

Scoop

Everyone in town is tipping their hats to Homer Patterson today.

Homer, who always has taken an interest in keeping the cemetery as clean as possible, noted the other day that there are many, many graves that have never been cleaned off, and recent rains made others grow up in weeds. The lone cemetery sexton just couldn't keep the graves in the limited time had.

Patterson was talking with David Gamble and Fred Starbuck about the need for the big cleanup, and he vowed that if the people wanted the cemetery cleaned up from one end to the other he'd get the job done. So he told Dave and Fred what he intended to do. He proceeded to raise the money necessary for such a giant task. He went in one store and then another, telling the story of the need for cleaning up the cemetery. He received wonderful response, and when the day was over he had slightly more than \$600 to start to work with.

He then got into his car Sunday and started traveling around to Tye, Trent, Sweetwater, Stamford, Abilene and other communities getting the necessary labor. He had 48 on hand Monday morning at 8 a.m., so you can see that the \$600 didn't last long. By late Monday the clean-up crew had chopped weeds and cleaned up about half the graves. The cemetery was looking better than it had in years.

About \$200 more is necessary to pay off the laborers, anyone desiring to help the cause can make a contribution. Patterson said he believed it was the first time that the cemetery had been cleaned up all at one time in years.

"Generally by the time one end of the cemetery gets cleaned up, the other is grown up in weeds," he observed. "Now for the first time the entire cemetery is clean."

Some of the graves had been unattended for years, as relatives of the deceased had moved away or died, and left neglected graves in the cemetery. These graves received the same kind of attention as any others.

It was a good job, and had you gone to the cemetery this week, you would have noticed the vanguard of 48 workers cleaning it up.

Everyone should get plenty of barbecue at the Water Festival. The cooks have been busy for hours before the big event, and according to best estimates there'll be several thousand people at the event.

After we published the queen's names and picture last week, we'd hate to be a judge, but fortunately, the queen will be selected by votes obtained from the sale of barbecue tickets.

The fire department has done a good job of decorating the town for the Merkel festival. These fellows worked after hours, and got almost everyone to put up the bunting where the building was occupied.

George Hedrick, Frederick, Okla., was in town for a few hours Wednesday looking up old acquaintances. George lived here with his mother, Mrs. Florence Hedrick, now of Wichita Falls, from 1920 to 1923. George was only about 10 to 11 then, but he remembered many of the folks around here.

Get Your Dog Shot By Doctor July 6

Mayor Fred Starbuck announced today that Dr. L. R. Chapman will be in Merkel from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 6, for the purpose of vaccinating dogs.

All dogs must be brought on a leash to the City Hall. There will be a \$2.50 fee.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Russell had a yard party for out of town guests this week. The guests were Major and Mrs. Robert Rodden and children Robbie and Betsie of Washington and Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Rodden of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Clesby Patterson and son Pat also of Abilene.

Mr. John West and niece, Miss Patsy West of Shreveport, La., have been visiting relatives here the past three weeks, returned to their home Friday.

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BIG BARBECUE AT 5 P. M.

Damages Are Awarded For Highway 80

A Taylor county jury of views in seven of nine condemnation suits brought by the county to acquire right-of-way to make a freeway out of U. S. 80 in the Merkel area made awards totaling \$39,124.62 last Thursday at Abilene.

Notice of suits in other, land action are being published elsewhere in the Merkel Mail.

The largest award, \$19,332.75 was made to Norman T. Hodge, for 2.217 acres of land on which part of the Pioneer Drive in Theater is located one mile west of Merkel on U. S. 80.

The award was based on both the property and the damage which will result to the theater when construction of the new highway begins. The construction will force Hodge to move the drive-in screen, projector booth, concession stand and patio back a total of 40 feet.

Hodge had asked the jury of view for \$30,000 for the land and damages which would result to the theater.

Awards were not made in the condemnation suit against 8,933 acres of land owned by Mrs. Minnie B. Hale and another one-half acre of land owned by her son, C. A. Hale. The jury of view will make its awards after making an inspection of the property.

Hale, representing his mother, asked an award of \$3,500 for his mother's land and \$250 for his one-half acre tract.

The other awards made by the jury were:

W. J. Derstine, awarded \$2,434.00 for 17,255 acres of land for the freeway, plus 2,388 acres to be used for two channel easements. Derstine had asked for \$125 per acre for the land — about what he was awarded.

A. B. Patterson, awarded \$1,100 for 4,656 acres. He had originally asked \$1,250 for the land.

G. F. West, awarded \$7,500 for 12,603 acres of land with the stipulation that he clear the property of all improvements. The improvements include a six-room house, a barn, two cellars, and several other farm buildings. The award was the amount West had asked for.

Mrs. Lizzie Ross, awarded \$2,202.50 for 6,759 acres of land. She had originally asked \$2,687.50, which included \$700 for damages.

F. T. Hogan, awarded \$6,246 for 13,673 acres for the freeway and .571 acres for channel easements. The award was the amount Hogan had asked for. It included \$5,000 for land and improvements and \$1,246 for moving of the improvements.

Cramer Reynolds, awarded \$309.37 for 1,995 acres of land, the price he had originally asked.

No report was made on condemnation of .117 acres belonging to John Graves and other heirs of Rose Edwards, deceased.

Hospital Notes

Those admitted to the Sadler Hospital-Clinic during the past week are:

Beth Patton, Medical
Mrs. T. D. Scott, Medical
Bruce Knight, Medical
George Cooper, Medical
Jimmy Hargrove, Medical
J. E. Maaoy, Medical
Buddy Carter, Medical
Mrs. B. L. Vinson, Medical
Mrs. Anna Mae Thaxton, Medical.

John Rice, Medical
Nath Maxwell, Medical
Kathie Carroll, Medical
Mrs. John Duran Jr., Medical
Mrs. Frank Harbour, Medical
Mrs. J. H. Estep, Medical
Mrs. George Denman, Surgery
Patsy Herring, Surgery
Dorothy Flowers, Surgery
Alton D. Doan, Surgery
Margie Harvell, Surgery
Linda Smith, Surgery
Fena Gladden, Surgery
Mrs. Robert Forkner, Baby Boy.

