

Mrs. Woody Wilson was quite proud not so long ago when she won a sewing machine at a drawing in Stamford. She had registered for the drawing, left town and had forgotten all about the deal. But soon came a notice that she was proud winner of a sewing machine. Delighted as she could be, she began to think of the many things she could use the machine. One afternoon a truck pulled up to the jewelry store, and wanted to know where Mrs. Wilson wanted the machine. She told them to take it and put it out to the house. When she went to look at it, she found that it must be a 1917 or 18 model, and now she is wondering when the newer models will be given, but at that rate her ancestors will probably be the winner.

Jesse Cogburn of Firebaugh, Calif., writes that he is sure glad that there's been a lot of rain around these parts, and he hopes that everyone makes a good crop. Well, sir, the folks around here are hoping just as much.

Bill Teaff and family went up to Ponca City, Okla., this week to attend a cattle sale of shorthorns. Mrs. Teaff and daughters went along. Bill has a nice herd of shorthorns on his ranch north of town, and plans to improve his herd this fall with several additions.

We've never been allergic to work, but we are wondering now. The other day we got Watie's power mower out and started to do a cutting job on the back yard, which hadn't been tended to in years. So we started cutting the weeds to put it in shape so the neighbors wouldn't talk about us any more than they have to.

We got the yard almost done, lacking only a small spot, then about that time the lawn mower lost some sort of nut, screw, bolt or something or another that holds the gas, and it all leaked out. The lawn mower stopped running and we stopped working. Guess it was might as well, because we started itching and scratching a few days later. One eye was swollen shut, and our neck was a mass of whelps. What that grass had in it we don't know, but Dr. Sadler came to our rescue when we went to him for relief. Besides doctoring our wounds, he recommended that we don't work in the yard, strain ourselves and stay away from the weeds. That, folks, is good advice, and we keep telling Billie about our aches, and what the doctor said, but we haven't been able to convince her yet.

Lige Harris was in the hospital up at Sadler's and had his appendix cut out. He was worried over his cotton and feed crops. After getting a good start with nice rains, and early planting his cotton looked mighty good. Harris at 70 was spending his first night in the hospital, and what a miserable night he must have spent with it raining on his cotton and other crops. He pulled out of the operation in fine shape, and then he learned that W. B. Tombs, Elmer Patterson, Hollis McCoy, Ford Smith Jr., Bud Tipton, Bert Harris and Robert Lea Harris had gone into the fields, plowed it and took all the weeds out. Now the field is one of the best looking in these parts, and the cotton is higher than most of it around here. Mr. Harris is ever so thankful that his neighbors made his field look best of all.

Luther H. Haley, of Pullman, Washington, is visiting his uncle, Tom Spears, this week. Haley, a grocerman, hadn't seen his uncle in 31 years, and long since had lost track of him until recently when he learned he lived in Merkel. He made the trip down here to renew acquaintances and found Mr. Spears, 86, bright and cheerful.

The next time Mayor Fred Starbuck lets a couple of golf sharks get him out on the course with only a pair of slippers on, they'll have to slip up on his blind side, Fred says. Recently, Clyde Eager, the feed man, and Frank Breaux, the gasman, invited Starbuck, a neophyte at golf, to go over to the Sweetwater course. Not being accustomed to the outing of gold, Starbuck wore a pair of slippers and had planned on going nine holes. But much to his surprise, Eager and Breaux coaxed him into the back nine, and this week Starbuck has been nursing aching feet. "I'll know better next time," Fred moans.

Individuals And Others Can Aid In City Growth

Onis Crawford, manager of the Chamber of Commerce, recently returned from the Southwestern meeting of Chamber of Commerce executives at Dallas, and the information obtained there can go a long way in helping further development of Merkel.

The Merkel Mail asked Crawford to write a letter to the editor outlining some of the things he thought would help Merkel, based somewhat on the information he obtained at the Dallas meeting.

Dear Merkel Booster:

Can we help supply what our town needs?

Hardly a day passes that we do not hear an oration on "Merkel Needs." And most of the statements reflect a true need of the community. Most of the people make assertions without much thought on ways and means to attain an end to a project that would make the wishing a reality.

