

NEWS ABOUT TOWN

Mrs. Barnie Douglas and family and Tommy Webb of Roswell, New Mexico spent the weekend with W. W. Webb.

Mr. and Mrs. Melton Cross and Mike of Abilene visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Cross, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis McCoy attended the track meet Saturday in Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Agnew and daughter Judy spent Sunday and Monday of last week in Ft. Worth visiting her sister, Mrs. Earl Bright, who is in the hospital, and

Mr. Bright. Mrs. Ben Hicks and Gary spent the week in Lubbock with her mother, Mrs. J. R. Stratton. They went up there Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Church and children of Plainview spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Dudley.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Johnson Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Moore and family of Grepton.

Mr. and Mrs. Ennis Grimes of Quanah and Rev. and Mrs. E. L. Yates of Roby visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Dee Grimes.

Mr. and Mrs. Ancil Martin of Trent and Miss Betty Jane Tittle visited Saturday at Eagle Pass

with Mr. and Mrs. Orion Tittle and family, Mr. and Mrs. Cullen Tittle and family.

Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Hogan visited in Lubbock Saturday with their daughter, Mrs. Lee Darden, Mr. Darden and family, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Riney accompanied them and visited their son Walter and family.

A/3c Ray W. Thomas had a five-day leave from the Air Force Base at Chanute, Ill. He visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Thomas. He arrived Sunday and remained here three days.

Dr. and Mrs. B. N. Squires and two children, Newel and Leah, of Bowie visited their sisters, Mrs. C. S. Carey, and Mr. Carey over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bunch, Patricia and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Winters of Abilene were in Hamilton over the weekend. They visited Mrs. Bunch's great grandmother, Mrs. Emma Arnett. She is Mrs. Winter's mother. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Grover Massey and other friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Green and daughter spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Green, in Dallas.

Mrs. Dent Gibson visited this week with her son, Captain David Gibson, and Mrs. Gibson in Lake Charles, La.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Berryman of Midland spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Pete Rutledge, and family.

Mrs. R. G. Curb and son Larry of near Odessa were visitors here Wednesday and Thursday of last week of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Price.

Mr. and Mrs. Woody Wilson and family spent Sunday in Haskell with her father, A. D. English, who has been ill.

FIVE GENERATIONS ATTEND 84TH BIRTHDAY DINNER

Five generations attended the 84th birthday celebration dinner honoring Mrs. Etta Causseaux in Trent recently.

Her daughter, Mrs. Knox Statser, who lives with her, was host for the day.

The five generations, in order of age, are Mrs. Casseaux, Mrs. Statser, Mrs. Fred Horton, Mrs. Bobby Hughes of Camp Rucker, Ala., and Cynthia Hughes, 2½ months old.

Mrs. Causseaux came to Texas from North Carolina when she was seven years old. Her family settled in Bell County and she was married there to Mr. Causseaux. They lived in Borden County and from there moved in 1899 to their farm at Trent where she still lives. The late Mr. Causseaux was a rancher and farmer.

Children of Mrs. Causseaux who attended with their families include Clay of Fort Worth, Jay of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Causseaux, Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Devell Johnson of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lowery and children of Crane, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Young and children of Roscoe, and Mrs. Knox Statser of Trent.

Hordes of Indians Massed for Battle at Queen Theatre

Bigness is the keynote of "Sas-katchewan", the spectacular Universal-International Technicolor adventure which opens Sunday and Monday at the Queen Theatre with Alan Ladd and Shelley Winters in co-starring roles.

There is bigness in scope — the historic campaign by the Royal Canadian Northwest Mounted Police to prevent the American Sioux and the Canadian Cree Indian nations from over-running the Dominion; bigness in action — it has been many a season since such vast hordes of Indians were massed for battle sequences; and, above all, bigness in the colorful grandeur of the Canadian Rockies against which the adventure is set and where the filming of "Sas-katchewan" was done in its entirety.

Al Smith called the old New York Fulton Fish Market his "alma mater".

Thrills, Adventure Pack Vivid Film

It's thrill after thrill, for mile after mile, in a treacherous journey down alligator-infested Shark River in a vivid color movie of the same name which makes its local debut Tuesday and Wednesday at the Queen Theatre.

The exciting picture which stars Steve Cochran and Carole Mathews, is a film crammed with spine-tingling sequences. It tells the story of an adventure-laden trek taken by three men through an unexplored and treacherous swampland. They encounter all sorts of dangers, including moccasins, snakes, alligators, the swampland itself, and hostile Seminole Indians, ever eager to slay any white man that they think encroaches on their territory.

MERKELITES ATTEND FUNERAL IN DALLAS OF STERLING SHEPPARD

Those who attended the Sterling Sheppard funeral in Dallas Saturday were:

Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Anderson, Mrs. Twyman Collins, Miss Christine Collins, Mrs. Roy Largent, Mrs. Elma McFarland, Mrs. W. T. Sadler, Mrs. Lige Gamble, Mrs. Pete West and Miss Norma Riney of Abilene.