Mr. T. G. Bragg is visiting in Stephenville, Texas, this week and to attend a family reunion.



Willies Drop Hodge-Palmer; Starpats Win

The Willies defeated Hodge-Palmer in the Little League Tuesday night, but the H-P team still leads the league.

The Willies came up with 10 runs to 3 for the Hodge-Palmer team.

The Bankers dropped a close game to the Starpats 4-5.

Last week the Starpats defeated the Willies, 2-1, and the Hodge-Palmer crew came up with a massive 24-14 win over the Bankers in a game that saw 29 hits, 38 runs and 9 errors.

Also last week the Starpats came in with a 9-1 victory over the Bankers, and the Hodge-Palmer team defeated the Willies, 6-5.

Here is the current standing:

Hodge-Palmer	6	2	6
Starpats	5	3	6
Bankers	2	5	5
Willies	2	5	5

Here are the line scores of past games:

June 23 Games

Willies	1	2	6
Starpats	2	2	2
H. Higgins (loser) and L. Duran;			
Hernandez (winner) and P. Lucas;			
Bankers	14	15	5
Hodge-Palmer	24	14	4
M. Mansfield (loser), Dudley and Heatley; Russell, (winner), Barnes and Dorton.			

June 25 Games

Starpats	9	9	2
Bankers	1	3	6
P. Lucas (winner) and Scott; Burden (loser) and Heatley.			
Hodge-Palmer	6	6	1
Willies	5	7	4

June 28 Games

Hodge-Palmer	3	5	3
Willies	10	6	3
Russell (loser), Barnes and Dorton; Doan (winner) and Duran.			
Bankers	4	4	3
Starpats	5	5	3
M. Mansfield (loser) and Heatley; D. Wilks (winner) and Scott.			

June 14

Hodge-Palmer	10	10	0
Bankers	6	6	2
Russell and Harris; Duran and Heatley.			

Walter Harris hit home run for Hodge-Palmer. Game called top of 6th because of rain.

June 2

Starpats	5	2	1
Willies	3	4	1
Hernandez and Scott, Doan and Duran.			
Bankers	5	7	3
Hodge-Palmer	5	8	1
Seymore and Heatley; Russell, (w) Swinney and Harris.			

Choir Director Is Recovering

Ben Green, 21, choir director of the First Baptist church in Merkel, who was severely injured when an electric saw went out of control while he was working on a housing project in Abilene, is recuperating nicely at this time.

Rev. Sam Tullock, pastor of the First Baptist church, said several legaments in his arm were cut badly. The saw severely cut the arm.

Guar Can Be Profitable Crop Around Merkel

"Merkel has ideal conditions for a bumper guar crop this year." That is the opinion of John Esser, plant manager of the General Mills guar processing plant, Kennedy, Texas, as expressed in a visit to Merkel on June 15.

Esser pointed out that in previous years guar had been grown here without adequate sub-soil moisture. He said that with a good bottom season, guar would grow out rapidly to three to four feet high and set and mature beans quickly and more uniformly.

In previous years, guar around Merkel has grown in stages, depending upon moisture availability, and maturity has been delayed every year until late fall.

Esser thinks that June 15 to July 10 is the most ideal season to plant guar. "It is a warm weather crop and any cool weather appears to delay or hamper its growth just as much as cool weather affects cotton," he said.

Esser said dry weather in south Texas had reduced the 1955 yield in that area and that his company was depending upon this and areas northward for this year's bean crop.

Price this year is \$4.00 per hundred, clean basis, f.o.b. Kennedy, Texas. The net to local growers on combine run beans delivered to a General Mills buyer in Merkel will be approximately \$3.25 per hundred.

Acreage planted to guar in 1955 will likely exceed that of any previous year according to Soil Conservation Service employees of the Merkel office.

Soil improvement and cash income exceeding that of sorghums was given as the reason for increased acreage by numerous farmers.

Ernest Smith, who farms four miles northeast of Merkel, is typical of those planting for the first time. "I have wanted to plant guar for the past two years for soil building," he said recently, "and when my neighbors had a harvest to sell from guar last year when my maize didn't make, my mind was made up." Smith has twenty acres that is up to a good stand.

S. M. Casady has a good story on guar. He is a Middle Clear Fork Soil Conservation District cooperator along with J. B. Wade on whose farm he grew 60 acres of guar last year. He reported a fair harvest of guar and practically

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CITY WELCOMES WATER SUPPLY

Merkel celebrates its new water supply Thursday.

What happened Thursday when 75,000 flying saucers beamed down from the airplane caught everyone unawares and saucers fell all over the place.

Onis Crawford, chamber of commerce manager, said the first flying saucer brought to his office after 8 a.m. would receive a \$50 award, and others which are brought to Merkel during the day will be worth so much in trade at various stores.

There will be a beauty parade at 2 p.m. with 23 contestants. Guests at a barbecue at 5 p.m. at

the football field will use their ticket stubs to vote on the girl who will be crowned water festival queen. The Rev. Sam Tullock of Merkel will give the welcoming address and a reply will be given by Mayor C. E. Gatlin of Abilene.

Then at 7:30 p.m. there will be an amateur contest, climaxed by the crowning of the festival queen.

Mayor Fred Starbuck of Merkel said these ceremonies would herald the completion of a \$140,000 water line from Pioneer Dr. in Abilene along Highway U. S. 80 to Merkel. Citizens here voted the line bonds last summer, part in revenue bonds and the rest in tax bonds.

Mayor at that time was Henry West. Members of the council were R. O. Anderson, Paul Honeycutt, Griff Barnett, Norman Hodges and Starbuck.

Present officials include Mayor Starbuck, and councilmen Clyde Eager, Earl Hughes, Odie Griffin, Ben Robert Hicks and Joe Cybert.

Merkel's Chamber of Commerce, headed by David Gamble, is sponsoring the festival.

Mayor Starbuck says: Abilene's pumps on the Clear Fork could pump seven hours enough water for a year. Merkel buys water at the same rate as Abilene consumers, but uses a larger volume to get a cheaper rate per 1,000 gallons than most consumers ever reach.

