

Offer Bigger Bargains Tuesday

Raises Property Valuation Here For School Tax

The Merkel Independent School District has notified all taxpayers that it is making a blanket increase of about 20 per cent on all property valuations for school purposes. The letter began:

Outstanding Play At Pioneer Show For Three Days

The greatest love story in the world from the greatest book of all time — the Bible — has been gloriously translated to the screen by Darryl F. Zanuck in "David and Bathsheba," which plays Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at the Pioneer Theatre.

Compellingly produced in Technicolor splendor, "David and Bathsheba" presents two of the screen's finest players — Gregory Peck and Susan Hayward.

With a sure hand Zanuck sent his director, Henry King, down the road of most resistance, and achieved a rare moment in film-making, at once mature, romantic, spectacular, yet profound in the delineation of passionate natures struggling against the burden of convention.

He was employed by the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway System, Sweetwater, before entering the Army in November 1951.

Ray Wilson Starts Somewhere But Looks Like He'll Get Nowhere!

Ray Wilson has jumped the gun. He was supposed to wait until the editor furnished expense money so he, Ray, could take a vacation. But Ray would not wait. He went ahead. NOW, he finds himself in difficulties; so it is understood from a post card that has been received by the editor. The card reads:

"Tuesday, July 1. Greetings from Memphis, Tenn. We are on our way to Washington, D. C. Am running low on cash. Please wire expense money to the White House and I'll pick it up there. Sincerely, 'Your Roving Reporter,' Ray Wilson."

As the card was hand written it was not sure that the word was

Mrs. F. Galladay Passes Away Tues. And Is Buried Wed.

Mrs. Frank Galladay, 78, died Tuesday morning in Sadler Hospital.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 p. m., Wednesday in the First Methodist Church with the pastor, the Rev. Hugh Hunt, officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery under direction of Starbuck Funeral Home.

Survivors include her husband, two sons, Douglas and Hubert Riddle, both of Abilene; two daughters, Mrs. Howard Green and Mrs. Ruby Johnson, both of Abilene, two sisters, Mrs. J. R. Starnater, Abilene, and Mrs. Dee Byers, Wichita Falls; two brothers, Lloyd Billings, Odessa, and Sherman Billings, Houston; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Galladay was born Sept. 6, 1893, in Llano County and moved to Abilene in 1929. She lived there until moving to Merkel in 1949.

She joined the Methodist church in early girlhood and her present membership was in the Merkel First Methodist Church.

SINGING AT PIONEER

The regular second Sunday singing will be held at 2 p. m. this Sunday at the Pioneer Memorial Church. All who love to sing are invited.

VALUATIONS for school purposes.

It stated further: "If you do desire and care to do so, you may appear before said Board of Equalization at 9:00 a. m. on Wednesday, July 1, 1952, at the school building in Merkel, Texas, at which time and place said board will then consider any evidence you may elect to submit as to the value of said property for taxable purposes. The board, on said date, will from the evidence now before it, and such additional evidence as may then be before it, finally fix, determine and equalize the value of your property for taxable purposes for the year 1952."

Dub D. Hudson Harasses Enemy In Eastern Korea

With the 25th Infantry Division in Korea — Pvt. Dub D. Hudson, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Y. Hudson, Route 1, Merkel, is now serving with the 25th Infantry Division in eastern Korea. Now the senior unit in Korea, its patrols are harassing enemy positions northwest of the Puncubowl.

Private Hudson, a rifleman in Company G of the 35th Infantry Regiment, arrived in Korea last May.

He was employed by the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway System, Sweetwater, before entering the Army in November 1951.

AT NO COST?

Have you noticed? There are three gas lights burning in the West Company Hardware Store. When gas was piped into Merkel these lights were turned on. They have never been turned off. Why? They are really all-night lights but it doesn't cost anything to burn all the time, so they say.

The editor has turned the matter over to the right institution. It has given the card to President Booth Warren to handle as he may see fit. The bank knows how to act in such cases. It is hoped Ray gets what he deserves!

Mrs. J. W. Wallace Dies at Age of 70 After Illness

Mrs. J. W. Wallace, 70, resident of Taylor County since 1924, died at 3 a. m. Wednesday at her home here. She had been ill for about 10 years.

She was born Hannah Freeman on Jan. 5, 1882, in Erath County, and was married to Mr. Wallace on Oct. 2, 1902, at Thurber. They moved to Abilene in 1924 and lived there until moving to Merkel in 1950. Mr. Wallace was a building contractor in Abilene for 26 years.

Survivors are the husband and one son, E. B. Wallace of Merkel, one sister, Mrs. Albert Miller of Ranger, and three grandchildren, Betty Wallace of Roscoe, Colonel and Kay Wallace of Merkel.

Funeral was at 4 p. m., Thursday from the Starbuck Funeral Home here, with burial in the Merkel Cemetery.

AIR BASE APPROVED

The Tye Air Base has been approved and the money has been authorized by both houses of Congress. The appropriation will amount to \$23,472,000 to begin construction of the two-wing Strategic Air Command Base at Tye Field. Only the President's signature is needed before the money will be available.

5 Local Folks Are Guests At Governor's Meet

That man Gov. Allan Shivers — he makes a good speech.

And five Merkel folks heard him make it Saturday morning at an informal reception held in the Radford Memorial Student Life Center at McMurtry College. They were Mr. and Mrs. Ford Smith, State Democratic Delegate Bob Hicks and Editor Hy White. The editor went at the invitation of Delegate Hicks.

And the reception was informal in every way. The Governor did not stand in line with a long row of other dignitaries beside him. He mixed with the crowd, smiling, friendly, as democratic as any other citizen.

After the crowd milled around and had their jokes the Governor addressed the people. He invited the men to take off their coats and set the example by removing his own, revealing his white shirt with short sleeves.

In order to get closer to the crowd he took the speakers table and carried it from the platform to the floor where he almost touched the audience in the front row, where Mr. Hicks and the editor were sitting.

"Texas hospitality is something you have to be imbued with," began Gov. Shivers. His voice was low, natural, conversational, sincere, earnest and vibrant.

He mentioned the governors' meeting held in Houston where he had been elected chairman. He mentioned the precinct conventions and the need for everyone to take part in them and the majority ruling. He stressed that he believed in following the will of the people.

"Are the people of Texas going to control their own party machinery or are they to be ruled by Washington?" he asked. Then he continued, "We have 52 votes and we ought to be heard in the national conference."

Gov. Shivers pointed out that in Texas during the last two years 6,000 miles of farm-to-market road had been built, that the school systems had become outstanding in the United States, that the state hospitals had been improved greatly, that the state prison system had the finest administration in the United States and he stressed the advances being made in the Texas water and soil conservation program.

The Governor has a wonderful memory. Though he had met Bob for the first time that morning, in his talk he made reference to Delegate Hicks, mentioned him by name and pointed toward him.

In closing the Governor called on the precinct workers to continue their good work and thanked them for their cooperation in his behalf.

IT'S A GIRL

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Vernie Harris on Thursday of last week, July 3, at the Sadler Hospital.

NOTICE

When you hear the siren, all cars and trucks must be cleared of the right of way so that the ambulance and fire trucks will have enough clearance. Adv.

Gospel Meetings Begin Tonight At Local Church

A series of gospel meetings will begin tonight at 8 o'clock and run through Sunday, July 20, at the local Church of Christ, G. S. Westbrook of Lubbock will be the evangelist.

There will be two services daily: 7 a. m. to 7:45 a. m., and the other at 8 p. m. The morning service will be informal and all are invited.



G. S. WESTBROOK Evangelist

ed to attend and wear their work clothes if desired.

Paul E. Rogers, local evangelist, will conduct the singing for each service.

Next Sunday at noon a basket lunch will be served at the church and at 3 p. m., there will be singing with many out-of-town visitors attending.

Masons Install New Officers Last Week

The new officers of the Merkel Masonic Lodge No. 710 were installed in an impressive public ceremony on Tuesday of last week.

O. B. Leach was the installing officer. C. B. Rust, secretary of the lodge, was the installing marshal. A good crowd attended the installation and light refreshments were served.

The officers installed were W. R. Cypert, worshipful master; A. B. Parham, senior warden; D. R. Butler, junior warden; A. V. Dick, tiler; C. B. Rust, secretary; Jack Benningfield, chaplain, and W. M. Dunagin, treasurer.

Drilling For Oil to Begin Soon About Five Miles North of Here

The Sojourner Drilling Company are drilling No. 1 Joe Swinney about 14 miles south and west of here. They started July 4.

Andree Drilling Company are drilling on the J. A. Williams Place north of the Old Noodle Dome. They moved in around the first of last week.

Rev. Pat Duncan Resigns as Pastor

The Rev. Pat Duncan tendered his resignation Sunday as pastor of the New Live Oak Baptist Church. The resignation has been accepted but no successor chosen.

Merkel Gets All Kinds of Weather — Hot and Cold, Dry and Wet

Merkel had all kinds of weather this week, including a smell of rain. Monday night around 8:30 o'clock the dust storm came up with terrific force, sweeping up all the earth that was loose and throwing everything that was not tied down into the air and on to the floor.

Second Dollar Day Is To Be Held Here On July 15th

The merchants of Merkel are offering bigger bargains for Dollar Day next Tuesday, July 15. This is the second Dollar Day in Merkel the first being held last month on June 17. It was such a big success that the merchants are offering even bigger bargains this second Dollar Day.

First of all the housewives will be interested in the grocery items that are offered. Real savings on all kinds of different foods are advertised.

