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## SONORA MEN OBJECT TO MAP BY DALLAS C. C.

SONORA, TEXAS, Dec. 4.—With over a total of twenty million in wealth for Sutton County, President Roy E. Aldwell of the local Chamber of Commerce and W. L. Caldwell, president of the Sonora Lions Club, vigorously declare that the map issued by the Dallas Chamber of Commerce was not informed properly when indicating that Sutton County was poor "buying" and had little wealth.

Sutton County is considered to be the wealthiest county in the State according to population which is about twenty-five hundred. More automobiles are purchased in this county than any other county in this section of the country, according to the number of people in the county, Mr. Aldwell said. Very few chattel mortgages are recorded in the clerk's office, records reveal.

Deposits in the First National Bank of this place will average a million dollars the year round. This serves as a financial barometer for the entire county.

Mr. Aldwell believes that this deserves better classification by the so-called Industrial Dallas Incorporated. He further stated that a revised map should be issued by that organization and with more accurate data before reflecting the buying power or wealth of any section. In making this statement, Mr. Aldwell said that he was speaking only for his county and not for adjoining counties. However it is his belief that several counties were not given a fair classification.

Sutton County has 1,500 square miles of the best ranch land in West Texas; 300,000 sheep, 100,000 goats, not to mention other properties which would easily make Sutton's valuation over twenty million. Land in this county is worth and is commanding \$15 per acre and some even more.

## "Red" Ellis Has Three Kings and Pair Queens

H. W. Ellis, electrical contractor and radio dealer, is the proud father of a nine one-half pound boy born Sunday night at ten o'clock. Mr. Ellis stated that he now had a "full house"—three queens and a pair of Jacks, and that he thought he had a nice handful of children and believed that he would stand pat.

The little son, "Red" Junior, and mother are doing nicely. Dr. A. G. Blanton was the attending physician. Mr. Ellis is wondering why the youngster has red hair. This is very easily explained, for his father has inclined to be xanthous.

The son has been given the name of Pat Winford, inheriting an Irish name from his father.

## SLOW RAIN GREAT BENEFIT TO WEST TEXAS RANGE

At press time today, after a slow falling rain, the sun appeared and clouds began to fade away. The rain is enough to stimulate the weed crop and yet not enough to cause the deterioration of the heavy coat of grass which is plentiful over West Texas.

At this time of the year, ranchmen have never entered the winter with more brighter prospects. Very little feeding will be done this winter, it is believed. Cattle, sheep and goats are in fine condition and should winter exceedingly well.

"The goose is hanging high" for Sutton county ranchmen. Livestock in general is demanding a good price, and the indication is that high prices will continue.

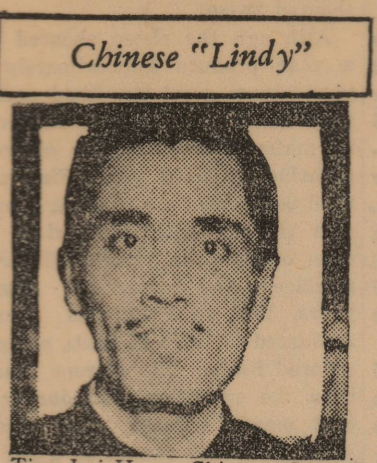
## Diphtheria Patient Is Getting Better

Daphne Jungk, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jungk of this city, who was carried to the San Angelo Hospital a few days ago is getting along nicely.

Mr. Jungk says that she is out of danger. He says that there is no danger of anyone catching the disease as his place has been fumigated.

## DAUGHTER FOR MR. AND MRS. W. E. GLASSCOCK

Betty Faye is the name of the young lady who made her advent into the world Thursday morning at 6:15 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Glasscock. The young lady tipped the scales at 10 1-2 pounds and she and her mother are both doing splendidly, according to Dr. A. G. Blanton, local physician.



Tien Lai Hung, Chinese "Lindy" making a good-will air tour of the United States, is shown here as he appeared after dropping off at the Boston airport. He plans to make a Pacific flight in the near future.

## LA VISTA NOW UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT

The La Vista Theatre Monday became the property of Aldwell-Elliott Company, when A. C. Elliott of that firm negotiated with J. M. Barnett, who had been operating the show for the past few months. A three year lease on the building belonging to Karl Gunzer, equipment, etc., went in the deal.

The new operators took charge of the Show Monday and showed their first picture Monday night.

A. C. Elliott will manage the show and will be assisted by O. K. Rankhorn who will operate the machines. Mr. Elliott is capable of bringing to Sonora the best pictures produced, and promises to do this, realizing that Sonora people appreciate good shows.

Next week's program appears in this issue of The News. Find it and see what they offer to the movie fans.

## Few Sheep and Goats Stolen—Halbert

B. M. Halbert, who has spent much time and energy advertising Chevon, and a prominent ranchman of this section, was here on business Tuesday morning.

Mr. Halbert says that he does not believe that any two men living can take a roll of netted wire and capture three to four loads of sheep or goats in a night's time. He says very little livestock has been stolen in this county during the past few years, however in adjoining counties, there has been some thieves at work. Mr. Halbert believes that thieving has almost been curbed in this part of the country, and very little "rustling" now prevails.

## SONORA GIRL TAKES INTER- ESTING TRIP TO CHATTANOOGA

Miss Bernice Stokes, charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dock Friend, who is attending Ward-Belmont, Nashville Tenn., went with a party of girls on an interesting day tour to Chattanooga. After exploring Lookout Mt., and other places of interest the girls were served with a lovely dinner in a private dining room at Signal Mt. Hotel. This hotel and many of the homes on Signal Mt. are built of pink sandstone. The school entertains the girls with several trips of this kind during the year.

## "BUZZY" STOKES IMPROVES SONORA ATHLETIC CLUB

The Sonora Athletic Club is spending about \$1,000.00 this next week in making improvements for the convenience and comfort of its members. New equipment is being installed, a domino room is added and a comfortable reading room is being arranged.

The management of this club is catering to members only who are willing to abide by the by-laws of the club to the extent that they will not violate the laws of our state while in the Club.

## W. A. Miers Sold 6,000 Mutton Lambs

W. A. Miers, wool king of Texas, is delivering 6,000 mutton lambs of his own raising this week to D. E. Sims of Paint Rock. These sheep, which sold by the pound, are being trailed to Menard and will be weighed out there. The price is not reported.

Mr. Miers, one of the most successful sheep men of Texas, sells only his mutton stuff each year and occasionally a string of old ewes, always keeping his young she stock.

## R. A. HALBERT SOLD A PECOS LEASE WITH SHEEP

The sale for Robert Halbert of this city of 7,600 head of sheep for a total of about \$80,000 and the transfer of the five-year Halbert lease on 23, 315 acres of land on the Charles Downie Estate land 24 miles north of Sanderson county, was announced here last week. The deal was closed through O. L. Richardson, salesman for the T. L. Benson Livestock Commission Company. Including the lease the deal aggregated almost \$150,000 and is one of the best deals of the last few months. Mr. Halbert who acquired the lease in September, was given a bonus of \$10,000 for it. The lease went to C. P. Scales and Forrest Whitehead of Del Rio.

These two men purchased 3,200 ewe lambs at \$9.50; and 2,100 three, four and five year old bred ewes at \$12. Henry Mills and George Baker of Panhandle bought 2,300 ewes at \$12 and will stock their ranches which they bought recently in the Dryden country. Possession of the lease and of the sheep will be taken early this week.

The lease on the ranch runs for five years and commands a fifty cent annual rental per acre.

Mr. Halbert had 19,000 bred ewes prior to the sale and now has 14,000. He has ranches in Sutton, Irion and Edwards operating now about 103 sections of land.

The T. L. Benson Commission Company also sold 800 ewe lambs for Joe Vander Stucken of this city to Plem Dabney of Sweetwater. It sold also 1,200 mutton goats for Sam Chapman of Ozona to Guy Rochelle of Fort Stockton.

Other sales made by the T. L. Benson Livestock Commission Company are:

For Joe Vander Stucken, 1,500 one and two-year-old ewes to John A. Ward at \$14 per head; 500 aged ewes for John Treadwell, Menard, to Weathersley and Finley, Eldorado, at \$7.50; 750 five-year-old ewes for Wirt Stephenson Sonora, to Seth Ramsey, Eldorado, at \$10, and 450 yearling nannies for Bob Marchessa, Menard, to Elliott & Pierson, Sonora, at \$7.00.

## "The Man Who Laughs" at La Vista Dec. 13-14

An extraordinary program at the La Vista for next week, beginning this Saturday, tomorrow, and continuing through next week, has been arranged by Manager A. C. Elliott.

Saturday—"The Grip of the Yukon", a Universal and Carl Laemmle production with Neil Hamilton, Francis X. Bushman, June Marlowe, Otis Harlan and Burr McIntosh. This story is from one of McLeod Raine's stories. If you like the thrilling action of dog and snow pictures, you will surely like this one. A good comedy will be shown. Also the serial "Collegians."