Moreover, so many of the things that are suggested are attainable with the proper amount of cooperation and teamwork. In fact, if we will only check the accomplishments of other communities, towns, clubs or families one of the basic ingredients for putting over projects was team work. Idle assertions about what our town and community need provide little forward movement toward accomplishing the project. Talk is effective usually on community betterment only to the extent that it is "rolled sleeves, alert feet and a conveniently attached pocket book."

Our town does need a number of community improvements. You are perhaps more cognizant of these than I. Never the less let us list a few that we can reach with a certain amount of planning and action. Providing a city park, swimming pool, sidewalks for the residential part of town, a library, a golf course, improved playgrounds, and perhaps many other things that are worthy of talk and more worthy of action.

Merkel has the necessary abilities hidden in scores of our citizens: we do not know of a town or a community anywhere that has the talents and capabilities that our community has. We dare say, the IQ of our people is the highest that can be found. The per capita income of our community is one of the highest to be found. We point out these characteristics to emphasize how easy community projects could come with cooperation and team work.

Is it not then a reflection upon our town, our leaders and our people to have as a few of the modern "extras" for pleasure, recreation and self improvement which other communities boast?

Yes, we can, as individuals and as groups, help to provide the things that our community needs, let's get together and do something about them!

This office is constantly in search of an answer to the question, "What can this community (the people of Merkel) do to make Merkel a better place in which to live?" If you have read this far, take a minute to think then write your suggestion to the answer to this question and mail to this office. The people of Merkel can make Merkel a better place in which to live.

Yours for a better community.
Sincerely,
Onis Crawford

Dismuke, Wife Hired at Stanton

Kenneth Dismuke, six man football coach at Ira last fall, has been named head football coach at Stanton, and his wife has been employed as home economics teacher in the same school.

Mrs. Dismuke is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob McDonald, Merkel.

Dismuke signed a 2-year contract with the Stanton School Board.

Dismuke is a graduate of Sweetwater high school and played in the North-South all-star game in 1954.

He played one year each of football at Texas A. and M. during the 1952 and 1953 season.

Stanton has open dates Sept. 16 and 30th, and would like to fill them, Dismuke said.



THE LONG LIGHT — Ector R. Watson, minister of the Church of Christ in Merkel, has been keeping the light burning for 28 years — a 30-watt bulb he purchased back in 1927 when he was first married. He purchased the globe in Collinsville, Grayson county, and it has been moved through five states and is still burning.



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Former Merkel Man at Vernon

James E. Thomas, who taught at Merkel high school for two years, has accepted a job as coordinator of the new buildings trades course which will be offered in Vernon for the first time.

Thomas graduated from Midwestern University and has done graduate work at Texas A. and M. college.

Lions Plan Broom Sale

The Lions club will do its bit to help Merkel get clean. The club voted Tuesday to conduct a broom sale later this month, the details of which will be announced later.

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Nolan Old-Timers Set for Reunion

All Nolan old-timers are invited to attend the annual reunion at Divide, August 7.

The French Embassy in Austin, Texas, is the only building ever constructed on American soil by a foreign government.

Meeting Will Decide Fees For Building

C. A. Farley, president of the Lions Club, said today the Lions club has voted to call a meeting of representatives of all the clubs in Merkel and vicinity to decide on a system of fees for the community building.

At the meeting Tuesday the Lions decided to invite the presidents or representatives of every organization to the next Lions meeting Tuesday, August 16. Following the regular Lions meeting, the group will meet with a delegation of Lions to determine what fees should be charged for the use of the Community building.

It was pointed out that certain fees have been charged in the past, but many organizations were exempt because of the contributions made to the building fund. However, in recent years the expenses on operating the building has grown, and there is no money available for needed repairs.

To offset this deficit and expenses the Lions club, custodians of the building, believe that other organizations should be called in to decide what to do, Farley stated.

The Lions club has been footing the bills for the building in the past.

Letters were written to various clubs about two months ago, but only one responded to the questionnaire. It was decided to give the clubs another chance to be heard before acting on the new fees, which are proposed by the Lions club.

Here are the basic new rules the Lions propose:

1. That Community center fund be operated separate from the Lions club fund.

2. That all income from use of the Community center be placed in the Community Center Fund, and that all expenses be paid from the Community center fund.

3. That all individuals, groups, and organizations be charged a fee commensurate with their use of the building. These fees suggested as (a) \$10 for all day reunions using kitchen; (b) \$7.50 for banquets and dinners using kitchen; (c) \$5.00 for regular meetings without use of kitchen.

