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## Sonora Scouts Win Seventh Straight Jamboree Pennant

Eldorado Troop Only Other Entry; 48 to 24 Score

### SETS NEW RECORD

Taylor Kindles Fire in Five Seconds by Flint Spark

Troop 19, the Sonora Boy Scouts, won its seventh consecutive pennant in the annual Ranch District Jamboree here Saturday night at the Scout Hall, defeating the Eldorado troop by 48 points to 24.

The meet was featured by the brilliant performance of Jim Taylor, who kindled a fire and had a blaze in 5 seconds, using flint and steel to get a spark. This time is a record for the Ranch district and is unusually good. Jim struck a good spark at the first clash of the metal and stone and soon blew it into a blaze.

Sonora won first place in 5 competitive events, and won two contests unopposed. Eldorado took three firsts in the ten contests. The Eldorado boys were outnumbered considerably and too, had a smaller and less experienced group.

The Sonora troop won the inspection event. They also won the first aid contests, semaphore signalling, essay writing and fireman's carry. They were unopposed in fire building contests. Eldorado won the minute-guess, the knot-tying, and the antelope race.

Two of the winning essays, those of J. O. Mills and Jim Taylor, will be published in The News.

B. W. Draper of San Angelo, executive of the Concho Valley council, was in charge of the meet. Judge J. A. Whitten, chairman of the Ranch district, was here from Eldorado with that troop. Don McCormick, Eldorado Scoutmaster, was also present.

At the court of honor following the jamboree Lloyd McGhee was awarded Star Scout Rank. Louis Davis and Jack Shurley became first-class Scouts, and Jim Taylor became a second-class Scout. Merit badges were awarded Kenneth Babcock, Bobby Nisbet, Lloyd McGhee, Marion Elliott, Jack Shurley, and Louis Davis.

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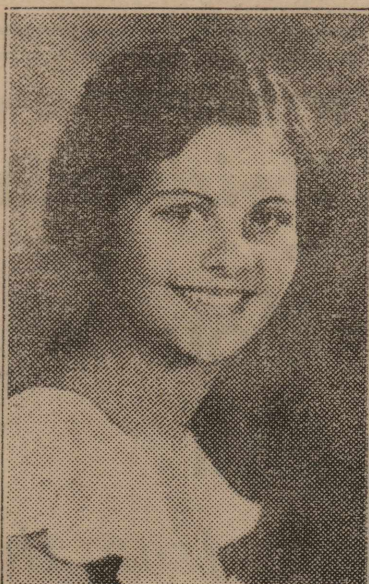
It's just about 84 hours now until Old Saint Nicholas will scout the chimneys and festoon the Christmas trees of the land with gifts. No present could be quite as welcome to West Texas just now as a good rain.

At that the Sutton county ranchman feels that things are a lot brighter this year than they were last. Most of them, at least, share this view, pointing to the present profitable prices of wool and mohair as the reason. Last year we hoped prices would go up; now we hope that it rains. It's usually safer to trust old Mother Nature for rain than it is the money centers of the world for better prices on commodities

And speaking of rain, always a popular subject, Crumbs repeats here and now a prophecy made recently by some statistician. (This is not an original prophecy; neither is it made by any one whom it costs a cup of coffee to quote). This gentleman has calculated that 1934 will be a wet year, citing the fact that 1911 happened to be such, and claiming that his charts show that weather comes in 23-year cycles. That being the case, let's hope that next week passes in a hurry and that 1934 will start off with a splash.

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## Football Sweetheart



Miss Wilma Hutcherson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Hutcherson of Sonora, and winsome member of the Sonora Pep Squad, was elected Football Sweetheart in the contest which financed the annual banquet and helped buy sweaters for the football team.

## Christmas Crowd to Be in Sonora by the Week-end

Usual Group Coming from Colleges and Universities with a Number of Guests

Sonora will celebrate Christmas in usual hearty style from the moment of arrival of the town's sons and daughters from colleges and universities, and the coming and going of their holiday guests. Beginning Wednesday, the homecoming continues throughout the week-end.

A. & M. men were expected at home Wednesday night. Lea Roy Aldwell, Edwin Sawyer, James Ed Hutcherson, Sam Logan and John Hull all were expected by their parents. James Ed was to drive his car through with a bunch of San Angelo fellow students, and the other boys were expected to come in cars together.

C. H. Carson drove to Austin Thursday to bring home several

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## Highway Force Is Improving Crossings

Dips Made, Street Being Rebuilt at Courthouse Corner

The maintenance force of the State Highway Department here has been busy the last ten days repairing and remaking street intersections with the highway through town. Several new dips were constructed and paved with asphalt. The steep corner at the Methodist church has been leveled off and smoothed over.

With supervision by the highway department, county machinery and CWA labor have been used to completely remake the street at the southeast corner of the courthouse square. A new grade has been built and a large fill placed on the lower side of the street, enabling proper drainage of the entire area.

## BILL STEWART, 8, STANTON BUNDY, 9 KILL DEER; DRISKELL GETS EAGLE

And now Sutton county has some really good hunting stories, boasting two successful young hunters and a sportsman who killed a 7-foot golden eagle from a moving car with a shotgun.

Bill Stewart, 8-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Stewart, and Stanton Bundy, jr., 9, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Bundy, shot bucks on their fathers' ranches in the east end of the county, on the same day and with same size rifles, a 25-35. Mr. Stewart also killed a buck on the same day. Bill's buck had 10 points, and Stanton's had 8. They were two proud boys,

## Sutton County's Lamb Crop About Cleaned Out Now

Hudspeth Bunch of 12 Doubles Leaving Today; Prices firmer, with Muttons at 5c

The annual exodus of Sutton county's lambs to feed lots of the nation has about ended for this season, according to local stockmen. The movement has been much lighter for the last two or three weeks, with no large bunches left in the county and with a few smaller lots for sale.

Roy Hudspeth is delivering 12 double decks of choice mutton lambs to Roy Hildreth here today at 5 cents a pound.

As the supply of lambs has dwindled prices have become firmer, and it is now taking a nickel a pound to interest the few ranchmen who have mutton lambs left.

Friday of last week Giles Hill shipped two cars of aged ewes to Tankersley. They were sold to Dr. H. R. Wardlaw of San Angelo at \$2.00.

Monday Roy Hildreth sent one double of 64-pound mutton lambs bought from Wayne West of Ozona to Bradshaw Nebr. On the same day T. L. Benson had 1 double for Kansas City bought from Brown Emberson of Rocksprings. Finley-Kitchens shipped three doubles bought from the Whitehead brothers to Hale Center. R. A. Neal sent two doubles, bought from Fred Earwood and Mrs. J. A. Ward, to Adrian, Mich.

Tuesday Neal had another double to Adrian and Benson another to Kansas City.

## School Orchestra Entertained Lions at Tuesday Meeting

New Organization Making Good Progress Under Hollis; F. B. Williams New Lion

The Sonora Lions Club entertained and was entertained by the Sonora school orchestra, recently organized by Neal Hollis, instructor in instrumental music in the school here and at Eldorado.

Several numbers were played by the orchestra, with a trumpet solo by Robert Allen Simmons and a clarinet solo by Mr. Hollis. Members of the orchestra are: violins, Mr. Hollis, O. G. Babcock and Rena Glen Shurley; cello, Kenneth Babcock; saxophone, Curt Schwiening; clarinet, Junior Schwiening; trumpets, Bobby Nisbet and Robert Allen Simmons; piano, Wilma Hutcherson.

Mr. Hollis announced a concert to be given by the orchestra Thursday night.

F. B. Williams, manager of the McKnight Chevrolet Company was introduced as a new member, secured by President H. V. Stokes.

Other guests Tuesday were: E. E. Pittman, Howard Espy, Marshall Huling, Charles Harold Evans, M. M. Stokes, and James Lucas, Belton.

## Methodists Plan Christmas Trees

The various departments of the Methodist church will sponsor two Christmas trees Sunday, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. At the morning service the Rev. E. P. Neal, pastor, will preach on "Modern Interpretation of Christ's Advent and Mission." There will be no night service.

## Houston Firm to Spud in Test on Fawcett's Ranch in Val Verde After Jan. 1

Location Is 45 Miles Southwest of Sonora by Road

HOLDS 25,800 ACRES

S. W. Development Co. Land Surrounded by Major Leases

The Southwest Development Co., of Houston will spud a test on the E. K. Fawcett ranch in the corner of Val Verde county 45 miles southwest of Sonora soon after Jan. 1, it was announced here Thursday by O. R. Miller, company representative. The test is scheduled to go 6,000 feet, or to paying production.

The 25,800-acre tract held by the Houston firm is entirely surrounded by leases of 14 major oil companies totaling 225,000 acres.

A standard cable tool rig is being moved in from Runnels county and an 80-foot derrick will be erected.

H. H. Thomas, who has also been representing the company here, was in Austin Thursday to secure a drilling permit from the Texas railway commission.

The test will be located in Block L, Survey 14 of the GC&SP Railway Company grant. It is about 12 miles west of the test once drilled as the Cash Well, and is about 25 miles southwest of the well drilled on the Holman ranch by Phillips in 1929.

While the test is in strictly wild-cat territory, it is regarded as a very favorable location by oil interests all over the southwest. The actual location was made by three different firms, all working without knowledge of the other's activities, and all coinciding on the same spot. Nichole & Nichole and Dr. J. L. Wortman, Houston geologists, and J. R. Smith, physiognomist expert of Oklahoma City, worked the area. Smith has to his credit such discoveries as the Seminole, Earlsboro, Bowlegs, and Asher pools in Oklahoma, the Joiner well in the East Texas field, the Mexia and Runnels county fields.

Sonora will be the shipping point for the firm and for the entire field should a strike be made. Sonora will also be the trading center for the firm.

Mr. Miller stated Thursday that they would give local labor preference on every type of work except the highly skilled operations, that they would work three 8-hour shifts and would comply fully with all provisions of the NRA affecting wages and working hours.

## No Lions Meeting Next Week

The Sonora Lions will not meet Tuesday of next week because many of the members will not have returned from Christmas trips. The next meeting will be held the Tuesday after New Year's day. The luncheon assessment for next week will go to the club treasury to defray expense of Christmas activities.

