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THE SUTTON COUNTY ROUND-UP

LIVESTOCK--RANCH DEALS

Williams Bros. of Eldorado shipped 113 lambs Thursday of last week to John Clay & Co. The lambs brought 8½ cents.

More than 250,000 pounds of spring mohair have been sold in San Saba county, according to one buyer. The average price was 45 and 55 cents. Average shearing weights in that section have been heavier this spring than usual. The buyer estimated the goat population in that county to be 83,000 head.

G. W. (Concho) Cunningham, former secretary of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association, has accepted the position of traveling freight and passenger agent for the Clyde Mallory Lines in the Roswell, N. M. district. He began his duties there recently.

Walker Ragsdale, manager of the Kimble Wool and Mohair Company, reported shipments of approximately 160,000 pounds of contracted spring mohair during the week. Producers received 50 and 60 cents for their clips. He will have 100,000 pounds of spring hair for sale soon.

Activity in mohair the last few days included the purchase by Guy Burton of approximately 20,000 pounds of mohair in the Fredericksburg and Sabinal sectors. Burton, representative of Forte, Dupece Sawyer Co., paid 45 and 55 cents per pound for the grown and kid hair respectively. Bulk of the fleeces that have sold recently has been at that price level.

Duwan E. Hughes, San Angelo, one of the leading Hereford breeders, has announced a registered Hereford sale for April 9 at the West Texas Stock Yards, San Angelo. Ninety fine bulls and 90 fine heifers will pass through the ring, and Mr. Hughes believes the quality of his offerings will merit the attendance of Hereford breeders throughout the state and their active participation in bidding. One of the features of the sale will be the auction of Miss Clubhouse (Gwen Mischief 204th). The receipts from the sale of this fine heifer will be given to the City Federation of Women's Club to apply on the clubhouse remodeling. Much interest has been evidenced in the auction of this fine heifer and bidding is expected to be keen.

"JUST US"

Among the improvements to be noted in the city this week is the repainting job being done by Bryan Johnson on the house he recently purchased from Mrs. R. K. James. Bobby Allison is doing the work.

Splendid progress is being made on the Stephenson construction work under the supervision of Earl Merck and the Sonora Trading Company. Also, he progress being made by the same concern on the Cecil H. Allen home in East Sonora is gratifying to all concerned.

The City Variety Store is taking on a metropolitan air with the installation of new, modern and attractive fixtures to replace those which have served so long. New display counters add much to the interior attractiveness of the store, and provide a means of more effectively displaying merchandise of excellent quality and large quantity.

L. M. PENICK HOME

L. M. Penick, who had been ill in a San Angelo hospital for several days, was brought to his home here the first of the week. He is reported much improved.

Mrs. L. L. Gulley was a San Angelo visitor Monday.

Sonora School Faculty Members Are Re-Elected

The entire faculty and staff of janitors for the Sonora Independent School District have been elected, to serve during the 1940-41 term. Supt. Jones, himself re-elected, has listed the following members of the faculty who will return here for their duties next school term:

Sonora High School—Miss Johnnie Allison, Spanish, Girls' Physical Education.

Miss Annie Duncan, Librarian, History.

Jennings H. Flathers, Public Speaking, Boys' Physical Education.

Miss Jonniemai Edmonson, home-making.

Preston C. Lightfoot, Principal, Mathematics, Shop.

Miss Viva Milstead, English.

Albert A. Murray, Coach, Science.

Savell Lee Sharp, Band, Commercial Work.

Sonora Elementary School: Dearl Beard, Fifth Grade, Social Education.

Boyd Caffey, Principal, Mathematics, Science.

Miss Elizabeth Caldwell, Public School Music.

Miss Juanita Collier, Third grade.

Miss Edith Engle, Fourth Grade.

Miss Leeta Mae Garrett, Seventh Grade.

Mrs. Rosanna Hildreth, First Grade.

Miss Nan Johnson, Fifth, Sixth and Seventh Grade English.

Miss Mary Ruth Quisenberry, Second Grade.

L. W. Elliott School—Miss Dorothy Calfee, Second Grade.

Miss Margaret Cleek, Third Grade.

Miss Margaret Grantham, High School English.

Miss Helen James, Pre-primer.

McClain Lattimore, Principal, Mathematics.

Miss Mary Frances McDade, High School Spanish.

Miss Blanche Perciful, Fifth Grade.

Herbert B. Speece, Science, History.

Miss Lura Ward, Fourth Grade.

Miss Nona Woodard, Homemaking.

Miss Frances Cook, Primary.

Janitors: Robert Rees, Ervin Willman, Estevan Flores.

To Elect Two School Trustees Saturday

Two trustees are to be named Saturday, April 6, at an election to be held at the Sutton County Courthouse. Trustees to be named are to fill the places now occupied by Mrs. Jack Neill and Joe Berger.

Both the above trustees are eligible for re-election, and no candidate for the places have been publicly named, so that it is presumed that the usual write-in election will be carried out.

Truck Operators Improve Own Safety Record

Evidence of increasing safety on the part of Texas truck operators is found in the January summary of motor vehicle traffic accidents, according to Lynn B. Shaw, manager of the Texas Motor Transportation Association.

The state department of Public Safety reported today that there were 95 less accidents during January of this year than for the same month of 1939 when reports were received of 249 mishaps. Eighteen fatalities resulted from the accidents, one less than for January 1939. Substantial improvements, also was noted in the number of non-fatal property damage crashes.

Bus operators enjoyed an especially good month, with reports of only five accidents as comparable to 13 for January of 1939. There was one fatality two persons with injuries and only two of the accidents resulted in property damage.

COMMISSIONER



V. F. HAMILTON

MAYOR



W. C. GILMORE

COMMISSIONER



ALFRED SCHWEINING

MRS. BRISCOE TO SEEK RE-ELECTION AS TREASURER

Soliciting support of the voters of Sutton County on the basis of faithful and efficient service, as well as an appreciative spirit, Mrs. Thelma Briscoe announces this week as a candidate for re-election to the office of County Treasurer, in which she has served the community efficiently and capably.

Mrs. Briscoe needs no introduction at our hands. In fact, the people of Sonora and Sutton county are far more able to laud here service to the county than we are, who have not been in the community long enough to speak as an authority. But if expressions of satisfaction with the service she has rendered is an indication of the satisfaction which the people of the county have with respect to the way the affairs of the office is concerned, Mrs. Briscoe will receive due and proper consideration at the hands of her voting friends.

Elsewhere in this will be found the name of Mrs. Briscoe, listed in the announcement column of the News in its proper position.

Baseball Game Here Sunday

The Sonora Black Shepherders, colored aggregation of baseball stars, announce that they have arranged for a diamond contest with the Ozona Bronchos, a similar group of Negro players, the game to be played in Sonora Sunday afternoon. Place for the game has not yet been decided, and whether admission is to be charged, or passing the hat for contributions is still not settled. Whatever arrangements are made will be announced, and those who witness the game are sure to see plenty of fast action, hard playing and wily maneuvering. The Sonora team has been working out daily, and are due to go onto the playing field in resplendent new uniforms at game time. It might be worth seeing.

Brave Best Seller

Many of those recently gathered to enjoy the wit and wisdom of a group of literary men were surprised to hear the American Boy Scouts' Handbook named as "one of the four best sellers of all time." Since the "Handbook" was first published in 1910, with the British "Scouting for Boys" as its fine progenitor, 6,100,000 copies have been printed. And since 1910, more copies of the "Handbook" have been sold annually in the United States than any other book except the Bible.

Boy Scouts, the world over, carrying out the practical idealism of their manual, reflect the sterling content of a brave best seller.—Christian Science Monitor.

DR. WHITE TO CLINIC

Dr. Tom White will leave Sunday for Dallas where he will attend the dental clinic there. He expects to return the latter part of the week.

Sonora Lions Hear Good Program At Tuesday Luncheon

"Fiddling around" with a fiddle borrowed for the occasion from O. G. Babcock, Jake Houston of San Angelo was one of the featured performers at the Lions Club meeting Tuesday at noon, when several other guests and numerous Lions enjoyed the last program to be arranged by the program committee which has been serving for the past three months. Other entertainment features was a recording of the voices of guests and members with a recording instrument brought to Sonora by Mr. Houston, and two musical numbers rendered by a section of the high school band. "Hot" swing music was produced by the quartet of musicians. Their first selection was recorded by Mr. Houston, and "played back" for the entertainment of the crowd.

The program for next week will be in charge of the new program committee named by President Dameron.

With reference to the committee seeking to aid the Woman's Club in establishing a stronger and more useful library for the community, it was decided at a director's meeting that the sum of \$75 be donated to the women, with no restrictions to be placed on the money. The ladies having charge of the library were given the privilege of spending the money as they saw fit, without consultation with the Lions Club. At the same director's meeting, efforts were made to lighten the burden on the Lions Welfare committee by passing a restriction on donations by the club, and confining such assistance to juvenile cases, eighteen years of age and under. Other assistance should receive the approval of the directors before being passed.

Several other matters transacted by the board of directors at a previous meeting were passed by the Lions at the Tuesday luncheon.

George Edward Allison was awarded a key for membership activities, and new members of the group were named by J. L. Nisbet, membership chairman.

Livestock Shipments Down 16 Per Cent For February

Livestock movement from Texas ranches during February totaled only 3,647 cars, a drop of almost 16 per cent below February, 1939, University of Texas agricultural statisticians report.

Slackening of cattle shipments from 2,691 to 2,028 cars accounted for the bulk of the loss, Dr. F. A. Buechel, assistant director of the Bureau of Business Research, explained.

Shipments of hogs dropped 15.5 per cent to 591 cars, but calf and sheep shipments picked up. A total of 628 cars of calves moved, a gain of 4.7 per cent, while sheep movement totalled 400 cars, up 20.8 per cent.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy A. Christie and children, Nancy and Jack, were the guests of friends in Iraan last week-end.

CITY OFFICERS ELECTED BY BALLOT TUESDAY

Soncrans are satisfied with the way their city affairs have been conducted during the past two years, as evidenced by the heavy vote all incumbents received in the city election held Tuesday.

W. C. Gilmore, mayor received a total of 141 votes out of the record-breaking total of 191 votes cast in the election; Vernon Hamilton received 170 votes, and Alfred Schweining received 154 out of the total votes cast to be returned as city commissioners for another term.

Since no candidates had announced for the offices involved, a write-in election was carried out, with several others being chosen by some for the offices. W. R. Cusenbary, ranchman, received 50 votes for the mayor's post; C. H. Allen, bank teller and insurance agent, was given 38 votes for commissioner, while several others received scattering mention.

George E. Smith, city manager, will continue in his present place, according to those "in the know."

Keeping Wool At Home

The sheep have nibbled in Texas hills for a century and a half, but the wool clip have gone to Philadelphia and Boston to be scoured and woven into cloth.

Now the Rhea Brothers, after a seven-year struggle, have started operations in their new wool and mohair scouring at San Marcos. They hope to scour a million pounds of wool and mchair this year.

These Texans are pioneering an old industry in a new location—in Texas, the greatest wool and mohair producing state in the union. Their courage should find a reward, their enterprise easily may be epochal, like the advent of newspaper making in the new \$6,000,000 plant at Lufkin.

Woolen textile manufacture in Texas has been handicapped fatally by the absence of scouring plants. Now, perhaps, it will take sound root, grow, help to provide employment for the half-million share croppers who have been pauperized by collapse of the export market for Texas cotton.

Here is an excerpt from a daily market report on wool in Boston: "Outstanding in the west, has been the sale unshorn of a Montana half-blood and fine clip at 28 cents, which, it is figured would mean a clean cost at Boston of about 80 cents."

