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## CHRONICLES OF EARLY DAYS

The range riders of Concholand in the early days had mostly a uniform code of ethics which was strictly observed by every self-respecting cowpuncher. Their dress and equipment, as I have before stated had to be of the same standard, when it could be afforded out of the meager wages. But most every one of them was noted for his personal peculiarities.

There was "Stemwinder," a new cowhand on the U Ranch. I never did know his true name, but Alex Kercheville introduced him to me as Stemwinder.

Stemwinder was a long legged, black haired individual who was very impetuous, ambitious and always in a hurry. He was a good hand but he was always forgetting important details.

One morning I met a young bull that seemed to be very angry about something. He was wearing a man's vest on his left horn and only for the extra speed of my horse, I would have been in a dangerous situation but I soon had a safe distance between me and the bull.

Riding back on the trail of the ill humored bovine, I saw Stemwinder in the crotch of a big mesquite tree. He flagged me down with his hat.

He explained that he had roped the bull and had doctored him for worms, "and when I got ready to let him up, I felt for my terbacker and it was gone. I remembered that I left it on the bench at the doghouse. That dam fool bull nearly got me when I let him up, he did get my vest and I'll bet he is wearing it right now. Would you mind to get my horse?"

I caught his horse and soon Stemwinder was on his way to the ranch. He needed a smoke.

You see when a cowpuncher ropes and throws a bull to doctor him for worms, before he takes the rope off if he is wise, he will fill the bull's eyes full of tobacco. This causes him to weep great weeps and while he is in this tearful mood he can't see to put up a fight and his doctor rides away in peace.

Julius McKinney was another noted character. Julius was a tall dark skin, black haired, thin legged and bald headed on top of his head, person.

I believe J. L. Glass, Gid Ainsworth, and W. L. Foster will bear witness to the truth of the assertion that Julius McKinney could eat

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## In Command



(WNU Service)

### Cecil H. Barnes Seeks Office Vacated by Hardeman

Cecil H. Barnes, of San Angelo, was the first of three candidates to announce for Representative of the 91st District to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Dorey B. Hardeman.

Mr. Barnes is the youngest of the three announced candidates. He is a practicing attorney, and has lived in San Angelo many years. He is a prominent church worker and is active in the civic affairs of his home town.



CECIL H. BARNES

In his platform, Barnes says: "My aim: The best interests of the people. My ideal: Good government."

Mr. Barnes has already visited us in behalf of his candidacy, and expects to meet more of our citizens before the special election on January 9.

The annual auction sales of the Lion's Club last Wednesday netted around \$200.00 when all bids are collected. This fund will be used for Christmas charities. Every under privileged child in Sterling will receive a Christmas gift.

Tech Staff Sgt. Robert L. Gill came in from Marchfield, California, last Wednesday to spend his ten day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Gill at their ranch home.

Miss Jamie Sue McEntire is home from Texas Tech to spend the holidays with home folks.

### Pioneer Woman Enters Race for State Representative



MRS. W. W. CARSON

Mrs. W. W. Carson announces in this issue for representative of the 91st district subject to the will of the majority in the special election of Jan. 9, 1943.

She is an old time West Texan. She is from pioneer stock. Her great grandfather was a unit of DeWitt's colony. Her grandfather was a signer of the Declaration of Texas Independence.

Mrs. Carson is with all the people in the wish to win the war and would use every effort to make these wishes come true.

She believes in strict economy in conduct of the State government and keeping the State out of debt.

Since her youth she has been associated with public education. She has been the head of the San Angelo Business College for the last 23 years.

She is all right, and deserving of the honors to which she aspires.—Uncle Bill

Pvt. Clarence L. Mogford came in from Fort Bliss a few days ago to spend his furlough with friends here and at Fredicksburge.

Sgt. James Brown is here from the Pacific Coast to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Phelan Brown.

Garland Cannon is here from the University of Texas to spend Christmas with home folks.

### Former Mayor of San Angelo Seeks Office of State Representative

In this issue we are announcing B. A. Carter as a candidate for representative of the 91st district at a special election Jan. 9, 1943.

Mr. Carter has resided in San Angelo for the last 15 years. He is a good, solid citizen and a seasoned lawyer.

His ambition is to win the war. He promises to cooperate with the members to this end. He does not favor controversial legislation. He is not in favor of new, or higher



B. A. CARTER

taxes.

He favors proper maintenance of schools. He is a member of the Methodist Church, a member of the Kiwanis Club, and is Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge 100F of Texas.

He served San Angelo as its Mayor and did splendid construction work for that city.