## Young Lion Tamer



The world's only child lion tamer is Manuel King, aged 10, pictured with one of ten lions he puts thru their paces after he comes home from his fourth grade school every day. Manuel is the son of the famous W. A. "Snake" King, and was born and raised at Snakeville, King's strange animal and snake farm near Brownsville. The boy is soon to go on tour with his lions.

## Campfire Girls, Lions and Scouts Working Together

Toys Collected and Repainted; Candy, Fruit and Nuts Bought; All Distributed to Poor

Three Sonora organizations, with aid from many citizens are bringing Christmas into the forgotten homes of Sonora this season. The Campfire Girls, directed by their guardian, Mrs. W. C. Warren, have collected toys from all over town and have repainted and repaired

## "INHERITED" FUNDS USED

A small fund "inherited" by the Campfire Girls from a defunct organization of Girl Scouts in Sonora was used to buy toys by the Campfire Girls in their work this season.

Mrs. Warren stated Wednesday that response on the part of citizens had been excellent, and an unusually nice collection of toys has been secured by the girls.

The Lions Club is working to unify the efforts of the town, and a committee headed by W. R. Cusenbary and George E. Smith will purchase fruit, nuts and candy to help fill the stockings of the little boys and girls whom Santa Claus might otherwise have forgotten.

Friday afternoon the Boy Scouts will do their part by aiding with the distribution.

## Johnny Johnson Is Accidentally Shot

Bullet from Pistol Enters Knee After First Hitting Car

Johnny Johnson, old-time Sonora resident, was injured in a peculiar accident Sunday afternoon when a .22 pistol which his grandson, Lem Eriel Johnson, had just taken from the car in which they had returned from visiting some traps, discharged, the bullet hit the car, then ricocheted, striking Mr. Johnson in the knee.

Unaware that he had been shot, Mr. Johnson told Lem Eriel he thought a wasp had stung him. Examination revealed the bullet wound.

After medical attention had been given him here, Mr. Johnson was taken to San Angelo late Sunday evening, accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. M. C. Fockett, and Mr. Puckett; and sons, L. E. and Cliff Johnson, and their families.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Johnson and Lem Eriel remained with Mr. Johnson at a San Angelo hospital until Wednesday, when they came home for a few hours and returned. They

## Teachers Plan Various Trips for Vacation

School Closes Thursday and Many Faculty Members Depart Upon Holiday Journeys

As college students come into town Sonora teachers go out, as many and varied Christmas plans materialize. School closed Thursday afternoon with Christmas trees in most grades of the grammar school.

Superintendent of schools, R. S. Covey, and Mrs. Covey will spend part of the holidays in Vernon, returning here for the latter part of the vacation.

Miss Annie Duncan will visit friends and relatives in Austin and Devine.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Griffin, Miss Johnnie Allison and Miss Florence

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## Relief Office Gets Beans, Pork, Butter

Shipments Received for Needy of Sutton County

The Sutton county welfare and relief office received further shipments of food this week, and supplies are available for those in want, announced R. E. Taylor, Wednesday.

Ninety-five pounds of butter came in Wednesday night, with 65 pounds of pinto beans and 130 pounds of pork expected later in the week.

## NAIL PICKER MAKES ROAD SAFE FOR TIRES; 620 POUNDS METAL SECURED

One of the two magnetic nail pickers owned by the Texas Highway Department worked Sutton county highways for 620 pounds of assorted metal particles this month, saving motorists a great many future punctures, with a corresponding loss of business for tire repair stations.

Operated by J. W. Whiteaker of Austin, one of the two men in Texas who hold this type of job, the machine was brought here from the Rio Grande Valley primarily to clean up the new Ozona highway, concerning which there has been much complaint from puncture-

plagued motorists. Mr. Whiteaker spent 8 days on the streets of Sonora and on Highway 27 through the county and into Ozona and on Highway 30 to the Edwards county line. On the 22 miles of No. 30 he got 243 pounds, with 225 1/2 on the 30 miles of No. 27 east and 151 1/2 on No. 27 west 22 miles. In Crockett county he got 94 pounds on 16 miles. Number 30 north of Sonora was not worked.

In the collection were screws, belts, wire, broken car springs, bits of tin, tobacco cans, horseshoes, and small pieces of iron from the

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The News Staff Wishes for Everyone A Joyous Happy CHRISTMAS!

**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 and choir practice Wednesday, 8 p. m.  
 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.

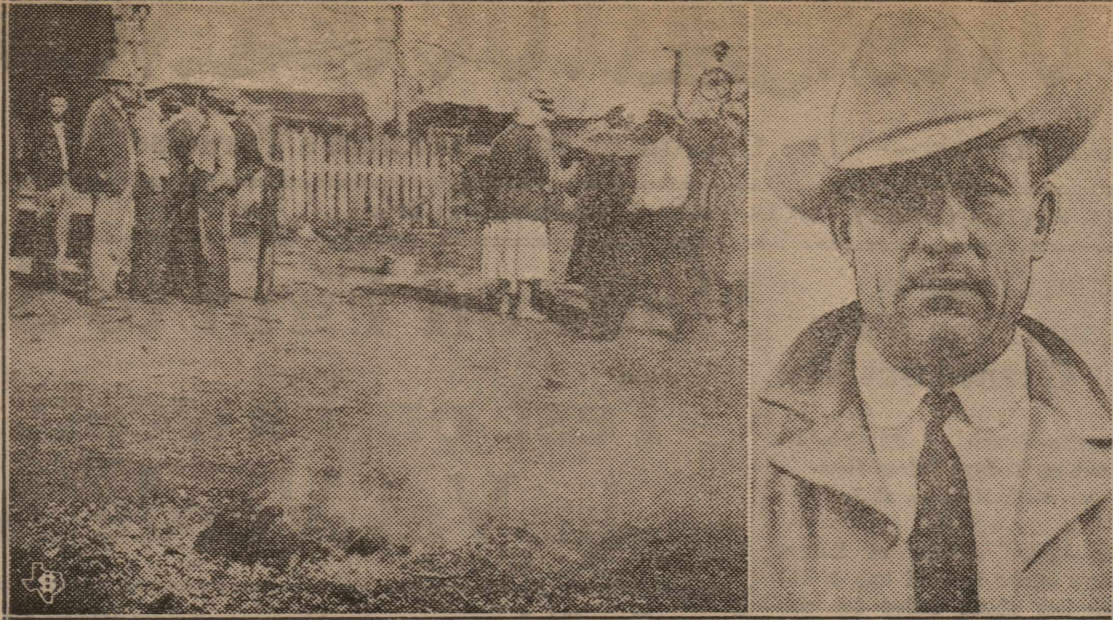
Local board meeting each first Tuesday night, 7:30 o'clock.  
 E. P. NEAL, Pastor.

**No Oil Wanted, Ad Might Read in Davis**

**People Relieved When Water Well Passes Thru Formation**

Lordy, but hearts got up into throats the other day, anyhow some throats. The man drilling the observatory well on Mount Locke struck formations that meant petroleum in many fields—gray shale and brownish shale—and people be-

**Frenzied Crowd Mutilates and Burns Negro's Body**



Here are pictures taken at Kountze, immediately after a mob of whites dragged the body of David Gregory, negro ex-convict, at the end of a chain behind an automobile, mutilated it, then burned it before the home of his mother. Gregory was shot to death by officers who were hunting for the attacker and slayer of Mrs. Mellie William, young white farm woman. The left photo shows Gregory's charred remains, still smouldering. "Yo' all done right, white folks," said his mother when the mob brought her son's body to her front door. Sheriff Miles Jordan of Hardin county, pictured right, was overpowered by the mob and the negro's body taken from his possession. He refused to surrender negro suspects, however, and throughout the night of terror guarded the jail with the aid of several deputies.

gan to say, "Oh, what if he'd strike oil!" Some folks shuddered. For an oil field, with its smoke and dirt and night lights and all that would just about put the coming McDonald observatory on the blinko.

Then the driller went into green shale, green as paint, and then into what is usually water bearing sand, and that choking sensation was relieved. He was down 780 feet Wednesday, with good water prospects. —Alpine Avalanche.

Will Rogers in "Dr. Bull," La Vista, Dec. 31, Jan. 1.—Adv.

**Decrease in Number of Bred Ewes, Say W. Texas Ranchers**

**Big Decline in Lamb Production Forecast for 1934 by R. A. Halbert and Others**

Robert Halbert of Sonora doesn't think that there are as many bred ewes in Texas this December as last. Many ranchmen didn't carry over any ewe lambs from last year. They have had the same loss and have sold a good many old ewes. Quite a numbr have disposed of all the ewes and have stocked with ewe lambs.

Wayne West thinks there is about the same number of ewes this year as last in his territory.

H. C. Noelke about the same Will Hill a few more.

Claude Linthicum not so many.

A. C. Hoover not quite so many. A good many ranchmen didn't breed their yearling ewes.

Dan McCrohan has 3,200 he didn't breed.

Clay Adkins, 3,000.  
 Ray Willoughby, 6,000.  
 Oscar Estes, 500.  
 Curtis Stephens of Millersview, 3,000.

Menard county has quite a number that are not bred.

The Cargiles have 8,000 to 10,000. In fact, it is doubtful if the yearling ewes that are bred in the state will offset the number of old ewes that have been shipped out. One big sheep dealer from Omaha estimates only about 70 per cent this year compared to last year.

J. C. Montgomery has disposed of nearly all his ewes and replaced them with ewe lambs on both his Crockett and Pecos county ranches. —Sheep & Goat Raisers' Magazine.

**NO TRAPPING** or hunting allowed on my ranch. Officer in charge and all trespassers will be prosecuted. Joe M. Vander Stucken. 3-tfc

**POSTED**—Absolutely no hunting or trespassing of any kind on my ranch. Violators will be prosecuted. Officer in charge. Oscar Appelt.