This means that the grower contracted to sell his wool at 28 cents on the sheep's back. Shearing, an inexpensive process, together with freight charges to Boston and the cost of scouring, ran the price up to 80 cents per pound.

The same wool, dyed, spun and woven into cloth, is worth several dollars per pound. And when tailored into men's suits or women's attire, is sells for as high as \$25 per pound.

Texas has been selling it raw, unscoured, and buying it back at prices a hundred fold higher.—Austin Daily Tribune.

Parent-Teachers To Present One-Act Burlesque

One of the rarer treats accorded lovers of amateur theatricals is in store for residents of Sonora when the Parent-Teacher Association presents its one-act play, a burlesque comedy, on April 22nd at the high school auditorium. The play has been received enthusiastically by audiences all over the United States, and the fact that its author, Mrs. Guy Dean, is a resident of Uvalde, almost in our midst, as it were, lends local color to the presentation.

Based on a burlesque baby clinic, the play is a "howl" from start to finish, hence the name, "A Howling Success."

Doctors I. Saw Bones, I. C. Ton-sils and I. B. Sillee, with their nurses, Misses O So Cutie, Addie Noid and Ima Nutt, are in charge of the baby clinic, as presented by the Parent-Teacher organization. The charming Mrs. Doodad has already enrolled her two sets of twins, Rosy and Josye Doodad, and Honey and Sonny Doodad. It is rumored that old Aunt Easter (guess who) will be there with her Heavenly Twins, Liza and Fertiliza, and it is also rumored that Knock-Kneed Sallie will get her knees straight, and Giggly Jane will—but we mustn't tell too much. Make your plans to be at the high school auditorium when the curtain rises on this howling demonstration April 22, Monday evening, at eight o'clock, and find out for yourself what these eminent specialists and their very expert assistants do to Giggly Jane. Get in on this, and don't miss it, for it will not only be a "howl"—it will be a scream.

Prominent men of Sonora will take all the parts, that of the doctors, the nurses, the adoring mamas and the squalling babies. Don't miss it, for it is the cleverest comedy ever staged in Sonora, with a complete cast of crazy comedians.

You'll howl when you see a "A Howling Success."

Remember the date, place and time, and make preparations now to reserve your evening for the best entertainment offered this season in Sonora.

Sonora Boy Has Excellent Athletic Record

On page two of this issue of the News will be found a resume of recent track activities participated in by the Sonora High School athletes and teams. The results of the various track and field meets have been delayed somewhat, but one thing is worth mentioning in connection with the entry by Sonora into the various meets. Sonora athletes have given a good account of themselves in the various divisions, and one especially, O. L. Richardson, deserves special mention for his prowess. In the Five County Meet held at Eldorado recently, O. L. won every event which he entered. That in itself is remarkable, but when the quality of competition is considered, his achievement becomes all the more noticeable. O. L. is a real athlete. In the coming interscholastic league meet at San Angelo next week, we wish for him and his fellow contestants every success—and are sure that Sonora is to receive its part of the awards, with he and his classmates so ably representing the school.

RECOVERS BROKEN ARM

Epitosis Artiago's son received a broken arm Wednesday when a horse fell with him. The accident occurred on the Harold Evans ranch.



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DISTRICT MEET, SAN ANGELO

April 12 and 13, 1940

DIRECTORS:

Debate—Superintendent E. D. Stringer, Winters, Texas.
 Declamation—Superintendent E. C. Grindstaff, Ballinger, Texas.
 Extemporaneous Speaking—Superintendent Dave Williamson, Eldorado, Texas.
 Essay Writing—Superintendent F. T. Jones, Sonora, Texas.
 Athletics—Superintendent O. T. Jones, Sterling City, Texas.
 Typewriting and Shorthand—Mr. R. R. Masterson, San Angelo College, San Angelo, Texas.
 One-Act-Play Contest—Mr. Ernest R. Sublett, 302 5th Street, Ballinger, Texas.
 Volley Ball—Mr. W. C. Wink, Eola, Texas.
 Three "R" Contest—Principal S. T. Allen, Knickerbocker, Texas.

PROGRAM:

Thursday, April 11:

Tennis: Boys and Girls, Singles and Doubles. Contestants draw for places, 3:00 p. m., Room 205, Senior High School. Play begins 3:30 p. m. Directed by Superintendent Dave Williamson, Eldorado, Texas.

Friday, April 12:

Tennis Finals on old Athletic Field Courts. Admission to finals: adults 25c; children 15c. Debate Preliminaries, 2:00 p. m. Typewriting; 2:30 p. m., Room 6, Junior College.
 Shorthand, 3:30 p. m., Room 10, Junior College.
 One-Act-Play Contest: Preliminaries, 2:00. Junior College Auditorium.
 Finals: 8:00 p. m. Junior College Auditorium.
 Admission 25c for both preliminaries and finals.
 Volley Ball—All contesting teams meet in San Angelo High Gymnasium at 1:00 p. m. Directed by W. C. Wink, Eola, Texas.
 Admission: Adults 25c; students 15c.

Saturday, April 13:

Extemporaneous Speaking, 9:00 a. m., Room 205, Senior High School.
 Senior High School Declamation, 9:00 a. m., Junior College Auditorium.
 Junior High School Declamation, 10:30 a. m., Junior College Auditorium.
 Senior Rural Declamation, 11:00 a. m., Room 205, Senior High School.
 Junior Rural Declamation, 1:00 p. m., Junior College Auditorium.
 Ward School Declamation, 1:00 p. m., Room 205, Senior High School.
 Final Debates, 2:00 p. m., Boys—San Angelo Junior College Auditorium.
 Girls—Room 205 Senior High School.
 Essay Writing, 10:00 a. m., Room 16, Senior High School.
 Three "R" Contest, 1:30 p. m.,

Room 11, Senior High School.

Track and Field Events

Preliminaries:
 10:15 a. m.—100 yd. dash.
 11:00 a. m.—220 yd. dash.
 Finals:
 10:00 a. m.—120 yd. high hurdles.
 10:00 a. m.—Pole Vault.
 10:00 a. m.—Shot Put.
 10:00—Broad Jump.
 10:30 a. m.—220 yd. low hurdles.
 10:30 a. m.—Rural Pentathlon.
 11:00 a. m.—Discus.
 1:30 p. m.—High Jump.
 1:30 p. m.—100 yd. dash.
 1:45 p. m.—440 yd. dash.
 2:00 p. m.—880 yd. dash.
 2:15 p. m.—220 yd. dash.
 2:30 p. m.—Mile Run.
 2:45 p. m.—Javelin.
 3:00 p. m.—Mile Relay.

First place awards to individual winners will be presented at the end of contests. These awards are made by the San Angelo Board of City Development. Admission charge will provide trophy for Volley Ball Contest. No all-round championship awards will be made. Out-of-district judges will be provided for literary contests and final debates.

PAN AMERICAN CLUB

At a regular meeting of the Sonora Pan American Club on March 28, a study was made of modern Mexican artists. The roll was answered by naming a Mexican artist. Opal Randle spoke on Diego Rivera, the famous Mexican mural painter. Peggy Gilmore told the club interesting facts about the life of Frieda Rivera, the wife of Diego Rivera, who is well known for her portrait paintings. Pictures of the artists and prints of pictures by them were exhibited.

In observance of Pan American Day which falls on Sunday April 14, the club voted to repeat the program, that recently given in the high school assembly, for the public on Saturday evening, April 13. In addition to the musical program called "South of the Border," there will be a discussion of Pan-Americanism by Miss Annie Duncan, high school history instructor. Preceding the program, several numbers will be played by the high school band. It was also voted to have a social hour in the high school gymnasium following the program. Miss Allison expressed her thanks to the members of the club for their splendid co-operation in making the tour to Monterrey a success. She also told the club that pins have been ordered for each member of the club. The pin is that of the Pan American Student Forum.

BOY SCOUTS RANCH DISTRICT CAMPOREE

The Ranch District Camporee was held in Rocksprings, March 29th and 30th. The Sonora Scouts and Scouters arrived on the scene last Friday about 4:00 p. m. and each patrol set up their camps. The

entire meet was based on patrol work. There are three patrols in Troop No. 19: namely, Rattlesnake, Flying Eagle and Stag.

The program of events for Friday were: supper at 6:00, prepared by each patrol; retreat at 7:00; Court of Honor and campfire program at 8:00; and taps and good night at 9:45.

The boys camped out on the Rocksprings rodeo grounds. They were up bright and early the next morning, Saturday, cooked their breakfast and had Camp and Personal Inspection. Then came the high-light of the morning, the parade through the downtown district. There were about one hundred boys and men in the parade carrying the flags of our country, state, troop and patrols. Also, impressive plaques on good citizenship and Americanism. After the parade, the boys gathered on the rodeo grounds for the field events. They were: knot tying, artificial respiration, judging, pacing, fire by flint and steel, patrol flag relay, bird study and kite flying. After the kite flying event there was a grand and gory kite fight, and after this the barbecue lunch.

The awards were made after lunch and all the boys left the host city having enjoyed themselves to the fullest extent, but now tired and ready to go home. Rocksprings was a very gracious host town and the feeling of friendship was pre-dominant. The Sonora Scouts give Rocksprings a salute of gratitude for a highly successful and enjoyable Camporee.

Awards to the patrols of Troop 19: Rattlesnake Patrol—955 points which entitles it to a Class A award; Flying Eagle Patrol—815 points which entitles it to a Class B award; and Stag Patrol—735 points which entitles it to a Class B award.

The members of the Ranch District are Ozona, Sonora, Rocksprings, Menard, Eldorado and Junction. Those present from Sonora were as follows: George D. Wallace, R. W. Wallace, Glen Richardson, Gene Wallace, R. C. Luckie, Gene Shurley, Roy Cooper, Ray W. Stephenson, James McMillian, George S. Schwiening, Manly Randle, Sidney Awalt, Duane Prater, J. T. Jackson, Jim Martin, Wilfred Berger, Richard Boughton, Don Nichols, Frank Nichols, William Nichols, Willie B. Ory, Raymond Cooper, Louie Andrews, Sanford Trainer, Eugene Alley, George Thurman, Dickie Sellman and Vernon Cook.

John Eaton, Ranch District Commissioner; C. H. Janeway, Chief, Concho Valley; Paul M. Ireland, Field Executive; Roy E. Aldwell, Council Official; Scoutmaster Billy Penick; Assistant Scoutmaster Jimmy Taylor; Scoutmaster Haynie Davis; Assistant Scoutmaster Dearn Beard; F. T. Jones, Troop Chairman; and H. V. Stokes, Troop Committee man.

SKINNED EARS IN STYLE AGAIN

Eighteen boys reported for spring practice Monday. Only four of these are returning lettermen. Six of them are returning squadmen. The remaining eight are out for the first time.

Consequently, next fall's team will be inexperienced as well as light. The weights range from 92 pounds to 173 pounds. There is only one over 150.

The new boys are Jack Sawyer, Raymond Shroyer, Clyde Henderson, Billy Shurley, Boyd Wilson, J. R. Hudson, James McMillian, and Sidney Awalt. Last years reserves are: Wilfred Berger, Odell Odum, Justin Odum, Vernon Cook, Eugene Neuberger, and Louie Andrews. Lettermen consist of Roy Cooper, Glen Richardson, Willie B. Ory, and O. L. Richardson.

These boys will be facing practically the same schedule in the same order as the one we successfully encountered last fall.

RANCH COUNTRY DISTRICT ALL-DISTRICT SELECTIONS

The coaches of the Ranch Country Basketball and Volley Ball District have turned in their ballots for the All-District selections. They are as follows: Basketball—James D. Trainer, Sonora; Garner McCormick, Eldorado; H. Lemmons, Ozona; Dudley, Ozona; and Wilson, Ozona. Trainer and McCormick

were chosen unanimously.

