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This weather is making it hot for everybody.

But Buster King, of the Hodges community, made it plenty hot for a big rattler last week, according to Mrs. Norman Sloan, our correspondent in that area. King killed the rattlesnake close to his home, and as Mrs. Sloan says, "having a visitor like that is worse than relatives coming to see you".

Rain is in sight, says an old-timer, but that depends on how far you can see.

Onis Crawford says there still are a lot of people who want to come to Merkel to live, but suitable housing is still hard to find. Look at the want ads.

Trobe Vaughn, who at 82, claims he is an old-timer, writes his thoughts on the water situation from South Gate, Calif.

Here's his letter:
Editor Merkel Mail:

I want to congratulate the town Dads, and all the people of Merkel for your happy solution of the water situation.

The present arrangement promises to ease the stress for many years and give the town a chance to grow again and regain its place on the map.

The water problem has not always been bad there. In fact Merkel's GOOD water was one of the main factors in helping to build the town.

Our first water was supplied by the railroad via water tank cars or a convenient locomotive, which filled our water barrels, first on the depot platform and later sunk in the ground by the side of the track.

One day we children, direct from Pennsylvania, were exploring the surrounding prairies of our new found fairland. We ran across an abandoned sheep-coral about a mile north of the depot. There was an old shallow well, about 12 feet deep with wonderful water. As it was spring we soon had a small garden growing there. We watered it from the well.

(Ask Sam Butman Sr. he'll probably remember killing our first rattlesnake there in the garden.) This well proved Father's contention that there were prairie-dogs (and there were millions of them all around the depot) there was water so we were soon at work on a well of our own on the lots just south of the depot and found abundant wonderful water at depth of 22 feet.

Here we built our home, a story and a half house that still stands and is known as the Widow Ash place. When in Merkel 2 1-2 years ago I had the pleasure of visiting the old place and showing my new wife the place I had spent my childhood days.

The town grew and soon became a town of windmills.

As the prairie-dogs were killed off, the rainwater, which had found its way down to the sub-strata through dog-holes, ran off and was lost to Merkel. I say this advisedly because as a lad I had seen water, left by the rains, running full stream down a dog-hole, to three weeks at a time following heavy rains.

This was at the same time, a blessing of a curse because of the poor sanitation habits of the pioneers. Our wonderful was polluted and soon became a carrier of typhus which claimed the lives of many of our citizens. In time, because of lack of canals (the dog-hole) to carry the water down, and drouths, the supply was exhausted and deeper wells had to be dug. Water was found at about 85 feet but it was impregnated with gypsum which made it a slight purgative and it had a peculiar sweetish taste which made it somewhat unpopular with many people.

Your present arrangement promises to remedy all of this therefore I again congratulate you all. Let's take a drink on it. A drink of good drinkable water.

Trobe.
H. Letrobe Vaughn,
3372 Sequoia Dr.,
So. Gate, Calif.

The real name of the S. S. Van Dine, famous mystery writer, is Willard Huntington Wright.

Phone Coop Manager Takes Over Duties

John Hardesty, recently employed by the Taylor Telephone Cooperative, Inc., as manager, will move to Merkel as soon as he can find a home.

Hardesty took over management of the cooperative recently, according to C. O. (Pat) Patterson, president.

Hardesty is from Abilene, having graduated from high school there. He attended Hardin-Simmons University, and graduated from Benjamin Franklin University, Washington, D. C.

He is married and has one son, Johnny.

The new TTC manager was one time employed as field accounting supervisor for the Farmers Home Administration with headquarters in Washington. For more than five years he was administrative assistant to Rep. Omar Burleson of the 17th Congressional District and until recently was employed as an auditor with the audit division of the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

The Taylor Telephone Co-op was established in 1950. Officers and directors are Patterson, Charlie T. Myatt, Nugent, vice president; Mondell Rogers, Sweetwater, secretary; Bascom Hartgraves, Maryneal, R. R. Petty, Nolan, W. C. Perkins, Mulberry Canyon, L. O. Huddleston, Hodges, Matt Ely, Tye, and Boles Fry, Tuscola, Directors.



JOHN HARDESTY

Three Attend Fire School at A. and M.

Three members of the Merkel Fire Department are in College Station this week attending the annual fireman's school at Texas A. and M. College.

They are Chief Waymon Adcock, C. E. Mewborn and W. D. Webber.

CEMETERY FUND

Below are those who recently donated to the Cemetery Maintenance Fund. Anyone wishing to contribute to this fund may leave contributions at the Farmers and Merchants National Bank. The donors are:

Levia Fugat, Abilene \$5.00
F. Y. Gather 5.00
W. S. J. Brown 25.00
Mrs. Bessie L. Johnson 5.00
Frank F. Porter 5.00
H. H. Toombs, Abilene 25.00

Hospital Notes

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

R. E. McClure, Aspermont, surgery.
Mrs. B. W. Merritt, Merkel, medical.
Mrs. Jerry Gardner, Abilene, surgery.

John Glenwinkle, Merkel, medical.
Mrs. W. P. Mashburn, Merkel, medical.

Mrs. J. S. Swann, Merkel, medical.
Howard Laney, Merkel, medical.
Mrs. Nellie Sandusky, Merkel, medical.

Benny Anderson, Noodle, medical.
Mrs. Mable Dorton, Merkel, medical.

Mrs. Oran Hodge, Merkel, medical.
Mrs. J. P. Sharp, Merkel, fractured hip.

Mrs. E. A. Turledge, Trent, fractured hip.
Kathy Halford, Merkel, medical.

SUMMER BARGAINS ARE HERE AS MERKEL HOLDS JULY DOLLAR DAY

Get set for those red hot summer bargains! The Merkel retail merchants are putting on one of the hottest Dollar Days in recent months next Tuesday when the July Dollar Day will be held.

It makes little difference what you are in the market for, you'll be able to find a real bargain in Merkel.

Merchants are clearing their stocks of much of the summer merchandise, right in the middle of summer with many, many more summer days ahead.

It isn't often you can find such bargains long before summer is over, but if you come to Merkel next Tuesday, you'll find every store loaded with bargains.

"A check of the merchants indicates that the best buys in months are offered," Onis Crawford, manager of the chamber of commerce, said.

Look through the columns of the Merkel Mail today, and you'll find many, many bargains . . . it may be a new car . . . or it may be a summer shirt . . . whatever it is you can get it in Merkel.



CAMERAMAN AT WATER FESTIVAL — These pictures were snapped by the Merkel Mail cameraman at the recent water festival. Beginning at top left, Bob McDonald, the barber shouts for more people to vote in the queen contest; Mr. and Mrs. Grover Gilbert, Carol Walton and Howard Carson getting their fill of groceries; F. C. McCue, the druggist, gets the winning flying saucer with his drug firm's name from Coleman Ince and Sons, Anson, who won the \$50 prize for bringing in the first saucer to the Chamber of Commerce;

Mayor C. E. Gatlin, Abilene, and Mayor Fred Starbuck arrive at the barbecue; Mrs. Horton turns after giving Lester Dorton her ticket; Horace Boney and George Rowland chat; Onis Crawford smiles as he and Herman Carson talk things over, with Isadore Mellinger and Bill Fox in the background; Two well-groomed ministers, Sam Tullock, and Coy Lyles, come in to participate on the program; Nolan Palmer and Mrs. Palmer stop for a brief chat.

MERKEL DEVELOPMENT CO. BUYS MORE LAND; 5 HOUSES TO START

The Merkel Development Co. has purchased a tract of 12 lots, comprising six 70-foot lots and 4 75-foot lots, including two corner lots, Carson said.

"We have approval to begin five homes in the \$10,000 class," Carson stated. They will be approved by the F.H.A.

Several weeks ago the Merkel Development Co. acquired 43 acres of land in the southwest part of the city, just outside the city limits.