The thrifty ladies will want to

Houston Oil Man Suffers Injury In Crash Here

A Houston oil man, operating out of Abilene, and a Rotan woman were injured in a highway collision in front of the La Sesta Motel about 4:30 a. m. Wednesday.

William Calvin McMahan, independent oil operator was admitted to Sadler Hospital for treatment of severe head injuries and a dislocated hip.

Mrs. Virginia Morrison of Rotan was discharged Wednesday morning following emergency treatment.

The two were injured when the car in which they were riding was in collision with a trailer-truck owned by Merchants Fast Motor Lines. Driver of the truck was Cleo Bullard, 1910 Beckham St., Abilene.

A Starbuck Funeral Home ambulance took the injured persons to the hospital.

V. E. Moore, manager of the motor line in Abilene, said that the truck was only slightly damaged but that the car, owned by McMahan, was a total loss.

The McMahan car was coming east and the Merchants truck was enroute to Lubbock when the accident occurred.

BABY BOY TO CROSSES

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Melton Cross of Abilene a baby boy on July 1, named Joe Michael. Mr. and Mrs. Ira Cross are the grandparents.

Ralph Russell Wins Two Saddles At Two Rodeos

More than 600 persons saw Ralph Russell win the \$250 saddle in the calf roping contest here Saturday night. The Saturday night event was the third rodeo held here in the past month.

Calf-roping times of all three rodeos were totaled to determine the winner. Jack Striklin of Abilene was leader by 39 seconds in the first two rodeos. Ralph's time Saturday was 15 seconds.

Other winners were Bill Watts of Sweetwater, bareback bronc riding; Charles Rushing of Abilene; bull riding; Stricklin, ribbon roping 9 2-5 seconds; and Frances Weeg of Big Spring girls' barrel race, 19 2-5 seconds.

On the Fourth of July Russell and his partner, Hollis Parmelly of Tye, won a \$200 roping saddle at the Rock Springs Rodeo in double mugging. They tied two steers in a total of 38 seconds. They competed against 57 teams.

On Friday guests of Misses Williams, Cypert, Fannie Pearl and Clara Moore from Abilene were honored with a 6 o'clock lunch out on Martin's Lake. Lunch suitable for the occasion was prepared by

carefully look over the splendid bargains that are offered by the dry goods stores and fabric shop.

And don't overlook the drug items that are offered at big savings.

That's not all. Good bargains will be found in the cafe, filling station, garages, hardware and other stores.

All in all, there will be an avalanche of bargains to suit all needs and tastes. The merchants of Merkel have gone "all out" in this second Dollar Day. It is there way of saying "thank you."

So look over the ads. Make a

IT'S A BOY

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Jones are the parents of a baby boy born Thursday of last week, July 3, at the Sadler Hospital.

Merkel 20 Years Ago

TAKEN FROM THE 1932 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

ENJOY PICNIC

Sponsored by Merkel Legionnaires a joint picnic of Abilene and Merkel ex-service men and Legion Auxiliary was enjoyed at Shannon's Pool Friday night of last week. More than 250 members and their families attended the affair, featuring an entertainment swimming and games on the lawn, topped off with a picnic menu of barbecued goat and all accessories. Music was furnished by Merkel's string orchestra.

EXPLAINS NEW BUDGET

Mayor Lee York of Abilene was present by invitation of the mayor and members of the city council at their monthly meeting Monday night to explain the workings of the budget. According to the state law, the process before the city tax rate is fixed follows this plan: the mayor prepares the budget of expenses and submits it to the board of aldermen for their approval. It is later submitted to a public meeting of the taxpayers before the levy is fixed.

PURCHASE SHOW HEIFER

C. M. Largent and Sons announce that another show heifer purchased from Mrs. Tom Parrott of Throckmorton, has just been added to their herd of fine Herefords.

OLD SETTLERS TO MEET

Old fashioned singing, fiddlers' concerts, music by the Abilene High School Band, a few short talks of reminiscence flavor and a basket picnic luncheon — these are a few of the attractions on card for the Taylor County Old Settlers annual reunion, to be held on Friday of this week at the reunion grounds of Buffalo Gap.

FORM STERLING CLUB

The women voters of the Merkel precinct are being organized for the support of Ross Sterling for governor. Mrs. C. H. Jones is chairman and at a meeting at her house on Wednesday afternoon the fol-

This Happened in Merkel Forty Years Ago

TAKEN FROM THE 1912 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

Saturday night several of the Merkel people tried their luck at fishing and picnicking at Warren's tank. The time was spent in boating and catching big ones and several made good catches and landed them in record time. Those going were Misses Willie Bigham, Gertrude and Lulu Thornton, Lillie Edins of Abilene, Olga Sheppard, Mrs. J. W. Daniel, Homer Jobe, Forrest Gaither and Frank Ferrier.

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note of the bargains, note the big savings. Why not make a list? Plan to be in Merkel on Dollar Day Tuesday, July 15. The merchants invite you to come to Merkel and make big savings.

Baptist Revival Starts at Amity On July 18

The Amity Baptist revival will begin July 18 and end on July 27. The Rev. A. A. Watson of Abilene will be the evangelist. The Rev. James Williams is the pastor. Services will start at 8 p. m., each night. There will be morning services only on Sunday. The public is invited.

BROTHER DIES

Elder W. G. Cypert has received word of the death of his oldest brother, J. A. Cypert, who died in Los Angeles, Calif., on July 10 of heart failure. He was 74 years old.

BASEBALL RESULTS

Games during the past week in the indoor baseball league resulted as follows: Friday, McGhee 11, Riddle 4; Monday, Petty 16, Riddle 7; Tuesday, Monday 21, McGhee 8.

METHODIST MEET

At an all-day meeting of the Women's Missionary Societies of the Abilene District of the Methodist Church held at Anson Tuesday the Merkel Church was represented by Rev. and Mrs. E. L. Yeats and Mrs. C. A. Bickley. A basket picnic was served at noon.

OFFER TOP PRICES

On Wednesday, Largent and Mallow paid 34 cents per bushel for 60-pound test wheat, indicating that those who bring their wheat to the Merkel market are getting top prices.

REVIVAL AT TENT

A big revival under the auspices of the full gospel tent is now going on just north of Woodrum's Filling Station on Kent Street, with Evangelist Maud Jolly, a forceful woman speaker in charge. Large crowds are attending. You are urged to come early if you want to get a good seat.

SUBLETT REUNION

The Sublett relatives held their annual reunion July 5 at the Sweetwater City Park. At noon a sumptuous picnic lunch was served.

THE GIRLS AND ALL PARTOOK OF ITS DELICIOUSNESS.

Ralph Bradley gave a party complimenting Virgil Bradley and Mrs. C. E. Bradley of Stith at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bradley Monday. Different games were played and music selections given by several. Punch and wafers were served.

Tuesday evening at 3 o'clock the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Daniel was a scene of beauty when the Five Hundred Club was organized. Later a sewing club will be formed. Delicious refreshments were served.

SOCIETY

MISS JUNE ROSE LANEY MARRIES JOE DELL GREGORY

Miss June Rose Laney and Joe Dell Gregory were married at 8 p. m., Saturday, June 28, in the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Laney, 112 Cherry street, by the Rev. Paul Rodgers, pastor of the Merkel Church of Christ, who read the double ring ceremony.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Gregory of Colorado City, who attended the informal ceremony and reception.

The bride wore a street length dress of pink linen lace over taffeta designed with V-neck line and full skirt. Her short illusion veil being caught with pink rose buds and she carried white gardenias and orange blossoms tied with white satin streamers on a white Bible.

For the wedding tradition her something old and blue was a ring with blue stones. Her dress was something new, and borrowed was a lace trimmed handkerchief.

Mrs. E. L. Tarpley, sister of the groom, was the bride's only attendant. She wore a pale green

silk shantung dress with pink carnation corsage.

Mr. Tarpley attended his brother-in-law as best man. Guests included Inlo Gregory, Colorado City; Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Davis, Artesia, New Mexico and Mrs. W. H. Laney of Merkel.

After a trip through West Texas and New and Old Mexico the couple will make their home in Merkel in the Jack Canon Apartment, 1311 South Second Street.

MISS JOE ANN SEYMORE IS A BRIDE ON JULY 7

Miss Joe Ann Seymore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Seymore, was married to Clifton Verdean Smith, son of Rev. and Mrs. R. T. Smith, at the Church of Christ at 8 p. m., on July 7 with Minister Paul E. Rodgers officiating in the double ring ceremony. The bride was given in marriage by her father.

Dwain Saggart was the best man Maxine Kerns was maid of honor and Mrs. Bill Patterson and Janell Seymore were the bridesmaids. The ushers were E. A. Conley and Kent Sattiewhite.

The church was decorated with a white satin background, banked with palm trees, and an iron wrought arch and candelabra flanked by greens and tall baskets of white gladioli.

Barbara Sue McCloud, soloist.

and the Church of Christ oct sang "I Love You Truly," "A ways" and "Because."

The bride wore a ballerina length dress of white imported lace over taffeta with finger tips veil of illusion. She carried a cascade arrangement of white satin and pompom with a nature orchid on a white Bible.

The maid of honor wore a yellow organdy dress, ballerina length with white lace halo and pompom. She carried a colonial bouquet of white pompoms and gardenias. The bridesmaids wore frosted organdy dresses, ballerina length and carried colonial bouquets of white pompoms and gardenias. All had the same head dress.