4. That any individual, group or organization using the Community building shall be expected to care for the building and contents while in their charge and clean it after such use.

5. That any use of the Community center at night shall end in time for the building to be closed at 12:30 a.m.

6. That anyone desiring to use the Community Center shall contact the appointed representative of the Merkel Lions club and pay the fees as outlined above for such use and obtain and return keys to same individual.

Honor Roll

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

Newt Logan, Merkel.
I. W. Lackey, McAllen, Texas.
Melvin Parker, Merkel.
E. R. Clack, Merkel.

Mrs. W. M. Loftin, Merkel, R3.
W. T. Maddox, R3, Merkel.
Thomas Johnson, McKinney, Texas.

Jesse Cogburn, Firebaugh, Calif.
H. J. Bright, Trent.
Tom Largent, Merkel.

Joe S. Largent, Oktaha, Okla.
A. D. Wilson, Levelland, Texas.
J. D. Woodard, Abilene.

Queen Theater Open All Week

The Queen Theater will show all week long from now on, Robert Tom Hodge said today.

The Queen has been closed on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday during the early summer.

Magnolia Office Is Moved

The Wholesale office of the Magnolia Petroleum Co. has been moved to the Palmer Motor Company building, Nolan Palmer announced today.

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SCHOOL TO OPEN AUG. 31 - 2 ARE HIRED TO TEACH

At a meeting of the Merkel School Board the date for the beginning of school was set for Wednesday, August 31, Supt. Mack Fisher announced.

A general faculty meeting will be held in the high school library at 8:30 a.m. Following the general meeting, grade school and high school principals will meet with their teachers in their respective buildings.

Registration of students

Two Wildcats Staked South of Merkel

Locations for two Taylor County wildcats have been staked near Merkel.

Oxford & Stasney Drilling Co., Albany, No. 1 N. B. Teaff was spotted at a 4,900-foot rotary test.

It is five miles southeast of Merkel, being 330 feet from the south and west lines of Subdivision 7, W. R. Willis Survey 122.

Other wildcat is Frank Pethybridge, Abilene, No. 1 M. Winter. The proposed 3,250-foot rotary test is four miles southwest of Merkel.

Site for No. 1 Winter is 330 feet from the north and 550 feet from the east lines of the southwest quarter in Section 14, Block 18, T&P Survey.

Howsley & Jacobs of Albany No. 1, G. W. Hobbs, Section 26, Buock 18, T&P Survey, was drilling below 5,310 feet in shale and lime. The wildcat is five miles northwest of Merkel. There have been no tests in the two in the Palo Pinto.

Paul Woods Buys Whites Auto Store

Paul Woods, Abilene, became owner of the Whites Auto Store in Merkel this week.

Woods purchased the store from Floyd Green, who plans to enter the farming business.

Woods is married and plans to move his wife to Merkel when Green's house becomes available.

Rev. Tullock To Conduct Revival

Rev. Sam Tullock, pastor of the First Baptist Church, will begin a series of revival services at the Fairview Baptist Church near Hamlin this coming Friday.

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through all grades will begin at 1:30 in the afternoon. Buses will make their regular runs for the registration of students on Wednesday afternoon after which they will return to their home.

Regular class work will begin on Thursday morning, September 1.

The election of Leon Walker and Mrs. Dorothy Nodge completes the faculty in the grade school. Both of these teachers have previously worked in the Merkel system and were highly successful.

Walker taught three years in Noodle and Lohn schools before coming to Merkel in 1951. He withdrew from teaching in 1953 and was employed by the Boney Insurance Agency. In addition to his regular academic classes in the eighth grade he will coach basketball and help with other physical education activities in the grade school. Walker holds B. S. and Master of Education degrees from Hardin-Simmons University.

Mrs. Dorothy Nodge, who holds B. S. and Master of Education degrees from Hardin-Simmons University, will become the coach for the grade school girls and teach in the eighth grade. She taught three years at Baird before coming to Merkel in 1952. She has been a member of the Merkel school faculty since that time except for the term of 1954-55 when she did not teach.