This land was known as the Watson tracts and the Reed Collinsworth land. Carson said it will be about three weeks before streets will be built in this area, and then it will be annexed to the city of Merkel.

It has already been surveyed for elevation and plotted.

Carson said construction of houses in this area will begin as soon as all of the details are worked out. This should be within the next month.

Mrs. Laura Payne Dies in Abilene

Funeral for Mrs. Laura Payne, 78, Merkel resident who died Tuesday afternoon at Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene were to be held at 2:30 p.m. Thursday in the Baird First Baptist Church.

The Rev. Sam Tullock, pastor of the Merkel Baptist Church will officiate. Burial will be in Ross Cemetery in Baird.

Mrs. Payne was taken to the hospital Saturday from her home in Merkel, and suffered a heart attack Tuesday. She had lived in Merkel for six years, having moved there from Baird.

She was born on May 2, 1887 near Gatesville. She was first married to J. D. Rhoads, and in 1905 married W. E. Payne of Dublin.

Mrs. Payne was a member of the Baptist Church.

Survivors include three sons, W. P. and Frank Payne of Baird, and K. D. Rhoads of Plains; two daughters, Mrs. Charles Sylvester of Merkel and Mrs. Clint Spruill of Dublin; 17 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren; two sisters and one brother.

F. C. Jenkins, 53, Dies Suddenly

Funeral services were scheduled for 10 a.m. Thursday for Fred Charles Jenkins, 53, long-time Merkel resident, who died about 10 p.m. Tuesday at his home of a heart attack.

Jenkins was well known in Merkel, having operated a recreation parlor for several years.

Services will be in Starbuck chapel. Burial will be in Merkel Cemetery.

Mr. Jenkins was born Sept. 6, 1901, in the Dora community in Nolan County. He had lived in or near Merkel the majority of his life.

Survivors include his wife, a son, Jimmy Ray, 16, of Merkel; and a daughter, Mrs. L. E. Green of Lubbock.

Rural Carriers Elect Merkel Man

Three delegates to the state convention in Ft. Worth July 11-14 were elected at the annual social meeting of the Taylor-Callahan Rural Mail Carriers Ass'n held in Abilene last week.

Joe Nally of Merkel, Clark Tabor of Clyde and Buford Knight of Abilene were elected delegates. Alternates are P. L. Poole of Clyde and F. M. Simpson of Merkel. The dinner meeting was held at Mack Epley's Cafeteria dining room.

Next meeting will be at Merkel in the fall, when new officers will be elected.

House Burns On TNG Location

A house on the Texas Natural Gas Corporation location 9 miles north of Merkel was destroyed by fire about 9:20 Tuesday night, and Johnny Glenwinkle, who lived in the home was taken to the Sadler hospital for emergency treatment.

The Merkel Fire Department answered a call to the house, and poured 1,500 gallons of water on the house, but it was too late.

Glenwinkle, who was working at the plant, went to his home, and when he opened the door he noticed the fire. Workers at the plant helped with fire extinguishers, and Glenwinkle was overcome with smoke and suffered burns on both arms. He was released after treatment.

Origin of the fire was not known. Mrs. Glenwinkle had gone to Tye to visit her relatives, and was not home when the fire broke out.

Only one bedroom was left standing. None of the furniture was saved.

Crossword Contest In Merkel Mail

Like Crossword contests? Then you can enter one in the Merkel Mail this week.

Mac's City Drug is sponsoring a contest along with The Mail in which \$2.50 in merchandise is offered for the first person filling out the puzzle correctly.

If no one finds the solution, another \$2.50 will be added next week.

Turn to the inside pages and enter the contest today.

Hodge-Palmer Club Leading Little League

As the kid league stepped into the latter part of its season, the Hodge-Palmer club still leads the league with 10 victories against 4 losses.

Their nearest opponent is Starpats with 8 victories and 6 losses.

Last Tuesday night, the Willies defeated the Bankers 6-3 with B. Higgins hurling the victory. The Starpats jumped on the Hodge-Palmer club for a 3-2 victory with P. Lucas getting the pitching victory.

Last Saturday night, Hodge-Palmer went on a batting spree with an 11-3 victory over the Starpats, with Swinney winning pitcher.

In another Saturday night game, the Willies lambasted the Bankers, 13-0, behind the shutout hurling of C. Higgins.

This game also completed a tie ball game halted on June 21, with the score 8 to 8. A sudden death playoff with the team on top at the end of any full inning decided the game. The final on the tie playoff is 9 to 8 in favor of the Willies.

Here are the current standings:

	W	L	Pct.
Hodge-Palmer	10	4	.714
Starpats	8	6	.572
Willies	7	7	.500
Bankers	3	11	.215

Recent Results
July 12

	R	H	E
Willies	6	7	1
Bankers	3	6	2
B. Higgins and Duran; M. Mansfield and Heatley.			
Hodge-Palmer	2	7	4
Starpats	3	2	2
Barnes and Dorton; P. Lucas and Scott.			

July 9

Hodge-Palmer	11	11	3
Starpats	3	8	4
Swinney and Dorton; Hernandez and Scott.			
Bankers	0	4	2
Willies	13	9	0
Seymore and Heatley; C. Higgins and Duran.			

July 7

Starpats	12	15	0
Bankers	3	4	0
Hernandez and Scott; Dudley (loser) Burden and Higgins and Heatley.			
Willies	4	6	2
Hodge-Palmer	0	7	1
Dgan, B. Higgins, and Duran; Harris and Dorton.			

July 5

Bankers	3	4	1
Hodge-Palmer	11	12	2
Mansfield and Heatley; Barnes and Dorton.			
Willies	7	9	3
Starpats	8	7	1
B. Higgins, (loser) Doan and Duran; Wilksy and Scott.			

July 2

Willies	14	13	3
Hodge-Palmer	15	17	1
C. Higgins and Duran; Swinney and Dorton.			
Starpats	3	5	3
Bankers	9	11	0
L. Lucas and Scott; Seymore and Heatley.			

July 1

Hodge-Palmer	16	3	5
Starpats	5	2	6
Harris and Dorton; P. Lucas and Scott.			
Willies	7	3	2
Bankers	4	7	5
B. Higgins and Duran; Dudley and Heatley.			

Honor Roll

People who have subscribed to the Merkel Mail during the past week include:

Mrs. W. W. Haynes
C. A. Farley
Clyde Moore, Seymour, Tex.
Willard R. Brown
C. J. Wisenbunt, Ballinger, Tex.
Donald Latimer
G. W. Smith, Houston, Texas
Joe C. Holmes, Tuscon, Ariz.
Mack Fisher
H. H. Hobbs, Rogers, Ark.
J. H. Fulton, Lovington, N. Mex.

C. O. Munday, San Antonio, Tex.
Mrs. John Eakin
Mrs. Ruby Jinkens, Abilene
W. C. Perkins
Roy Greene
Mrs. J. P. Swafford, Sweetwater
F&M National Bank, Merkel
Dr. James H. Chaney
Merkel Telephone Co.

Mrs. Kate Taylor, of Monahans, Texas, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Mable Dorton, mother of Lester Dorton, who is ill in Sadler hospital.

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Mrs. Bessie Johnson, Mrs. Lu Petty and Miss Lottie Butman went to Dallas July 2nd to visit friends. Mrs. Johnson visited her son R. B. Johnson. Mrs. Perry visited Mrs. Reidy and Miss Butman visited Mrs. Annie Collins Groford formerly of Merkel. They saw the wonderful show "Cinarama Holiday" and returned home Wednesday.

Allen D. King Jr. of Nubia, will go to Lubbock July 17, where he will enroll at Texas Tech for the next 6 weeks.