Volleyball—Pat Gilmore, Sonora; L. Cowsert, Rocksprings; Jamie Trainer, Sonora; Freddie Gardner, Junction; Mary Lee Hefflin, Sonora; Whitley, Eldorado; Alice Jackson, Junction. Gilmore and Gardner were chosen unanimously.

The Ozona Basketball boys won the District and have been awarded a trophy. This is their second year in succession to win this honor.

The Junction girls won the Valley Ball trophy.

DISTRICT TRACK MEET ONLY WEEK OFF

On March 30, 1940, the survivors of the Five County Meet attended San Angelo's invitational meet and turned in a good account of themselves.

April 6 may find the boys either in Big Lake or Robert Lee which will be the last competition before the district meet.

Those who qualified to participate in the district meet are: O. B. Higgins, Hollis Bricker, R. W. Hill, Rex Hutcherson, Leon Morris, O. L. Richardson, Ray Stephenson and James D. Trainer.

The SIDEWINDER

What's the matter, Peggy, are you slipping? You'd better change your technique.

We wonder who had a flat Sunday afternoon!

We wonder what went with Rex's and Leon's girls Monday night?

These San Antonio boys certainly are charming (a certain little army boy). If you don't believe it ask Willie Nell and Marjorie.

Would both of you like to walk to the door with me? (A certain little senior!)

Libby Jo and Willie Nell, what happened after the show Saturday night? You weren't by yourselves, were you? (Old dates.)

PERSONALS

Marjorie Davis was in San Antonio Sunday.

Dock Simmons, James Trainer, and Rex Hutcherson went to the track meet in San Angelo Saturday.

Mr. Sharp, Doris Meckel, and Patsy Gilmore went to type in San Antonio Friday and Saturday.

K. C. Collier spent last Sunday in San Angelo.

FIVE-COUNTY MEET SENIOR TRACK AND FIELD SUMMARY AT ELDORADO MARCH 22-23

120yd. high hurdles—Wilman, Menard, first; Morris, Sonora; Briley, Menard; Westbrook, Menard. Time: 16.9.

100 yd. dash—Richardson, Sonora, first; Heyman, Menard; Hutcherson, Sonora, Bricker, Sonora. Time: 10.2.

440 yd. dash—Bricker, Sonora, first; Owens, Rocksprings; Heymen, Menard; Griswell, Menard. Time: 54.6.

220 yd. dash—Richardson, Sonora, first; Heymen, Menard; Stephenson, Sonora; Hutcherson, Sonora. Time: 23.5.

220 yd. low hurdles—Wilman, Menard, first; Williams, Eldorado; Briley, Menard; Trainer, Sonora. Time: 28.6.

880 yd. run—Hill Eldorado, first; Weidenmann, Eldorado; Word, Menard; Stewart, London. Time: 2:19.2.

Mile Run—Davis, Eldorado, first; Ball, Junction; Wyatt, Menard. Time: 5.26.

Mile Relay—Sonora, first; Eldorado, Rocksprings, Menard. Time: not listed.

Pole Vault—Stewart, London, first; Halbert, Eldorado; Riley, Junction, and Durgan, Menard tied for third. Height: 9 feet.

Shot Put—Owens, Rocksprings, first; Hill, Sonora; Williams, Eldorado; Housermann, Junction. Distance: 38 feet, 5/4 inches.

High Jump—Williams, Eldorado, and a boy from Junction tied for first; Morris and Higgins of Sonora and Word of Menard tied for third. Height: 5 feet 5 inches.

Discus Throw—Higgins, Sonora, first; Riley, Junction; Bricker, Sonora; Griswell, Menard. Distance: 38 feet 9 1/2 inches.

Javelin Throw—Willman, Men-

ard, first; Owens, Rocksprings; Williams, Eldorado; Hill, Sonora. Distance: 38 feet 11 inches.

SAN ANTONIO TYPING MEET

Friday, March 29, the Sonora typing team, with Mr. Gilmore and Mr. Sharp, went to San Antonio to take part in the Edison High School typing and shorthand contest that was held in the typing room of Draughtons Business College at 9:00 o'clock Saturday morning, March 30th.

Entered in the contest were several San Antonio schools and schools from the surrounding towns within a 150 mile radius.

For team score the New Braunfels team won first. For individual score South San Antonio won first. Sonora won fifth out of twenty-three teams.

BRONCO BAND PRESENTS FIRST CONCERT

On Monday night April 15th the Sonora Broncho Band will present its first annual concert in the High School Auditorium.

The concert will consist of marches, overtures, solos, trios, and symphonies arrangements of popular tunes.

The band is composed of 47 high school and grade school boys and girls.

Proceeds from the concert will be toward paying the expenses of the band when it goes to contest.

Measles Continues Major Disease Of Childhood

"During 1939 over eight thousand cases of measles were reported to the State Department of Health. This large number is not unusual, since the disease characteristically assumes a cyclic nature with alternate periods of high and low incidence. 1937 represented a year of expected large number of cases, with a total of 14,768, while 1938 dropped to 5,710 cases. Lowest incidence of the past half decade was in 1935 with 4,073 cases of measles reported," states Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer.

"Of considerable importance,

however, is the fact that parents of small children frequently are entirely indifferent to this disease. Assuming a more or less fatalistic attitude, many of them believe that the sooner the disease is contracted by their young children the quicker the trouble will be over. This viewpoint undoubtedly is the result of a false sense of security regarding measles.

"That many cases of measles are mild in comparison with those of the other communicable diseases. It is a fact, also, that many victims recover without grave consequences. Nevertheless, there is another side to the story that deserves consideration.

"In children under five years of age measles is a serious disease. The illness is more severe, the complications more numerous, and death occurs much more frequently than in those who are attacked at an older age. Though only a fraction of the total measles cases occur in the age group under five years, the greatest majority of deaths results from these comparatively few cases. Moreover, undernourished children and those already suffering from other diseases, regardless of age, are more severely affected than are normal children.

"It should be apparent, therefore, that every care should be taken to protect young children from exposure until they have passed that period of life in which the disease takes its greatest toll.

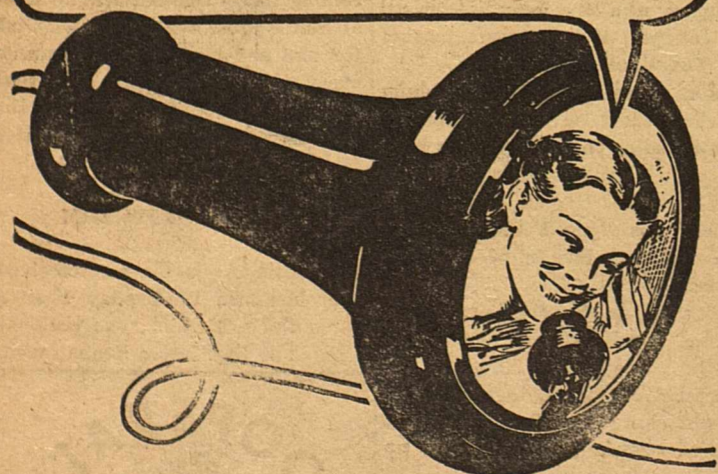
"If efforts to protect fail, it follows naturally that nursing care and medical advice should be applied promptly, especially whenever a child under five years of age contracts the disease.

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D. H. Simpson, the livery man of Llano, was in Sonora Monday.

John W. Reiley was in from his ranch Tuesday, on land business.

Geo. Allison and sons, John, Curt and Bus were in from the ranch several days this week.

Lawyers W. A. Anderson and L. J. Wardlaw were in Eldorado this week on professional business.

Will Perry was down from the J. L. Davis ranch Monday looking for his corn crop.

Harrison Kirkland moved back to Eldorado this week and will go into the saddlery business up there.

B. L. Jones and E. F. Kart of Weatherford, were in Sonora this week prospecting.

J. C., M. E., J. W., and F. A. Brooks of Lampasas, arrived in Sonora Friday, on a prospecting trip.

Mrs. Geo. Hamilton is visiting her sister, Mrs. Frank Murchison in Schleicher county, this week.

Mrs. S. G. Tayloe arrived home Saturday from San Angelo, where she had been for a weeks on a visit.

Miss Daisy Palmer left on Tuesday for Brenman to visit her sister, Mrs. Lewis Mayfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Schrier and children, moved to the Taylor & Garland ranch in Schleicher county this week.

Pat Lee returned from Oklahoma Tuesday where he had been attending court.

Dock Simmons moved his family to the ranch this week. Dock says he has some black leg out on the ranch but that it is not very bad.

Bob Peacock came in on Tuesday's hack from San Angelo where he had been for some visiting.

Berry & Long have moved their barber shop to their new building between the Favorite Saloon and Strickland's saddle shop, and invites their friends and the public generally to call and see them.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ory were up from the ranch Thursday for supplies.

W. H. Black, the well-driller, has finished a well for Dock Joy on the Llano and got lots of water at 190 feet.

Sam Jones, a prominent stockman from the Middle Valley country, was in Sonora Tuesday trading. Mr. Jones is the present owner of the old Mayer headquarters ranch.

Jim Cornell arrived home Tuesday by way of Juno, from Fort Worth, San Antonio and Brackett, where he had been on business and pleasure.

Dr. P. H. Rogers, our dentist, left on Wednesday on a visit to his parents at San Marcos. While away he will attend the Dental Association at Austin. The doctor expects to be away about a month.

Mr. and Mrs. Wes Bryson and children arrived home from a visit to friend and relatives in Brady, Sunday. Mrs. H. P. Jordan of Brady accompanied them.

Mrs. B. T. Ledbetter and baby of Hughes Springs, Texas, arrived in Sonora Thursday, to meet her husband, the new drug clerk at J. Lewenthal's.

C. C. Cooper and nephew, C. C. Cooper, Jr., were in Sonora this week getting ready to go back to their home in Valley Mills, Bosque county. Mr. Cooper having sold out his sheep interest at a pretty good profit this season will try it again next season.

Mrs. W. B. Keese and boys, Miss Minnie Wallace and Misses Lucile and Winona Grimland left on Friday for Norse, Bosque county on a visit to friends and relatives. Won't Hannah have a time. That's the truth.

Cooper & Savell, our up-to-date

HILARIOUS BURLESQUE COMEDY PROVIDES FUN



Love is a scene from "A HOWLING SUCCESS," one-act comedy to be presented here, Monday, April 22, under the direction of the Parent-Teacher Association. The play is a home talent production.

butchers, have put in a large ice box in their butcher shop and it is sure a dandy. The next best thing they can do is to get new butchers or get a false face for Fred.

Mrs. Dave Adams was up from her place on the Llano this week the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Trainer.

John A. Ward was up from his ranch Wednesday trading, and getting introduced to old friends who didn't know him since he shaved off his whiskers. It could not surprise us if there was a divorce case next court.

W. T. Covington sold to Tom Morris 35 head of stock cattle at \$12 per head.

J. A. Mayfield sold 20 head of yearling steers to Frank Douglass of Eldorado at \$12.50 pre head.

W. A. Miers was in from he ranch Wednesday trading. Bill wants to sell all his sheep.

M. V. Sessum was in Sonora Monday trading. Mr. Sessum has about 45 head of yearling steers he wants to sell.

J. M. Stone, a prominent stockman of Schleicher county, was in Sonora Tuesday, wanting to buy yearling steers.

Sol Mayer & Bros. of Sonora, sold 900 two-year old steers to Barnes & Harrel of Fort Worth at \$17 per head.

W. F. Luckie was in Sonora Friday and reports the sale of his and Sam and Max Luckie's yearling steers to J. L. Noguess of Mayer, at \$12 per head.