Monday, December 10—"Show Folks", with Eddie Quillan, Lina Basquette, Robert Armstrong, Bessie Barriscale and Carol Lombard, all screen stars. You'll find them all here—the feeder, the tropper, the baby-doll vamp, in this big picture of back-stage life. Pathe news reel No. 71.

Tuesday and Wednesday, December 11-12—"Heart to Heart" with Mary Astor and Lloyd Hughes. Comedy—"Spook Spanking."

Thursday and Friday, Dec. 13-14—"The Man Who Laughs", with an all-star cast. You surely will enjoy this picture. It is one of the best ever brought to Sonora. Good Comedies both nights and a news reel Friday night with the "Collegians."

A film of Hugo novel—"The Man Who Laughs" will be shown at the La Vista Dec. 13-14. This is a marvel. Don't miss it.

## "BUSTIE" HALBERT AND PAULINE KRING MARRIED

Miss Pauline Kring of this city and "Bustie" Halbert stole a march on their many friends last Tuesday evening before Thanksgiving when they were married. This event was not so unexpected but came a little before dame rumor had it.

The ceremony was performed at the home of Justice S. H. Stokes in the presence of a few friends.

Both these young people are exceptionally popular with the younger set here. "Buster" was born and reared here, and like his wife, is a product of the Sonora High School. The bride is known as one of Sonora's most attractive and popular young ladies. She is in every way qualified to make her husband an ideal ranch wife. She is the only daughter of Mrs. John Kring.

Mr. Halbert is becoming well known in the ranch industry, and like his father, B. M. Halbert, is one of the outstanding Angora goat breeders of America. He is a partner in the Model Ranch with his father. He is an industrious, capable and likeable young man with much promise as a ranchman. His father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Halbert reside in San Angelo.

They will make their home on the Halbert Ranch a few miles west of town.

The News joins their many friends in wishing for them much happiness and success in their united future.

## Sheriff Takes 25 Gallons of Liquor

Sheriff Hutcherson, assisted by deputies, made an arrest Sunday and confiscated twenty-five gallons of corn liquor. The victim was Joe Whidden, who was coming in on the Junction Highway near Sonora when Sheriff Hutcherson made the arrest. Whidden's car was confiscated and later released. Mr. Hutcherson said, "Whidden was placed in the county jail and a short while later made bond in the sum of \$500 to appear at the fall term of District Court. Frank Smith and Frank McKee signed the bond."

Mr. Whidden, according to statements made by Sheriff Hutcherson, denied ownership of the liquor and stated that he was hauling it to town for another party. The other party was not divulged.

## Urges People to Buy Christmas Seals

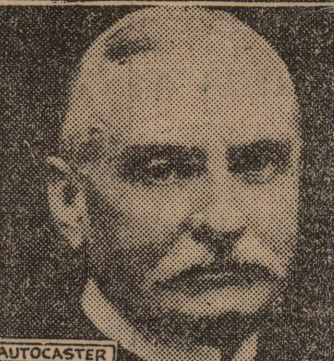
William Green, President of the American Federation of Labor, recently said, "The Christmas Seal Sale of the National Tuberculosis Association provides an opportunity to place upon every communication of the holiday period a symbol of the spirit of good will between men. The anti-tuberculosis movement is one of constructive purpose and method. Dissemination of health information is the sure way to check the white plague and this may be promoted by buying Christmas seals."

Everyone can contribute in accord with his ability and I hope that wage-earners will do their part.

The Association has put a special emphasis on preventive work among wage earners because the highest mortality is among our fellow workers. This is an added reason for workers to encourage the sale for 1928 by endorsement and by purchasing the seals.

The sale in Texas is being conducted by the Texas Public Health Association and their twenty-three local associations. It is expected that over \$100,000 worth of these health seals will be sold.

## Thomas F. Ryan Dies



Thomas Fortune Ryan of New York, multi-millionaire financier, died suddenly at his home at the age of 76. One of the very richest men in the world, he started his career in Baltimore making himself "generally useful" in a dry goods store.

## POSTMASTER TOM MURRAY URGES EARLY MAILING

Tom Murray, postmaster and his efficient clerk, Miss Ramsel, will make every effort to handle the Christmas mails without congestion and delay, but owing to the enormous volume, this can be done only with the co-operation of the public. Compliance with the following suggestions will greatly aid the post office and insure the prompt handling of your mail:

**Wrapping and Packing**  
All parcels must be securely wrapped or packed. Use strong paper and heavy twine.

**Fragile Objects**  
Articles easily broken or crushed must be crated or securely wrapped. Use liberal quantities of excelsior, or like material, in, around, and between the articles and the outside container.

**Glassware, fragile toys, crockery** must be packed so as to prevent the escape of particles or pieces if broken in transit.

**Cigars**: ordinary boxes of cigars wrapped in paper only will be accepted. Pack in a manner to prevent damage by shock or jar. Wrap in corrugated pasteboard or similar material.

**Perishable Matter**  
Articles likely to spoil within the time reasonably required for transportation and delivery will not be accepted for mailing. Wrap or pack carefully, according to contents, and plainly mark all such parcels "perishable."

**Addresses**  
Addresses should be complete, with house number and names of street, post office box or rural route number, and typed or plainly written in ink. A return card should be placed in the upper left corner of every piece of mail. If a tag is used, the address and return card should also be written on the wrapper for use if tag is lost, and a copy of the address should be enclosed inside the parcel.

**Postage**  
Postage must be fully prepaid on all mail. Affix the required amount of postage in the upper right corner. Full information concerning postage rates can be obtained at the parcel post or stamp window.

**Limit of Weight and Size**  
No parcel may be more than 84 inches in length and girth combined. For delivery locally and in the first, second, and third zones 70 pounds is the maximum weight; in all other zones, 50 pounds.

**Early Mailing**  
During the holiday time the volume of mail increases approximately 200 per cent. It is a physical impossibility to handle this great mass of mail matter efficiently and promptly within a few days. Therefore to assure delivery of their Christmas presents, cards, and letters by Christmas Day the public should shop and mail early. Do your Christmas shopping so that you can mail your gifts, greetings, and letters to relatives, friends, and loved ones at least a week or ten days before Christmas, according to the distance. This will not only make it certain that they are received on or before Christmas Day, but will be a great aid to your postal service.

**Matter Not Mailable by Parcel Post**  
Written matter in the nature of personal correspondence can not be enclosed in parcels.

**Information**  
For further information on any of the above subjects or concerning any other postal matter, inquire at the proper window—stamp parcel post, money order registry—or see the postmaster or his assistant.

See the 1928 Christmas Card Samples at The News Office.

## FRED EARWOOD IS GOAT KING OF AMERICA

By SAM ASHBURN

Fred Earwood, 35, is a king and his crown is of the silver fleece from the largest registered flock of Angora goats in the nation. His home in on his ranch thirty miles from Sonora, a fourteen section place that has seven pastures seven wells and nine tanks, five damming up draws and four tanks made of concrete. It is the ideal goat range, with its hills, its liveoak brush, sotol and other forage dear to the stomach of the browsing goat that is today perhaps the leading money maker on the range.

Earwood has been in the goat business since he was a mere child, his father being a pioneer in this industry, and so much in demand are his Angora bucks and nannies that he has contracted all he has for sale during the year 1929.

Briefly the range is stocked with 700 registered nannies and 400 registered nanny kids; 250 buck kids; 300 Rambouillet sheep and a registered herd of seventy-five Hereford cattle with the herd bull the highest priced animal at the sale at the Fat Stock Show in Fort Worth two years ago. This year he sold 230 registered Angora bucks at price ranging from \$25 to \$500 and about 200 registered nannies. He has no grade goats. His sales of registered stuff went this year to Texas, New Mexico and Arizona and the good repute in which his breeding is held is shown by the purchase of a large number of his bucks by his neighbors. In order to keep the health of his stock at the best he has forty fly traps on his place, about three to a section and one of the three men who work regularly on the place does the baiting. At kidding time in March he has about ten men to help. His mohair crop is 10,000 pounds annually.

**Big Income From Mohair**  
Not only does Earwood make several thousand dollars each year from the sale of his registered goats but the mohair which commands the top price each year is a big income bringer as his flock shears an average of five and a half pounds. A few years ago the average goat in the country was shearing about a pound and a half but breeding has more than doubled that amount.