The reception was held at the home of the groom's parents. The bride's and groom's parents, were assisted in receiving by the sister of the groom, Mrs. J. D. Snodgrass and Mrs. Ladell Norris.

Tall baskets of white gladioli were in the receiving room. The table was laid with lace with a centerpiece of white gladioli and greenery.

After the wedding trip to San Antonio the couple will be at home in San Angelo. The bride's traveling outfit consisted of navy blue pure silk shantung dress with an orchid corsage.

The bride is a '52 high school graduate and was an assistant pep squad leader.

ANNOUNCE ENGAGEMENT OF GLENN WESTENHOVER

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hutchens of Rochester announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Florene, to Airman Second Class Glenn Westenhover, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Westenhover, of Merkel.

The wedding date has been set for August 31.

Miss Hutchens, who is at present attending summer school at Hardin-Simmons, plans to graduate in August. Airman Westenhover is stationed at Lackland Air Force Base, in San Antonio.

HONOR REV. MRS. TEAFF WITH FAMILY SUPPER

A family supper in honor of Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Teaff of McCame was held on Tuesday of last week at the home of Ernest Teaff. About 25 were present.

VAUGHNELLE YWA MEETS TWICE ON MONDAY

The Vaughnelle YWA met twice on Monday evening of last week once to have its regular meeting then again at 6 o'clock to have a swimming party at the American Legion. Everyone had a good time.

Those enjoying the swimming and a picnic supper were Mr. and Mrs. Horace Boney and Annette Glenda Perry, Patsy Anderson Mary Criswell, Betty Foster, Dent Gibson, Maxine and Marie Kerns Tessie Hester, Billie Webber, Ann Booth and two visitors, Joy Johnson and Virginia Ann Criswell. Several members were absent but it is hoped to have them back again at the next meeting.

A. J. WRIGHT FAMILY HOLD REUNION

The A. J. Wright family had a reunion at the Cobb Park in Abilene Sunday, starting with 45 minutes of singing and preaching. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Wright and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Vandall of Trent. A fine dinner and cold drinks were served. There will be another reunion this month at the Coleman Park in Coleman.

GOODMAN CLUB MEETS WITH MRS. B. T. MURFEE

The Goodman Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. B. T. Murfee, Mrs. Hosea Windham called the meeting to order. Mrs. Frank Carter directed the group in the recreation.

Mrs. Windham was elected from Goodman to go to the council to be voted on being sent as delegate to the meeting at Kingsville. Mrs. Walter Philips gave the program on "Safety on the Farm." Myra and Ann, daughters of Mrs. Murfee, served cake and ice cream to Mesdames Frank Carter, Hosea Windham, Walter Philips, Jennings Winter, T. E. Goode and two visitors, Mrs. Link Adair and Zai Adair.

ATTEND BANKHEAD REUNION

Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Adcock attended the Bankhead reunion held in Lubbock in the afternoon of June 29. Mrs. Adcock was a Bankhead. Over 60 were present at the reunion.

AT BAKER REUNION

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hill attended the Hill family reunion at Cross Plains Friday and Saturday. The whole family, with seven children represented, were present.

AT DAVENPORT REUNION

Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Murfee and family attended the Davenport reunion at the Baker Hotel in Mineral Wells, that is held annually in June. Mrs. B. T. Murfee is the daughter of P. B. Davenport of Stanton. John D. Connell of Stanton was a recent visitor in the

Murfee home. He is a brother-in-law of Mrs. Murfee.

UNION RIDGE H-D CLUB TO HOLD ICE CREAM SUPPER

The Union Ridge Home Demonstration Club will have an ice cream supper in the home of Mrs. O. E. Harwell at 7:30 p. m., tonight, Friday. Pals of the club members will be revealed.

ATTEND STAMFORD RODEO

A great number of persons from here attended the Stamford Rodeo.

ATTEND BAKER REUNION AT BUFFALO GAP

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Rutledge attended a Baker Family reunion at Buffalo Gap Friday. About fifty attended. A little shower broke up the gathering.

KINGS DAUGHTERS MEET AT CHURCH TUESDAY

The King's Daughters met at the church at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning. "Just When I Need Him Most" was sung as the opening song. Mrs. L. A. Watts gave an inspiring devotional from the book of Job and Mrs. W. D. Hutcherson led the prayer.

Mrs. J. S. Pinckley was elected vice president to succeed Mrs. J. M. Collins who became president upon the resignation of Mrs. A. B. Patterson. Other members attending were Mesdames C. K. Russell, T. G. Bragg, J. R. Pee, R. B. Johnson, W. T. McIninch and Tom Coats. Mrs. Bragg and Mrs. Hutcherson were hostesses.

The next meeting will be at the same time and place on August 5. As was their custom the class repeated Mizpah for a benediction.

personals

John Kucholt of Abilene is visiting his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. George T. Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Tittle of El Paso are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Tittle.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Barnes visited in Abilene Sunday with their nephew, Mondell Barnes, and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Denson and Terry of Odessa visited over the Fourth with their parents. Also Mr. and Mrs. Booth Russom and son, Randall of Odessa were visitors here.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Shaw and children of Wichita Falls visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Doan, over the holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Pratt and son, Jimmie of Detroit, Texas, visited over the holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Cross.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray Spiegel of Los Angeles, Calif., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bryan.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallas Kelly of Tulsa, Okla., are visiting her mother, Mrs. W. A. Hogue, and her sister, Mrs. F. H. Duncan.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Wallis and children, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Walker and children of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Fox and twins of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Fox had an all-day and all-night picnic at Elm Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Louie Herring and family spent the holiday in Kerrville.

W. J. Largent left today for Folsom, New Mexico, with his daughter, Mrs. Royce Eiland, and three children, who have been here two weeks.

Buddy Patterson spent Sunday night in Abilene with Mr. and Mrs. James Pomeroy.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Anderson and Patsy and Mrs. Lee Sandell are visiting J. T. Anderson and family in Lyons, Kansas.

Henry A. October of Union, N. J., visited the past weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Murry Toombs and son, Tommy. Mr. October was a buddy of Mr. Toombs during World War II and had not seen each other since 1945.

Mr. Jay Greenfield and son, Jay, Jr., spent the 4th at home, returning Sunday to Rockdale, where they are working for Fisk Electric at the Alco Aluminum plant being built there.

Mrs. G. W. Howell of Houston is visiting in the home of her nephew and niece, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Greenfield.

Mrs. Athol Holder and children, Jerry and Raymond, of Tulsa, Okla., have returned to their home after a week's visit with her mother, Mrs. O. W. Reed, who has been in the hospital for several weeks.

Other recent visitors of Mrs. Reed were Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Reed and daughters, Joy and Ann of Van Horn. Friends of Mrs. O. W. Reed will be happy to hear that she was able to leave the hospital for her home Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen King and children, Ida May, Sue, Buddy and Allen, Jr., were in San Angelo Wednesday and visited Mr. and Mrs. R. R. King. Mr. King had surgery in St. Johns Hospital.

Mrs. Goldia Malone and Buddy Williams just returned from the Osage country. They also visited in Childress and El Reno, Okla., on the way. They were gone two weeks.

STATEMENT OF CONDITION

FARMERS & MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK MERKEL, TEXAS

CLOSE OF BUSINESS JUNE 30, 1952
RESOURCES

Loans	\$ 708,556.63
Overdrafts	953.32
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	4,500.00
Furniture and Fixtures	2,500.00

AVAILABLE CASH AND QUICK ASSETS:

United States Bonds and Securities	\$1,396,885.00
Other Bonds and Warrants	19,633.21
Cash and Due From Banks	1,349,480.68

\$2,765,998.89

Total \$3,482,508.84

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	75,000.00
Surplus	75,000.00
Undivided Profits	59,319.85
DEPOSITS	3,273,188.99

Total \$3,482,508.84

The above statement is correct.

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ADMIRATION COFFEE lb. 75c	HEARTS DELIGHT 46 oz. can Grapefruit Juice 25c
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PRODUCE	MARKET
LETTUCE head 12c	SKINLESS WIENERS lb. 39c
TOMATOES carton 18c	FRESH FRYERS lb. 55c
YELLOW ONIONS lb. 5c	OSCAR MAYS SAUSAGE lb. 45c
NUMBER ONE SPUDS lb. 7c	ALL MEAT BOLONEY lb. 49c

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FOR JULY 15TH.

CRUSTENE SHORTENING 3 pound 65c	CHOICE CANTLOUPES pound 8c	SLICED BACON pound 45c
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NEWS ABOUT TOWN

Mr. and Mrs. John Oliver and children, Jim and Patsy, and granddaughter, Ann and C. A. Bollier of Fort Worth attended the Stamford Rodeo Tuesday night of last week.

Harris, returned to Dallas last week after a visit with his mother, Mrs. M. F. Nell, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Bell and daughter, Miss Charlotte

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Baccus spent the weekend recently at Hobbs, N. Mexico, with their son, James Ray, and wife and Danny Ray. James

Ray is employed there with an oil supply company. One of the high lights of the visit was a trip through the Carlsbad Caverns.

Rev. and Mrs. Dave Johnson and children, Bruce and Wayne, of Richmond were visitors in the home of Mrs. Johnson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Miller, last week on Monday. Then with Mr. and Mrs. Miller they went to Cloudcroft, New Mexico, returning via Carlsbad Caverns, arriving back

in Merkel Friday evening. Rev. and Mrs. Johnson returned home Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Taylor, son, Keith and Johnnie Morris returned July 3 from a trip to Okemah, Okla., where they visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Taylor, and her sister, Mrs. Hubert Webb. It rained while they were there and lightning struck a barn. Corn was six feet high and looked nice.