Sol Mayer & Bros. of Sonora, sold to B. M. Boyd, 18 miles north of McKavett, 300 two-year-old heifers at \$13 and three registered Black Muley bulls for \$325.

A. R. Hurley, who has been running the A. F. Clarkson sheep this season on shares, was in Sonora Friday for supplies. He says he was offered \$1000 for his interest.

Chas. Warren of Edwards, was in Sonora Saturday, and reports having bought 1000 holdover sheep from M. L. Watters at \$2.80 wool on.

Austin Rountree, one of our big stockmen, bought all of Russell Franks' 2-year-old heifers about 120 head at \$9 per head. A very good pick up for Dewey.

Sol Mayer & Bros. of Sonora sold 1000 yearling steers to Harris Bros. of San Angelo, at \$12 per head. This sale was made at the convention and was thought at that time would knock the plum.

J. R. Roper of Ithacia, Texas, who has been with F. O. Perry of San Angelo, for several days in Sonora, bought 8 head of yearling mules from G. S. Allison, and 34 from Wm. Sultemeyer at something over \$30.

The total amount spent by the oil industry in Texas from the discovery of oil through 1938 was more than seven billion dollars.

History of FHA During Five Years Reveals Fine Growth

The Federal Housing Administration has submitted to the Treasury Department a comprehensive history of its activities during its first five years of operation, the period ending with June 30, 1939.

The FHA report was prepared in connection with a general survey of the operations of many of the Federal corporations and agencies undertaken by the Treasury pursuant to Senate Resolution 150 which was voted at the last regular session of Congress. The Treasury's complete report on this survey was recently transmitted to the United States Senate by Secretary Morgenthau.

The detailed history compiled by the FHA staff demonstrates that the two and one-half billion dollars of home-loan insurance written by the Federal Housing Administration up to June 30, 1939, was developed at a net cost to the Treasury of only \$50,277,255.

Since June 30, 1939, moreover, the agency has written additional insurance of more than \$650,000,000 at a much smaller proportionate cost to the Federal Government than the annual average of approximately \$10,000,000 incurred during the FHA's first five years of business.

Expenditures by the Federal Government during the five years ending with June 30, 1939, represent the cost of launching the FHA program during its formative period, FHA officials point out, and include claims paid for insurance under the modernization and property-improvement program. The agency is now paying most of its operating expenses out of its own revenues, in addition to adding to reserves, and it will pay all of its operating expenditures in the fiscal year beginning next July.

On June 30, 1939, the FHA commenced its operations, designed to stimulate the then stagnant housing industry and to aid in the establishment of a sound mortgage market. By June 30, 1939, the FHA had written aggregate insurance of \$2,546,343,422, including \$1,607,147,041 of premium-paying small-home mortgages, \$839,559,606 of modernization and property-improvement loans, and \$99,636,775 of rental- and group-housing mortgages.

Total Federal Government funds advanced toward financing the FHA program during the five years amounted to \$70,926,977. This Government expenditure is offset in part by recoveries and by assets of the FHA in which the Government has an interest, valued on June 30 at \$20,649,721.

A large part of the cost of the program during the five-year period resulted from the payment of \$21,499,305 in claims for insurance under the modernization and property-improvement program. Until last summer the FHA charged no premium for its insurance of modernization and property-improvement loans. The establishment of a small premium charge for such insurance in July, 1939, should sharply reduce the future cost of this phase of the FHA program.

At the same time, the FHA's revenues from its mortgage-insurance operations have been meeting an increasingly large part of the expense of the program. Begin-

ning with its fourth year of operation, the FHA paid part of its operating costs, in addition to increasing its insurance reserves substantially.

In the current Federal fiscal year, which ends on June 30, 1940, the FHA is paying 65 per cent of its entire operating costs out of its revenues, which now actually exceed operating expenses.

Senator Sheppard Announces Plan For Re-Election

Senator Sheppard gave out a copy of the following letter he was recently sending Mr. William M. Thornton, Staff Correspondent, Dallas News, Austin, Texas.

"I note your statement in the Dallas News of February 8 to the effect that it is felt by some that Morris Sheppard might be willing

to step down in 1942, after having reached the age of 67 years and having seen 30 years service in the Senate. In order to dispel this illusion let me say that I shall be a candidate for re-election in 1942. I have an ambition while continuing to serve the people with best energies I possess to break the all American record for length of service in Congress. Another elec-

tion will enable me to do this. There are still five men, none living, who have served in Congress consecutively or non-consecutively longer than I have but after another term my record will exceed the record of each of these.

"With cordial good wishes, I am, Truly your friend."
Morris Sheppard

The program of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers' Association for the coming year was announced at the association's annual conventions, the first of the week at Fort Worth. Foreign beef trades agreements were under discussion again. The association will make every effort to keep down imports of cheap foreign beef, according to Joe G. Montague, association attorney.

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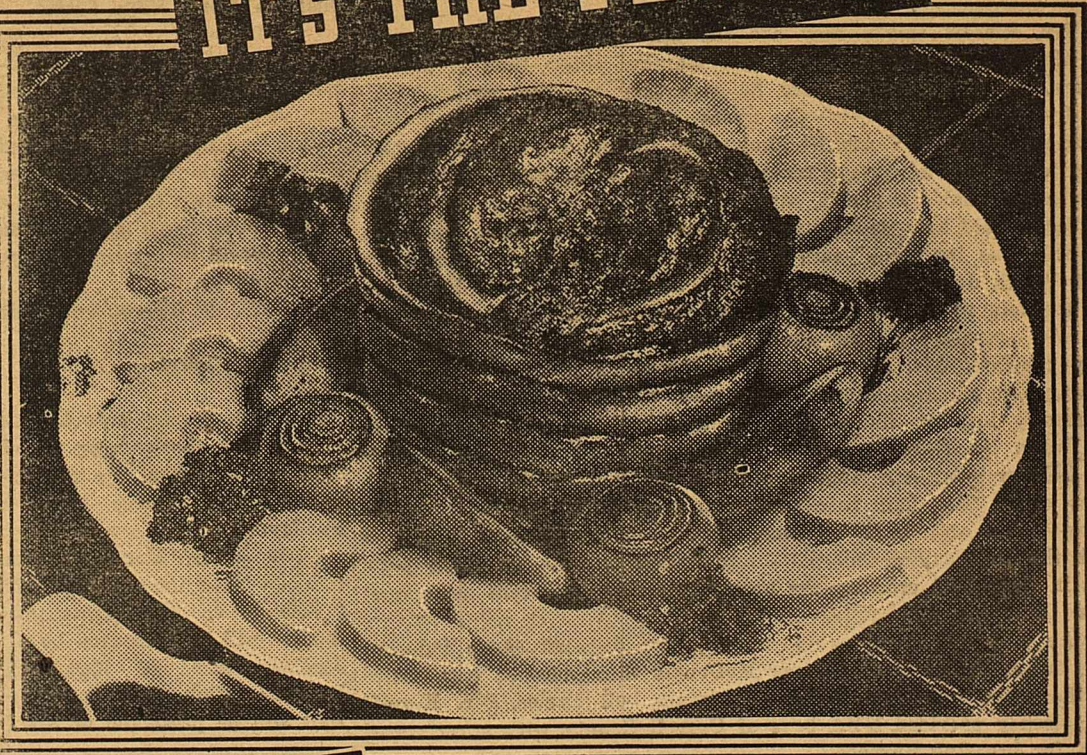
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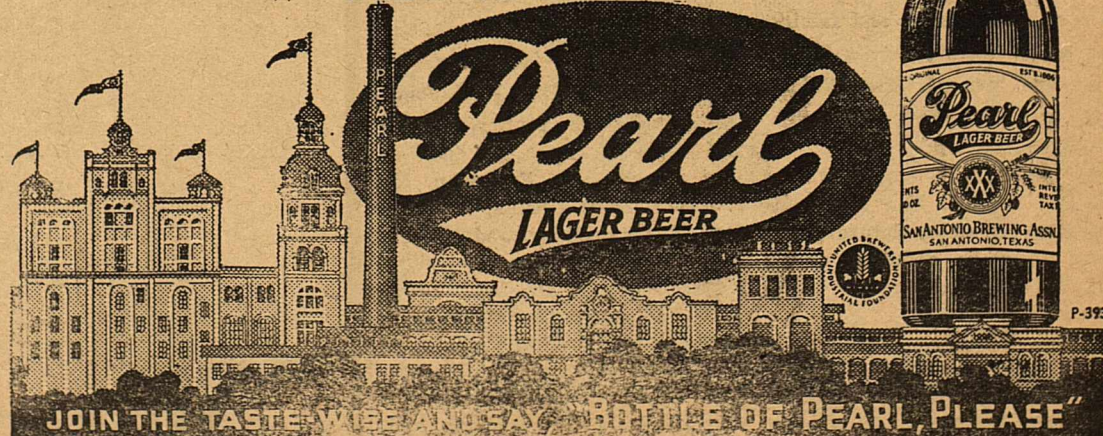
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Production of Karakul Sheep Pelts in State May Become Industry of Major Importance To Ranchmen

"Texas has the finest climatic and range conditions in the world for Karakul sheep raising," declared J. E. McDonald, State Commissioner of Agriculture, on a recent visit to George H. Kioseff's Parker County Karakul sheep ranch where successful experiments have proved that Texans have a new three million dollar industry awaiting simple and easy development.

Mr. Kioseff, (pronounced Key-o-seff) native Bulgarian whose grandfathers and one great-grandfather were killed by the Turks and who himself had to wear a fez until he was twelve years old, has shown, through four years of experimentations in co-operation with the State Department of Agriculture, that this fur, wool and mutton producing sheep gives better quality pelts than have been obtained in the native habitat, West Central Asia.

Mr. McDonald said statistics show that the United States imports annually three million dollars worth of Karakul and Persian lambskin, and this country, which consumes eighty-five per cent of the world's production, produces less than ten thousand skins a year, whereas German Southwest Africa last year produced one million two hundred thousand lambskins.

Of course, women know that soft, tightly curled, tar-black Persian lamb is born of the Karakul sheep, and from a number of these lovely little pelts are made the beautiful coats and wraps so desired by women.

Right now, with the world trade conditions as they are and the country's foreign source for fur supply cut drastically, Texans stand an unusual opportunity to cop the world market in Karakul, believes Mr. Kioseff who comes of the third generation of Karakul raisers and has spent his life in the fur trade. He also claims the sheep will do as well on damp lowlands, as on hilly semi-arid lands. With the exception of our milder winters the climate throughout Texas is much like that of Bokhara, in the heart of Central Asia, where the breed originated. "Over there," he says, "the sheep are raised on the hilly country as well as on the lowlands. They will lamb twice a year if their lambs are taken when a few days old, and have been known to produce at this rate for fourteen years. No special season is required for the production of fine pelts"

The pelts taken from Karakul lambs which have been still-born within twenty days of the end of gestation period are of extra texture and value, therefore saving the owner the great loss which occurs in most breeds of sheep by what is generally known as "lamb slinking."

Mr. Kioseff thinks they are the hardest sheep in the world and declares it cost less to feed a Karakul sheep than it does a turkey. As a mutton producer he says they top the market.

In making garments the pelts are carefully selected and matched, therefore Texas Karakul sheep owners could market their pelts to the best advantage when a minimum of twenty-five thousand pelts are available annually, says Mr. Kioseff, who for twenty years has maintained his own fur import business in Battle Creek, Michigan, and who was for three years head of the fur department of a large Fort Worth department store. He has made nine trips to European fur markets as purchasing agent for various well-known concerns.

