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## OPEN HOUSE AT LEGION HALL SUNDAY

The Stockton-Currie Post No. 537, voted during a meeting held December 10, to hold open house on December 19 from 2:30 to 5 o'clock and give the community an opportunity to see the results of the remodeling program that has been underway.

A recent trash fire of unknown origin spread to the building and caused minor damage, but will not interfere with the open house. Thanks to the alert citizens and volunteer firemen, damage was confined to the outside of the building, and was covered by insurance.

The building program has been handled by John Brock, Dan Ritter and Doug Farnsworth. Carpenter work has been done by Bill and Benny Green and a large group of volunteer helpers, including both legion members and non-members. Finances for the work came primarily from the proceeds of the 1947 rodeo, which was sponsored by the Legion post and liberally supported by the community from cash contributions from friends of the Legion and Legion members. Volunteer workers have cut several hundred dollars off of the building cost.

Arrangements are being made for recreational equipment and it is expected that the building will be completely furnished in the near future. A formal opening will probably be held after the furnishing is completed.

Coffee and doughnuts will be served by Legion members at the open house from 2:30 to 5 o'clock Sunday afternoon and everybody is invited to come and bring the children and take a look at the new building.

## Sterling Plays Courtney

Friday night the Sterling Eagles traveled to Courtney for their second conference game of the basketball year. Heacock was high point man for both sides scoring six points. Mitchell made two points, and Grosshans scored an extra point. The game ended with Courtney leading 14-9.

The girls were overpowered by the Courtney girls. Barbara Garrett made the only point ending the game with Courtney in the lead 28-1.

The boys next conference game will be here with Forsan Thursday night. The girls play Lakeview at Lakeview Thursday night in a non conference game.

Friday the girls and boys play at a tournament in Westbrook at 2:00 and 3:00.

## Jesus Flores Buried

Jesus Flores, 65, was buried here Monday afternoon following the funeral services held at the Mexican Baptist Church. Flores had died at his home here on Friday, December 10.

A resident here for the past 15 years, Flores is survived by the widow, three girls and two boys, and three brothers.

Rev. Simon Natividad, pastor of the church, officiated. Lowe Funeral Directors were in charge of the arrangements.

Pallbearers were Trine Medina, Grabel Longoria, Valentin Longoria, Pilar Gaitan, Manuel Gaitan, and Dario Gonzales.

## Mrs. N. H. Reed Is Wimodausis Hostess

Mrs. Nick Reed was hostess to the Wimodausis Club at her ranch home Wednesday afternoon. The house was decorated for the Christmas season, and the title of the program was "The Light of the World."

Mrs. Ed. H. Lovelace played a piano solo, "Castique de Noel."

Mrs. D. Hall was leader of the program. Mrs. Rogers Hefley read the scripture reading. The club members sang "Silent Night" and Mrs. H.A. Chapple told the Christmas Story. The members sang "O Little Town of Bethlehem." A talk, "The Light of the World" was given by Mrs. C. D. McEntire. Rev. Ed. H. Lovelace sang "The Birthday of a King."

Tea hostesses were Mrs. N. H. Reed, Mrs. E. H. Lovelace, Mrs. C. D. McEntire, Mrs. S. R. Hefley, Mrs. H. D. Glass, Mrs. O.M. Cole, Mrs. R. C. Bynum, and Mrs. H.H. Everitt.

Mrs. Lovelace poured the tea and Mrs. McEntire served the pie.

Members present besides the tea hostesses were Mrs. H. L. Hildebrand, Mrs. T. F. Foster, Mrs. R. P. Brown, Mrs. W. E. Allen, Mrs. Lura McClellan, Mrs. C.N. Crawford, Mrs. C. A. Bowen, Mrs. W. R. Morgan, Mrs. Ray Lane, Mrs. E. F. McEntire, Mrs. H. A. Chapple, Mrs. Riley King, Mrs. George Case, Mrs. W. N. Reed, Mrs. D. Hall, Mrs. V. E. Davis, Mrs. W. L. Foster, Jr., and Mrs. J. C. Reed.

## FHA GIRLS GIVE CHRISTMAS BANQUET

A Christmas banquet was given by the Sterling Chapter of the Future Homemakers of America in the school gymnasium last Saturday evening.

La Verne King, president of the local chapter, acted as mistress of ceremonies. The program included a reading, "The Gift of the Magi" by Miss Patricia Lively and "White Christmas", sung by the girls chorus.