Lucky You

by Dick Shaw



Lucky you—you ignored speed limits and lived

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10c

TUBE ASPHALT ROOF CEMENT, Regular 25c

15c

1 PINT BRUCE TUF-LUSTRE WAX, Regular 69c

50c

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Lum and Abner, in RKO's latest of the series, "So This is Washington," in which they make hysterical history in the nation's capital!

This picture will show at the Pioneer Theatre July 11 and 12.

Ask the Merkel Merchant Tuesday, "What is your Dollar Day Bargain?"

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Perry are visiting his sister, Mrs. Jack Page, in Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rister and children spent last Saturday a week ago, in Garden City, visiting her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Brown, and daughter, Gail and spent Sunday in Colorado City with her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Dean, Jr. While we sweater in this heat Elbert Earl Foster, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde E. Foster, reports that it is cool enough for a leather jacket at the Nogue Ranch at McDermitt, Nev., where he is spending the summer and is having fun and lots of new experiences.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hester and their two sons and Mr. and Mrs. John Rister and children were Sunday guests of their brother, Elbert Dean, Jr., and wife of Colorado City.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harris have moved to Abilene where they have found employment.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Stroup and family of Big Spring were here Sunday, visiting Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Randolph. This was the first time the men had seen each other since their service in Germany during World War II.

Mrs. Omer Bishop and Mr. and Mrs. Truett Thompson visited Pvt. Bishop in Camp Chaffee during the holiday and also went to the Ozarks.

Mrs. Grif Barnett and Mrs. Dewell McLean were in Abilene Monday morning.

Sammie McLean of Wichita Falls visited recently in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dewell McLean and Mrs. R. L. McLean.

Mr. and Mrs. Herschel Hammond of Fort Worth spent the night with Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Toombs.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Bishop and Mr. and Mrs. Browning visited a week ago with Pvt. Omer Bishop and Pvt. Billy Ray Browning at Camp Chaffee.

Mrs. Ruby Jinkens returned Sunday from Fort Worth where she spent 10 days with relatives.

J. T. Darsey had Sunday dinner with his daughter, Mrs. Chester Hutchinson, in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Knox of Dallas visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Russell, over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bartlett were in Long Beach, Calif., where they visited her sister, Mrs. Fowler Shaw. They were also in Vallejo, visiting her mother, Mrs. J. J. Sylva, and sister, Mrs. Al Martinez.

Midweek visitors in the L. J. Renfro home were his sister and husband, Rev. and Mrs. J. N. Hunt, of San Antonio.



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EDITORIAL

TYE DEDICATION

The dedication of the beautiful baptistry at the Tye Baptist Church was an inspiring occasion.

ICED WATERMELONS
 5c pound
 Taylor Refrigeration Cooperative

It shows what can be done when folks set their minds on a noble goal.

The baptistry was a climax to a ladder that had many steps. In 1947 the church had only the auditorium in front of the church. In that year the congregation built the parsonage and paid for it. Two years later the good folks erected the educational part of the church and also redecorated the auditorium and paid for all this. And now the baptistry had been completed and it has been paid for also.

The Tye folks are to be complimented are their great achievement.

HOSPITALITY

We cannot pass over the wonderful hospitality of the folks over at Tye. We were invited to attend the dinner at the Tye Baptist Church when they dedicated their baptistry.

They spread a wonderful dinner cafeteria style in the dining hall of the church. And there was every thing imaginable there to eat. Chicken, meat, salads, vegetables, pies and cakes, not of one kind but of many. It was a banquet!

But more than the food and the building and the surrounding grounds was the splendid friendship of the folks who live in Tye. Their hospitality is boundless, built upon a spiritual foundation that reaches to heavenly heights.

It is an inspiration to meet with such fine folks. It makes one feel that there is nobility in life and that life is worth living.

When the whole world is filled with folks like these there will be no talk of war and rumors of war.

They will all be too busy with peaceful pursuits.

BATHING BEAUTY

Soon we will know who is the bathing beauty of Merkel. Before that decision can be made there will be lots of work on the part of the different working committees to put the contest in smooth running order.

Affairs like this do not just happen. They have to be arranged, planned and executed. It takes work, lots of work, and those who plan and execute it are doing community service that is highly to be commended.

BLOOD AND TEARS

The answer to the traffic problem was a simple one that was given by J. Ross Kemp, safety officer of the Texas Highway Patrol, Dilene District. His solution was to educate the youths to safely operate automobiles. Though it is not a cure-all, he did assert that it will not cost as much in blood and tears.

That is a warning to be taken to heart and followed. It is worth it.

THE HEAT

Last week when we went around gathering news the folks kept telling us that it was hot, as if that were news. After a while it dawned on us that it was hot and that people knew it was hot and that they thought that was real news. Well, who are we to go against the majority? We agreed with them and finally filled the front page with stories that it was hot.

PATTERSON PATER

Clesby Patterson predicted that it would rain before the paper came out last week. Well, it did rain (a few drops) on Thursday afternoon. Well, if the paper came out on Friday morning as it usually does instead of a day ahead of time as it did he would have forecast correctly.

So, Clesby, blame it on the Merkel Mail for making you out a false prophet.

"WHITE-ICISM"

That's ALL — and the Sage of Figfield adds that people can accomplish wonderful things if their goals are great enough.

Middle Clear For Soil Conservation District News

The conservation of soil and water is not a job that you can furnish all at once. It is something that you must continue to do. It is a way of farming or ranching. The experience of thousands of farmers show that conservation farming is profitable.

If you get started right, conservation farming is not difficult. If you know what your land is capable of doing, have a good long range conservation plan, and start applying your conservation practices in the right way, you will find that conservation farming is just a good way of farming. It is a natural way; you work with nature, not against her.

Of course, you will run into some problems while practicing conservation farming, but you will be able to solve most of them if you know your land, know your plan, and have built your conservation structures right.

You can get technical help from your conservation district on any conservation problem that you are unable to solve yourself.

1952 POLIO PRECAUTIONS

WHEN POLIO IS AROUND

RECOMMENDED BY THE NATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR INFANTILE PARALYSIS

Seven-year-old Karen Blecha enacts 1952 polio precautions recommended by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. When polio is around, the National Foundation cautions parents to watch for these signs: headache, fever, sore throat, upset stomach, tenderness and stiffness of neck and back. A person showing such symptoms should be put to bed at once, away from others. Then, call your doctor and follow his advice. If polio is diagnosed, call your local chapter of the March of Dimes for advice and assistance, including needed financial help.

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NEWS ABOUT TOWN

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Cochran and children were Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Cochran of Knox City, Mrs. J. C. Berryman and son, Wayne of Wichita Falls, Mrs. Mozelle Oliver and two children.

ren, Gary and Sharon of Santa Ana, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Cochran of Sanora, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Cochran and son, Lester Don, of Merkel and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hodges of Hail Center.

Price. Mrs. Clesby Patterson and daughter, Mrs. Ralph Russell, Buddy, Mr. and Mrs. James Pomeroy of Abilene and three children spent July 4th at Brownwood Lake.

Mrs. Marie Leverisch and son, Jimmy and mother, Mrs. Earl Stamford, visited Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Leverisch, in De Queen, Ark., over the holiday. It was as dry there as in Texas.

Coach and Mrs. Carroll Benson and Bob were in Corpus Christi last week and also visited with Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Green at Driscoll. Ann Benson has returned from Mexico City. She accompanied her

grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Redell, of Tuscola who attended the Lions International Convention. He was a delegate.

GOSPEL MEETING BEGINS TONIGHT

SPEAKER

SINGER



G. S. WESTBROOK

PAUL E. ROGERS

A series of gospel meetings will begin tonight, Friday, July 11, at 8:00 o'clock, conducted by the local Church of Christ. The local church has secured the services of G. S. Westbrook, evangelist from Lubbock, Texas.

Two services will be conducted daily. The early morning service will begin promptly at seven o'clock and will be dismissed at 7:45 for the benefit of those working for the public who go to work at eight. The morning meetings will be very informal and all are urged to attend and wear their work clothes if desired.

COME BE WITH US AND WE WILL DO THEE GOOD!

The evening meetings will begin each evening at eight o'clock.

The public is invited to attend every service of this series to hear the plain, forceful presentation of the truth by Brother Westbrook.

Paul E. Rogers, local evangelist, will conduct the singing for each service.

On Sunday, July 13th, a basket lunch will be served at the worship building and in the afternoon at 3:00 o'clock there will be a singing with many out of town visitors attending. You are invited to be with us for lunch and stay with us for the singing.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Garvin and children of Laurel, Miss., have been visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wade Ensminger. Mr. Garvin was a bombardier navigator on the same plane with the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ensminger, who was killed during World War II.

Jarret Pinckley attended the ball game at Abilene Sunday to see his favorite team, the Blue Sox, play Albuquerque.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayman Adecock and family spent the long holiday on a trip to Carlsbad Caverns. It was very pleasant there.

Mr. and Mrs. Preston Henry has as their guests over the weekend Mr. and Mrs. Billy Derden of Waxahachie and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brunson of Abilene. Mrs. Derden and Mrs. Brunson are daughters of the Prestons.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Dismuke and daughter, Debra Sue visited on the Fourth with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob McDonald.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Leeton and son of Laurel, Miss., were visitors Saturday and Sunday of their grandmother, Mrs. J. H. McDonald.

