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Master Swings Election!
Official Returns
Now Bond Issue
Set By One Vote

Also Returns From
Box Cause Of
Error In Result Report

...of a practical joker or mischief maker, coupled with the "pony express" method of collecting election returns in Crockett County, combined last to cause for a time, so far as the public's knowledge is concerned, the result of the bond issue election held in Crockett County of last week.

...able returns from six of the voting boxes where the election was held were received within a few hours at the office of County Clerk George Russell. The returns indicated one of the contests in the county's history, standing on the basis of complete returns with a wide margin in favor of the "No" side in favor of issuing the bonds and 110 against.

...George Thompson ranch box the last to report results of voting. Late Wednesday, a phone report was received by Russell from an unknown calling the purported returns from the Thompson box. (The Thompson ranch can not be reached by telephone.)

...just came by the Thompson ranch and they asked me to call and tell you there were four "No" votes and all in favor," the report. When Clerk Russell called for the caller's name, the telephone receiver

...ing to see any reason for a report, the caller's report was accepted as true and the election was announced as 115 "Yes" and 110 "No" against the issue and 110 against.

...the official returns from the Thompson box, where Mr. and Mrs. Hall, who lease the ranch, are in charge of the election, did not received in Ozona until the return showed two "Yes" and one "No" vote.

...to the issue—which reverses the previous count and left the issue defeated by a one-vote margin—112 against to 111 "Yes."

Ozona 4-H Club
Shows Lambs
San Antonio

Clubbers To Show
Animals In
Thursday Contests

County Agent Bill Bergfeld and 4-H Club boys left Wednesday morning with 31 fat lambs fed by the County 4-H Clubbers to be exhibited in the division of the San Antonio Stock Exhibition this week. Bergfeld, accompanied by Clubbers Carl Conklin and Carroll Stratten, left in Ashby McMullan's truck with the lambs aboard. Those who will exhibit in the San Antonio show and the number and names of lambs include Mike Clay, 1 crossbred lamb; Sonny Johnson, 1 crossbred and 1 Rambouillet lamb; Tom Kincaid, 2 Rambouillet lambs; Graham Childers, 1 Rambouillet lamb; Ronnie Hill, 1 crossbred lamb; Ben Hill, 3 Rambouillet lambs; Conklin, 2 Rambouillet lambs; Stratten, 6 Rambouillet lambs; Jodie Jones, 2 crossbred lambs; and Carroll Stratten, 2 crossbred lambs.

...ing for the San Antonio show will take place Friday and Saturday. The lambs will be shown Saturday. The boys who will exhibit today or tomorrow for San Antonio to attend the show include Mrs. Boyd Clayton, Jack Johnson, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Hill, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Hill, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Ashby McMullan, Mr. and Mrs. Max Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Frankie Hill and Mrs. Bergfeld.

"OZONA, MILLIONAIRES' TOWN" IS FEATURED IN ARTICLE IN CURRENT SAT. EVENING POST

Man Arrested Here In Connection With Rankin Liquor Theft

Stanley Hammond, about 35, was arrested here Wednesday afternoon by Sheriff V. O. Earnest and held for officers at Rankin. Hammond is said to be wanted in connection with the recent burglary of a liquor store there. Five or six cases of liquor were reported taken from the store. One other man is being held in Rankin in connection with the offense and another is being sought, local officers understood.

Ozona Firemen Again Win First Place In Contest

Locals Beat Veteran Sonora Team At Brady Convention

A team from the comparatively new Ozona Volunteer Fire Department beat out a veteran organization from Sonora and eight other West Texas towns in a six-man race to connect fire fighting equipment in the featured contest at the semi-annual convention of the Hill Country Volunteer Firemen's Association held in Brady Tuesday.

It was the second time in a row that the local department team had won the six-man contest, last year at Sonora in the first contest they had ever entered and their first time to attend a convention as members of the Association.

The Ozona six-man team, composed of Chief Bill Cooper, Dick Henderson, Gene Williams, Miller Robison, James Semmler and Charles Ratliff, made their connections in 24.7 seconds to beat by a second and a half the Sonora team which completed their contest job in 26.1 seconds. Eldorado's team was third in 31 seconds flat. Other entries in the contest were Ballinger, Junction, Miles, Mason, Coleman, Eden and Winters.

The Ozona department was \$25 richer as a result of their performance, that amount being first prize money in the contest. The Ozona department also won fourth place in the three-man contest, with the same ten teams entered and took third in the one-man race. On the three-man team from Ozona were H. E. Kunkel, Miller Robison, and Gene Williams and on the one-man team was Gene Williams.

In the convention sessions, the assembled firemen heard talks by Olin Cuberson of the State Railroad Commission; State Fire Marshall Sanders and Marley Snyder, chairman of the Fire Prevention Bureau at Austin. The next convention of the association will be held in Eldorado in August. Charlie Straach of Miles was elected president of the association to succeed Homer Minnick of Sonora. Floyd Sims of Winters was named first vice president; G. D. Posey of Ballinger, second vice president; the Rev. W. W. Lemmons of Junction, chaplain, and John M. Hankins of Junction, secretary-treasurer.

Mrs. James Semmler and Mrs. H. E. Kunkel of Ozona attended the convention along with their husbands and other members of the local department named on the teams above.

GIRL SCOUTS - - - The Girl Scout Troop met Wednesday with Della Mae Mason. The girls practiced on second class badge requirements in dramatics and dancing. Traveler badges will be discussed at the next meeting.

WILLING WORKERS MEET - - - The Willing Worker's Circle of the Methodist W.S.C.S. will meet with Mrs. Beecher Montgomery next Wednesday, February 22, at 9:00 a.m.

Independents To Stage Basketball Tournament Here

Melton Motor Team Is Host For Three-day Week-end Meet

With eight teams entered, the stage is set for the three-day independent basketball tournament to be held in the new Davidson Memorial Gymnasium Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week. Proceeds from the tourney admissions will go to the Ozona High School band fund.

The tournament is being sponsored by Melton Motors of Ozona, which, with another Ozona team, the Ozona Roping Club entry, will be the host teams. Other entries in the tournament are the Bill Hale Motors of Odessa, the Checker Cab "A" team from San Angelo, the Holder Grocery team from Odessa, the Big Lake Independents, the Crane Sandhills from Crane and the Alpine Independents.

Teams will be competing for trophies offered by the Melton Motor Co. to winner and runner-up teams in the championship bracket and to the winner in the consolation bracket. Individual trophies will be awarded to the player selected by a committee of judges as the outstanding player of the tournament and to five players selected on the all-tournament team.

The tournament will get under way at 8:00 o'clock Thursday night with Bill Hale Motors pitted against Big Lake. At 9:30 o'clock, Melton Motors will meet Checker Cab in the second opening-round game.

Friday night at 8:00 o'clock, the Holder Grocery team from Odessa will meet the Ozona Roping Club team and at 9:30 the same evening, the Crane Sandhills will play the Alpine Independents.

Second round games will start at 12:00 o'clock noon Saturday, with four games to be played, including championship and consolation games, during the afternoon. Finals in both the championship and consolation bracket will be played Saturday night, starting at 8:00 o'clock.

Season tickets are now on sale and may be purchased at Melton Motor Company or from any member of the band, at \$2.00 for adults and \$1.00 for students, good for each of the four sessions of the tournament. Single admission price at each session will be 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for students, except for the final Saturday night session when prices will be 75 cents for adults and 50 cents for students.

The Melton Motor team roster included Mack McClanahan, Bud Jordan, Red Harrison, Bill Melton, Jim Dudley, Charles Cunningham, Sonny Meinecke, Joe Williams, Jack Harris, J. A. Pelto, Martin Hearne, and Marvin Day.