The climax of the evening was a visit from Santa Claus, Chesley McDonald, who presented appropriate gifts to each person, according to his behavior.

The menu consisted of grapefruit juice cocktail, baked ham, candied sweet potatoes, buttered asparagus, pineapple salad, cherry pie, and coffee and tea.

The color scheme of red and white carried out the decorations, emphasized the large Christmas tree in the center of the floor.

There were approximately 68 persons present.

The meal was served by the 7th and 8th grade girls.

C. T. (Boots) Williams of Sterling City and Buddy Williams of Midland, had planned to buy out M. C. Mitchell's Sterling Feed & Fuel Co. here, but the deal failed to go through. December 15th was the deadline for the transaction, and Mitchell said Wednesday that the Feed & Fuel Co. was still in his hands. The Williams boys did not go through with the buying.

Howard Snyder of Houston, a nephew of Mrs. R. P. Brown's, visited the Browns here last week.

LOST or strayed—Yellow and white shepherd dog (male). Call Jeff Davis.

## AAA MEMBERS NAMED

Foster S. Price was named the AAA chairman of Sterling County at the election of AAA committeemen here Wednesday. Price was elected, replacing Lee Reed, retiring chairman.

Forty votes were cast in the election, said Mrs. Roxy Brock, AAA secretary, being the greatest number of votes ever cast in such election here.

Chesley McDonald was named as vice chairman, Tommy Humble, regular member, C. J. Copeland, first alternate, Harold McCabe, second alternate, and Julius S. Bade, secretary to community committee.

## American Legion Auxiliary Officers Are Installed

The American Legion Auxiliary team of Robert Lee conducted installation ceremonies for the initiation of officers for the newly organized Auxiliary Tuesday night in ceremonies at the new Legion Hall.

Ten drill team members and their husbands, headed by Mrs. C. D. Strickland; Robert Lee's Post Commander, Hugh Lewis and the Unit President of Auxiliary, Mrs. Hugh Lewis. Visitors from San Angelo included Mrs. Frank White, 21st District President, Mrs. C. M. Kenley, Past President of 21st District, Mrs. Thelma Kelly, Unit President, and Mrs. Alvin Walraven, chaplain.

Local officers installed included the following:

Mrs. John Brock, President, Mrs. L. C. McDonald, 1st Vice-President, Mrs. Bill Brooks, 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. Byron Frierson, 3rd Vice-President, Mrs. Worth Durham, Secretary, Mrs. Harold Emery, Treasurer, Mrs. Will Augustine, Chaplain, Mrs. Lura McClellan, Historian, Mrs. George Case, Sgt.-at-Arms, Executive Committee—Mrs. Nick Reed, Mrs. Webb Hudson, Mrs. Aaron Clark.

Other members present were Mrs. E. F. McEntire, Mrs. Roy Morgan, Mrs. Jeff Davis, Mrs. Wallace Stockton, Mrs. Dan Ritter, Mrs. J. Q. Foster, Mrs. W. D. Farnsworth, Mrs. Rufus Foster, Mrs. W. P. Meyer, and Mrs. Benny Green.

At the social hour following the installation, Mrs. Nick Reed presided at the coffee service, with Mrs. W. D. Farnsworth assisting.

## LIONS HAVE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS AUCTION

About \$250 was raised at the annual Lions Christmas auction at the Community Center Wednesday. "Scotty" Scott of Lions International acted as auctioneer for the occasion.

The Sterling Club voted to sponsor a new club to be formed at Garden City.

Thirty-six members and guests were present at the meeting. A turkey dinner and the trimmings was served by Mrs. Glass.

Roy Morgan became a new member at the meeting.

## Win DAV Contest



CHICAGO—Gen. Jonathan M. Wainwright, national commander of the Disabled American Veterans, center, hands checks to James E. Nickerson, a former Army captain from Fort Washington, N. Y., right, winner of \$33,000 first prize in \$50,000 DAV Service Foundation puzzle contest, and Mrs. Madge Howard of Indianapolis, Ind., left, winner of \$5,000 and a new automobile, as second place winner.

## "Covering the County" By Byron W. Frierson, Sterling County Agent

The 4-H Club members who are feeding pigs put them on exhibition last Saturday and weighed them. Marshall Blair's Hampshire weighed 94 pounds; Sonny Heacock's Hampshire weighed 64; the Duroc being fed by Charlie Davis weighed 99 and Kent Jones' Durocs weighed 108 and 93. Tom Onstott promised the boys \$5.00 in prizes for the best gaining pigs between now and the time they are weighed again. The prize money will be split with \$3.00 for first and \$2.00 for second.