Mr. and Mrs. Garth Odum of Stanton visited her mother, Mrs. J. W. Kinsey, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred McMann of Odessa visited his mother, Mrs. J. O. McMinn, over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Watson of Arizona were here over the weekend, visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Price, and Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Watson.

Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Price and children, Mickie and Joy, of Sweetwater were Sunday visitors of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. S.

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WON-UP — 46 oz.		DUZ — OXYDOL	
GRAPEFRUIT		RINSO or	
JUICE	4 for \$1.00	BREEZE	4 for \$1.00
BORDEN'S — CREAM — 1/2 GALLON			
CHARLOTTE FREEZE	2 FOR	\$1.00	
ARMOUR'S PURE		BLACK — 1 1/2 oz. can	5 for
LARD	6 Lbs. \$1.00	PEPPER	\$1.00
300 COUNT	5 for	PARKAY	
KLEENEX	\$1.00	OLEO	4 Lbs. \$1.00
WHITE SWAN Whole No. 2 —	4 for	DIAMOND — No. 2 Can	7 for
GREEN BEANS	\$1	TOMATOES	\$1

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10c ASPIRIN --- 12's 4c \$1.25 Absorbine Jr. - 98c

SHAMPOO 60c Wildroot- ---- 29c 60c ZONITE ----- 29c

63c IPANA PASTE -- 39c \$1.00 Jergens Lotion 69c

FROSTILLA LOTION 2 for \$1.00
\$1.00 SIZE

CYTAMIN CAPSULES 100's --- \$1.00
VITAMINS A-B-C-D-G Regular \$2.39

59c ABSORBENT COTTON ----- 39c PINT 79c LARVEX ----- 49c

\$1.00 PALMOLIVE SHAVE LOTION --- 59c PINT Beef - Iron - Wine -- 89c

5 POUNDS EPSOM SALT ---- 39c 75c O. J.'s BEAUTY LOTION - - 59c

\$1.20 SYRUP PEPSIN ---- 98c 53c COLGATE SHAVE CREAM ---- 37c

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 Wednesday:
 Prayer Services... 8:00 p. m.

Amity Baptist Church
 Morning Service... 11:15 a. m.
 Sunday School... 10:30 a. m.
 Evening Bible Class... 7:30 p. m.
 Evening Service... 8:15 p. m.

Noodle Church of Christ
 Sunday:
 Bible Class... 10:00 a. m.
 Morning Service... 11:00 a. m.
 Young People's Service... 6:00 p. m.
 Evening Worship... 8:00 p. m.

Merkel Calvary Baptist Church
 Sunday School... 9:45 a. m.
 Morning Service... 11:00 a. m.
 Evening Bible Class... 6:30 p. m.
 Evening Worship... 8:00 p. m.

Pioneer Memorial Chapel
 Sunday School... 10:00 a. m.
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GOLD MEDAL FLOUR 5lb. Bag 49c-10lb. Bag 95c	
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20 OUNCE PACKAGE BISQUICK 29c	2 — 8 OUNCE PACKAGES WHEATIES 35c
BETTY CROCKER 9 oz. Pkg. CRUSTQUICK 19c	2 — 7 OUNCE PACKAGES CHEERIOS 35c
BETTY CROCKER Cake Mix 20 oz. pkg. 37c	2 — 7 OUNCE PACKAGES KIX 35c
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Middle Clear Fork Soil Conservation News

Considerable interest in pond management for fish production is evident among many farmers and ranchers of this area. There are almost as many ideas on pond management as there are individuals. The following information has been briefed from several sources and from various farmer experiences over the state. It represents some of the best plans for pond management that has been determined so far.

THE BEST POND. All of the fish needed by the average family can be grown in a pond of one-fourth to one acre surface area. It is better to manage one pond well, than to stock several ponds and not take care of them. It is better to remove all brush and trees from the pond site.

It is desirable to keep all livestock out of the pond by fencing the pond area and providing a watering place for the livestock below the dam in a metal or masonry tank.

KINDS OF FISH. Bass and bluegills provide the most satisfactory kinds of fish for farm ponds. A few channel cat or crappies may be added after the bass and bluegills have been in the pond a year or so. Channel cat do not normally spawn in a farm pond and they will have to be restocked after a few years of fishing.

Crappie usually multiply too rapidly whenever stocked alone and your pond may become overstocked before you realize it.

HOW MANY FISH? The stocking rate of your pond depends upon the surface area and how you intend to manage it from the standpoint of fertilization. If your pond is to be fertilized it may be stocked with 100 bass and 1,000 bluegills for each surface acre. If you do not plan to fertilize the pond, put in only about 40 bass and 400 bluegills for each surface acre.

Small fish should be used for stocking and both kinds put in at the same time. The size of your pond should be calculated to the nearest 1-10 acre in determining how many fish to place in the pond.

GROWING MORE FISH. Fertilizing the pond increases fish production. If you do not plan to do a lot of fishing there is not much use in fertilizing the pond. It is best to use a commercial fertilizer that is high in nitrogen such as a 1-20-0, or 8-8-8, or a 5-10-5 mixture plus 20 pounds of nitrate or ammonium fertilizer.

Fifty to one-hundred pounds of commercial fertilizer per surface acre at each application is the standard rate of application. Fertilizer application should be started in the spring whenever it begins to warm up along in April or May. Applications should be made from 2 to 3 weeks intervals.

A simple test as to when additional fertilizer is needed is when you can see your hand in 12 inches of water. The fertilizer should be scattered in water which is less than 3 feet deep. These applications should be continued throughout the summer until October. The use of commercial fertilizer will not only step up fish production but it is a valuable aid in keeping down moss in ponds.

WHEN TO START FISHING. As soon as the bluegills have spawned once you can fish for them just as much as you want. The bass will spawn later and you can start fishing for them. Heavy fishing is important if you want to keep your pond in good shape. Don't worry about over-fishing it as you can hardly ever do that.

WHAT SHOULD A POND YIELD? You should be able to catch 25 to 200 pounds of fish for each acre of unfertilized pond per year. Each acre of your fertilized pond should produce 200 to 500 pounds of catchable fish each year.

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and no children have been born and no Community property acquired.

Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of cruel treatment.

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Issued this the 10th day of June

A. D., 1952.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Texas, this the 10th day of June A. D., 1952.

J. NEIL DANIEL Clerk
 104th District Court
 Taylor County, Texas
 By IRENE CRAWFORD Deputy
 adv. June 23, 30, July 4, 11

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THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: Albert Hargrove Greeting:

You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 28th day of July, A. D., 1952, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable 104th District Court of Taylor County, at the Court House in Abilene, Texas.

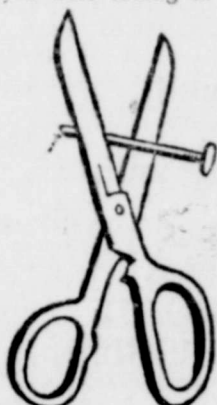
Said Plaintiff's petition was filed on the 10th day of June, 1952.

The file number of said suit being No. 6964-B.

The names of the parties of said suit are: Alice Hargrove as Plaintiff, and Albert Hargrove as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married on or about May 21, 1950

erate, even pressure is required during the several strokes needed to put an edge on the blades. Cutting into a piece of sandpaper or emery paper is another commonly used method of sharpening a shears.



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Legal Notices

THE STATE OF TEXAS
 To: W. A. Sitchler Greeting:
 You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 11th day of August, A. D., 1952, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County, at the Court House in Abilene, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 27th day of June, 1952. The file number of said suit being No. 18,307-A.

The names of the parties in said suit are:

Georgia Sitchler as Plaintiff, and W. A. Sitchler as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married on or about the 13th day of April, 1946, in Las Vegas, Nevada, lived together until on or about 20th day of February, 1952.

Plaintiff alleges there was no community property accumulated by them.

Plaintiff Alleges three children were born to them as the issue of said marriage to-wit: William Alex Sitchler, Jr., who is 5 years of age; Raymond Anthony Sitchler, who is four years of age; Dell Edward Sitchler who is one and one-half years of age, all of whom are boys.

Plaintiff alleges there was no community property accumulated by them.

Plaintiff asks for divorce on grounds of unkind, harsh and cruel treatment, and for Custody and Control of the children and that a proper and suitable provision be made for their support and maintenance.

If this Citation is not served within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Issued this the 27th day of June A. D., 1952.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 27th day of June A. D., 1952.

J. Neil Daniel, Clerk
 42nd District Court Taylor County, Texas.

By Irene Crawford, Deputy.
 Adv. July 11, 18, 25, August 1.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: Ruben Placencia Greeting:
 You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 18th day of August, A. D., 1952, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County, at the Court House in Abilene, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 2nd day of July, 1952. The file number of said suit being No. 18,315-A.

The names of the parties in said suit are:
 Pauline Placencia as Plaintiff, and Ruben Placencia as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married on or about July 23rd, 1950 in Abilene, Taylor County Texas, they lived together as husband and wife until on or about September 17, 1950, at which time they became permanently separated.

Plaintiff alleges that she and the defendant own no community property, either real or personal, but that to their marriage union one girl was born namely Oralia Placencia, a girl now 16 months old.

Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of Cruelties and excesses of, Plaintiff Sues for custody of the little girl, Oralia Placencia, and for such other and further relief, both general and special, in law and in equity to which she may justly be entitled to receive.

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Issued this the 2nd day of July, A. D., 1952.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 2nd day of July, A. D., 1952.