**Coming Here for Christmas**  
 Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Mangum of Corpus Christi and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Glascock of Comanche will spend Christmas here with parents of Mrs. Mangum and Mr. Glascock, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Glascock, and their sister, Mrs. W. S. Evans, and family. Mrs. Mangum left here Thursday last week for Corpus Christi, but is returning here with Mr. Mangum this week for a brief stay. She was formerly Miss Bonnie Glascock.  
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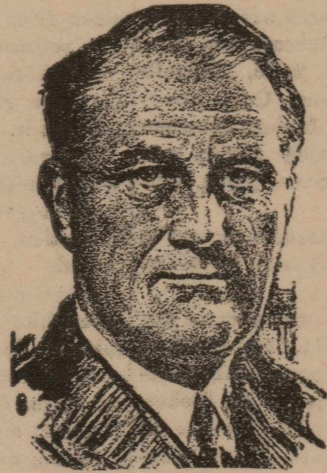
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### Strong Negro Who 'Pulled Down' City Passes in 'Frisco

Still Believed Earthquake Wreckage Due to Mighty Tug on Water Pipes of Big City

San Francisco, Dec. 13.—The negro who "pulled down" the city of San Francisco unaided on the morning of April 19, 1906, died here, still marveling at the catastrophe he caused because he didn't know his own strength.

History recorded the disaster as "an earthquake, followed by fire," but Bill Wardell knew differently. Announcement of the picturesque Wardell's death recalled among old timers his story of the 1906 catastrophe.

Bill, a character even before the great event, had had a rocky night and on the fair April morning was looking for an eye-opener to quench the burning thirst in his throat.

Into the first open barroom strolled Bill. He didn't have any money but he was certain either he himself or his razor would get him credit.

But the bartender was obdurate and refused to wet as much as the bottom of a glass with gin unless

Bill showed the color of his money. "White man, you all better fix up that gin or I'm gonna pull down this hyar bar," Wardell said. Even that threat failed to move the bar-room attendant.

So Bill grasped the bar. He huffed and puffed and he blew. With one final mighty tug he carried out his threat.

Down cam the bar, the ceiling, the whole building. Dazed, awed, Bill climbed out of the wreckage.

"Mah goodness, boss, I sure didn't aim to get so ruff," he said apologetically. "Sakes alike, if I ain't went and done make a mess for sure."

Outside Bill found more wreckage and great confusion. Buildings tumbled.

"Lawdy, I didn't know my own strength," he mumbled to a passing officer.

Folks tried to tell Bill an earthquake, and not the tug he gave the bar, caused the disaster. But for 27 years Bill remained unconvinced.

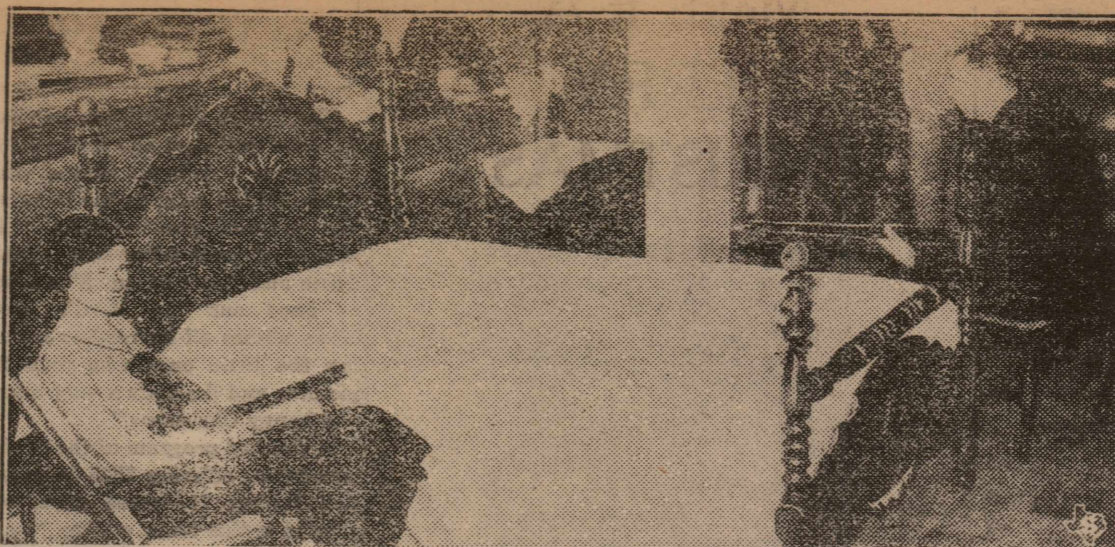
"It was the watah pipes," he explained. "They was all fastened together all over town. When I give that there jerk I musta pulled on the faucet in the saloon and brung down the whole town."

#### Meckel Moves Cows to New Place

Ben F. Meckel, who recently bought the Harold Evans ranch north of Eldorado, has completed stocking the ranch, having recently moved 250 head of cattle from his Davis ranch in this county to the new place. He had 3000 yearling ewes on the place, bought from Mr. Evans in the trade, and 800 goats.

Miss Callie Mae Love of Junction will be the Christmas guest of her cousins, the Misses Jamie and Mary Louise Gardner.

### The Bedroom Came to Court at Woolley Murder Trial



This is not a picture of a boudoir, but a court room. It is the reconstruction of the bedroom in which Mrs. Dorothy Joynes-Woolley was shot to death by her husband, Toy G. Woolley, in Dallas. Woolley claims the shooting was accidental, but the state is endeavoring to prove that it was a case of premeditated murder. The state has built up a strong chain of circumstantial evidence with the aid of Woolley's first wife, who testified that Woolley wanted to get rid of his second wife to marry her (the first wife) again. In the picture Mina Woolley, the defendant's sister, sits in a chair exactly as she sat when the fatal shot was fired. A detective sits opposite her representing the approximate position of Woolley when Mrs. Woolley was killed while lying on the bed.

### O-B TRAP CO. INTERESTING EXAMPLE OF CO-OP RANCHING EXPERIMENTS

By ELOE BAGGETT  
in the SHEEP & GOAT RAISERS' MAGAZINE

Nip Blackstone, talking to one of the organizers of the O. B. Trap Co., of Crockett county, made the remark that he wished the people of Rankin would get together and build a string of hold-over traps out of Rankin like the Ozona people built out of Barnhart.

Unlike the Frisco hold-over traps at Menard, which are owned by the Frisco railroad and leased to individuals so the public derives no benefit whatever from them, the O. B. traps are owned by the trap company and kept at the maximum of efficiency at all times and are in no danger of being made inaccessible to the shipper.

With the exception of a few stockmen who have moved into the county since organization, all livestock owners of Crockett county are members. At the end of the first year there was a membership of about eighty, and during the several years of operation this list has grown to more than one hundred and fifty. Although the company pays no dividends there has never been a withdrawal. Profits are used for expansion. Original shares were \$100, which gave a capital of \$8,000; this has grown to an investment up to date of more than \$60,000. One hundred dollars is still the value of the shares and there has been no assessment.

In 1923 when Blackstone and Slaughter decided to sell the lease on two sections of university land which had been used free of charge as a hold-over trap, Jones Miller and one of the Baggetts took the option for \$100 each. The question was asked Mr. Miller, "Suppose Ozona people do not co-operate, what shall we do with the land?" Mr. Miller answered, "Don't the

Millers need one section of land, and the Baggetts the other?"

But Ozona citizens were not satisfied with a mere two sections; they talked Mr. Blackstone and Mr. Slaughter out of four sections and three quarters. This was the beginning of the O. B. Trap Co.

With 3040 acres as a start, the company has expanded to where it owns 2000 acres outright and has more than 8500 acres under its control. This land is divided to suit the needs of livestock shippers. The trap company association foreseeing need of larger pens at Barnhart, bought land from Campbell Hines which adjoins their larger trap and also touches the Orient railroad. They offered enough of this land to the railroad management for their new pens, which the railroad company finally accepted. It was a good move for both the trap company and the railroad. The Barnhart pens are now the biggest shipping pens in the state. Incidentally we will state that there is more livestock loaded here than in any other range shipping point in the United States.

Ted Adkins, official weigher, has weighed more than one million sheep in the last five years. Scales and pens are ideally located being on the side of a gently sloping hill so are well drained. The side tracks are so graded that a whole train of cars can be loaded without the use of an engine. As fast as they are bedded with sand they are started to rolling down the hill and stopped in front of the loading chute, then loaded and pushed out of the way, ready for the next car. Fifty double-decked cars can be handled in this manner.

To show the value of these traps here are a few instances: T. L. Benson had an order in September to buy 20 double-decks of lambs (7,000) to be sent in one train to Indiana. They were to be brought in, grazed and rested twenty-four hours, also have a 12-hour shrink before being weighed. Barnhart and its O. B. traps was the only place where this order could be carried out. The lambs were bought from Childress Bros. and Davidson Bros. some trucked in, others driven in. The lambs went through in fine shape and were a splendid advertisement for Texas. The purchaser was well pleased. Other parties who saw them have written very complimentary letters.

Roy Hildreth also handled big bunches at one time. Thirty-four hundred in one shipment and thirty-two at another. These came from West Bros. and Carson. Some of these lambs were raised 30 miles nearer the Southern Pacific than the Santa Fe. There were no accommodations for handling these at Comstock, so Mr. Hildreth concentrated them at Barnhart.

Beginning four miles south of Barnhart, the trap company has widened the leases, anywhere from 150 to 300 feet. They paid for moving the fence and pay the lease on the lands in the lane. For about 25 miles this land is used exclusively for stock moving. This land extends 50 miles southwest and 60 miles south. At the Buckhorn draw, the county and the trap company own the well, and have ample troughs room for watering stock. Here is where the two lanes come together. Jones Miller and his associates look after the traps to the south and Arthur Hoover and his asso-

ciates attend to the southwest extension.

The O. B. Trap Co is now spending about \$600 building a number of pens that will hold 6,000 to 7,000 sheep, the new pens are on the new paved road from Ozona to Barnhart so that if it is muddy or the ranchmen prefer to truck their livestock, they will have ample pen room to handle them anyway they

prefer. The Ozona country has as good a truckman and trucks as there is in the state, in fact, no county in Texas is equipped to handle livestock like Crockett. The road is graded and well maintained many miles south of Ozona and there are pens adjoining the road such as the Davidson pens where livestock can be loaded at anytime. Crockett county has an east and west paved road through the county that will soon be completed and much stock will be hauled through Ozona into Barnhart.

