L. E. Johnson, planned to go up on Wednesday. At last reports she was thought to be improving.

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Year-Round Culling Brings Chicken Profits



Culling the hens four times a year should be done regularly by poultrymen, if star boarders who eat up profits are to be eliminated. In November, February, May and August poultrymen should determine if each hen is laying. Those laying in November are excellent ones. Those not laying in February or May should be sold or eaten. Hens laying at all four cullings should be kept for breeders as well as layers. Above is a typical Texas culling scene. The loafers go to markets in the crate.

Over 300 Attend Associational B. T. S. Meeting Here

Local Baptist Church Welcomes Large Group of Young People Sunday Afternoon

One of the largest church gatherings held in Sonora in many months assembled at the local Baptist church for the monthly meeting of the Concho Valley Associational Training School Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock for a meeting of one hour's duration. Over 300 persons attended the gathering.

Representatives from San Angelo, Rankin, Barnhart, Sterling City, Christoval, and Eldorado were among those registered at meeting, which was directed by Ross Culpepper, jr., of San Angelo, president of the organization.

The Immanuel Baptist church of San Angelo, in charge of the program, presented a playlet. A male trio from the San Angelo First Baptist church presented musical numbers.

F. T. Jones was chorister for the afternoon, with Miss Audrey Rankin as pianist.

Park Heights Baptist church, San Angelo, received the banner for points of excellence. The Sonora church, which has won the banner for the last five successive months, lost it this month on the mileage point. The local B. Y. P. U. scored unusually high on all other points of excellence.

The next meeting will be held with the Eldorado Baptist church on Sunday, March 4.

100 Adults, School Pupils, See Exhibit

Sonora Art Club Gratified with Response by Local People

Some 100 adults and all school pupils visited the sixth circuit exhibit of works of Texas artists which was brought here by the Sonora Art Club, through arrangements with the Texas Fine Arts Association, for three days last week.

The exhibit, which was brought chiefly as the club's gift to school children this year, was free to the pupils, who were taken to visit it during morning hours. Adults visited the grammar school cafeteria, where the pictures were hung, from 3 to 5 on each afternoon, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, when they were received by hostesses from the art club who served tea, cakes, and coffee, and mints from an attractive tea table.

Admission fees of 10c went to defray expenses of bringing the exhibit, and it was learned Monday morning that a fund is already being started for bringing the exhibit here next year.

The collection offered variety and interest, and club members expressed pleasure in the widely differing reactions of individuals to particular studies.

One small art student, who had spent not only all school time allowed her, but almost all afternoon each day, stated that she knew the collection by heart. She was busily conducting visitors from one group to another during the afternoon hours.

Founders' Day Attended by 30 Tues. Afternoon

Annual Parent-Teacher Association Program Led by Mrs. Gilmore; Election Next Meeting

Thirty women attended the celebration of Founders' Day at the regular monthly meeting of the Sonora Parent-Teacher Association Tuesday afternoon at the grammar school, when Mrs. S. T. Gilmore presided over the birthday cake on which she lighted candles of blue and gold (national congress colors) in honor of founders representing respectively the four cornerstones of the organization, the Home, the School, the Church, and the Community, as well as for the national organization, the state, the district, and the Sonora association.

The last candle was lighted by Mrs. Gilmore in honor of Mrs. E. E. Sawyer, president of the Sonora P. T. A., in recognition of her outstanding service in leading the local group to the attainment of the superior standard of excellence. Mrs. Sawyer was presented with a life membership in the national congress at last year's Founders' Day program.

Mrs. Sawyer responded to the honor by lighting a 10th candle and placing it in the center of the cake in honor of Mrs. Gilmore, who was conducting her 13th Founders' Day program, and who has long been a leader in local, district, and state Parent-Teacher work.

Supt. R. S. Covey received the beautifully decorated cake iced in P. T. A. colors which is annually presented to the teacher whose name is drawn, by Mrs. W. C. Gilmore.

Grades 4, 3, and 9 tied for attendance prize, and will each receive a book.

The association approved the report of the executive board, including, among other actions, the decision to sponsor the vaccine and toxoid administering to Sonora school children, and the taking of the scholastic census for Sutton county in the town portion. Superintendent Covey will supervise census-taking in the country and the Mexican sections.

Members were reminded that next month is election month, in order that new officers may attend the annual conference of the district, to be held this year in Abilene in early April. It was announced that by virtue of two years' service in the same office, Mesdames E. E. Sawyer, R. S. Covey, and S. T. Gilmore are rendered ineligible for re-election. Members are asked to send their nominations to Miss Annie Duncan, chairman of the nominating committee, at once, in order that a ticket may be prepared for submission to the body at the next meeting. Other committee members are Mesdames J. W. Trainer and W. C. Gilmore. Standing committees are

appointive, but the following offices are filled by election: president; 1st, 2nd, and 3rd vice-presidents; treasurer, secretary, reporter, parliamentarian, and auditor. First vice-president acts as program committee chairman; 2nd vice acts as chairman of membership, and 3rd vice is customarily chairman of finance.