As president of the Southwestern Karakul Association with fifty members, Mr. Kioseff dreams of a much greater membership owning five hundred thousand sheep—a united industry that could constantly improve its product through breeding registered stock. When the Karakul ram is crossed with the white Rambouillet the breeder get black lamb eighty-five per cent of the time on the first cross. The half breed stock can gradually be bred up to three-fourths and finally to pure. Also, when the Karakul is crossed with the Rambouillet the cross-breed brings uniform matching pelts and in their first crossing the owner gets forty per cent more wool than from the Rambouillet.

As a practical means of entering the Karakul sheep industry it is suggested by Commissioner McDonald that there be ram circles in the same way farmers now maintain bull circles. Mr. Kioseff has already provided NYA boys of Coryell County with a registered ram for breeding purposes.

In hopes that Texas farmers and ranchmen will take advantage of Commissioner McDonald's and Mr. Kioseff's findings, the first of a series of educational meetings is scheduled to be held in Weatherford, Tuesday afternoon, on April 9th, at which time the local Junior Chamber of Commerce plans to entertain several hundred farmers and ranchmen from this area.

Commissioner McDonald, H. S. Foster, Agricultural Director of the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce and Mr. Kioseff have accepted invitations to appear on the program.

GUESTS VISIT IN SAWYER HOME

Mrs. E. E. Sawyer and family have as their guests this week Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Smart and family, their granddaughter, Miss Betty Smart and Mr. and Mrs. Willard Brown and son, Rex, all of La Grange, Maine.

Mrs. Smart is a sister of the late Mr. Sawyer. The group arrived here by motor Saturday and expect to make about a week's visit before returning to their home in Maine.

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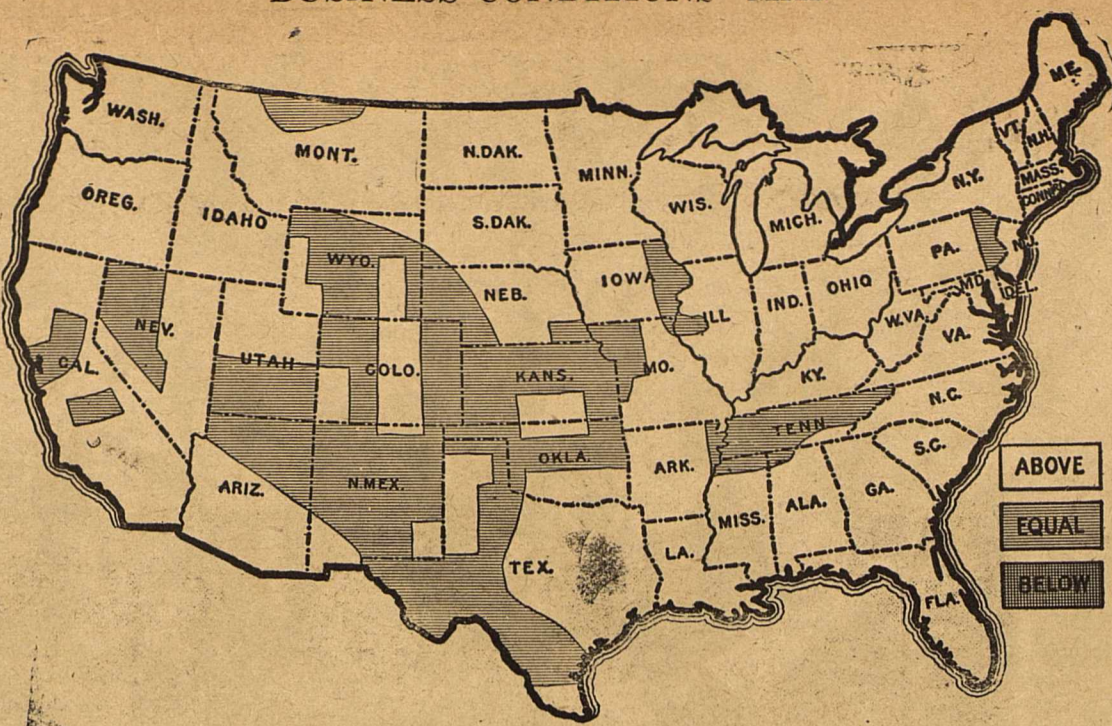
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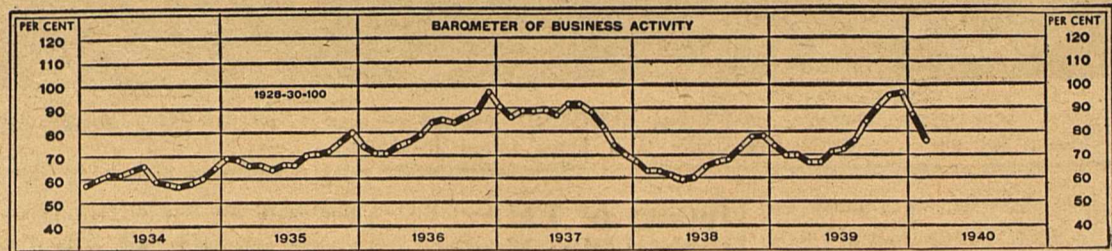
The Masonic gathering, which was held for this district in Eldorado Saturday of last week was attended by Mr. and Mrs. Joe Berger, Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Largent, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Stites, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Turney, Joe F. Logan, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Locklin, Rev. and Mrs. R. C. Brinkley, and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Davis.

In 1929, agricultural products provided one-fourth of Texas' total cash income while minerals amounted to one-fifth. In 1938, agriculture including government subsidies yielded but one-fifth while minerals, principally oil and gas, furnished one-third.

BUSINESS CONDITIONS MAP



This map represents current business conditions. It appears in the April number of "Nations Business", published by the United States Chamber of Commerce.



Stormy weather in February continued to hamper distributive trade in many sections, resulting in slightly more shaded areas in this

month's Map. While some evidence of slackening in the rapid downtrend appeared in the latter part of Feb-

ruary, industrial production for the month, as a whole, showed a further sharp decline from the December peak.

WITH THE CHURCHES

Baptist Church

With such glorious spring weather last Sunday we are not surprised that we had so many people attending all the services. We are expectantly looking for YOU Sunday morning in all the service. Bring some one with you to Sunday School, and then stay for church.

Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
Sermon, Subject: "The Race of Life" 11:00 a. m.
Training Unions 6:30 p. m.
Sermon, by pastor 7:30 p. m.
Come, a welcome awaits you.
R. C. Brinkley, Pastor

Business Men's Bible Class

A fine attendance greeted us last Sunday at La Vista Theatre, and we extend to every man in Sutton county not in Sunday School elsewhere, to worship with us next Sunday. In addition to our regular program, a special musical program will be arranged for your enjoyment.

W. W. Gibson, President

Methodist Church

9:45 a. m. Sunday School. Classes for all ages. Come, bring the children and grandma. We come near the high attendance mark last Sunday.

10:50 a. m. Morning Sermon. Subject: "The Cure For Doubt."
7:45 p. m. "The Summons of Sarel" will be presented by J. H. Flathers and the high school Dramatic Club. This is the play that will be presented at the Dis-

trict Meet. It is a religious play of the highest type. Special music—Quartette: Miss Jhennie Allison, Miss Leeta Mae Garrett, Preston C. Lightfoot and J. H. Flathers. Trios: Miss Marie Watkins, Mrs. Edgar D. Shurley and Boyd Caffey. The public is cordially invited. There will be no admission charge. But an offering will be taken to assist in defraying the expense of the Dramatic Club. Come, bring your friends.
R. F. Davis, Pastor

Brotherhood Men's Bible Class

Why not come to the Brotherhood Men's Bible Sunday morning? We meet in the Methodist Church basement at 9:30 o'clock and extend to you a hearty invitation to meet with us. If you are a visitor, we welcome you to our class. Let's get as many "Buddies" out Sunday, if not all of them. Will you help us to reach that goal? A program is planned for your enjoyment at 9:45.

Preston C. Lightfoot, president

DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The District Conference of the San Angelo District of the Methodist Church will meet here, Tuesday 10:00 a. m.

At 11:00 a. m. Rev. E. J. Anderson of Brady will preach.

7:45 p. m. A representative of Texas A. & M. will speak. Special music by the choir.

Wednesday morning business of the Church and District Conference will be taken up.

The public is cordially invited to attend all sessions of the conference.

Dr. K. P. Barton, District Superintendent, will be in charge.
R. F. Davis, Pastor

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San Antonio Livestock Market

Hogs: Estimated salable and total receipts 550. Trading was only fairly active and prices were about steady with late last week. The top was \$5.25, paid for most good and choice 170 to 275 lb. butchers. Most 140 to 170 lbs. \$4.50 to \$5.25. Packers \$4.50 down. Feeder pigs slow, around \$2.00 to \$3.00.

Cattle: Estimated salable and total receipts 1,200; Calves, 1,600. Trading was only fairly active, but most slaughter classes were fully steady with late last week, undertone on most stocker offerings.

Two loads of 1,195 lb. grass steers \$7.85, one load of 1,165 lbs. \$7.25, few out. Other lots of common and medium steers sold from \$6.50 to \$7.50, including 1,026 lbs. at \$7.50. Most common and medium yearlings sold from \$6.50 to \$8.00, few good yearlings to \$8.50, including 493 lb. Brahmas at \$8.00, and 499 lbs. at \$8.50. Few good 497 lb. Hereford yearlings also cashed at \$8.50, some 542 lbs. to \$9.00. Few lots of good fat cows sold around \$6.00, canners and cutters mostly \$3.25 to \$4.75. Bulls mostly \$5.00 to \$6.00, odd head scaling 1,375 lbs. \$6.25.

Good slaughter calves mostly \$8.25 to \$8.50, few head of 189 lb. Brahman vealers \$9.00. Most common and medium grades ranged from \$6.50 to \$8.00, culls down to \$5.00 and below. Few choice light stocker steer calves to \$10.00, odd head \$10.50, and a small lot of 224 lb. well-bred steers and heifers to \$11.00, bulk of the stocker steer calves \$9.00 to \$10.25, heifers \$8.00 to \$9.00, some common kinds down to \$7.50.

Sheep: Estimated salable and total receipts 400. Market about steady on the light supplies. Few 53 lb. stocker woolled lambs \$6.00, some shorn ewes \$3.00. Small lot of young 62 lb. shorn Angora goats \$3.25.

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Sunday Dinner at the CLUB CAFE

Menu for Sunday, April 7, 1940

50c DINNER 50c

Cream of celery soup or chilled fruit juice
Banana nut salad or head lettuce with sliced tomatoes
— CHOICE OF ENTREE —
Fried spring chicken ala Maryland
Broiled choice club dinner steak
Fried fresh water cat fish in corn meal
Cold home baked sugar ham, potato salad
String beans — new potatoes — corn on cob
Individual tea rolls — corn muffins
Choice of desserts
Fruit sundae loaf cake — strawberry ice cream
Tea — coffee — milk

35c DINNER 35c

CHOICE OF
Stewed young hen home made egg noodles
Fried tender-loin of trout with tartre sauce
Cold roast beef with potato salad
Choice of vegetables
Choice of drink
Dessert

Dinner served from 11:00 a. m. until 9:00 p. m.

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SOCIETY NOTES

Parties...Clubs
Future Events

Sonora Newlyweds Honored At Shower At Groom's Home

Miss Mattie Mae Friess and J. W. (Pete) Parker who were married February 11 in San Angelo were given a surprise miscellaneous shower at the home of the bridegroom's mother, Mrs. Joe Parker of Rush Creek, Saturday, March 23.

Mrs. Parker, who was reared in Sonora, attended school in Austin and was employed by the post-office in Sonora.