If you went to a place and found fig trees, apple trees, pear trees, peach trees, plums, cherry plums, and catalpa trees growing, you wouldn't think you were in Sterling County, would you? Mrs. Dan Ritter has them all growing at their ranch on the Divide. Dan has been doing some pruning on the peaches and plums. It is a good time of the year to start on this kind of work.

The fire equipment owned by the county, and volunteer firemen have unquestionably saved approximately \$15,000 worth of property within the past month. This looks like a mighty good return on investment. We owe thanks to those men who always turn up and help save the neighbor's property.

The local American Legion post has good reason to take pride in their new building. You have all had a part in making it possible. Your moral support is encouraged to help this organization to be a worthy asset to the community. Drop by Sunday and take a look at the new building.

I recently became a member of the club of which Chesley McDonald is the president and H. A. Chapple is the secretary. It is rumored that a substantial prize is going to be awarded to the member who composes the best bunch of excuses into an essay on "Why I Didn't Kill a Deer." The club is officially known as the "No-Buck" Club.

## SWING OF SOUTHWEST FARM MARKETS

By United States Department of Agriculture

(USDA)—Many southwest farm products sold at lower prices during the past week, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Production and Marketing Administration reports.

White corn dropped 6 to 13 cents a bushel, and most other grains fell 2½ to 5½ cents. No. 2 white corn closed Monday around \$1.75 to \$1.78 in bulk carlots at Texas common points, and yellow corn \$1.62 to \$1.63. No. 1 wheat sold from \$2.44 to \$2.49 a bushel, and No. 2 milo \$2.68 to \$2.73 a hundred pounds.

Hogs lost \$1 to \$2 at Texas markets and 50 cents to \$1 at other southwest terminals. Good and choice handy weight butchers cleared in Monday's trade from \$21.25 to \$22 in Texas and Oklahoma and Kansas, and \$22.25 to \$12.50 at Denver.

Sheep sold generally 50 cents to \$1 lower for the week. San Antonio

## Son To The William Fosters

A son, named Wayland Lee, was born to Mr. and Mrs. William Foster, at the Shannon Hospital in San Angelo last Sunday, December 12. This is the second son of the couple. They have a son, Bill, age two.

The new baby weighed six pounds and eight ounces at birth.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Lester Foster and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Augustine.

## SCHOOL TO TURN OUT ON DEC. 22 FOR HOLIDAYS

The Sterling Public School will dismiss for the Christmas holidays next Wednesday, December 22, and remain closed until Monday, January 3, it was announced this week.

This week and a half holiday is customary for the Sterling school and is in line with holidays at the schools of similar size.

and Fort Worth moved common and medium yearlings Monday at \$15 to \$18. Good and choice slaughter lambs sold from \$22 to \$23.25 at Oklahoma City and Wichita, and \$24.25 at Kansas City. Denver asked around \$24.50 in early trade.

Wool trading slowed, but moderate volumes still moved at firm prices. Some mohair sold in Texas at 40 cents a pound for adult and 60 to 75 for kid hair.

Cattle prices varied unevenly \$1 lower to \$1 higher by class, grade and location. Calves fluctuated rather widely. Medium and good slaughter calves sold Monday from \$21.50 to \$25 at Houston and \$21 to \$24 at San Antonio. Good and choice grades turned at \$22 to \$25 at Fort Worth, \$21 to \$24 at Wichita, and \$23 to \$26 at Kansas City. Slaughter calves ranged upward to \$26 at Oklahoma City.

