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MERKEL, TEXAS, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1955.

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### Permanent C of C To Be Organized Monday Night

A permanent Merkel Chamber of Commerce organization will be formed next Monday.

### **March of Dimes** Contributions Will Total \$1,200

Based upon incomplete returns, a total of \$1,200 will be contributed to the March of Dimes by the people of Merkel and nearby areas.

On Monday night the Mothers' March on Polio netted \$472.92. The one hour porch light drive was conducted by the Room Mothers of the P.-T.A., under the direction of Mrs. David Gamble.

Donations by rural communi-ties have been as follows so far: Union Ridge, \$25.82; Mt. Pleasant. \$23.00; Mulberry and Salt Branch \$40.00; Blair, \$25.85; Stith and Warren, \$25.85; I.X.L., \$6.70. During the month the local Girl

Scouts rounded up \$200.00 on bal-"We want to thank everyone who had a part in the 1955 March of Dimes," stated Principal C. A. Farley, director. "As usual the cooperation was wonderful and is certain ly appreciated."

100 CRIPPLED CHILDREN

noon at the American Cafe.

ONE-INCH RAIN

L. Camp, county judge and guest speaker, told members of the Lions

Club at their luncheon Tuesday

When rain falls in the amount of

an inch within less than 24 hours

in this section, that's' 'news of the

first water. The rain started short-

ly after noon Wednesday and kept

on all night. The gauge showed

an exact one inch, according to

Volunteer Weather Observer Grov-

er Hale, bringing the rainfall total

Imagine meeting a sister whom

you had believed to be dead for 45

years. This occurred in the home

of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Whatley

when his mother, Mrs. M. J. What-

ley, who makes her home with

CY. AGENT TRANSFERRED

It's up to Taylor County to se-

Metz Heald, agent in this county

for the past six and one-half years,

to 1 3-4 inches for 1953.

**MEET AFTER 45 YEARS** 

of whom cannot afford it - John other persons.

last Monday afternoon at the Merkel Telephone Company and announced this decision.

Present at the meeting were David Gamble, presiding, Lester Dorton, Horace Boney, George Rowland, Herman Carson and Tommy Odum.

It was reported at this meeting that sufficient money could be raised to put the permanent organization on a firm foundation.

The Monday meeting will be held at 7:30 p. m. at the Community Center. At that time the permanent organization will be perfected and also other matters for future methods of operation will be taken up.

All members of the chamber of commerce are urged to be present.

#### GIRL TO PATRIGNANIS

Mr. and Mrs. Patrignani of Arlington, Calif., are the parents of a baby girl born January 10. She is the former Charlene Mashburn of Stith. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Mashburn.

#### TO SING AT TRENT

TAKEN FROM THE 1934 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

There will be singing at the Trent Methodist Church Thursday, Feb. 10, at 7:30 p. m. Everybody is invited.



MRS. DAVID GAMBLE ... heads Fortnightly

### **To Lions Club** For Game Night

The Lions Club will hold a game night on Thursday, Feb. 17, at the Community Center. It will be open to the public.

This announcement was made at the last meeting with President Isadore Mellinger presiding. Dr. Don Warren, in charge of the game night committee, made the

"We are offering some nice prizes for this affair," stated Dr. prizes for this affair," stated Dr. Coach Nixon's iron, electric clock, electric bedroom clock, Stetson Royal Hat (certificate), planter, Dobb's Hat (certificate), all woolen satin bound blanket, electric automatic Divide 79 to 38 coffee-maker, barbecue set (Stainless) and western shirt.

the Morrison brothers, have died Taylor County has more than 100 since a strange disease became at Kerrville," said Dr. Warren. physically crippled children who prevalent. Also stricken by this Norman Winter became a new need surgery - parents of most disease in Jones County are 16 member. Dr. Hugh H. Hunt, form-

> Stanton, was a visitor. The club approved the holding of the zone meeting here Monday,

February 28. Commissioner Rufe Tittle reported on the highway meeting at Aus Layman in Relation to the Sunday School" at the morning session of tin. David Gamble told about the progress in the formation of a permanent Merkel Chamber of Comthe workers conference of the Sweetwater Baptist Association held Thursday at the Maryneal merce. Mr. Gamble urged every member to be present at the Monday meeting.

Treasurer Leon Walker stated that \$107 had been sent to the William Charles Storey, 18, son Kerrville Crippled Children's of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Storey, resid- Camp, money made at the basket-

### YOUTH SEVERELY BURNED

W. J. Largent, superintendent of

the Sunday School of the First

Baptist Church, discussed "The

ing on Route 2, was carried to the ball game. West Texas Baptist Sanitarium, Abilene, late Monday suffering from severe burns on legs and John Deere Day Abilene, late Monday suffering

### CORN-HOG CONTRACTS

LAYMAN SPEAKS

Baptist Church.

him, was paid a visit by her sister, Taylor County farmers who wish Mrs. H. H. Passmore, of Mangum, to sign contracts under the government's corn and hog reduction program this year have been asked to file applications with the county committee at the courthouse. cure another farm agent as C.

### BADGERS WIN

The Badgers downed the Roby is being transferred to Eastland quintet, 26 to 20, in the new gym County, acting through T. B. Tuesday night, having lost earlier Wood, extension service district in the season to the same team by 7 points.

### RECORD BIRTHS

STRANGE MALADY FATAL Two sons of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Born to: Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Morrison of Hawley, J. T. 17, and L. C., 22, and Sorray McCoy, 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. 2, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Turner a girl McCoy, of Hodges, and a cousin of February 3.

#### This Happened in Merkel Forty Years Ago TAKEN FROM THE 1914 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

At a meeting of the Retail Mering and several proposals made as hants. Association on Monday to what was best to do in the matnight, the first meeting the association has held in several months ndled by the Merchants Associa-

President Anderson, namely J. P. Sharp, W. D. Woodroof and H. C. Ferrier, W. M. Elliott, H. C. West, and Mrs. George A. West of Mc-West, to canvass for new members W. F. Hamblet, G. C. Comegys, A. Caulley. to both the Retail Merchants Asso- C. Boney, J. M. Dry, W. E. Doug- Mr. at ciation and for the Commercial

The proposition of good roads and the method of improving our road conditions was freely discuss-ed at the meeting of Monday even-

ter. Many of the members favored DeLuxe Laundry it was decided to organize and af- a petition calling an election for liste a Commercial Club along this purpose but nothing definite was done in this respect.

Those present at the merchants To George A. West meeting Monday night were: Presi-A committee was appointed by dent R. O. Anderson, Vice President J. P. Sharp, E. L. Rogers, F. lass, J. T. Dennis, W. D. Woodroof, the Laundry Monday. They have H. M. Warren, O. W. Williams and three boys and one girl here and H. L. Easterwood.

> Mayor Stallings and Commissioner Lassiter were visitors for a continue living here. They have

## **Public Invited**

games are free.

er Methodist minister here, now at

### **Draws Big Crowd** At Miller Impl.

"Best show we ever had." That was the comment of Jack day at the Miller Implement Company building.

"We had the largest crowd we have ever had," he continued. rodeo was won by Jarret Pinckley | Horton 4. who received a \$5 prize.

ner and show. A delicious dinner was served to everyone at noon Are Home For with hot coffee, soft drinks and milk. The Eastern Star was in charge of the serving, cafeteria Between Terms

The street was blocked off ing demonstrations.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Watson have sold the Deluxe Laundry to Mr.

Mr. and Mrs. West took over three boys and one girl here and two boys in the Army. They live at 1611 South 3rd Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Watson plan to a farm in Fisher County.

### T. & P. to Allow Merkel 11 Feet For Highway 80

low Merkel to have 11 feet of their right-of-way for widening Highway 80 through Merkel.

This statement was made by J. J. Finegan to Mayor Henry West. Mr. Finegan is director of industrial development for the railroad and is located in Dallas. He was here Monday morning.