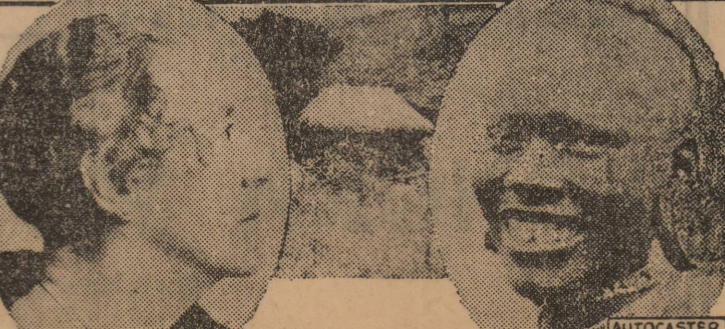
Goat men today are not satisfied with what has been attained and are breeding also for body conformation as well as for the most marketable pounds of mohair. The goat has been the Sampson of the range, without his hair he has little value as the demand for the meat has been little. However, Earwood sees an increase in the demand for this meat with mutton and beef scaling new highs. Earwood can't understand the prejudice against the goat meat and thinks the proper education will lead the public to an appreciation of the quality of this delectable food. But since there is little demand for the meat the goatman just holds on to his old male goats and shears them, finally selling them to Mexicans at a good price.

**Ranch Well Equipped**  
How about the equipment of this ranch, seventy miles from a railway and from which it is a matter of three days driving to get stock to market? It is one of the best equipped places in the state. Near the comfortable little ranch home there is a system of five corrals of seven foot high liveoak material. Here the hand breeding of 400 nannies to seven bucks takes place in October and November over a period of forty days. A barn is full of cake, oats and alfalfa hay for whatever feeding may be necessary and in this barn the shearing of the goats is done in the spring and again in the fall. A well 275 feet deep furnishes the water. Out in the pasture is another 300 nannies bred by four other bucks, making a total of eleven stud buck used in the flock of goats.

A quarter of a mile from the house are three other corrals with two dipping vats, one for cattle and the other for sheep and goats. There is the stick that is used to immerse the head of sheep and goats so that all the lice can be killed. Goats are dipped twice annually after shearing. Drain pens with a rock floor hold these goats after dipping so that the medicine may run back into the vats. The cow vat is forty-five feet long and the goat vat about 25 feet long. Sometimes, says Earwood, the solution used in the dipping can be used for two years if it is recharged. In these corrals are the inevitable live oak tree, as much a part of this country as the white rocks on the

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## New Guinea Cannibals Make White Woman King



Elinor Mordaunt, English novelist, was made Lady King by the cannibal tribe of Dutch New Guinea Islands. She was appointed King of the tribe because she was taller than the aged ruler. This photo shows a scene at the Cannibal Village, Elinor Mordaunt and one of the native women of the tribe she ruled as Lady King for a period of seven months. The native title of the women of the tribe is Masi Ribi or more correctly, wita.

## YOUR WATER WILL FREEZE

— AND —

### PIPES WILL BURST THIS WINTER

Call a plumber to dig up that old valve and put it in working order. Do not call the water company to work on valves or repair bursted pipes. Please do not use the valve at the meter as you are wasting time, because it is not a drain valve.

### Sonora Water Co.

J. D. EATON, Manager

### Shearing Once a Year vs Twice a Year

In the fall of 1920, the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station began a shearing test at the Ranch Station for the purpose of securing answers to the following questions:

1. Do sheep sheared twice a year produce more wool annually than those sheared at 12 month intervals?
2. Do ewes sheared twice a year produce more wool annually than those sheared once?

A representative flock of high grade Rambouillet sheep has furnished the material for this study and more than 1300 individual shearings have been completed to date in the groups sheared at 12 and about the same number at 6 month intervals. The average difference to date including all groups and classes of sheep that have been in the test since its inception is 0.78 pound of wool per head per annum in favor of the groups sheared twice a year.

There was an average death loss of 2.9 per cent in the aged ewe class carrying 12 month fleeces as compared with loss of 1.8 per cent in the corresponding group sheared at

carried 12 months fleeces. During the period 1920-28, 84 yearling wethers sheared twice a year produced on an average 0.45 pound more wool per head per annum than 82 head that carried 12 months fleeces.

In the aged ewe class, which is the largest group that has been studied in the test, 900 head sheared twice a year produced on an average 0.85 pounds more wool per head per annum than a group of 860 similar ewes which carried 12 months fleeces. In the yearling ewe class, 300 head sheared twice a year have produced on an average 0.74 pound more wool per head than a similar group that carried 12 months fleeces.

The percentage of lambs dropped by 889 aged ewes sheared once was 93 per cent and by 903 aged ewes sheared twice a year during the eight-year period 1920-28 was 91 per cent. Three hundred yearling ewes (those bred at 18 months) carrying 12 months fleeces showed an average lamb production of 62 per cent as compared with 66 per cent in a group of 300 head sheared twice a year.

There was an average death loss of 2.9 per cent in the aged ewe class carrying 12 month fleeces as compared with loss of 1.8 per cent in the corresponding group sheared at

6 month intervals. In the yearling ewe class there was a death loss of 2.7 per cent in the group sheared once a year as compared with a 1.3 per cent loss in the corresponding group sheared twice.

Although the sheep sheared twice a year produce approximately 0.75 pound more wool per head annually than those only once in 12 months, no material advantage is offered in shearing twice a year. Fine staple wool commands a sufficient premium over the fine clothing kind to more than offset the increased weight produced, and over the fourteen years, 1911 to 1912, this premium amounted to 19 to 25 cents per pound scoured basis. The current year has been the exception, and during recent months Texas fine clothing wools have sold almost on a par with the fine staple kind.

Shearing either once or twice a year apparently has little or no influence on the ensuing year's lamb crop. Furthermore, there was but a slight difference in the death losses between the two groups.

We sell WILD CATS exclusively—they're built for style and wear. Have you seen them? E. F. Vander Stucken Co.

### NOTICE, STOCKMEN!

I hereby call a meeting of the stockmen of Sutton County, residents and non-residents, to meet in Sonora, at the court house Saturday, December 15, 1928, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of discussing the advisability of the organization of a Stockman's Association for Sutton County.

This, we believe is of vital interest to every Stockman in the county, and we would be glad to see every ranchman and owner of livestock attend this meeting and take part in the discussions.

The motive of this call for this organization is not in the least in any way in discord to our other Live Stock Associations of this country, for we heartily endorse their actions for their inestimable services, they are performing but we are working to bring ourselves in closer co-operation with these Associations to the end that we may be in better position to combat the organized chain of truck thieves that we understand have been active in some of our sister counties.

Yours to serve,  
ROY HUDSPETH, 2t c.



## THE BEST GIFT Money Can Buy!

The gift most sure to be appreciated is the gift of an AJAX Electrical Radio Set. It's the best gift money can buy—and it doesn't take so much money either. At least, not at our store.

COLEMAN GASOLINE STOVES with the instant generators would be a nice gift and a useful one. We invite you to our store and see what we have that would make lasting and useful gifts—gifts of the best quality, too, coupled with fair prices will please.

West Texas Lumber Co.

### Sonora Abstract Co.

J. D. LOWREY, Mgr.

Efficient land title service on Sutton County land.

We represent several of the old line fire insurance companies.

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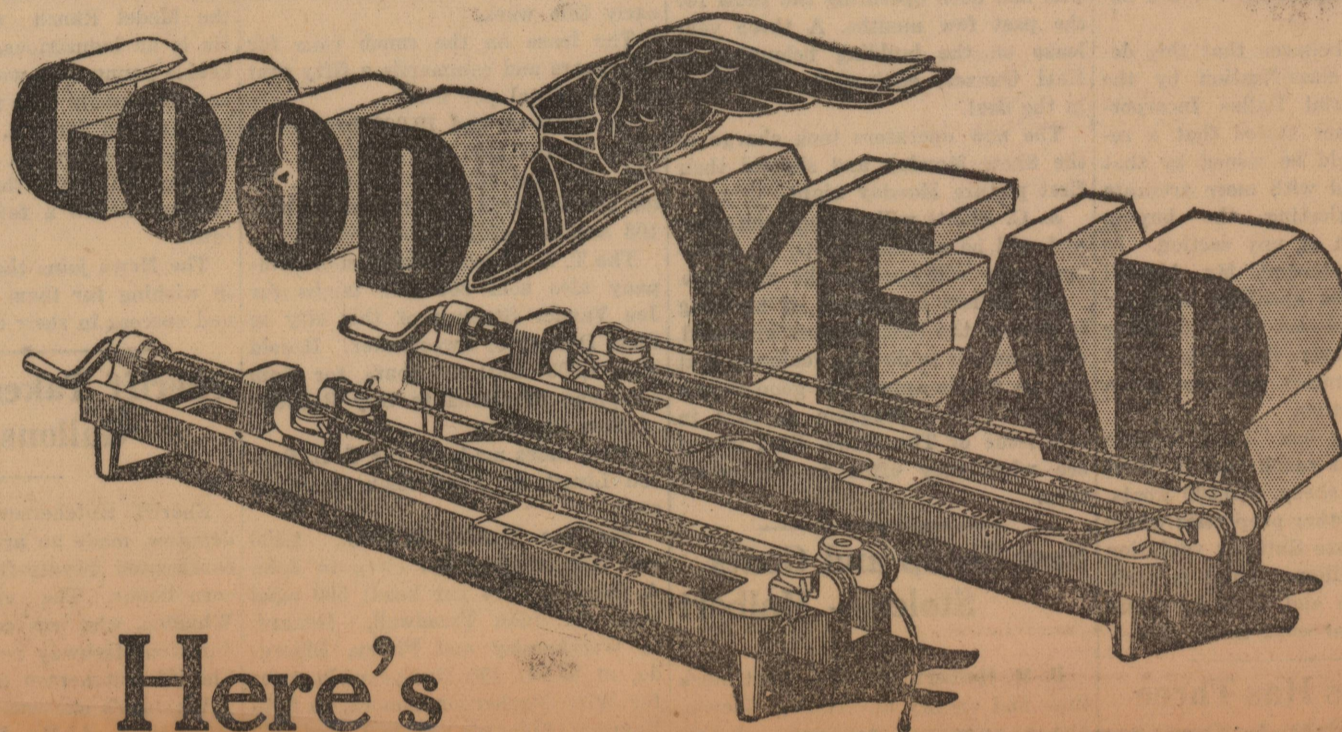
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**INSURANCE:** Any Kind—Life, Fire, Automobile, Plate Glass, Burglary, Hail, Rain, Tornado, Golf, Accident and Health, Indemnity Bonds, or any other kind of insurance written. We have it.