Refreshments of sandwiches, macaroons, and tea were served in the school cafeteria by Mesdames M. C. Puckett, Orion Brown, and Libb Wallace, social hostesses.

The annual gift offering was made for national and state extension work.

INTER-COUNTY COUNCIL COMING HERE MARCH 10

The Inter-County Council of Parent-Teacher Associations, No. 36, including Irion, Crockett and Sutton counties, will convene here, as guests of the local association, on March 10, it has been announced.

This will be the third meeting of the organization since its formation at Ozona.

Valentine Box at Music Club

Members of the Sonora Music Study Club are reminded to bring Valentines for the Valentine box at their regular meeting next Wednesday evening (Valentine's Day) at 7:30 o'clock with Miss Ruth Tipton, hostess, at the home of Mrs. O. G. Babcock. Names were drawn for the box at the last meeting.

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Jim the Conqueror

By Peter B. Kyne

CHAPTER XIV

SHE came to lying in Don Jaime's arms in the dry grass beside the water-hole. She looked up at him without understanding, then closed her eyes again.

"Well, Jimmy," she murmured presently. "We're back in the sheep business again," he assured her solemnly.

A silence. Then: "Any casualties, Jimmy?" "Yes. Three dead horses and two wounded and about a dozen sheep with broken back and legs. It seems you rode over them. Ken Hobart's pinked, but nothing worse than what he's been used to. Adolfo de Haro, one of my riders, is dead, and Lambert, O'Grady, and Martinez Trujillo are badly hit, but I do not think they will die. Dingle and nine of his men are dead to date and the final returns from the river should make the affair unanimous. Fraser, Juan Espinosa, and Julio Ortiz are following them. They took our mounts and now I'll have to get busy, load our wounded on Dingle's chuck wagon and go home.

"Dingle got here first, ran his chuck outfit into the old branding corral to camp for the night and turned his mules loose there. Then he occupied the rocks beyond this water-hole and waited to see what might turn up before dark. I turned up—unexpectedly—rode wide around the herders, approached the corral from the rear and had opened the gate and entered before either side discovered I was trapped. They couldn't see clearly, but through the chinks in the corral boarding they could see something moving against the light. At that they couldn't be sure that something was me, my horse, or their mules, and they didn't want to hit the mules, so they were careful.

"It was close work and after I'd moved around a lot and had located all the knot-holes and wide chinks in the boards I made them keep their heads down. Then when the firing started out on the flat, and they saw Ken's men, led by you, making a pistol charge on the men with the sheep, Dingle got cold feet. You rode through quite a barrage, sweetheart, but once you'd topped the corral they figured I had reinforcements, so they ran for their horses and rode south. That is, some of them did. I climbed upon the wagon seat and fanned their rear; as they fled down the south side of the valley they bumped into Ken and Julio, who emptied two saddles each. Do you know, darling, that you have a pistol bullet through the muscles of your back, rather well on the right side? Nothing fatal, but you'll sleep on your left side for a month!"

"I'm a little fool," Roberta murmured weakly.

"Yes, but a gallant little fool. You have some of your late Uncle Tom's ferocity and courage in you, Bobby. Oh, yes, old Tom always preferred odds and good shelter in combat, but he would stand up to it when he had to. He couldn't be bluffed off this range and he forced me to make good."

"Are you hurt, Jimmy?"

"Not a scratch." She raised her left arm and curled it around his neck; he lowered his face until his cheek touched hers. "You're such a terrible man," she whispered. "Oh, such a terrible man!"

"But you love me just the same?" "Yes, but I wouldn't have told you—I'd have died first. It's all due to Ken Hobart. He told me—"

"Hush, sweetheart. He's confessed. He told you a few of the most wonderful lies on record, and when he found you'd been hit he cried like a baby. Swore that if you'd died he'd commit suicide—provided I didn't kill him first!" He lifted her to a sitting position. "There's old Cupid Hobart sitting over yonder. Look at him. He's still blubbering."

"Ken?" Roberta called weakly. The ex-ranger got up and limped painfully over to her, knelt and took her hand. "You're a grand liar," she murmured, "and a grand fighter, and a grand friend—and now I'm going to decorate you, Ken Hobart—on the field of battle."

"Kiss her, fool," Don Jaime roared. "And you can kiss her again the day we're married. That's the privilege of the best man, but after that, believe you me, partner, she's not going to give away any more samples to hard-boiled old waddles like you."

"Oh, my God, forgive me," Ken sobbed childishly, and brushed her

pale cheek with his tobacco-stained lips.