Mr. Parker is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Parker of Rush Creek. The newlyweds were brought in after the guests arrived and a huge pile of useful and lovely gifts were opened, passed around and admired.

Bouquets of lovely spring flowers were used to decorate the rooms.

Refreshments of coffee and hot chocolate were served to some fifty guests.

The couple will make their home in Sonora where Mr. Parker is employed by the Texas-New Mexico Pipe Line Company.

Mrs. O. B. Babcock Elected Delegate To Convention

At a meeting of the Sonora Music Club held Thursday night of last week, during the business session Mrs. O. G. Babcock was named delegate to the State Music Convention to be held in Waco.

Mrs. Babcock is president-elect of the organization and has long been a member of the Music Club here.

Bryan Johnson was confined to his home several days this week because of illness.

Chamber Music Topic For Music Club Thursday

A meeting of the Sonora Music Club was held Thursday night of last week at the home of Mrs. E. Sawyer with Miss Alice Sawyer as co-hostess.

Leaders for the program were Mrs. Sterling Baker and Mrs. John L. Nisbet; and they discussed chamber music from its origin to the modern type.

Miss Thelma Rees played "Waltz in A Flat," by Brahms and Miss Marie Watkins played "Andante Cantabile," by Tchaskovsky. Both numbers were good examples of chamber music.

While refreshments were being served Mrs. O. G. Babcock and Mrs. Earl Lomax played records, some of which were "Mozart's String Quartet in D Minor," four movements, and "Quintette in E Flat Major" by Schumann.

Those attending were Mesdames Sterling Baker, O. G. Babcock, I. B. Boughton, Maysie Brown, Earl Lomax, John L. Nisbet, Leo Brown, Rosanna Hildreth, C. A. Tyler; Misses Johnnie Allison, Elizabeth Caldwell, Leeta Mae Garrett, Marie Watkins, Thelma Rees, Edith Engle and Gertrude Babcock.

Baptist W. M. S. Meets

Members of the Baptist Missionary Society met at the church Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. O. C. Ogden presided and read the devotional. The Rev. R. C. Brinkley gave a review of the twelfth chapter of the Book of Revelations.

A box was packed to be sent to Buckner Orphans Home, and was valued at \$32.55.

Mrs. G. G. S. Ephenson dismissed the meeting with a prayer.

Senior Class Here Honored With Supper

Members of the Senior Class of the high school were entertained with a dinner party Monday night by Libby Jo Wallace and Mrs. Libby Jo Wallace and Mrs. J. D. Wallace, the affair being given at the Libby Wallace home.

After dinner, several games were played and prizes were awarded for each game.

Plate favors were packages of chocolate cigarettes.

Those present were Leon Morris, Dorothy Henderson, Sue Glasscock, Merle Ory, Marjory Davis, Kathleen Largent, Dock Simmons, Sam Odum, Myron Morris, Mildred Trainer, James D. Trainer, Nelson Stubblefield, Louise Morris, R. W. Hill, Robert Sawyer, James Leo Wilson, Paschall Odum, Juanita Cartwright, Rex Hutcherson and Miss Viva Milstead, class sponsor.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Holmsley and Mrs. Laura Hoover of Ozona, Mrs. Holmsley's grandmother, were visitors in Sonora Tuesday.

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One-Act Plays Held In Sonora

One-act plays were presented by local and Eldorado casts in a program sponsored by the Speech Arts Department at the end of last week. J. H. Flathers is department director.

Sonora players appeared in "Sparkin'" and "The Summons of Sarel." In the casts were Billy Jo Henderson, Louise Morris, Sue Glasscock, Jack Lindsey, Clayton White, Pat Gilmore, Peggy Gilmore, Doris McDaniel, Mary Jo Rape, Jamie Trainer, Nancy Christie, Sanford Trainer, and Margie Crowell.

Taking part in "His First Date," presented by Eldoradoans, were Joe Ed Hill, Joe Luckett, Doll Weatherly, Beatrice Wright, Rosalyn Jones and Wanda Matteson.

Honors Club, Guests With Forty-Two Party

Mrs. Hi Eastland entertained for members and three guests of the Pastime Club Thursday afternoon of last week at her home.

Forty-two, played at three tables, provided the entertainment for the afternoon and at the close of the games, Mrs. Robert Rees and Mrs. Joe Berger had tied for high score for club members, while Mrs. B. W. Hutcherson was awarded high score for club guests.

A salad plate and tea were the refreshments served to those attending.

Club members present were Mesdames Robert Rees, C. A. Tyler, Joe Berger, J. W. Trainer, Rita Ross, O. G. Babcock, C. E. Stites, Earl Lomax, A. W. Awalt.

The guests were Mrs. H. P. Largent, Mrs. B. W. Hutcherson, Mrs. J. A. Cauthorn.

Mrs. Petch In Lecture Here Monday

The Sonora Music Club presented its last program of the current Artists Concert Series at the High School Auditorium, Monday night to an appreciative audience.

The Gladys Petch Travelogue, a story of Norway, and pictured in colored slides showing the famed beauty of that northern country, was a treat long to be remembered.

Mrs. Petch is an interesting speaker and her talk was made doubly enjoyable by the accompanying music provided by Miss Georgia Nicklett, the pianist of the evening.

Miss Nicklett played a group of numbers preceding the lecture as follows: "Concerto in A Minor," by Greig; "Remembrance," by Rubeen Davies; "Fantasie Impromptu," by Chopin and "Etude, op. 10 No. 5," by Chopin.

Miss Nicklett is an artist of rare ability and her performance was enjoyed by all.

Particularly appreciative were the children in the audience who were generous with their applause.

At the close of the program, all present were invited to a reception for the artists at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Cusenbary where the members of the Music Club welcomed the guests and introduced the artists.

Mesdames Cusenbary, I. B. Boughton and Earl Lomax were hostesses for the evening and served punch and cookies from a beautifully laid table in the dining room.

As the guests were served, Miss Elizabeth Caldwell gave piano numbers and Miss Marie Watkins sang selections from light opera.

Those attending were Misses Edith Engle, Thelma Rees, Leeta Mae Garrett, Marie Watkins, Elizabeth Caldwell, Gertrude Babcock, Johnnie Allison, Marjory Reba Nisbet, Edith May Babcock, Marguerite Howell, Bernie Dawn Gibbs.

Sammie Jeanne Allison, Geraldine Morrow, Kathryn Ross; Messrs. and Mesdames Edgar D. Shurley, O. G. Babcock, I. B. Boughton, Gue Love, Albert Murray; Mesdames W. E. Caldwell, J. W. Trainer, Maysie Brown, Bond, Leo Greer, Rocksprings, Hearn Taylor, Fort Stockton, Joe Brown Ross, C. A. Tyler.

Edward Tipton, James Caldwell, Billy Shurley, Jimmy Cusenbary, Cleveland and Billy Joe Nance, Frankie Bond and Nolan Gibbs.

Methodist W. M. S. Meets

Meeting at the church for a business session, members of the Methodist Missionary Society held a meeting Wednesday afternoon.

Arrangements were made and committees were appointed for the conference, which will be held here April 9 and 10.

Seven members attended the meeting.

Demonstration And Meeting Held By P. T. A.

Members of the local Parent-Teacher Association met in regular session Tuesday afternoon at the High School Auditorium, with Mrs. J. F. Howell presiding.

Minutes of the last meeting were read, and the minutes of the executive board meeting were read. The executive board moved that the P. T. A. sponsor the play "A Howling Success," this year rather than the Jubilee, and the motion carried. This play will be presented Monday April 22.

Serving on committees for the play will be the following:

Director: Mrs. Albert (Coach) Murray, assisted by Mrs. Joe H. Trainer, Miss Grace Draper and members of the finance committee.

Stage and equipment committee: J. H. Flathers, Mrs. G. H. Davis, Mrs. V. F. Hamilton, Dr. Tom White, Dr. Joel Shelton, Dr. J. F. Howell, H. C. Atchison, Erwin Willman.

Costume committee: Mrs. J. W. Trainer, Mrs. Ben Cusenbary, Mrs. Tom Bond, Mrs. Johnnie Allison, Mrs. John Bowers, Mrs. W. H. Dameron, Mrs. Leonard Gibbs.

Ticket committee: Mrs. H. C. Atchison, Mrs. W. R. Cusenbary, Mrs. E. M. Halbert, Jr., Mrs. John A. Ward, Jr., Mrs. J. D. Wallace, Mrs. Cashes Taylor, Mrs. Sam Allison, Mrs. Andrew Moore, Mrs. W. C. Gilmore, Mrs. Raymond Morgan, Mrs. Hub Hale, Mrs. Ernest McClelland, Miss Johnnie Allison, Miss Alice Sawyer, Miss Kathryn Trainer, Mrs. Libby Wallace, Mrs. John Fields, Mrs. H. L. Taylor, Mrs. J. C. Morrow, Miss Kathryn Brown, F. T. Jones.

Advertising committee: Boyd Caffey, Miss Edith Engle, Miss Annie Duncan, Dearn Beard.

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Pagaent committee: Miss Rena McQuary, Miss Jean Saunders and Mrs. Boyd Caffey.

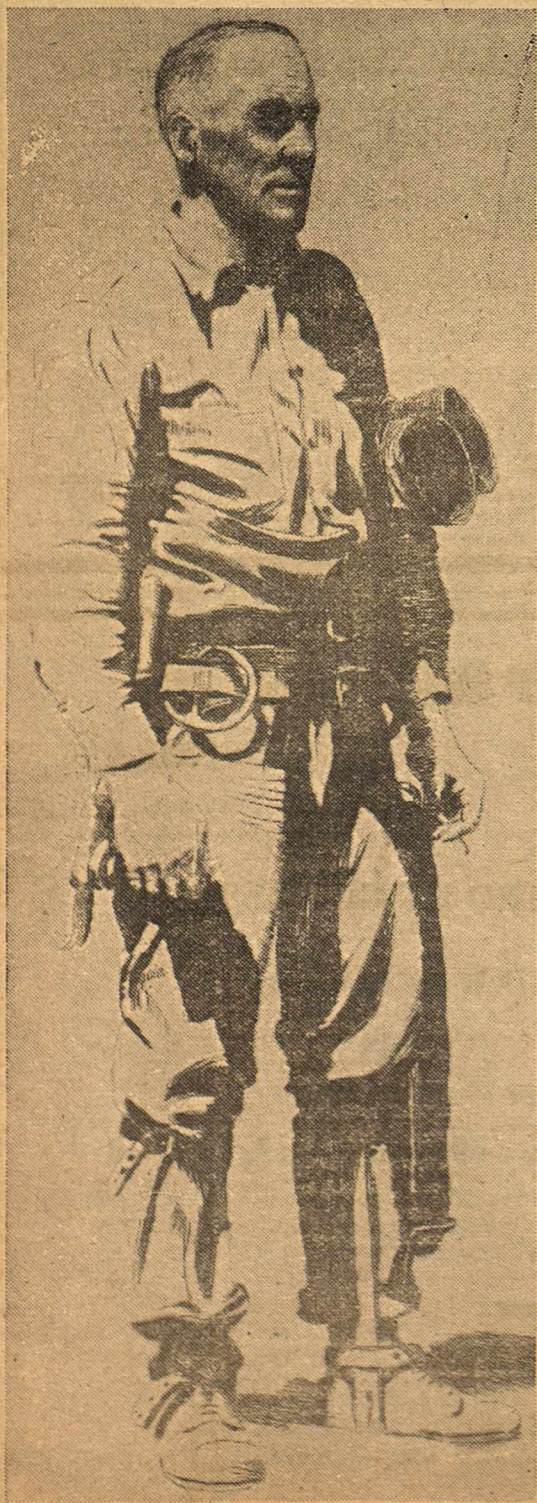
Mrs. Ben Cusenbary, president-elect for the coming year, gave a report of the P. T. A. conference, which was held in Abilene recently. In her report she gave ways of putting stimulus in the club, ways of improving the year book and various means of improving the club as a whole.