Players on the Ozona Roping Club team include Beecher Montgomery, Frank McMullan, Jr., Bud Cox, Tom Powers, Joe B. Chapman, Sonny Bailey, Vic Montgomery, Jack Coates, Charlie Boy Davidson, Tom Ed Montgomery and Don Cooke.

High School Band To Present Concert In Auditorium Feb. 27

Ozona High School Band, directed by John Armstrong, will present its annual concert in the high school auditorium on Monday evening, February 27th. Mr. Armstrong announced this week.

The program for the evening will consist for the most part of contest numbers that the band will perform in the regional band contests to be held at Midland. There will be solo numbers on the various instruments and a twirling routine performed by the drum major and twirlers.

Guest conductor on the occasion will be Charles Senning of Austin. Admission prices for the concert will be 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for students.

25 Per Cent Good Fire Record Credit For Ozona Is Continued

For the third year in a row, Ozona was assigned a maximum of 25 per cent credit rating for good fire loss record during the past year, according to announcement of ratings by the State Fire Insurance Commissioner in Austin this week.

Ozona had the maximum 25 per cent credit until 1944, when, because of the heavy loss from destruction by fire of the Methodist Church, the credit was reduced to 15 per cent. It was raised to the 25 per cent maximum again in 1948.

The 25 per cent rating means a 25 per cent flat reduction of fire insurance premiums, such credit being extended a community when insured fire losses are down to a level which would warrant such reduction in premium rates.

Commissioners Black and Miller Are Candidates

Incumbents Announce Candidacy For Re-Election To Post

Two incumbent Commissioners of Crockett County announced themselves as candidates for re-election in the coming July Democratic primary this week.

Rob Miller, Commissioner from Precinct No. 1, which includes the town of Ozona, authorized the Stockman to announce his candidacy for re-election. Commissioner Miller is a veteran member of the Crockett County court and announced that his candidacy for re-election is based, as it has always been through the many years of service, on his record as a member of the court. He is so far unopposed for the office.

Charlie Black, Jr., now serving under appointment from the court to fill out the unexpired term of his father, the late Charles S. Black, who served for many years as commissioner from Precinct 2, made his simultaneous announcement as a candidate for his first elective term in the office.

Mr. Black, a young ranchman from the northern precinct of the county, was appointed to the post after his father's death last year. He is fast "learning the ropes," fellow commissioners report and as a candidate, the youngest commissioner pledges his best efforts to serve his precinct and the county as a whole as a member of the county's governing body if the voters see fit to return him to the office. He, too, is unopposed.

Entry of the two commissioners as candidates bring to a total of five now officially in the running for posts in the commissioners court. Two candidates, Sid Millsap and James Childress, have announced for commissioner from Precinct 4, now represented by E. R. Kinser, and E. B. Ingham, Jr., is a candidate for Precinct 3, now represented by J. W. Owens.

Wayland College Choir To Sing In Ozona Sunday

"International" Singers In Concert At Baptist Church

Well trained and blended voices plus colorful costumes distinguished the famous International Choir of Wayland College, Plainview, Texas, which is scheduled to appear in concert at the First Baptist Church in Ozona next Sunday evening, February 19th. Rev. Clifton Tension, pastor, has announced.

The International Choir, under the direction of Shelby Collier, voice and music teacher at Wayland, presents the first half of its concert program dressed in conventional full dress and evening gowns. But the second half of the program will see the choir (Continued on Last Page)

Safe Crackers Make Haul At Ranch Theatre

Bottom Of Strong Box Chiseled Open; Estimated \$800 Lost

Safe crackers visited Ozona Sunday night and the Ranch Theatre suffered a loss of an estimated \$800 in cash.

The theatre safe, which was located in one of the rooms above the theatre, was chiseled open through the bottom and looted of the cash—receipts from the show's operations Saturday night, which included a mid-nite magician show in addition to the regular movie program, and the Sunday shows.

The burglars presumably gained entry through a window in the rear of the theatre, glass in which was found broken. A steel plate which was spot welded in the center of the safe's bottom, was pried off. The crackers then chiseled through the concrete body of the safe's bottom and through the steel lining to reach in through the hole and pilfer the safe's contents.

The intruder's first attempts to gain entry to the safe by knocking or sawing off the combination knob, failing in this, they turned the safe on its back and chiseled through the bottom. The loss was discovered the following morning by Manager Robert Cox.

Sheriff V. O. Earnest and Deputies Hearst Laws and Alf Colbath investigated the robbery. Members of the State Highway Patrol were called in and fingerprint experts from the Department failed to find any prints about the safe or window where the intruders entered.

State Rangers, Highway Patrolmen and local officers were continuing their investigations into the case this week but no announcement of progress toward a solution was forthcoming at midweek.

The safe's cracking followed a recent wave of burglaries in the city. Several local business houses have been entered in recent weeks, with amounts ranging from a few dollars to \$60 to \$70 pilfered from cash registers. No clues to these robberies have yet been uncovered.

College Head To Speak At Rotary Ladies Night

Ozona Club Banquet Friday Evening At Methodist Church

Dr. Bill Marshall, president of Wayland College at Plainview, will be the principal speaker at the annual Ladies Night banquet to be staged by the Ozona Rotary Club in the Social Hall of the Methodist Church Friday evening.

Dr. Marshall was for six years personnel director for the Baptist Foreign Mission Board and as such traveled to all corners of the globe. He is much in demand as a speaker and since January 1st of this year has addressed civic clubs chambers of commerce, etc., in 26 different cities of the state.

The banquet theme will combine the Valentine and Washington's birthday themes, with "Sweethearts on Parade" presented as a skit. There will be club singing and a solo by Bill Hannah.

Two foreign students will be presented by Dr. Marshall for brief talks.

Mrs. George Metcalf of Ozona underwent major surgery in a San Angelo hospital last week. She was reported doing well this week. Two of Mrs. Metcalf's daughters, Mrs. F. A. Duckett of Grand Prairie, and Mrs. W. J. McAnally of Ozona were at her bedside.

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1950

March 4 Designated Ozona Day At Angelo Fat Stock Show

SAN ANGELO—Thursday, March 4th has been designated as "Ozona Day" at San Angelo's 1950 Fat Stock Show and Rodeo, scheduled for March 2 through 5th.

Already breaking all previous records for the number of livestock entries in its show division, the 17th annual event is expected to be the largest in San Angelo's history. It is also the first year that cities and towns in West Texas have been honored with a special day at the rodeo.

Some 2,000 entries have been entered in the livestock division, Pat H. Jackson, general chairman for the show, announced last week. This compares with some 1,250 entered in the 1949 show.

The rodeo will be staged by Everett Colborn, world-famous producer, from Dublin, Texas. Performances will be held at 2:00 p.m. daily.

Several nationally known trick and fancy riders will perform along with the Curtiss Six Pony Hitch, a fast stepping exhibition of teamwork. Byron and Lee Hendricks, the flying twins, will also perform their Roman riding act without strapping their horses together.

A downtown parade will precede the first performance of the rodeo on Thursday. In the show division, judging will begin on opening day with the Fat Lamb Show the Fat Pig Show and Hereford Cattle.

On Friday, March 3rd, the Fat Steer Show, Breeding Sheep Show, and Aberdeen-Angus Cattle Show will be judged. The Boy's Fat Stock Sale will be held Saturday morning at 9:30 a.m.