**RANCH LOANS:** Unlimited Funds to Lend on Ranches at 6 per cent, 5 to 33 years' time.

**Auditing:** Complete Auditing and Income Tax Service.

We Appreciate Your Business.



## Here's the proof of Quality

Let us show you this simple test.

Two cords of exactly the same length—one Goodyear-developed and Goodyear-patented SUPERTWIST, the other the usual standard cord—are placed on these machines. Exactly the same amount of strain is given both—then released. What happens?

SUPERTWIST snaps back to its original tautness like a rubber band. The other cord sags—remains inert. It has lost its spring. You see the comparative tension illustrated in the foreground.

We start again in the same way—fresh SUPERTWIST cord, fresh cord of the usual standard—both the same length. The strain is applied—increased. SNAP! the

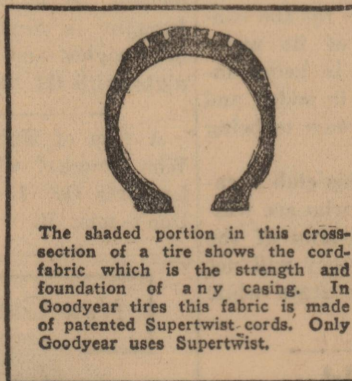
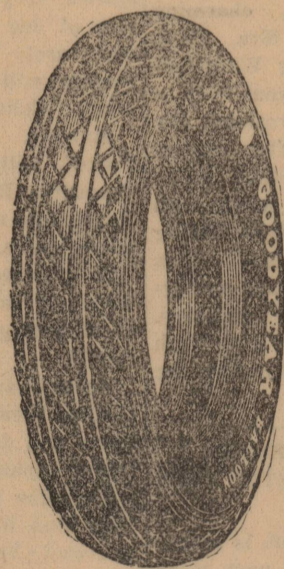
ordinary cord breaks, while SUPERTWIST remains intact. That's what happened on the machine in the background.

There's the proof of SUPERTWIST'S superiority before your eyes. Goodyear Tires, made of SUPERTWIST, stretch and recover under road shocks. Tires made of ordinary cord lack this resiliency and react as you have just seen.

The elasticity—the durability of SUPERTWIST has eliminated blowouts and similar troubles.

That's why we sell Goodyears—because we know they will stand the gaff of hard service, yet cost no more.

Come in soon. It will be a pleasure to perform this interesting test for you.



The shaded portion in this cross-section of a tire shows the cord-fabric which is the strength and foundation of any casing. In Goodyear tires this fabric is made of patented Supertwist cords. Only Goodyear uses Supertwist.

## SONORA MOTOR COMPANY

SONORA, TEXAS

You will get your money's worth if you see "The Man Who Laughs" at the La Vista Theatre, Thursday and Friday, December 13-14.

**Every Dollar Paid**

We have paid every dollar that we have claimed due our customers when they have suffered a loss by fire in the eleven years that we have been agents for fire insurance companies in Sonora. We represent the very best of fire insurance companies.

We kindly ask that you assist us in eliminating every necessary hazard about your homes and business buildings that you possibly can, thereby eliminating the risk which will help you to get a cheaper rate.

Write, phone or better still better come to see us and let us insure your property in a good reliable company.

**T. L. Benson**

DEE ORA LODGE NO. 715  
A. F. & A. M.



Meets every third Saturday night of each month. All visitors invited.

W. C. GILMORE, W. M.  
W. E. GLASSCOCK, Sec.

**WOMENS MISSIONARY SOCIETY**

The bazaar and harvest dinner given by the Methodist Ladies Wednesday was quite successful despite the inclement weather. The sum of about \$275 was cleared.

The ladies wish to thank all those who helped in any way to make this affair a success whether by donations, patronage or otherwise.

—Reporter.

**SCOUT MEETING**

Mr. W. C. Gilmore had charge of our scout meeting last Monday night. We opened the meeting with the pledge to the flag. Roy Aldwell came in later and announced a new patrol rating that the Concho Valley Council has adopted.

John Hull and Lea Roy Aldwell gave Harold Friess, Troy White and V. J. Glasscock their tenderfoot tests.

We played "Stealing the Bacon" at which the Silver Fox Patrol won, 21 to 18.

The meeting was closed with the scout oath.—A Scribe.

**Miss Mae Cauthorn Visits Relatives in Sonora**

Miss Mae Cauthorn, who is attending San Marcos Academy attended the B. Y. P. U. Convention in San Angelo last week. She came from there to Sonora to visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cauthorn.

**MILLARD COPE NOW EDITOR OF SAN ANGELO TIMES**

Millard L. Cope, former Sonora boy, was promoted to editor of the San Angelo Morning Times, according to an announcement made by that paper Tuesday morning. W. L. Vennell, who had been editing the Times since its existence, left for Dallas to accept a position with the Dallas Times-Herald.

Millard had been working for that paper intermittently for the past several years. He attended Howard Payne College at Brownwood and later graduated from the University of Missouri with honors.

Young Cope has two aunts residing here. They are: Mesdames Clyde Gardner and Stella Stanley. His parents live in California.

The News congratulates Millard and wishes him continued success in

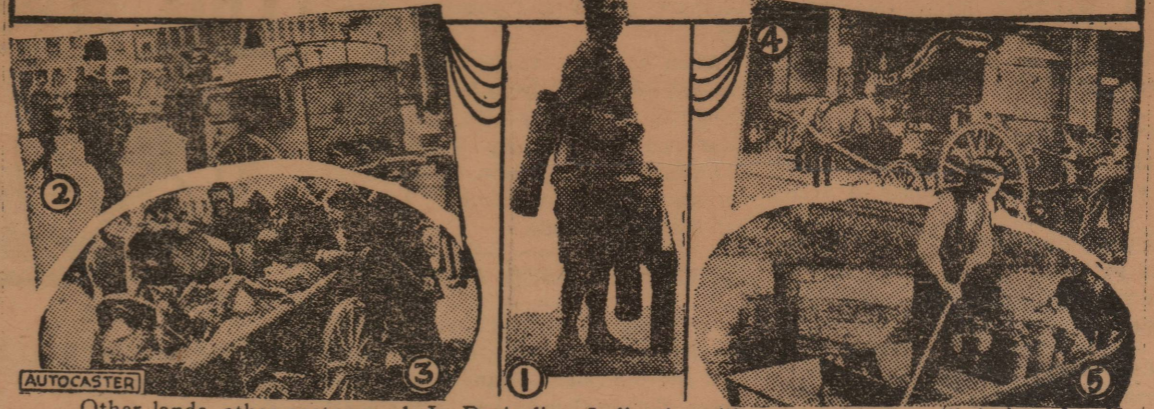
**NOTICE TO HUNTERS AND TRAPPERS**

This is to notify all persons that on account of Headlighters depredate in my pastures in Sutton and Crockett counties, having killed two head of cattle for me in last two winters, am putting my pastures under the game preserve and I warn hunters, trappers and trespassers to remain out.

ROY HUDSPETH. tf.

See the 1928 Christmas Card Samples at The News Office.

**How Milk Is Delivered in Other Lands**



Other lands, other customs 1 In Darjeeling, India, the milkman carries the milk in long bamboo jars as he walks from one native home to another. 2 In Copenhagen, Denmark, the milkman has a neat hand drawn cart, keeping his milk well packed in ice. 3 A dairy farmer of Estonia, Russia, disposing of his milk from big cans he has brought to the street market. 4 In an Italian city, the milkman vends his wares from door to door. 5 On the Spreewald in Germany, the milkman makes his deliveries by boat, and the purchasers come down to the canal.

**Baptist Lades Met Wednesday Afternoon**

The Baptist Women's Missionary Society met at the church Wednesday afternoon with President Mrs. Shurley in the chair.