Mrs. Britt gave a detailed treasurer's report for the year. The motion picture screen committee reported two screens, one eight feet by ten feet, glass beaded, the other 39 inches by 52 inches, also glass beaded portable screen, are to be secured at a cost of about \$80.00.

Preston C. Lightfoot, program leader, discussed the subject for the afternoon, "Play and Relaxation," and introduced Miss Johnnie Allison who gave a talk pertaining to the club as a whole.

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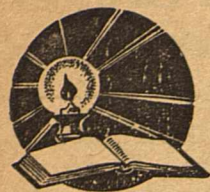
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ASSETS	
1. Loans and discounts (including \$2,678.30 overdrafts) \$	449,760.67
2. United States Government obligations	83,300.00
3. Obligations of States and political subdivisions	269,022.19
4. Corporate stocks, including stock of Federal Reserve	6,001.00
5. Cash, balances with banks, reserve balance, cash items	191,494.49
6. Bank premises \$17,250.00, furn. and fix. \$4,500.00	21,750.00
7. Real estate owned other than bank premises	1.00
8. Investments indirectly representing bank premises	15,000.00
9. Other assets	12,344.70
10. Total Assets	\$1,048,674.05
LIABILITIES	
11. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, corp.	\$ 718,087.52
12. Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corp.	48,222.99
13. Deposits of States and political subdivisions	47,877.80
14. Deposits of banks	6,071.64
15. Other deposits (certified and cashiers' checks, etc.)	1,927.84
16. Total Deposits	\$822,187.79
17. Total Liabilities	\$ 822,187.79
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
18. Capital Stock:	
(c) Common stock, total par \$100,000.00	100,000.00
19. Surplus	100,000.00
20. Undivided profits	26,486.26
21. Total Capital Accounts	226,486.26
22. Total Liabilities and Capital Accounts	\$1,048,674.05

MEMORANDA
31. Pledged assets (and securities loaned) (book value):
(b) Other assets pledged to secure deposits 30,000.00
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Sworn to and subscribed before me this twenty-eighth day of March, 1940.
(SEAL) **C. H. ALLEN, Notary Public.**

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Published in accordance with Section 5211, U. S. Revised Statutes
Report as of March 26, 1940, of
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Stock of affiliated bank owned NONE
Loans to affiliated bank NONE
Borrowings from affiliated bank \$1,000.00
Stock of affiliate registered in name of bank or known to be owned by bank directly or indirectly NONE
Other obligations to, or known to be held by, affiliated bank NONE
Other information necessary to disclose fully relations with banks: NONE

I, Geo. H. Neill, treasurer of First Loan Co., Sonora, Texas, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
GEO. H. NEILL
Sworn to and subscribed before me this twenty-eighth day of March, 1940.
(SEAL) **C. H. ALLEN, Notary Public**

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Report as of March 26, 1940, of
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SONORA, TEXAS

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Kind of Business:
CONSTRUCTION OF BANK BUILDING
Manner in which above-named organization is affiliated with national bank, and degree of control:
Stock held by First Loan Company, Trustee, for stockholders of First National Bank, an affiliate of the First National Bank of Sonora, Texas.
Financial relations with bank:
Stock of affiliated bank owned NONE
Loans to affiliated bank NONE
Borrowings from affiliated bank NONE
Stock of affiliate registered in name of bank or known to be owned by bank directly or indirectly NONE
Other obligations to, or known to be held by, affiliated bank—bonds \$15,000.00
Other information necessary to disclose fully relations with banks: NONE

I, Geo. H. Neill, treasurer of Sonora Construction Company, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
GEO. H. NEILL
Sworn to and subscribed before me this twenty-eighth day of March, 1940.
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**Conservation Of
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Conservation of oil usually is thought of as the producing and saving of the greatest quantity possible from the underground reservoirs.

It also means more efficient use of the crude oil after it has been produced. In this respect, the American petroleum industry has achieved remarkable results in just a few years, chiefly through the use of the cracking process in refining, it is pointed out by Dr. Gustav Egloff, director of research, Universal Oil Products Company, Chicago, in an article in the March issue of the Independent Monthly. The magazine is the official publication of the Independent Petroleum Association of America.

Had the yield of gasoline from crude oil in 1920 remained constant through succeeding years, it would have required 11,000,000,000 barrels more of crude oil than actually was used to supply oil because of increased yield and improved quality of gasoline was 1,800,000,000 barrels.

The automobile industry is about 30 years old, considering that period in which cars have been produced and sold to the public generally. In 1929, Dr. Egloff shows, refiners in the United States processed 120,775,000 barrels of crude oil to produce 12,900,000 barrels of gasoline. The yield was 10.7 per cent, or four and one-half gallons of gasoline per barrel of crude oil. In 1939 the refiners used 1,238,959,000 barrels of crude oil to make 596,111,000 barrels of gasoline, an average yield of 19.2 gallons of gasoline per barrel, or 45.2 per cent. In the 30 years, the increase in yield has been about 430 per cent. Not only is far more gasoline

recovered from each barrel of crude oil, but there has been great improvement in the quality of gasoline through use of the cracking processes. "The octane rating of the gasoline marketed in 1909 is estimated to have been as an average about 50, whereas today's gasoline averages about 72," says Dr. Egloff. "The efficiency of 72

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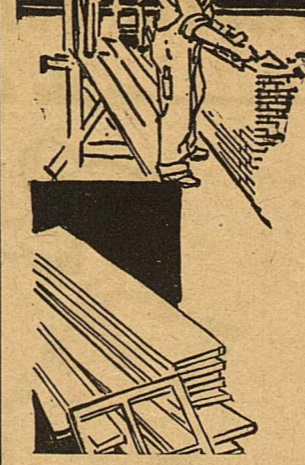
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MOVIES

Edited By WAYLAND STUBBLEFIELD

"The Dead End Kids On Dress Parade," a Warner Bros. picture starring the Dead End Kids, showing at the La Vista today and tomorrow.

In this picture, the famous bunch of screen toughs do a complete turnabout and become model American youths in a modern American military academy. Still the scrappy happy hooligans, however, Leo Gorcey leads the Kids, this time as a city slicker who comes to military school to show the cadets a thing or two.

How Gorcey gets a little discipline himself by the other Dead Enders, Billy Halop, Gabriel Dell, Huntz Hall, Bobby Jordan, and Bernard Punsley, forms the basis of this lively film in a boys' military academy.

Those who have seen the Kids trademarked in their previous successes, like "Angels With Dirty Faces," "Hell's Kitchen," and "Crime School" will find the new departure a welcome one, for the talents of these youths, while slightly on the rough side, are none the less appreciated.

"The Dead End Kids On Dress Parade," feature in addition to the Dead End Kids, John Littel, Frankie Thomas and Cissie Loftus, famous stage star.

Jane Withers takes her special brand of freshness to "High School" and meets some unusual experiences as a freshman in the new 20th Century-Fox comedy of that name which comes to La Vista Theatre on Sunday and Monday.

Real authentic background is a highlight of the picture, for it was filmed with the co-operation of San Antonio's famous Thomas Jefferson High School. Jane even becomes a member of the renowned Girls' Lasso Club at the school.

Jane is quite a "young lady" these days and all set to step out on dates in gay party dresses and, of course, being Jane, she's always ready for a classroom prank or a campus shindig.

Blowing into high school straight from a Texas ranch, Jane, accompanied by a ranch hand in the person of Cliff "Ukelele Ike" Edwards gets into trouble right at the start by stealing the reception planned for a very important visiting official.

"Slats," the school football hero, (played by Joe Brown, Jr., a freckle-faced lad whom studio officials

discovered when they saw his face grinning from an advertising poster), goes for Jane in a big way. But the rest of the school gangs up on her and decides to teach her how to "take it."

Jane gets into all sorts of trouble on her way to the school's okay by saving the day for "Slats" when he gets into trouble with a gang of auto thieves.

Besides Joe Brown, Jr. and Cliff Edwards, the supporting cast also features Lloyd Corrigan, Claire Du Brey, Lynne Roberts, Paul Harvey, Lillian Porter and John Kellogg. "High School" was directed by George Nicholls, Jr. from an original screen play by Jack Jungmeyer, Edith Skouras and Harold Tarshis, based on an idea by Robert Ellis and Helen Logan. John Stone was associate producer of the film.

In "Escape To Paradise," Bobby Breen's new starring picture, showing Tuesday only at the La Vista Theatre, the young singer presents what is said to be the finest repertoire of songs in his screen career. Each number is distinctly South American in flavor and Bobby sings them both as solos and with vocal accompaniment.

The numbers are "If Your Heart Could Speak," a ballad of the popular type; "Tra-la-la," an exhilarating song on the order of a polka; "Rhythm on the Rio," a marching tune; "Jurame," a delightful serenade with more than a hint of tango rhythm; "Ay Ay Ay," one of the most famous of all South American tunes, and "Vidalita," a haunting musical lament that owes its origin to the gauchos of the Argentine.

Victor Young was musical director for "Escape To Paradise," which features Kent Taylor, Maria Shelton, Joyce Compton and Pedro De Cordoba in supporting roles. The film is an RKO Radio release directed by Erle C. Kenton and produced by Sol Lesser.

"Mexican Spitfire" shows locally Wednesday and Thursday.

Mistaken identity, and the amusing complications it brings about, form the basis of RKO Radio's merry marital comedy, "Mexican Spitfire," starring Lupe Velez in the title role.

Leon Errol, popular comedian who heads the supporting cast, portrays the uncle of two newlyweds, whose efforts to straighten things out complicate matters. One

Creep Feeding Of Calves Being Found Valuable Asset In Production Of Superior Animals For Market

Creep feeding of calves, which is finding more and more favor with cattlemen of Texas as the years go by, has been found to be especially productive of good results if calves so fed are of good breeding and quality. Calves of such breeding respond more quickly than those of inferior quality, and show faster rate of gain, healthier condition throughout feeding periods, and in every way live up to the proven contention that poor quality in any sort of livestock does not pay.

There are, of course, several good reasons for putting beef calves on supplemental feeding while the cows are still on grass. One of the main reasons is the fact that the calf shows a larger gain in weight over those not given such supplemental feeding. Also, fed calves frequently, if not consistently, sell for higher prices per pound than the animals not fed, both of these facts having been proven after innumerable feeding tests.

Through creep feeding on the range, it is possible in many cases to sell the feeder calves a full thirty days earlier than otherwise would be the case, and the calves will carry from 50 to 75 pounds more per animal. This saving in grazing time, coupled with increased weight not only saves and makes money for the ranchman, but conserves grass on the range and enables the cow herd to go into the winter in much better condition. These factors alone make creep feeding an especially valuable project from the standpoint of financial remuneration and conservation of valuable range.

When creep feeding should begin, of course, depends upon the time the calf is dropped, condition of the cow, condition of the range, when calves are to be sold, spreads between prices for feeder and finished cattle, and the spread in price between light and heavy cattle. The main idea, of course, is to begin creep feeding in time to permit the calves to acquire the weight desired at the time of marketing.

In exceptional cases, when the cow herd and the ranges are in excellent condition, creep feeding may be delayed until a month or so before marketing time, thus securing the maximum value from the range and avoiding surplus weight which might create a penalty against the animal. Under other conditions, creep feeding should start in early spring or at the beginning of summer.