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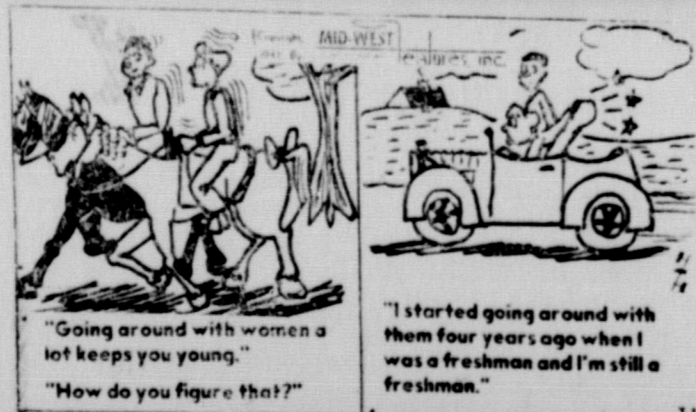
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"OZONA, MILLIONAIRES' TOWN" FEATURED IN POST ARTICLE

(Continued From Page One)

a West Texas sheep and oil-well town, where just 142 purse-proud families own or lease 1,788,000 acres," reads the sub heading under the title of the article.

By special permission from the Saturday Evening Post, the Stockman reprints below the article in part:

In the West Texas sheep, goat and oil-well country they will tell you solemnly that when a citizen of the city of Ozona dies and goes to heaven, it is necessary to clip his wings, hobble him and corral him snugly behind a high wire fence to keep him from fleeing the Golden City and stampeding back to his native Crockett County with the speed of a startled deer. There is, no doubt, some element of typical Texas exaggeration in this tale but no true son of Ozona will deny that he is profoundly pleased with the life he lives in the leafy bower where two generations of ranchers have built their stately mansions, their schools and their serenely beautiful churches in the center of a vast and windy stretch of nearly 3,000 square miles of treeless grassland and brushy flat-topped hills. Despite periodic droughts and occasional whistling northers, the high, dry plains around Ozona have produced great riches in the form of wool and mutton, mohair and oil, and no citizen fortunate enough to have been born in Crockett County has ever felt any deep urge to quit his ranchlands or abandon his spacious residence at the county seat even to savor celestial joys beyond the pearly gates.

The placid assumption by the citizens of Crockett that their home range offers all that a man could want of life either now or in the hereafter is sometimes mildly irritating to the inhabitants of the more gaunt and sun-baked towns beyond the horizon. To them the rich, tree-shaded Ozonans are a fine-haired and purse-proud lot, as pleased with their pioneer forebears as they are with their bank accounts.

The big sign on the square which proclaims Ozona "The Biggest Little Town in the World" annoys the neighboring metropolises. They are offended by the smug satisfaction with which Ozona oftentimes refers to its richest residential thoroughfare as Silk Stocking Street, and even the well-heeled ladies of San Angelo—population 55,000—are sometimes miffed at their department stores for holding out their most elegant gowns until the wealthier ladies of Ozona—population 3,500—can have first pick.

The inhabitants are also undisturbed by the fact that beyond the boundaries of West Texas nobody but a few Boston wool buyers, some oil-well drillers and a handful of Midwestern lamb fatteners has ever heard of the Biggest Little Town in the World. Other than putting up the prideful sign on the city square, Ozona has never been a town to advertise its virtues in a bombastic manner. Like the hermit soul in the poem, its inhabitants have been satisfied to live withdrawn in the place of their self-content, and they are extremely satisfied that the nearest railroad shipping point is at Barnhart, 29 miles away in another county. There was a time when Ozona might have had the railroad but the citizens, pondering the matter, voted against it. Trains,

the Ozona ranchmen decided, would frighten the ewes at lambing time and would set the grass on fire, and were likely to bring in all sorts of riffraff who might seek to take up residence in the city. To provide living space for rail-borne newcomers, somebody would have to sell some land, and none of the dozen-odd pioneer ranchers who had bought up the range when land was bringing a dollar an acre was interested in selling. In the ancient Texas tradition, they wanted the land they had plus that which adjoined them. The 142 descendants who now own or lease Crockett County's 1,788,000 acres of grassland cling sturdily to that same point of view.

No old Ozonan will deny that he is extremely proud to be one of, or descended from, the leathery, land-loving pioneers who founded the city in 1891, and even latecomers who arrived as belatedly as 1916 like to convey the impression that the blood of the original stock flows in their veins.

"Why son," they will say to an outsider, "when I come here there weren't any stars at all, and the moon was just a little bitty thing."

Ozonans are proud of pointing out that their town's story presents in capsule form a history of the march of civilization into the West. In the space of one man's lifetime, they have moved from the mud hut to the mansion, from frioles to caviar, from the mule-drawn wagon to the plane. This swift transition was accomplished, they claim, because their founding forebears stoutly refused to behave in the uncouth, uncivilized manner of the cow country when it was wild. While hot-eyed cattlemen elsewhere still fought over water holes and cursed sheep and fences with equal fervor, Ozona's founders, many of them of thrifty Scot shepherding blood, were drilling water wells, building tanks and windmills and running cattle and sheep together on the same fenced-in range, confounding the old cowmen who claimed that a steer would not graze or drink on land where a sheep had put its foot.

The town they founded as the cultural and social center of an area almost three times as large as Rhode Island managed from

the first to avoid the hot antipathies that kept that kept the frontier in a boil. Though cattlemen hated sheepmen, Southerners hated Northerners, gringos hated greasers and stout Methodists and Baptists looked with distrust upon those of the other faiths, these diverse elements seemed to blend happily and smoothly in Ozona.

The town, when young, did have its brief period of rowdiness, when rough characters from the more lusty city of Sonora came over to open a couple of saloons, but the gun-toting cowboy in from the "lone prairie" for a bender received a cold reception in the law-abiding hamlet. One of the first acts of county commissioners who ran—and still run—the unincorporated city was to order the sheriff to purchase handcuffs and leg irons for the restraint of roisterers.

Ozonans are well aware that the town's more rugged neighbors like to portray her inhabitants as a bunch of softhearted millionaires, riding about in limousines, but Ozona stoutly and truthfully insists that this is a canard. There is, indeed, no way for a stranger to tell the difference between a millionaire rancher and a man who pumps gas at the filling station. Each wears a dusty, pearl-gray sombrero and high-heeled sharp pointed boots decorated with steer heads or floral patterns. Between the boots and hat, each adorns himself with a nondescript khaki shirt and pants known locally as "duckskins," and each is equally sun-and-wind-burned to the leathery color and texture of a well-worn saddle.

Even when he dresses up for a dance at the courthouse, a wedding or a funeral, the Ozonan's sartorial rig is still typically West Texas. His fifty-dollar hat and his forty-dollar hand-made boots are the same color and shape as those he wears every day, but a tailored ranch suit, of gray whipcord, takes the place of the dusty duckskins. A ranch jacket and an even tighter pair of pants held up by a hand-tooled belt with a silver buckle studded with synthetic rubies. On the rare occasions when he wears something loose-fitting, such as a business suit, the Ozonan complains that he feels as if he were clad in a sack. Flat-heeled shoes also cause him to use bad language, for, if he wears them long, his leg muscles begin to pain him as if he had been hamstrung.

Ozona's only outward sign that it once was and still may be one of the richest towns per capita in the United States is the stately homes along and just off Broadway, formerly Silk Stocking Street. Most of Ozona's matrons were born to the loneliness and hardships of the ranch life—"We used to break the ice and drink from the trough with the sheep"—and they have naturally spent large sums for imported architects and decorators in an effort to obtain the elegance and luxury they missed in their youth. In the air-conditioned houses, deep carpets of beige and taupe and silver gray spread from wall-to-wall, furniture reflects the fragile, gilded elegance of the French court, and delicate figurines, fine old glass and silver services which formerly graced English country houses are plentiful.