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TWO HIGH SCORERS—Two of the 4 highest scoring individual contestants in ACC judging contests were David Perdue, left, freshman member of the Knox City FFA team, scoring highest in poultry judging; and Jacky McAninch, Merkel FFA high in livestock judging.

LEGAL NOTICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF TAYLOR
 In the Name and by the Authority of The State of Texas
 To: W. R. Jeter, whose residence is unknown, Ida E. Jeter, whose residence is unknown.
 The unknown heirs, assigns, devisees, and legal representatives of each of the defendants above who is deceased:
 The unknown spouses of each of the above named defendants:
 The unknown heirs, assigns, devisees, and legal representatives of each of the defendants spouses who is deceased; and all unknown persons, owning, having, or claim any interest or lien in the property described herein, and the unknown heirs and legal representatives, of all defendants whose name and residence are unknown, and the respective unknown heirs and legal representatives of all the above named parties, the unknown owner or owners of the hereinafter described property and their heirs and legal representatives, whose names and places of residence are unknown, and any and all other persons, including adverse claimants, owning, or having, or claiming any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the hereinafter described property delinquent to plaintiffs herein for taxes.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS
 To: Luzille Jenkins Northam, Defendant, Greeting:
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock a. m. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 17th day of May A. D. 1954, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 15th day of February A. D. 1954, in this cause, numbered 19,606-A on the docket of said court and styled GIRVIS PAUL NORTHAM, Plaintiff, vs. LUZILLE JENKINS NORTHAM, Defendant.
 A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and defendant were married on Feb. 15, 1951 and separated on or about 15th day of September, 1951 and have not lived together since.
 Plaintiff alleges that their has been no community property accumulated and no children have been born of this union.
 Plaintiff sues for Divorce on grounds of harsh and cruel treatment, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.
 If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.
 The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.
 Issued and given under my hand

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that suit has been brought and is now pending in the Honorable District Court, 42nd Judicial District, Taylor County, Texas, wherein Special Road Districts Nos. 1 and 2 of Taylor County, Texas, the State, said County, and political subdivisions above named are plaintiffs; and W. R. Jeter, et al are defendants, by the filing by said plaintiffs of a petition on the 17th day of March, 1954 and the file number of said suit being NO. 19,651-A and the nature of which is a suit to collect delinquent ad valorem taxes on the following described property, to-wit:
 E. 116' Lot 3, Block 13, Country Club Addition to the City of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, together with interest, penalties, costs, charges, and expenses of suit which have accrued and which may legally accrue thereon.
 The amount of taxes due each plaintiff, exclusive of interest, penalties and costs is as follows:
 County of Taylor, . . . \$108.66
 (Name of Taxing Unit)
TOTAL \$108.66
 The names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on said property not made party to this suit are None.
 Plaintiff and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, and in addition to the taxes all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.
 All parties to this suit, including plaintiff, defendants, and intervenors, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law thereon, may, upon request therefor, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, and all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file and which may hereafter be filed in said cause by all other parties herein, and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said property.
 You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer and defend such suit on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 17th day of May, A. D. 1954 (which is the return day of such citation), before the honorable District Court of Taylor County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the plaintiff and the taxing units parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court in the City of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, this 1st day of April, A. D., 1954.
 J. Neil Daniel
 Clerk of the District Court.
 Taylor County, Texas,
 42nd Judicial District.
 By Jean Teaff, Deputy
 Adv. — April 9, 1954.

LEGAL NOTICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS
 To any Sheriff or any Constable within the State of Texas — Greeting:
 You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for four consecutive weeks, the first publication to be at least twenty-eight days before the return day thereof, in a newspaper printed in Taylor County, Texas, the accompanying citation, of which the herein below following is a true copy.

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ANDY SHOUSE
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and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 29th day of March, A. D. 1954.
 Attest: J. Neil Daniel Clerk,
 42nd District Court
 Taylor County, Texas
 By Irene Crawford, Deputy.
 Adv. — April 2, 9, 16, 23.

We, the subscribers, have this day entered into a limited partnership agreeably to the provision of the Revised Statutes relating to limited partnerships; and do hereby certify that the terms of our said partnership are as follows:
STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF TAYLOR
 This is to certify that the undersigned are forming a limited partnership, and the undersigned represent the following:
 (a) The name or firm under which the partnership is to be conducted is Ace Service Company, Limited.
 (b) The general nature of the business to be transacted is the repair and adjustment of various types of electric and electronic devices and instruments.
 (c) The names of all of the general and special partners interested therein, distinguishing which are general and which are special partners, in their respective places of residence, are:
 R. L. Howard, general partner, of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas;
 Ray Jarnagin, general partner, of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas;
 Stewart Peake, Sr., special partner, of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas.
 (d) The amount of capital which the special partner has contributed to the common stock is \$375.00 in cash.
 (e) The period at which the partnership is to commence is the 22 day of March, 1954, and the period at which it is to terminate is the 22 day of March, 1959.
 /s/ R. L. Howard
 /s/ Ray Jarnagin
 /s/ Stewart Peake, Sr.
 Special Partner
 Adv. — March 26, April 2, 9, 16

NEWS
 County Home
 Demonstration Agent
 Texas A. & M. College
 Extension Service

By LORETTA ALLEN

Mrs. John Hughes, Merkel Club, Mrs. Sam Butman, Jr., and Mrs. Frank Brnovak, Blue Bonnett Club, and Mrs. O. E. Harwell and Miss Mable McRee, Union Ridge Club, attended a leader training meeting in Abilene recently. They will be giving the demonstration on making "Meat Ball En Caserole" to their clubs soon. If you want to know a good way to serve ground meat that the whole family will like, you had better go to one of these clubs when the above women will give the demonstration and prepare a whole meal.