The subject of the Bible Study was Thanksgiving.

It was decided to hold the bazaar in the office of T. L. Benson on December 15, beginning at 3 o'clock.

In connection with the bazaar will be a cooked food sale, good home made candy and a "grab bag" for the interest of the children.

Please do not forget the date, Dec. 15th. —Reporter.

**P.-T. A. SPONSORING COMMUNITY XMAS. TREE**

The Sonora-Parent Teachers' Association voted to sponsor a community Christmas tree on the court house lawn. This will be a community affair, Mrs. S. T. Gilmore said, and everyone is invited to take part.

A program is being arranged by the P.-T. A. and will be given at that time.

An athletic stadium is soon to be built for the Abilene public schools. The school athletic council already has \$13,000 out on interest to be used in building the plant and this sum will be increased.

**Reported Diptheria Case Was False**

Rumors were afloat in Sonora this week that Alvis Johnson, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvis Johnson, was reported as having diptheria. This report is false, says Mrs. Johnson. Dr. A. G. Blanton, county health officer, after diagnosing the case, said the lad did not have diptheria.

Plainview is to have an over pass 600 feet long over the Santa Fe track on Highway 28. It will be made of steel and concrete. Plans are practically complete for the grading and drainage structure on the highway.

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Any erroneous reflection upon the character, standing or reputation of any person, firm or corporation will be cheerfully corrected upon being brought to the attention of the editor at the News office.

PEDDLERS ARE NOT WELCOME!

Peddlers from mostly "of no place to call their home" have been busy the past few days pestering Sonora housewives and trying to get some poor, innocent victim.

Sonora Lions, this paper will make a fair proposition with you. Here it is: this paper will print placards for every home in Sonora bearing these words: "Peddlers Are Not Welcome Here," provided that the Sonora Lions will appoint a committee from that club to have these signs placed or tacked at the door of every home and business house in Sonora.

This would, we believe, be worthwhile and would have a tendency to make the peddler feel that he did not have a warm welcome here. What do you say, Lions, are you willing to do your part?

SHOP EARLY!

Now is the time to begin to think about your Christmas shopping—and not to stop at merely thinking about it. When you go shopping for Christmas instead of later, you do yourself a great favor as well as expressing a fine spirit of cooperation with the merchants that have the privilege of your patronage.

You avoid the last minute rush. You have larger stocks to choose from. You are sure of getting what you want. Nothing is "all sold out" yet, though it may be when the late shopper comes 'round for it.

You help every clerk whose Christmas labors you lessen by doing your shopping in advance and not bothering him when he is most busy. You have plenty of time left in

which to correct errors.

You have more time in which to compare prices and examine quality.

When you stop at the last minute you are all too likely to buy "any old thing" to get it over with. We can't urge you too strongly to do your Christmas shopping now. It's an important matter that shouldn't be left for the last minute.

SUTTON CLASSED AS "POOR"

According to a trade map issued by the so-called Industrial Dallas, Inc., and the Dallas Chamber of Commerce, Sutton County has been classed by this map as "poor" buying power. Sutton County is not the only county that has been classed in the poor column of this map but many other prosperous and wealthy counties have been given the same classification.

This paper believes that the Dallas Chamber of Commerce should have been better informed when compiling data for this false indication of buying power of Texas counties. This leaves the impression that our county is similar to that of many East Texas communities where crops are uncertain and money scarce.

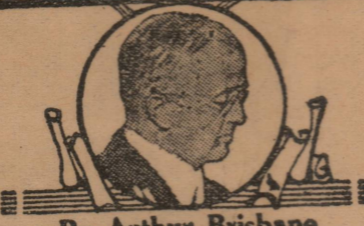
Sutton County income to ranchmen will exceed several million dollars annually as compared to a few hundred dollars in the farming counties where the producer of crops lives mostly from hand to mouth. It is true that this county's population is small but at that we have much more money in this county based on population than the East Texas counties which was classed as good buying power by that map. Dallas is catering to the East Texas trade and therefore placed Sutton as very poor with little buying power.

Sutton county has a total valuation of over twenty million dollars. Bank deposits here totaling a million, reflects the buying power and serves as a financial barometer of this county.

Why should the Dallas Chamber of Commerce be so inaccurate or show partiality in gathering this data. We wonder from what source this information derived.

Work will start on the building of a diversion dam on Bluff Creek near Winters soon, since the carrying of a city bond election of \$72,656.65, for the purpose, by a vote of 84 for and 53 against. Winters have recently bought a new fire truck, erected a new water reservoir, and completed some paving.

This Week



By Arthur Brisbane

A TORNADO VISITS EUROPE  
 FLORIDA IS SOUND  
 INTROVERTS  
 MISS WEST PITIES WOMEN

Terrific storms in Europe have killed many in Europe and Britain, the high winds putting a new fear in the populations.

Tornadoes and earthquakes visit different parts of the earth, impartially, and nations might be content with the war that nature forces upon them not insisting upon fighting and killing each other.

The tornado in Europe, leaving a trail of loss and death, will not cause foolish pessimism, such as outsiders have displayed after a wind storm in Florida.

Florida's high wind comes only rarely and never in Winter, when the harvest season of tourists is on.

And Florida in one important respect has an advantage over other states in her financial condition and free from debt.

Florida, as a state, owes nobody a dollar. The State is absolutely free from bonded indebtedness, its laws forbidding the State to borrow for any purpose, except for suppressing insurrection within the State, or repelling armed invasion.

No state is in a better condition financially than Florida destined to be one of the greatest States in the Union, in population and in money.

And now, after the bloom, while the foolish nurse their wounds, is a good time to buy in Florida, if you can wisely.

Professors of Northwestern University tell business men selecting employees to pick out extroverts and avoid introverts.

The introvert is a dreamer, withdrawing within his self.

The extrovert is a back-slapper and go-getter.

Theodore Roosevelt, Mussolini William Howard Taft and Governor Al Smith are of the extrovert type.

There is something of the introvert and extrovert in every man. Charles Fourier told about it more than a hundred years ago using the words "internal intuitional, and external rational", which are better.

Miss Rebecca West, forceful young British person who writes well, pities American women. Their lives are tragic, says she. Many of them live parked high up in skyscrapers, "where they can't even keep a dog."

It's sad to not keep a dog in a skyscraper. But Miss West will know when she gets married that a baby or even a husband is a good substitute for a dog.

The latest eruption of Mount Etna "destroyed" ten thousand acres of fertile Sicilian land.

Frost, rain and sunshine will crumble the lava to dust.

Weeds will grow, soil will form, Earth worms will chew it up, and those acres will be fertile again, and Etna will be a dead volcano.

It will take some time, thousand is of centuries.

There is no hurry, for according to Professor Millikan, men will live on this planet for a thousand million years longer.

The biggest fortunes are not always left by the greatest men.

Schubert, greater than a million ordinary millionaires, left ten dollars' worth of property. Many unpublished songs sold for \$2.

Spinoza, great Jewish philosopher, who has taught millions how to think left as the most valuable asset in his "estate" a pocket knife with a silver handle.

But he left a name worth more than the total capitalization of General Motors.