He is ok, if you ask me.—Uncle Bill

### Harold Teen says—



"On the level folks, we've all got to buy more War Bonds! Let's top that 10% by New Year's."

## Sterling Wins the Victory Salvage Pennant

The following letter from the Texas Salvage Committee to Lee R. Reed is self explanatory:

"Dear Mr. Reed:

"It is with the greatest of pleasure that we inform you of the fact that the Victory Salvage Pennant has been awarded your County by the War Production Board. This pennant is going forward to you under separate cover.

"Representing, as it does, outstanding accomplishment in salvaging materials vitally needed by our fighting forces, this pennant is indeed a tribute to the patriotism and grit of the good people of your county, and the leadership of you and your fellow workers.

"While an outstanding job has been done, we cannot afford to rest upon our laurels. Instead, we must ever be on the alert for ways and means of doing even bigger things in the future. As this Victory Salvage Pennant flies from your Courthouse flagstaff may it be constant inspiration for your people to gather every piece of salvage material that can possibly be used in the manufacture of weapons to the end that human liberty may never perish from the earth."

The Pennant is now flying from the flagpole on the Court House.

### Newton Jackson Is Fatally Shot

The following clipping from a newspaper, perhaps a Roswell, N.M., paper was sent here by Henry Taylor:

"William N. Jackson, 56, of Hagerman, was instantly killed yesterday morning about 8:30, when a .22 caliber high powered rifle discharged. The shell struck him in the head, shattering the skull. The death occurred at the Charles Michelet farm, four miles northeast of Hagerman.

"Officers expressed the belief that Jackson's gun discharged as he was pulling it out of the car.

"He had gone into the field some distance from the house alone about 8 o'clock, and his body was found about 9 o'clock, by Bobby Charles Michelet son of Charles Michelet, who had followed him to assist in work on the farm.

"A coroner's jury was summoned yesterday morning, and will complete the inquest Wednesday.

"Mr. Jackson is survived by his wife, Mrs. Anna Jackson, and by three step children, Mack D. Taylor, Henry Taylor, and Mrs. Agnes Purcella, all of Roswell. He is also survived by several grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

"Funeral services are to be held at the Pentacostal Church in Hagerman, this afternoon at 2 o'clock. The Rev. J. W. Pitts will conduct the services and burial will be made at South Park, Roswell. The Mason Funeral Home of Hagerman will be in charge of the arrangements.

"The accident was investigated by Deputy Sheriff Jim Williamson, and District Attorney G. T. Watts"

Deceased was well known by the old timers of this community from the time he was a small boy until sometime in the early 20's when he moved with his family to New Mexico.

When your hen cackles, it is time to harvest the egg.

★ What You Buy With WAR BONDS ★

Stop Spending, and Save for the future. That has been good advice since biblical days. You cannot buy tires today, but you can start saving to buy that new set of tires when they go on the market again.

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U. S. Treasury Department

**Sterling City News-Record**

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**PENSIONS SHOULD NOT ENCOURAGE IDLENESS**

When old folks first began to get pensions, there were two men for every job and they were told that if they took a job that they would be hogging somebody's job and at the same time drawing money from the State. They were also told that if they worked and earned wages, they would lose their pension.

Most of them believed this and wouldn't help you kill a snake in the fear that they would be cut off from their old age assistance.

In these days of war, there are two jobs for every man. Help is scarce in every line of business. There are plenty of men over 65 who can do light work as well as youngsters and they should not hesitate to do their bit and help win the war.

They should earn every penny they can and if they can spare it, they should invest it in stamps and bonds and help Uncle Sam that much.

An able bodied man drawing a pension is in no danger of losing it if he shows his patriotism by earning all he can. But he is taking chances if he is able to work and does not do it.—Uncle Bill

**LET'S NOT QUIT**

That pennant which streamed out from the flagpole on the court house last Monday morning was awarded to the People of Sterling County by the Production War Board as a token of Uncle Sam's appreciation for the outstanding work in gathering scrap in last month's drive.

Not many counties in Texas can boast of a pennant. Sterling people are proud of this pennant because it makes them feel that their efforts are appreciated.

But we must not rest upon our laurels. We must put forth our greatest efforts in getting scrap to the furnaces to make guns, planes, tanks, ships and every other weapon to place in the hands of our boys who are fighting over yonder.

Not long since, a Jap chiefrod boasted that Japan would dictate peace from the White House at Washington at an early date. Like hell they will. So far, when the yellow snakes have met our boys, they—the Japs—had a date with hell. Hell is yellow with them.