Mr. Finegan stressed that the company was making this offer for the benefit of the Merkel citizens so that Merkel could have an adequate, modern highway within its city limits.

#### GIRL TO O. G. RAKESES

O. G. Rakes at the Sadler Hospital January 28.

#### GIRL TO MANSFIELDS

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Mansfield are the parents of a girl born at the Sadler Hospital February 1.

#### RANDY AND HIS DOG

"Randy and Butterball" is an editorial about a little boy and his dog. It is on page 7 of this

## **Trent Boys Crush**

The Trent boys and girls swept "Each one of these prizes will a basketball doubleheader at Trent were all present. be worth more than \$10. The pub- Tuesday night, defeating the Dilic is invited and there will be an vide boys and girls by scores of 79- lots of good singing," said John front 14-13 at the middle of this dary schools

"The money raised will be used fouls, total points); Toliver 9-3-3- kel for their contributions to the put the Badgers\_a little farther for the Crippled Children's Camp 21; McWilliams 6-2-1-14; Estep 4-6-3-14; Tittle 8-2-0-18; Swinney 3-1-1-7; Bright 2-1-1-5; Totals: 32-15-9-79. Score by Quarters:

Divide ..... 4-14-25-38

### **Noodle Mustangs** Smash S. Taylor

South Taylor last Friday night at Tuscola 53-35. The Noodle lads took it easy at the beginning al- at Harmony in 1933 and then latlowing South Taylor a lead of 12-6, 23-19 and 31-28 at the first three quarters. Then Coach Gerald Jennings' Mustangs let loose

and flew to victory. Reynol Vancil was high with 22 points, Edward Goode second 12, then Eulan Hatfield 8, Gene Clift 4, James Allred 3, Bobby Sullivan and Morris Chancey 2 each. Supt. A. J. Hill's Noodle girls nosed out the South Taylor girls

Noodle was one point behind at Miller in regard to the annual the quarter, 12-13. Then Noodle John Deere Day held last Satur- took the lead with 34-29 at the half and 52-48 at the end of the third quarter.

Gloria Lawlis was high with 29 points, Delores Herron second with The John Deere power glide 22. Jeanette got 10 and Johnnie

## The people came early and college Students

Those reported home for the from 9:30 a. m. until 12 noon at between-terms holiday are George, the show. Everybody reported a son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stargood time, lots of fun and interest- buck; Colonel, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Wallace; Sessions, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hammond, all from the University of Texas! and Jimmy, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Russell, from Texas Tech.

Miss Gloria West of Lubbock Texas Tech spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. Jim West.

#### PANCAKE SUPPER Feb. 12, Saturday, 5:30 p. m.

to 10 p. m., School Cafeteria, by Junior Class, H. S., to raise funds for Junior-Senior quet. -Adv.

Buy Cakes, Pies, Sweets from Rebecca Gail, daughter of Mr. and Future Teacher's Club Saturday Mrs. J. E. Meeks. in front of Merkel Drug. Call SECOND ROW. Sonja Horton to give orders. -

## Badgers Pile Up 30 Pts. in l Quarter, Beat Lions 66-45

flew through Albany's defense Albany, making it seven straight conference wins with no losses.

In the fourth quarter the Merkel boys marked up 30 points. In the last half the Badgers made more points, than Albany did in the

### A girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. 450 Persons Fill Cafeteria Here At Song Feast

school cafeteria last Sunday when the Taylor-Jones County 5th Singing Convention was held here. The singing started at 10:30 a. m. with about 200 present. After

dinner the crowd started piling Joe Nalley was elected president of the Taylor-Jones County 5th Sunday Singing Convention. There were singers present from San Angelo and Coleman, Nolan County singers were all here. And of course the Fisher,

Crain, president, "We wish to quarter, TRENT: (field goals, free throws, thank the business people of Mer-

### C. Collinsworth **Receives Contract** For 3 More Years

al agricultural teacher, has been given a three-year contract by the school board. He has been with the local system for 19 years.

After graduating from A. & M College Mr. Collinsworth taught er at Humphrey. In 1936 he came here and has been here ever since. mal husbandry.

AMONG THE YOUNGER GENERATION

TOP ROW, left to right -Mi- Glen Robertson; Charles, son of

son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Meeks; nie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Rus-

THIRD ROW - Dayna Joyce,

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Mc-

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Niell; Don-

chael Ray, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Seago.

Billy Holmes; Mary Jo, daughter

of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Reddin;

SECOND ROW- Rickey Dale,

Vickie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. som.

and smashed a 66-45 victory 30 points, Philip Pursley followed throws and Albany, in a last secagainst the Lions last Friday at with 12 points. Terry O'Brien ond spurt, slipped in a field goal made 9, Bill Horton 8, Kermit Rut- and the game was over. ledge 5 and Gail O'Brien 2.

The Merkel girls, leading Albany girls to the last few minutes of play, finally bowed to Albany 48-50 in a double overtime.

The Merkel girls led 11-9 at the quarter, 25-27 at the half, 33-27 at end of the regular game. In the added two minutes of play the score was 48-48.

Janey Owens was high with 44 points and Gwenn Hagar second with 4. The other regular players were Marilyn Kelso, Imogene Dye, Jane Harris, Chera Cordor, Mary Robbins was substitute. Mrs Thelma Fry is coach.

In the boy's game the Badgers started cold. Albany took the lead. Then Philip crashed their defense for the first field goal. Gail made it 4-9. Robert and Terry followed and the quarter ended with 'the Badgers 8 and Albany 9.

As the new period opened the Badgers began to warm up. Robert immediately sank the ball to give the Badgers the lead, 10-9. The game see-sawed back and Taylor and Jones County singers forth, each team taking the lead in turn with Robert tallying two the proposed standards for ac-"We had a very nice time and more goals to put Merkel out in crediting elementary and secon-

Then he shot two more goals to out in front and finally Philip sank the ball for the last two points as the half ended, Merkel

leading now 20-15. The Badgers now got hot. Philip again registered, followed by two more goals by Kermit. Robert rang the bell and so did Philip with the score now 30-20. Robert again made the goal good and Philip shot two more to make the score

36-28 as the period ended The last session was a runaway for the Badgers. One goal followed another with Albany making 17 points with the Badgers rush-

ing up 30. Robert shot in four goals in a row. Then Terry sank one with Bill putting in three consecutive goals. Robert got four more with He has taken an active part in Bill edging in one. Terry made Curriculum Planning and Developstock shows, serving as judge in the score 61-37, Kermit made a ment many of them, the latest being at free throw. Then Terry made two Coleman. He specialized in ani- free throws good and the score stood at 64-41.

Robert McLeod soared high with Terry sank in two more free

BADGER SCHEDULE Friday, Feb. 4, at Roby Tuesday, Feb. 8, at Munday

## How Good a Job

studies of the school's instructional program was held in the high school library on Monday after noon, Jan. 31, at 3 o'clock, ac cording to Mack Fisher, superin-

This orientation meeting precedes a series of specialized group studies on instructional method which will continue for at least four months.

This project is an outgrowth of two similar studies made last year. These studies were the appraisal of the instructional program and the trial application of

series of subjective judgements or opinions based on the study of evidences concerning the outcomes of school operations. In making these judgments, the school personnel will attempt to identify (1) areas in the school program which stand out as areas of strength of the school operation: (2) areas which they believe should be improved; and (3) ideas for improving areas that need improvement.

The overall purpose of the selfevaluation is to answer these questions: "How good a job are we doing in meeting community needs?" and "What areas in the instructional program need to be improved?"