Major oil companies have an oil lease on a majority of the land that the trap company owns in fee. The rentals are being paid regularly.

### Schreiner Bank Is 8th Oldest in State

Kerrville Institution Founded in 1869, 68 Years Ago

The Chas. Schreiner Bank of Kerrville, established in 1869, is the eighth oldest banking institution in Texas, according to a recent article published in the Texas Bankers' Record, official publication of the Texas Bankers' Association.

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# Make It A MERRY CHRISTMAS

Buy Christmas Seals



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## Crumbs—

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Sonora Boy Scouts are chesty as can be this week. They have had a big fall. First they collected enough coffee bands, with the assistance of Fathers A. W. Awalt and Ralph Trainer, to raise a round hundred dollars and then a little for the Scout treasury. Then Saturday night they were successful in defending their laurels as the best all-around troop in the Ranch district, winning the banner for the 7th straight time. Troop 19 is made up of a fine bunch of boys, all headed for manhood along the right path.

Sonora motorists are hoping Santa Claus will remember the local maintenance crew of the highway department for the splendid manner in which they have been fixing up the streets and approaches to the paved highways through the city. The job is being done to last.

Signs of returning oil activity may mean a lot to Sutton and surrounding counties by the end of 1934, according to present signs. The country is full of lease-seekers, and a quiet campaign has been going on for several weeks in this section to line up acreage. Rumor has it that a number of tests will be started around these parts before the middle of 1934 has come.

Crumbs and the rest of The News staff join in wishing every News reader and every Sutton county resident a most Merry Christmas

Hunting on Eaton Ranch  
J. C. Rigney of Lubbock, accompanied by his brother-in-law, John Eaton, of Sonora, is hunting this week on the J. D. Eaton ranch near Mountain Home. They are expected back here today.

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## PERSONALS

Bob Cauthorn, jr. of Del Rio was here on business Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Jones will spend the vacation in Goree.

Roy Hudspeth is here from San Angelo this week and delivering his lambs.

Mrs. George B. Hamiltin had as her guest last week her sister, Mrs. Frank Murchison of Odessa.

Lee Labenske of Winters is here to spend the holidays with Mrs. Labenske and their daughter, Miss Mildred.

Dr. and Mrs. J. R. Kilman plan to spend Christmas visiting their parents in Dallas and Temple, respectively.

Wesley Poteet is spending the Christmas holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Newt Poteet. Wesley is making rapid progress in his studies in the State School for Deaf at Austin.

E. C. Saunders leaves Saturday for Ballinger to spend Christmas with his son, Alec Saunders and family. He will return Friday, accompanied by Mrs. Saunders, who has been there for a few weeks' visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Lowrey of Del Rio and Mr. and Mrs. Mans Hoggett of Mertzon are expected this week-end to spend Christmas with the parents of Mr. Lowrey and Mrs. Hoggett, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lowrey.

B. B. Kelly of Texon, accompanied Mrs. Kelly and their little son, James Britton to Sonora Wednesday where the latter will spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. James, and family. Mr. Kelly returned to Texon Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Baker and their little daughter, Margaret Ruth, drove to San Antonio Tuesday by way of Camp Wood. Mrs. Baker will spend the holidays there with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Willis while Mr. Baker returned here Wednesday and will go back to San Antonio this week-end.

**Mexican School English Club**  
Edited by Pupils of the Sonora Mexican School

Everything is humming with the Christmas spirit, with the well-known fact that Santa Claus will be here in a few days.

The different rooms will have their trees Thursday afternoon.

School will turn out for the Christmas holidays Thursday, Dec. 21, and will take up again Jan. 3, 1934.

The school was honored Monday by the visit of the Rev. Tereso Charles of the Church of Christ, Assemblies of God Church. He has attended the American Bible Institute in San Antonio, and has been doing missionary work throughout the Southwest. We enjoyed his talk and want him back again.

A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to All!

## Nail Picker—

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big brushes used in smoothing asphalt when it is laid.

The machine carries its own gasoline motor and electric generator, mounted on a truck chassis. The generator supplies current for two electro-magnets, each 4 feet wide, which are suspended about 4 inches above the road. The machine is driven 4 miles an hour while in operation, and about 30 miles an hour when being moved. Each two miles the current is shut off and the magnet cleaned of its collection. Current is also shut off before crossing railway tracks, since the rails would otherwise become magnetized and attract part of the accumulation.

Mr. Whitaker finds his work quite interesting. He is often amused by the ideas people have concerning his activity. The machine is judged to be everything from a weed poisoner to an "asphalt wave remover."

## Sister of Elliotts Dies in East Texas

Sonora Men Attend Funeral at Concord Saturday

Mrs. Herbert King of Concord, a half-sister of Judge L. W. Elliott and A. C. Elliott of Sonora, died Friday morning of last week after a lingering illness of several months. The Sonora men left here Friday and attended the funeral at the old family home in Concord Saturday.

Mrs. King was survived by her husband, two daughters, the Misses Billie and La Verne, a sister, Mrs. L. C. Yockers of Saline, Kan., and the two brothers.

## SANTA FE OFFICIALS HERE TO INSPECT DRAINAGE

C. S. Craven, superintendent of the Slaton division of the Panhandle & Santa Fe, and T. A. Blair, division engineer, both of Slaton, were here Wednesday to inspect the work being done on flood control along Lowrey draw.

They were highly pleased with the progress being made and the manner in which the draws affecting the railroad property have been fixed by the CWA workers.

## Jacksons Honored at Supper

The Rev. and Mrs. F. M. Jackson of Melvin, here last week-end while Mr. Jackson filled the pulpit of the Methodist church, of which he is a former pastor, were entertained Saturday night by Mrs. George B. Hamilton, and Sunday night by Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Davis. Mrs. Hamilton invited Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lowrey and Mrs. M. O. Britt in for Saturday evening supper with the Jacksons.

Mrs. B. C. McGilvray at Home  
Mrs. B. C. McGilvray, who has been in a San Angelo hospital for treatment for recent ailments, was reported to be improved on Tuesday evening, when Mr. McGilvray came home from being with her. He returned to San Angelo Wednesday.

Mrs. Maysie Brown at Hospital  
Mrs. Maysie Brown went to San Angelo the first of the week to consult physicians at a clinic there concerning the condition of her health which has been very poor in recent weeks. She hoped to return for Christmas much improved.

Martha Jo Moore is ill  
Little Martha Jo Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Moore, is ill at her home with diphtheria, having been quarantined on Sunday. She is thought to be getting along all right.

## 35 YEARS AGO

The Devil's River News for Dec. 23, 1899 reflected the nearness of Christmas Day in its lack of news which did not refer to the holidays. The editorial greeting read: "The season of good fellowship, friendliness and 'peace on earth' is again at hand and the Devil's River News wishes all its readers including the little ones who read the pictures and the abc's a very merry and happy Christmas."

A detailed program of the Christmas races, offering \$925 in purses and lasting for three days, was carried in this issue, adding, "American Turf Association rules to govern all races." The race committee was signed by A. J. Swearingen, Frank Sparks, Mike O'Meara and George S. Allison.

"Grand ball at the court house, Monday night, December 25th, admission free" was also announced.

General conditions were commented upon as follows:

"The bad weather of the past few days didn't seriously affect the stock interest of the Sonora country. The poor cows were "drawed" some but the fine season the rain put in the ground will more than offset the damage.

"Generally speaking grass is good in the range districts of the state and cattle have entered the winter in better condition than for years. Wherever practicable ranchmen have provided an abundance of roughness to carry their stock safely through any severe weather and no matter how unfavorable the winter may be, losses will be very light."

Personals included the following:

W. A. Williams, Clarence Atchison, N. C. Patterson and Jas. Turman are attending court in San Angelo, as witnesses in the Will Martin case.

J. Simon, the gentlemanly representative of the Lone Star Brewing Co. of San Antonio, was in Sonora a few days last week in the interest of his firm.

Joe Beck of McKavett was in Sonora Sunday shaking hands with several of his old friends.

W. C. Page was in from the Rountree ranch Tuesday for supplies.

S. H. Gilmer formerly a druggist of Kerrville has accepted a position with E. S. Briant our druggist.

Geo. Allison brought in his two race horses, Sundown and Mome, and Jess Mayfield's colt Monday and is getting them in shape for the holiday races. Geo. Walden has them in charge.

## Hall Books Three Good New Features

Will Rogers Coming in New Year Picture, "Dr. Bull"

Hix Hall, La Vista manager, has booked three good features for the coming week and has secured "Dr. Bull," a recent Will Rogers film, for the New Year show.

Chester Morris and Helen Twelvetrees are paired in an amusing fast-moving comedy, "King for a Night," today and Saturday. Sunday and Monday Janet Gaynor, supported by Ronald Colman and other stars, comes in "Paddy, the Next Best Thing." It is a beautifully romantic picture, according to reviewers. Tuesday and Wednesday the new German star, Dorothea Weick, appears in "Cradle Song"

## Musical Concerts Enjoyed

Christmas musical concerts, presented Sunday afternoon by the Grammar School Glee Club and Sunday night by a special choir, were enjoyed by sizable audiences. Miss Ruth Tipton directed the work of the grammar school girls, and Miss Marie Watkins the choir.

Salespads, 50c doz. The News.

## MISS JUSTINE WEATHERBY BECOMES BRIDE OF W. J. FIELDS, JR., SATURDAY

Miss Justine Weatherby, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Weatherby, became the bride of Mr. William J. Fields, jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Fields of Sonora, Saturday morning in a beautiful ceremony conducted at the home of Mr. T. J. Stuart in San Angelo by the Rev. Edmond Heinsohn, pastor of the First Methodist church of San Angelo.

The couple left immediately following the ceremony for a brief bridal trip to San Antonio. They arrived in Sonora Tuesday night and are domiciled in their newly-erected home just south of the Sonora Wool & Mohair Company, of which Mr. Fields is manager.