That good gun powder that will be burnt in firecrackers to make a noise during Christmas, ought to be used in sending death messages to our enemies. The money spent for this waste should be spent for war stamps. Don't buy fire crackers this Christmas, buy stamps.

Next spring, plant garden seed and raise all the food you can. Raise corn, pigs and poultry. Milk the cows and live at home. Give us plenty to eat and we can lick the tar out of the Japs and Henies.

**CHRONICLE OF**

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more than any man on the range. I will state on my own that he could eat as much as any four men at a cow camp chuck wagon.

I think Uncle Hank Davis would say that Julius had a dreadful terror of rattlesnakes.

Julius and I first met when we camped together on Wildhorse Creek a few miles south of Colorado City. We had been to that city for supplies and had driven to the creek to camp over night. It was cold weather and we built a good fire of dead mesquite. In preparation for supper, Julius brought out a medium sized ham and sliced a frying pan full of it. When ready, I ate a slice of the rich meat. Julius ate the rest, which I thought was enough for four men. Before going to bed he ate some more without going to the trouble of cooking it. All through the night Julius was eating on that ham.

Next morning, I noticed that most all the ham had been eaten and that Julius was rolling on the sand like a bay mule suffering with bots. I filled a tomato can with water and dropped some live coals into it to make it get hot and coaxed Julius to drink it. After assuring him that it would relieve him, he drank it and to his surprise, it eased him.

Ask Gid Ainsworth to tell you about the time Julius ate a whole side of roast beef ribs in one night.

While Julius was a good cowhand and took much pride in riding and roping, yet he was always willing to be ranked as "Coosie" so that he could have access to the bounties of the chuck wagon.

He was rated as one of the best camp cooks on the range.

Julius couldn't read Greek to speak of, but he knew more about cattle and horses than any Greek professors in the colleges.

While nooning at a camp one day, Julius went to sleep under the chuck wagon. Mike Sullivan and Hank Davis tied a string to a pair of wet rawhide hobbles. As they drew the slimy thing across Julius' neck they hollered "Snake!" That boy came alive. Also Hank and Mike became scarce.

Hank and Mike were both sorry that Julius had a knot on the bald spot on his head where he bumped it against the wagon bounds when he made his escape from the wet hobbles.

Julius had a ho'y horror of snakes.—Uncle Bill

**Soil Conservation Plans Approved**

The Supervisors of the North Concho River Soil Conservation District approved plans on the George Broome ranch, the H. H. Story stock farm, and the C. W. Dilley and R. V. Plevan farms near Carlsbad, at their regular monthly meeting in Sterling City, Monday.

The approval of these Conservation plans made a total of 203,704 acres planned since the organization of the District, which was January 18, 1942, reported Zach Jones, Chairman of the Board.

In addition to approving the above mentioned Conservation plans the Supervisors took necessary steps for preparing their first annual Progress Report, which will be submitted to the Secretary of Agriculture through the State Soil Conservation Board.

"When the North Concho District was organized last January 18th it was estimated that 100,000 acres of the 1,136,000 acre watershed would be planned this year," stated E. J. Hughes, District Conservationist with the Soil Conservation Service. Thus the 203,704 acres planned

represents approximately 200 per cent of what was considered satisfactory progress, and can be accredited to the growing interest of land owners in conserving their greatest asset, "the Soil".

**Red Cross Workers**

The following are the names of those doing Red Cross work this week:

Monday night: Misses Rena Ball, Vernell Hevron, Clifford McCrury, Betty Hill, Beth Abernathy, Vivian Reese, Betty Donaldson, Frances Aiken, Flo Allen, Frances Hudson, Mesdames C. B. Stovall, Roy Foster. Tuesday afternoon: Mesdames John Walraven, Pat Kellis, V. F. Bomar, B. J. Crossno, Bill Reed, H. H. Everitt, D. Hall, Seth Bailey, R. P. Brown, Rufus Foster, Roy Foster, Edwin Aiken, G. C. Murrell, H. F. Merrell, and Lura McClellan.

**Church of Christ**

R. D. Smith, minister

You are invited to attend the services at the Church of Christ. You will always be welcome and your presence will be appreciated.

Bible class at 10:00 a. m.  
Preaching at 11:00 a. m.  
Communion Services at 11:45  
Preaching at 8:08, p. m.  
Prayer meeting at 8:00 Wednesday evening.

A very cordial welcome.

**What You Buy With WAR BONDS**

Save now to buy later, after the War. That's good common sense because if you spend now, you help to drive prices up for everything you buy. Durable goods are scarce so invest in War Bonds today and do that house remodeling when Victory is won.