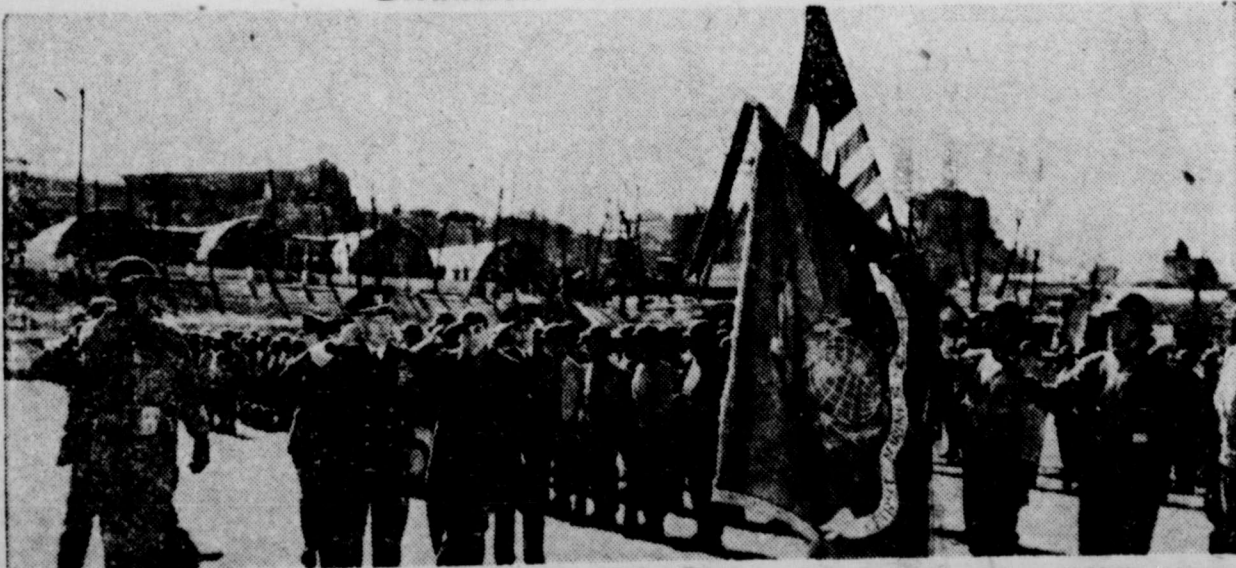
Turkey prices advanced sharply at southwest dressing plants on ranther light sales. Toms ranged from 45 to 48 cents a pound, and turkey hens 52 to 53 cents. Young chickens held very firm, and hens sold a little higher at most markets. Eggs dropped as much as 5 cents a dozen. North Texas paid 45 to 53 for fresh eggs.

Improved demand strengthened the pepper market in the Lower Rio Grande Valley, where beets sold firm in fair request. Good demand held spinach prices firm in the Eagle Pass and Winter Garden districts. Slow demand and dull markets prevailed on Arkansas Valley onions and San Luis Valley potatoes at Colorado shipping points. Cured sweet potatoes strengthened slightly in southern Louisiana. Heavy supplies of cabbage and citrus fruits at New Orleans met slow demand for lower prices.

Short grained rice advanced sharply last week. Long grained varieties had been rising in price for several weeks. Strong markets remained for most feedstuffs but oilseed meals and alfalfa meal showed some weakness. All of the better grades of hay found active demand at firm prices. Peanut markets changed little.

Cotton lost around \$1 a bale for the week at most markets. Spot middling 15/16 inch closed Monday at 32.15 cents a pound at Dallas, 32.00 at Little Rock, 31.95 at Houston and New Orleans, and 31.90 at Galveston.

## Situation Well in Hand



TSINGTAO, CHINA—With United States Marines on the scene, safe evacuation of U.S. citizens from war-torn China is assured. Shown above, Vice Admiral Oscar C. Badger (center), Commander of U.S. Naval Forces in the Western Pacific, salutes the colors during an inspection of the First Marines. Flanking him are General Gerald C. Thomas (right), head of Fleet Marine Force, and Major Edwin B. Wheeler of Port Chester, N.Y., unit commander. The outfit is being reinforced with 1,250 Leathernecks from Guam to assist in the evacuation.







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### 4-H CLUB NEWS

By Larry Glass

The Sterling County 4-H Club met at the County Library on November 30. Twenty-two members were present and two new members, Edmund Heacock and Jimmy Hansen, joined the club.

A program committee made up of Billy Ralph Bynum, Henry Bliznak, and Dennis Reed, was selected.

Applications for aerial photographs to be used in the Range Contest have been made by Henry Bliznak, Larry Glass, Billy Ralph Bynum, Clinton Hodges and Billy Humble.

Following the business meeting, a tour of the members was made to various points in town to look at 4-H Club demonstrations. Visits were made to Mims Reed's, Dennis Reed's, Billy and Don Davenport's, Harry Blane's and Gene Smith's lamb demonstrations. Observations were made of feeding methods, lamb gains, cleanliness of pens and water troughs, and trough arrangements.

Club members set up pens in the vacant lot between the City Cafe and Merrell's Barber Shop for exhibition of club members' pigs.

Fifteen members and the club sweetheart received their 4-H jackets on Wednesday, December 8.