Members of the school faculty and assignments are as follows:

Mrs. Evelyn Read, chairman; Mrs. Eloise Reynolds, Lydia Norcross and Chester Collinsworth. Social Skills and Attitudes Citi-Mrs. Ellen McReynolds, chairman; Don Estes, Viota Allred and

Other Instructional Areas Mrs. Elleta Orsborn, chairman; Mrs. Andy Shouse, Mrs. H. C. Reid, Alzada Pogue, Mrs. Lucy Haynes and Mrs. Thelma Fry. **Pupil Services** 

Don Bagley.

Mrs. Ruth Perkins, chairman; Mrs. Johnny Cox, Carroll Benson and Mrs. John West. Ways to Determine Individual Differences Mrs. Jo Barnett, chairman; Win-

ford Reed and Mrs. Mack Fisher. Instructional Materials Mrs. Mildred Winter, chairman; Mrs. Elsie Nash, and Thomas El-

Methods, Techniques, and Procedures Employed by Teachers. Mrs. Bryan Dunagin, chairman; Derial Watkins, James Thomas, Mrs. Helen Benson, Mrs. Hazel Pargament and Venita Barnett

Continuous Evaluation of Pupil Mable Phillips, chairman; Mrs. Joanne Young, Mrs. Josephine Tidwell and Nora Foster.

The central planning committee will be composed of the superin-tendent, the principals and the

### CEMETERY FUND

Below are those who recei donated to the Cemetery Mainten ance Fund. Anyone wishing to contribute to this fund may leave contributions at the Farmers a Merchants National Bank. The

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Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Williams and children of Abilene were Sunday visitors in the home of Mrs. Lorinda Campbell.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Lige Gamble are her sister, Mrs. Ima Nix. and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Nix, and daughters of Longview. Mrs. M. E. Ryals of Dallas is visamble, and family

sons, C. J. and Gene, were in Big Spring Sunday visiting Mr. and Mrs. James Eason. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. D. B.

Mr. and Mrs. John Perry and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Collier and Edith Perry were in Tempel, Okahoma, over the weekend visiting

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Stockbridge isited in Breckenridge, Saturday vith her mother, Mrs. Nannie

Mr. and Mrs. Alf Walla and famly and Mrs .J. L. White were in Wichita Falls Sunday, visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jess Walla and family and Mrs. Vera Clark.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Fox over the weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Walker and Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Wallis of Lubbock. They took a hike to the mountains.

Thursday

Mrs. Golda Malone, Mrs. Ada Mae Johnson and Miss Delia Kuykendall spent Sunday in Rotan visting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Rutledge visited in Anson Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Cecil Bennett, and hus-Mrs. W. M. Dunagin and son

Dane of Jacksboro spent Sunday night and Monday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Bartlett. Mrs. G. B. McClain of Detroit and her daughter, Mrs. Jerry Peterson, husband and children of Rankin spent the weekend with

Higgins. Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Horton of Plainview visited over the weekend with friends and relatives.

Mrs. McClain's mother, Mrs. W. J.

### "Hajja Baba" Is **Exciting, Colorful** At Queen Theatre

ba," which comes Friday and Saturday to the Queen Theatre. Walter Wanger aimed the magic eye of the CinemaScope camera at ancient Persia and has come up with an xeciting and colorful spectacle of adventure, intrigue, and ro-

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John Derek and Elaine Stewart, the principals in a large cast, give top-notch performances as the omantic couple who experience a

essman and a longtime leader in he American Cancer Society' Texas Division has been named ate chairman of the 1955 Texas ancer Crusade. As crusade chairnan, Mr. Polichino will lead the housands of volunteers who will conduct the annual educational and fund-raising Crusade next April. Texas' goal for the crusade \$1,000,000.

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Drummond and Mrs. J. L. Farr attended a recreation school in Bal. may need extra help. Give it to iting her daughter, Mrs. David women from each county in Dis. psychology! trict 7. Miss Lucille Moore, recrea-Mr. and Mrs. Joe Douglas and tion specialist from College Station, conducted the school.

Feb. 3 these leaders conducted a similar school at Pleasant Hill them at your fingertips. Pick Community Center for two recrea- helpers from the group to help tion leaders from each club in the you organize and distribute maetrcounty. Taylor County Home Dem | ial. onstration council recreation committee consists of Mrs. Edga Holly, chairman, Potosi Club; Mr. Kenneth Drummond, Pleasant Hill ahead of time to share responsib-Club, and Mrs. C. L. Hardwicke ility with you. One could lead ac-Wylie Club.

This school was to teach the could be in charge of songs, etc. women how to be leaders rather might like to know what these ENOUGH. ten points when you are planning

1. SHOW ENTHUSIASM: Start | success out with the idea that you and everybody else is going to have the B. L. Shelton of Cisco visited his I time of their lives and never let sister, Mrs. W. M. Elliott, last them down. Enthusiasm is as contagious as the measles. Make your enthusiasm seem effortless - pep that takes work doesn't go over!

2. PLAN YOUR PROGRAM! Know exactly what you are going to do, or know what material you. have on hand to use. Start with something familiar or simple. Circle mixers are good to get started with, but be sure you have a way worked out for people to find partners without embarrassment. Save the best game until last.

Alternate active and quieter games, and avoid having more than two active singing games at once, or you'll be breathless. Feel cut your group so you sense what kind of games will appeal most. Have more games prepared than you think you will need for the time allotted. Be sure to have plenty of variety in your entire program.

Keep your group moving quickly out completely upsetting the formation each time. Be full of sur-3. KEEP YOUR HEAD! Remem-

ber that you are the leader, but not a boss. No matter what happens, don't let the situation get away from your control. The playin you as you have in yourself. \_\_

Don't bestitate: never give up a game that ends in confusion, but continue until it is learned enough to enjoy. It may take a little bluff-4. KNOW YOUR GAMES! Tune,

words, directions must be completely yours before you can ever teach them to others. Experiment on the mirror or your family and friends if possible. Don't refer to notes or written directions while teaching the game.

This throws everyone off, and spoils the fun. Remember, you are an expert.

5. EXPLAIN BRIEFLY - DEM-ONSTRATE! Get your players into the correct formation at once. Arrange partners as much as possible to cover any embarrassment backward players may feel about wading in at first. Simplify your directions. Explain only a small part of the action at first. Simply demon-

you see some one else do it. If possible, in teaching folk games, work with a group before hand so they can put on the demonstration. 6. USE YOUR VOICE! But don't holler. Speak up so everyone in the room can hear your directions.

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at pitch your voice low and clear. the group is noisy, wait until ey are all quiet before saying a

Or try the method of raising your hand which is a signal for all those who are watching to be quiet and raise theirs too. If the group is large you may need a good strong

7. OVERLOOK MISTAKES! Renember the games are being taught for fun, not for perfection. If mistakes are made, stop the action and point out the errors with jovial good humor.

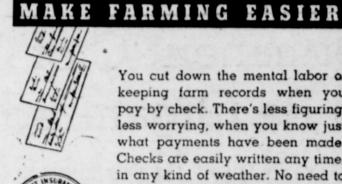
Try to be general about it with-Mrs. Edgar Holly, Mrs. Kenneth out mentioning those who are making the mistakes. Some people linger last fall. This was for three them WITHOUT scolding. Use

8. HAVE YOUR EQUIPMENT READY! Prepare and \* collect everything you will need for each game ahead of time, and have

9. DON'T DO IT ALL YOUR-SELF! It's a better idea to organ-

10. KNOW WHEN TO STOP! than to teach new games. They Play the game until you are all entold each one that they would be a joying it, but stop before anyone good leader if they remembered loses interest. This is the good old ten points for game leadership. As | rule about leaving a group WANT-February is a party month you | ING MORE rather than HAVING

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rodeo at the Sounwestern Exposi- mane and clamber aboard.

with aliases Jockey Dye, "Jock" Unlawful flight to avoid prosecution— armed robbery

DESCRIPTION: Age 44, born July 5, 1910, Pad, W. Va.; height, 5 feet 10 inches; weight, 140 pounds; build, medium; hair, brown; eyes, blue; complexion, fair; race, white; nationality, American; occupations, waiter, cook, bartender,

ship fitter, welder, laborer; scars and

marks, several small pit scars over face,

scars over left eyebrow, blue scar over

right eyebrow, small cut scar on right index finger, tattoo of initials "C. D." on

A Federal complaint was filed at Akron, Ohio, on November 9, 1951, charging Dye with unlawful flight from

Dye is probably armed and should be considered extremely dangerous.