"On the lips, man," Don Jaime commanded. "You don't know good kissing when it's offered to you."

"I been chewin' tobacco," the victim protested.

"I don't care," Roberta assured him. "Jimmy chews it, too." So the embarrassed wretch obeyed orders, and Roberta fainted again. "Don Jaime, this time it's your fault," Hobart almost moaned.

"Fan her and mop her face with this wet bandanna," Don Jaime commanded. He went to the corral and searched in the chuck wagon for the tin box containing the small first-aid kit he suspected might be there. It was, so he returned to the girl, cut her clothing away from the wound and applied first aid in a singularly workmanlike manner. Thereafter he attended to his wounded men and when that task was done he caught the chuck wagon mules in the corral, harnessed and hitched them, spread out on the floor of the wagon box the bedding rolls he found there and loaded his casualties into the wagon.

"Home, James," he called cheerily to an imaginary chauffeur, climbed up onto the seat and gathered the reins. He peered down between his legs at Roberta's face upturned to him from the wagon bed.

"You'd have to live a few lifetimes in Dobbs Ferry, Westchester county, New York, before you'd get your teeth into life as deeply as you have in the past hour and a half," he assured her cheerfully. "Whose spunky old sweetheart are you?"

"Youse," said Roberta wearily. "Giddap," yelled Don Jaime, and flicked the rumps of the leaders with his long whip. Gently he eased the mules into their collars and rolled away up the valley into a long draw that wound between the hills and eventually led them out to where the deserted motor car waited. Here he transferred his wounded—Lambert O'Grady, and Martinez Trujillo on the rear seat, with Ken Hobart on the front seat. Lastly he lifted Roberta up into Hobart's arms, after which he braked the chuck wagon, unhitched the mules and tethered them to the wheels.

"Guess they can stand a night of watchful waiting," he declared, and climbed back of the wheel. "And maybe I wasn't a smart boy when I put Mrs. Ganby on the payroll permanently."

He switched on the lights and toiled the car carefully down through the sage to the Los Algodones road, after which they made fast time to the ranch. Here one of the hands took the car and departed for Los Algodones to bring back the only two doctors there, while Don Jaime aided Mrs. Ganby to make her patients comfortable.

About noon the next day Jaime Miguel Higuenes came into Roberta's room and sat down on her bed.

"Caraveo and his men have just got back safely," he informed her. "Not a man of that bandit gang got back across the river, so I venture to say this has been a lesson to them. I imagine the Rancho Valle Verde will be regarded in beyond-the-Border circles as a good place to keep away from hereafter. How's the future Mrs. Higuenes feeling now?"

"Not very chipper, Jimmy. How do you feel?"

"Guilty as a sheep-killing dog. Still every cloud has a silver lining. Dingle's dead and I imagine he died intestate. At any rate I have a suspicion nobody is going to come around and claim a ten per cent interest in my lambs. And I have a telegram from your Uncle Bill. It seems that when the news of the battle got to Los Algodones last night, via the man I sent after the doctors, the editor of the local paladium of liberty, the Los Algodones Herald, considered it of sufficient importance to put on the wire to the El Paso office of the United Press. So it was in the El Paso papers this morning, and your Uncle Bill read it there."

"Uncle Bill? Why, what was he doing in El Paso?"

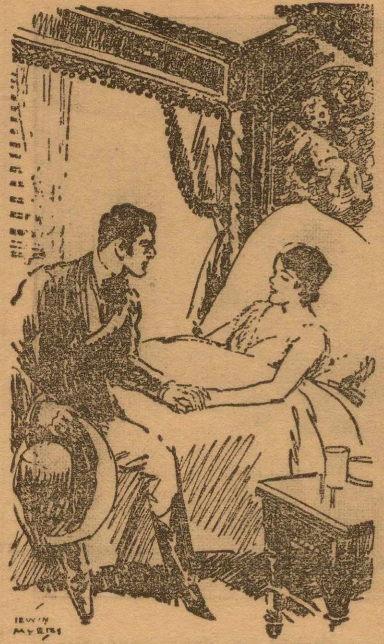
"En route to Valle Verde, my dear. I'd wired the old gentleman a hearty invitation to come down and visit us, and he has accepted and was on his way." Thus Jaime Miguel Higuenes—the liar! However, he comforted himself with the thought that it was only a white lie and was to be preferred to violating his word of honor to Crooked Bill not to reveal to his niece the news that only two days previous he had been in Los Algodones, plotting against their peace and happiness.

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"You're such a dear, Jimmy. So thoughtful. Dear Uncle Bill. I know he's missed me. Does he know I'm hurt?"

"Yes, the papers carried the story. I've wired him on the train to save his tears until our wedding day."

"Are we engaged, Jimmy? I



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can't remember that you've ever asked me to marry you."

"Oh, didn't I, sweetheart?"