Plans were being made to order club pins in bronze, silver or gold.

HOUSE for rent. Roland Edwards.

E. K. Cherry, retired farmer, was taken to a San Angelo hospital this week. He is resting comfortably it is reported.

Mrs. Sarah (Fowler) Weaver was taken to a San Angelo hospital Wednesday morning by a Lowe ambulance.

GET in your order for fresh infertile eggs for the Xmas season. J. T. Conger

### Pass 45th Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Brown observed their 45th wedding anniversary her at their home Monday, December 13. They were married in Grandview, Texas December 13, 1903 by the Rev. G. R. Patton.

Mr. Brown is a native Texan, while Mrs. Brown is a native of Mississippi. She came to Texas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Jones in 1897.

Mrs. Brown had not visited her old home in Mississippi until in 1941, she and her husband were on a tour of the southern states.

Mrs. Brown's father now lives in Arlington, and she recently visited him there.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown moved to Sterling in 1905 and have lived in Sterling County since. Mr. Brown has been the Texas Company consignee here for 33 years.

### TO WORK ON COLLEGE (ACC) DEVELOPMENT FUND

Abilene, Texas. While attending the annual homecoming of former students of Abilene Christian College recently Mrs. Chesley McDonald of Sterling City volunteered as a worker in the college's Development Fund program. Mrs. McDonald was graduated in 1940.

The college, the largest in the nation controlled by members of the church of Christ, is setting up an organization to carry out a long-range development program. Immediate goal is \$1,037,000 by January 1950.

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### North Concho River Soil Conservation News

Conservation plans on W. A. Crowder's and R. B. Bennett's farms were approved by the supervisors of the North Concho River Soil Conservation District in regular meeting Monday, December 13. District supervisors J. R. Mims, J. W. Cox, Foster S. Price, and Lee R. Reed were present for the meeting.

Applications presented by county agent Byron Frierson for five Sterling County 4-H Club boys to secure, aerial maps of pastures to be studied during the district range management contest were approved. Billy Humble, Clinton Hodges, Billy Ralph Bynum, Henry Bliznak and Larry Glass requested maps. Two 4-H Club boys, Marion Wilkerson and Johnnie J. Phillips placed requests for maps through Glasscock county agent Max Fitzhugh. Neal Hughes and Johnnie Cline, vocational agriculture students at Garden City, requested maps thru their teacher, J. H. Boothe. All Garden City applications were approved. Several other 4-H Club and F. F. A. boys plan to enter the contest.

Ranchers furnishing pastures for the boys to study during the course of the range management contest are T. H. Humble, L. F. Hodges, R. C. Bynum, David Glass of Sterling City and John Phillips, J. W. Cox, Cecil Wilkerson, and J. J. Phillips of Garden City.

George and Frank Demere have a number of calves on the ground. Their cows are in good condition. Calves from their ranch this year weighed 517 pounds. Stocking their range in accordance with the feed produced has paid big dividends to these ranchers. The drouth has prevented major improvement in the composition of native range grasses since they planned a conservation program in 1944, but the grasses already present on the range area are producing more feed under their system of management.

J. H. Boothe, Vocational agriculture teacher, Garden City and Max Fitzhugh, county agent, Glasscock County, have requested district assistance for a three hour field tour for F.F.A. and 4-H Club boys Thursday morning, December 16. They plan to study range sites and range condition classes on Cecil Wilkerson's ranch south of Garden City. A. T. Bratton and Harold Jensen with the soil conservation service, will assist in conducting the tour.

R. P. Brown reported an attendance of 102 at a farm meeting last week in the Edith community in Coke County. The meeting was sponsored by the Texas Company. This group of farmers who are in the Coke County soil conservation district, are very much interested in protecting their land from further accelerated soil erosion. One neighborhood group in this community has already received district assistance in planning conservation programs for each farm unit.

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## Swann's Visitors

Visitors at the Wm. J. Swanns last week were Major and Mrs. Dewey Williams and children of Clinton, Alabama. Mrs. Williams is Dr. Swann's cousin.

Visitors this week were Mr. and Mrs. Houston Lamar Griffin and Glenda, of Roanoke, Alabama. Mrs. Griffin is Dr. Swann's sister.

## UNDERGOES SURGERY

Mrs. G. R. (Pete) Easley underwent major surgery at the Shannon hospital in San Angelo this week. She is reported doing well as could be expected.