E. T. Neill

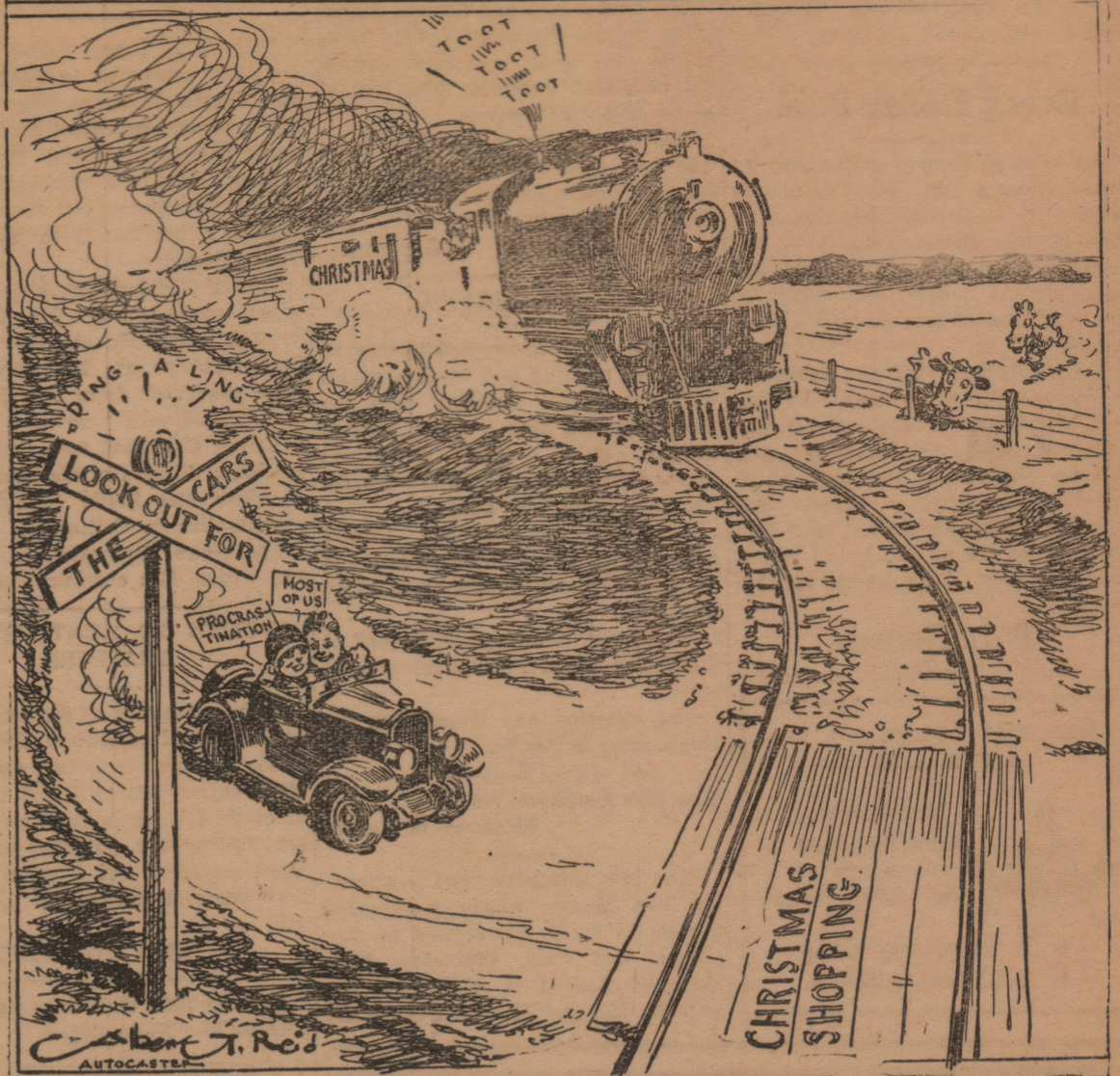
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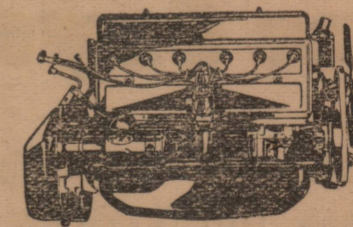
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**FRED EARWOOD—**

(Continued from front page)  
hills.

At the house there is a rock tank of 35,000 gallons capacity; there is another which holds 200,000 gallons, and two windmills supply it with water. On the ranch are the five tanks damming up draws but so built that all the livestock can walk down in to them and drink.

Three of these header tanks have

buried pipe lines running from water wells so that in case of scanty rainfall they will still produce water for the stock. He wants just as little disappointment for his stock as possible and that is one reason why he doesn't stock his ranch heavily. Then, too, if the drouths come and they do come to West Texas in spite of the last five years of plenteous rains, he can feed the root of the sotol plant. Not all of the feed on

a ranch is obvious to the tenderfoot. And not all is profit, either, as there is the blow fly, which ranch men today are attempting to control. It causes more losses than all other sources combined, be they drought, theft, disease, loss from predatory animals or what not.

**Kidding Pens Cover Acre**

The kidding pens, covering about an acre are the development of the last few years. Here is a shed about 200 feet long, 25 feet wide and covered on top and on the north side to prevent losses during the cold. The pens are six and a half feet at their apex and where the goats enter is about three feet high. The theory is that the less opening the fewer losses from cold. In front of the pens and surrounded by a fence and protected by live oak trees and a 300 foot hill a short distance away are long strips of barbed wire tied to the ground. Here the kid goats, which arrive over a period of 40 days beginning in March, are tied after they are born, and a small box is placed alongside each kid as a shelter. When it is cold the kids go to their boxes and the barbed wire prevents the rope of the kid's foot from going beyond certain bounds. Each evening when the nannies are brought into the pens for feeding the kids, the nannies go direct to their own offspring and there is a symphony orchestra with a note of happiness that can be heard for a quarter of a mile. Should kids be allowed to follow their mothers they would get full of milk, lie down and then be forgotten. Earwood gets about 100 per cent kid crop each year as there are a large number of twins. These pens and equipment cost about \$1500 and there are two of them on the ranch. This shed also takes care of the goats after shearing time. A sheared goat in a cold rain is like a naked man in a snowstorm and hence the warning of an impending cold spell is radioed, or phoned. Earwood drives them into the sheds and keeps them there until it is over. The danger period after shearing ends in 30 days. Mexicans live in a little sheet iron shack near the pens during the kidding time. The kids are registered with the American Angora Goat Breeders' Association at the age of six months.

Of course there is a sheep proof fence around the place, that is an axiom in the sheep and goat belt of Texas. Wolf trouble here is a thing of history and about the only wild game is a wild turkey or so and a few deer perhaps.

On the ranch is a 400-acre trap where the buck kids are kept part of the time and then there is another trap where feeding is done during the hard years. They haven't over looked a bet of any kind in this ranch Earwood never uses pricklypear during the drought time though many ranchmen do find it a fair auxiliary feed, and have burners for destroying the pins on the pear.

Earwood has no trouble in kidding his sheep. They lamb in March in the open with no special attention, but he feeds the nannies at breeding time and at kidding time until the feed puts out. He doesn't raise a hot house goat, one that breaks down and burns out under range conditions but a goat that can stand the arduous range conditions. He has both the ringlet and the flat lock type of goat on his place, and says it is impossible to make them breed true flat lock or true ringlet each time.

Not only is Mr. Earwood a good

**MISS JO ANNA STOKES  
NOW SELLING VICTROLAS**

Miss Jo Anna Stokes, who for the past several months, has been employed at the Gilmore Hardware Company, has accepted a position with H. W. Ellis at the Radio Shop. Miss Stokes will devote her time to caring for the office, sell radios and Victrolas.

They have a new shipment of records to arrive in the near future. They will keep the latest in Victrola records.

**MR. AND MRS. SID EVANS  
HAVE FINE BABY GIRL**

Miss Jo Alice is the name of the young lady who arrived for Mr. and Mrs. Sid Evans Sunday, November 25th at the San Angelo Hospital. She tipped the beams at seven and one-half pounds when she made her advent into this world. Both mother and babe are doing splendidly.

They will return to their home about the tenth of this month.

The first baby beef show conducted in Swisher county will be held in Tulia February 2, 1929. C. B. Martin, county agent, now has 34 baby beeves on balanced rations in boys clubs, one of which won 544.84 in prizes returned.

goat man but Mrs. Earwood knows the business, too, as her mother, Mrs. S. N. Armer, of Kingston, N. M., is one of the leading goat authorities of the nation, and Mrs. Earwood has taken much of her mother's interest in the business. She however, isn't active in the business with her husband.

There are only thirty acres in cultivation on the ranch and it is in feed. No attempt to make of the ranch a feed producing unit has been made though Mr. Earwood may try it later.

Earwood keeps salt, either plain or medicated, in his pastures all the time.

Earwood believes that the goat business is due for even greater expansion and thinks that the demand for mohair and for the meat of the goat is due to increase steadily.

Concrete is being poured for the fourth and last story of the new \$80,000 hospital at Dalhart. B. C. Frohman, general contractor in charge of the work, expects to finish by April. This will give Dalhart one of the most complete hospitals in this part of the state.

Paducah is constructing an ornamental white way along the streets of the business section. It will have 34 standards mounted on the side walks with wiring underground when completed, and will replace the old system of 17 standards located in the center of the street.

**La Vista Theatre**

SATURDAY, Dec 8.—

**"THE GRIP OF THE YUKON"**

With Neil Hamilton, Francis X. Bushman, June Marlowe, Otis Harlan and Burr McIntosh. Comedy—also "THE COLLEGIANS"

MONDAY, Dec. 10.—

**"SHOW FOLKS"**

With Eddie Quillan, Lina Basquette, Robert Armstrong, Bessie Bardsdale and Carol Lombard. Pathe News Reel.

TUES.-WEDNES., Dec. 11-12.—

**"HEART TO HEART"**

With Mary Astor and Lloyd Hughes in a lively romantic film comedy Comedy—"SPOOK SPANKING"

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SATURDAY, Dec. 15.—

**"PHYLLIS OF THE FOLLIES"**

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## Dr. Frank Crane Says



THE DOERS

What this world needs is more doers and less talkers.

The man we feel most grateful toward and regard most kindly is the one who does us a generous act and never says anything about it. We find it out by accident and our hearts warm to him.

The man who is always saying I am going to do this and that for you but does not do it is a flunky. He wants the praise for generosity, but does not deliver the goods.

So, the man who most truly reforms is the man who quits doing wrong, not the man who makes great promises. Most drunkards and the most leaders of disorderly lives otherwise are great promisers. They will tell you, while in their cups, that they are never going to drink another drop.