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TEAFF-ISOM REUNION HELD IN LUBBOCK PARK

The ninth annual Teaff-Isom reunion was held July 15-16 and 17th at the Mackenzie State Park at Lubbock, Texas. About 150 relatives attended the annual affair. Those who attended were:

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Teaff and family, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Teaff and family, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Livengood from Abernathy.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Isom and son from Akein.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Isom, Mrs. Minerva Meracle, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Isom, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Isom, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Isom, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Isom from Idalou.

Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Teaff and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Stotts and sons, Miss Darlene Teaff, Mr. Guy Duty, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Byers and family, Mrs. Alma Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Wideman and daughter, Mrs. Earl Livengood Jr., Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hopper from Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Newton and Louise, Mr. Earnest Teaff, Mr. and Mrs. Dee Teaff, Mr. and Mrs. Deverle Teaff and Vickie, Mr. Kermit Newton, Miss Gladys Newton, from Merkel.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Teaff from Weinert.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Teaff and son from Eddy.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Teaff, Miss Earlene King, Mr. and Mrs. Randall Story and girls, Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Roberts and girls, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Newton and girls, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Hays and girls, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Young and sons from Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernell Teaff and family, Mr. Garland Teaff and Loretta, Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Teaff, Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Teaff

and family from Tye.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Teaff and family from McCamey.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Teaff and family from Post; Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Parkman and son, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Parkman and son from Bula; Mr. and Mrs. Dee Parkman and family from Levelland; Mr. and Mrs. Durwood Chisholm and girls, Mr. and Mrs. Boyse Teaff and family from Sudan.

Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Wortham and family from Petersburg; Miss Betty Jackson from Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Isom from Shallowater; Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Teaff; Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Ayers and family from Ropesville;

Mrs. J. W. Prickett from Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Springer from Kress; Mr. Kelvin Strickland from Andrews; Miss Helen Isom from Denver City.

HERRON REUNION HELD IN ABILENE STATE PARK

The relatives of the late Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Herron held their reunion at the Abilene State Park. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Herron, Lovington, N.M., Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Self, Wingate, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Herron and family, Brownfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Abb Herron, Aquilla, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Herron and children, Brownfield, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Denson and sons, Odessa, Mrs. W. L. Bradshaw and Ronnie, Abilene, Mrs. R. L. Denson, Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Self of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Herron and daughter of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Davis and daughter, Sylvester, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Herron and children, Sylvester, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Butler and children, Eastland, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Derington and family, Lamesa.

Mr. and Mrs. Bull Powell and daughter, Brownfield, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Herron, Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Parks and daughter, Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. John Herron and children, Trent, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Blackwill and children, Sweetwater, Mrs. J. G. Herron, Merkel.

Mrs. Ruth Butler, Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Herron and children, Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. E.

E. Herron, Merkel, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Herron and girls, Merkel, Mrs. Etta Herron, Merkel, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Self, Sylvester.

Mr. and Mrs. Watson Self, Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Ned Herron, Shallow Water, Texas, Mrs. Lottie Jenkins, Tulsa, Calif.

There were 120 present and barbecue for all. The reunion will be held in the same place next year.

HOBBS-MURPHY REUNION HELD IN COBB PARK

The Hobbs and Murphy reunion was held in Cobb Park, Abilene, July 24th. The names of the people who attended are as follows, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Murphy, Brownfield, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Vineyard and son, Brownfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Ethel Murphy, Lamesa, Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Murphy and son, Big Spring, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hobbs, Big Spring, Mr. H. H. Hoff, Rogers, Ark., Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Hobbs and son Billie, Dallas, Mrs. Kate Lovy, Dallas.

Miss Roshlyn Russell, Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Hobbs and son Jimmy, Grand Prairie, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Hobbs, Grand Prairie, Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Hobbs and sons Johnnie and Victor, Irving, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Hobbs and daughter Myra, Goree, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hobbs, Goree, Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Hobbs, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Hobbs of Merkel, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Allison and daughter Brendie Kay, Mr. and Mrs. Vera Harris and daughter Darlene and Meckey of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Harwood and sons Jimmy and Tommie, Tuscola, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Englerx, Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Dayle Gray and sons, Gary, Allen and Kenney, Merkel, Mr. and Mrs. M. G. King, Merkel, Miss Frances Reeder, Merkel, Mrs. Ella Neeb, Merkel.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Smith and children Betty, Gary and Patsy, Merkel, Mr. and Mrs. Hollis McCoy, Merkel, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Childress, Merkel, Barbara Harwood, Winters.