The prosperity which gives Ozona its fine homes and its vast sense of well-being is rooted deep in its history. The great wagon trains which rolled in the 1870's northward from the state of Chihuahua, in Old Mexico, to El Paso—their deep wheel ruts may still be seen today on Sid Millspaugh's ranch—passed through a country which was a rancher's dream of heaven. The soil of the great plateau was thin but rich, and on it the good grass grew belly-high to the long-legged, longhorn steers. It was a remote land with few springs and running streams, though, and therefore cheap. Railroads owned millions of acres of it, and the University of Texas and the schools of the older eastern counties owned many millions more. It could be leased for grazing for three cents an acre or it could be bought for a dollar, with forty years in which to pay. So, many men came in to lease and to buy, first along the Pecos River and then back from the boundary across the dry plains.

All the family names you now read on the Ozona tax rolls—the Hoovers, the Shannons, the Coates, the Massies, the Friends, the Couches, the Phillipps, the Piners, the Perners, the Grahams, the Childresses, the Mitchells, the Wests, the Kincaids, the Pierces, the Hendersons, and the Baggetts—came in. They homesteaded the land and drilled wells 500 feet down to the sweet water. They dug tanks to hold the water the windmills pumped. They lived in dugouts or in houses built with cedar posts ribbed with the tough flower stalk of the sotol, a dry-land plant that grew on the rim-

rocks, and they walled their houses with mud. They built fences, shot, trapped and poisoned coyotes and wolves and panthers that killed their stock. Today they hunt the last lamb-killing predator, the Mexican Eagle, by flying along beside him and shooting him with a shotgun.

Though as noted, every ranch in Crockett County is supposed to be fabulously rich, just how rich are the fortunes that Ozonans have accumulated over the years is hard to say. Since everybody in the town is kin to nearly everybody else they speak warily to a stranger about money matters, though they will gladly tell you how much a man has and let you figure out for yourself. Banker Scott Peterson Smith, with County Judge Horton Smith, is the only man in town who does not dress like an oil-cow hand, puts it this way: "A little operator in Crockett County is a man who owns about 100 square miles of land worth \$10,000. On his land he will have 100 sheep worth \$15 each, or \$1,500. He'll have 100 head of cattle worth \$10,000, and a house in town worth about \$25,000, and cash and Government bonds totaling about \$100,000, or roughly a third of a million dollars in all. A fairly sized operator would have about 85 sections of land, or 54,400 acres worth about \$1,350,000. He'd have 400 head of cattle worth \$400. His home would cost \$50,000, \$75,000, and he'd have in the bank a comfortable nest egg of probably \$200,000 in cash and bonds pressed, he probably could scrape up a couple million dollars.

Both of these are hypothetical examples, of course, but Peterson agrees that Mr. Peters has got a fair picture of the recent Crockett County ranching. There's no great trick to getting comfortably up into the chips, once you got the land. All it takes is a little energy, a few good will Mexican ranch hands and a few sheep dog or two. For it's awfully hard to mismanage a ranch, to say, so long as it rains just a little, and a ram keeps feeling way he does about an ewe.

Mrs. T. L. Nelson returned last week to her home here after a visit with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Nelson and daughter, Judy Ann, of S. derson.

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Teams Enter Ozona Independent Basketball Tourney

Motor Company will open their independent tournament Friday night, February 16th, at the Checker Cab "A." There are three trophies to be won by the first and second winners and to the consolation. There will also be 10 individual awards for the all-around team and also an outstanding player award. Teams that have entered are: Hale of Odessa, Holder Groves of Odessa, Sand Hills Gulf of Odessa, Checker Cab "A" Independent, Ozona, Big Lake Independent and Ozona Melton Motors.

Motor Motors Team Globetrotters Playing In Austin

The Melton Motor Independent basketball team went to Austin to see the Harlem Globetrotters (colored team) play the Philadelphia Phils, the Globetrotters, once you take a good will and a few dollars. The Globetrotters, who has an inch reach from fingertip to grip. He is a hook shot specialist. "Jumping Johnnie" Wilson is six feet, two forward, is one of the high jumpers for his height in the world. The trip from Ozona were following: Frankie Chapman, Charles Cunningham, William Meinecke, "Swede" Pelto, George Small, Mustard Williams, Bill Red Harrison, Jack Coates, Hearne, Doug McDonald, Dudley, James Bramlett and McClanahan. The Globetrotters have won 88 consecutive games.

Juniors Present Mystery Comedy To Appreciative Crowd

A scream pierced the air last Friday night, February 10th. But don't worry, it was just the skeleton carrying another body away. This scene came from the high school auditorium where the junior class was presenting their annual play, "The Skeleton Walks."

Kenneth Parker, portraying the part of Dr. Fersig, was good, but could have spoken a little louder. Alton Smith, playing the role of Bill Clayton, had a little trouble remembering his lines.

Darrene Thompson, alias Elaine Blair, was good for the part, but at times didn't speak loud enough.

Marjorie Parrish, playing Mrs. Embry, was a well picked person for the part and she played it well. Betty Knox portrayed Mrs. Donahue and did very well as "the crazy woman."

Ruth Sparks, alias "Kinks," was excellent for the part of a small girl.

Bobby Halydier, or Bobby Embry, was the best actor in the play. He kept the audience laughing continually with his witty remarks.

Betty Maness portrayed the deaf and dumb mute, Ollie, very well. Hallie Kinser did quite a bit of ad libbing while playing Mrs. Hubbard.

Betty Maddoux played the part of Ann Rowal very well except for a few lines that were not quite clear enough.

All in all, the play was a big success. Congratulations! To the Junior Class and Miss Sealy.

Miss Sealy was presented a set of jewelry by Alton Smith between the second and third acts. The play was given again for the benefit of those who didn't get to see it Monday evening at 2:30 in the high school.

VALENTINE PARTIES

The Valentine parties that were given in the Junior High School were as follows:

The eighth and seventh grades had theirs together, which was a dance at the junior high building at 7:30 on February 14th. They were supposed to bring dates.

The sixth grade had theirs at the Methodist Church recreation center on February 13th at 7:00.

The fifth grade students were served by their room mothers in the school building about 2:30 in the afternoon on February 14th.

Meltons Take Two In Pre-Tournament Warm-Up Series

Melton Motors warmed up for their independent basketball tournament next week-end by copping two games on the home court.

They ran over Sonora last Tuesday night, 58 to 21. Cunningham hit the net for 23 points to receive high honors for Melton Motors.

Outstanding for Sonora was Rabon with 8 points.

Thursday night they downed Gem Jewelers of San Angelo, 52 to 50 in a five minute overtime.

Pelto was high for Melton Motors with 15 points. Harris hit the net for 12 points.

Outstanding for Gem Jewelers was McClure who hit the net for 15 points. Lyons ran a close second with 12 points.

Thru the Keyhole

We hear that a little thing like "acting" makes Kenneth (Dr. Fersig) Parker pretty sick!

We hear Miss Taylor got married. Good luck to her!

Rose, why weren't you at the banquet?

Good luck to Betty Sue and Armond Hoover! They were married on Valentine's Day at 5:30 p.m.

Does Alton have a girl friend? Betty Maness, you were really good in the Junior Play.

Bill Gillette, what did you get sick on Saturday night?

Todie, did you get mad Saturday night? Jealousy doesn't pay!

"Georgie Porgie" sure is getting blue over Annete J.'s going away soon.

Miss Drake, do you have a new car?

What time did Mr. Massingill and Mr. Bramlett make it home Monday morning?

We hear Darrene Thompson and Kenneth Perdue are getting pretty chummy.

Mr. Pelto, who do you talk to every morning before school? Better beware!

Don Cooke has been visiting here since Sunday. Welcome!

We had a good snow Monday, didn't we?