Any person having information which may aid in locating this fugitive is re-quested to contact the nearest office of the FBI, the telephone number of which ap-

State of Ohio to avoid prosecution

"Action!" is the keynote of the cowboys, on foot, to try to grab a Schumacher, clown - high in the

Friday night with two perform ton and his comedy bucking horse, steer-wrestler, former all-round ances daily thereafter through Sunday, Feb. 6. The wild horse (upper right): a wild Brahma bull world's champion cowboy who will stampede (upper left) calls for tosses a barral — and Jimmy be one of the 400 contestants.

**Affect Breeding** 

Livestock Sought

ing livestock that thrive in warm-

er climates should spur scientists

WANTED BY THE FBI How Does Weather

air: and (lower right) Bill Lindertion and Fat Stock Show, opening Other pictures are: Buddy Hea- man, great bronc rider, roper and

> greatest single factor-other than heredity-in determining how an animal develops, Dr. W. Frank year. Blair declared. Small, short-lived animals offer

tmospheric conditions to be the

clues to how weather differences hange animals, he said.

Dr. Blair cited as an example the amazing drouth resistance of kangaroo rats which have come to learn more about weather ef- to thrive in the arid Southwest while apparently drinking no fects on animals, a University of water at all. The little animals Scientists already have found evidently conserve and utilize wa-

HAVE modernizing

Texas zoologist said.

### It's Not Necessary to Tolerate Those Home Heating Headaches

in homes with old-fashioned heat- To properly regulate heat, a ing equipment sometimes come to thermostat should never be lolook upon discomfort as the cated on an outside wall or in normal situation. They put up some other spot where it may be with it without realizing, perhaps, affected by heat or cold that isn't that there is something wrong or general throughout the house, that something can be done about such as over a TV set or lamp.

edy heating discomfort in any indicates the system is not balhome, according to Home Mod- anced properly. Have a heating ernizing magazine, and often at expert study the problem. He

The three most common com- he may simply adjust the valves plaints are that the heating plant or dampers and solve the probshuts off while the house is still cold, that it runs so long that the house gets overheated or that it heats the house adequately, but at a large cost in fuel con-

The cause, the magazine states.

Another common problem is un-Something can be done to rem- even distribution of heat, which

Provide Air High fuel bills may indicate the heating plant isn't getting enough air for proper combustion. If it is in a closet or small enclosure, make sure it is ventilated

hot water or warm air systems,

normally lies in the thermostat. —and provide a source for out-Perhaps a more sensitive thermostat is needed, or maybe the becoming stuffy.

### Famous Southern Pie for Company



Reputations are made with this luscious pecan-and-Karo filling!

Here's a conversation-making dessert, a pie that's a real stunner! Eyes light up, and requests for the recipe are sure to follow the first bite. Pecan Pie is a Southern heirloom recipe, so delicious that it has gained country-wide fame, simply on the strength of its mellow, luscious flavor. This easier-than-ever recipe makes it as simple to fix as a pack-

### PECAN PIE

1/2 recipe pastry 2 eggs, beaten cup Karo Syrup 1/2 teaspoon salt I teaspoon vanille

1 cup sugar 2 tablespoons melted butter or margarine

Roll pastry ¾ inch thick. Line a 9-inch pie pan. Mix remaining ingredients together, adding pecans last. Pour into pastry shell. Bake in hot oven (400° F.) 15 minutes; reduce heat to moderate (350° F.) and bake 30 to 35 minutes longer.

\*If salted nuts are used omit salt in recipe.

ter taken as part of their food. What could breeders do they knew more about how that drouth resistance developed?" Dr.

University of Texas studies show a leopard frog from a warmer climate often produces an abnormal offspring when bred to exactly the same species from a colder climate. That would indicate atmospheric conditions have varied the frogs' physical constitutions in a relatively short time, Dr. Blair pointed out.

Such investigations offer an conomical and rapid method of gathering fundamental informaion about breeding principles.



By VERN SANFORD Texas Pres Association

Shepperd Wants 13 Laws Attorney General John Ben Shep

perd asked for legislation "to prevent another Duval County." Speaking to 200 publishers at Texas Press Association conven tion in Austin. Shepperd reveal ed that his legal skirmishes with Boss George Parr disclosed many

shortcomings in Texas laws. He recommended 13 bills, and asked the editors to help - effect

Most of the bills would tighten control over county funds and all for annual published reports of expenditures.

Suggested Taxes TAX PROPOSALS continue on the penny basis set by Gov. Allan Shivers' bill, the one-cent cigarette levy, good for \$15 million

Rep. Curtis Ford of Corpus Christi offered the familiar penny a-thousand-feet natural gas dedica tion tax bill. He figured it would bring in \$33 million a year.

And, Rep. Jerry Sadler of Percilla dropped in a penny-a-glass, \$3.30 per barrel, beer tax, estimated to produce \$16 million a

All faced an ultra-conservative evenue and taxation committee. From Rep. Jack Bryan of Buffalo came a proposal to place a three per cent gross receipts tax on establishments engaged in

Bills in the Hopper APPROVED by the House of Representatives, was a bill to increase the pay of state officials. If acceptable to the senate, the pay scale will go to \$25,000 for the governor; \$20,000 for the attorney

general; secretary of state, \$15,000; and the land commissioner, treasurer and comptroller \$17,500.

Sen. A. M. Aikin, Jr., of Paris and Rep. Barefoot Sanders of Dallas are sponsoring a plan to provide \$45 million for new school building construction. It would let school districts vote higher bond issues, up to 10 per cent of the assessed property values.

Sen. Kilmer Corbin of Lubbock wants to make Democrats out of Democrats. His bill is to prevent Texans from voting in the Democratic primaries and then voting Republican in the general elec-

Sen. Carlos Ashley of Liano tossed into the hopper a joint resolution that would permit Texas to go after the tourist trade by advertising. An amendment to the state constitution would be necessary to remove the old, old, ban designd to keep the corpetbaggers out

FFECT OF WATER LAWS

How West Texas interests may be affected by passage of several water law proposals which have been introduced in this session of the State legislature will be discussed in Abilene Feb. 11 in a general meeting of the water resources committee of the West Texas Chamber Commerce.

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### **Membership** Drive Is in Progress For Civic Music

The Civic Music Association drive for membership is now on and ends Feb. 9. This group brings famous artists of opera, concert, radio and motion picture to this area.

This group is a subsidiary of the National Concert and Artists Corporation of New York and Chi-

Folks from here wishing to be-

come members are invited to UNION RIDGE H. D. CLUB phone 146 in Merkel and full information will be given. Complimentary tickets for the Minneapsented to members.

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MEETS WITH MRS. HARWELL

The Union Ridge Home Demonstration Club met in the home of olis Symphony Orchestra, to ap- Mrs. O. E. Harwell. President, Miss pear at the Rose Field House in Mabel McRee, opened the meeting Abilene February 9, will be pre- with a prayer by the group and read T. H. D. A. creed.

> The agent, Miss Loreta Allen, gave a demonstration on floor covering which was enjoyed and also

Refreshments were served to two visitors and seven members and six children.