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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: Troy Taylor, if deceased, the heirs and unknown heirs, devisees, assignees, and legal representatives of Troy Taylor; and unknown owners, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable County Commissioners

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Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by personal appearance at or before 10 A.M. August 22, 1955, next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of issuance of this citation, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 27th day of June A.D. 1955, in this cause, styled The State of Texas, Plaintiff, vs. Troy Taylor, if deceased, the heirs and unknown heirs, devisees, assignees, and legal representatives of Troy Taylor; and unknown owners Defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Condemnation proceedings for right-of-way road purposes in Highway F.M. 1899, and being 0.048 acre of land out of Tract No. 5, of the D. S. Dodson Subdivision of Block No. 28, League No. 121, Guadalupe County School Lands in 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 returned unserved.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 6 day of July A. D. 1955.

Attest: Mrs. Chester Hutcheson, Clerk, Commissioners Court, Taylor County, Texas.
By Maxine Hobbs, Deputy.

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: Mattie A. Fain and J. S. Edwards, and if deceased, the heirs and unknown heirs, devisees, assignees, and legal representatives of Mattie A. Fain and J. S. Edwards; and unknown owners, Defendants, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable County Commissioners Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by personal appearance at or before 10 o'clock A.M. August 22, 1955, after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 27th day of June A.D. 1955, in this cause, and styled The State of Texas, Plaintiff, vs. Mattie A. Fain and J. S. Edwards, and if deceased, the heirs and unknown heirs, devisees, assignees, and legal representatives of Mattie A. Fain and J. S. Edwards; and unknown owners, Defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Condemnation proceedings for right-of-way road purposes in Highway F.M. 1899, and being 0.310 acre of land out of Block No. 19, View, 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 returned unserved.

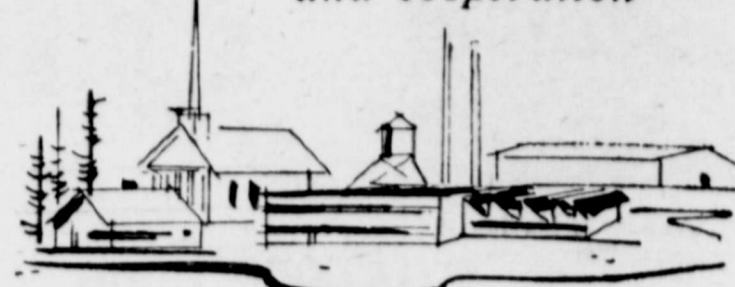
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Attest: Mrs. Chester Hutcheson, Clerk, Commissioners Court, Taylor County, Texas.
By Maxine Hobbs, Deputy.

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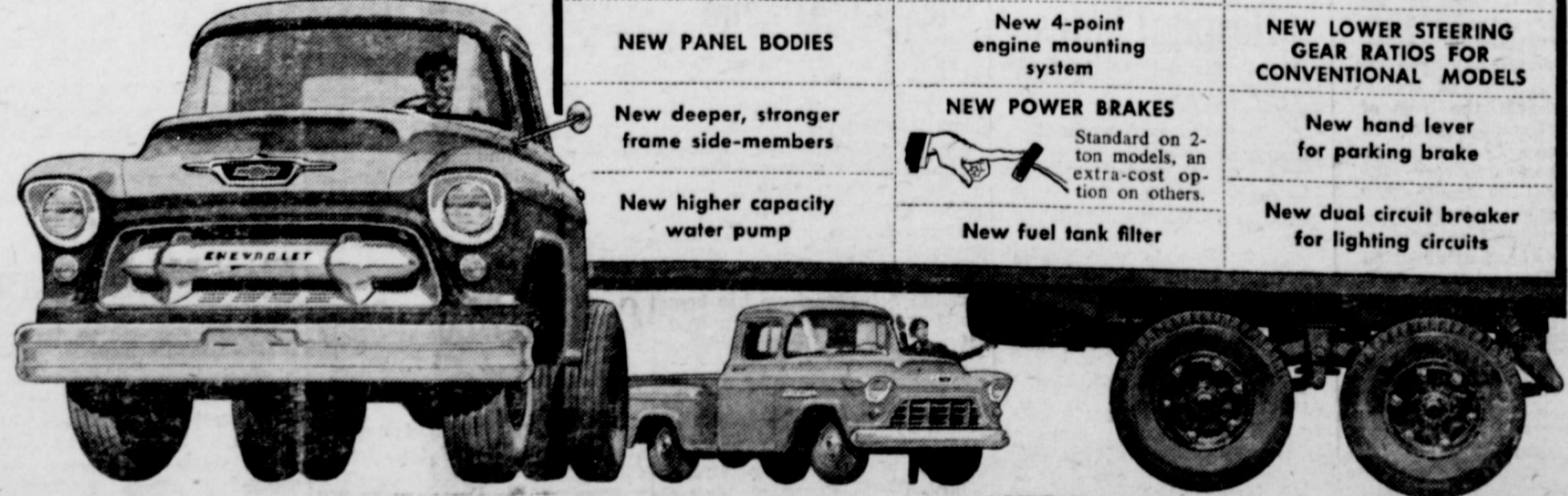
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New concealed Safety Steps Stay free of ice or mud.	NEW OVERDRIVE Optional on 1/2-ton models at extra cost.	New domelight switch on instrument panel
New deep-drop I-beam front axle (Forward Control)	New Flite-Ride De Luxe Cabs Custom cabs at extra cost.	NEW PANORAMIC WINDSHIELD
New Power Steering (extra-cost option offered in all models except Forward Control)	New High-Level Ventilation System	New 160° thermostat
New higher gross torque and horsepower ratings	New 3/4-ton Forward Control chassis	New rebound-controlled seat
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New stronger alloy-steel spring center bolts	New shorter, more maneuverable wheelbases in most models	New smaller turning circles for nearly all conventional models
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New higher capacity water pump		New dual circuit breaker for lighting circuits

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ROGERS IN ABILENE
Charley Rogers, former Veteran Vocational Agriculture teacher in Merkel, has moved to Abilene. He is salesman and dealer for the Moorman Manufacturing Co. in the Taylor, Nolan, Callahan counties. After leaving Merkel he moved to Miami, Texas, where he was vocational agriculture teacher.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Denson and sons of Odessa, were guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Perry over the week-end. Kay Lynn Perry returned home with them for a short visit.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Swafford of Sweetwater, were visitors in Merkel Monday.

Miss Marilyn Smith of Kilgore, Texas is a guest in the home of Mrs. Myrtle Wozencraft this week.

Weekend guest of Mrs. Florence Berry were her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Holmes of Phillips, Texas and her nephew Roy Jack Holmes of Amarillo, Texas.

The largest ranch in the United States is the King Ranch, in Texas, with 870,000 acres.

Tipton Hostess To Union Ridge Club

The Union Ridge Home Demonstration Club met Friday, July 1st in the home of Mrs. Lee Tipton. Mrs. L. S. Tipton Jr. served as co-hostess. The president opened the meeting and Mrs. L. A. Watts gave the prayer. Roll call was answered with a verse from the Bible.

The treasure report was given by Mrs. Kenneth Pee. After a short business session Mrs. R. G. Toombs from the Blue Bonnet Club gave an interesting report on her trip to Kerrville. She also gave a book review entitled "Remember Me" by Paul Harvey, which was enjoyed very much.

The Meat Leaders, Mabel McRee and Mrs. A. E. Harwell gave a demonstration on how to make meat salads. Club pals were revealed and gifts exchanged. Names were

drawn for other Club Pals. Refreshments were served to four visitors, Mrs. L. A. Watts, Mrs. Edna Brown, Mrs. R. G. Toombs and Mrs. Joe Burt McElmurry. Club members present were Mrs. E. Harkell, Mrs. K. Pee, Mabel McRee, Mrs. H. Clark, Mrs. M. Douglas, Mrs. C. Newton, Mrs. Lee Tipton, Mrs. L. A. Tipton Jr. and 4 children.