Mary Ann, Kay, Joan and Judy tried to beat the snow to San Angelo so they could be snow-bound. Tough luck girls!

Jamie Knox, how did you like your Valentine?

Mr. Boedecker, where were you Saturday night? What happened?

Ted, what did you spend that money you won at the show for?

The Seniors are going to give a play the last of March, so we hear.

Pelto Shaping Up Basketball Hopefuls For Next Year Team

Coach Jarmon (Swede) Pelto has been working out with next year's basketball team, each afternoon from 3:15 until around 6:00.

Coach Pelto lost seven seniors off the "A" team this year so he is trying to find new material.

The following boys are working out daily: Tom Piner, Andres Vela, Virgil Machado, Sergio Martinez, Bobby Womack, Carroll Stratton, Bill Schneemann, Gordon Sparks, Ben Conklin, Charles Garlitz and Elvis Andrews.

Norris Pogue will be the student manager. K. Parker, B. Haly-

dier and Joe Bailey are the only returning lettermen.

Coach Hearne is also working on his next year's Junior High team. His boys are as follows:

Hale, Jones, J. Smith, D. Smith, R. McMullan, Black, Brownrigg, Kincaid, Chapman, Guthrie, Beasley, West, Clayton, Hugh Russell is the manager.

H-Bomb To Kisses Questions For Poll Of O.H.S. Students

Forty-six of the 98 students in Ozona High School were polled Thursday, February 9th on twelve questions drawn up by the Journalism Class.

Fifty-two percent of the class thought that the U.S. should manufacture the H bomb.

Twenty-six per cent voted "No" and 22% were undecided.

"Do you think athletics are over-emphasized in OHS?"

Two per cent thought "Yes." 87% voted "No" and 11% were undecided.

Fifty-four per cent are going to college. 9% are not and 37% are undecided.

Over half of the boys and girls in OHS think it is okay to go steady in high school. They showed this by voting 57% "For," to 28% "Against," with 20% undecided.

Odds seem to be against a girl being kissed on her first date. At least that is how the OHS students voted on that question. 41% voted "No," 35% said "Yes," while 24% were undecided.

Forty-four per cent of the students think that the OHS teachers are too hard on the kids. 33% said they were too easy and 23% were afraid to say.

Whippings were voted down in

OHS by a count of 37 to 5, while 4 were undecided.

The students in OHS think that they are friendly enough toward new students. 50% to 39% against. The rest were undecided.

Some of the suggestions for improvement of OHS were "Have more time between classes, and have more school spirit."

Ranching and teaching seem to be predominant in the vocational class.

Band Mothers Make \$70 On Square Dance

The band parents sponsored a square dance for adults last Thursday, February 9th. This dance was for band instrument money and about \$70 was made. The services of the caller and the orchestra were donated free.

The band will sponsor a square dance for students soon.

Magician Makes Hit With O.H.S. Students

The magician, Kara Kum made a big hit with the students of OHS last Saturday night with his midnite show. His best trick was when he floated Mary Ann North in mid-air.

He used many high school students in his show. Some were Kenneth Perdue, Mary Ann North, June Perner, Darrene Thompson, Joan Holt, William Meinecke, Mr. Boedecker also was called to the stage.

Many students enjoyed the drinks he mixed with water alone. He made many different drinks, such as wines, martinis, different brands of whiskey, cokes, orange, lime, and it seemed out of plain water.

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SOME BEAN, EH DEAN? . . . Edward Nelson, 17, seated, surrounded by books representing four years of college work, chats with F. Champion, dean of the University of Chicago. Nelson is the envy of every college student who struggles four years to obtain a college sheepskin. In a 30-hour examination, he answered questions equivalent to four years of college, thus excusing him from attending college. The 30-hour examination was the first of its kind in collegiate history. Nelson took the examination to enable himself to enter the graduate school at the university.

Hospital Manager Invites Public To Inspect Institution

By C. A. Woody, M. T. Business Manager, Ozona Hospital

At last, after waiting for what seems such a long time, Ozona has a hospital which it can justly be proud of and brag about in the true Texan way.

As manager of the hospital, I want to extend a most cordial invitation to come and visit the hospital. Just let it be known when you come in that you want to see the hospital so you can really know what a nice, well equipped hospital we have here in Ozona.

It has been made possible through the persistent efforts of all the people in Crockett County and they can be proud of the fact that they have worked and given so freely, as they now have a hospital which they can in times of

need, depend upon to render them services which they want and need to restore their health. It should relieve a heavy load on the public's mind to know that when accident or illness strikes they can in a matter of minutes, which are at times very precious minutes, be admitted to the hospital which they can feel sure will do all they can to restore their health.

I know of no better time to try and impress upon the public's mind the fact that ninety-nine hospitals out of one hundred do not make a profit and are very lucky if they make expenses.

Most people have the opinion that from the prices they pay for hospital service that someone must be making a big profit but they don't stop to think of the many different costs which enter into the operation of a hospital and of the fact that there always has been and will be certain people that do not have the necessary funds to

pay for their hospitalization and yet they must be cared for. We will have, beginning this week, a well-equipped medical laboratory and X-ray department where the doctors can refer their patients for examinations which will determine their state of well being.

As supervisors of our nurses, we have Mrs. Nadine Clendinin, a graduate, registered nurse, formerly the supervisor of nurses at Uvalde Memorial Hospital, Uvalde, Texas. Our first official patient was admitted February 15, 1950, at 11:30 a.m. in shock, Miss Jerry Harshaw of Big Lake, Texas. Flowers were sent by the Saunders Flower Farm to her as first official patient.

THE NEWS MART in Ozona is for sale. If interested contact Mrs. Ray Dunlap or Mrs. B. W. Stuart.

Phone the news to The Stockman.

Crew Leaders Sought By District Census Office

Odessa Office Heads 13-County Area, Including Crockett

Applications for the position of crew leader in the 17th Decennial Census to be conducted in April are now being received by the Odessa District Office of the United States Bureau of the Census.

Final selections for the crew leader positions will be made about the end of February after oral and written tests of candidates for the jobs, according to George T. Kessler, Census District Supervisor.

Approximately 10 crew leader positions will be filled, in the 13 counties comprising the district. Each crew leader will have supervision over about twenty enumerators.

Qualifications required for selection as crew leader include, as a minimum, a high school education and at least three years experience in supervising or assisting in the supervision of an office force or field crew, training of subordinates, making and reviewing reports of average difficulty, and handling related assignments. In general, an applicant's record of experience must show satisfactory performance in increasingly responsible positions. College education may be counted in part in lieu of experience.

The Census Bureau further specifies that the applicant's previous employment and associations must be of such nature that they will facilitate obtaining cooperation from respondents. Census Bureau employees are sworn to secrecy and are punishable by law for revealing confidential information but beyond this care is exercised to employ only persons who have public confidence.

LITERARY CLUB MEETS

Members of the Ozona Literary Club met Tuesday afternoon in the Junior High School building for a program on Poland. Hostesses were Mrs. W. M. Stoker, Mrs. Travis Hawk and Mrs. Ken Cody. Mrs. Ed Hallmark spoke on Poland and a film, "Poland Forever" was shown. Mr. Cluck, piano teacher, played two piano numbers.

Present were Mrs. Cleophas Cooke, Mrs. Ed Hallmark, Mrs. Martin Hearne, Mrs. Dick Adams, Mrs. W. M. Stoker, Mrs. Travis Hawk and Mrs. Ken Cody.

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Shindig Pleases Ozona Audience; \$177 For March of Dimes

A big crowd which attended the Saturday evening performance by the Saturday Shindig, a radio broadcast feature of Station KTXL of San Angelo, in the high school auditorium here Saturday night was well pleased with the lusty program staged by the San Angelo group.