But the kind of reform today that we believe in is that of the man who quits doing wrong and make no boast about it except to show his regret.

It is human to err and to make mistakes. But when we have done so the most righteous thing we can do is to quit, not to pray and not to promise, nor to resolve.

The first thing needed in a wrong doer is to quit his wrong doing.

We are not going to turn for help to a higher power until we have ceased our wrong doing. The Bible says this of the first thing necessary: "Let the evil man forget his

### Mrs. Dock Friend Entertains Niece

Mrs. Dock Friend entertained for her niece, Miss Marie Louise Bridges, of Del Rio, on Dec. 1, with a lovely dinner party given at the Rutledge Cafe. The tables were artistically decorated in pink and white, the color scheme being carried out in the queer little favor, which revealed the fortune of each guest. The guest of honor received a beautiful amber and gold choker.

A delicious dinner was served. After dinner Mrs. Friend, with her guests, enjoyed a good picture at the La Vista Theatre. Those to enjoy the party were: Misses Lena V. Stokes, Mae Cauthorn, Ellen White, Dorothy Baker, Allie Halbert, Ann Ella Stites, Johnnie Adams, Jessie Louise Evans, Zella Lee Thorp, the guest of honor, Marie Bridges, and Mrs. Friend.

### TO THE TAX PAYERS

All state and county taxes in Sutton County may be paid now. A penalty of ten per cent will be added if taxes are not paid prior to January 31st. Your taxes have to be paid, so why not do it early and avoid a penalty.

B. W. HUTCHERSON, Sheriff and Tax Collector of Sutton County. 2t. c. ways and the unrighteous man his thoughts."

### E. E. SAWYER ENTERTAINED SONORA JUNIOR GRID BOYS

Last Thursday the Junior football boys were honor guests at a Thanksgiving dinner given by Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Sawyer.

The boys spent the afternoon in playing various games and that evening they enjoyed a theatre party chaperoned by Mr. Sawyer. Those enjoying Mr. and Mrs. Sawyer's hospitality were: DeWitt Lancaster, Edgar Glasscock, Don and Elwood Dunklin, G. W. Archer, Jr., Jamie Glasscock, George Ory, Harold Schweining, Walter Hollmig, Jesse Barton, Marvin Barnes and Edwin Sawyer.

### G. E. ELLIS PERMANENTLY LOCATED HERE IN SONORA

G. E. Ellis, a cousin of H. W. Ellis, and his sister, Mrs. Nellie Allen, of Carlisle, Ark., are now occupying the Alfred Schweining residence in the south part of town.

Mr. Ellis is associated with his cousin in the Radio and Victor Shop, next door to the Harrison Plumbing and Sheet Metal Works.

Mr. Ellis is well pleased with Sonora and likes the people fine. The News extends these people a hearty welcome to Sonora.

### SONORA CHAPTER NO. 355 R. A. M.

Meets 1st Tuesday night in each month.

S. L. MERCK, High Priest  
J. D. LOWREY, Secretary

### Junior Brasher Spent Thanksgiving in Sonora

J. H. Brasher, Jr., who has been attending Texas Military Institute in San Antonio was here to spend Thanksgiving with his mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Brasher. Junior had the air of a Brigadier General and looked very militaristic.

While here Junior had several T. M. I. friends as guests while on a hunting trip. They were: Coach W. E. Porter, Prof. James B. Shaw, Sergeant John E. Oragin and Ralph Banks. Junior returned to San Antonio with them to again resume his studies and work there.

John McClelland is in school again after a serious illness, and everyone is glad to have again.

Mary Philbin, popular actress for the Universal producers, is the star in "The Man Who Laughs." This show is recommended to be her best. See it at the La Vista Dec. 13-14.

### NOTICE TO CAR OWNERS

This is to notify all automobile and truck owners of Sutton County that new 1929 license plates are now at my office and can be had anytime. 1928 license plates can be used not later than January first, after which time a penalty of ten per cent will be charged for plates. It is a violation of the law to use old plates after January 1st. Please get your new plates before January 1st and avoid any penalty or trouble.

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**U. S. CAPITOL**  
By William P. Helm, Jr.  
Washington Correspondent of The News.

They're playing politics again with farm relief. All the hoary, venerable political tricks of the past eight inactive years are being warmed up, dusted off and trotted out once more to befog and becloud the issue. The lame duck congress was still limping into Washington when the row began. Charges and counter-session of the present national legislature convened.

The Seventieth Congress started out to make a name for itself in the Hall of Fame set apart for peanut politics. It kept up its tactics of obstruction, destruction and general cussedness throughout the first session which ended last May. Since that time there has been held a national election. The result was overwhelming. Ward politicians of both parties got it where the baby wore the beads. But some people never learn, and among them, seemingly a little group of Congressmen and Senators. They see nothing in the election results save renewed license to play small-town politics.

A political congress—that is going to stick to it to the bitter end. And the bitter end, happily, is not far far away. Its exact date is March 4, 1929, some three months hence. Between now and then the bitter-enders most likely will be able, through a continuance of their previous petty policies, to prevent the enactment of any real relief measures for the farmers or any measures of consequence whatever in other lines, with one or two notable exceptions. They don't know the war of 1928 is over.

In the list of farm relief agitators, Abuo Ben Norris' name leads all the rest. Mr. Norris, Republican Senator from Nebraska who swung to Smith in the closing days of the campaign, seized the golden opportunity of the eve of the second session to break into print with his views on what ought to be done pronto for the farmers. He swings an agile pen and he swung it with its usual agility on this occasion. Mr. Norris doesn't want any special session of congress to enact Hoover farm relief policies. He wants those policies written on the lawbooks now. And he thinks that they will be enacted now if Mr. Hoover and his friends are square shooters.

The Norris letter gave Washington a considerable pain. For Washington the farm leaders and the farmers alike are pretty tired of the log-rolling which has clowned its way thru four congresses anent farm relief. Incidentally, Mr. Norris called to order. He stands high in Republican councils today. He is chairman of the Senate agriculture committee, ranking Republican on the judiciary committee and well up the list of members of the patents committee. These are choice plums. Mr. Norris holds them by virtue of his Republican colleagues. He was put there because he was a Republican. He was retained there for the past few years because the Senate was exceedingly close and his vote was needed by the majority. But his party irregularity has been outstanding. It was climaxed by his going over, body, bag and breeches, to the Democrats during the last campaign.

Already there is talk of punishing him. The next Senate is so strongly Republican that the Republican majority doesn't need the Norris vote. Why keep an irregular in such high office. That is a question in the minds of a good many Senators these days. The chances are that Mr. Norris will be deprived of his committee honors by the Senate of the Seventy-first congress.

Mr. Norris' Democratic friends in the Senate have little heart to agitate vigorously now against a special farm relief session. They recall that John J. Raskob invested about \$600,000 in George Peek's dream of carrying the farmer vote for Al Smith. The overwhelming sentiment at the moment is that the election settled the farm relief business and that Hoover should be given every opportunity to work out his solution, uncramped by the Norrises and others who voted against him and now want to tell him what to do. The chances are that this course will be followed.

Another prize break of the week was the action of Fred Britten of Illinois. Mr. Britten is chairman of the House Naval Affairs committee. There is no question as to his party regularity or enthusiasm. Somebody however, seems to have warped his judgment, for Mr. Britten addressed a suggestion to Premier Baldwin of Great Britain on the subject of limitation of naval armaments. The suggestion was that Mr. Britten's committee, representing the United States, should meet, preferably in Canada, with a committee representing the British Parliament and do something to limit the building of war-craft.

Mr. Britten seems to have overlooked entirely the State Department. He apparently just plumb forgot that all our foreign relations are handled by the State Department. He seems likewise to have overlooked the fact that the Senate, not the House, must pass on all treaties. His proposal was the rankest sort of irregularity. It has gotten many a goat, including, I understand, the thrifty goat tethered on the White House grounds. The proposal will get nowhere, but as an exhibition of tactlessness it captures the first prize.

Hoover sails on from one ovation to another. The Latin-Americans love a show and they would welcome Al Smith just as heartily, were he the President-elect. Here and there a few inquiring souls at home are asking who pays Mr. Hoover's way across South America, and by what authority the government of the United States puts battleships at the disposal of this private citizen. These questions can't be dismissed with the reply that they come from those who

lately fought Hoover on the political battlefield. They are legitimate and sooner or later will have to be answered right. The taxpayers' money is paying quite a bill for the trips of the Maryland and Utah.