The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. M. L. Douglas, Thursday, July 14 at 2 p.m.

Mrs. Patterson Is Instructor

Mrs. Virgil Patterson, Abilene District Director of Childrens Work, is teaching at Leadership School of the South Central Jurisdiction of The Methodist Church,

which is being held at Mount Sequoyah in Fayetteville, Arkansas. The leadership school started July 11 and will close July 22. Mrs. Patterson is an instructor in the Nursery Laboratory section of the school. She has taught this, and other courses for the religious education of children in several churches throughout the Northwest Texas conference.

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ously is calling the turn on the future—and you have another reason for Pontiac's phenomenal sales success.

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Pontiac corners the market on value with the most powerful engine within hundreds of dollars of its price. The sensational 200-horsepower Strato-Streak V-8 with four-barrel carburetor* is the newest, most modern power you can buy. In acceleration and in passing power you're on even terms with anything on the road. And still more in your favor is

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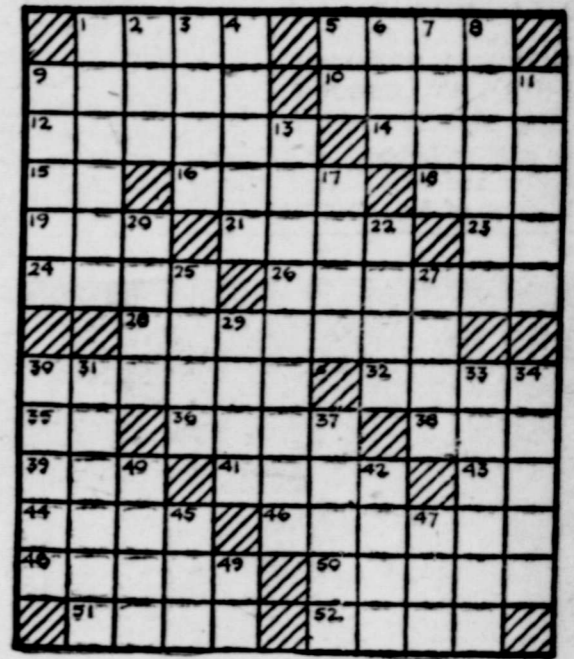
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CROSSWORD

- ACROSS**
1. Small bay
5. Wing-like
9. An engraver's tool
10. Thick cords
12. Mountain nymphs
14. A size of type
15. From
16. A soft metallic element
18. Varying weight (India)
19. Evening sun god (Egypt)
21. Fall
23. Sodium (sym.)
24. Beautiful bird
26. Scarcity
28. French protectorate (N. Africa)
30. Make secure
32. Hoist
35. Chinese measure
36. Cebine monkeys
38. At the present time
39. Grampus
41. Spigots
43. Music note
44. Complacent
46. One's sister's daughters
48. Counter-irritant
50. Mock
51. Musical note (anc. Gr.)
- DOWN**
1. A municipal warning bell
2. Coin (Swed.)
3. Bottle
4. Concluded
5. Land-measure
6. Cut off the tops
7. Sacred bull (Egypt)
8. New
9. New recruits (U. S. Navy slang)
11. Girl's name
13. Native of Sardinia
17. Performs
20. Cushions
22. Bucket
25. Crazy (slang)
27. Shower
29. Tidy
30. A soft, embroidery silk
31. Aircraft personnel
33. Instigate
34. Distort
37. Grudge
40. Attractive (colloq.)
42. Line of junction
45. Obtained
47. Russian engineer and composer
49. Northeast (abbr.)



NAME _____

PHONE _____

- Entries must fill in puzzle from Merkel Mail.
- Clip and take to Mac's City Drug Store (Do not bring or send to Merkel Mail).
- \$2.50 in trade will be given each week for the person who brings in the first correct puzzle, completely filled in.
- If no winner, \$2.50 will be added to prize each week.
- All entries must be in Mac's City Drug by Tuesday night at 9 p.m.
- Winner will be announced in the Merkel Mail.

MAC'S CITY DRUG

State No. 1398 Reserve District No. 11

REPORT OF CONDITION OF HOME STATE BANK OF TRENT, TEXAS

at the close of business, June 30, 1955, a state banking institution organized and operating under the banking laws of this State and a member of the Federal Reserve System. Published in accordance with a call made by the State Banking Authorities and by the Federal Reserve Bank of this District.

ASSETS	
1. Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection	\$194,442.71
2. United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	462,000.00
5. Corporate stocks (including \$2,700.00 stock of Federal Reserve bank)	2,700.00
6. Loans and discounts (including .97 cents overdrafts)	189,998.81
7. Bank premises owned \$2,250.00, furniture and fixtures \$2,450.00	4,700.00
12. TOTAL ASSETS	\$853,841.52
LIABILITIES	
13. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$729,846.98
15. Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	75.00
16. Deposits of States and Political subdivisions	18,860.38
19. TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$748,782.36
24. TOTAL LIABILITIES (not including subordinated obligations below)	\$748,782.36
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
25. Capital*	\$ 25,000.00
26. Surplus	65,000.00
27. Undivided profits	15,059.16
29. TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$105,059.16
30. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$853,841.52
*This bank's capital consists of: Common stock with total par value of \$25,000.00	
MEMORANDUM	
34(a)(1) Loans to farmers directly guaranteed and redeemable on demand by the Commodity Credit Corporation, and certificates of interest representing ownership thereof	\$7,592.92

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

James V. Ross

CORRECT—ATTEST:
DOW WILLIAMSON
T. H. WILLIAMSON
J. C. CRAIN
DIRECTORS

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Taylor, ss:
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 7th day of July, 1955.
Pearl Matthews, Notary Public
Taylor County, Texas

(SEAL)

NOODLE BAPTIST HOLD REVIVAL

The First Baptist Church of Noodle is having its revival starting Friday, July 15 and lasting to Sunday the 24th. Class services will be at 7:30 p.m. and preaching will start at 8:00. Jack Armstrong will be the Evangelist and Paul Royal will serve as song leader.

T. E. L. CLASS OF FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH MEETS

The T. E. L. Class of the First Baptist Church met Wednesday, July 6th in the home of Mrs. Earl Lassiter with Mrs. Dollie Jones as cohostess.

The prayer was given by Mrs. Booth. The business meeting was presided over by the president, Mrs. Earl Lassiter.

The devotional was given on the eleventh chapter of Hebrews on Faith by Mrs. Pick Allen and Mrs. Cornes.

A delicious menu was served to nine members that were present.

MARRIAGE OF PAKA NEWBY COMING EVENT

An event of July 30 will be the approaching marriage of Miss Paka Newby, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Homer H. Newby to Mr. Robert D. Goodwin.

The marriage will be held at the First Methodist Church in Merkel. Friends of the couple are invited to attend.

DICKERSON REUNION IS HELD AT LUBBOCK

The Dickerson family reunion was held at Lubbock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Carey daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. U.

Dickerson. All 10 of the children were present.

A basket dinner was served at the Lubbock park.

Those attending were Mrs. T. T. Carey, Shirley, Bud and June, all of Merkel; Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Dickerson, of Merkel; Mr. and Mrs. Odell Dickerson, Jerry, Sue, and Davie, all of Trent; Mr. and Mrs. T. I. Dickerson, Dean and Dana, all of Merkel; Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Boo, Ronnie and Kenneth, all of Seminole; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Dickerson and children, Seminole; Ray Dickerson, Andrews; Mrs. Tinnie Hatfield and children, Midland; Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Nook, Yuma, Ariz. Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Brooks and children, Abilene.

It had been five years since the family had had a reunion. Another will be held near Merkel sometime next year.