Three of Merkel's 15 wells will be turned over to the local fire department to supply water for practice drills. Two of the city's best wells will be kept on a standby basis, Starbuck said, in case of emergencies. The rest will be abandoned.

Merkel hauled water from Abilene, until the rains this month, at the rate of 45,000 gallons per day in railroad tank cars. Cost of water jumped from \$2.50 for the first 3,000 gallons to \$2.50 per each 1,000 gallons over that. At times water has been rationed, and sometimes nonexistent from May to October.

What's the future now? Mayor Starbuck says: "Citizens of Merkel are anticipating one of the greatest growths this community has ever seen. For the first time in history we have an adequate water supply. With the contemplated improvement on U. S. 80 and the expected additional housing units to be built, we feel like we will be able to offer ideal community life to anyone anticipating a move. Our schools are of the finest available, our churches are awake to the needs of the community and it all adds up to good civic development."

Starbuck, like Gamble, is frank about anticipating large numbers of Abilene Air Force Base personnel to live in the city of Merkel and work either at the air base or in Abilene.

Our future lies with developing Merkel as a suburban residential area Gamble said.

New improvements to the school system will give the high school new science rooms and a new gymnasium.

Already there are plans to open up a new subdivision on the southwest of Merkel. Herman Carson, grocer, is president of the Merkel Development Corp. The Federal Housing Authority and the Veterans Administration have given approval of a three and one half million dollar commitment on the project, and others want to buy the paper on the project, Carson says.

Tommy Odum is vice president, and Horace Boney is secretary-treasurer. Other members of the housing company include Bob Hicks, Nolan Palmer, Mayor Starbuck, and Clyde Bartlett of Merkel, and a Dallas man.

Carson said construction should begin about the middle of July. Houses will be built in groups of five, and be in the price range of \$7,500-\$11,000.

Wilks Recovering From Operation

James Lewis Wilks, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Wilks, of Trent, has been brought home from Baylor hospital in Dallas where he underwent a serious heart operation about three weeks ago.

Relatives reported this week he is able to be up and around, and doctors said the operation was completely successful, enabling 100 times more blood to be pumped into his veins. The operation was for a pinched artery, which prevented a normal amount of blood to enter the system.

Jimmy Hargrove was given a big party to celebrate his 14th birthday.



WAITING FOR THE WATER — Three men who have had much to do with the water project in Merkel are Mayor Fred Starbuck (left), R. O. Anderson, former councilman, and former Mayor Henry West. These men have devoted much time and effort to bring an adequate supply of water to Merkel.

NEWS

County Home
Demonstration Agent
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BALANCE BUDGET AND DIET WITH MILK

By LORETA ALLEN

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HODGES

Mrs. NORMAN SLOAN
Correspondent

L. McCaleb of Hodges is ill at this time in the Hendricks hospital at Abilene. He runs the McCaleb grocery store along with his wife, Ruby. We're hoping he is up and around real soon.

J. R. Lee is in a serious condition at Abilene.

Bobby Walker has been here visiting his parents, Mr and Mrs.

ories, of whole milk, but you will still be getting the important minerals, vitamins and protein.

When energy lags — in mid-morning or afternoon — try a cold glass of milk for a "lift that lasts."

Here is a recipe that you might like to try.

Pineapple Cream Cheese Pie

1-3 cup sugar
1 teaspoon cornstarch
1 9-oz. can crushed pineapple (not drained)
1 8-oz. package cream cheese
1-2 cup sugar.
1 teaspoon salt
2 eggs
1-2 cup milk
1-2 teaspoon vanilla
1 9-inch unbaked pastry shell
1-4 cup chopped pecans
Blend the 1-3 cup of sugar with the cornstarch and add the pineapple. Cook, stirring constantly, until the mixture is thick and clear. Cool.

Blend the cream cheese, softened at room temperature, with 1-2 cup of sugar and the salt. Add the eggs, one at a time, stirring well after each egg is added. Blend in the milk and vanilla.

Spread the cooled pineapple mixture over the bottom of the unbaked pastry shell. Pour in the cream cheese mixture and sprinkle with the chopped pecans. Bake in a moderately hot oven, 400 degrees for 10 minutes, then reduce the heat to a very moderate oven, 250 degrees, and bake for an additional 50 minutes. Cool before serving.

Stanley Walker. He is in the air corps and is stationed in Nevada.

Those from this community attending the Vantreese Reunion in the L. V. Vantreese home in Abilene were Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Cox, Jimmy and Lona; Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Vantreese and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Vantreese.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Spratling from Galveston have been visiting in the home of her sister, Mrs. Norman Sloan. While here they had a reunion at the Community center at Neinda. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Martin and Sherrie of Merkel; Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sloan and Derrell of Hodges, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Scott, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Stamford, Zane and Sandra, Mr. and Mrs. John Scarborough, Phyllis and Debbie, Mr. and Mrs. Don Gregory and Terry, and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Gregory, all of Hamlin.

Mr. and Mrs. V. S. Akens of Friona have been here visiting relatives.

Visiting in the T. W. Vantreese home are their daughters, and families, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Walsh, Gerald, Doris, Buddy and Billy, of Rogers, Ark., and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Mundy, and Lynn, of San Antonio.

Mr. Ed Vantreese of this community was a guest at the Democratic luncheon held at Big Spring recently in honor of the National Chairman, Paul Butler.

Visiting the R. W. Reynolds last week were Marilyn, Ronnie and Ala Ware of Netherlands.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Lyles of Artesia, New Mexico, spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cooley.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Emmerson, of Enid, Okla., and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jackson visited the Charlie Keenes one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cook went to Snyder over the weekend to visit their daughter, and family, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Austin. They

Social Security



QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Question: What changes were recently made in the Social Security law?

Answer: The 1954 Amendments to the Social Security Law extended and improved the Old-Age and Survivors Insurance program. These amendments to the law extended protection to about ten million additional workers and their families and provided for increased benefit payments for present and future beneficiaries. Brought in the system for the first time in 1955 are self-employed architects, funeral directors, engineers, farmers, and accountants. The changes raised the earnings base to \$4200 and made an important revision in the retirement test. The new law preserves the benefit rights for the totally disabled and gives the insured worker the right to have up to five years of low or no income disregarded in determining his average monthly wage for social security benefit purposes. There were other important changes in the program and these will be discussed in a later article. For further information contact: Social Security Admin. 766 Cedar Street, Abilene, Texas.

surprised Mrs. Austin with a birthday party while there. Mrs. Ed Vantreese is on the sick list.