J. Neil Daniel, Clerk
 Court Taylor County, Texas.
 By Irene Crawford, Deputy.
 Adv. July 11, 18, 25, August 1.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: Julia Ramone Hernandez, Greeting:

You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M., of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 18th day of August, A. D., 1952, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable 104th District Court of Taylor County, at the Court House in Abilene, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 11th day of June, 1952. The file number of said suit being No. 6970-B.

The names of the parties in said suit are:
 C. L. Hernandez as plaintiff,

and Julia Ramone Hernandez as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Plaintiff was duly and legally married to defendant in the county of Taylor, State of Texas, and continued to live with her as husband and wife until about six (6) years ago.

There were no children born as issue of this marriage and the

plaintiff would show that there is no property belonging to the plaintiff and defendant as community property.

Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds desertion and of cruel treatment and outrages toward this plaintiff of such a nature as to render their further living together wholly insupportable.

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Issued this the 3rd day of July, A. D., 1952.

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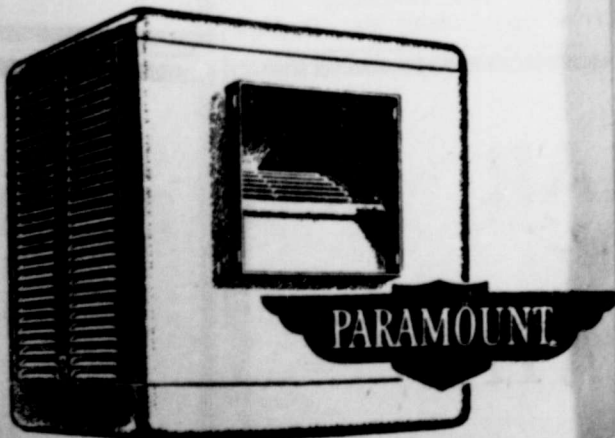


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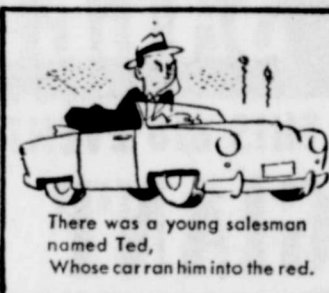
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Are You Nervous? For Peace of Mind Live Properly

Mental disorders today represent a real problem and it is estimated that almost 50 per cent of all hospital beds are filled by persons suffering from mental or nervous diseases, declared Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer. It thus appears that modern civilization is exacting a terrific toll.

High speed living with its cruel exactions upon nature, is responsible for a large part of the trouble. But improper personal conduct must also shoulder much of the blame. The fact is that nearly 50 per cent of the patients entering hospitals for mental disorders are there because of organic or toxic causes.

For example, general paralysis is the direct cause of many mental troubles in males entering hospitals. This condition is an organic disease of the brain due to the germ responsible for syphilis. It is

a preventable disease. Early and effective treatment of acquired syphilis will block the end results of general paralysis in the insane.

The excessive use of alcohol is responsible for a number of mental disorders. Alcohol and syphilis combined are responsible for approximately one-fifth of the hospitalized insanities.

Nevertheless, improper living habits continue to impair many brains. Insufficient sleep, neglect of bodily care and a consistent over-erforcing of nervous energy are

the pitfalls to avoid in this connection.

Nature demands that her fundamental laws be at least reasonably observed. A constant outraging of the physiological economy takes its toll not only in bodies but in minds also. Insanities and lesser nervous disorders could be spectacularly reduced if this fact was more generally respected. Training for mental health must be started in childhood as that is the time when corrections can be made to the best advantage.

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Notes on the passing scene in Merkel. The time is late Saturday afternoon. Place: in front of the post office. The street is very crowded with cars lined up behind each other in the middle of the street. Traffic moves slowly. Woman backs her car away from the post office. Stops. Traffic stops. Woman gets out of car. Runs to other side of her car. Closes open door. Gets back in car. Moves. Traffic moves again... slowly.

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MEN'S SPORT SHIRTS

1 lot of Men's short-sleeve Sport Shirts to close out. Your choice of solid colors or fancy patterns and broadcloth or skip-dent materials.

A REAL DOLLAR DAY VALUE AT

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Sizes Small, Medium, Large

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Buy a good supply to finish out the long hot Summer and even for the opening of school. All are short sleeves and a world of beautiful colors. These are real values at the regular price and now a greater saving on DOLLAR DAY at

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To close out, 8-ounce Sanforized denim and braded at points of wear. This is your chance to stock up for the coming school-year. We have only sizes 12, 13, 14, 15. While they last at only

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MEN'S CHAMBRAY WORK SHIRTS

Extra full-cut Chambray Work Shirts — a good smooth quality and 2 big pockets and Sanforized shrunk. Sizes 14 1/2 through 17. For DOLLAR DAY ONLY

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BOY'S ARMY CLOTH PANTS

A special purchase makes this price possible. A good quality, well-made boys' Army Cloth pants in Sun Tan color and all sizes. A good value at \$2.95. For DOLLAR DAY ONLY

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You know the quality of these "DICKIE" braded blue jeans. 11-ounce Sanforized material and perfect fitting for comfort. Sizes 28 to 38. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

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"BOSS WALLOWER" 12-ounce canvas work gloves. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

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MEN'S WESTERN HATS

We have only a limited quantity of these Western-Style Straw Hats in stock, but we have all sizes and the best pastel colors. You will want one at our DOLLAR DAY PRICE of only

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WASH CLOTHS

A good quality wash cloth and practically every wanted color. They are of "double-thread" construction and a nice size.

FOR DOLLAR DAY

10 for **\$1.00**

TO CLOSE OUT

1 table of heavy Chenille Bed-Spreads — double bed size and many beautiful colors and combinations.

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BED SHEETS

Double-Bed size — 81x99 — Bed Sheets. White and seamless and "Type 128." Slightly irregular.

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1 big table of 80x80 Count Quadriga and Topmost Fashion printed percale. 36 inches wide and guaranteed fast colors.

FOR DOLLAR DAY

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A fine quality 4-yard weight brown domestic. A REAL VALUE AT ONLY

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CLOSE OUT LADIES' HANDBAGS

Your choice of any Ladies' Summer Handbag in stock — practically all the wanted colors and shapes. None reserved.

FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

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Plus Tax

PLAID GINGHAM

A big Fall Shipment of the newest colors in COMAL GINGHAM has just arrived. This fabric is woven, sanforized, and fast color. You will want several pieces of these beautiful plaids.

FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

2 yds. for **\$1.10**

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A Special Purchase enables us to bring you this good value in solid color seersucker. Choose from such colors as White, Pink, Blue, Maize.

FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

3 yds. for **\$1.00**

DRESS SALE

For DOLLAR DAY we will sell any ladies' dress in Stock — Regular Values \$6.95 and higher — at a drastically low price. These are all new styles and beautiful Summer colors and fabrics. We have all sizes. All Reduced to

1/2 price

(All Sales Final, Please)

BOYS' SPORT SHIRTS

1 Special Group of Boys' Short-Sleeve Sport Shirts to Close Out. You will find all the beautiful prints of high-count broadcloth materials. We have practically every size.

YOUR CHOICE AT ONLY

2 for **\$2.50**

All Sales Final.
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SHOE SPECIALS

Right in the middle of the Summer Season we are closing out our entire stock of Women's Summer Shoes.

Group I consists of Ladies' flat-heel play sandals — many wanted styles and the best colors — WHITE, TAN, and MULTI-COLORS. You will find shoes which sell regularly at \$5.00. FOR DOLLAR DAY — Pair

\$2.49

Group II consists of 1 lot of odds-and-ends of Ladies' Dress Shoes. Styles include pumps, Straps, and Laces; and values up to \$8.95. We have practically all sizes and widths, and you will want several pairs at this special price. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

\$2.00

Group III consists of 1 big lot of Casual wedges and Ballerina - Type Slippers — every pair this Season's Styles. You will find plenty of WHITES, TANGERINE, ORCHID, YELLOW, and others; and such styles as straps, lace, pumps, "square-dance" FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY — Pair

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BE CAREFUL TO SUN

It's a good safety practice to avoid excessive exposure to the sun, stated the A. & M. Extension Service. Stay out of deep water, if you can't swim and know the swimming pool. Drownings in the state are now taking almost as many lives as traffic accidents. Live safely for you may be claimed next by... The Take-A-Chance Cemetery.

TO HOLD CONVENTION

The thirty-fifth annual convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce will be held in Wichita Falls October 19, 20, and 21, President Frank H. Kelly of Colorado City announced.



Modern Doors Are Flush

IN THE "gingerbread" style of the early century, doors with ornate panels were considered "just the thing." Modern living has changed this. Today's homemakers prefer their doors without dust-catching panels; they want smooth surfaces that are kept clean without effort.

Leading builders and architects generally specify flush panel doors. Their unbroken expanses are pleasing in appearance and easy to maintain. Such doors also are reasonable in cost. In line with the trend to paint doors interesting colors, flush panel doors are particularly suited for such decoration.

Manufacturers, in many instances, are facing their doors with a smooth-surfaced panel known as Masonite Duolux. Their product is being used in various housing projects, among them the new Levittown, Pa., which



is under construction for U. S. Steel Corporation employees at Fairless Works. Here, the 16,000 homes which eventually will house 70,000 persons, all have flush panel doors faced with Masonite Duolux.