"Never." He rubbed his tanned chin and his lazy eyes roved over her whimsically. "I suppose I was afraid I might speak out of my turn, but of course when you came stampeding into that corral yesterday and broke the glad news to me, I couldn't, as a man of honor, pretend I didn't understand you. So I rather took it for granted."

He bent low over her and swept her cheeks with his eager lips. "Still interested in those bumper lambs, boll-weevil and irrigation, brown babies and cholo men and women, heat, dust and purple lights on the buttes at dawn and sunset, darling?"

She nodded. "I can be a good partner, Jimmy. I never had any responsibilities—and now I want so badly to share yours—always. How are your wounded men?"

"Taking an interest in life. I sent them over a quart of thirty-year-old Bourbon whisky a friend gave me recently. Mrs. Ganby is still weeping with joy over our engagement, and Robbie is jealous as a collie dog. He has an idea that when we're married he'll have to leave the ranch."

"I wouldn't even have a ground squirrel leave that ranch, Jimmy."

"Then we'll keep Robbie and his ma on the payroll."

"Does Uncle Bill know of our engagement?"

Don Jaime produced a telegram and read: "I never figured on you taking over my principal responsibility but now that you insist on being reckless take a tip from one who knows stop. Do not spoil her stop I did that long ago stop You are as welcome in our family as the silence that follows a congressional oration."

"Sheepishly yours

"UNCLE BILL."

"Why does he sign himself 'sheepishly yours,' Jimmy, dear?"

"Some far-fetched allusion to the sheep that brought you here, Bobby. Just some of his gringo humor, I imagine."

"I see." She was silent, turning his brown, strong, useful hands, counting the calluses on them. Hands that had known toil and would always know it, the hands that build empires, hands that, when folded at last in the peace that would mean their parting, would be kissed by lowly people and sprinkled with their tears.

"It will be forever and ever, Jimmy," she whispered, "and I'm so happy—and grateful."

"The Higuenes men keep their women," he assured her gravely. She thought of Glenn Hackett. "Poor dear," she murmured absently.

"He never had a chance," Don Jaime assured her, with a flash of that prescience, that clairvoyance, that would always make him, for Roberta, a new, puzzling, yet wholly understandable human being and a joy forever. Yes, he would be the same always, yet always new, always challenging her interest, always holding it. Of him (the girl thought) it might be said that age could not wither nor custom stale his infinite variety.

"I'll get my guitar and sing you a little Spanish love song my grand-mother taught me," he suggested. "It's very old. It came into Peru with Pizarro and worked north. Oh, by the way, I forgot something! Let's get this on record officially. Miss Antrim, will you do me the great honor to marry me?"

"You outrageous Celt," she laughed. "You're the last of the troubadours. Of course I will."

[THE END.]

A. K. Short Here from Houston Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Short of Houston stopped at the Hotel McDonald Saturday night. Mr. Short is soil conservation specialist with the Federal Land Bank of Houston.

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Evans Moreland Weds Miss Mary Head, Sat.

Soa Former Sonora Minister Takes Student Bride at Austin

The marriage of H. Evans Moreland, son of the Rev. and Mrs. O. E. Moreland of Mertzon, formerly of Sonora, and Miss Mary Head of San Angelo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Head, was solemnized at a candlelight ceremony in the University Methodist Church at 5:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon in Austin.

Both the bride and groom are seniors in the University of Texas and will continue their studies until after graduation. Mrs. Head, mother of the bride, is well-known throughout West Texas as president of the sixth district of Parent-Teacher Associations, and has frequently visited Mrs. S. T. Gilmore here, as well as speaking to the Sonora Parent-Teacher Association on several occasions. The Rev. Mr. Moreland was at one time pastor of the Sonora Methodist Church.

The double ring service was performed by the Rev. Mr. Moreland following several numbers of pre-nuptial music.

The newly-weds left immediately for a short honeymoon to Dallas.

B. Y. P. U. Elects New Staff Officers

Mrs. F. T. Jones, President; Leslie Nance Director of Group

Election of officers occupied main interest at the regular meeting of the Baptist Young People's Union last Sunday evening, when Mrs. F. T. Jones was made president, Leslie Nance was retained as director, and other officers were chosen as follows:

Vice-president, Miss Edith McGhee; secretary and treasurer, Miss Violet Drennan; pianists, Miss Audrey Rankhorn and Mrs. George Barrow; chorister, Lavelle Meckel; corresponding secretary, Miss Ruth Freeman; Bible quiz leader, Miss Mora Lee Meckel.

Group captains: I, Jimmy West; II, Miss Victoria Grimsley.

Typewriter Ribbons, Carbon Paper, Sales Pads, Adding Machine paper. THE NEWS.