Mrs. O. F. Cook had the pleasure of having her daughter Margaret Cathran and son visit her the past week. They are from Midland.

PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. Irie Davis and Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Davis and baby Eddie Mack of Abilene visited in the home of Bessie McClung over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Reynolds of Wichita Falls are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Peterson.



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Mr. and Mrs. Comer Haynes, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. McDonald, Mrs. Nellie Teaff, and Mrs. T. G. Bragg spent the weekend at the Haynes' cabin in Ruidoso, New Mexico.

Mr. Harry Freedman of Lockhart, Texas, is visiting his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Max Mellinger and sons this week.

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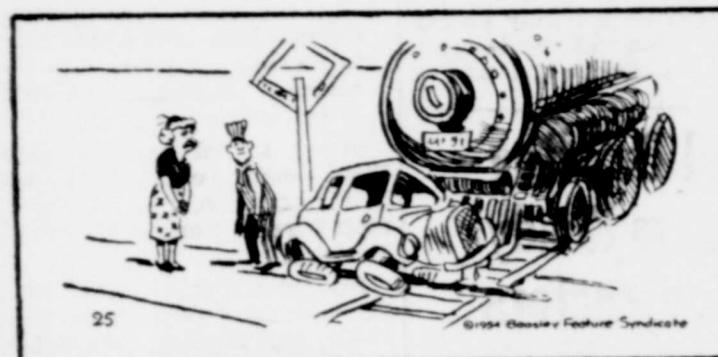
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THE STATE OF TEXAS
 To any Sheriff or any Constable within the State of Texas —
GREETING:

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.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
 THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: J. S. Stephenson and wife, L. B. Stephenson; E. L. Doty and wife, F. B. Doty; J. A. Traylor and wife, Sarah J. Traylor; and H. L. Houghton and wife, if married, whose name is unknown; E. Helli-son and wife, if married, whose name is unknown; and Annie Houghton, a feme sole; if living, whose places of residence are un- known to Plaintiffs, and if dead,

the legal representatives of each of said named Defendants, and the unknown heirs of each of said named Defendants; the legal representatives of the unknown heirs of each of said named Defendants, if the unknown heirs of said named Defendants are dead; the unknown heirs of said named Defendants, if the unknown heirs of the un- known heirs of said named de- fendants are dead; whose places of residence are unknown to Plaintiffs; defendants, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court, 42nd Judicial District 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 18th day of July A. D. 1955 to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 1st day of

June A.D.1955, in this cause, num- bered 20,450-A on the docket of said court and styled O. H. Davis and wife Berniece Davis, Plain- tiffs, J. S. Stephenson and wife L. B. Stephenson; E. L. Doty and wife, F. B. Doty; J. A. Traylor and wife, Sarah J. Traylor; and H. L. Houghton and wife, if married, whose name is unknown; E. Helli-son and wife, if married, whose name is unknown; and Annie Houghton, a feme sole; if living, whose places of residence are unknown to Plaintiffs, and if dead, the legal representatives of each of said named Defendants, and the unknown heirs of each of said named Defendants; the legal representatives of the unknown heirs of each of said named Defendants, if the unknown heirs of said named Defendants are dead; whose places of residence are unknown to Plaintiffs; defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Suit in trespass to try title to es- tablish the ownership for the fol- lowing described property situated in Taylor County, Texas;

Lots Nos. Five (5), Six (6) and Seven (7), in Block "A", J. S. Stephenson Addition to the Town of Merkel, Taylor County, Texas 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 return- ed 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 di- rects.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this 1st day of June A.D. 1955.

Attest: R. H. Ross, Clerk
 42nd District Court,
 Taylor County, Texas
 By Christine Bower, Deputy.

LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING AND ADOPTION OF SCHOOL BUDGET FOR SCHOOL TERM OF 1955-56

In obedience to an order of the Board of Equalization, regularly convened and sitting, notice is hereby given that said Board of Equalization will be in session at its regular meeting place in the Merkel High School building in the town of Merkel, Taylor County, Texas, at 9:00 o'clock A.M., on Thursday, the 14th day of July, 1955, for the purpose of determin- ing, taxing and equalizing the value of any and all taxable property situated in the Merkel Independ- ent School district, Taylor and Jones Counties, Texas, for taxable purpose for the year 1955, and any and all persons interested or hav- ing business with said Board are hereby notified to be present at said meeting called for equaliza- tion purposes and for the adop- tion of school budget.

By Order of the Board of Equal- ization

CLYDE BARTLETT
 Chairman of the Board
 and
 RAY WILSON
 Secretary Merkel School Board
 Merkel Independent School Dis- trict Taylor and Jones Counties, Texas,
 18th day of June, A.D. 1955.

THE STATE OF TEXAS
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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 re- turn day thereof, in a newspaper printed in Taylor County, Texas, the accompanying citation, of which the herein below following is a true copy.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
 THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: Abel Cavoza, Defendant, Greeting:
YOU ARE HEREBY COM-

MANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by fil- ing a written answer on or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Mon- day next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 8th day of August A.D. 1955, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 2nd day of June A.D. 1955, in this cause, numbered 20,585-A on the docket of said court and styled Katie Cavoza, Plaintiff, vs. Abel Cavoza, Defend- ant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were mar- ried April 7, 1952, and separated September 12, 1952. One child was born to this union, no property rights have accumulated as result of said marriage.

Plaintiff sues for permanent care and custody of the child, and 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 ac- cording to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law di- rects.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this 18th day of June A.D. 1955.

Attest: R. H. Ross Clerk,
 42nd District Court Tay- lor County, Texas By
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Van Heflin Wants To Keep In Touch With People

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If you should decide to take a trip this summer from Savannah, Georgia on the East Coast, to San Diego, California, on the West Coast one-third of your trip would be in Texas. Entering the state at Shreveport, U. S. 80, the most direct coast-to-coast route runs for 2,244 miles across Texas to El Paso.