The club will meet in the home the Texas Safety Association, of Mrs. J. H. Clark Friday, Feb. 4,

Tommy Odum has been named representative in the Merkel-Abilene area for the Dallas investment banking firm of Eppler, Guerin & Turner. The firm offers a complete banking service of stocks and

Mr. Odum is president of the Burnet Telephone Co., has served as president of the Federation of Independent Telephone Exchanges and of the Merkel Telephone Co. and as a committeeman of the United States Independent Telephone Association. He is a gradu-

was a visitor of Mrs. Sallie Camp | jod bell Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Durwood Doan and two children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Billie D. Doan and family of Odessa.

Mrs. R. C. Lewis, Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. Dewayne Baker of Abilene visited Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hughes Sunday. Mrs. Lewis and Mr. Baker are sister and brother Mrs. G. McDonald of Mrs. Hughes.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Stockbridge spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Nannie Glenn of Breckenridge.

Mrs. C. G. Allred of Abilene was here Tuesday on business. Recent visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Nalley were Minister E. R. Watson, wife and daughter. Miss Lidia, who is a as Christian University with the teacher at Fort Stockton public graduating class at mid-term with school, Mr. and Mrs. Royce E. a major in Guidance. Dowdy, Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Earthman, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Terry, Trent, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Clement, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. King and pal of Stephen F. Austin Elemenlittle daughter, Rosemary, of Abi- tary School. They have one daughlene, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin McCoy, children, Danny and Dwylene, of Trent, Mrs. A. R. Toombs, Mrs. Bud Perry, Robert L. Binkley, Trent, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Rutherford of Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Boney and daughter Fanelle of Colorado City spent Monday and Tuesday with his mother, Mrs. Helen Boney, and brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Boney, and family. Fanelle returned to El Paso where she is in

A. C. LaCroix of Big Spring, brother of Mrs. G. D. McConnell, visited his sister Wednesday. Mr. LaCroix is superintendent of the western division of the Texas and Pacific Railway.

Mr. and Mrs. Seth D. Sims of Elgin and Chicago are visiting with her sister and husband, Dr. and Mrs. C. B. Gardner. Mr. and Mrs. Sims will go to Pohenix, Ariz. from here.

MRS. RALPH RUSSELL TALKS ON "EXPRESSING YOURSELF" Mrs. Truett Berry and Mrs. Wel-

don McAninch were hostesses Tuesday night to the Beta Sigma Phi sorority at the Community Center. Mrs. Ralph Russell gave a very interesting talk on "Expressing Yourself."

Refreshments were served to 12 members and one visitor, Mrs. Lewis Milhorn of Kingsport, Tenn. The next meeting will be at the Community Center Feb. 12. Mrs. Norman King, and Marie Leverich will be the hostesses.

COMPERE H. D. CLUB MEETS WITH MRS. W. D. RAMSEY

The Compere Home Demonstration Club met January 27 in Mrs. W. D. Ramsey's home for its regular meeting. Mrs. Jess Foy, vice chairman, presided in the absence of the chairman, Mrs. Kelso.

Mrs. T. B. Ray led the group in singing "Eyes of Texas." Mrs. Betty Chancey led the prayer. Min-utes were read by Mrs. Vernon Stanley, secretary.

Mrs. Ray gave the council report. Recommendations from the council committees and the annual council budget were read and adopted by a unanimous vote.

Mrs. Foy and Mrs. Betty Chancey were appointed to go to Anson February 1 for the program on Polio.

The program on "Selection, Use and Care of Kitchen Ranges" was given by the kitchen leaders, Mrs. Vernon Stanley and Mrs. Betty

The hostess gift went to Mrs. Jess Foy. The club donated \$3.93 to the March of Dimes.

A refreshment plate was served to one visitor, Mrs. W. S. Allred, and eight members. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Vernon Stanley February 10. The program will be "Polio."

### **Principal Farley** To Be Instructor At A. C. College

Principal C. A. Farley has been employed as a special instructor in the Education Department of Abilene Christian College during the last semester of this year.

Mr. Farley will teach a graduate course in Education, "Administration of the Elementary School," each Monday night from 7 to 10

Several years ago Principal Farley taught in the ACC summer

### **March of Dimes** Games Earn \$125 For Polio Fund

Merkel basketballers swept three-game program for the March of Dimes Thursday night of last week, earning \$125 for the polio campaign and burying Hamlin, 52-24, in the varsity clash. Merkel's grade schoolers won,

42-17, over Hamlin. In a B game Merkel coasted in, 42-19, with Gail O'Brien getting 19 for Merkel. Robert McLeod's 16 points was ops for the Badgers in the A me. It was a non-district affair. Merkel held a 11-6 lead at the first quarter, 26-16 at the half and

MERKEL: (Field goals, free throws, fouls, total points)-Pursley 1-2-24; G. O'Brien 1-1-10-3; Gilbert 2-0-0-4; Horton 4-1-0-9; Mc-Leod 5-6-4-16; Rutledge 1-0-0-2; T. O'Brien 5-2-3-12; Kelso 1-0-1-2. Totals 20-12-10-52.

was 40-18 going into the final per-

### Receives Degree Of Master of Ed.

Mrs. Gerald McDonald of Odes sa, daughter of Frank E. Church of Merkel, has received the Master of Education degree from Tex-

She is at present Spanish in-structor at Odessa Senior High School and her husband is princiter, Gerlyn Bess, age seven.

MR. AND MRS. RHYNES' GRANDDAUGHTER IS BURIED SUNDAY

Deborah Lewis Norton, six-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Rhynes of Woodland Park, Colo., was buried Sunday. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Rhynes of Trent.

### Merkel Badgers Make It Eight **Straight Games**

The Merkel Badgers plastered doormat Roscoe here Tuesday night 75-40 to keep secure their district 8-A basketball lead.

All - State hopeful Robert Mc-Leod paved the way for the Mer kel victory with 26 points. Coach Tommy Ellis, Badgers have won all eight of its district games this year.

The Roscoe girls won 51-34. MERKEL (field goals, free throws, fouls, total points) Pursley 5-3-1-13; G. O'Brien 0-1-2-1; Russell 0-0-1-0; Horton 5-4-2-14; Gilbert 1-0-1-2: McLeod 11-4-3-26: Hargrove 1-0-3-2; Rutledge 1-0-1-2; English 1-1-1-3; T. O'Brien 3-2-4-8; McKeever 1-2-2-4; Totals 29-17-21-75.

### Cyrus Pee Learns **About New Risk** Plan at School

Cyrus Pee attended an insurance school at the Windsor Hotel Tuesday of last week. About 160 persons were resent.

The new risk plan was discuss-

### **Noodle Tops** Lawn Longhorns Tuesday 59 to 58

Noodle nipped the Lawn Long-horns, 59-58, at Noodle Tuesday night, to gain third place in the District 17-B boys basketball race. In the girls game, Lawn beat Noodle, 56-41, with Johnny Hardin looping in 17 for Noodle.

NOODLE: (field goals, free throws, fouls, total points): Goode 9-3-3-24; Clift 3-1-2-7; E. Hatfield 1-3-3-5; B. Hatfield 2-1-2-5; Vancil 8-3-5-19; Chancey 1-0-0-2; Totals 24 11-15-59.

Score by Quarters: LAWN ..... 13-33-44-58 NOODLE ..... 11-25-44-59

#### CONDITIONS FAVORABLE TO BUILD NEW HOME OR TO MODERNIZE

Families in Merkel & Taylor County desiring to build a new home or modernize an older one this year will find conditions more favorable than at any time in many months, according to Clyde Bartlett of Burton-Lingo Co.

"Building costs have become stabilized, time payment loans can be obtained on the most attractive terms ever offered, and the market offers a greater variety of good materials than ever before," Mr. Bartlett said.

TOOK ONLY ONE

Cyrus Pee placed about 50 old copies of the Readers Digest in front of his office with the note, "Take one." At the end of the day they were all gone. "And no one took more than one," commented Cyrus.