I've heard that Ruby Stephan and Lavanda Vinson are working on a team demonstration. You other 4-H girls better get busy.
 This month, I'm meeting all the demonstration clubs and discussing what makes "A Comfortable Living Room." Hope you can attend the meetings.

Not long ago, I mentioned good lighting and we've had some dust storms since, and I can't let this opportunity go by to re-remind you to dust those light bulbs because dust can rob you of a lot of light. Turn off switch, and remove bulbs. Electric bulbs should not be submerged in water but should be cleaned, when cool, with a damp soap cloth and then wiped dry. Make certain that the fixture and your hands are dry before placing the clean bulb or bowl back into the outlet. Hope it rains and the fine dust doesn't settle on the clean ones again, this year, at least.

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YOUR SENATOR REPORTS

By LYNDON B. JOHNSON

A West Texan asks what I consider the number one problem before Texas. I think the answer to that question is water — water for people, water for crops; water for stock; water for industry.
WHAT IS TO BE DONE? Sea water into fresh fresh water is possible but will not be feasible on a large scale until some time in the future. Rain making is still in the experimental stage . . . and cannot be done anyway without clouds. The only possible answer is store-up water or starve! In the "fat" years, we must save the precious water that will take us through the lean years.
 This means heavier concentration on small dams and upstream water projects. Texas is a "big" state and many of its problems can be solved only through "big" projects. But the "big" water projects do not meet the needs of all our people. We need thousands of small dams in the upland areas—dams that will not only store water but give Texans protection against the flash floods that do so much damage and wash away the soil.
 We have had many surveys . . . many projects. But we haven't licked the problem yet! It is going to take all of us — working together — to get something done.
 I am working in close cooperation with the Government agencies that are involved in Soil Conservation; Flood Control and Reclamation. There are some fine men in those agencies — men who have dedicated their lives to saving the soil as a heritage for our children. I have appeared before Congressional Committees and urged project after project.
 I want your ideas; I want all the advice I can get. Won't you drop me a line on conditions in your area and what should be done? No amount of expert advice can replace the people who are on the spot — who are watching precious topsoil blow away while crops wither in the field for lack of water.
A BASIC PROBLEM:
 However exaggerated the stories of the hydrogen bomb, the reality is bad enough. The hydrogen bomb means either the end of war or the end of civilization. There may still be small localized wars in the far corners of the earth. But mighty nations cannot fight a hydrogen war without destroying civilization itself.
 It seems to me that all Americans should be able to unite in the aftermath of the hydrogen bomb. We all want peace.
 Our scientists have put into our hands a tremendous force. God grant us the wisdom to use it wisely and to arrange our affairs in such a manner that we will pass on to future generations the liberties which were bestowed upon us!
 Amelia Earhart made the first solo flight from Honolulu to California.

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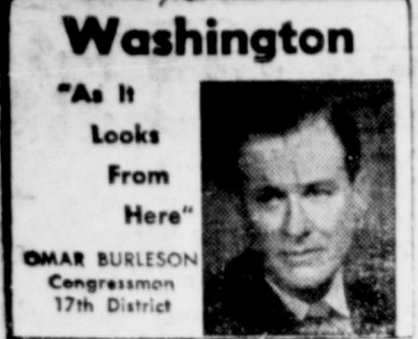
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Washington "As It Looks From Here"

In commenting upon the most recent hydrogen bomb explosion in the Pacific, President Eisenhower indicated that scientists produced much more than they had expected. There was some indication that the experiment came very near getting out of hand.

In reading of this terrible weapon, and after seeing motion pictures of the bomb exploded several months ago in the same area, I thought of the momentous word, "If." There seems to be some doubt among the scientists about the limitations of the hydrogen bomb. One bomb can now destroy large cities. We know this from the results just experienced, but will it be developed to destroy with one explosion an entire continent? There are "ifs" in the minds of the scientists.

There are many "ifs" in the conditions we face in every-day life but perhaps there has never been one so great as that "if" connected with the fantastic developments of the H-bomb which we have at the moment. The big question is how it will be used. We are always at the turning point and hanging in the balance in the kind of world we live in today.

If thermo-nuclear energy is dedicated to the benefits of mankind, it will revolutionize future life. If it is dedicated to war, all advanced civilizations could be destroyed in a short time.

Watching a great part of the Pacific Ocean rise up in a fascinating posture of fire, water and vaporized earth, as vari-colored as the imagination can conceive, I wondered at the fate of nations which might be the victim of this monstrous devastation.