The entire length of U. S. 80 has been declared an Interstate Route and is scheduled for ultimate development to expressway standards. The State Highway Commission today initiated advance planning on four sections of the route in Kaufman, Eastland, Callahan, and Taylor counties which will eventually mean the highway will be a four-lane facility with controlled access. The Commission has estimated that construction costs on these four pro-

jects alone will total approximately \$16½ million.

In Kaufman County, from the western edge of Forney to the Van Zandt County line the Commission has previously declared its intention to develop this section by stages to the ultimate standards of an expressway. The county is now in the process of securing a 300-foot right of way for the route on the section between Forney and Brushy Creek, and officials of Kaufman County have requested that the authority be extended to cover the balance of U. S. 80 from west of Terrell to the Van Zandt County line.

The rapid development of this area and the present future traffic volumes indicate the need for advance planning on this entire section. E. H. Thornton J. R., Chairman of the Highway Commission said, in order that right of way may be obtained economically for the construction of a four-lane facility as soon as funds become available.

In its action today the Commission extended the advance plan-

ning to include all of U. S. 80 from Forney to the Van Zandt County line, a distance of 22 miles. Location surveys and to furnish the county and officials of Terrell deeds for a minimum 300-foot right of way on a location approved by the State Highway Engineer. This action is contingent on the City of Terrell declaring the section of highway within its city limits a freeway and executing the Department's standard forms for construction and maintenance of highway projects inside incorporated cities and towns, the Commission said. This action will not affect any improvements now programmed or under way, and funds will be allocated from future programs for this construction.

The Commission also set up the sequence of work to be carried out when funds are available: first, from the junction with the Business Route east of Forney to Brushy Creek; second, from Brushy Creek to T&P Railroad underpass east of Terrell; and third, from the T&P underpass east of Terrell to the Van Zandt County line.

In Eastland County the Commission authorized the State Highway Engineer to proceed with location surveys and to furnish the county with deeds for a minimum 300-foot right of way from approximately 8 miles east of Ranger to the Erath County line, a distance of approximately 4.5 miles, for the ultimate construction of a minimum four-lane facility with controlled access. In Eastland County, U. S. 80 is four-laned between Cisco and Ranger at several locations at the present time, and today's Commission action authorizes advance planning on this section so that construction may get under way as soon as funds become available.

Moving on west along U. S. 80 the Commission took action on a request by the County Commissioners Court of Callahan County that they be furnished right-of-way requirements so that additional right of way required for the route might be protected from future encroachments. The State Highway Engineer was again directed to proceed with field surveys and to furnish deeds for a minimum 300-foot right of way with an absolute minimum established at 200 feet.

In neighboring Taylor County, previous Commission action has established a proposed plan of development west of Abilene and improvements are now under way or in the planning stage for early construction, Thornton stated.

Local officials and the Highway Department are anxious to proceed with the development through Abilene as soon as funds are available, he stated, but it is realized that the cost and property damage involved in acquiring sufficient right of way along the present route will be prohibitive. A relocation of the route is required, with the present road being retained on the State Highway System as a Business Route. Surveys and the furnishing of deeds are authorized in today's Commission action, on a location approved by the State Highway Engineer from the present road at Tye east through Abilene to the present road at or near the Callahan County line, a distance of approximately 14 miles, subject to the same municipal agreements for Abilene as those proposed to Terrell.

Action in these four counties is taken at this time to protect or acquire right of way, Thornton stated, and it is the earnest hope of the Commission that funds for the actual construction work can be allocated from future work programs in the near future.

Outlaws Fight It Out With Sheriffs In "Silver Star"

Three outlaws and two sheriffs tangle in a running gun battle that provides a breathtaking climax to the thrill-packed story of "The Silver Star", Lippert Pictures presentation coming Friday and Saturday to the Queen Theatre.

Edgar Buchanan plays a retired peace officer, Earle Lyon a newly-elected young sheriff, and Richard Bartlett a desperado, all three taking part in the gun duel. Other leads are played by Marie Windsor, Lon Chaney and Barton MacLane.

Over Inch of Rain Falls During Week

Merkel continued to get its share of rain during the past week with 1.20 falling last weekend, and then another .20 fell Monday.

Some areas got more, others less, and around Noodle it was reported that about 3.00 inches fell.

Booth Warren, president of the F. and M. Bank, said there are still many acres to be planted in this area, and most farmers have been busy a few weeks of clear weather is needed.



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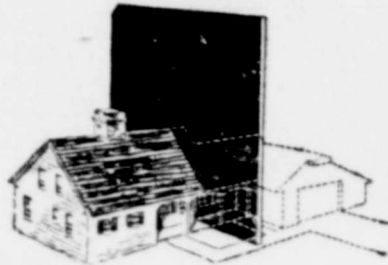
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Air Force considered highly important in these days of stress.

Flight sequences and the huge planes themselves are indeed impressive in the wide-screen presentation as presented in Vista-Vision. In addition to the planes, the cast turns in fine performances. James Stewart and June Allyson star in the picture along with Frank Lovejoy, and Barry Sullivan. You will find thrills galore as the "Strategic Air Command" sends its planes the world over.

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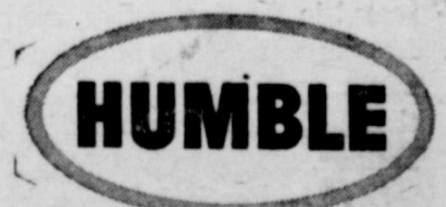
Enjoy the long Fourth of July weekend, and... PLEASE DRIVE SAFELY!

Safety Associations recommend that you follow these simple rules for a safe vacation trip:

- Observe all posted speed limits; don't hurry, ever.
- Regulate the speed of your car to highway and traffic conditions.
- Don't drive too long—stop when you're tired.
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Honor Roll

People who have subscribed to the Merkel Mail during the past week include: Cloy Lyles, Mrs. T. P. Stevens, Mrs. Ora E. Bradley, Abilene...

'Rally Day' Set By Live Oak Baptists

'Rally Day' has been set for Sunday, July 3, at the Live Oak Baptist Church, Rev. Dan Cozart, pastor, announced today.