NOTICE—Hereafter all weighing done on the scales at the Sterling Feed & Fuel Co. will be charged for.  
M. C. Mitchell.

## Says Pacific Going Communist



SONOMA, CALIF. — Admiral Charles M. Cooke, Jr., (above) told the United Press in an exclusive interview that "control in the Western Pacific is now passing to the Communists." Cooke, who spent two years as commander of Naval forces in that area, charged that U.S. action in China has been ineffective.

## Palace Theater

Thurs., Fri., Dec. 16-17

### "BERLIN EXPRESS"

Robert Ryan, Merle Oberon

Sat. Dec. 18

### "STARS OF TEXAS"

Eddie Dean

Sun., Mon., Dec. 19-20

### "THE PIRATE"

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Tues., Wed., Dec. 21-22

### "THE FUGITIVE"

Henry Fonda, Dolores Del Rio

Thurs., Fri., Dec. 23-24

### "DEEP WATERS"

Dana Andrews, Jean Peters

Sat., Dec. 25

### "Man from Texas"

James Craig, Johnnie Johnston



## REBURIAL RITES FOR ESIAS GONZALES HELD

### HASTINGS THINKS—

By Hastings Baker

The British Government was more than a little startled to learn that 3% of the people in England think that the United States is a British Colony.

While the White House is being repaired, the Trumans are living in Blair House and probably chuckle over the fact that Blair, who once owned the house, was one of the founders of the Republican party.

Fawzia, the sister of King Farouk of Egypt, married the Shah of Persia. It was a glamorous Arabian Nights' romance and made for friendly relations between the two countries. But for reasons best known to Fawzia, she left her husband, returned to Egypt and demanded a settlement, which was refused. Then Egypt had a trump card dealt to it. The Shah's father died in Africa. The body on its way home to Persia came through Egypt, and Egypt held the body for ransom. The Shah was told that he could have his father's body when he made a settlement with Fawzia. This unhappy state of affairs lasted about three years. Recently the body was released, the separation made permanent and presumably Fawzia got her settlement. It was officially announced by royal decree: "This conjugal rupture will in no way affect the friendly relations between Persia and Egypt."

For three years the trials of war criminals have been going on and there are still about 2,500 cases pending.

Many a person who smokes or drinks too much has longed to be able to just take a pill and lose the desire which makes the bad habit. There is a pill which seems to make people not want to drink liquor. A doctor in Denmark developed a pill (tetraethyl-thiuram disulfide) which was supposed to cure worms. But when he took the pill

Reburial rites for Esias Gonzales, son of Lula Gonzales and the late Nick Gonzales, were held on Thursday, December 16, at the Fort Sam-Houston National Cemetery in San Antonio. Esias was killed on April 11, 1945 at Erfurt, Germany, while serving with the U.S. Army. He was 18 years old at the time, and was in the 318th Infantry. His mother received his Purple Heart award posthumously, and he was awarded the Combat Infantry badge before his death.

Private Gonzales was buried in the U. S. Military Cemetery at Margraten, Holland, until removal of the body for shipment home.

Attending the rites from here were his mother, Mrs. Eulalia Gonzales, his sister, Mary Gonzales and her husband, Marcelino Gonzales; his brother, Ralph Gonzales and his wife, Ernestine W. Gonzales; a niece, Ludia Rodriguez; a nephew, Danny Gonzales, all of Sterling City. A brother, Manuel Gonzales, now attending school in San Antonio, attended.

Others attending were an aunt, Julia Gonzales, and a niece, Mary Gonzales of San Angelo; an uncle, Faustino Bautista of Sonora, and an uncle, Willie Bautista of Garden City, as well as Alejandro Gonzales of Camp Wood, Texas.

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he was astonished to find that the very thought of drinking was distasteful and if he drank even a glass of beer, it made him feel very bad. They have tried it on 500 heavy drinkers and just one pill killed all desire for drink for several months in about 9 out of ten of those tested.

A clear plastic coating is being used on new wallpaper. Dirt or grease can be wiped off with a wet rag and the paper looks new almost indefinitely. A quart will cover 150 square feet of wall paper.

There are 42 television stations in the United States. Not a single one has shown a profit.

## Texas Junior Vegetable Growers Win Five National Contest Awards

TEXAS junior vegetable growers were named winners of one sectional and four state awards in the 1948 production-marketing contest of the National Junior Vegetable Growers Association as the organization gathered at Detroit, Mich., for its fourteenth annual four-day convention.