A variety of creep feeding methods have been used, many of them excellent. On farms where feed is raised, of course, the animals are given a ration of feed grown on the farm saving the cost

of such feed. On the open range, feeding is usually done in troughs or in self-feeders, many varieties of which have been perfected, this method of feeding on the range having been found to be the most practical yet devised. Rations are very apt to contain a large percentage of cottonseed products, cake, cubes, etc., with other feed a lesser proportion, depending upon the inclination of the ranch man.

In practice, many ranchmen feed some three pounds of cake to their cows, continuing daily until April 1, at which time feeding is discontinued until the range gets short. About August 1, creep feeding of the calves begins, and continues until sale of the calves is completed. Feeding cake adds to the strength of the cow, and also increases the development of the calf.

As a range practice, creep feeding has been found to be one of the most valuable modern ranching trends, and as such will no doubt receive more and more favorable commendation at the hands of experienced and successful ranchmen who specialize in raising of cattle for marketing.

Insurance Men Of Sonora Are Invited Guests

A. C. Elliott and J. L. Nisbet, of Sonora, were invited guests of the Southwestern Life Insurance Company at the 36th Agency Convention of that organization in Dallas this week, C. F. O'Donnell, president, announced last week.

The Southwestern Life Club Convention opened Wednesday morning, April 3, in Baker Hotel. Leon Rovinsky of Dallas, Club President, presided. During the morning session C. F. O'Donnell, President of the Southwestern Life Insurance Company delivered his annual address to the agency force. Dr. W. J. Allison, Medical Director of the Company, also was scheduled to appear on the first day's program.

In the programs to follow on Friday and Saturday other officers and executives of the Company were scheduled to speak. Addresses by T. L. Bradford, Jr., Vice-President and Treasurer; E. G. Brown, Vice President and Actuary; Richard R. Lee, Vice President and Agency Director; R. A. B. Goodman, Vice President and Director of Public Relations; Arthur Coburn, Vice President; Ben H. Williams, Sales Director; and R. William Archer, Director of Publicity, were on the program.

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WINGS OVER TEXAS

By LOIS CAMERON CHESLEY

I pushed back the thick-set branches of an arbor vita one April day to look into the nest of a house finch. At home the week before, I had watched a pair of these finches tugging ambitiously on the strings of my kitchen mop. At the moment, indifferent to domestic needs because of recent sandstorms, I had felt that there was no better use which all mops might be put than as nesting materials. But I suppose the same home instinct that set the birds to tugging at the strings kept me from snipping them off for their use. But next time I'll likely cut up the mop; for the birds kept returning to it hopefully in preference to the twine and cotton I put out for them.

There was no twine in sight in the nest I was looking at. Perhaps I did not look carefully, for there was something more interesting than twine to spend time on. Inside the compact grass-and-bark-strip nest were three young birds. Though I did not know how old they were, I saw they could not have been many hours out of the shell. A gray down covered them, but it was not thick enough to hide the yellowish orange skin beneath. Through the down their crawls bulged with some kind of food that was green in color. I was curious about the diet of green, and guessed it to be little green aphids, plant-louse that finches have been seen to feed their offsprings.

Nestlings are so disjointed looking and out of proportion that they are always amusing. In addition to their oversized, closed eyelids, these had wisps of the down fluffed up on their heads like an American Indian's headdress. I watched them a few moments, waiting to hear some nestling war whoop for food. But they were too young to be interested in anything but sleep. Judging from their stuffed crawls the parents were not letting them have many hunger pangs. I stepped back into the shade to let the parents bring more food. But they were wary about approaching. Nestlings digest their food rapidly, and should not be deprived of their meals for more than a few minutes at a time, so I soon left.

There was no life history of the house finch in my bird books, and I was cheered that here seemed to be a good chance to work out the details by first hand observation. But as so often occurs in observing birds, something happened to the young. That night a strong wind blew up and brought heavy rain with it. The next day, though the skies had cleared, the little fellows were found blown out of the nest and scattered about the yard. Thus that pair of birds' housekeeping was broken up for a while, and I am still without my first hand life history of the house finch.

Though the house finch's song is not noted for its beauty, he is one

of our most vigorous and incessant husky and unrolled about his song but still enjoy it. He is sociable and likes to nest close to people. In the more westerly parts of Texas he has many admirers who praise him warmly for his cheeriness. In banding these birds I have noticed that during the nesting season the males often burst into song the moment they leave the hand, sometimes circling several times overhead still singing.

The first time I wrote about the house finch, I remarked that he looked as if he had just glanced into a mirror, and was trying to forget what he saw there. Though I have grown fonder of the bird since then, his self-consciousness still seems to be one of his chief traits. But that his song and appearance are both plebian should be put down to his credit, for it is refreshing to see anything so totally ordinary.

House finches are barely smaller than the English sparrow. The dark thick bill shows that they are in the finch, seed-eating family. The female is brownish gray with lighter, heavily streaked underparts. The male is the one that people discover with such pleasure. Most of his upper parts have a reddish tinge; his forehead, cheeks, base of tail and upper chest are bright, raspberry red. He is the "red-headed linnet" of the west.

Mating seems to start among the house finches early in January. I remember one female who was markedly shrewish in her disposition. She would not let the male who courted her feed or bathe in the pan by the bird-banding traps, driving him away repeatedly. But he always came back chirping and twittering apologetically. Gradually she grew more pleasant until warm days saw the taming of the shrew. By the middle of February they were devoted to each other.

May 31 Made Deadline For AAA Program

No more applications for agricultural conservation payments or for range conservation payments under the 1939 AAA program can be accepted after May 31.

This deadline is final, according to a ruling of the state Agricultural Conservation Association committee, which declared that "no exceptions will be made."

At the same time the committee called attention to the following closing dates:

May 1, deadline for filing application to participate in the 1940 range and agricultural conservation programs.

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**Girls Bridge Club
Has Meeting
Saturday**

Honoring members of the Girls' Bridge Club, Mrs. John A. Ward, Jr., was hostess to that group at her home Saturday afternoon.

The decorations for the occasion were bouquets of spring flowers placed at vantage points in the home.

Several games of bridge were played at three tables during the afternoon and after several games, Mrs. Bryan Hunt won high club score prize, Mrs. Lea Allison received high guest award and Mrs. George H. Neill was given second high score prize.

A salad plate was the refreshment served to Mesdames Henry Decker, Bryan Hunt, Miers Savell, George H. Neill, R. C. Vicars, H. V. Sokes, Ernes McClelland, W. B. McMillian, Rip Ward, Batts Friend, Lea Allison and Miss Nan Karnes.

Demonstration—

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to physical education. She also gave a demonstration program using girls from the physical education classes. The program consisted of rope jumping, relays, folk dancing and a Spanish costume dance.

A recording machine to make records and replay them was demonstrated by J. T. Houston of San Angelo. The machine can be used in band, speech, physical education and foreign language classes, as well as for program work. The machine has a public address system also. Three band selections were recorded as well as the women's voices and immediately played back through the radio. One of the goals of the Parent-Teacher Association for this year is to secure this machine for the schools, and the purpose of the play, "A Howling Success," is to raise money to be used for the purchase of the equipment.

CHILD RECEIVES BURN

Andrew Salazar's child received burns the first part of the week, when scalding water was spilled. The child is doing nicely.

SHORT NOTICE

Dr. and Mrs. E. M. DeBerry had as their guests Monday and Tuesday Dr. and Mrs. Justin McIntosh and children of New York City. They left Wednesday morning for California where they were en route from New York.

Before you have enlargements made, see Barrow Jewelry Store.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Burnett were San Antonio visitors last week-end. Mr. Burnett is employed by the Texas-New Mexico Pipeline Company here and has been a resident of Sonora for some time.

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Mrs. Tom Driskell had as her guests Tuesday her sister, Mrs. Horace B. Rees and son, Tommie of Eldorado.

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Mrs. J. T. Elison and children were guests in the home of Patrolman and Mrs. Hugh Shaw last week.

Ruby Davis, former Sonoran and now a ranch owner in western Edwards county, was renewing old friendships in Sonora this week. Mr. Davis was born and reared in Sonora and while young in years is counted a real old-timer.

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Mr. and Mrs. Houston Stokes and Theresa Friend, all of Sanderson, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Miers Savell last week-end. Mrs. Friend is a former resident of Sonora, having moved to Sanderson where she is now owner of a variety store there.

\$12.50 each for pictures tinted and framed by leading artists. Quality which has commanded a price of \$300. See our display windows. Geo. Barrow Jewelry Store.

Ben Weatherly of Sanderson, grandfather of Mrs. W. J. Fields, Jr., is critically ill at his home in Sanderson.

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Mrs. W. L. Aldwell returned here Sunday after spending the winter in San Antonio. She was accompanied here by Mrs. T. A. Williams, her daughter and Mrs. Seffle.

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Mrs. Rita Ross was in Christoval the first of the week visiting Mrs. W. D. Wallace who is there.

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Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Collier and children spent Sunday in San Angelo visiting Mr. Collier's mother, Mrs. J. D. Collier, the occasion being Mrs. Collier's birthday.

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Mrs. Bert McIntyre, owner of the Sonora Beauty Shop, was in San Angelo Wednesday morning.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. B. McMillian had as their guests last week-end Mrs. McMillian's sister, Miss Koleta Taylor, and Walter Cadwell, both of Junction.

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Miss Pauline Norwood was a visitor in San Angelo Monday.

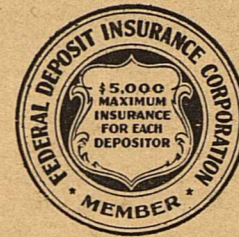
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**Mrs. Harold Friess
Entertains For
Sub Deb Club**

Tulips, corn flowers and wild plum blossoms arranged in bouquets were the floral decorations used Friday afternoon of last week by Mrs. Harold Friess when she was hostess to members and guests of the Sub Deb Club at her ranch home.

Three tables were set for the bridge games, after which Mrs. Joe H. Trainer, received high club score prize, Miss Alice Sawyer won high guest score prize and Miss Bobbie Halbert was awarded high cut prize.

A salad plate was the refreshment served at the tea hour.

Members attending were Mrs. Batts Friend, Mrs. Joe H. Trainer, Mrs. Jack Turney, Mrs. Howard Kirby and Miss Babbie Halbert.

The guests included Mrs. Bryan Hunt, Mrs. J. S. Glasscock, Mrs. W. B. McMillian, Mrs. Rip Ward, Mrs. J. A. Cauthorn, Mrs. Paul Turney and Miss Alice Sawyer.

**Lea Roy Aldwells
Hosts Saturday
At Bingo**

Mr. and Mrs. Lea Roy Aldwell were hosts Saturday night at their ranch home. Bingo was the game played during the evening and a prize was awarded after each game.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Aldwell Nisbet, Mr. and Mrs. Hillman Brown, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Penick and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Taylor.

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Mrs. W. H. Queen and children, Mary Jane and Dixie Ann, returned Monday from Sacul where they had been visiting Mrs. Queen's mother, Mrs. Ella Lyles.

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FRANK KNAPTON HOME

Frank Knapton, who has been in a San Angelo hospital for some time suffering from a broken hip, caused by a fall here, was returned to his home this week.

R. C. VICARS ILL

R. C. Vicars suffered a slight attack of ptomaine poisoning this week and was confined to his home for several days. It is reported he is much better now.

**Political
Announcements**

The News has been authorized the announce the candidacy of the following, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries:

For District Judge:
J. B. RANDOLPH
Kimble County
W. C. JACKSON
Pecos County
Re-Election

For County and District Clerk
JOHN D. LOWREY
Re-election

For County Judge:
ALVIS JOHNSON
Re-Election

For Sheriff and
Tax Collector-Assessor:
B. W. HUTCHERSON
Re-Election

For County Treasurer:
MRS. THELMA BRISCOE
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