GOODMAN CLUB MEETS IN WALLING HOME

The Goodman home demonstration club met on Friday, June 8 at the home of Mrs. M. M. Walling with Mrs. Dan Butler, vice president, presiding in place of Mrs. H. H. Windham, president, who was absent.

Mrs. Grover Blair led two games and Mrs. Gordon Howell led in prayer. The group sang "The Eyes of Texas" and roll call was answered with a "quotation."

Minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved. Members brought pajamas which they had made for the state tuberculosis hospitals and the chairman appointed Mrs. Jennings Winter in charge of wrapping and mailing them.

Members who had not completed their pajamas were asked to take them to Mrs. Winter when completed.

Pairs were revealed and new names were drawn.

The hostesses gift was won by Mrs. Lillian Hollums. The kitchen leaders gave a demonstration on "Summer Salads," both nutritious and cooling. Mrs. Frank Carter made a fruit salad using a cream cheese and coconut dressing, and Mrs. Gordon Howell made a variation of the popular "Waldorf Salad" using salted peanuts. These were served on the refreshment plate along with olives, crisp "crackerwiches", mints and pop to 11 members, three guests, and seven children.

The next meeting will be held at the Community center, July 22.

RINEY REUNION HELD IN COBB PARK

The family of the late Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Riney met Sunday in Cobb Park for their annual reunion. They were from Abilene, Merkel, Winters, Alexandria, La. and Shaton.

Attending were Mrs. Jim Toombs, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Thompson, Tommy Toombs, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Riney, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Riney and children Bobby, Larry, Mike, and Diane, Mr. and Mrs. James Riney.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Riney, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Riney and son Ken, Miss Lydia Watson, Walter Riney, Mr. and Mrs. Don Riney, Donna, Tommy, Ann, Larry, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Riney and children Jackie and David.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Richie, Gerald, Lydia, Freddie, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Riney, Mr. and Mrs. W. T.

Perry and daughters Carol and Diane, Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Bush, Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Perry and Lanny, Mrs. Melvin Arrington and children Brenda and Catherine.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Orr, Cynthia Story, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bush, and Janice, Mrs. Freeman Denton and Britta Kaye, Manley, Kent, Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Hogan, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Smith and Sammy, Mrs. E. A. Conley and Kaye Lynne.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hogan and son Tommy, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Darden, Joy Kenneth, Mr. and Mrs. June Hogan and Jackie, Sandra, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hogan, Kenneth, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Campbell and children Nancy and Bobby.

Mrs. Sallie Moore, Mrs. Betty Berryman, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Shouse, and Mr. and Mrs. Andy Shouse and son attended the wedding of Bobby Shouse and Ramona Morrow of Nolan, Saturday, July 9, in Nolan. Bobby Shouse is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Shouse.

Mrs. C. P. Stevens and Mr. Pearl McCartney spent Saturday night and Sunday visiting Mrs. D. W. Ashby in Abilene.

Fire Is Out When Firemen Arrive

Firemen were called to the Palmer Motor service station Wednesday afternoon, but a little fire in the wash rack was already extinguished. No damage was reported by firemen.

Big Reunion Set At Lubbock Park

The annual Taylor-Jones county reunion will be held Sunday, July 24, in the Mackenzie State Park at Lubbock beginning at 9:30 a.m.

Those attending should take a basket lunch and all lunches will be spread together in picnic style, according to A. P. Hodge, president, 1020 17th St., Lubbock.

Chamber Manager To Dallas School

Onis Crawford, manager of the Chamber of Commerce, will go to Dallas Sunday for a conference of the Southwestern Institute of Chamber of Commerce executives.

A fellow who follows the horse sure has to keep ahead of them.

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FOR RABIES

AT THE Merkel City Hall Wednesday, July 20th

5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

\$2.50 per DOG

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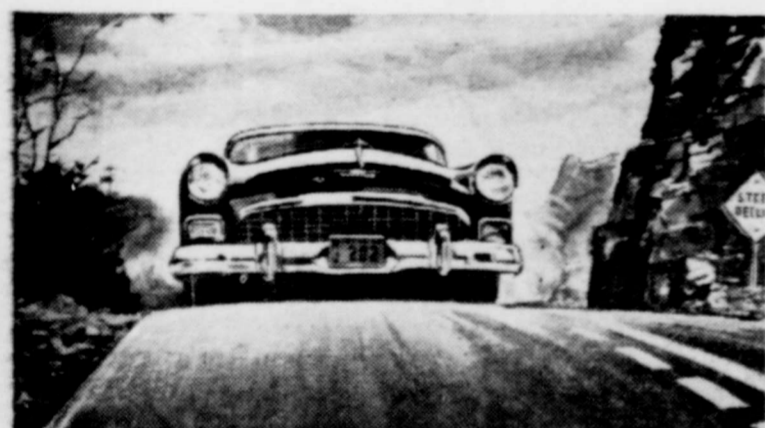


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There are none better. Fully bleached, seamless, and double-bed size. Each pair is cellophane wrapped. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY.

\$3.50 per pair

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Just the match for these fine white Garza Sheets. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

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Brown Domestic

A fine quality, 36-inch, 4-yard weight brown domestic. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

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They are packaged and 27x27 inch Birdseye. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

\$1.79 per doz.

Plisse Crepe

A nice quality cotton plisse crepe in all the most-wanted colors. A real Summer fabric for many kinds of garments. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

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Nylon Slips

A real value in 1 lot of Ladies' all-NYLON slips. They are tailored to fit. All sizes. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY.

\$2.49 each

LADIES SWIM SUITS

Need a new swim suit? Have your choice of our stock. Beautiful styles, all colors, and all sizes. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

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LADIES Cotton Skirts

Look, Ladies! One lot of cotton, permanent pleated skirts for ONLY

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TOWEL SALE

See these! Each towel item is definitely a real buy for you. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

now 79c each

now 59c each

now 39c each

WASH CLOTHS

Your choice of any 25c value WASH CLOTH for ONLY

15c each

SHEER DRESS Dress Fabrics

Be sure and see this table of assorted sheer fabrics. You will want several cuts at our DOLLAR DAY PRICE of ONLY

3 yds. for \$1.00

LADIES' PURSES

Your choice of our entire stock. Every one is a wanted style and color. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

\$1.98 each

Tax Included

Fine Yard Goods

Every yard must be sold of these fine sheer Summer fabrics. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

98c per yard

Denims & Gingham

One lot of attractive patterns in fine gingham and colorful denims. See these! FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

2 yards \$1.00

CHEVILLE BED SPREADS

A special purchase of double-bed size, heavy quality spreads with lots of chenille. Lots of colors to choose from. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

\$3.50 each

COTTON BATTS

2-pound roll of fully bleached cotton batts. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

\$1.19 per roll

PURE IRISH LINEN

A real buy in all IRISH LINEN! FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

\$1.39 per yard

MEN'S Shorts & Vests

Choice of Men's fast color and sanforized broadcloth shorts — either "boxer" or gripper front — and cellophane wrapped knitted briefs with all-around elastic tops. All sizes. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

2 for \$1.00

Men's fully combed yarn, panel ribbed, cotton vests with NYLON reinforced necks and arms. Sizes 34 to 46. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

2 Pairs \$1.00

LADIES' HOSIERY

Your choice of our entire stock of 51-gauge all-NYLON hosiery by VANETTE and MOJUD. They are only this Season's leading shades, and we have all sizes. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

\$1.00 per pair

SUMMER DRESS SALE

Racks and racks of crisp, new Summer dresses to choose from; and when you see these you will want several we know. There's nothing like a cool, cotton sun-back; or dressy sheer for evening wear. Choose from our entire stock of Martha Mannings, Marcy-Lee's, Vicki Vaughns and Toni Todds. Remember, we have all sizes now; so shop early. Every dress that sold regularly from \$6.95 and up for ONLY

1/2 PRICE

SHOE SPECIALS

The most popular sandal of all — that famous woven cloth sandal (SUN-STEPS) by HOOD which is guaranteed washable. Colors: red, brown, and tan. Sizes: 5 to 10. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

\$2.98 per pair

These are the sandals and flats you will want many pairs of. They're cool, they fit, and they look nice. The Sandals (none reserved), sizes up to big child's "3". FOR black, red, tan, brown, and green. Sizes 4 to 10. Come early!