There was also a reminder of the smallness of man as compared to the things he has created but, even so, he is smaller compared to things eternal. Even a short time after the tremendous explosion, which ripped a hole in the bottom of the ocean big enough to hold fifteen buildings the size of our nation's capitol, the ocean rolled on, as it has always done, unperturbed by this thing of men tampering with its majesty for a while and then going away awed and scared as they should be.

The great hope is that the "ifs" may be resolved for peace and that we, as a nation of people, and peoples everywhere may continue to make a rational choice among the "ifs."

MRS. ROBERT WAYNE SLEDGE HONORED WITH GIFT TEA

Mrs. Robert Wayne Sledge, a recent bride, was honored with a gift tea from 4 to 6 p. m. Saturday at the home of Mrs. Fred Baker, Sr. Mrs. Sledge received many presents.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BACKYARD PARTY ENJOYED AT EAGERS

A Sunday school backyard party was given for the high school young people and their guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Eager on Wednesday night, March 31. Table tennis, volleyball and television were enjoyed. The group attended the backyard recreation after prayer meeting.

Refreshments of cookies, cake, punch and chocolate were served to the following guests: Sonja Horton, Kay Toombs, Carolyn McRae, Gwen Hagar, Britta Denton, Sue McLeod, Patsy Melton, Margaret Chahney, Johnnie Tipton, Leon Kelso, Larry Joyce, Roy Guller, Robert Williams, Bobby Toller, David Guller, Garth McLeod, George Starbuck, Jacky McAninch, Ronald White, Thomas Watson, Billy Gilbert, Clydene Eager and sponsor, Mrs. Judd McReynolds.

ATTEND BLACKWELL SINGING

Three cars from the Pioneer Church went to Sam Butman, Jr.'s home for dinner Sunday and from there they went to Blackwell for a singing. Those going were Mr. and Mrs. Sam Butman, Jr., Nell and Gaylon Joe Brovack, Holt Horton, Mr. and Mrs. Rom Ransom and Donnie, Mary Seymour, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Swinney and Herbert, Tommy, Joseph and Nancy Evelyn and Pete Tyrane of Nolan.

ANNETTE BONEY ELECTED PRESIDENT OF LONE STAR

The Lone Star Club 7th grade pupils of Miss Phillips met Tuesday, April 6, and elected the following officers: President, Annette Boney; vice president, Eddy Malone; secretary, Martha Mattingly; treasurer, Carla Hays; recorder, Cherry Lynne Eiland; fire chief, Bobby Malone; assistant fire chief, Joe Neill.

When Their World Crashed... RED CROSS HEARD THEIR CALLS



Port Huron, Mich., Times-Herald photograph by Ralph Polevich

Above: This photo, an AP prize-winner, taken one hour after tornadic winds struck Port Huron, Mich., last May, shows a 13-year-old boy and his dog beside their demolished home. The Red Cross, immediately on the disaster scene, came to the aid of the family with clothing, household furniture, and medical care.

Upper Right: After the devastating Greek earthquakes last August, 3-year-old Stamatia Frangotou sat on a hospital bed with her name pinned to her dress, as doctors dressed her fractured leg and injured head. Greek Red Cross workers finally located her mother alive, after a month's search, and re-united the pair. The American Red Cross conducted a nationwide appeal for funds to aid victims.

Lower Right: Fire, which completely ravaged a Chicago, Ill., apartment building, killed seven, injured six, and affected 100 persons, left Michael Cruz, 2 1/2, bewildered and frightened. Here the terrified youngster is being comforted by Mrs. Rodna Nye, Red Cross disaster representative, who established disaster headquarters at the scene of the fire.

Last year the Red Cross aided an average of one person every five minutes among those suffering disaster injury or loss, as sudden death and destruction struck communities across the United States on an average of six times every week. The 1954 Red Cross Campaign for \$85,000,000 and 30,000,000 members, now underway, enables everyone to serve his neighbors in distress or need.

Wild Horses Are Plentiful When Merkel Is First Settled

Below is the article that tied for second place in the story of the "Early History of Merkel" from Mrs. Andy Shouse's seventh grade. It was written by Pat Patterson. The article follows:

In 1882 there was nothing here but prairie dogs and rattlesnakes. The railroad just ran to Baird in 1882 and if one wanted to get to Merkel he would have to walk. There were hardly any trees at all here then. Merkel was just being surveyed in 1882.

J. L. Vaughan was the first express agent, the first postmaster and second family. The first butcher was Mr. Craven. Mr. and Mrs. Pat Henry had the first baby in Merkel, it was a little girl. The girl was the first to die also.

Mr. Alsobrook was the first hotel manager in Merkel. Dr. Sanders was the first doctor in Merkel. He also owned the first drug store.

Doc's Grounds owned and operated the first saloon; it was called the "Blue Front". The first girl was owned by Mr. Ginn. Mr. Wortham was the first squatter.

There was no one living between the Clear Fork River and Mulberry Canyon. There was no certain nationality in Merkel. There were 18 buildings and four saloons in 1882. The people of Merkel got together at church and decided to dump all the liquor out in the streets.