Mr. and Mrs. James H. Garner of Austin, Texas, visited the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. F. Y. Gaither, Mrs. Garner's parents.

Mrs. Eldon Price, of Edgewood, Maryland, is spending several weeks in the home of her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Price.

Guests in the home of Mrs. C. P. Stevens last week were her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Kesner and children, Rachel Ann and Corky, of Tucuman, New Mexico, and also Mrs. Joe Biggerstaff and granddaughter, Toby Joe, of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Berry, of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Widner of Odessa, Texas, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hodge last week.

Mrs. Beulah Callahan, of Fort Worth, visited in the home of her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Baze, last week for a few days. She has been on a vacation in California and Colorado.

SOCIETY



MARRIED RECENTLY — A marriage of interest recently was the vows of Johnnie Mae Horton and Jerrel Woodard.

Mrs. Mae Springer and children and Mrs. Robert T. Hodge visited Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Hodge in Odessa last week.

40 YEARS AGO

Mrs. John Oliver and daughter Patsy spent last week in Midland with their son and brother John D. Oliver and family.

Mrs. R. E. Climmin Jr. and sons Robert and Mark visited the past week with her brother W. B. Smith and family of Azel.

Miss Ruth Mims is at home from Nacagdoches where she visited friends and relatives.

Contracts were given to C. H. Linebach Co. of Dallas and work on the new high school will start the first of next week. The building, when completed, will seat approximately 1,250 including the seating capacity of the auditorium which will be between four and five hundred.

Michael Wallace, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wallace, and Jerry Wayne Patterson, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Patterson, Jr., of Arlington, Texas, have returned home after spending several weeks with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. Patterson accompanied the boys home and visited with their children.



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MERKEL, TEXAS

Miss Denta Gibson of Pampa visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dent Gibson over the weekend.

Henry Hinch of Odessa is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Patterson.

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W. W. TOOMBS

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Murray and children, Wanda, Jana and Jimmy visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Murray, over the weekend. Jimmy remained for a longer visit with his grandparents.

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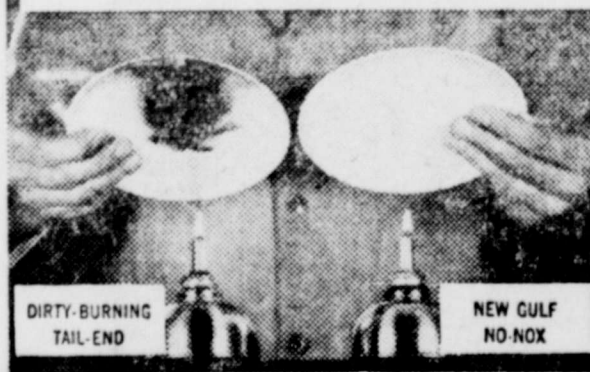


Important thought to keep in mind:

When it's safe to pass, make sure you've got the gasoline that lets you enjoy full working octane performance. Stop in at your Gulf station and ask the man for New Super-Refined Gulf NO-NOX. And make sure your engine is protected with New Gulfpride H.D. Select, the motor oil that controls carbon.

New Gulf No-Nox Gasoline delivers not just the highest octane but

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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 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 6 day of July A. D. 1955.
 Attest: Mrs. Chester Hutchison, Clerk, Commissioners Court, Taylor County, Texas.
 By Maxine Hobbs, Deputy.

fendant, Greeting:
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 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 22nd day of August A.D. 1955, to Plaintiff Second Amended Petition filed in said court, on the 9th day of July A.D. 1955, in this cause, numbered 20,045-A on the docket of said court and styled W. R. Williams, Plaintiff, vs. Joan Mary Williams, Defendant.
 A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and defendant were married on or about July 3, 1954 and lived together until on or about August 28, 1954. Plaintiff shows that there are no children and no community property. Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of cruel treatment, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Second Amended Petition on file in this suit.
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 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:
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 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.
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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.
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CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS
 TO: Marion Sherman, if living, and if dead, then the unknown heirs and legal representatives of Marion Sherman, deceased, and the unknown heirs and legal representatives of the unknown heirs and legal representatives of Marion Sherman, deceased, and unknown husband of any of the female defendants who may be married, Defendants, Greeting:
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse to be in, 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 12th day of September A.D. 1955, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 29th day of July A.D. 1955, in this cause, numbered 20,704-A on the docket of said court and styled Alvin Heffernan, Plaintiff vs. Marion Sherman, if living, and if dead, then the unknown heirs and legal representatives of Marion Sherman, deceased, and the unknown heirs and legal representatives of the unknown heirs and legal representatives of Marion Sherman, deceased, and the unknown husband of any of the female defendants who may be married, Defendants.
 A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: This is a suit of trespass to try title, and to try title by limitations, of the following described property:
 Lot No. Thirteen (13) in Block "R" of the J. Stoddard Johnston subdivision of Out Lot No. One (1), Block No. Two Hundred and Nine (209) of the City of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.
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IN THE COUNTY COURT
OF
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To all persons interested in Henry L. Johnson, a person of unsound mind, or his estate, you are notified that I have on the 2nd day of August, 1955, filed with the County Clerk of Taylor County, Texas an application under oath for authority to make an oil and gas lease to my ward's one-half (1/2) mineral interest in and to the following described property:

112 acres out of the N. E. 1/4 of Section 45, Block 1, S. P. R. Co. land, Taylor County, Texas, same being the N. E. 1/4 of Section 45, Block 1, S. P. R. Co. land conveyed to J. B. Johnson by deed dated April 8, 1889, recorded in Vol. 74, page 419, Deed records of Taylor County, Texas, to which deed reference is hereby made, less 48 acres conveyed to E. E. Shaw by two deeds as follows: 16 acres by deed dated May 11, 1925 recorded in Vol. 153, page 317, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas; and 32 acres by deed dated September 29, 1928 recorded in Vol. 207, page 573, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas, to which two deeds reference is hereby made; that the Honorable Reed Ingalsbe, Judge of the County Court of Taylor County, Texas, on the 2nd day of August, 1955, at 10:00 o'clock A.M. in the County Courtroom in the Court House of such county, as the time and place when and where such application would be heard, and that such application will be heard at such time and place.

E. E. HOLLINGSHEAD,
Guardian of the estate of Henry L. Johnson, a person of unsound mind.

MISS BRENDA MASHBURN ENTERTAINS FRIENDS

Miss Brenda Mashburn entertained a group with a weiner roast and watermelon in their back yard last Tuesday night. Those present for the fun were Jerrine Faye Wells of Monahan, Beth Dunigan of Merkel, Gary and C. B. Rust, Jerry Mach Kelson, J. R. Mashburn, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mashburn and Rodney, and Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Walters.

Miss Jerrine Faye Wells of Monahan spent the past week end in the Marvin L. Waters home.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin L. Walters spent Sunday in Monahan's visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Wells.

VAUGHNELLE Y.W.A. IS ENTERTAINED

The Vaughnelle Y.W.A. met in the home of Mrs. Clyde Bartlett, Monday evening. Sandra Pursley opened the meeting with a prayer. The program consisted of facts of what drink can do to a person. Mrs. Bartlett closed the meeting with a prayer. The group went to town for refreshments of coke and ice cream.

MRS. M. E. WEST H. D. HOSTESS

Mrs. M. E. West was hostess to the Stith home demonstration club when it met in her home July 27.

The club was called to order by Miss Louise Hudson, club president. Mrs. Bill Childers led the prayer. Mrs. Wesley Mashburn led the group song. Roll call was answered with a "Tip for time saving." Mrs. J. E. Hudson directed the game.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and a financial report was given by Mrs. Forrest Walker, club secretary.

Mrs. J. E. Hudson gave a report on the county council meeting at Anson July 20. The meeting adjourned and refreshments were served to ten members, one child, Granny Miller, Miss Patti Eakins and Miss Jerrine Faye Wells.

Mrs. E. E. Kuykendall, of Abilene, visited her daughter, Mrs. Homer Shanks last week.

Mrs. Edna Horton and her son, Reuben Horton, of Abilene, spent the week with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Nutt and family at Plainview.

Mrs. Roy Mashburn and Brenda visited Hilda Berry Thursday. She is in Hendrix hospital at Abilene following an accident.

Mrs. H. A. Fick and family of Odessa are visiting in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Palmer.

Tommy Parr, nephew of Mrs. Ben Bingham has returned home after a narrow escape when he fell from the tractor in which Ben was driving. He is doing fine.

Mr. and Mrs. Comer Hayes and Mr. and Mrs. E. M. McDonald and Mrs. Lucy Teaf spent the weekend in Ruidoso, N. M.