If you have not done so, join a Payroll Savings Plan at your office or factory. If you are not investing at least ten percent in War Bonds, increase your regular deductions on your Payroll Savings Plan. Let's "Top that ten percent." U. S. Treasury Department

**Political Announcements**

We are authorized to announce the following candidates for Representative of the 91st Legislative District of Texas, in special election of January 9, 1943:

Cecil H. Barnes  
Mrs. W. W. Carson  
B. A. Carter

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Candidate for

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(Political Advertisement)

**Wimodausis Club Receives Reports on War Activities**

The Wimodausis Club gave a Christmas program when the club met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Roy Foster. Mrs. E. F. McEntire, reported \$75. had been collected for the Greek relief fund. Mrs. V. E. Davis announced \$5,800 in bonds were bought during the "Women at War" week. Mrs. Rogers Hefley, salvage chairman made an announcement concerning the conservation of fats, hose and tin. The State president, Miss Ethel Foster, explained the nurses program sponsored by the Federation. A student recruit committee was appointed by the president, Mrs. Lester Foster, composed of Mesdames Herbert Cope, Herman Everitt, and Roy Foster. The club voted to buy a \$15.00 Christmas Seal Tuberculosis Bond.

Following the business session an interesting program was given. The roll call was answered with favorite verses of scripture. Mrs. Harvey Glass read the scripture from Luke 2: 13. While Mrs. Lester Foster sang "Silent Night" Mrs. Herbert Cope drew the "Babe in the Manger" scene, both of which were very beautiful and in keeping with the Christmas season.

Mrs. L. O. Ryan read an original story on the "War Heroes of the Bible." The climax was the splendid talk on the "Prince of Peace" by Rev. R. D. Smith, guest minister of the club.

A short social hour followed. Twenty-one members were present.

**Infantile Paralysis Cases Being Watched**

The appearance of scattered cases of poliomyelitis in one or two Texas communities has resulted in considerable apprehension and a request for the closing certain schools.

According to the State Health Department, closing schools has very little effect on the control of this disease. In a community recently studied, there were 22 cases reported, only nine of which were of school age, and these nine represented several different schools. This record does not point in any way to the school as a source of infection.

To inform the public on the best procedure to follow when poliomyelitis is suspected, Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, has issued the following statement.

"All suspected cases should be reported immediately to the county health officer and isolated for a minimum of 14 days. Concurrent and terminal disinfection should be employed as in typhoid. It might be well to hospitalize the patient and good medical care is imperative.

"Except for the attendant, members of the family should stay away from the patient. The wage earner unless employed with food handling should be free to continue his work. Preschool children in the family should be greatly restricted if not entirely excluded from community activity.

"School children should be observed daily for signs of upper respiratory infection or fever. Upon the appearance of such symptoms, they should be excluded from school until a definite diagnosis is made. Children as well as adults should avoid overactivity to the point of fatigue. Maintain nutrition at the best possible level and be sure to get plenty of fresh air and sunshine."

Services will be held at the Presbyterian Church by Rev. B. B. Hestir. Morning services, 11:00 o'clock and evening services at 7:00 o'clock. Rev. B. B. Hestir will conduct the services.

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**Johnny Weissmuller  
Maureen O'Sullivan**

in

**"Tarzan's New York Adventure"**  
News of the Day and  
selected short subjects

Wednesday and Thursday  
December 30-31

**Roslind Russell  
Fred MacMurray**

In

**"Take A Letter Darling"**  
News of the Day  
Short Subjects

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Monday night, 7:00 until 10:00 o'clock; and Tuesday afternoon, 2:00 until 5:30 o'clock.—Mrs. Lester Foster, Chairman.

**Baptist Church**  
Sunday

A.m.  
10:00 Sunday School lesson  
11:00 Worship Service  
P.m.  
7:45 Training union  
8:30 Evening worship  
Wednesday

P.m.  
4:00 Missionary Society  
8:00 Weekly Teachers meeting  
8:30 Mid week Devotional  
We welcome you,  
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**Methodist Church**

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## Sterling Public School Member of Southern Association

The following is a copy of the letter received from the State Executive Committee stating that the Sterling School has been accepted as a member of the Southern Association.

Austin, Texas  
 Dec. 8, 1942

Dear Superintendent:

In the annual session of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools held in Memphis, Tennessee, on November 30 to December 3, your High School was accepted for membership in that body for the current year. The action of the Central Reviewing Committee of the Association in extending the membership of your High School passed the review of the Committee without a single adverse criticism. Your excellent showing is outstanding and emphasizes the constructive, educational program and the leadership in charge of your public schools.