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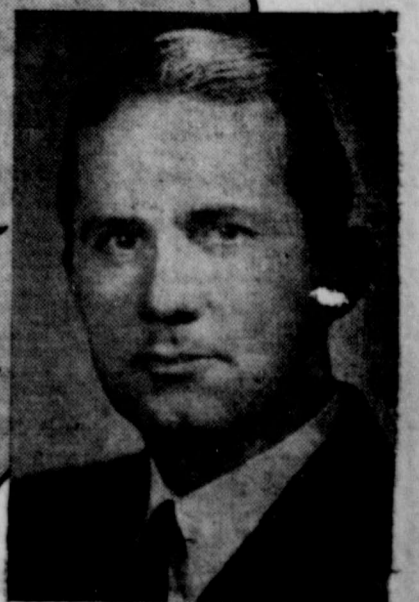
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Allan Shivers



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(Pol. Adv. Paid for by Jack Dillard.)



A VAST CHANGE — Back when Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Collingsworth were growing up on their fathers' farms, none of the appliances pictured here were enjoyed. As an average rural home, a list of 10 modern appliances are used by the Collingsworth family who live near Merkel. With REA power however, the 3,525 rural homes in this area which are served with some 1,593 miles of power line, are as modern in every respect as homes in our major cities. (Staff Photo)

HELP WANTED

"Help me, Oh Lord, to remember that three feet make one yard, sixteen ounces one pound, four quarts one gallon and sixty minutes one hour. Help me to do business on the square. Make me sympathetic with the fellow who has broken in the struggle."

"Keep me from taking an unfair advantage of the weak, or from selling my self-respect for a profit. Blind my eyes to the petty faults of others, but reveal to me my own."

"Deafen my ears to the rustle of unholy skirts, and help me to live, day by day, in such a way that I shall be able to look across the table at my wife, who has been such a blessing to me, and have nothing to conceal."

"And when comes the sound of low music, and the scent of sweet flowers, and the crunch of footsteps on the gravel, make the ceremony short, and the epitaph simple — 'Here lies a man . . . one who was of service to others.'"
—Printing Monthly.

TO INCREASE INCOME

The 257 organized communities in Texas last year based their programs on goals set up to increase and manage family income, improve health conditions, increase community social activities, increase farm production and improve the farms and homes of the communities.

Uruguay means birds tail.

Minnesota boasts the greatest water area of any state.

Only one state has been named for a President, that being the State of Washington.

The giant armadillo is five feet

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LIBBY'S TOMATO JUICE 46 oz. can	29c
WON UP Grapefruit Juice 46 oz. Can	19c
SUPREME CRACKERS lb.	25c
POWDERED SUGAR	15c
DIAMOND	
TOMATOES No. 2 Can	15¢
ALL BRANDS MILK	2 for 29c
AUNT JEMIMA MEAL, White	5 lb. 43c
DEL MONTE CATSUP 14 Oz. Bottle	20c
WHITE SWAN PEACHES 2 1/2 size	29c
ADMIRATION COFFEE ALL FLAVORS	lb. 79c
JELLO	3 for 25c

GALLON GARDEN SPOT
PRUNES 59¢

PRODUCE	MARKET
CALIFORNIA POTATOES lb. 7c	SLICED BACON lb. 45c
YELLOW ONIONS lb. 7c	DENISON FRYERS lb. 55c
LARGE LETTUCE head 15c	CHUCK ROAST lb. 65c
CELLO CARROTS bag 15c	LOIN STEAK lb. 89c
CARTON TOMATOES ctn. 17c	NUMBER 1 DRY SALT lb. 32c

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SPECIALS FOR TUESDAY, JULY 15 — — — ONLY

SOFTEX TISSUE Roll	9c	DIAMOND, HOMINY — PORK & BEANS	
GOLD MEDAL FLOUR 10 lb.	89c	PINTO BEANS 12 cans	\$1
		CHURCH'S GRAPE JUICE 3 FOR	\$1.00



Twenty-two nations will see life in the United States as interpreted by 1431 midwestern junior and senior high school students, whose paintings will be sent around the world through the American Junior Red Cross International School Art program. Chosen for the story they tell, as well as for art technique, pictures selected are among 2,203 submitted to the Junior Red Cross program in 1952. Selections are made by the National Art Education Association's Western Division committee headed by Miss Ruth Wohrl, center, conferring with Miss Mary McMullen and Archie Bauman, other members of the committee. Miss Wohrl is director of art education for Akron, Ohio, public schools. Miss McMullen is school art supervisor at Peoria, Ill., and Bauman is art director for Cedar Rapids, Iowa, public schools.



FUTURE FARMERS OF DALLAS—Big things are planned for the more than 3,000 Texas Future Farmers expected in Dallas for the state organization's annual convention July 16-18.

A full round of entertainment features is being planned for the farm boys who will represent the 35,000 Texas high school boys who are students of vocational agriculture.

Scope of the Future Farmer organization will be displayed to Dallas residents with a giant downtown street parade in which the FFA boys will march along with farm equipment and FFA pickups.

A special feature of the convention this year will be a banquet at the Baker Hotel, convention headquarters, on July 17 which will honor Lone Star Farmers and at which Lone Star Farmer degrees for 1952 will be awarded.

Annual FFA contest is set for the last night of the convention. Pictured here, with the Dallas skyline in the background, are members of the Dallas executive committee for the convention and Franklin Brandt of LaGrange, state FFA president. Pictured, left to right: C. G. Scruggs, associate editor of Progressive Farmer magazine; President Brandt, C. T. Johnson, southwestern public relations director for Sears, Roebuck and Co., and Murray Cox, farm director for Radio Station WFAA.

Brig. Gen. to Head Texas March of Dimes For Next Year



Brigadier General Robert J. Smith of Dallas, president of Pioneer Airlines, has been named Texas State Chairman for the 1953 March of Dimes' appeal for funds to carry on the fight against polio. In 1950 and 1951, General Smith was on leave from Pioneer to serve as vice chairman of the National Security Resources Board under W. Stuart Symington.

Spot Beef Cattle At State Fair With Big Premiums
Beef cattle will be spotlighted during the first phase of the 1952 State Fair of Texas livestock exposition, with premiums totaling

DON'T WAIT! HAVE YOUR CAR INSPECTED NOW!



\$17,200, Livestock Manager Ray W. Wilson announced.

There's be \$7,500 in premiums for Herefords, \$4,200 for Brahman, \$3,000 for Aberdeen-Angus, and \$2,500 for Shorthorns.

The beef cattle show will run Oct. 4 through 9.

Although not competing for premiums, a prize herd of world-famous Santa Gertrudis cattle from the King Ranch will be exhibited in the cattle barns throughout the fair.

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Drop to floor. Get under bed or heavy table.	Go to floor. Get under bed or heavy table.
Drop to floor. Get under desk or night bench.	Drop to floor. Get under desk or night bench.
Drop to floor out of line of windows. Bury face in arms.	Drop to floor out of line of windows. Bury face in arms.
Drop to ground or dug for cover. Bury face in arms.	Drop to ground or dug for cover. Bury face in arms.
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J. J. (Jess) Pribble Dies at Age of 74 At Home of Son

J. J. (Jess) Pribble, 74, formerly resident of Mulberry Canyon, died of heart attack at the home of his son, Earl T. Pribble of 1901 Street, Lubbock, July 7. His wife, Lucy Lilly Pribble, preceded him in death some 12 years. Survivors include three sons, E. L. Pribble, Pasadena, Texas, O. A. Pribble, Abilene, and E. T. Pribble of Lubbock, with whom he made his home; one daughter, Mrs. W. W. White, Hobbs, New Mexico; and three brothers, L. W. Pribble, Duncan, Okla., L. B. Pribble, Hobbs, New Mexico, and Ed Pribble of an Alabama town. He was a member of the Church of Christ, and was laid to rest in East Lawn Cemetery, Lubbock.

Billy Joe Harris Return From Duty In Japan, Okinawa

Sgt. Billy Joe Harris, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harris, has returned from 27 months in Japan and Okinawa. He has re-enlisted for another three years. He is a mechanic in the Air Force. He received his basic training at Sheppard Air Base at Wichita Falls, Texas. He will be stationed at Washington, D. C., after his 30-day furlough.

Undergo Surgery At Local Hospital

Those who underwent major surgery in the Sadler Hospital were J. R. Gafford Wednesday of last week, Mrs. Bill Perry on Monday and T. L. Miller.

H-D SUMMER SESSION

Registration for the second six-weeks term at Hardin-Simmons University will be held Tuesday, July 15. Classwork will begin July 1 and continue through August 23.

Dep. Sheriff Conley Is Taken Home And Is Improving

Deputy Sheriff C. C. Conley was taken home from the hospital Saturday. He is getting along nicely after suffering two heart attacks.

Claud Perry Is Improving After Severe Illness

Claud Perry who is in Odessa is reported feeling better after a severe illness.

Dudleys See Crops Of Alfalfa, Wheat That Look Good

Mr. and Mrs. Quannah Dudley and family visited his sister, Mrs. C. K. Newman, in Denver, Colo., over the holiday. Her husband, Major Newman, is with the Air Force Finance Center. They went to the Great Divide, to the top of Pike's Peak where they saw snow, and were in rain all the way from Denver to Clayton, New Mexico, at the Texas border. They saw good crops of sugar beets and alfalfa. The wheat crop looked good all the way to where they went.

Trent F. F. A. Boys To Go to Dallas For Convention

Chapter President, Allen D. King, Jr., and Sherman Driggers, Jr., representing the Trent Future Farmer Chapter will go to Dallas July 16-18 to attend the 42nd Annual Convention of the Texas Association of the Future Farmers of America.