FUTURE GAMES

Friday, July 1 (Postponed from Thursday due to Festival), Hodge and Palmer vs Starpats, Bankers vs Willies...

The Union Ridge Home Demonstration Club will meet in the home of Mrs. Lee Tipton, Friday morning July 1st. Club Pals will be revealed.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Castles had as their weekend guests their son Mr. and Mrs. Charles Conrad Castles of Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Mathews and Mrs. Claude Perry visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy H. Mathews in Abilene Sunday.

Mr. Bob McDonald accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Joe Nalley were in Snyder, Sunday afternoon to hear the Bel Canto Chorus.

Don Cranfill of Snyder and Buck Nelson of Abilene visited recently with their aunt and sister Mrs. John Oliver and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Truett Patterson and daughters Mary and Jane and son Mark are visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. Herburne Patterson. The Truett Pattersons live in Indianapolis, Indiana, where he is in testing and designing of jet motors for General Motors. They will be here for two weeks.

Dr. and Mrs. J. P. Howard have returned home from a visit with their son, M. M. Howard, of Fort Worth. Dr. Howard is recuperating from a recent illness, and is getting along better.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Riney spent the weekend in Odessa with their sisters, Mrs. Dewey Hutchins and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Parker. They visited their son Paul Riney and family near Midkiff. Mrs. Riney's niece and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Patt Evtitt of San Diego, Calif., returned home with them.

MRS. BOBBIE TOLIVER HONORED WITH SHOWER

Mrs. Bobbie Tolliver was honored with a gift tea Thursday evening in the home of Mrs. Joe Winter, 906 Oak Street.

Co-hostesses were Mrs. Clyde Eager, Mrs. Price Melton, Mrs. E. A. Watson, Mrs. Joe Nalley, Mrs. Hollis McCoy, Mrs. Q. W. Paine, Mrs. Ellen McReynolds, Mrs. Tye Sublett, Mrs. N. C. Bush, Mrs. Marshall Owens, Mrs. G. C. Gilbert, Mrs. W. B. Toombs, Mrs. Frank Breaux, Mrs. Jeff Chacy, Mrs. Eva Faye Denton, Mrs. Nora Foster, Mrs. George Woodrum, Mrs. A. B. Allen, Mrs. Lina Lansford, Mrs. Bob McDonald, Mrs. A. A. Reagan, Mrs. Otis Foster, Mrs. Bob Campbell, and Mrs. Bud Toombs.

Receiving with Mrs. Winter and Mrs. Tolliver were the bride's mother, Mrs. Edna Horton and the bride-groom's mother, Mrs. D. O. Tolliver, Sr.

The receiving rooms were decorated throughout in the bride's chosen colors of pink and white, with beautiful floral arrangements of carnations and snapdragons.

Miss Patricia Palmer served punch, assisted by Miss Betty Ray Chaney, at the tea table which featured a floral centerpiece of pink roses.

Miss Johnnie Tipton registered guests in the bride's book and the grandmother of the bride, Mrs. Hugh Campbell and Mrs. Sallie Moore directed guests to the gifts which were displayed by Miss Linda Sue McCann, Miss Conetta Bakby, and Mrs. Lawrence Hewitt.

Soft music was played throughout the hours of calling by Miss Hager. Readings were given by Mrs. Judd Reynolds and Miss Patty Melton, and solos by Miss Geneva Neill and Mrs. Lee Tucker.

UNDERWOOD-LONG VOWS READ IN AUSTIN, JUNE 18

Mrs. Josephine Underwood and George Long were united in marriage on Saturday, June 18, at 8 p.m. in the home of her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Morter, Austin.

Rev. James F. Stone, pastor of the Asbury Methodist Church of Austin, performed the double-ring ceremony before a picture window framed with floor vases of white gladioli, white daisies and palms.

Preceding the ceremony, Mrs. Bryan Crider, pianist, played several selections for the assembled guests. The candles were lighted by Harold Smith, nephew of the bride. James Collier sang 'O Promise Me' and 'Because.' The traditional wedding marches were used.

The bride wore a street-length dress of aqua, gray and white silk print. Her accessories were white and she carried a white Bible topped with a white orchid.

Mrs. Willis Morter, daughter of the bride, was the matron of honor. She wore a navy dress trimmed in white and a white gardenia corsage. Willis Morter served as best man.

Immediately following the ceremony, a reception was held. Mrs. Grady Colvin and Mrs. H. B. Mills, sisters of the groom, presided at the serving table which was covered with a lace tablecloth and centered with a grouping of white velvet and lace heirlooms and white wedding bells with streamers reading 'Jo - George, June 18.' The cake was topped with two white hearts.

Out-of-town guests were: two brothers of the bride and their wives, Mr. and Mrs. George Smith of Pasadena, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Mills, Moran; Mr. and Mrs. Grady Colvin, Brownwood; Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Morter, Plainview.

The bride is a teacher in the Plainview Schools, teaching third grade at Highland. The groom is a farmer in the Aiken community. After a short wedding trip, the couple will be at home in Plainview.

Mrs. Underwood will be remembered as Josie Smith. She was born and reared in Merkel, the daughter of the late F. J. Smith and sister of Frank E. Smith of Abilene.

CLARENCE GREGORY IS HOME FROM BOOTCAMP Clarence Gregory is home on leave. He has just completed 3 months of Naval bootcamp in San Diego, Calif. When his leave is up he will report to the Navy base in Kingsville, Texas for further duty.

MRS. LEROY RINEY BLUE BONNET HOSTESS The Blue Bonnet Club met Tuesday, June 21 with Mrs. Leroy Riney. Honor Roll was answered by each member telling about their favorite artist.

Mrs. Dewell McLean gave a council report. A move was made for the Club to meet at 2:30 p.m. instead of 2 o'clock during the summer months. Mrs. Leroy Riney and Mrs. Tom Russome were in charge of the wild flower arrangements. Some very pretty arrangements were made from the wild flowers that grow along the fence rows and borrow ditches. Such as Sun flowers, Wild Daisies, Poppies, Petunias, Larkspur, Bear Grass and Cactus bloom can be used.