The bride was attired in a grey swagger suit with contrasting accessories of black. Miss Johnnie Beck of McCamey was maid of honor

and Mr. George Edward Allison of Sonora was best man.

The bride attended school in Sonora for a number of years, living here with her grandfather, B. N. Weatherby, one-time Sonora resident. She graduated from Big Lake high school, where her father lived at the time, and last attended the San Angelo Junior College.

The groom graduated from Sonora high school and then attended A&M college, securing his degree there. He has been manager of the warehouse for 18 months, and was assistant before that time. He has ranching interests and also owns the Fields Dairy here. He is a member of the Sonora Lions Club.

Wedding attendants from Sonora included the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alvis Johnson, Mrs. John Fields, Miss Faye James and Mr. Allison.

## Whites to Ganado Christmas

Dr. and Mrs. Tom White, with their little niece, Mary Louise Birtle, will spend Christmas in Ganado with Mrs. White's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. I. Sanford, and her brother, Lupe.

## Mrs. Valliant and Son Home

Mrs. L. R. Valliant and her infant son, Lee Roy, returned home Tuesday night from San Angelo where Mrs. Valliant has been in the hospital.

## Archer Back from Pecos Co.

G. W. Archer and a crew of men have returned from the Pecos county ranch of H. P. Allison and Lee Merck near Sheffield. Mr. Archer built a reservoir on the ranch.

## Mrs. Joe Logan Brought Home

Mrs. Joe Logan, who has been in San Angelo for treatment at a hospital there, was brought home Monday. Her condition is thought to be improved.

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## Mrs. Hull Contract Hostess

Mrs. S. R. Hull entertained the Contract club Monday afternoon. Attending were Mesdames Stella Keene and Josie McDonald, guests; and Clara Murphy and the hostess, members. Mrs. Keene held high guest score and Mrs. Murphy high club.

## McKnights Coming Christmas

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. McKnight and Mrs. Edna Ramsey, of the Carzizo Springs McKnight ranch, are expected here Saturday or Sunday to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Hull and Miss Babe White.

## Neal Back from McCamey

The Rev. E. P. Neal, pastor of the Sonora Methodist church, returned Monday from McCamey, where he had been to hold a two-week revival meeting for the Methodist church of that city.

## Kasper Has New Truck

A. F. Kasper and F. B. Williams drove to San Antonio last Friday to receive a new Chevrolet truck bought by Mr. Kasper through the McKnight Chevrolet Company, of which Mr. Williams is manager.

## Daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Moore

A daughter, named Eva Lee, was born Wednesday morning to Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Moore on the ranch of Mrs. J. T. Shurley, where Mr. Moore works. The baby weighed 8½ pounds.



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**SPECIAL CHRISTMAS DINNER AT THE CLUB CAFE**  
Merry Christmas  
Happy New Year  
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Alton Hightower



# WOMAN'S PAGE



## Society Notes

### Mesdames Kilman, Gilmore Hostesses At 'Backward Party'

Combining novelty with Christmas cheer, Mesdames W. C. Gilmore and J. R. Kilman entertained with 7:00-o'clock dinner for twenty guests, followed by bridge Thursday evening of last week, making the affair a "backward party" at the Gilmore home which was attractively decorated for Christmas.

The guests were entertained upon arrival by the spectacle created by each one in having come, as instructed, with clothing worn backward. The men, with shirts, vests, and coats, to say nothing of neckwear, included in this order of attire, proved most amusing to behold. Several of the ladies' costumes were pronounced very modish, with bows and belt buckles at back giving a smart appearance to the ensembles.

Dinner was served at quartet tables upon which the dessert course, in keeping with the order of affairs, was placed first. A delicious repast of turkey and appropriate accompanying delicacies was served from buffet and dining table. A beautifully decorated and illuminated Christmas tree enlivened the dining room. Mistletoe sprigs at each table furthered the prevailing Christmas spirit.

Progression at Contract was done in reverse order, much to the confusion of all, and a hilarious evening of playing resulted in the winning of high scores by Mrs. J. D. Westbrook and George Baker, and the achievement of favors for slams, bid and made, by Mesdames Westbrook and R. A. Halbert, and Messrs. Baker and Nolan Kennedy.

Participants in the delightful evening's entertainment were the Messrs. and Mesdames Westbrook, Halbert, Kennedy, Baker, Collier Shurley, Roy Baker, A. C. Elliott, P. J. Taylor and Gilmore; Dr. and Mrs. Kilman, Miss Ada Steen and George Wynn.

School to Resume Jan. 3, 1934

The Sonora schools will resume work on Wednesday, Jan 3, following the Christmas holidays, according to announcement by Supt R. S. Covey.

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If you have your beauty needs attended to here you'll have that satisfying well-groomed look  
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**Wishing You a Christmas Joy 1933**

A MESSAGE OF GREETINGS to All the Friends of **Red & White**

We are grateful to the people of Sonora and Sutton County for the patronage which has made 1933 a better year than the last. We pause in the rush of holiday activity to extend to one and all the season's greetings, and to express our appreciation for past patronage.

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### Art Students Give Informal Exhibit And Afternoon Tea

Art pupils of Mrs. E. A. Bode entertained their parents and several other guests at informal tea in the art room at the grammar school Tuesday afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock, when they exhibited specimens of their work this season.

A miscellaneous program began with an amusing contest in "art gum modelling," in which chewing gum was used by each guest to fashion a designated animal. Mrs. Thomas Espy won first prize for her effort and N. S. Patterson received consolation favor.

Mrs. W. C. Warren read "Twas the Night Before Christmas." Betty Lou Shoemaker entertained with a reading, "Pretty Birds." Glenn Richardson, pupil of Miss Lois Daniell, gave a reading, "Do I Believe in Santa?"

Refreshments, including pecan cake presented to Mrs. Bode by Mrs. Alvis Johnson, were served by the Misses Beavely Reiley and Ches Thorp. Tiny candles in marshmallow holders were plate favors.

Interesting work in hand-painted Christmas cards, dress designing, water colors, oil, fabric painting, and handicraft work was on exhibition.

Guests attending were Mesdames W. C. Warren, W. J. Fields, Alvis Johnson, J. S. Glasscock, Thomas Espy, J. P. Reiley, Johnnie McKee, F. T. Jones, L. W. Elliott, O. L. Richardson, C. H. Jennings, Rose Thorp, and M. O. Britt; the Rev. and Mrs. E. P. Neal, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rees, and the Misses Floreine Reiley, Maurine Phillips, Elizabeth Caldwell, Lois Daniell, Vivian Ball, and Annie Duncan and N. S. Patterson.

Students exhibiting work and entertaining were the Misses Margaret Sandherr, Elizabeth Elliott, Sue Glasscock, Betty Lou Shoemaker, Maida Ruth McKee, Beavely Reily, Ches Thorp, and Mora Lee Meckel; and R. W. Johnson, Carmon Neal, and Gerald Pucktt.

### The Home Economics Girls Are Hostesses To the School Board

The Home Economics Class of the high school entertained at the Home Ec. cottage Tuesday evening with formal dinner honoring members of the school board, preceding the regular board meeting.

Covers were laid for Mr and Mrs. R. S. Covey, Mrs. P. J. Taylor, and Messrs. R. D. Trainer, Joe Berger and R. A. Halbert.

The table was attractive with green candles, red placecards, and

### Miss Thelma Rees Music Club Hostess

Christmas Program Enjoyed at the Caldwell Home Wed. Night

Miss Thelma Rees was hostess to the Sonora Music Study Club at the home of Mrs. W. E. Caldwell Wednesday evening of last week when the Christmas spirit pervaded the entire program, which was one of unusual interest.

While members and guests sat in attractively decorated rooms which were enhanced by a beautiful illuminated Christmas tree on the dining table, members of the grammar school girls' glee club sang three Christmas carols, "Noel," "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear," and "Holy Night, Silent Night," directed by their leader, Miss Ruth Tipton, and accompanied by Miss Marie Watkins.

Roll call was answered, according to custom, with musical current events, after which Mrs. W. C. Warren interestingly handled the lesson on Handel, comparing his characteristics and works with Bach, who was studied at the previous meeting.

Miss Merle Draper gave a Christmas story in verse, and Miss Mary Louise Gardner, new member of the club, sang "No Candle Was There, and No Fire," by Liza Lehmann.

Mrs. J. A. Ward, jr., played as a violin solo, "Trees," by Rasbach. Miss Elizabeth Caldwell directed a musical game in which scrambled names of composers were righted in the shortest length of time by Miss Elizabeth Francis, with second and third honors going respectively to the Misses Marie Watkins and Ruth Tipton. Favors were toy musical instruments.

Much enjoyment was derived by those assembled from the singing of several carols, led by Miss Watkins.

Miss Tipton gave the usual parliamentary law lesson.

Miss Rees served pretty refreshments consisting of red gelatin poinsettia salad, cookies, and hot chocolate. She also presented favors of pecan meats wrapped in red paper, from the Christmas tree.

Members present were Mesdames E. E. Sawyer, J. A. Ward, jr., W. R. Nisbet, O. G. Babcock, N. S. Patterson, George Baker, and W. E. Caldwell; the Misses Watkins, Gardner, Tipton, Francis, Merle Draper, Elizabeth Caldwell, Gertrude Babcock, and Rees.

Visitors were Mrs. Robert Rees and Miss Grace Draper.

mistletoe for the five-course chicken dinner, ending with Christmas pudding, coffee, and mints.

Members of the entertaining class are the Misses Lunetta Marion, Edna Merck, Virginia McGhee, Helen Smith, Lillie Marie Smith, Violet Drennan, Mary Frances Covey, Bobbie Halbert, Wilma Hutcherson, Nora B. Hill, Leola and Lilly May Lehman, and Clemencia Cardona.

Miss Florence Langford is the instructor in home economics.

### Las Amigas Club Is Entertained for Mrs. Sam Karnes

The Misses Alice and Nan Karnes entertained the Las Amigas Club for their sister-in-law, Mrs. Sam Karnes, Thursday afternoon last week at their home.