And those who attended felt that they had made a good investment toward the local March of Dimes campaign which benefitted from funds above expenses taken in at the performance. Gross receipts for the evening were \$527, of which \$350 went to pay expenses of the visiting performers, leaving a net of \$177 for the polo fund.

Around thirty performers composed the troupe which broadcast its regular Saturday evening program from 8:00 to 8:30 o'clock by long distance telephone hook-up from the auditorium stage here over Station KTXL in San Angelo. After the program went off the air, the group continued for another two hours, with a brief intermission midway of the evening.

Of particular interest to the local audience was the part of Jack Wilkins, who directs the Shindig and performs a blackface role in the program. Wilkins, a son of Jack Wilkins, Ozona ranchman, plans to leave the San Angelo organization soon to start dramatic studies at the Pasadena Playhouse, it was announced by the master of ceremonies at the Saturday night show here.

BAPTIST W. M. S.

The Baptist W.M.S. met Wednesday in the home of Mrs. Ben Williams for a Royal Service Program. Mrs. Ben Williams was program leader on the topic, "Has Christian Is America?" Mrs. Ben Thompson spoke on "Treatment of Minority Groups." Mrs. Jack Brewer spoke on "Economic Injustices."

Mrs. Clifton Tension spoke on "Problems Created by Alcohol Beverages," and Mrs. H. A. Gattavus on "Social Maladjustments." Members present were Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Jack Brewer, Mrs. Sam Cox, Mrs. E. L. Lawson, Mrs. J. T. Keeton, Mrs. O. C. Webb, Mrs. Roy Sewell, Mrs. Gustavus and Mrs. Tension.

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San Angelo Stock Show Boosters To Visit Ozona Feb. 23

March 4 Designated "Ozona Day" At San Angelo Stock Show

SAN ANGELO—From thirty to forty businessmen from San Angelo will be in Ozona at 2:05 p.m., Tuesday, February 23rd on a special trip for the San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo March 4th.

Trips were arranged by the extension of the Board of Development. Escorted by a car, the trippers will give souvenirs to the children and distribute store placards in cities and towns visited.

Trip No. 1, which left San Angelo February 14th, visited Balcones, Coleman, and Brady. After lunch stop in Brady, the bus went on to Mason, Menard, Eden and Paint Rock.

Leaving Thursday, February 16, on a two-day trip, Trip No. 2 will

go north to Sterling City and stop in Big Spring, Midland, Odessa, Lamesa, Stanton, Monahans, Fort Stockton, McCamey, Rankin, Big Lake, Barnhart and Mertzon. The trippers will stay overnight in Midland and lunch in Lamesa the first day and Fort Stockton the following day.

Trip No. 3, which leaves San Angelo February 21, will visit Bronte, Abilene, Sweetwater, Snyder, Colorado City and Robert Lee. The group will have lunch in Abilene.

An overnight trip will be Trip No. 4 that will go into towns to the south of San Angelo. Trippers will visit Christoval, Eldorado, Sonora, Ozona, Del Rio, Rocksprings, Junction, Minard and Eden. Scheduled for February 23 and 24th, the group will spend the night in Del Rio with lunch stops in Sonora the first day and Junction the following day.

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It Costs 27 Millions Year To House Surplus Government Records

AUSTIN—To cut the \$27,000,000 annual cost of housing Federal Government records, 70 per cent of which "have no long-time or permanent retention value," the Government "needs birth control of records to have them stopped at the source"—as well as "a big bonfire" to help get rid of 14,000,000 cubic feet of the 20,900,000 cubic feet of records now on hand.

That is the way Jess Larson, Administrator of General Services, feels about one of the numerous "housekeeping" problems loaded upon him by Congress in launching the first Hoover Commission sponsored agency. It is estimated that Larson's GSA has

carried out 98 per cent of the Hoover Commission recommendations for what it called an Office of General Services.

Jess Larson will be the principal speaker at the fourth annual meeting of the Texas Independent Producers and Royalty Owners Association, to be held in Dallas on

March 9th. The meeting, to be attended by approximately 700 members from every part of Texas, will last two full days, the first being devoted entirely to meetings of the six standing committees.

Remington adding machines at the Stockman office.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Cunningham and Mrs. Bruce Mayfield were in Tahoka Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. Cunningham's mother, Mrs. Laura Tuttle, who is seriously ill in a hospital there.

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I will continue with the NORTH MOTOR CO. as an automobile salesman and will appreciate your patronage in my new line as I have that as salesman of electrical appliances . . .

Sincerely,
BYRON STUART

FIGHT POLIO! GIVE TO MARCH of DIMES

There is greater need this year than ever before for funds to support the National Foundation of Infantile Paralysis. Polio is on the increase year by year and Foundation funds were badly depleted last year.

This is a most worthy cause and we are happy to contribute this space in support of the local drive. We hope it will serve to remind someone who would not otherwise have been reminded.

And if you wish to hand or mail us your contribution, we will be glad to deliver it to the Drive workers.

Ozona Lad Among Most Promising Of Material At A&M

A former Ozona High School football star is beginning to loom as a potential shining star on the Southwest Conference horizon for 1950.

He is Bernard Lemmons, who last season was a sensation in Junior College football as a member of the Tyler College team, and now being boomed by sports writers as destined to make a considerable showing on the Texas A&M College aggregation the coming fall.

Following is an article appearing in a recent issue of the Houston Press in a regular column written by George Wright, Press sports writer:

Comes another yarn today out of the camp of the youthful Texas Aggies and the fertile brain of Dub King, the Aggie sports drummer.

This story deals with a youngster who fumbled his way out of the Aggie grid picture before he could play a varsity down; played his way back with a stirring junior college job.

A youngster they're saying will match the Cadet's sophomore duo, Bob Smith and Glenn Lippman, and make them even better with his power.

Bernard Lemmons is the name. Young Lemmons entered Texas A&M in the fall of 1948, from Ozona, a little Class B team near San Angelo.

And that fall he took the No. 1 Fish fullback job away from a number of more heralded boys. In the Fish opener that year

against John Tarleton, Lippman made both touchdowns in a 12-6 victory. But Lemmons outgained the El Campo flash, 110 yards to 55.

Then Lemmons began getting hurt, saw little service the rest of the Fish season.

The following spring practice—just a year ago—Lemmons was back in there plugging, outgaining most of the other backs except Lippman and Smith.

He broke away frequently in scrimmages.

But he picked up a bad habit, fumbling frequently after getting into the secondary.

So Coach Harry Stiteler suggested he spend a year in junior college getting more experience.

So Lemmons took his talents to Tyler Junior College.

There last season he was one of the best in Texas junior college football, among the leading scorers and ground gainers, had several touchdown runs of 40 yards and up.

But all this time, says Dub, Lemmons had one thing on his mind, to get back to Texas A&M and Aggie varsity football.

He returned to the A&M campus in early January to ask Coach Stiteler about taking him back. But Stiteler was attending NCAA coaches meeting in New York.

Last week Lemmons came back to see Stiteler.

Coach Stiteler took him into his office.

They talked about the weather.

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Tyler's 1949 club, practically everything except Lemmon's return to A&M.

Bernard couldn't get up the nerve to ask Stiteler to take him back, says Dub. Then Stiteler brought up the important subject for him.

"Oh, incidentally, Bernard," Harry casually said, "We can give you a scholarship again if you want to come back."

Lemmons, says Dub, nearly leaped out of his chair in his eagerness to assure Stiteler he wanted to return, asked him when he could move in.

Nobody is predicting that Lemmons will crowd big Bob Smith out of his fullback job.