The theme was to learn to use and fix something pretty with what you have at hand. Even the flower containers can be made from odds and ends, such as pretty shaped jars or bottles and tincans. Foil can be used to decorate the containers.

These Flower arrangements can be used on your coffee tables or dining tables or any place desired. A suggestion was made to learn names of more of our wild flowers. Refreshments were served to 4 members and 1 visitor and 6 children. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Frank Brnovack July 22.

STITH HD CLUB REVEALS PALS Miss Louise Hudson, president of the Stith Home Demonstration Club called the meeting to order for its regular meeting in the home of Mrs. Forrest Walker, Wednesday afternoon June 22.

One song was sung by the group; prayer was led by Mrs. J. C. Brown and two games directed. Roll call was answered with a fact about Jones County.

A very tasty dinner or supper menu was prepared completely in 30 minutes time by the agent Miss Waincott. This was served with cokes and cookies by the hostess.

Business consisted of the club voting to sponsor a girl from the community to compete for 'Water Queen' at Merkel June 30. The club is to set a day to meet and make pajamas for hospital patients.

Secret Pals were revealed and new names drawn. Next meeting will be July 13, at 2:30 at the home of Mrs. R. B. Robbins, thwapgyraerasediorH gbo

The nerve of the borrowers is exceeded at times only by the faith of the lenders.

BETTY FOSTER AND HAROLD SLOAN TO WED

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Foster announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Betty, to Harold Sloan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Troy Sloan, of Merkel.

The wedding will be an event of Saturday, July 30, at 6:30 p.m. in the Church of Christ.

Miss Foster is a graduate of Merkel high school and attended Gail Business College. She is employed by the Taylor Electric Co-operative, Inc.

Sloan is a farmer in the Merkel community, but at present is employed by the Dugger-Herring Drilling Co.

FOSTER-TARPLEY VOWS ARE EXCHANGED Miss Bobbye Ferne Foster daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Foster, and Billy Boyd Tarpley, son of Mrs. W. B. Tarpley, were united in marriage Friday, June 17.

The ceremony was read in Merkel at the home of Rev. George Epperson.

The couple is residing at 105 Ash Street, Merkel.

UNION RIDGE CLUB MEETS FRIDAY A.M. The Union Ridge Club will meet at 9 a.m. Friday in the home of Mrs. Lee Tipton at which time pals will be revealed.

ELDEN HICKS ELECTED PRESIDENT Elden Hicks was elected president of the Electrician Local Union No. 920. The election was held Tuesday night in Abilene.

Merkel Grocers gathered their second victory in the Double Mountain League last Friday by defeating Rotan, 11 to 6. Robert McCloud started for Merkel but was relieved in the second inning by Swiney who was credited with the win.

Valez was the losing pitcher for Rotan. The top Merkel hitter was Philip Pursley with two for five. Waggoner was tops for Rotan with two for four. Merkel collected 8 hits off the Rotan pitchers.

GROCERS BEAT HAMLIN 13 TO 8 Merkel Grocers defeated Hamlin in a free scoring game Tuesday night, 13 to 8. Jerry McWilliams was the winning pitcher for Merkel, while Adair of Hamlin was credited with the loss. Merkel has won three out of four games in the Double Mountain League. The Carson Grocers next game will be Friday night, July 1. The schedule for the Double Mountain League for the next week is as follows.

Friday, July 1st Merkel at Albany Rotan at Hamlin Saturday, July 2 Albany at Merkel Tuesday, July 5th Albany at Merkel Hamlin at Rotan Friday, July 8th Merkel at Hamlin Rotan at Albany

GUAR - Continued from Page 1 nothing from maize in 1954. He has planted 80 acres this year.

Norman Winter produced about 200 pounds of guar per acre on 80 acres in 1954, when his and his neighbor's milo and hegari failed to produce a harvest. He said recently that he could tell immediately when he plowed onto or off old guar land because of the improved soil condition and ease of plowing. He said recently that he was planting all his land except cotton acreage to guar, about 100 acres.

The Teaff brothers, Nim, Holland and Bill are again planting guar. This is the third year for them. Bill has 50 acres up and plowed out. Holland has 35 acres up and looking good. Nim is planting 40 acres on wheat stubble.

J. D. Sandusky has 30 acres of guar and sorghums planted mixed, which will be harvested, ground and fed to cattle in the feed lot. Justin Sandusky has 10 acres in guar and sorghums mixed to be harvested for feed.

Others who have planted guar are: Odie Moore, 26 acres; H. H. McLeod, 60 acres; Loyd Robertson, 20 acres; W. D. Ramsey, 30 acres; W. C. Newton; Lee Stanley; Horace Kelsa; and A. L. Byrd.

Middle Clear Ford Soil Conservation District supervisors and Merkel Soil Conservation Service personnel are encouraging district cooperators and others to plant guar as a part of their conservation program. Farmers' experience shows that guar opens up and improves soil condition, helps break up hardpan, increases water intake and moisture holding ability of the land, helps neutralize cotton root rot and increases yields of following crops. Several farmers have reported that land planted in guar does not blow near so readily as cotton or feed land.

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NOTICE MASONS Called meeting of Merkel lodge No. 710, A.F. & A.M. Saturday, July 2, at 8:00 p.m. All members are urged to attend. Visiting brethren cordially invited.

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FOR RENT - 5 room house, unfurnished. 106 Locust, See Dan Redenbach, Rt. 3 13-3tp

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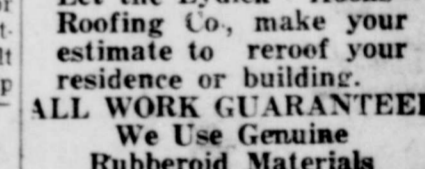
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A contract will be let Friday night, July 8, for the construction of a 5-room teacherage at Trent. Bid sheets may be received at Trent school building, or at either of the Merkel lumber yards. Bids should be mailed or handed to Wray B. Williams, Trent, Texas, by 8 o'clock Friday, July 8. The board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.



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Camera Roams City To Film Bank Thief

Producer Lindsley Parsons and director Harold Schuster used Lyndonwood police station, a bank, a large service and other city locations in filming of "Loophole," starring the Pioneer Drive In.