Most people lived in dugouts when Merkel was just being settled. The Merkel Mail was started in 1884. The first dry goods store was owned by Mr. Thornton. He and another man ran a lumber yard. Mr. John Boyce owned the livery stable.

The first sheriff was Joe Jennings. Rev. Norris was the first preacher. The first teacher was Mr. Thomas. He was also a county surveyor.

The first wedding held in Merkel was Midge Vaughan to Sam Butman in 1884.

Merkel got its name this way. A man whose name was Merkel lived on the Fait Bland place, southwest of Merkel, on which E. W. King now lives. This man, who was a farmer, also worked on the railroad when it was being built through here. The town was named for him. There are several other stories as to how the town was named but this one is believed to be most authentic.

Sam Butman bought the first lot that was sold; it was located where the Oasis Hotel is now. Mr. Butman had \$400. He lent it all to J. H. Vaughan to build a school.

Abilene was about the same size of Tye when Merkel was being surveyed. The antelope were plentiful around Merkel in the 1880s. Panthers were being marauding around at night. Wild horses were plentiful around here. They weren't owned by anyone. They were horses that were turned loose after going lame. Some might have broken away from their owners.

The Indians were all gone by 1882 although there is an Indian grave on the Butman Ranch. The very first volume of the Merkel Mail was put out on March

MARY McKEEVER ELECTED PRESIDENT OF J. G. A.'S

The Junior G. A.'s had their regular weekly meeting last Monday. The president presided. A very nice program was given. The name of the program was "When I Survey the Cross."

The new officers elected were: President, Mary McKeever; vice president, Rosemary Cromwell; secretary, Sue Modrall; program chairman, Sue Sylvester; social committee chairman, Kay Dishman, assistant, Joan Reynolds; song leader, Donna Sue Scott; reporter, Sara Hunter.

LYDIA CLASS MEETS APRIL 6 WITH MRS. J. O. CASTLE

The Lydia Class of the First Baptist Church met in the home of Mrs. J. O. Castle April 6 with the past president, Mrs. Pick Allen, in charge. After the class song Mrs. T. F. Harris led the first prayer.

Mrs. T. E. Collins brought the devotional "Pearl of Life." After roll call the minutes were approved. A short business session followed. Refreshments were served to six members. The next meeting will be with Mrs. T. E. Collins.

PLANTER BOXES DISPLAYED AT UNION RIDGE H. D. CLUB

The Union Ridge Home Demonstration Club met Friday, April 2, with Mrs. L. S. Tipton, Jr. Mrs. J. H. Clark presided. Prayer was by Mrs. Harwell. Roll call was answered with "Give a hint on helping make house cleaning easier."

Minutes were approved. The treasurer's report was given. The program demonstration was given by Mable McRee and Mrs. M. L. Douglas. They had attended the Pleasant Hill meeting and made planter boxes and displayed them.

Refreshments were served to 10 members and two guests. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Clyde Mentor Friday, April 16, at 2 p. m. Miss Loretta Allen, home demonstration agent, will be present.

Livestock Report

By TED GOULDY Beef finally outranked pork during the past year as the per capita consumption of beef soared to record heights and the crop of hogs was off. It is expected that the Nation's eaters will continue their "beef binge" at least for the rest of this year as cattle marketings continue heavy.

Cattle trade at Fort Worth Monday indicated no slackening in the beef demand as packers seemed fairly eager for supplies and paid fully steady to stronger prices. The stocker trade was fully steady to strong on the better qualified kinds, despite the fact the dry conditions in most places remained unrelieved.

Fat cows brought \$10.50 to \$13.00 and canners and cutters \$7 to \$11. Bulls \$10 to \$15. Best fat calves sold for \$17 to \$20.50.

The better stocker steer calves and steer yearlings drew \$17 to \$19, and heifer calves and heifer yearlings average \$2 to \$3 under comparable steers. Stocker cows \$10 to \$13.50.

Texas and other Southwestern sheep men at Fort Worth Monday could take some solace in a reliable set of prices for their sheep and lambs, despite the dry conditions.

personals

Mr. and Mrs. Deverel Teaff and daughter Vickie visited recently with Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Robbins of Eldorado.

Elmer Lee Sandusky has returned to Ft. Bliss after a 10-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Sandusky.

Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Adeock are visiting in Merton this week with their son R. E. and family. R. E. is minister of the Church of Christ there.

R. B. Horton of Abilene visited his mother, Mrs. Hugh Campbell, Tuesday and also his daughter Sonia Sue.

Mrs. N. L. McLeod and Mrs. Joe Winter are visiting in Paris with their children, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Winter.

Those visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Clark Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Clark, Carolyn and Bobby, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Clark and Larry, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Edd McDuff and Ann of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Jones and Melva of Lubbock, Mrs. Freddie Jones and Eddie of Yuma, Ariz., Mrs. Charles West, Mr. and

Mrs. Junior Clark, also Mrs. Leo Harris, Robert and Sarah and Mrs. D. B. Bowen.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harwell and baby daughter Peggy Sue of Kermit recently visited in Merkel with his father, O. E. Harwell.