They will be accompanied by O. L. Boyd, their teacher of Vocational Agriculture and Future Farmer Adviser. These boys will be among some 7500 other Future Farmers from over the State of Texas who are expected to attend the convention. More than \$2,000 in awards will be presented to the outstanding Future Farmers during the three-day meeting.

Hollis McLean Is Promoted To Be Sergeant

Hollis McLean has been promoted to the grade of sergeant at the Patrick Air Force Base at Cocoa, Florida. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dewel McLean.

Attend Funeral Of Their Uncle In Dallas on 4th.

Mrs. Ella Neeb and Mrs. Lena King and Mrs. Ora Harris went to Dallas Sunday to attend the funeral of their uncle, J. H. Ivy, who passed away the 4th of heart trouble.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Admission to the Sadler Hospital the past week were: As medical patients — Mrs. Bill Perry, Homer Laney, Miss Wanda Tarpley, Mrs. O. J. Adcock, Shirley Carter, Vestal Hicks, Mrs. Helen Williams, Mrs. B. H. Riney, Billy Joe Hendrick, Ray Mashburn, Dr. Jack Haynes and Kenneth Marshall.

Fight the Fly And Kill the Rat Warns Officer

In warm summer days, emphasis on home sanitation becomes increasingly important, stated Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer. The State Health Department stresses a clean-up designed primarily for the two fold purpose of elimination of flies and rats. These two health hazards can be controlled only through sanitary practices. Places where they feed and breed and rest must be destroyed. The common housefly has demonstrated that it can spread more than 20 human diseases. Some of the more serious are typhoid fever, diarrhea and dysentery. They have also been implicated in the spread of polio. Rats and mice have been accused in the spreading of 20 to 30 diseases.

"It is plain to see," says Dr. Cox, "that your health and that of your family and community depends in a good measure upon your maintenance of clean, fly and rat-free premises." Spraying to kill flies and poisoning of rat baits are valuable supplements to the sanitation program, but will not do the elimination job by themselves. Sanitation is largely a personal matter. It is a way of life expressed in clean healthful surroundings.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Ida Wilson of Sherman visited her son, Ed Wilson and daughter, Mrs. W. D. Webber, for two weeks and returned home last week.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bryan are their granddaughter, Roslyn Ferrier, of Fort Worth.

Mrs. C. L. Deaughtman and daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Allen, and two sons, Bob and Billy, of Abilene, former Merkel citizens, were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Elliott last Saturday. Jerry and Maxine Patterson and Hope Meeks of Sweetwater spent Friday and Saturday of last week at Abilene, visiting their aunt, Mrs. Knox Beall and family.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Peters and daughter, Pam of Houston, Mr. and Mrs. Joe E. Lassiter and daughters, Jo Ann and Janell, of Austin spent the Fourth with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lassiter. The Joe E. Lassiters have recently purchased a new home in Austin.

Mrs. Hardy Reeve, Floyd, Sharon and David Reeve of Friona and Mrs. Elmo Collins of Lubbock visited the Pinkley and Collins families the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Williams and Nita Fay have returned from an enjoyable trip in northeast Texas with relatives for a week. They enjoyed a large barbecue on the Fourth, celebrating a new oil well that Mr. Williams expects to get as an offset in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. Elton Estes and two children, Lee and Carolyn, of El Centro, Calif., are visiting with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Rogers. Mrs. Rogers is in the hospital.

Mrs. Lucy Ford spent a few days in Hamlin at the home of her nephew, Earl Dwigings, and also visiting her son, Ray Ford, and family in Hobbs, New Mexico.

The C. R. White family of Highlands were visitors of the A. B. and W. M. Parham families for a few days this week. Mrs. George Crow, Sr., left Wednesday evening for the Goodman Community where she is spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. G. C. Blair.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Jones and children, Nelda and Dennis, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Hendricks and son, D. C., and Miss Sue Byrd took a trip last week, which led them through Oklahoma, Kansas and Missouri. Harlan Jones and Ernest Hendricks were visited by the group for three days. The boys are with the 6th Armored Division at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri. Everyone had a wonderful time.

Gov. Allan Shivers To Speak Tonight Over Station KRBC

At the midway point of his two-week tour through the state, Governor Allan Shivers will make appearances in five West Texas cities and San Antonio during the remainder of the week. The governor started his tour shortly after being named chairman of the National Governors' Conference at Houston.

His weekly broadcast on Friday night, July 11, may be heard over Radio Station KRBC in Abilene.

Taylor County Has 167 Prisoners At Texas Prison

Taylor County in the past ten years has committed 167 prisoners to the Texas Prison System. This was revealed in a study conducted inside the prison by graduate students at Sam Houston State Teachers College.

In number of commitments per

thousand population, the County ranked 88th in the State with 2.64 persons per thousand committed.

COX TO SPEAK HERE

The Cox-Caravan-for Congress will be here Wednesday at 12:30 noon and Mr. Cox will make a short talk.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our thanks to Dr. Sadler, Dr. Thurman and the nurses. We want to thank all relatives and friends for all the lovely flowers, get-well cards and nice lunches that were prepared. Mary E. Province Mr. and Mrs. Luther Orsborn Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Spratlan

CARD OF THANKS

I want to thank all my friends who visited me while I was in the hospital and in my home, for the nice cards and letters and the pretty flowers, to the one who gave blood and the ones that offered it. I also thank Dr. Sadler and the entire staff for their good work and

kind treatment. May God bless each and every one of you. Mrs. E. W. Turner.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank all for their kindness and floral gifts during my illness and stay in the hospital. I want especially to thank Dr. Sadler and the nurses for their fine attention and care. Mrs. George Crow, Sr.

HELP WANTED

WANTED—Settled lady, age 35 to 50, who wants a good comfortable home, who in return would prepare meals and take care of home for elderly lady who is able to care for self. Only one in family. See M. W. Mitchell, 301 Chestnut St., Abilene, before 6 p. m. 2t17c.

LOST AND FOUND

FOUND—Glasses. Owner can have by describing and paying for this ad.

CLASSIFIED AD SECTION

LODGE CALLS

NOTICE MASONS Stated meeting of Merkel Lodge No. 710, A. F. & A. M., Thursday, July 17 at 8 p. m. All members are urged to attend. Visiting brethren cordially invited. W. R. Cyfert, W. M. C. B. Rust, Sec'y.

WANTED TO BUY

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For Sheriff R. H. (BOB) ROSS TROY TATE SID H. McADAMS ED POWELL

For County Clerk MRS. CHESTER HUTCHESON MRS. HOMER HUTTO

For Commissioner, Precinct No. 2. CHAS. ORR RUFÉ TITTLE (reelection)

For Justice of the Peace, Mrs. N. D. COBB.

For Constable, Precinct 5. LUTHER L. LAND. James Edwin Vanlandingham LONNIE L. SMITH C. K. RUSSELL

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of Trent, Taylor County, Texas, at the close of business June 30, 1952, a State banking institution organized and operating under the banking laws of this State and a member of the Federal Reserve System. Published in accordance with a call made by the State Banking Authorities and by the Federal Reserve Bank of this District.

ASSETS	
1. Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection	\$260,633.55
2. United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	262,000.00
5. Corporate stocks (including \$3,150.00 stock of Federal Reserve bank)	3,150.00
6. Loans and discounts (including \$1.35 overdrafts)	290,134.52
7. Bank premises owned \$1.00, furniture and fixtures \$3,499.00	3,500.00
12. TOTAL ASSETS	819,418.07
LIABILITIES	
13. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	687,839.98
15. Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	637.50
16. Deposits of State and political subdivisions	19,005.44
19. TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$707,482.92
24. TOTAL LIABILITIES (not including subordinated obligations shown below)	707,482.92
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
25. Capital*	25,000.00
26. Surplus	80,000.00
27. Undivided profits	6,935.15
29. TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	111,935.15
30. TOTAL LIABILITIES and CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	819,418.07

* This bank's capital consists of Common stock with total par value of \$25,000.00.

I, James V. Ross, Cashier, of the above-named bank, hereby certify that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

James V. Ross

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CARTOON AND LATEST NEWS

Local Students At Texas Tech. In Upper Class

Honor roll figures just released from the registrar's office at Texas Tech show that John C. Anderson of Trent made a 2.71 average during the Spring semester. Billy E. Tarpley of Merkel made a 2.62 average. The A-minus average of these two places them in the top 200 out of the 4,532 students enrolled

during the Spring semester. They are classified in the upper 5 per cent.

Miss Francis Keeder returned home Thursday of last week from a visit with her sister, Mrs. Crockett in Kermit.

Sgt. John Alvin Smith of Camp LeJune, North Carolina, is home on a 30-day furlough, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Smith.

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FRYERS lb. 55c
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RIB STEW MEAT lb. 49c
CHOICE BEEF
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PORK CHOPS lb. 59c
WISCONSIN
HORN CHEESE lb. 53c
HORMEL'S — 6-8 Average
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TIDE 2 boxes 55c
CHURCH'S
GRAPE JUICE 24 oz. 32c
CONCHO — No. 2
BLACKBERRIES can 27c
GOLDEN HARVEST 46 oz.
ORANGE JUICE 29c
SUNSHINE
PACK-04
Crackers lb. 23c CELLO CANDIES 10c
ROSEDALE SOUR — 8 oz.
PICKLES 2 for 29c
TEXO
PRUNES gallon 59c



FRESH CRISP
LETTUCE head 12c
CARNATION
CANTALOUPE lb. 10c
FRESH
SQUASH lb. 10c
FRESH
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