Very sincerely yours,  
 J. W. O'Bannon, Chairman  
 State Executive Committee

## Lions Club to Award Citizenship Trophy

The following is a copy of a letter received from the local Lion's Club.

October 9, 1942

Dear Mr. Burnett:

Believing that this is a time in which the outstanding qualities of American Citizenship should be peculiarly recognized, the Sterling City Lion's Club has determined to make an appropriate award to some member of the student body of the high school. The award is to be made on the following basis:

1. The award is to be in the form of a metal eagle mounted on a bakelite base if possible to acquire such.
2. The award is to bear the following inscription: LIONS AWARD FOR AMERICAN CITIZENSHIP 1943.
3. The winner of the award is to be chosen at the close of the school session from among the high school boys and girls.
4. These two conditions shall govern the choice of the winner:
  - A. enthusiastic participation by the student, according to his ability, in scrap drives, war stamp purchases, 35 mile per hour speed limit, conservation of rubber, salvage campaigns, as well as any other patriotic enterprise in which the students of the school are called upon to participate.
  - B. willingness at all times to sacrifice his or her personal pleasure for the advancement of the American cause.

We assure you that it is with great pleasure that we are able to offer this award, and we trust that every student will work diligently in his attempt to earn it.

Very truly yours,  
 H. M. Knight, Chairman  
 Lions Club Committee

## School Lunch Room Being Planned

All parents with children in school who would be interested in a hot lunch for their children at noon would be wise in letting your Parent-Teacher organization and school board know that you are interested. These two groups have committees working to do all they can to get a lunch room started in the near future—what they need most now is the knowledge of the parents sincere desire for the establishment of such a lunch room. It is believed that a hot lunch at noon is one of the first and most important things that can be done to keep the health of your child at a as high a par as possible. The health of our young ones is the base of the nation's health. The very first of our all out war efforts—A nation's strength is a nation's health.

Mrs. W. R. Hudson is chairman of this committee from the P. T. A. and those on the committee from the school board are Rufus Foster, Riley King and Hal Knight. Contact these people and let them know you would really like to have a Lunch Room. They need your support.

## Annual Christmas Banquet

The annual Christmas banquet was held in the school gymnasium on Friday evening.

The ninety-one guests were seated at tables in V formation. The gymnasium was decorated in a patriotic Christmas motif of red, white, blue and gold. The centerpieces of the tables were huge gold maps of the United States bearing a Christmas greeting and backed with white candles and blue and red ribbon. A Wise Men scene completed the decorations.

Following a most interesting program, a dance was held in the gymnasium for the banquet guests.

## P.-T.A. Program

The Sterling City P.T.A. met in their December meeting on Thursday.

The following program was heard: "Jingle Bells" by group; the Lord's Prayer; "Telling Tommy about Christmas," Patricia Hayes and Billy Sam Mathis; "Telling Tommy about the Night Before Christmas," Dick Bailey, Bob Mitchell, Paschal Brown and Edwin Aiken; a solo, "Holy City," Mrs. Lester Foster; and a talk "Developing Spiritual Toughness," Mrs. Jim McCabe.



Are you entitled to wear a target lapel button?

You can ONLY if you are investing at least ten percent of your income in War Bonds to do your part on the home front toward winning the War.

The target lapel button is a badge of patriotism, a badge of honor. You should feel proud to display it. The buttons are obtainable at your plant management, at the office of your local War Bond chairman, or at your Payroll Savings Window where you authorize your ten percent payroll deductions.

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# Please Put Off Your Holiday Rail Trip until after January 12th

Please do not make a trip by rail, unless it is urgently necessary, between now and January 12th.

The Santa Fe, in cooperation with other western railroads and the Office of Defense Transportation, makes this direct appeal to the general traveling public, for these reasons:

### Christmas Furloughs

Between December 12 and January 12, hundreds of thousands of our men in service will have holiday leaves.

We all want them to be able to travel without delay on these brief and precious furloughs.

In this same period the railroads must transport a million men of the armed forces moving

on duty; handle the heavy seasonal flow of students; and care for the ever-growing number of persons who must make trips by rail on urgent government business or private emergency.

### Not Enough Cars for All

If, on top of all this, civilian America "travels as usual" during the Christmas-New Year holidays, there just will not be enough passenger coaches and sleeping cars to go around.

So, if you possibly can, postpone your trip at least until after January 12—and thus do your share to ensure seats or berths for our men in service on their all-too-brief Christmas-New Year furloughs.

• More than ever, in these difficult times, please turn freely to your local Santa Fe agent for friendly help on travel and shipping problems.



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