2.50 per pair

Your choice of our entire stock of better sandals for more comfort and better fit in white, tan, and pink; sizes 4 to 9. FOR ONLY

\$3.50 per pair

Your choice of our entire stock of Children's Summer Sandals (none reserved), sizes up to big child's "3". FOR ONLY

1-3 OFF

You can select from one of this area's largest shoe stocks at terrific savings. Choose from our entire stock of dress and casual slippers, including "Paris Fashion", "Connie", "Jacqueline", and "Trim-Treds" (excluding arch-type oxfords and new Fall arrivals) FOR ONLY

1-3 OFF

Your choice of entire stock of Men's Summer Oxfords and Loafers, including NYLON mesh trimmed and Black and Brown. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

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MAX MELLINGER

"DICKIE'S" Pants & Shirts

They are superb in quality and fit. Made of 8.2-ounce Army Cloth fabric in both Sun-tan and Postman Grey colors and all sizes. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

\$2.98

"Dickie's" type I Army Cloth Pants or Shirts in Sun-tan only. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

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ARMY CLOTH WORK SUITS

For the tops in wear, fit, and appearance, choose this 8.2-ounce Army Cloth pants and shirts that are fully sanforized. A REAL BUY AT ONLY

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MEN'S DRESS SLACKS

No man ever had too many Summer Slacks; that is, slacks by HAGGAR. The finest fit, tailoring, and appearance you can get. Choose from our stock of rayons, woollens, mixed dacrons and wools, and mixed dacrons and rayons. Our sizes are broken, but if you come early you can find your size. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

1-3 OFF

(no alterations at sale prices)

MEN'S SPORT SHIRTS

We know you will want several of these. They're those cool, easy to launder, sanforized, short-sleeve sport shirts in all the wanted colors — blacks, whites, pinks, maize, gold, green, brown, tan, and others. Sizes SMALL, MEDIUM, and LARGE. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

\$1.98 each

BOYS' SPORT SHIRTS

One big table of boys' short-sleeve sport shirts to choose from, including every one in stock. You know for wear and looks you just can't beat TOM SAWYER and CAMPPUS SHIRTS. Boy's, these are really nice. Sizes 2 through 18. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

1-3 OFF

MEN'S DRESS STRAWS

Men, you can have your choice of our entire stock of dress straws. If we can fit you, they are yours for only

1-3 OFF

MEN'S & BOY'S SWIM TRUNKS

Printed twills and solid color elastex swim trunks. Sizes 4 in boys' to LARGE in Men's. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

1-3 OFF

Stretch Socks

A brand new shipment has just arrived, consisting of such pastel shades as tan, grey, ice blue, burnt orange, white, and others; and the always popular deep-tones. Remember, one size socks fits all size feet. They are all NYLON, too. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

2 pairs \$1.00

Pioneer Hodges Farmer Dies Following Stroke

J. R. Lee, a resident of the Hodges community since 1883, died at the home of a son, James A. Lee, Abilene, Sunday. He was a retired farmer.

Mr. Lee suffered a stroke about six weeks ago. He had been confined to the hospital until taken to his son's home Wednesday. Another son is A. E. Lee of Abilene.

He was born Dec. 28, 1868, near McDonald, Tenn., and moved with his parents to Denton County in 1897, and to Jones County in 1883. In 1889 Mr. Lee married Lelia Newberry at Hodges. She died in 1910.

Funeral was held Monday with the Rev. C. S. Parker, pastor of the Hodges Baptist Church, officiating. Mr. Lee was a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

Burial was in Hodges Cemetery beside the grave of his wife. Pallbearers were Lee Huddleton, Ed Vantrees, Joe Harmon Lee, Jack Pair, Walter Vantrees and Reagan Hay.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. J. P. Howell of Rt. 1, Hawley and Mrs. J. R. Jordan of Lubbock; three sons, James A. Lee of 1834 Ballinger St., A. E. Lee of 1825 Cedar St., and Robert E. Lee of Hutchinson, Kans.; one sister, Mrs. T. I. Pevey of Glendale, Ariz.; one brother, L. H. Lee of Portales, N.M.; 12 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Services Held For Mrs. Olive

Services for Mrs. Elnora Olive, 44, were conducted by Rev. Sam Tullock and Rev. George Epperson.

She died at the Sadler hospital. Mrs. Olive had been a resident of Merkel for 33 years, having moved here when she was 11 years old.

Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery. Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Gene French; two granddaughters: her father, G. S. Smith of Merkel; four brothers, George, Claude, and Jim of Merkel, and Floyd of Maize; four sisters, Mrs. Tommy Seals of Fort Worth, Mrs. Ross Moore of Salinas, Calif., Mrs. Earnest Hendrix of Merkel, and Mrs. George Wood of Abilene.

His wife will be remembered as Ola Smith, former resident of Merkel and Abilene. Price is the son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Smith, 925 Buck St., Abilene.

Howard Houston of Clovis, New Mexico, was a guest of Watie Frye for several days.

REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE Farmers & Merchants National Bank OF MERKEL

In the state of Texas at the close of business on June 30, 1955 published in response to call made by Comptroller of the Currency under section 5211, U. S. Revised Statutes.

ASSETS	
1. Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection	\$1,068,028.31
2. United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	1,000,000.00
3. Obligations of State and political subdivisions	561,432.76
5. Corporate stocks (including \$6,000.00 stock of Federal Reserve bank)	6,000.00
6. Loans and discounts including \$622.59 overdrafts	774,798.00
7. Bank premises owned, Do not own, furniture and fixtures	2,500.00
12. TOTAL ASSETS	\$3,412,759.07
LIABILITIES	
13. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$3,042,749.36
15. Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	19,717.69
16. Deposits of States and political subdivisions	110,657.49
18. Other deposits (certified and cashier's checks, etc.)	6,016.34
19. TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$3,179,140.88
24. TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$3,179,140.88
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
25. Capital Stock:	
(c) Common stock, total par	100,000.00
26. Surplus	100,000.00
27. Undivided profits	33,618.19
29. TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	233,618.19
30. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	3,412,759.07
MEMORANDA	
31. Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and for other purposes	104,000.00
33. (a)(1) Loans to farmers directly guaranteed and redeemable on demand by the Commodity Credit Corporation, and certificates of interest representing ownership thereof	47,172.44
I, Geo. T. Moore, (cashier) of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.	

CORRECT—Attest:
W. S. J. BROWN
W. T. SADLER, M.D.
BOOTH WARREN
Directors

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF TAYLOR, ss:
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 11th day of July, 1955, and I hereby certify that I am not an officer or director of this bank.

LEON R. WALKER, Notary Public.
My commission expires June 1, 1957.

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FOR SALE — Martin 60 Outboard motor. See it at 1011 Locust or Phone 43w. 18-3tc

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WE HAVE SEVERAL repossessed TVs to choose from. Some are real bargains. See them soon at Badger Chevrolet Co. t1tc.

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Notice is hereby given that the partnership lately subsisting between Mrs. Mary P. Wood and Mrs. Farris Conley, of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, under the firm name of **SILHOUETTE DRESS SHOP**, was dissolved by mutual consent on the 24th day of June, 1955, in that Mrs. Farris Conley is purchasing the interest of Mrs. Mary P. Wood, and from that date Mrs. Farris Conley is responsible for any and all debts of that business, and that Mrs. Mary P. Wood shall no longer be liable for any debts incurred in the name of that dissolved partnership.