The three branches of government in the U. S. are the Legislative, Executive and Judicial.

Jack Johnson was the last Negro Heavyweight Boxing Champion before Joe Louis.

Prodigal Shows At Queen Sunday

One of the most famous meals ever served — the Biblical feast of the fatted calf — turned out to be a complicated catering job when re-enacted in Hollywood.

The Parable of the Prodigal Son is specific about the main course. It was a fatted calf, killed in honor of the young man's homecoming. But there is no information about other dishes on the festive board.

What was the rest of the menu? That and several other questions had to be answered before M-G-M could shoot the final scene of "The Prodigal." CinemaScope spectacle starring Lana Turner and Edmund Purdon.

This show comes to the Queen Theater in Merkel Sunday and Monday.

In the film, as in the Parable on which its story is based, the feast celebrates the penitent return of Purdon (the Prodigal) to his father's house after adventures in a far country where he "wasted his substance with riotous living."

As for any party occasion, the guest list was an item of first consideration. Producer Charles Schnee and Maurice Zimm, the screen writer, decided at the outset that attendance would be limited to relatives and close friends. The host, of course, would be Walter Hampden, playing the Prodigal's father. Audrey Dalton, as the girl the Prodigal had left behind him, and John Dehner, as his eldest brother, would be there.

Jungle Adventure At Queen Friday

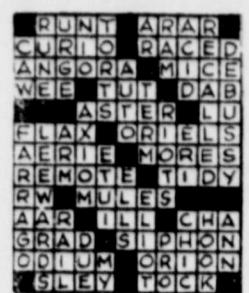
"Cannibal Attack," Columbia Pictures' latest jungle adventure starring Johnny Weissmuller and featuring Judy Walsh, David Bruce and the simian marvel, Kimba, opens Friday at the Queen Theatre. According to advance reports, the new Weissmuller thriller exceeds in action and jungle excitement many of the star's well-remembered motion pictures.

In "Cannibal Attacks," Weissmuller is called in by the government to investigate repeated cobalt thefts from a jungle mine. Weissmuller discovers a cannibal tribe is mixed up in the proceedings under the leadership of the mine's owners, who are illegally selling the valuable mineral to a foreign government.

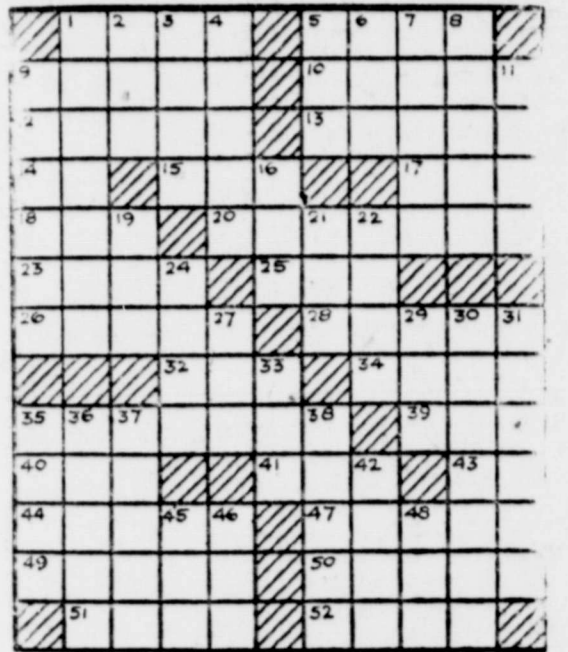
Love may make the world go round; but it also makes a lot of people dizzy.

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| 12 Perform | 13 Tablet of stone (Mediterranean) | 30 Free |
| 14 Personal pronoun | 15 Jack of suit turned up | 31 Whole (with) |
| 16 Pleaded | 17 Devoured | 33 Congal |
| 18 Apple seed | 19 Normal | 35 Applaud |
| 20 Wicked | 21 Breach | 36 Priced |
| 22 Happen again | 23 Tree | 37 Additional |
| 24 Choking bit | 25 Presently | |
| 26 Having a tiff | 27 Kettle | |
| 28 Slack | 29 A support | |
| 30 River (Chin.) | 31 Oil of rose petals | |
| 32 Newer | 33 Grayish-blue | |
| 34 Unaccompanied | 35 Dips slightly into water | |
| 36 Barks | DOWN | |
| 1 Cheat | | |



ANSWER
38 Postpone
42 Festive
45 Viper
46 Property (L)
48 Apex



Ferguson Home From Church Meet

Rev. and Mrs. John Vance Ferguson returned Friday from Bloomington, Ind., where they attended "The National Town and Country Conference of the Methodist church. The conference was held on the campus of Indiana university July 22 to 25. They were among the 23 persons representing the Northwest Texas conference. Reverend Ferguson, pastor of the Pioneer Memorial church, was a representative from the Abilene district. There were 1,500 registered.