### NOTICE!

LOST - Small female Fox Terrier, white with black spots on back.

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FLOYD GREENS MOVE THIS MONTH TO 1405 HERRING DRIVE Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Green and

daughter have moved to 1405 Herring Drive.

Location for a proposed 3,250foot rotary wildcat was staked 21/2 miles northeast of Noodle. It is 4,000 feet northwest of the nearest production.

"BEHIND THE SCENES IN AMERICAN BUSINESS"

The three pillars of 1955 prosperity are stout enough to hold the economy on a high level throughout the year-unless a lot of very level-headed people are being over-optimistic. However, a few observers of the economic

scene do express doubts. Automobiles: Heads of the Big Three all forecast a 5.8-millioncar year. Smaller automobile comanies speak glowingly of a comeback. The forecasts of individual company output, though, add up to 6.5 million vehicles. The difference between the over-all total and the total reached by adding individual expectations may mean that some plants will wind up making fewer cars than they now plan-and that might hurt De-Morning Worship .... 11 a. m. troit employment some time this Training Union .... 6:45 p. m.

Construction: Building materials makers are talking \$40 billion in new construction, and \$20 billion in modernization of existing buildings this year. The pessimists haven't" much to say in rebuttal here, since any lull in the home building boom-and there milkfed bred by Mrs. Smallwood. is none in sight-will be more tion.

little slacking off next fall and prayer led by Mrs. J. W. Tiner, | furnished. See Ray Wilson. tf34c nter in residential construction.

Americans are still moving into the suburbs. Moragage money is still plentiful, both from government and from private savers. Children of the great birthing boom of right after the war are growing up and crowding their parents into bigger homes. More persons have incomes that allow

zippers stick when they return a new ziper lubricant, spread on with a little wheel, may be what

burb where houses are priced Blair and Mrs. Jennings Winters. "at cost," will be the nation's first kitchen leaders, brought the pro-

This innovation means that the homeowner can use any number

Every year about this time the

System meant to let credit tight- acted in the City of Abilene, Tex-

at his local bank. However, he may run into a stricter definition of

BITS O' BUSINESS- Commodities rose last week in New York markets on fear of war in the Far East . . . Steel mills last week operated at 84 per cent of capicity. a yield of 2,019,000 tons of ingots and castings. Farmers' cash receipts in 1954 were 4 per cent under 1953's, said the Bureau of

I wish to thank everyone for their kindness, flowers, cards, gifts and food following my recent acci-

Mrs. Lem Dudiey

### **Terrific Suspense** In "Bad Day" Show At Queen Theatre

A show packed with terrific suspense will come to the Queen Mr. and Mrs. Omer Bishop and Theatre Tuesday, Wednesday and LOST - 1 Duroc Gilt, weight family are moving to Andrews Thursday. It is "Bad Day at Black

"Those who like their movie filled with excitement will like this one," said Robert Hodge, manager. 'And Spencer Tracy is in it. His acting is superb, as always. With him also are Robert Ryan. Anne Francis, Dean Jagger and Walter

"This is a splendid show and has the finest actors in it. You'll

### Many Local Folks Will Exhibit At Stock Show

Ronnie Freeman, 4-H Club member, of Trent will exhibit three calves at the Abilene Fat Stock Show in March. He will also show two milk feds and a drylot, all bred by W. J. Largent and Son.

Exhibiting two calves will be Ronnie Barnett, a drylot bred by Roy Largent and Sons. Wayne Irvin will show a milkfed bred by Dorothea Griffin and a drylot and one milkfed bred by Edgar Davis. Other 4-H members showing one calf each are:

Trent - Peggy Mayberry, a drylot bred by Sam Swann Le Roy Shafer, a milkfed bred by Red Shafer of Trent.

Merkel - Danny Harris, a milkfed bred by Loice Ivey of Lawn; Stanley Harris, a milkfed bred by Ivey; Mac Seymore, a drylot bred by Sam Baize of Stamford; Glenn Sandusky, a milkfed bred by Mrs. John Smallwood of Lawn; Paul Seymore, a drylot bred by Mrs. Smallwood: Riley Jack Seymore, a

GOODMAN H. D. CLUB MEETS AT HOME OF MRS. G. BLAIR

The Goodman Home Demonwing of stration Club met Friday, Jan. 28, ned with at the home of Mrs. Grover Blair. ng boom, The president, Mrs. Hosea Kind-s spring. ham, presided.

> then the group sang two hymns and played two games directed by the recreation leader, Mrs. Grover. Blair. Roll call was answered with 'A Verse From the Bible."

Minutes were approved. Finance committee chairman, Mrs. Jenninges Winters, reported \$104 collected at the March of Dimes party. Mrs. Frank Carter gave the council report and read the recommendations of the council. committees.

A training meeting on "Polio" was to be given at Anson Tuesday, February 1, and Mrs. Gordon Howell and Mrs. Karl Bonneaux volunteered to attend. Mrs. Grover gram on the "Selection, Use and Care of Ranges."

Refreshments were served to two visitors, Mrs. Seth Raikes of Trent and Mrs. S. E. Winter; two new members, Mrs. J. R. Walling and Mrs. J. M. Hellums, 10 members and four children.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Karl Bonneaux on February

#### LEGAL NOTICE WE, the subscribers, have this

day entered into a limited partnership agreeably by the provisions of New York State Bankers Associa- Revised Statute, Title 105, relattion holds its midwinter meeting ing to limited partnership and do hereby certify that the name of the the New York Federal Reserve firm under which the said partnership is to be conducted is Armed Forces Guides Publications Company: that the general nature of the business to be transacted is the publishing of booklets and in-This year the president, Alan formation relative to the Armed Sproul, said the Federal Reserve Forces and the same will be transpartner of the said firm is Joseph City of Abilene, and the special partners are Paul E. Wood of Abilene, County of Taylor, State of Texas and R. P. Spears of Abilene. County of Taylor, State of Texas; that the capital contributed by the said Paul E. Wood and R. P. Spears, special parnters, is \$500.00 each in cash and materials; that the period for which said partnership is to commence is the 1st day of January, 1955, and that it will terminate on the 1st day of January A. D. 1995. Joseph C. Meyer

Joseph C. Meyer General Partner Paul E. Wood

Paul E. Wood, Special Partner Rufus P. Spears R. P. Spears, Special Partner Adv. —Jan. 21,28, Feb. 4, 11.

### CLASSIELED WAVD WSECTULA

NOTICE MASONS Stated meeting of Merkel @ lodge No. 710, A. F. & A. lodge No. 710, A. F. & A. Saturday, February 5, at 7:30 p. m. All members are urged to attend. Visiting brethren cordially invited.

D. R. Butler, W. M. Truett Thompson, Sec'y.

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FOR RENT - 4-room house on south side near 10th Locust. See Floyd Green, White Auto Store

FOR RENT - Furnished garage apartment, 4-room unfurnished duplex, 3-room unfurnished duplex. E. O. Carson.