Dress Made of Wool Sack at Small Cost

Kerr County Woman Has Charming Frock at Small Cost

Converting a gunny sack of the type used in storing wool into a modish dress is a feat recently accomplished by Mrs. J. W. Bailey, wardrobe co-operator in the Ingram home demonstration club, according to Miss Frances Wilroy, Kerr

county home demonstration agent.

Mrs. Bailey made the dress at a negligible cost by utilizing an ordinary gunny sack, after the fibre material had been dyed black. Wide cuffs of heavy white crepe and a tailored collar of the same material with tie extensions softened the effect. Steam pressing gave the extraordinary garment a finishing touch.—Kerrville Mountain Sun.

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Few Texans will believe that this picture was taken in Texas, for few people have ever seen the spot where it was taken—the Grande Canyon of the Rio Grande river. St. Helena canyon it is called, far from the beaten path, almost inaccessible. On the map of Texas follow the Rio Grande northwest from Del Rio until you reach the lowest point of the Big Bend. That is the location of this yawning and forbidden chasm, its walls towering 2,900 feet above the water.

Chevrolet to Quote Delivered Car Prices

Old Ambiguous F.O.B. Quotations Are Abandoned

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 7.—A new automobile merchandising policy whereby the purchaser will be apprised of the full cost of his automobile delivered in front of his door, rather than having to rely on ambiguous "f.o.b." prices, was announced here today as effective immediately in the entire Chevrolet organization by William E. Holler, general sales manager of the company.

A campaign is now being launched among dealers and retail salesmen in all parts of the United States instructing them in the new policy and apprising them of the suggested delivered price to be quoted in their respective communities.

As an instance of what the new procedure means to car buyers, Mr. Holler pointed out that while list prices on the company's new 1934 models average \$70 higher than in 1933, the actual increase in cost to the purchaser in New York is only \$40. While the list, or "f.o.b." price, throughout the United States averages 14 per cent above 1933, the delivered costs actually average only eight per cent higher.

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SONORA, TEXAS

Eastern Newspaper Aghast at "Spread"

Difference in Meat Prices Hard to Understand

Cattlemen of West Texas will be interested in an article which recently appeared in the Brooklyn Daily Eagle of New York City under the heading "Too Much Spread."

It states that twenty cattlemen from the far west, visiting in New York, could not understand why beef for which they had received 2½ cents a pound was sold for 45 cents on the New York market. They were also puzzled over having to pay \$1.25 for a small steak, and wondered how the restaurant owners got that way.

While we do not view the situation with pop-eyed horror the Eagle exhibits, it does seem a sin and a shame that the producer and consumers cannot get closer together on the price of a commodity—that the man who does the most work should get the least pay.—Pecos Enterprise.

B.Y.P.U. HAS PARTY ON FRIDAY NIGHT LAST WEEK

Members of the Baptist Young People's Union enjoyed a party in the basement of the church Friday night last week, when some 35 attended.

Leslie Nance, sponsor, directed amusements for the affair.

Refreshments of hot chocolate and cakes were served.

PHILLIPS IN CHARGE OF CHRYSLER GARAGE SHOP

"Skeet" Phillips, with 12 years experience as manager of service departments, and for the last year with the Chrysler agency in San Angelo, has been placed in charge of the Chrysler Garage Shop.

He assumed the new duties Monday.

BOULDER DAM TO BE READY IN 2 YEARS

Pouring of Concrete Sets World Record.

Boulder City, Nev.—The mighty Boulder dam has passed the one-fifth mark in the pouring of concrete, nearly a year and a half ahead of schedule.

The builders of the biggest single body of concrete in the world have placed 20 per cent of the three and one-half million cubic yards of mix.

Working more than 3,000 men, Six Companies, Inc., keeps two of the biggest mixing plants in the world running 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Work Goes Steadily.

Since July 4th, there has been no letup in the steady running of the gigantic cableways which carry garantuan buckets of eight cubic yards each from the railroad tracks on the side of the cliff out there to the forms where 161 big "columns" gradually are climbing up, in forms that are raised for each as soon as the concrete has set.

World records for concrete manufacture and handling have been shattered, time after time, by Superintendent F. T. Crowe and his crew. An eight-yard bucket dumping every two minutes, day in and day out, for months on end; that's how Boulder dam is being built.

Finished in Two Years.

It will be finished in less than two years more, with the exception of some of the power units and some "minor" details.

Including preliminary work, such as diversion tunnels, Six Companies, Inc., has completed 65 per cent of its entire \$48,800,995.50 contract with Uncle Sam, in point of computed "earnings" of the contractors.

The job included four diversion tunnels driven in solid rock 50 feet in diameter, lined with concrete a yard thick, each three-quarters of a mile long. The river now flows through these, while the 725-foot dam, far the highest in the world, rises between the sheer cliffs.

The concrete in the Boulder dam will comprise more than all the concrete placed by the bureau of reclamation in all dams it has built in all the years of its existence.