High score at Contract went to Mrs. R. C. Vicars and second high to Mrs. J. F. Hamby. Mrs. J. A. Ward, jr., was the only guest, and received a favor

A salad course with butter wafers and ice box cakes was served with coffee to Mesdames Vicars, Hamby, Ward, J. D. Westbrook, Collier Shurley, J. C. Morrow, Tom White, Nolan Kennedy and P. J. Taylor; and Miss Ada Steen.

### Bridal Shower Is Attractive at a Christmas Party

The Misses Frances Lou Loftin and O'lene Loftin of Big Lake entertained in honor of Miss Justine Weatherby Wednesday afternoon of last week at the home of Mrs. G. B. Miller, preceding Miss Weatherby's marriage on Saturday to W. J. Fields, jr.

A Christmas tree laden with shower gifts was hidden behind an

### West Texas Beauty



Students of Simmons University, Abilene, have voted this petite brunette, Miss Mildred Corley, the most beautiful girl in the school and named her University Queen. Her picture will head the list of favorites in the Broncho, student annual.

### Thursday Pastime Club Entertained By Mrs. E. P. Neal

Mrs. E. P. Neal was hostess to the Pastime Club Thursday last week, having four tables of players present.

High score for members went to Mrs. R. D. Trainer and high guest score to Mrs. Richard Vehle.

A pretty Christmas tree held tallies, and a Christmas decoration motif was carried out in details of the party, including luncheon cloths and napkins.

Refreshments of candle salad with salad wafers, angel food cake, and hot chocolate were served, with mint cups as plate favors.

Attending were Mesdames Rose Thorp, L. E. Johnson, Tom Sand-

### Baptist W.M.U. Has a Kitchen Shower

Members Bring Articles to Stock New Church Building Wed.

Members of the Baptist Woman's Missionary Union held a kitchen shower for their new church building at their regular meeting on Wednesday afternoon in the church basement. Each member brought some kitchen article as a start toward necessary supplies.

The meeting opened with a prayer by the president, after which a Royal Servie program was led by Mrs. Ban Odum.

Mrs. Hi Eastland gave the topic, "Birth of Christ," and Mrs. T. L. Harrison discussed "Christ's Ministry."

Questions on the resurrection of Christ were discussed by Mrs. R. D. Trainer.

Refreshments of hot chocolate and doughnuts were served after the meeting.

No more meetings will be held until January, it was announced.

herr, E. E. Sawyer, Merton Shurley, R. D. Trainer J. S. Glasscock, J. W. Trainer, O. G. Babcock, W. E. Caldwell, C. E. Stites, J. A. Cauthorn, and W. E. James, members; and Mesdames W. S. Evans, Richard Vehle, and M. M. Stokes, guests.

Will Rogers in "Dr. Bull," La Vista, Dec. 31, Jan. 1.—Adv.

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### Mrs. Marshall Huling Entertains Friday For Jolly Jokers

Mrs. Marshall Huling was hostess to members and guests of the Jolly Joker Contract Club at the home of Mrs. Tom White Friday afternoon last week, having two tables.

A Christmas decorative motif was used.

High score for members went to Mrs. Ernest McClelland and high guest to Mrs. Roland Sewell.

Attending were Mesdames McClelland, Andrew Moore, Tom White, H. V. Stokes, B. M. Halbert, jr., and Huling, members; and Mesdames Sewell and A. P. Prater, guests.

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**TODAY — Saturday**  
CHESTER MORRIS in  
**"KING for a NIGHT"**  
He craved fast life—and did he get it!

CHRISTMAS SPECIAL  
**Sunday - Monday**  
JANET GAYNOR in  
**"PADDY"**  
the Next Best Thing" with WARNER BAXTER

**Tuesday—Wednesday**  
A new star to thrill all women—  
**Dorothea Weick**  
in  
**"CRADLE SONG"**  
See the great German star in her first American-made picture.

## Season's Greetings

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**JIM the CONQUEROR**  
—By—  
**PETER B. KYNE**  
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WNU Service.

In due course he arrived in Los Algodones and put up at the Mansion house. Neither the town nor the hotel had changed a particle in the twenty-five years that had passed since he had seen it last.

At the general store he purchased a pair of overalls, a canvas coat and a gray sombrero, which, combined with a soft white shirt and black tie and the boots (a relic of other days) which he habitually wore, metamorphosed Crooked Bill into a very fair imitation of a Texas citizen of the wide open spaces. Thus garbed he called upon Don Prudencio Alviso.

"My name's Blodgett, Mr. Alviso," he announced, and soothed his conscience with the thought that it was—his middle name. "I understand you're the attorney for Tom Antrim's estate. I also understand, he left quite a smear of sheep."

Don Prudencio nodded. "Are they for sale?" "A sale might be arranged, with the consent of the court, Señor Blodgett," Don Prudencio answered guardedly.

"Fine," said Crooked Bill. "I'll buy them. I've a notion I can make a turn on those sheep. I understand Antrim's heir lives in New York, so I presume she'll be glad to sell and get rid of a nuisance."

Don Prudencio shrugged. "Maybe so." With his eyes he inquired what Señor Blodgett's offer might be. Crooked Bill promptly named a figure one dollar per head above the highest market quotations.

Don Prudencio stirred slightly. "I weel sell you those sheeps, subject to the confirmation by the court," he purred. "I am the executor for the estate. The sheeps have been count' recently and I weel guarantee the count. I weel write for you an offer for all those sheeps, weech you will sign. Then I weel accept, subject to the confirmation by the court, and you weel pay me now an account ten thousand dollars, no? I am queeck trader—like you."

"I'll have the money wired to the credit of the estate in any bank you name. It will be there tomorrow. You've sold something."

Don Prudencio Alviso might have looked sleepy, but behind those slightly lickerish eyes he was very wide awake. Within ten minutes he had William B. Latham sewed up on a contract of purchase and sale, provided the court approved Don Prudencio's action as executor.

When Crooked Bill had the contract safely tucked in his pocket he commenced talking with Don Prudencio about the deceased Tom Antrim, and learned that for a few days following Antrim's death the sheep had remained in charge of one Bill Dingle, Antrim's foreman. Later Dingle had been rather forcibly relieved of his charges by James Higuenes, of the Rancho Valle Verde.

"That Dingle might be a good experienced sheepsman to care for these sheep in case the court approves the sale," Crooked Bill suggested hopefully. "Where might one get in touch with him?"

Don Prudencio gave him minute directions for finding Mr. Dingle, and with a heart beating high with hope Crooked Bill took his departure.

CHAPTER X

FOR a long time after Crooked Bill had left his office Don Prudencio Alviso sat in his swivel chair and stared hard at the opposite wall. He was thinking equally hard. Presently he took down the telephone and called the proprietor of the Mansion house and with him held a conversation in Spanish. Then he hung up and waited. Presently the telephone rang and Don Prudencio answered, "Gracias." He hung up and wrote on a scratch pad the initials W. B. L. Thereafter he continued to stare at the wall for another hour.

The following night he appeared at the Rancho Valle Verde. Roberta was dressing for dinner, and Don Jaime was lying in his long chair on the gallery, with Ken Hobart beside him.

"Hello, Prudy, what brings you out?" Don Jaime bailed him.

"I am mystified," Don Prudencio replied, and forthwith related in meticulous detail his impending sale of the Antrim sheep to a fat-headed old gentleman for a very great deal more than they were worth. "He said his name was Blodgett, and signed the contract William L. Blodgett," the lawyer continued. "He did not say where he was from, but I could see he knew nothing of sheep and was a city man. He did not bargain with me and he seemed to me to be quite too anxious to buy the sheep. So I telephoned to the Mansion house to inquire if he was stopping there and when I described him they said

they had a guest there from New York by that name, but that his baggage carried the initials W. B. L."

"Hum-m-m!" Don Jaime grunted and sat up very straight. "He isn't a very good liar, is he? What does W. B. L. of New York, want of the Antrim sheep, and why should he pay such a high price for them? This is indeed very mysterious, Prudy."

"Do you suppose Miss Antrim will agree to sell the sheep, my friend?" Don Prudencio queried. "Sell them? Of course she'll sell them. You are her executor and you recommend the sale. I am her friend and business adviser and I certainly recommend it, and as the probate judge knows nothing of sheep and will be guided by such experts as you and me in making his decision, naturally he will sign an order of sale. Have a drink, after that long and interesting report!"

"Weeth de-light," said Don Prudencio.

The following morning Don Jaime motored in to Los Algodones, and Roberta accompanied him. As they swung down the main street past the Mansion house, with its row of chair-warmers on the front porch, Roberta started and laid a half-detecting hand on Don Jaime's arm.

"Jimmy, look! See that man sitting on the right of the line—the one in the blue overalls and canvas coat?"

"Yes."

"He's a replica of my Uncle Bill. If he had Uncle Bill's clothes on I'd get out and kiss him without question. Good gracious, what a marked resemblance!"

"So?" murmured Don Jaime and stepped on his foot throttle. "Now that's mighty interesting."

He parked in front of the bank, excused himself to Roberta, entered and sought the cashier.

"Ed," he said, "yesterday ten thousand dollars was wired here to the credit of the estate of Thomas Antrim, as a first payment on account of the purchase, by one Blodgett, of the Antrim sheep. That young lady outside in my car is Antrim's heir, Miss Roberta Antrim. I want to know what New York bank wired it."

"Certainly, I don't think I violate any confidence. The Twelfth National."

"Who ordered the transfer?" "A man by the name of Glenn Hackett."

"Thanks," said Don Jaime, and climbed back into the car with Roberta. When they were halfway back to Valle Verde he said to her very casually, "Do you know a man in New York by the name of Glenn Hackett?"

Roberta jerked erect with surprise. "Why, yes! He's one of my dearest friends and my Uncle Bill's attorney. Do you know Glenn, Jimmy?"

"No—and I hope I never do. I dislike him very much. He's in love with you?"

"That's none of your business, and besides, if he were, Jimmy, you couldn't expect me to discuss the subject with you. Who has been telling you about Glenn Hackett?"