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Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Currie of Franklin, Texas, announce the marriage of their daughter, Mary Elaine, to Charles Joe Douglas, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Douglas of Merkel.

The double ring ceremony took place July 2 in Dallas, Texas with Quinton Fanning, minister of the Urbandale Church of Christ, officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Johnson of Dallas were the couple's attendants.

Mrs. Douglas is a 1952 graduate of Franklin High School, and a former student of Abilene Christian College.

Mr. Douglas was graduated from Merkel High School in 1946 and attended NTSC at Arlington. He is employed by the B. F. Goodrich Company as retail credit manager for D&W Tire Company in Abilene.

The couple will make their home at 1236 S. 3rd St. in Abilene.

HODGES
Mrs. NORMAN SLOAN
Correspondent

Mrs. Durwood McCoy and Lu Ann have been visiting in Lubbock with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kern Daniels and her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Horace McDaniels. Her mother returned with her for a visit, also her niece and nephew, Bickie and Billy.

Mark and Eve Owens from Eunice, New Mexico, are visiting at Hodges with her brother, Bud Moore and sister, Mrs. Lilly Watts.

Mr. and Mrs. L. McCaleb visited over the weekend in Ranger with their son, and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis McCaleb.

Floyde Finches' cousin, Jim Kent, of Benton, Ark., is visiting in his home.

Derrell Kelso who is in the national guard has gone to camp at Fort Hood for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Daniells of Aahoka were here over the weekend visiting Mr. and Mrs. Fred Daniell and Mr. and Mrs. Rob Daniell.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. McCoy visited with their daughter Mrs. J. B. Fareman, of Paris, Texas, over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Smith and

Willie Earl have been vacationing in Mexico.

Mrs. Lee Welch is in Dallas greeting a new grandson born to Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Welsh.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Horton and Buddy have been visiting relatives in Shamrock.

Mr. and Mrs. Aubry Robbins of Kansas City, Mo., had supper with the Mason, Barkers one night last week.

TRENT

A gift tea honoring Mr. and Mrs. Joe Scott was given July 8, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Ambrose. The hostesses were Neleta Hale, Barbara Washburn, Betty M. Payne, Cora Yandall, Payne Ambrose, Carolyn McRee, Y'Vonne Martin, Kay Beasley, Thelda Hamner and Judy Steadman. Mrs. Scott is the former Zana Young of Trent.

Miss Connie Cade is visiting her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Cade, in Kermit, Texas.

Wayne McLean, formerly of Merkel, will be coach at Trent High for the 1955-56 school year. He coached in LaPryor, Texas last year. Mrs. McLean is the former Bobbie Ann Dudley of Trent.

Mr. Carmen Hale suffered a heart attack early Thursday, July 7, but is doing much better now.

Jerrold Duncan and Jesse Yandall are painting and redecorating the inside of the school in preparation for the coming school year.

Lynda Dudley, Jerrold Duncan, Kay Beasley, Morris Claborn, Tellie McWilliams, John Stowe, Colleen Stowe, and Charles Bright are taking square dance lessons at the Y.M.C.A. in Abilene once a week.

Mrs. C. Crocker of Trent is in the hospital in Merkel. She is suffering with an ulcerated stomach.

Barbara Edwards and Shirley Carter are home for the duration of the summer. They have just finished their summer courses at

Hardin-Simmons University.

Mrs. L. E. Treat and daughter Jody spent the day Sunday with the Garnet Wilkes. Mr. Treat was once a teacher in Trent.

Henry Bright and his mother from Monahans, Texas are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Hub Keakans.

David Collins, formerly of Trent, is visiting here from Wilcox, Arizona.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the people of Merkel for their kindnesses and consideration during the death and illness of our mother's daughter and sister, Mrs. Evelyn French, Mr. G. C. Smith and Brothers and Sisters.

Mrs. Jack Boone, and baby daughter, Gail, of LaPorte, Texas, are visiting in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Criswell, for several weeks, while Mr. Boone is attending National Guard camp.

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Becky Ray has gone to Houston to spend a week with her sister Mrs. Horace Steele and family. The Steeles and Becky will spend part of their time at Galveston swimming and sight seeing. Becky will return home by way of Ft. Worth and visit with her other sister Mrs. Lucian Rudd and family.

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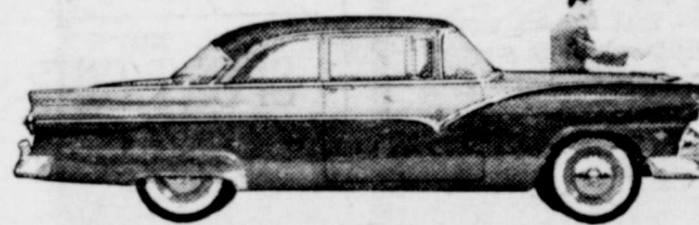
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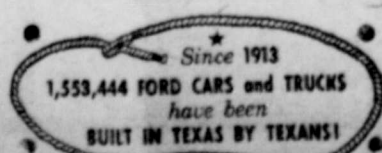
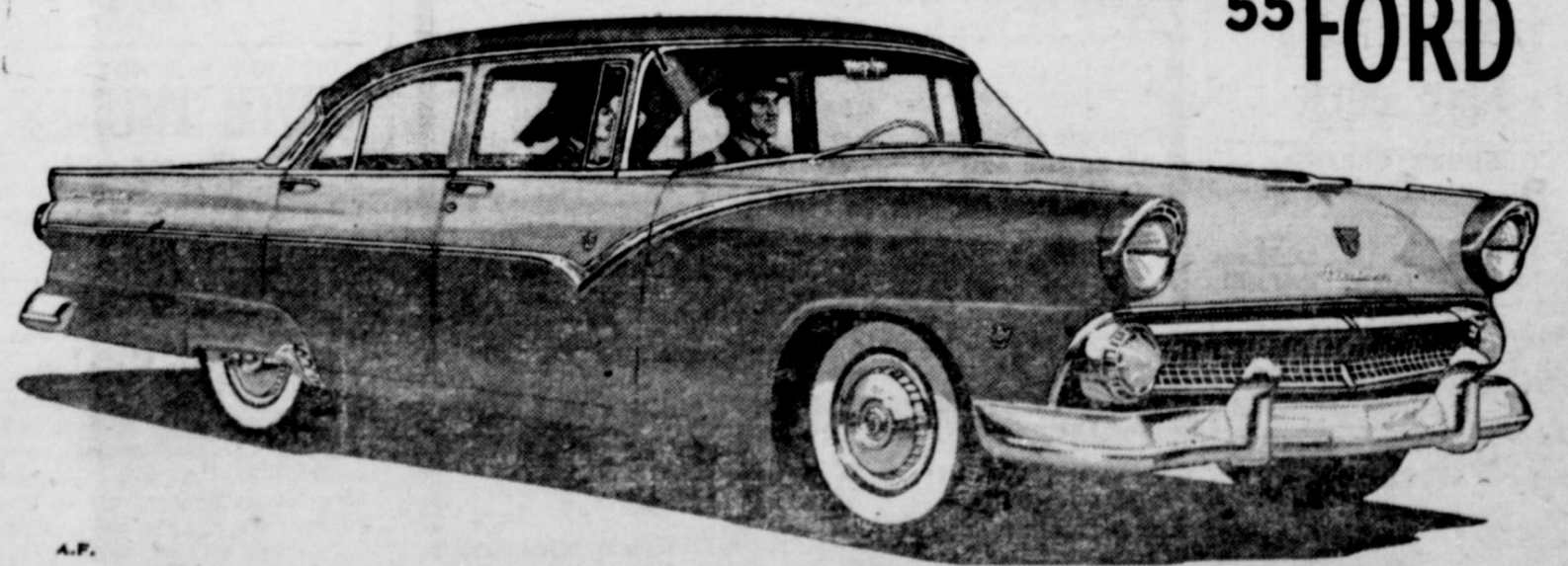
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Mr. and Mrs. Allen D. King, Allen Jr., Ida Mae, Buddy and Sue Nobia have returned from a vacation at Port Aransas. In route there they visited with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Wilson of Lampasas and the State Capital. Although they didn't catch a big fish they report they did catch all they could eat. Allen Jr. brought in two nice string of trout.