FOR RENT - 2-room apartment, furnished and garage. Sallie Moore, 601 Oak. FOR RENT-5-room house on Oak Street. Very nice. Dowdy and

Toombs. FOR RENT - 3-room furnished south apartment, private entrance. 408 Manchester, Telephone 125W. Mrs. J. C. Comegys. tf30e

FOR RENT - Duplex apartment, erhaps a The meeting was opened with modern, 4 rooms and bath, un- FOR SALE - 30-06 bolt action

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### ANDY SHOUSE - Livestock Report

Stable condition of the cattle er. values compared with a year ago is Bulls are also levels with a year revealed by a look at the records ago. this week. Fed steers and yearlings currently are selling about

\$1 to \$1.50 above a year ago. Typical of the prime cattle valies at Fort Worth are the sales of are selling above a year ago by a sifted steers from the Southwest- couple of dollars. ern Exposition and Fat Stock Fat lambs opened steady to 50 Show at prices of \$27 to \$28.75 in cents lower and feeders and older most cases. This compares with sheep were steady at Fort Worth

a \$26 to \$27 range a year ago. good and choice variety sold at for fancy wooled lambs and the

el enlarge your house, repair a something fancy could have sold room, garage or any other kind of above that level. improvements. Also will buy ven-

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compared to sales of similar cattle at \$19 to \$23 a year ago. Cattle trade Monday was steady with some cows and calves strong-

Slaughter calves of the good and choice variety sold Monday identical with last year. Stocker calves and yearlings

Monday. Choice fat lambs sold Commercially fed cattle of the from \$18 to \$21, the latter figure Fort Worth Monday at \$20 to \$24, lower end of the range on extreme heavies. Clipped lambs topped at \$20. A year ago this week fat lambs topped at \$19 to \$20 and Will loan money to build, remod. our reports carried a notation that

> Old ewes, however, were selling well-ahead of current prices a year ago. Monday's values of \$6 to \$8 on killers compared with \$6 to \$9 last year and some lightweight fancy ewes were selling to \$10 and above for slaughter. Feeder lambs at \$17 to \$20.25 Monday brought \$20 and down a year ago this week.

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### SCOUTS OBSERVE 45th BIRTHDAY



#### OFFICIAL BOY SCOUT WEEK POSTER

Boy Scout Week, Feb. 6 to 12, ing and the rich heritage it has marking the 45th anniversary of in this country.

the Boy Scouts of America. will Boy Scout Week marks the completion of the first year of the National Conservation Good Turn the organization has undertaken

"Building for a Better Tomor-row" is the birthday theme of Merit awarded jointly by the Members of 95,000 Units, through Secretaries of Agriculture and the demonstrations and exhibits, will Interior. Ezra Taft Benson and

men have been members

and adult leaders. Since 1910, at the organization has undertaken at the request of President Eisenmore than 22,750,000 boys and hower. Units which have qualified will receive National Con-

dramatize the purpose of Scout- Douglas McKay. respectively.

### Unique Split-Level Plan from Small Homes Guide

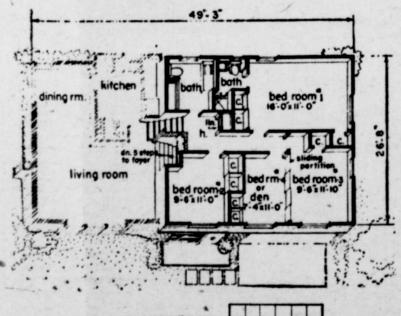


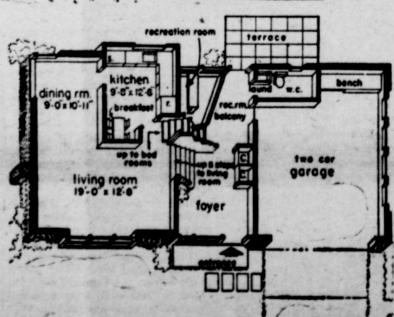
Because it offers just about everything that modern living calls for, the editors of Small Homes Guide created a special award for this split-level house by Architect Rudolph A. Matern. The plan appears in the current edition of fie magazine.

Something new and different is the entrance foyer at the garage level, with passage through to the lower recreation-room area without the necessity of passing through other parts of the house. Another exciting touch is the balcony overlooking the recreation room. The balcony doubles as the rear entrance.

Included in the lower level, besides the recreation room, is a large room for heating plant and storage. Area below the garage and foyer is unexcavated.

Almost as handsome from the rear as it is from the front, this house offers a full measure of livability for the building dollar. Area of living-bedroom levels is 1,291 sq. ft. For information on blueprints and their cost, write to Small Homes Guide, Dept. 1510, 621 N. Dearborn Street, Chicago 10, Ill.





Wait for the Green!" advisd R. B. Roaper of Houston president of the Texas Safety Association. "Traffic lights are installed to protect pedestrians and motorists and the walker who ignores or flaunts them is not asserting his independence but throwing away his safety.'

#### PREEDING BEEF CATTLE

"Breeding Beef Cattle for Unfavorable Environments," a symnosium of papers presented at the King Ranch centennial conference on that subject, will be published in April by the University of Tex-Press. The conference brought tog ther scientists from many onts of the world to discuss the important problem of adaptin of cattle to areas formerly co sidered unfit to sustain them.

#### COFFEE DROP SOON

Coffee prices in American mat

In fact, coffee exporters here are somewhat surprised that Am- tem. erican retail coffee prices have not dronned yet, because Brazilian s for coffee have. But the explanation may lie in the fa that American coffee stocks bought at high Brazilian prices, have not been depleted sufficiently to permit purchase of cheaper coffee and, consequently, sales of Whitchead, Mr. Agraz and boy coffee at cheaper prices.

The coffee story - so much discusped and told so many times in ing treated. Walter Vantreeze of so many different versions none of Stith took Mr. and Mrs. Agraz to which has ever led to tangible clar- the hospital. ification - appears to be very sim-

able in five-year cycles. It takes ly damaged. The accident hapthat long from planting to harvest- pened one and a half miles north

Baylor University at Waco, is chairman of the 1955 Heart Fund campaign in Texas. The appointhete should drop back to normal ment marks the second successive levels within six months. At least | year that Dr. White has headed that is the word from people who the month-long February drive, should know, at this coffee port of which coincides with a nationwide effort against mankind's greatest killer, diseases of the heart sys-

#### SUFFERS SLIGHT INJURY WHEN CARS CRASH ON HIGHWAY 126

Mrs. Alfreda Agraz suffered bruises on her right leg when her '38 Plymouth car was struck by the '54 Chevrolet driven by R. H. were not hurt. She was released from the Sadler Hospital after be-

The Plymouth car was crushed while the Chevrolet after turning Coffee production becomes avail- over and righting itself was badof here on Highway 126.

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"THE 28TH WORTH \$60,000 - George Bi ble, left, manager of Mountain Cove Ranch, Kenenington, Ga., paid Roy Largent & Sons and Dr. W. T. Sadler \$30,000 for a half interest in this bull U Royal Mixer 28th. At hal ter is R. R. (Rusty) Largent, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Largent. The other \$30,000 interest in the bull is owned by Field Land & Cattle Co., Gunnison, Colorado.



DALLAS BOUND - This promising young bull, LS Prince Domino 204th, is among the last of the 226 animals sold in the Roy Largent & Sons dispersion sale to leave the Largent ranch at Merkel. Mohr Hereford Ranch at Dallas paid \$4,000 for the "204th," a son of the famous CW Prince Domino 21st. Holding the bull is Leonard Austin, herdsman at the Largent Ranch.

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No segment of our economy stands to benefit more from increased trade with foreign nations than agriculture. Therefore, the farmer must be concerned with the success of President Eisenhower's recommendation for a three-year extension of the Reciprocal Trade Agreements. They provide for a gradual reduction in

this country is to have a prosperous agriculture. If the farmer is to is due in a large part to the adhave reasonable prosperity, we must have export markets, and to than the law itself. The result is have export market, trade has got to work both ways.

Foreign nations cannot buy from us unless we buy from them.

When farmers are prosperous, many other businesses and industries also profit. If farmers buy tractors, shovels, radios, or auto- farm front under Republican leadmobiles from the industrial areas, ership." I hope this is true, but at to pay the bill.

farm income increased in 1954. is not recommened as the best However, there was a decline in place to look up from. many of the individual commodi-

700 million dollars' worth of surplus commodities for the currency of the foreign country making the purchase, was greatly responsible for some of this increase. It does not mean that the sales at that time had actually been made, but the effect was nevertheless notice-

It gives me a great deal of satisfaction that I had something to do with the passage of this law, and I hope that in the next three years the full authority to sell surplus commodities will be exercised.