"The fairies," Don Jaime replied enigmatically. And though Roberta pressed him to tell her more and employed every feminine wile to break down his resolve not to, he refused. As they alighted at the hacienda the outrageous man still further mystified her by saying:

"And I don't think so much of your old Uncle Bill, either."

This statement when there was not apparently any reason why Uncle Bill should ever be the subject of thought, was the final feather that broke the back of Roberta's curiosity. "Jimmy," she pleaded, "would you care to save a human life?"

"Some, humans. You, for instance."

"Then tell me what has lowered

my innocent Uncle Bill in your estimation."

"He's crooked," "Oh, Jimmy, he isn't! His friends call him Crooked Bill because he's—well, rather jocosely, cunning and prudent. But dishonest—never!"

"He's out to boost the stock of this Glenn Hackett person to you and to depress mine."

Roberta smiled a small and knowing smile but said nothing.

"No, he doesn't play fair," Don Jaime protested. "He says one thing and means something else, so just for that I'm going to take your Uncle Bill's conceit down a couple of notches."

"How do you know he doesn't play fair?"

He laid finger on lip. "Hush! It's a secret."

"Evidently," Roberta replied bitterly, after waiting about twenty seconds for him to impart the secret.

"I think I'll go back to Los Algodones," he announced suddenly. "There's something about the atmosphere of that town that aids my powers of divination."

"Am I invited to ride back with you? Or must I mope around the house until you return?"

"I think you had better mope. I have need to do some thinking—and you ditch my train of thought." He looked at her keenly, earnestly, and without the flicker of love-light in his eyes. "Are you enjoying your visit at Valle Verde, Bobby? I've wondered if you didn't feel a bit lonely and neglected here."

"Oh, no, Jimmy! You're such a friendly, comfortable person when you are around the house. Will you return from Los Algodones in time for dinner, Jimmy?"

"I don't know. I'll do my best to complete my business and be back in time. I don't relish driving around this country at night because just at present, for me, at least the night has a number of eyes."

"You mean—?" "I mean that your foreman, Bill Dingle, has been across the line, and something tells me he went there to hire some renegade to bump me off. I don't particularly



"I Gave Dingle and His Men a Pretty Tough Deal." blame him for that. A man acts (Continued on page 7)

COW KEEPS TIMEPIECE RUNNING IN INTERIOR

The Texas Outlook, state teachers' magazine, is authority for this best "believe it or not" for the season: A farmer hung his vest on a fence in his backyard. A small calf chewed up a pocket in the garment in which was a gold watch. Seven years later the animal, a staid

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## AN APPRECIATION

Three cheers to Miss Swafford, sponsor of The Broncho, who has so faithfully and freely given her time to the writings that have been published therein. We, the members of the staff, wish to express our utmost appreciation to her for what she has done for us. Miss Swafford offered her resignation as sponsor of The Broncho in the senior class meeting last Wednesday. The staff is now depending on all of the teachers to help them instead of one.

—B—

## Juniors Picnick at Smith Ranch

Aren't these juniors stepping out? Thursday, Dec. 14, they had a picnic at Marvin Smith's ranch and every one had lots of fun. Clovis, Reba, Stella, Ches, Bobbie and Nina, and some of the other girls, really acted like grammar school kids. They ran races, played "follow the leader" and, well, most everything. Mr. Covey, Reba, Clovis, Stella and Margaret Smith went hunting and can you guess what happened when they came back? The rest of the guests and members of the class had fixed the supper and had eaten nearly all of it.

The picnic supper consisted of bacon, weiners, pickles, onions, potato chips, sandwiches and marshmallows.

The following attended the affair: Misses Aileen Swafford, Annie Duncan, Frances Covey, Sarah Ory, Ruth Freeman, Viba Holland, Ida Belle Sykes, Cora Bell Taylor, Dorothy Penick, Reba Callan, Stella Archer, Clovis Neal, Bobbie Halbert, Ches Thorp, Nina Roueche and Cleve Jones, Herbert Fields, Raymond Morgan, Alvis Johnson, Ernest Smith, Troy White, V. J. Glasscock, Marvin Smith, Mr. Covey and Mrs. Shurley and children.

—B—

Will Rogers in "Dr. Bull," La Vista, Dec. 31, Jan. 1.—Adv.

## Junior-Senior Party at Penick Home

The juniors and seniors had a jolly good time last Friday night at Penick's home. Guests met at Nina Roueche's home and from there went on a treasure hunt. After stopping at various places, directions were given to go to Penick's. There the kids found a big bonfire and picnic supper awaiting them.

Room mothers, Mrs. J. T. Penick and Mrs. John Eaton, assisted by Mr. Penick, had prepared the fire and weiners, rolls, potato chips, pickles and marshmallows.

The guests enjoying the entertainment were: Aileen Swafford, Annie Duncan, Ches Thorp, Reba Callan, Margaret Barton, Clovis Neal, Bobbie Halbert, Ruth Freeman, Viba Holland, Juanita Corder, and Dora Shroyer, Cleve Jones, Pug Roueche, V. J. Glasscock, Woodrow Norris, Billie Penick, Ernest Smith, Alvis Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Penick, Mrs. John Eaton, Dorothy Penick and Nina Roueche.

Various outside games were played and later in the evening dancing was enjoyed by some of the guests.

—B—

## JUNIORS AND SENIORS MEET TOGETHER WEDNES.

The senior class meeting last Wednesday was attended by all the seniors and juniors. The meeting opened with Ches Thorp calling the meeting to order.

This was followed by Ora Altizer reading the minutes of the last meeting. Following this an invitation was extended to all the juniors and seniors to a party that is to be given at Clovis Neal's house. Each one present drew a name to whom he is to give a gift to put on the Christmas tree.

The junior class then went to their respective room where they met with their sponsor, Miss Duncan.

After the exit of the junior class Miss Swafford offered her resignation as sponsor of The Broncho. We then decided to have a staff meeting at noon to decide who will continue sponsoring the work. The students do not want The Broncho to be discontinued.

Nina Roueche invited the class to a party that was given at the home of Dorothy Penick. This was the last feature of the meeting.

—B—

**Senior Class Song**  
Sing a song of high school  
A case full of books—  
Some of which we carry home,  
Just for the sake of looks.

## Sonora Boy Scouts Win Jamboree Here

Sonora Scouts, Troop 19, won the banner at the Scout Jamboree in which Eldorado and Sonora were the only contestants. The meeting was held here in the Boy Scout Hall Saturday night. Among the star Scouts of the evening, Jim Taylor won first place in the fire-building contest; time 5 seconds. He used the flint and steel method.

First aid, fire-building by friction, antelope race, fireman's carry and knot tying were some of the events that were engaged in during the meeting. Four of the Scout executives from the board attended the jamboree.

These Scouts have won the banner for seven years in succession. They won the contest by 48 points to Eldorado's 24.

In the coffee contest held recently L. M. Roueche's team won over the teams headed by Wesley Sawyer and Kenneth Babcock.

After the games refreshments of sandwiches and fruit were served to the Scouts.

—B—

## CHATTERING ANNIE

Howdy, folks!

Now don't those juniors and seniors believe in having a good time? They certainly have been strutting their stuff with their entertainments lately. First the juniors gave the seniors a Hallowe'en party and then the seniors gave the juniors one, and then the juniors gave the seniors another nice picnic out at Shurley's place. Then Nina and Dorothy ups and gives a party over at Penick's. Now I ask you if that isn't having a good time?

And then there's those new lettermen in football. They have really been initiated this last week. You should have seen them Lem Eriel and Cleve dressed in the latest fashion for ladies; Raymond Morgan as a farmer boy; Clifford and L. D. fishing in a bucket in front of the school house steps. And then we see Mr. Brantley, dressed as a Boy Scout, and was the summer suit cold? You might ask him.

You know, folks, that these juniors simply will not part with their class pins. I have been trying a long time to get one of them but it seems that they simply just can't part with them. I can't understand why they would want to be so tight about them.

I don't know what you think about it, but I thought that little play the sophomores gave was grand. They really did fill in that assembly program entertainingly. They all had a little sign hanging on them and acted as if they were trees, Indians, wind, squirrels, maidens, and a number of things.

The Broncho seems to have lost something. The sponsor, Miss Swafford, resigned last Wednesday during the senior class meeting. We have not decided who will continue sponsoring The Broncho. We really did regret to lose Miss Swafford, because she was a great help to The Broncho.

Nina and Lavelle surely did take on a great responsibility this week. They decided they could publish The Broncho by themselves and they have been working on it with main force. The entire edition of The Broncho was edited by Lavelle and Nina for this week.

It's not long until old Santa will be here folks, and won't we be glad when we can see Mr. Covey get up and tell all the pupils that we won't have to come to school until—? Some of the students are planning to have a real glorious time this Christmas, but for Annie, I think it will be rather too cold to stir around much. Guess I'll have to let you go till next time.

ANNIE.

—B—

**Guess Who in the Senior Class**  
The brunette poet, commonly speaking, takes bookkeeping, tardy slips and asthma pills. She is well liked about school and likes to take exercise by walking. She has bright blue eyes which are very attractive to a certain young gentleman. Have I told you who she is or can you guess?

—B—

**Assembly Conducted by Sophs**  
The assembly program Thursday was conducted by the sophomore class. The class presented a very interesting play of action, in which the characters imitated objects found in a scene in a forest. The play was a representation of a colonial background. Music for the

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## Another Candidate



Edgar E. Witt, Waco, Lieutenant-Governor of Texas, who Sunday announced his candidacy for Governor in the Democratic primaries next July.

## Jim the Conqueror

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according to his lights, and I gave Dingle and his men a pretty tough deal."

"But you went to town today unarmed, Jimmy?"

He shook his head, half removed his tropical whipcord coat and displayed a gun under each arm. In a shoulder holster. "I try to appear non-poisonous off the ranch," he explained. "Well, I'm pretty safe in daylight, but coming home in the dusk I'd just as lief have a good man for company. So you stay home, Roberta, and I'll take Ken Hobart with me. He's very reliable."