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Mrs. A. E. Moore is back at Buck's Shoe Shop after a siege of illness.

Mrs. Mary Collins had as her guest her nephew of Wilcox, Arizona, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Collins and her brother Mr. and Mrs. Hugh A. Collins of Lamesa. Toby Collins of Wilcox, Ariz. is visiting his aunt Miss Mary Collins over the weekend. He returned home with his aunt Mrs. L. G. Shafer and daughter Judy of Dallas, who were also guests of Miss Collins.

Mrs. Cal. Hamner's children visited together in her home July 3. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Glen Hamner of Ranger, Mr. and Mrs. Royce Dowdy of Merkel, Mr. and Mrs. Clark Hamner and Thelda of Trent. Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Hamner and Joel and Gary of Abilene. Pvt. and Mrs. Billy Wayne Hamner stationed at Ft. Bliss, El Paso and Mrs. Hamner's brother Mr. Thomas Smith of Trent.

Mrs. John Lanphere and daughter Barbara of South Gate, Calif., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Onis Graham and Carolyn of Trent. Mrs. Lanphere is here for a two weeks vacation.

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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: Mrs. Emma Hale, J. S. Edwards, Mattie A. Fain, J. W. Long, Jr., and if deceased, the heirs and unknown heirs, devisees, assignees, and legal representatives of Mrs. Emma Hale, J. S. Edwards, Mattie A. Fain, and J. W. Long, Jr.; and unknown owners, Defendants, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable County Commissioners Court of Taylor County at the Courtroom thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by personal appearance at or before 10 o'clock A.M. August 22, 1955 after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 27th day of June A. D. 1955, in this cause, The State of Texas, Plaintiff, vs. Emma Hale, J. S. Edwards, Mattie A. Fain, J. W. Long, Jr., and if deceased, the heirs and unknown heirs, devisees, assignees, and legal representatives of Mrs. Emma Hale, J. S. Edwards, Mattie A. Fain, and J. W. Long, Jr., and unknown owners, Defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Condemnation proceedings for right-of-way road purposes in Highway F.M. 1899, and being 0.061 acre out of Lot No. 7, Block No. 82, View, 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 returned unserved.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this 6 day of July A. D. 1955.

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Attest: Mrs. Chester Hutcheson, Clerk, Commissioners Court, Taylor County, Texas.
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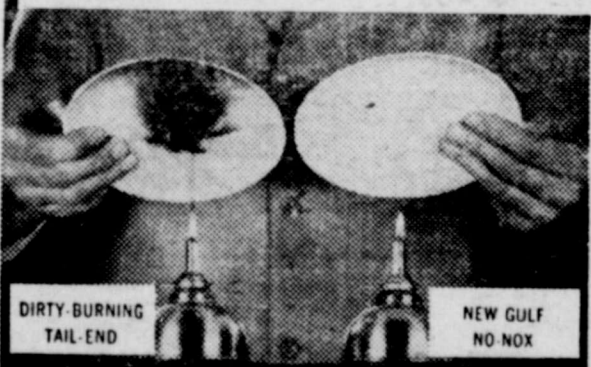
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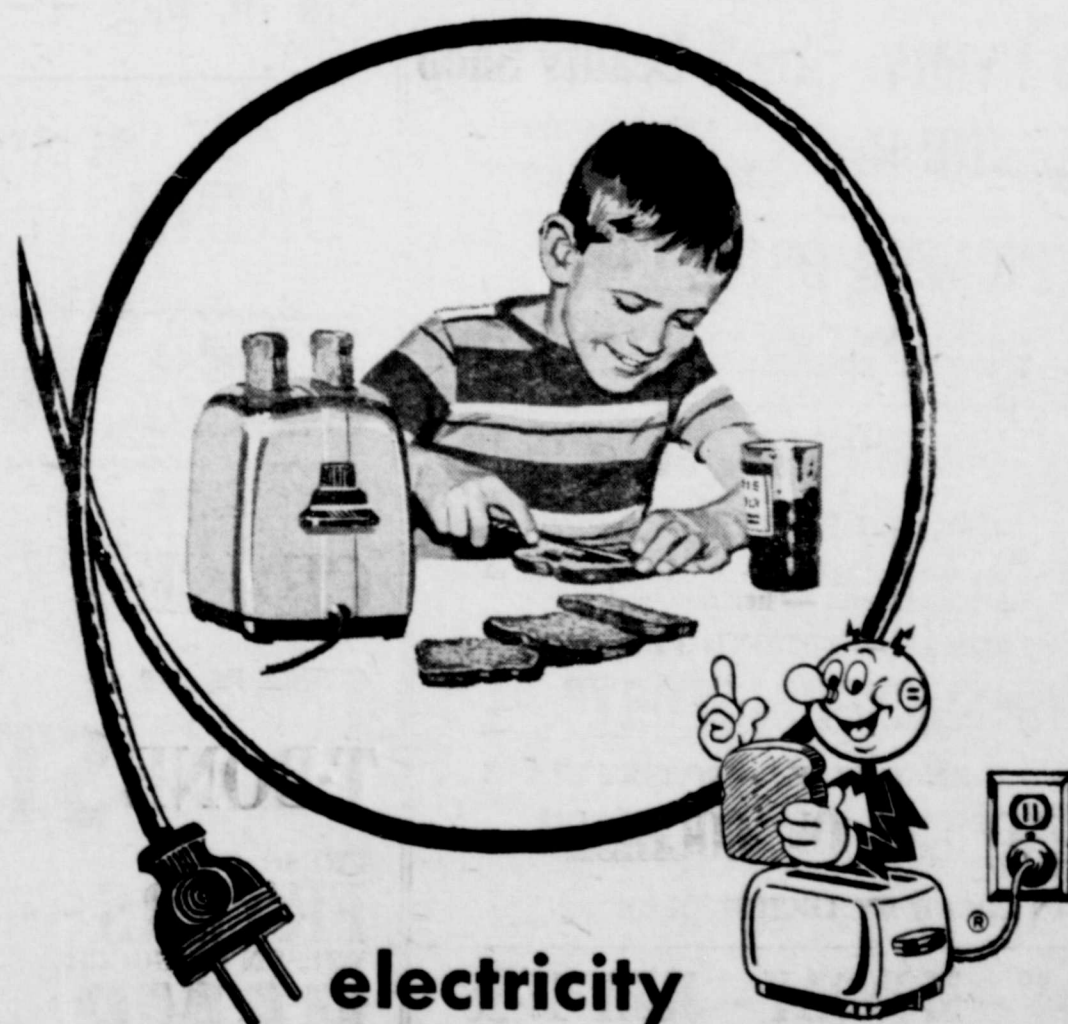
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Appointment of Mr. Lemens was announced by Zolus Motley, Area Oil Industry Information Committee Chairman.

The objective of the American Petroleum Institute sponsored information program is to present facts about the Oil Industry to the people throughout the country, and to show how our best interests are served by privately owned, highly competitive oil companies.

The local O. I. I. C. will concentrate on three major projects: A school program which provides supplemental teaching materials to Junior and Senior High School classes; A radio, TV, and press project; And Oil Progress Week. The latter is an October event placing particular emphasis on the progress of the Oil Industry and the importance of local service station operators.

"Any individual or organization interested in movies, speakers, or other programs about the oil industry should feel free to contact me," Mr. Lemens said.

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