TIMELY TIPS

Fresh fish requires special care. When brought from the market, it should be used at once or stored in the refrigerator. It should be stored with ice, either in a moisture-proof bag or wrapper, or a tightly covered dish. Storing in a covered container will prevent fish odor from penetrating other foods.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Admissions to the Sadler Hospital the past week were:

As medical patients — H. E. Cole, Betty Cole, Mrs. L. W. Dudley, Mrs. Earl Stevens, Benny Rogers, A. J. Bird, H. H. Middlebrook, O. R. Boothe, Mrs. F. T. Hogan. For surgery — Benny Butman.

When people believed the world flat, they said it rested on four elephants, and the elephants rested on a turtle.

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COTTON SCHOOLS

Four training schools for cotton gin operators will be held on April 19-20. Three are scheduled for gin machinery plants in Dallas and the other for Sherman. The operation maintenance and repair of gin machinery will be stressed. There are no registration fees. — A. & M.

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Merkel First Baptist Church
 Sunday School 9:45 a. m.
 Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.
 Training Union 6:30 p. m.
 Evening Worship 7:30 p. m.
 Wednesday Prayer Service 7:30 p. m.
 W. M. U. Mon. 9:30 a. m.

Merkel Church of Christ
 Sunday:
 Bible Study 9:45 a. m.
 Morning Service 11:00 a. m.
 Young People's Bible Class 6:30 p. m.
 Evening Services 7:30 p. m.

Merkel First Methodist Church
 Sunday:
 Sunday School 9:50 a. m.
 Morning Worship 10:50 a. m.
 M. Y. F. 6:30 p. m.

Merkel Grace Presbyterian Church
 Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
 Worship Service 11 a. m.

Church of the Nazarene
 Services at the Merkel Church of the Nazarene are as follows:
 Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.
 Training Union 7:00 p. m.
 Evening Services 7:30 p. m.
 Wednesday:
 Prayer Service 7:30 p. m.

New Live Oak Baptist Church
 Sunday:
 Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship 11 a. m.
 Training Union 6:45 p. m.
 Evening Worship 7:30 p. m.

Men's Downtown Bible Class
 Sunday 8:44 a. m.

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Merkel Assembly of God
 Sunday school 10 a. m.
 Morning Service 11 a. m.
 C. A.'s (Young People) 7 p. m.
 Evening Worship 7:30 p. m.
 Tuesday W. M. C. 2 p. m.
 Wed. Prayer Service 7:30 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 7:00 p. m.

Merkel Catholic Church
 Sunday Mass 10:30 a. m.

Noodle Baptist Church
 Sunday:
 Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.
 Young People's Class 6:30 p. m.
 Evening Services 7:30 p. m.

Noodle Church of Christ
 Sunday:
 Bible Class 10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship Service 11:00 a. m.
 Young People's Service 6:30 p. m.
 Evening Worship 7:30 p. m.

Pioneer Memorial Chapel
 Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
 Morning Service 11:00 a. m.
 Evening Services 7:30 p. m.
 Wednesday:
 Evening Prayer Service 7:30

Comper Baptist Church
 Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship, 2nd and 4th Sunday 11 a. m.

Tye Baptist Church
 Sunday:
 Sunday School 9:45 a. m.
 Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.
 Training Union 6:45 p. m.
 Evening Services 7:30 p. m.

Trent First Baptist Church
 Sunday:
 Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.
 Training Union 6:30 p. m.
 Evening Services 7:30 p. m.

Monday:
 Intermediate G. A.'s 3:45 p. m.
Wednesday:
 W. M. U., Brotherhood, Jr. G. A.'s, R. A.'s and Sunbeams
 Prayer Services 7:50 p. m.
 "You are a stranger here but once."

Amity Baptist Church
 Morning Service — 11:15 a. m.
 Sunday School—10:30 a. m.
 Evening Bible Class 6:30 p. m.
 Evening Services 7:30 p. m.

Trent Church of Christ
 Sunday:
 Sunday 11:00 o'clock
 Bible Class 10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.
 Evening Services 7:30 p. m.
Thursday:
 Ladies Bible Class 4:00 p. m.

Trent Methodist Church
 Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
 Evening Worship 7:30 p. m.
 Morning Services 11:00 a. m.
 M. Y. F. Services 6:30 p. m.
Wednesday:
 Prayer Services 7:30 p. m.

Hebron Baptist Church
 Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship 11: o'clock
 Training Union 7:00 p. m.
 Evening Worship 7:30 p. m.
Wednesday:
 Evening Prayer Services 7:30 p. m.

Tye Methodist Church
 Sunday:
 Sunday School 10 a. m.
 M. Y. F. 7:00 p. m.
 Prayer Meeting 7:30 p. m.
 Morning Service 11:00 a. m.

STOP AND THINK
 Look at your watch — every time it ticks off 15 seconds someone, somewhere is injured in a traffic accident. Every 15 minutes one or more life is lost from the same cause. The Texas Farm and Ranch Safety Committee says you can do something about the situation — be more careful and observe the rules of safety. — A. & M.



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EDITORIAL

ANNUAL MEETING

It is interesting to note that
two records were again broken at
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Electric and Taylor Refrigeration
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The crowd was the largest that
had ever attended, around 2,500
persons. The total amount of business
was reported for 1953 as
\$316,897.39.