Doris M. Prater

Sectional honors were captured by Miss Doris Marie Prater, 14-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Prater of Lubbock. As the Lone Star State's top performer, Doris won \$100 from the \$6,000 in scholarships provided each year by the A&P Food Stores to encourage better production and marketing of vegetables by farm youth.

Other results announced by Prof. Grant B. Snyder of the University of Massachusetts, adult advisor to the association, included the awarding of a national championship and the top \$500 scholar-

ship to David Pratt, 16-year-old grower, of Ithaca, N. Y.

Young Miss Prater's winning project covered only a small corner of her father's 320-acre farm, but she produced a wide assortment of vegetables, with emphasis on cucumbers, okra, cream peas and tomatoes. In both home consumption and from retail sales, Doris realized a total of \$141.39, of which \$118.78 was net profit. A tenth grade student at her local high school, where she is one of two straight "A" students, Doris has been active in 4-H Club work for the past five years and has won eight first place awards, six second place awards and three third place awards for various exhibits. In addition, she is a member of the FFA, the junior basketball team and has won prizes for "ready writing." She is a member of the Lubbock County Garden committee and has taken prizes at the local and county dress reviews. To sum it all up in a sentence, Doris explains, "Entering contests is my most profitable hobby."

Other Texas state awards voted by the NJVGA convention for outstanding gardening projects went to Margie Fogle, Marshall; Sally Jane Fitzgerald, Chireno; Josie Slaughter, Marshall; and Myrlos Waters of Rio Hondo.

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106 WEST THIRD**Big Spring****THE AMERICAN WAY**

Poor Fellow

Let's make sure that America remains a land to which we  
always will be glad to return.**Boyce House  
"GIVES YOU TEXAS"**Texas has a state flower: the  
bluebonnet.  
And there is the state tree: the  
pecan.And senator Rogers Kelley, who  
lives down near the Rio Grande,  
thinks Texas should have a state  
dog. An excellent idea.But—  
The Senator favors a "chihuahua."  
Let us grant that the tiny  
creature is cute-but he isn't a Tex-  
as dog; he's from Mexico. There  
are lots of Texans who never saw  
a chihuahua in their lives.Let's select a dog that is typical  
of Texas—one that has played a  
part in the winning of Texas and  
in its life. Maybe a hunting dog,  
or a dog that herds sheep or cows,  
or a watchdog; a dog that romps  
with children and that shields them  
from harm and that can spring in  
to the water and drag them to safety.Yes, the kind of nondescript dog  
that the pioneers brought along  
when they headed west in their  
wagons on the danger-beset trail  
over mountains and fording rivers  
—a dog that went without food and  
water in the desert but never de-serted; a dog that flew to his mas-  
ter's side to help him in a fight  
with a wild animal; a dog whose  
bark gave warning of the approach  
of Indians; a dog that was a brave  
and faithful friend, giving affection  
comradeship, loyalty, service and,  
if necessary, life itself, asking only  
in return a word of cheer and a pat  
on his head.That's the dog Texas should se-  
lect.

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Just how big is the King Ranch?  
Nearly a million acres—but a mil-  
lion acres is like a billion dollars;  
so big we can't visualize it, so it  
becomes almost meaningless.A man parked his car on the  
ranch while he was on a fishing  
trip, forgot where he parked it and  
they found the car the other day  
—12 years later.That's how big the King Ranch  
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From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

**The Missus "Ducks" Out**Slim Hartman took his missus  
duck hunting the other day. And  
after five hours of sitting in a  
swamp, she'd had enough! Going  
home, Slim reminded her good-  
naturedly of the time she'd taken  
him to a woman novelist's lecture,  
and insisted that he sit it out.So now the missus and Slim have  
an understanding. No more duck  
hunting for her—no more lectures  
for him. They decided each to his  
own taste.It's because they can agree to  
disagree like that, I think, thatSlim and the missus get on so well  
—content to stay home nights to-  
gether, enjoying one another's  
company over a glass of beer and a  
game of chess.From where I sit, we can't all  
enjoy the same things—but we can  
share those little pleasures that  
we do enjoy—a glass of beer, a  
game of chess, some music on the  
radio—and live-and-let-live when  
it comes to the others.

Joe Marsh

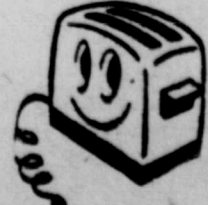
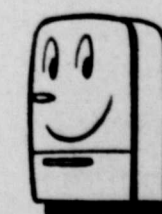
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your electrical dealer.**West Texas Utilities  
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## SAVINGS BOND SALES

Texans purchased \$177,000,000 in U. S. Savings Bonds during the first 11 months of 1948, and E Bonds totaled \$125,000,000.