The result is a fast-paced drama in which an innocent man, a former bank teller, sets out to prove he is innocent of a \$50,000 theft from his bank and locate the thief.

Innocent suspect is played by Barry Sullivan. Drawn into the tragedy is Dorothy Malone as his loyal wife.

After Sullivan loses his bank job when his bonding company cancels coverage, he is hounded constantly by a detective employ-

ed by the bonding company, a man convinced that Sullivan had committed the robbery.

Eventually Sullivan proves his innocence, and causes the arrest of the man guilty of the crime.

Heroes of Air Rescue Lauded In Battle Taxi

Producers Ivan Tors and Art Arthur have turned the spotlight on the unsung heroes of the Air Rescue Service and the splendid work they did during the Korean war in a new film, "Battle Taxi," which is slated to open Friday at the Queen Theatre through United Artists release. Sterling Hayden stars in the film, with Arthur Franz and Marshall Thompson sharing top roles. Herbert L. Strock directed the screenplay by Marvin Wald and Art Arthur.

The film's authenticity was as-

sured by the complete cooperation of the Department of Defense. United States Air Force, Headquarters, Air Rescue Service and the 42nd Air Rescue Squadron. Through the story of Captain Russ Edwards, played by Sterling Hayden, and his endeavors to keep young, eager, hot-headed Lieutenant Pete Stacy (Arthur Franz) in line, we catch the thrilling, behind-the-scenes activities of the flak-defying "Pinwheel Pilots," better known as the K-59 Helicopter squadron.

convinced that the government officials were negligent in not warning those who handled this fertilizer of its explosive characteristics.

Relief for the Victims

Since 1947 the families of the deceased and the injured have been trying to collect damages. They went through the courts up to the United States Supreme Court and were turned down on a technicality in the lap of the Congress. Although it will never be possible to repay in money the suffering caused by the explosions, the government, having set this chain of events in motion, owes a duty to do all it can. Every effort will be made to get prompt action on this measure to help the widows and orphans and those who bear the scars of the effort of our country to help the unfortunates of the world.

Citizens of foreign nations injured in their person or property by reason of the acts of agents of our country are immediately compensated for their damages. The most recent example of this is the payment made to Japanese citizens injured as a result of the hydrogen bomb tests in the Marshall Islands on March 1, 1954. The United States on January 4, 1955, paid \$2,000,000 in damages to the Japanese government for the persons who suffered injuries as well as for the fishing interests which suffered damage as a result of many tons of fish proclaimed unfit for consumption because of radioactive content. We can do no less for our own people.

Central Texas Military Affairs Committee

Roy Smith of Killeen and fourteen other members of the Central Texas Military Affairs Committee were in Washington last week to discuss with the Secretary of the Army methods for the payment of damages to owners of land used in connection with maneuvers held at Fort Hood. Sometime ago Operation Longhorn, one of the largest maneuvers ever held, was conducted at Fort Hood and the surrounding territory. Many of the farmers in the area suffered dam-

ages to their land as a result of this activity and payment of damages was very involved and took too much time. At present representatives of the landowners in the area are trying to work out a way which will make it easier to permit the Defense Department to use this valuable Texas land for conducting the most important practice warfare which is necessary for the training program.

Texas Promoted in Justice Department

David B. Irons of Austin, formerly of Fort Worth, was recently elevated to the position of top assistant to Warren Olney III, chief of the Criminal Division of the Department of Justice. Irons was my administrative assistant when I was Attorney General of Texas. Previous to his recent promotion he served as head of the Subversive Organization section which brought to trial actions against Communist front organizations before the Subversive Activities Control Board. During World War II Dave Irons and I served together in the Army. He was my top sergeant. After being elected Attorney General, I asked him to come to Austin to serve as my administrative assistant. After six years there, he came to Washington to head up the investigation of Communists and Communist front organizations. He has done such a good job in that capacity that in recognition of his fine work he was promoted to his present position.

Irons, his wife Kay, and 10-month-old daughter Karen Anne live just across the District line in Maryland. He is an excellent addition to the Texans serving their government in responsible positions here in Washington and will do a good job in the important place he now occupies.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Haynes and son of Albuquerque, N. Mexico, were guests in the home of her parents Dr. and Mrs. W. T. Sadler, over the weekend. Young Bill remained with his grandparents, while the Haynes' vacation in California.

McCONNELLS' RETURN HOME FROM VACATION

Mr. and Mrs. G. D. McConnell, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dunning of Ft. Worth, have returned from a two weeks' vacation in Colorado. Their trip included Estes Park, the silver and lead mines in Leadville, Central City, University of Colorado at Boulder, and the School of Mines in Golden.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Davenport and son Freddy of Dallas were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hensley, and Johnnie, and Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Dye, over the weekend.

Dr. and Mrs. W. Frank Armstrong, their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Henry Berryman and daughter, Courtney of Fort Worth, were guests of Dr. Armstrong's mother, Mrs. Marvin Armstrong, and his sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Cox. Berryman will enter University of Texas Medical school at Galveston this fall.

Mrs. Jackie Pyle and children, Rebecca and Larry, have returned to Long Beach, Calif., after a two weeks' visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Melton, Rt. 4.



By PRICE DANIEL, U. S. Senator

The Texas City disaster of 1947 is being related and relived before the Judiciary Committees of the Congress as they consider legislation to compensate the families of 570 persons who were killed and the 3500 who suffered injuries. Senator Johnson and I and Congressman Clark Thompson of Galveston have introduced bills for this purpose. Our bills were passed by the House and Senate last year, but the two Houses did not agree upon the final form of legislation before Congress adjourned.

The United States Government has a responsibility in this matter because the ammonium nitrate fertilizer which exploded in Texas City harbor was manufactured and shipped according to government specifications and under the supervision of our government as part of our foreign aid program. This particular fertilizer was destined for France. Both the House and Senate committees last year were

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Ray Browning of Houston is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Fulton this week.

Kay Lynn Perry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Perry, accompanied her sister and family, the Booth Russoms of Odessa, on a vacation trip to Benita Dam, Ruidoso, White Sands, New Mexico, Juarez, Mexico, and El Paso, Texas.

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