In addition, we are greatly in need of certain strategic materials which we can purchase with the foreign currencies received from the sale of these commodities.

It looks as if the best we can do may not be good enough for the farmer to maintain a reasonably high income. Aside from the production must be exported if drouth, we are not getting a fair share of cotton allotments, which ministration of the law, rather that our area, although it has not been responsible for surpluses, is paying the penalty for overproduction in other places.

Incidentally, Secretary of Agriculture Benson testified before a Senate Agriculture Committee that "things are looking up on the they have got to have the income the time it seems to me that if the farmer is "looking up," as Mr. Ben-According to reports of the Tex- son has said, it is on account of beas Bureau of Business Research, ing flat on his economic back. This

In my judgment the bill which paredness don't have a cent laid the Congress passed last year, per- up for a rainy day.

### mitting the Government to sell FBI TO HOLD MEET

William A. Murphy, special agent in charge of the Dallas of fice of the Federal Burea of Investigation, announced that the FBI Law Enforcement Conference on Bank Robbery will be held on April ., in Fort Worth. Additional conferences will be held as follows: April 5, Sweetwater; April 6, Lubbock; April 7, Amarillo; Aprli 8, Wichita Falls, and April 12, Texarkana.

### FARM LAND DOWN

Prices of farm land in Texas fell two per cent in the four month ending Nov. 1, 1954. This word comes from the USDA. - A. & M.

ABOUT SPRING VEGETABLES Extension horticulturists advise gardners to spread their spring vegetable plantings so the harvest season will be extended over the longest possible time and to plant a wide variety of vegetables. -A.

### DON'T TAKE CHANCES

Farm and home accidents happen every day. The hazards are increased by winter conditions. Don't take chances, cautions the Texas Farm and Ranch Safety Committee, for '55 is still young and who, they ask, wants to leave early? — A. & M.

### CAN CAUSE EROSION

Water allowed to form inside tractor and auto engines during cold weather can cause corrosion and excessive wear. About a gallon of water forms for each gallon of fuel burned and unless it passes from the engine through the ex- Figfield adds that men who dig haust, can cause trouble. - A. & for oil are themselves strong and

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## **EDITORIALS**

RANDY AND BUTTERBALL

Randy is 4 years old.

Butterball was his little dog, a rat terrier. We say "was" because she is dead now. She was killed. run over by an auto. Butterball was too lively, too unrestrained too high strung and she died in the street. It was an accident.

Randy loved Butterball very much and when she died he cried became despondent and threatened to run away from home. Butterball was carried out into the country, a hole was dug and she was buried there

No eulogy was said for Butterball. She was only a dog, she was dead and she was buried.

But to Randy Butterball was more than just a dog. She was his friend, his pal, his playmate. We feel for Randy and so we here devote space for a eulogy for Butterball. She deserves it.

Randy is our neighbor, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Smith. We saw him playing with Butterball, saw him pet her and saw him love her. We wished to gain the same regard from Butterball because we liked Randy

But Butterball had a way about her. She did not squander her affections. Time and again we tried to get near her but she would have none of that. She would run off and yelp and make unfriendly noises. However, as time passed and she saw that we were friendly to Randy, she would come closer and not bark at us. Then finally she allowed us to pet her.

After that she was our friend. And when she was your friend you knew it. Her response to petting was not a meek condescension. Oh, She wagged her tail. Her whole body responded to your touch and finally she would lick your hand.

When we left home she would be there to get her love pat and when we arrived back home she would appear for another show of affection

Butterball was no usual dog. She was very unusual and she was an individualist.

We miss her, just as Randy does And to Randy we say, "Don't cry anymore, Randy, she was a good friend and a good pal. You can always remember her as a good

P. S. Now Randy has another friend, a black long haired dog. Randy likes him. Randy put his hand on the new friend, looked up and said "We both miss Butter-

### HUGH ROY CULLEN

As most of our friends know, Hugh Roy Cullen is the richest oil wildcat driller in America and the most fabulous philanthropist in the world. A book has been written about him and we have just finished it. It is entitled "Hugh Roy Cullen, A Story of American Opportunity" by Ed Kilman and Theon Wright.

Off-hand one would think that a story about an oil man would not hold great interest. One would imagine that he leased land, set a rig, drilled a hole, found oil and became a millionaire.

But that is not true in the life of Hugh Roy Cullen. The book holds your interest from start to finish. It brings to life the story of a man who had drive and initiative and opinions and the power to live by his decisions, changing the course of his life when he thought it best.

It was his individualism that made him so successful in the oil business. And when he turned to philanthropy he used the same initiative and individualism, making him outstanding in the lavishness of his giving.

He calls his fabulous philan-thropy "selfish." He has given Houston its university and its hospital besides other donations too numerous to mention. Well, if that is selfishness so are all altruistic

Prentice-Hall published the book. It is worth reading for its interest and its illumination.

### "WHITE-ICISM"

That's ALL - and the Sage of they make our country strong.

"FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS" IS SUBJECT

The executive committee of the Taylor County Teachers Unit met in Abilene January 25 to plan the next general session. Mrs. Ellen McReynolds is president of the organization and Principal C. A. Farley is treasurer.

"For Such a Time as This" will be the subject for the meeting Feb. 10 at 7:30 p. m. Dr. John Stevens, dean of men at Abilene Christian College, will be the speaker. Merkel Future Teacher Club members are invited.

The music will be furnished by McMurry College.

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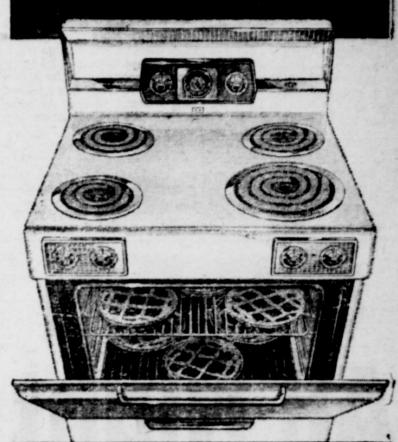


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### **Famous Cowboy Buried Sunday** In Seymour

Joseph Benjamin (Cap) Warren, 67, was buried Sunday in Riverview Cemetery at Seymour. He was the father of Mrs. Wilburn Loflin. who attended the funeral with her

Mr. Warren operated the chuck wagon for the Waggoner Estate Ranch for several years. He was widely known by hundreds of cowmen as well as many notables who had eaten his chuck wagon feed, and was once written up in the Saturday Evening Post for his col-

#### J. F. CASON IMPROVES

O. R. Douglas and Mrs. D. W. Douglas visited J. F. Cason in the Haskell Hospital Sunday. He is sitting up in a wheel chair and im-

#### MRS. DUDLEY IMPROVES

work at the Paul Honeycutt Motors | semester Monday. She is getting along nicely after her auto accident.

### **Hospital Notes**

Admissions to the Sadler Hos pital the past week were:

As medical patients - Mrs. Carl Smith, Mrs. W. C. Hunter, M. A. Smith, Sammy Smith, A. V. Dick. Mrs. Earl Stevens, Horace B. Hargrove, Mrs. H. M. Reddin, Virgie Mae Campbell, Leo Harris, Mrs. O. E. Harwell, Mrs. J. R. Baker, Carol Salters, W. C. Lee.

For surgery — Robert L. James, Bobby Martin, tonsidec-

#### ALLEN D. KING, JR., IS NOW MEMBER OF WESTLY PLAYERS

Allen D. King, Jr., was home from Texas Tech College all last week except Thursday; he went to Lubbock accompanied by his father, Allen D. King, to register for next semester at Tech for juniors coarses. He has completed seven hours of his work.

At a banquet recently he was made a member of The Westly Players having completed all re-Mrs. Lem Dudley returned to quirements of his pledgeship last

He returned to Tech Sunday af-

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