This shows a healthy growth of
the cooperatives. It reveals great
interest by those in the organiza-
tions.

But what was most interesting
and worthy of greater note was
the number of persons involved.
The two cooperatives have a mem-
bership of 3,900.

Just think what this means:
3,900 members are now enjoying
the uses and pleasures of electric
power that did not have it before
the cooperatives came into exist-
ence. It has enabled these farm
folks to live in the modern man-
ner with the advantages that mod-
ern sciences have made possible.

THE VISION OF FEAR

Fear is seen on all sides these
days. One sees it in newspapers,
one sees it in magazines, one sees
it in the faces of men. The vision
of fear seems to be a stark, giant
reality.

This was the fear that Bryan
Bradbury spoke about in his stir-
ring address.

And this vision of fear seems to
be growing even greater as days
go by. The bomb blasts have help-
ed, the hydrogen bombs have in-
creased this spectre of fear.

There are real causes for fear.
But as Mr. Bradbury so well
brought out in his splendid talk
this vision of fear is not new,
something of our own age. It is a
reality that has persisted since
the origin of fire.

What's to be done about it?
How live under the vision of
fear?

The answer is simple. The answer
is as old as man's belief in
one God. That is to have faith
in God, mold a new outlook, a
happy outlook and count our
blessings.

This does not mean, however,
that one should hide his head in
the sand like an ostrich. As Mr.
Bradbury stated, "Now under-
stand, I wouldn't trust Russia."

But with faith in our own power
and faith in the power of God
we can go forward with the assur-



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dinous young ladies would be
enough to put the screen version
of Anita Loos' fabulous story into
a class by itself, but Twentieth
Century-Fox was not content with
just beauty of face, figure and
gorgeous costumes. They packed
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pades to make it the most deligh-
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Thompson, since she went home
and have enjoyed it so much,
seeing about all the people we
knew."

Walt Whitman, famous American
poet was a nurse during the Civil
War.

ance that fear is but a vision and
faith is a reality.

"DOING GOOD"

In his forceful sermon on "Con-
sider Jesus Christ" Rev. Levi
Price stressed the good that Jesus
did in His short life. "He went
about doing good," said the min-
ister. "He never tired to turn aside
to lighten the burden that others
were bearing."

In our modern age of machines
and dreadful powers we need a
leaven to which to turn to to in-
spire us to a more meaningful way
of life. This era seems to demand
speed and urgency and lack of
care. It leaves one spent and aim-
less.

But Jesus, the minister pointed
out, never tired to turn aside to
lighten the burden that others
were bearing. It is a message we
sorely need today to give life
meaning, a flavor, a leaven. We
need to turn aside in a world that
is always on the "go."

"WHITE-ICISM"

That's ALL—and the Sage of
Figfield adds that by doing good
for others we do good to our-
selves.

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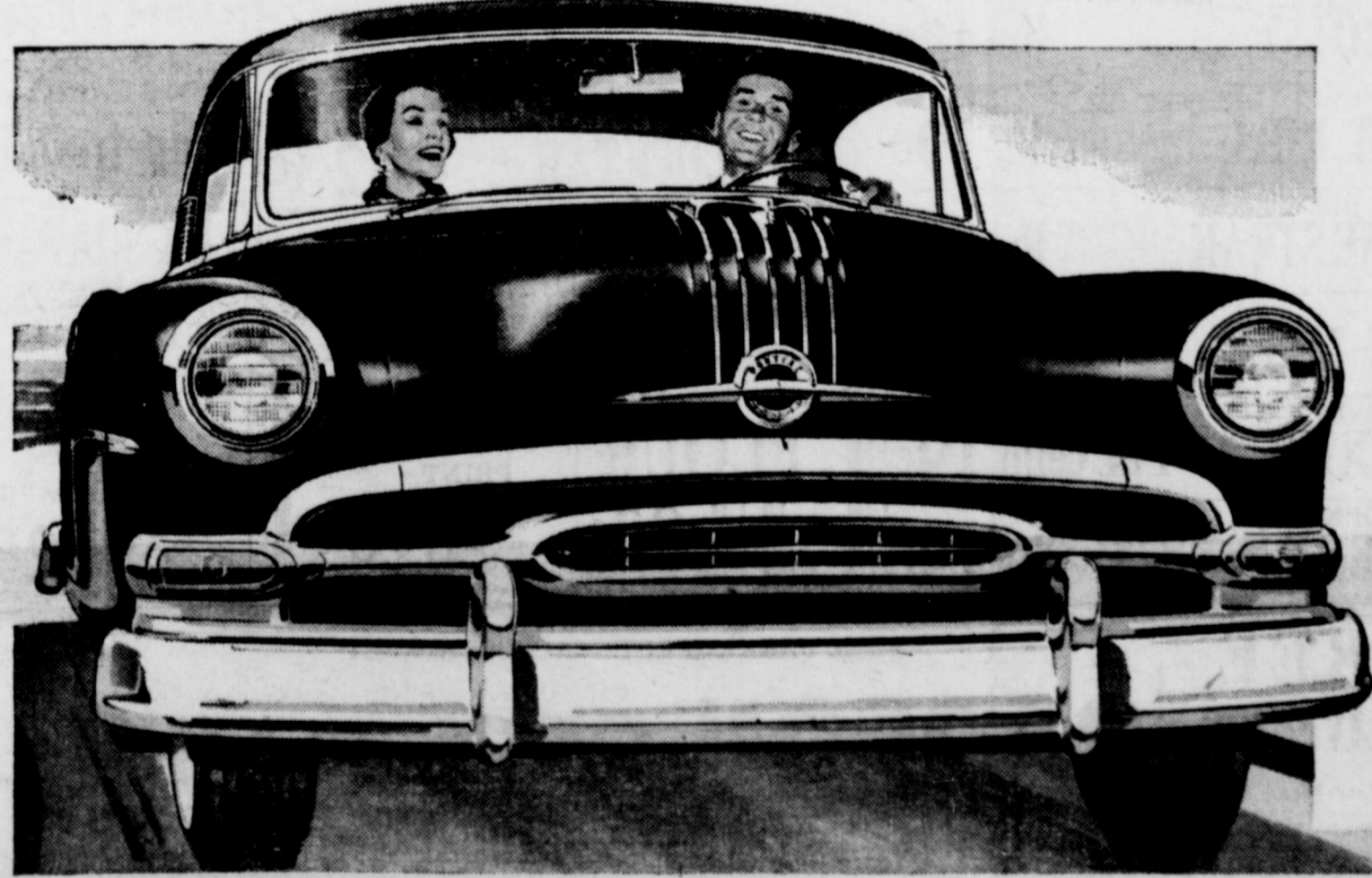
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Mrs. Ada Higgins Went to School With Fergusons