With a careless nod he left her to drive over to the men's quarters for his foreman. Roberta stood in the patio entrance and watched him—saw Ken Hobart come out of the saddle room, receive his orders and go to his own adobe bungalow for his coat and a couple of carbines and ammunition belts. Then the two drove away, and Roberta, with terror in her heart, went to her room and wept, as her lively imagination pictured Don Jaime Miguel Higuenes, all bloody and limp, lying in the deep gray dust of the road to Los Algodones.

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**Pupils Make Stained Windows**  
An unusual form of Christmas decoration amplified those of posters and other types this week at the Sonora grammar school where students, under direction of Miss Florence Langford, art teacher, have been spending after-school hours decorating several of the school windows with futuristic and other Christmas designs with sign paint, to resemble stained glass windows. Considerable ingenuity has been displayed in the designing of these windows.

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**SOCIETY**

Mrs. George Baker, Editor

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improvised fireplace before which little Miss Patsy Ballinger entertained with singing and tap dancing, after which she pointed to the fireplace and directed the bride-elect to the hidden gifts.

Miss Mabel Nabours sang "At Dawning," with violin accompaniment by Miss Faye Beavers.

Refreshments were served to 30 guests, including three out-of-town guests who composed a house party at the Weatherby home after the party till the wedding.

**Teachers Plan—**

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Langford will travel to San Angelo together, and Miss Allison will go from there to her home in Brownwood, while the other three, all from Sherman, will travel the rest of the way together.

Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Patterson, accompanied by the Misses Maurine Phillips and Ruth Tipton, left Thursday for Dallas, where the Pattersons were to visit Mrs. Patterson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard, before visiting Mr. Patterson's family in Moody. Miss Phillips will be with her family in Aubrey for Christmas and Miss Tipton with hers in Jacksonville.

Miss Vivian Ball is spending the vacation in Mertzon with her parents.

Mrs. M. O. Britt and Miss Lucille Dubois left together—Mrs. Britt for Rosebud, where she will be with her sister, Mrs. O. J. McCoy, and Dr. McCoy; and Miss Dubois for Jewett.

Miss Marie Watkins went to Austin Friday with Edwin Sawyer, when he went for his sister, Miss Alice, and thence to San Antonio, where she will be for Christmas. She will sing with a chorus at St. Mark's church on Christmas Eve and again on Christmas.

Miss Lois Daniell will spend Christmas in Lubbock.

**SANTA LETTERS**

Sonora, Texas, Dec. 5, 1933.

Dear Santa Claus:—Please bring a cooking set, and a doll. Sam Har- clid and J. W. will be here, please bring them something, too. A little boy and girl are on the ranch, don't forget them.

With love from  
**JAMIE LYM TRAINER.**

Texon, Texas, Dec. 10, 1933.

Dear Santa Claus:—Please bring me a tricycle, a set of boxing gloves, a baseball glove and a train that runs on a track, and a black-board to draw pictures on. If you don't have enough things to go round why just bring me the boxing gloves and I'll be satisfied. Please leave these things at my grandma and grandpa James' house in Sonora, 'cause I'll be there Christmas Day. I love you, old Santa Claus.

**LITTLE BUDDY KELLY.**

Sonora, Tex., Dec. 9, 1933.

Dear Santa:—I would like very much to have some good school gloves, some house shoes and I would like to have a tricycle if it doesn't cost too much. I'll do my best to be a good boy.

Wishing you a joyous Christmas.  
**SIDNEY AWALT.**

Dear Santa Claus:—I am very glad to know that you are coming to Sonora again. Dear Santa Claus, I am a very poor boy now. Papa say I was a bad boy last year so you did not come. Please stop here and bring me a tractor, a baseball for me and my sister.

**HENARIO FARIAS.**

**Christmas Crowd—**

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University of Texas students, though it was not certain how grouping for the trip home would be arranged. Miss Edythe Carson will accompany her father here Friday, probably with Miss Babe White, who will spend the vacation here with Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Hull. Edwin Sawyer planned to drive to Austin for his sister, Miss Alice, who will be ready to come home Friday.

Miss Pauline Turney and Lacey Smith, also students at the University of Texas, were expected to come home with Miss Mae Cauthorn of Baylor university, Waco, Friday.

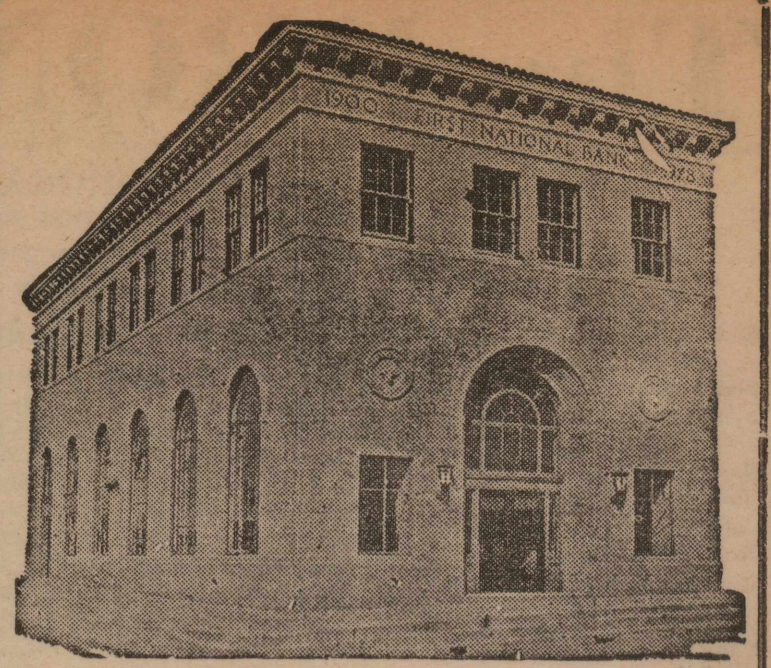
Miss Dorothy Baker, also of the University of Texas, was to be in San Angelo Friday, remaining for the A&M dance Saturday night before returning here for Christmas.

Miss Allie Halbert, a student at Southern Methodist University, Dallas, will be met in Ballinger by her family on Friday, probably attending the football game in San Angelo Saturday before returning here.

Miss Annella Stites will spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Stites. She is a student at a San Angelo business college.

Hillman Brown of the Texas College of Technology, Lubbock, will spend Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Maysie Brown.

Fred Lohn, former manager of La Vist theater, was here from Lohn Tuesday night while enroute to Big Lake on business.



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**Congressional Candidate Here**  
 C. L. South of Coleman, candidate for Congress in the new 21st district, was in Sonora for a short while Thursday morning while enroute to Del Rio. Mr. South is at present district attorney of a five-county area, serving his second term. He was county school superintendent for four years and county judge of Coleman county for 6 years prior to election as district attorney. He was the first man to announce for the new congressional place.

**CHRISTMAS OPERETTA IS BIG SUCCESS WEDNESDAY**

The operetta given Wednesday night by the children of the primary grades of the Sonora school was a big success according to those who attended.

Practically every child in the lower grades had a part in presenting "The Christmas Toys Wake Up." Miss Ruth Tipton directed, assisted by Miss Lucille DuBois, and with Miss Marie Watkins in charge of music.

**Broncho—**

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entertainment was furnished by the new members of the football squad who sang the Spanish Cavalier, accompanied by Clovis Neal at the piano.

**B. Y. P. U. in New Church**

The members of the B. Y. P. U. drew names last Sunday night during their weekly meeting for a Christmas party that is to be given in the basement of the new Baptist Church Building the group appointed the refreshment committee, the entertainment committee, also the committee to get the tree.

Elizabeth Elliott went to San Angelo last week-end.

Miss Ball went to San Angelo Saturday.

Malcolm Smith is going to spend the Christmas holidays in Merkel.

Margaret Sandherr, accompanied by her parents, was a visitor in San Angelo over the week-end.

Misses Nina Roueche, Jo Nell Miers, Bobbie Halbert and Ches Thorp and Dorothy Penick were in San Angelo Saturday.

Lavelle Meckel, Billie Penick and Mrs. Penick were in San Angelo Saturday to see Santa Claus.

Rena Glen and Jack Shurley and Kathryn Brown visited in San Angelo over the week-end.

Misses Stella Archer and Ora Altizer spent the week-end at Ora's home in Spofford.

**JOKES**

The juniors and seniors are getting all pepped up over the holidays; another party is being planned for Tuesday night.

Miss Allison: "Raymond, what are the seasons?"

Raymond: "Football and baseball."

Say, it won't be long now! 'Cause

Alice, Pauline, Edgar, James Ed and all of the other kids will be home soon. Let's all get together and celebrate—OK? OK!

Mr. Griffin: "What is a skeleton?"

Clovis: "It's what you have left of a person after you've taken his outsides off and his insides out."

Stella: "I can tell you to the quart how much water runs over Niagara Falls."

Reba: "Well, how much?"

Stella: "Two pints."

Can You Suggest a Remedy for—  
 Eliminating tardies; late papers; Ora's reducing; Miss Allison's patience; Alvis Junior's bashfulness; Stella's co-operation; Lavelle's tying; Nora's flirting; Billy's secrets

**Johnnie Johnson—**

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plan to remain in San Angelo over Christmas.

Mr. Johnson's condition is expected to improve more rapidly in the next two or three days than it has so far. Infection and temperature were causing some alarm the middle of the week.

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**FRUIT** APPLES—Jonathon, nice size, per dozen **12c** ORANGES—Arizona navels, per dozen **15c**

SPICES—assorted kinds in special shakers, each **9c** ASPARAGUS—"White Swan," large size cans, each **23c**  
 ORANGES, large size, dozen **23c** CHEESE, cream, fresh stock, lb. **16c** SALT PORK, special, lb. **10c**  
 EXTRACT—Vanilla, absolutely pure, special, 2-oz. bottle **17c** DATES—for holiday candy making and baking, per lb. **17c**

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SALMON, Pink, 2 tall cans **27c** ONIONS, yellow, nice size, lb. **3 1/2c** SPUDS, choice, special, 10 lbs. **17c**  
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 CANDY—chocolates, first-class, Christmas special, per lb. **35c** PEARS—Sunnysmile, for holiday salads, No. 1 can **13c**  
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