Heat and Cold Aid in Giving Planes Strength

New York.—Two opposites, dry ice and electric furnaces, can be thanked for the tremendous strength which has been built into the modern airplane, says a bulletin of United Air Lines, commenting on features of construction in the 60 three-mile-a-minute, multi-motored Boeing planes it now has on its routes. These are the first high-speed, all-metal, transports ever built.

By taking rivets from a 950-degree heat-treating bath to sub-freezing temperatures of dry ice containers, the aging of rivets is definitely retarded. By heat-treating metal, the tensile strength is more than doubled, duraluminum being raised from the normal strength of 26,000 pounds per square inch to approximately 55,000 pounds per square inch.

The steel used in the landing gear of the planes has a tremendous tensile strength of 180,000 pounds per square inch, because of heat treating, and the landing gear can withstand an emergency impact of 32 tons.

Forced Feeding Keeps St. Louis Python Alive

St. Louis.—When it's lunch time for the python at the St. Louis zoo—that is, every six weeks or so—attendants unroll the fire hose and prepare to serve the meal.

The 19-foot python, in the zoo for the last six years, has steadfastly refused to eat throughout its stay here.

Ground meat is inserted in the hose. The hose is placed in the snake's throat and a "plunger" forces the food past the snake's throat.

Snake experts have been unable to determine why the snake refuses to eat.

Ingenious Lamp Resists Violent Wind or Rain

Leipzig, Germany.—An ingenious lamp has been devised, intended to be placed upon graves, which will remain alight throughout the most violent rain or windstorms. It consists of a series of glass chimneys so arranged that even the feeble flames of a candle may be kept burning for long periods. In many countries it is customary to leave a light burning on the graves following the funeral. The new device was exhibited at Leipzig fair and demonstrated by surrounding the light with powerful electric fans.

Police, Traveling by Air, Find Their Lunch Frozen

Nantucket, Mass.—When Sergeants Michael J. Noonan and James P. Ryan of the Massachusetts state police arrived here recently by air on an inspection tour from Brockton they had to throw their lunch away. Their pilot had taken them to an 8,000-foot altitude and their sandwiches had been frozen solid.

REGULAR Advertising

From a Speech by

C. W. Johnson

Oakland, Nebraska, Merchant

"I have been in business 27 years and seldom miss an issue of the local paper with an advertisement of some kind.

"I believe that the constant spitting of a machine gun does more execution than the occasional boom of a big Bertha. Its spat-spat shot gets results. So it is with advertising; the small ad run every week is better for results than the large ad run hit or miss. Consecutive advertising gets the business.

"We are told that American business now has hit the bottom, and that things will be better. Now is the time to advertise our wares and get the public to start buying.

"There are all kinds of advertising schemes, and I have dabbled in them all, but the advertising in the local newspaper is best and gives the largest results for money spent.

"Put more time in writing your ads, and then talk it over with the newspaper. It pays in the long run to spend that extra time.

"Create a desire to possess, in your ad, and it will get the business.

"If you had a whole bushel of chain links it would not pull a load. Put them together in a continuous chain and you have a strong and powerful thing with which to pull a load. So it is with advertising. Link your ads together, run them in a continuous string week after week, and you will have a power that will produce results."

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TO RESTORE FAMED PALACE OF MOOR

Italy Undertakes Important Project at Ferrara.

Ferrara, Italy.—A department of the Italian government has undertaken the restoration of the palace of Ludovicus the Moor, great warrior of the Fifteenth century.

Mussolini regarded the palace as one of the greatest architectural gems of all times and personally arranged that one million lire be appropriated towards its restoration.

The plans have been prepared and since the required funds now are available, specialized artists already have started on the restoration of different rooms connected by loggias designed by the Architect Rossetti.

The palace was bought by the government 12 years ago to prevent its further deterioration due not only to the ravages of time, but to the fact it had been adapted as lodgings for poor people.

Rossetti designed the palace itself and most of it was built by a stone mason named Casiro and by the sculptor Ambrogio da Milano. It is one of the best Renaissance buildings at Ferrara and, although greatly damaged, its main architectural lines remain intact.

The palace will be used for a museum. As a result the work now undertaken will restore the three main halls on the ground floor to their original magnificence with frescoes representing Biblical and mythological scenes. New frescoes will be painted in the Hall of Honor and in the many rooms on the first floor as well. These rooms reveal admirable decorations even in their present state.

The restoration work is based on existing historical documents and reproductions of the existing frescoes so that it will be as nearly accurate as possible.

Baldwin Apples Started From a Chance Seedling

Amherst, Mass.—A chance seedling which sprang up on the farm of one John Ball, near Lowell, 30 or 35 years before the American revolution, was the origin of the Baldwin apple of today.