But, says Dub, observers up Aggie land way who saw Lemmons in his short stint with the 1948 Fish believe he will win his 1950 letter, make some touchdowns, and make a better fullback out of big Bob.

Lemmons is a squat, heavy-legged performer with lots of drive, better than average speed in the secondary.

He is five feet nine, yet weighs

192. And he's quit that fumbling. Lemmons sounds interesting.

And any lad who can make Bob Smith hump for his job should be a big help to the Aggies when he's in there.

Miss Maddoux Honored At Pre-Nuptial Parties

A gift coffee honoring Miss Betty Sue Maddoux, who became the bride of Armond Hoover, Jr., in a pretty home wedding Tuesday afternoon, was given in the home of Mrs. N. E. Melton Saturday morning. Hostesses were Mrs. Melton, Mrs. Strick Harvick, Mrs. Neal Hannah, Mrs. P. T. Robison, Mrs. Ray Dunlap, Mrs. Roy Miller, Mrs. Paul Hallcomb, Mrs. Ray Piner, Mrs. O. L. Sims and Mrs. Stephen Perner.

In the receiving line were Mrs. Melton, the bride-to-be and her mother, Mrs. H. W. Maddoux, the groom's mother, Mrs. Armond Hoover, and Mrs. Hoover's sister, Mrs. Willis Johnson.

At the bride's book were little

misses Tylene and Nancy Maddoux, sisters of the bride.

Alternating at the table were Mrs. A. C. Hoover, Mrs. Brock Hoover, Mrs. Myrtle Mitchell, aunts of the groom and Mrs. B. B. Ingham, Jr., a cousin. Assisting with the serving were Misses Hallie Kinser and June Perner.

The table was laid with a lace cloth and centered with an arrangement of red gadioli. Music was provided at the piano by Misses Judy White and Kay Kirby.

In the gift room were Misses Darrene Thompson, Joan Holt, Mary Ann North, Ellen Johnson, Mrs. Jack Johnson and Mrs. Sammie Selby.

Miss Maddoux was honored at a surprise kitchen shower at 5:00 o'clock Saturday afternoon given by a group of Junior and Senior girls of Ozona High School. The party was in the home of Miss Marilyn Hubbard.

Favorite songs of the honoree were sung and refreshments were served to Misses Billie Marie Sealy, Judy White, Mary Ann North, Gussie Ruth Sparks, June Perner, Kay



RELEASED BY REDS . . . William N. Stokes, U.S. vice consul at Mukden, was released after detention by Chinese Reds who accused him of spying. He is second U.S. consular official held by Communists in China.

Kirby, Joan Holt, Darrene Thompson and Vivian Stratton, and Mrs. Armond Hoover, Mrs. H. W. Maddoux and the honoree.

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Miss Betty Sue Maddoux and Armond Hoover, Married In Candle Light Ceremony Tuesday

A candle light ceremony performed at six o'clock Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Betty Sue Maddoux and Armond Hoover, Jr., were united in marriage.

The wedding ceremony was read by the Rev. Bill Brown, minister of the First Church of Christ, in the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Maddoux of Ozona.

Mrs. H. W. Maddoux of Ozona, the bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a blue suit with shell pink nylon blouse. Her accessories were a hat of pink nylon straw lined with shell pink flowers and she carried a white prayer book topped with a white orchid.

Miss June Perner served as maid of honor. She wore a suit of rose color with brown accessories. The bride was accompanied by a white beige straw trim with pink roses and she carried a Colonial bouquet of pink and white carnations.

Miss Marilyn Hubbard accompanied Miss Joan Holt as she sang

"Always." Misses Darrene Thompson and Jeannene Thompson sang "I Love You Truly" and Miss Kay Kirby played the traditional wedding march.

Serving the groom as best man was his cousin, Donald Hoover.

A reception followed immediately after the ceremony. The wedding cake and punch bowl were skirted with lace and ringed with feathered red and white carnations.

Miss Judy White presided at the wedding cake and Miss Mary Ann North at the punch bowl.

The bride is a senior in Ozona High School. The groom, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Armond Hoover, is a graduate of Ozona High School and attended Abilene Christian College.

After their return from a wedding trip to San Antonio and Austin, the couple will be at home on the Hoover ranch. Out-of-town guests here for the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. Willis Johnson and daughters, Mona and Ellen Johnson and Mrs. Sammy Selby, all of McCamey, and Mrs. B. B. Ingham, Jr., and daughter, Alma of Sheffield.

M&M Bouscaren Flows Oil from Clear Fork

M&M Production Co. No. 2-B Bouscaren estate, Crockett County wildcat, Thursday continued testing through a half-inch tubing choke after flowing oil at the rate of 30 barrels hourly in eight hours from the upper Clear Fork. The oil was cut 50 per cent by water.

Perforations from 3,943½ to 3,961 feet were acidized with 500 gallons of acid and the section was swabbed one time. The source of the water was undetermined. The project had previously drilled to 7,280 feet in the Ellenburger, topped at 7,140 feet, where it made water. It plugged back to 4,750 feet, cemented 5½ inch casing at 4,640 feet and got little oil and considerable water in the lower Clear Fork. No. 2-B Bouscaren estate is 1,980 feet from the north and west lines of section 29-GG-HE&WT.

BRIDGE CLUB

Mrs. Max Schneemann entertained the Friday Bridge Club with a luncheon in her home last week. High score prize was awarded to Mrs. Tom Smith. Others present were Mrs. Lee Childress, Mrs. Joe Pierce, Mrs. Scott Peters, Mrs. L. J. Epperson, Mrs. Stephen Perner, Mrs. George Montgomery and Mrs. Early Baggett.

METHODIST NEWS

A course of study, "Japan Beginning Again," being used nationally by the Woman's Society of Christian Service, was completed today by Mrs. Evert White for the Ozona Society. Those enrolled in the Mission study course have been attending for the three-day school at the church.

The San Angelo District Retreat for ministers and lay leaders is scheduled for Thursday and Friday, February 16 and 17th, at Eldorado. Ted White, the charge lay leader from the Ozona Methodist Church, will accompany the pastor, Rev. Horace King, to the meeting. Sunday, February 26th, will be observed as "Layman's Day" and Mr. R. E. Terry, Jr., who teaches a large men's class in Houston, will be the speaker at the 11:00 o'clock hour.

Next Sunday morning's sermon theme will be "Neither Too Little Nor Too Late." The evening theme will be "For Conscience Sake." At the morning worship service, Mrs. Bob Bailey will be the soloist.