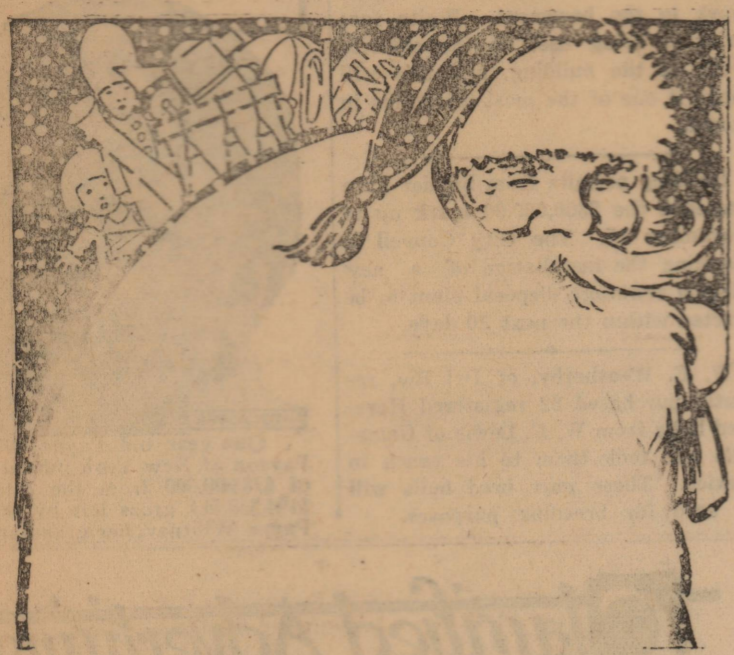
Maybe there is spite back of the questions. Maybe there is ample authority for what the government has done. If so, somebody ought to tell all about it. Hoover's trip will doubtless accomplish a world of good. It is to Mr. Hoover's advantage to have this point cleared up.

So it goes. Hoover shakes hands in South America and we build warships at home. Sometimes I think this a crazy world.

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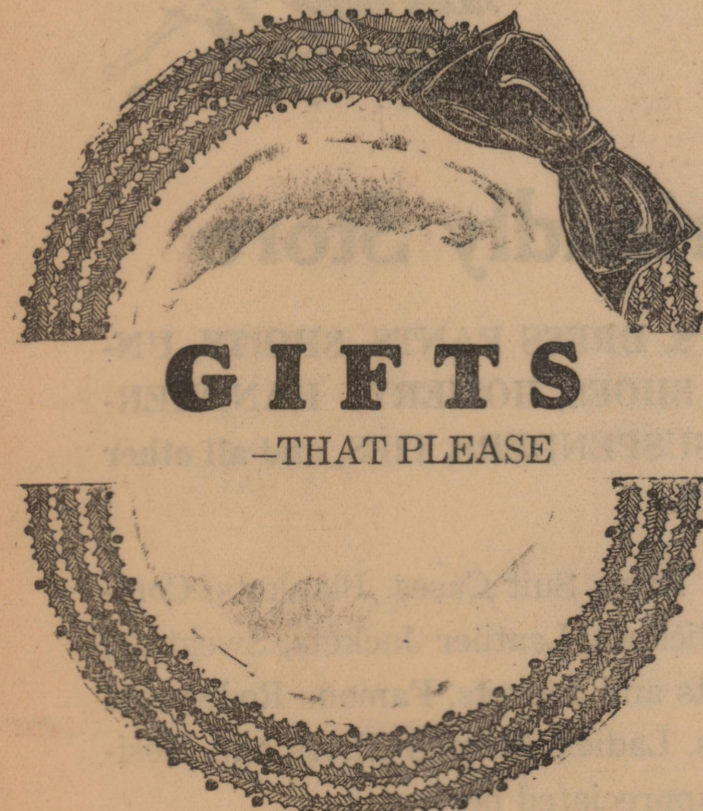
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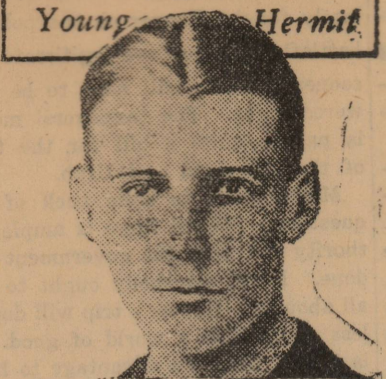
The District Convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce held November 23, at Decator drew a large crowd. President A. M. Bourland, Manager Homer D. Wade, and Publicity Manager E. H. Whitehead were among W. T. C. C. officials.

An athletic stadium is soon to be built for the Abilene public schools. The school athletic council already has \$13,000 out on interest to be used in building the plant and this sum will be increased.

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**Young Hermit**



Curtis H. Glover, Dartmouth College student, is far from the classroom. He is believed to have established his "hermit home" in a small cottage 45 miles north of Hanover, N. H.

The Central Texas District Convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce is to be held in Merkel on December 6. Competition is keen among the towns in that section for the privilege of being named as next year's meeting place.

**SONORA BOYS SAW T. C. U. S. M. U. FOOTBALL GAME**

Joseph Trainer, who attended T. C. U. last year where he made a record as a football player, and Floyd Ridley, prominent young rancher of Sutton County, saw T. C. U. defeat S. M. U. in Dallas Thanksgiving day.

Mrs. C. O. Ridley, mother of Floyd, accompanied the boys to Mineral Wells where she remained until their return home.

While in Dallas, Joseph made purchases of several shipments of new and latest goods for his father's Store here. The new goods will begin arriving this week.

The Big American La-France chemical fire truck recently acquired by Estelline at a cost of more than \$5,750 will reduce the fire insurance policies by more than \$3,000.00 in one year. A volunteer fire department is to be organized in the near future.

**Personal**

Ben F. Meckel was among visitors in town Tuesday afternoon.

Roy Hudspeth, who ranches south of here on Devil's River, was transacting business in town Tuesday.

Mrs. Joe Bridge and children of Del Rio have been visiting Mrs. M. M. Stokes and Mrs. Dock Friend for several days. Mr. and Mrs. Stokes and Mrs. Friend visited with the Bridges at Del Rio and in Old Mexico during Thanksgiving and Mrs. Bridge returned with them.

Mrs. Harry Sharp and children of Sanderson were visitors in Sonora Thanksgiving, visiting Jack Sharp and S. H. Stokes and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Neill visited Mrs. Neill's parents at Cuero and witnessed the Texas A. & M. game Thanksgiving, returning home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Higgins of Lubbock came in last Friday to visit with her aunt, Mrs. W. H. Perry and other relatives. Mr. Higgins returned to his home Monday, leaving Mrs. Higgins for a longer stay.

Mrs. Made Dadney has returned to her home in San Angelo after a pleasant visit with her son, Claude Keene and family.

Mrs. J. A. Odgen was a guest last week of her daughter, Mrs. Forest Emfinger and son, Cyrus Odgen.

Mrs. W. H. Perry is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Buit Davenport of Reagan Wells this week. She was accompanied by her niece, Mrs. Ray Higgins of Lubbock.

Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Chase of San Angelo were here Saturday, Sunday and Monday, the guests of Judge and Mrs. Alvis Johnson.

J. A. Ward, prominent Angora goat breeder, was mingling with friends and transacting business in town Wednesday.

Sam Allison was here from the ranch the fore part of the week visiting with his family.

Chas. F. Spencer and wife of Sheffield visited their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Gilmore here Monday.

A. D. Greene, veteran newspaper man, who is employed by the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, is spending a vacation here with his sister, Mrs. S. T. Gilmore.

Get your Christmas candies from Mrs. J. A. Leach. Order early. 4t. c.

Arlington's new city hall will soon be finished. Brick is being laid on the top story, and plumbers are at work in the basement. White face brick is being used in the exterior work of the building, and this will make it one of the most attractive in town.

Building permits from Snyder have exceeded the \$300,000.00 mark up to November 15. The City Council is planning the installation of a new \$18,000 sewerage disposal plant to be erected within the next 30 days.

W. E. Weatherby, of Del Rio, recently purchased 82 registered Hereford bulls from W. F. Lewis of Gainsville and took them to his ranch in Mexico. These pure bred bulls will be used for breeding purposes.

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This is to inform the public that any hunters or trappers caught trespassing on my ranch will be prosecuted. Marion Stokes. 12t. pd.

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POSTED  
All of my pastures twelve miles southeast of town are posted according to law, and anyone caught hunting, hauling wood or otherwise trespassing will be prosecuted. A. F. Clarkson. 10-4-29.pd.

POSTED  
My ranch, twenty-four miles east of Sonora is posted according to law, and anyone caught trespassing will be prosecuted.—Ira C. Green. 4t.

POSTED NOTICE  
This is to notify the public that my ranch, 25 miles southeast of Sonora, in Sutton and Edwards counties, is posted according to law, and any person caught trespassing will be prosecuted according to law; officer in charge. Oscar Appelt 4-15-28

POSTED NOTICE  
Any person caught hunting, trapping or trespassing on my land will be prosecuted. Take warning. Merton Shurley. 11-1-28. c.  
See the 1928 Christmas Card Samples at The News Office.

POSTED  
Any person caught hunting, trapping or in any way trespassing on my ranch will be prosecuted. J. N. Ross. 6t. pd.

NO TRESPASSING  
This is to notify the public that trespassers caught on my lands will be prosecuted. Heed this warning. Mrs. Lorene Earwood. 4t. c.

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