Later, according to W. H. Thies, Massachusetts State college pomologist, the farm became the property of a man named Butters. The seedling became a large tree, woodpeckers made their home in it. Butters dubbed it "The Woodpecker Tree," and apples from it were called woodpecker apples.

The apple became quite popular locally, and many trees were started from scions taken from the original tree.

Shortly after the revolution ended, Deacon Samuel Thompson of Woburn took some of the woodpecker apples to a Colonel Baldwin of that town. It was the colonel who gave the apple his name and started it along the road to its present high place as one of the outstanding commercial apples of the nation, famed for its cooking and keeping qualities.

Seeks Cure for Cancer in Poison of Cobras

Bombay.—Snake venom may hold the toxic element being sought in the world-wide quest for an efficacious cancer treatment.

M. Robert Hemardinquer, acting for the Pasteur Institute in Paris, is here arranging for the production of at least 21 pounds of venom for use in experiments in the treatment of cancer.

He is appealing particularly for cobras and estimates he will require the venom of at least 5,000 snakes if he is to collect the quantity he wants in a reasonable time.

A snake farm has already been set up at the Haffkin Institute, where 50 snakes have been installed and are undergoing treatment designed to produce the maximum amount of the deadly poison.

Use of venom for the treatment of cancer is still in the experimental stage, and he would not disclose details.

Woman Chimney Sweep More Efficient Than Men

London.—The only woman chimney sweep here is proud of her profession. She is Mrs. Kate Nelson, middle-aged, portly, genial and more efficient than many male competitors. Her husband used to be a chimney sweep, and when he became ill she carried on the family trade.

Autoist Injured by Hurdling Buck Deer

Ashland, Ore.—A four-point buck deer was bagged by Lee Wallis, mail carrier, between Klamath Falls and Ashland, in a manner which nearly resulted in the death of Wallis and the wreck of his machine as Wallis sped along the Green Springs highway near White Star station.

The deer, running at full speed, came into the road abreast of the car. It leaped, but its head and front quarters struck the windshield, the hind legs smashing the window in such a manner that Wallis was seriously cut.

Lights of New York

By L. L. STEVENSON

Short is the memory of Broadway. No matter how bright the glare of the spotlight as soon as the one on whom it shines steps out of its brilliant rays, he is forgotten. There was Dan the Dude. Reputed to be worth at least a half million dollars, he was known from one end to the other of that thoroughfare that has been called the gay white way. Hat check girls, waiters, cigarette and flower girls, musicians and others of the hot spots hailed his frequent appearances with joy. So did the parasites, since Dan the Dude's pockets had no fish hooks. When his hand came out it held that which talks with an extremely loud voice along Broadway. So, while he paved the way with the long green, friends flocked about him in numbers.

That the source of the wealth of Dan the Dude was more or less mysterious made no difference at all. On Broadway, the important question is not, "How did he get it?" but "Has he got it?" The having of it is sufficient answer for all Broadway purposes. Dan the Dude, however, was once questioned as to the origin of that which he seemed to regard so lightly. He replied that he bet on horses that ran fast. That apparently was his sole occupation. He was seen not only at the local tracks but also at other well known tracks about the country. But he always came back to Broadway.

Something happened to Dan the Dude. Maybe it was the depression. Maybe his judgment as to which horse was the fastest of the field lost its keenness. At any rate, places where he had been well known saw him no more. He wasn't missed. News that his money had gone had spread. It seemed that occasionally he stopped to chat with friends on Seventh avenue and was given small loans.

A well-dressed man registered at a hotel in mid-town. Shortly afterward, he leaped from a twelfth story window. The crumpled body was taken to the morgue. There was no identification and it looked as if the final resting place would be on Harts Island. In a Seventh avenue cigar store, the description of the man was noted. That saved Dan the Dude from the potters field. Broadway had forgotten him. But as Broadway usually does, it recalled him enough to contribute to his funeral.

How different from the false brightness of Broadway is the country at this time of year. Went up to Westcum Wood in Connecticut to spend some pleasant hours with Bob and Betty Weeks. In the morning sun, the Connecticut countryside sparkled as if it had been set with diamonds and the Sound was a mighty, flashing mirror. The window thermometer registered away down below freezing. But in the big living room, looking out on the brown woods, the lagoon of Binney park and the winding road, it was like spring. And 50 minutes later we were back in the city of sham and illusion.

Getting back to Broadway, I noted the first set of ear tabs I've seen in many a long year. Found them right in Times square, too. They were worn by the red-faced, burly street-railway employee who throws the switch that turns the Broadway trolley cars at Forty-second street.

Edward J. Flynn, New York's secretary of state, lives in a penthouse with 16 rooms and five baths atop an apartment house in the quietness of the Spuyten Duyvil district near Two Hundred Thirtieth. Mr. Flynn used to live on the Grand Concourse. But he got tired of so many visitors and moved. His apartment is served by a private elevator. And those who call always find he's not at home.