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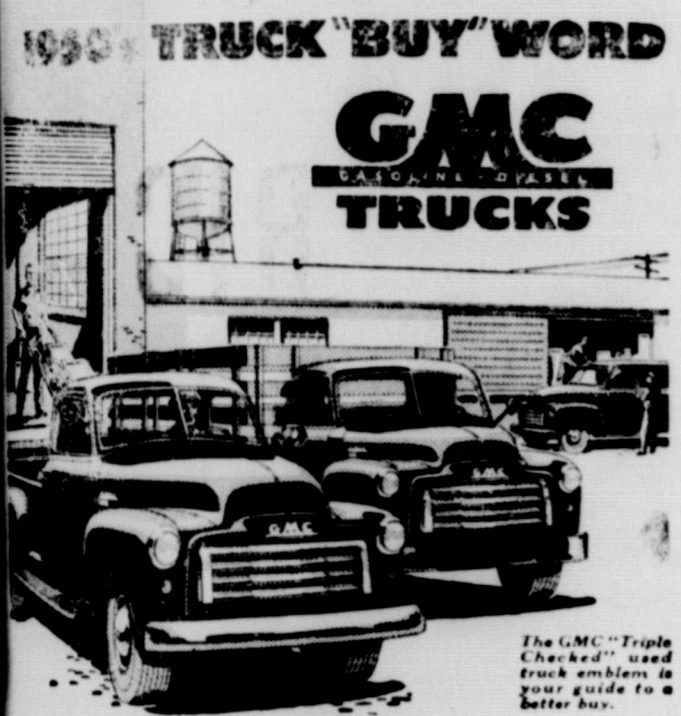
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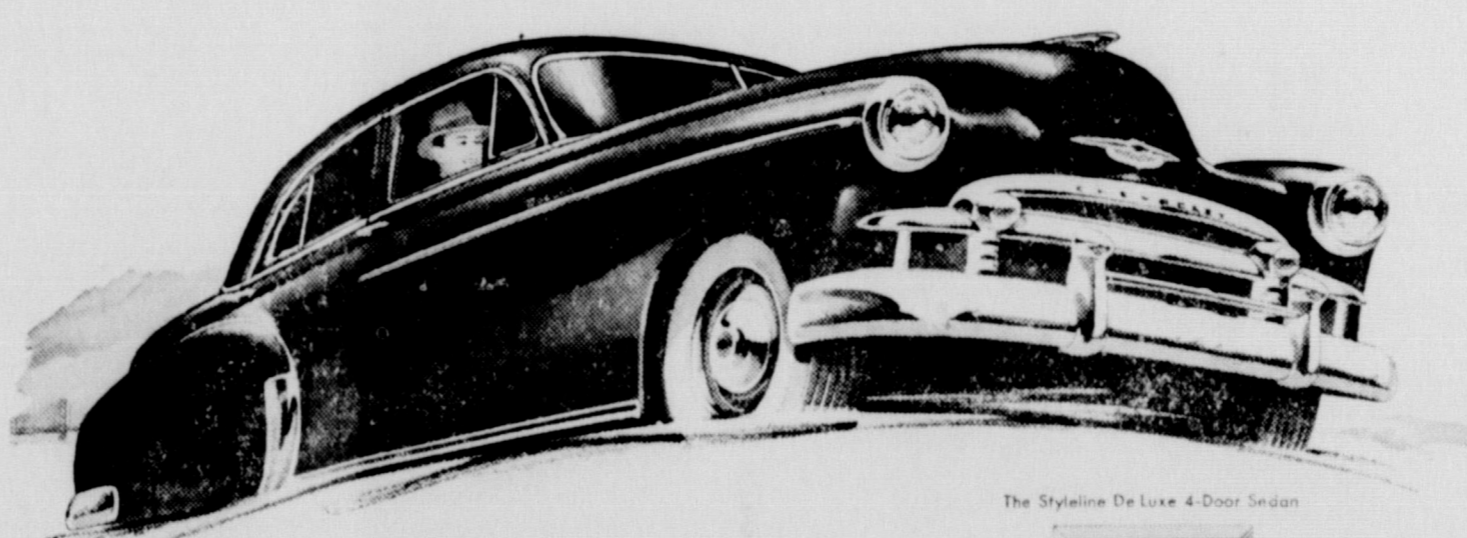
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Fishing Regulations Explained By Game Department Official

The Executive Secretary, Texas Game, Fish and Oyster Commission, suggests it is that time of the year again for Texans—when they check up on any new state laws. The statewide fish license law has been in effect since last summer but it might stand a refresher by sportsmen.

Its primary purpose is to provide one master license for fishermen at a cost of \$1.65, thus doing away with the various special county licenses. One conspicuous provision is to permit Texans to fish free in their home counties, providing they do not use artificial bait, and to permit them to fish without license in counties adjacent to their own home counties, providing they do not use either artificial bait or live bait.

The Executive Secretary suggested that sportsmen check their food lockers containing game. He pointed out that the 90-day Federal limit for storing migratory birds, as applied to mourning doves, expired February 12, but that the 90-day deadline for duck and geese is not due until April 7th. There is no state limit to storing deer, wild turkey or quail, but locker plants are required by law to keep a record of persons keeping game in storage.

The Chief Aquatic Biologist urges Texans interested in obtain-

ing bass fry this spring to promptly write the Commission. They will be sent cards for filling out as a basis for making their formal requests and for delivery of the fry.

It is pointed out that the public waters of the state receive approximately ninety per cent of the fry and that the remaining ten per cent is consigned to private lakes, streams and ponds so that fishing facilities are expanded to the maximum degree. The ten per cent allotted to private waters is not intended for recently stocked places.

ART DISPLAY SUNDAY

The public is cordially invited to the art display of the works of Charles H. Reynolds, Taos, N. M., artist, to be hung in the North Elementary School building beginning at 3:00 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Reynolds, a native of Oklahoma, is nationally famous for his outstanding paintings of western scenes. His pictures have been exhibited at the First National Exhibition of American Art in 1936, Connecticut Academy of Fine Arts in 1940, the Oakland Art Gallery in 1941 and 1948, the Coronado Cuarto Centennial of Albuquerque in 1941 and many points in Texas.

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Large Force To Be Employed In Census Taking Job In Area

A force of approximately 125 persons will be employed to take the 17th Decennial Census in the Odessa Census District. It is announced by District Supervisor George T. Kesler for the United States Bureau of the Census. This force will be responsible for taking the 1950 census in April in Brewster, Crane, Crockett, Ector, Terrell, Upton, Ward, Winkler, Glasscock, Loving, Midland, Pecos and Reagan.

The largest segment of employees for the Census in the local district consists of the enumerators of whom there will be 105. These enumerators will make the house to house calls in the work of collecting official Census information regarding the population and housing in urban areas and, additionally, agricultural activities in the rural areas. Their work in the field will be supervised and checked by a force of ten crew leaders. At the Census district office headquarters, about ten persons will compose the staff to edit the enumerators' reports, make preliminary tabulations, and perform other office work in connection with the Census.

Provisional results of the Population Census count will be announced locally by District Supervisor Kesler when the District Office staff has completed the preliminary tabulations.

A crew leader and several enumerators will be chosen from each county.

Political Announcements

The Stockman is authorized to announce the candidacy of the following for the offices indicated, all subject to action of the Democratic primary July 22:

- For Representative, 16th Congressional District: PAUL MOSS, Odessa. For Commissioner, Precinct 3: B. B. INGHAM, JR. For Commissioner, Precinct 4: SIDNEY MILLSPAUGH, JR. JAMES CHILDRESS For Commissioner, Precinct 1: ROB MILLER For Commissioner, Precinct 2: CHARLES BLACK

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Rodeo Ticket Prices: Season Boxes (6 seats, 4 performances) \$60.00 Reserved Seats, Grandstand 2.50 Bleacher Seats 2.00 Grounds Only Adults - 50c - Child - 25c

Fat Stock Show and Rodeo For Tickets Write Box 712 San Angelo, Texas



SEEKS PRESIDENTIAL AID... Mrs. Robert A. Vogeler (left), whose husband, a European representative of the International Telephone and Telegraph company, has been held in Budapest, Hungary, since November 18, files a cablegram in Vienna to President Harry S. Truman for help in securing the release of her husband. Vogeler and two other I. T. and T. officials held with him are accused of sabotage and espionage by the Hungarian Communist government. Beside Mrs. Vogeler is her sister, Pia Lykens. The Austrian clerk is unidentified. What means Mr. Truman might take to free Vogeler had not then been determined, should he act at all.

Wayland College

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fulfilling its name with members appearing in authentic costumes from many nations of the world.

Many of the costumes have been furnished the school by missionaries serving in foreign countries and others have been obtained from authentic sources. Several foreign students at the college wear native dress from their own countries.

The public is cordially invited to hear the college singers. The evening's program will begin at 7:00 p.m.

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