Sterling County's record is as follows:

\$412.50 E Bond Sales, November, 1948.

\$412.50 Total Bond Sales in November, 1948.

\$79,193.75 Total Sales January through November, 1948.

Traditionally, December is a month of large bond sales for year end buyers, bonus and present giving. Attractive gift jackets have been prepared for free distribution to buyers for Christmas, so when you shop for Christmas gifts, remember to buy U.S. Savings Bonds.

Anna Lee Johnson,  
County Chairman.

GET in your order for fresh infertile eggs for the Xmas season.  
J. T. Conger

## "EXTRA" HELP MUST HAVE SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS

Additional salespeople employed for the holiday season must have a social security number, George Clark, San Angelo, social security field manager, reminded today.

With the Christmas rush at almost full tide, Clark urges that each person who has a job or who expects to be employed, part-time or full time, secure a social security account number immediately, if he

does not already have one. He should make a point of showing it to the employer at the time he is entered on the payroll.

Employers were also reminded to see that each person hired has a social security number. A record of the number should be made at the time the persons enter the ser-

vice of the firm.

Clark reminded business men, and other people who receive checks for cashing or in payment of merchandise that they should not accept social security account numbers as positive certification of the individual holder.

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## Christmas Gift

Ideas From  
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**\$129.75**

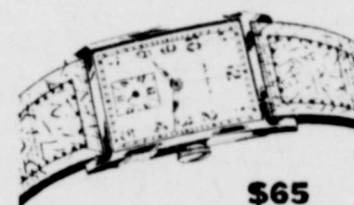
Adorable Sweetheart set: six-diamond bridal pair of 14-k. gold, and diamond Baylor watch, 17 jewels.

*For Him*



**\$150**

Handsome 14-k. yellow gold man's ring, three diamonds.



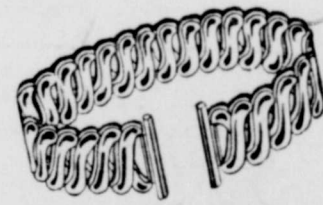
**\$65**

Distinctively designed 17-jewel Waltham, gold-filled case.



**\$9.75**

Massive mounting of 10-k. gold, gold initial on onyx.



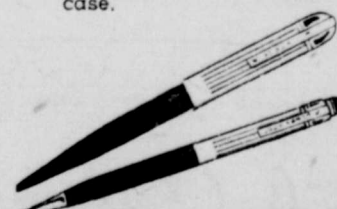
**\$2.95**

Expansion watch band, choice of white, yellow or pink gold color.



**\$84.27**

De Luxe model 5 Remington portable typewriter with carrying case.



**\$17.50**

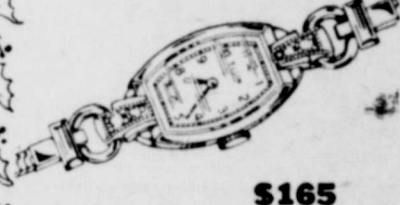
Parker "51" pen and pencil set, silver finish top.

*For Her*



**\$50**

14-k. gold dinner ring enhanced with three diamonds.



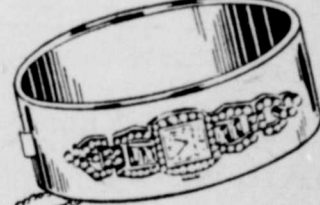
**\$165**

17-Jewel Elgin, 14-k. gold case with four diamonds.



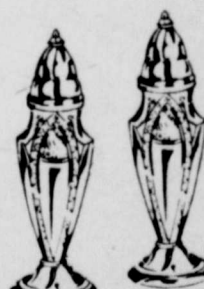
**\$2.95**

Sweetheart bracelet, the color of natural gold, choice of styles.



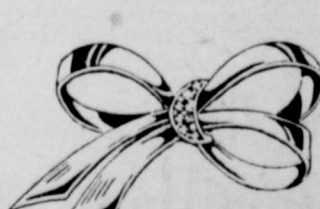
**\$29.75**

17-Jewel Baylor cocktail watch, on bracelet surrounded by rhinestones.



**\$2.95**

Silver-plated salt and pepper shakers, daintily engraved.



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