Smallest Park Claimed by Town in California

Visalia, Calif.—Visalia challenges the world to prove it has a smaller city park than Visalia's.

The Park at St. John, N. B., measuring 20 feet by 6, which claimed the "world's smallest" honors, is much bigger and cannot honestly claim the title, Visalians contended.

The town's "Lone Oak" park, situated at the west entrance to the city, is but 10 by 10 feet, they pointed out.

The park, containing a huge oak tree, is squarely in the middle of the main highway.

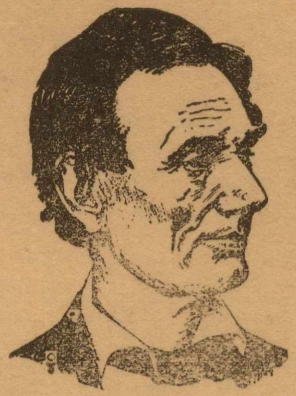
Watch, Under Water for 28 Years, Ticks

Constantine, Mich.—It takes more than 28 years under water to end a good watch's tick.

Workmen clearing out a mill race found a watch lost by John Putnam, now living in Sydney, N. Y., in 1905. One hand had rusted off, but the crystal was unbroken.

The watch was wound and started ticking. It will be sent to Putnam.

There was a Man!



His Memory Endures...

Abraham Lincoln, that great American leader was a man in every sense of the word. His life was, and still remains, a monument to the principles of thrift and fair dealing. It is one which every boy of today should seek to emulate. In honor of this great statesman's birth anniversary, this bank will remain closed February 12.



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Sonora, Texas

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J. K. LANCASTER

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- the banks of Salina, Kansas:
- 1—Enter Bank
- By front door..... \$.50
- By side door..... .25
- 2—Calling by telephone
- For first call each day..... .10
- For each call thereafter..... .05
- 3—Asking for balance..... 1.00
- 4—Arguing amt. of balance
- In civil manner..... .50
- In quarrelsome manner
- for first..... 2.50
- for each thereafter..... 5.00
- 5—Spitting on floor
- Plain..... .05
- Tobacco..... .10
- 6—Speaking to officers
- President..... 1.00
- Vice-president..... .75
- Cashier..... .50
- To any assist. cashier..... No chg.
- 7—Keeping president from playing golf..... HANGING

Mrs. Birdie Rutledge and her daughter, Mrs. Jack Wardlaw, were accompanied to San Angelo Friday by Mrs. Ernest McClelland and her little daughter, Ramye Jo.



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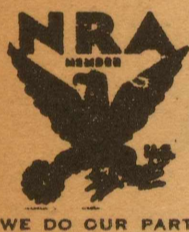
La Vista Presenting Mae West Next Wk.

"I'm No Angel" Booked for Two Days; Other Features

With the much-talked of Mae West in "I'm No Angel" as the outstanding attraction, La Vista theatre has an all-around program coming for the week. "I'm No Angel," of which Miss West is also the author, will be here Tuesday

and Wednesday. Friday and Saturday an Oriental mystery play, "Bombay Mail," starring Edmund Lowe, is offered. Sunday and Monday W. C. Fields, Alison Skipworth and Baby LeRoy cavort in an amusing comedy, "Tillie and Gus."

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lowrey spent last week-end visiting Mrs. Lowrey's mother, Mrs. A. B. Awalt in Katemcy, and with friends in Brady.



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Bananas CENTRAL AMERICAN, each ... **1c**

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CARROTS, fresh, **10c** BEETS, special, 3 bunches for..... **10c**
CRACKERS—"Uneda," salted, special for Friday and Saturday, carton of 6 boxes for..... **29c**
YAMS, choice grade, special, 10 pounds..... **25c** Special, 5 pounds..... **15c**

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Shortening..... VEGETOLE, 8-lb. carton..... **57c**
VEGETOLE, 4-lb. carton..... **29c**

PRESERVES—"Ma Brown" brand, your choice of popular flavors, week-end special, 4-lb. jar for..... **69c**

Milk CARNATION, 7 small cans..... **25c**

OATMEAL—"Speedy Brand," a 3-minute cereal with valuable premium, big 42-oz. package for..... **15c**
APRICOTS, gal-**47c** PEACHES, gal- lon can, solid pack..... **43c**
SOAP—P & G or Crystal White, giant bars of laundry soap, special for the week-end 6 for..... **25c**

HAMS Armour's Star or Wilson's Certified, half or whole, per pound..... **15c**

JOWLS, salt pork **7c** TOILET TISSUE, per pound..... **14c**
"Bi-Amer." 3 rolls
COFFEE—Folger's, drip grind or regular cut none finer than "Golden Gate," 5 lb. can for..... **1.53**