Over a three-column headline in Sunday's Abilene Reporter-News appeared a story about a local citizen. It was written by Rev. Hamilton Wright. Part of the feature follows:

Mrs. Ada Higgins, 77, pioneer Coleman and Taylor Countian, was a school mate of the late "Ma" and "Pa" Ferguson who later became governors of Texas.

"We all attended school at the old Three Forks school east of Belton, Bell County, near where I was born," Mrs. Higgins related. "I hummed with Mrs. Ferguson. Little did I realize then that these two would someday become head of our state government. I do not recollect anything special of their talents — just ordinary kids of Bell County."

She recalls when her family went to church in an ox-wagon in Bell County.

She recalls seeing wild antelope in the area when she first came. Also she recalls the terrible drought of 1917 and 1918 when it



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became necessary for many of the farmers to go away from home and work sending money back to provide their families with bread and meat. As for the Higgins family, they went to Ellis County to pick cotton.

She is the mother of five sons and two daughters, 38 grand children and 30 great grandchildren.

Two years ago the Higgins clan held a memorable family reunion at Buffalo Gap.

Two of her sons live here: Dean Higgins and Joe C. Higgins.

ACC Will Present Verdi's "Aida" From April 22-24

"Aida," grand Italian opera by Giuseppe Verdi, will be presented April 22-24 in Sewell Auditorium as the spring major production of the Abilene Christian College drama and music departments.

Richard C. Palm, director of the opera and instructor of music,

terms "Aida" as the largest production in ACC's history. Considered Verdi's very best opera, "Aida" will require six stage sets for the seven scenes of the production.

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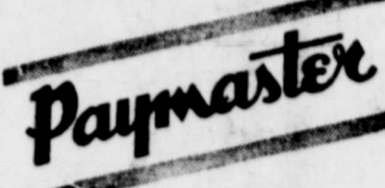
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TO STUDY BANG'S DISEASE
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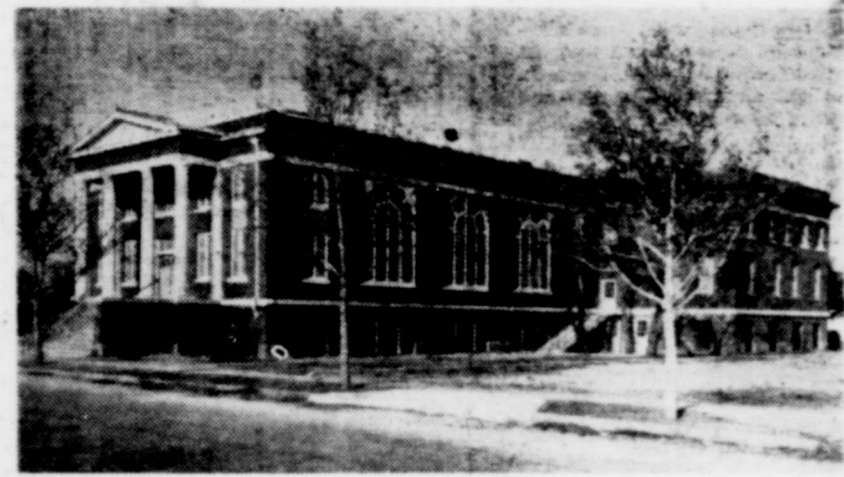
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