Wrong Driver In Traffic Accident

Vestal Hicks was the driver of the car which was involved in a wreck at the end of Locust street with Carl Maddux' car. It was reported that Eldon Hicks was the driver.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. McAden have returned home after an extended trip through Colorado Springs, Denver, Billings, Mont., and other points of interest. They visited a former Merkel pastor, Rev. and Mrs. Glen Brazell and family, in Montana, and then went on to Canada and came back through Yellowstone National Park and Salt Lake City.

NEWS

County Home Demonstration Agent Texas A. & M. College Extension Service
By LORETA ALLEN

Mrs. W. L. McCormick, Tuscola Club, Mrs. E. C. Ray, Blue Bonnet Club, and Mrs. Henry Ellinger, Lake Abilene Club are the delegates who represented Taylor County Home Demonstration Club at the state meeting of the Texas Home Demonstration Association. The meeting started August 3rd at 8:45 a.m. with general assembly in the Crystal Ballroom, Hotel Texas in Fort Worth. Mrs. Haven Smith, chairman for the American Farm Bureau Women Chappell, Nebraska, was speaker for Wednesday morning. Lawanda Vinson and I accompanied the group to Fort Worth and attended the meeting on Wednesday. Lawanda wanted to tell the Association how much she appreciated the Maggie W. Barry scholarship she won this year.

The district 7 4-H girls dress revue luncheon will be August 10 in the Abilene Woman's Club building. We think it is going to be a very pretty revue and anyone can attend if they will contact Mrs. Everett and make arrangements. Nita Harvey will represent Taylor County. Nita came by the office and brought the dress that she is making. It really looked nice. There will be representatives from the following counties: Bandera, Coke, Coleman, Concho, Gillespie, Kerr, Llano, McCulloch, Menard, Nolan, San Saba, Taylor, Tom Green.

Among our new bulletins are "Food and Fun With Friends," "Eat Well for Less," and "Neufchatel Cheese." If you would like one write me or come by my office in the Agriculture Building in Abilene.

Maxine Justice of Merkel will represent her area and Abilene Christian College on the Mademoiselle College Board and Show presentation in Abilene from Monday, August 3, thru Saturday, August 13.

UTILITIES — From Page 1. pleting the one year General Electric test course at Schenectady, New York, he worked for a short time in General Electric's District Engineering Department in Dallas.

Young, having previously served as an assistant to Price Campbell in Marshall, joined WTU as an electrical engineer in 1924. Later he was transferred to the Transmission and Engineering Department where he helped build many of the company's transmission lines and substations. Promoted to chief engineer in 1935, Young supervised the construction program doubling and re-doubling the system generating capabilities. Since 1953,

new duties as president, he will be the chief executive officers of the company.

Schroeder assumes his new duties as executive vice president with more than 37 years of service with WTU. First employed in Abilene in 1918, he has served as a construction engineer, chief engineer, vice president and superintendent of operations, and has been a member of the board of directors since 1933.

Leaving an assignment as an A&M College instructor, Longley was employed by WTU in 1926. He has served as load dispatcher, chief dispatcher, transmission superintendent. Elected to the board of directors in 1953, he has served as superintendent of production and transmission since that time.

Grayson, elected Monday to the board of directors, is also a veteran utility employee. Shortly after attending A&M College, he began his career in the electric industry. He joined WTU in 1927 where he heads the Rate, Contract, and Cost Analysis Department.

velopment, public and governmental relations.

Prominent in the development of West Texas, Campbell is widely known as a civic and business leader and for his work supporting and encouraging water and soil conservation. Serving on numerous regional and state committees, he recently was named a

Director of Texas A&M College. A native of Weatherford, Campbell graduated from A&M College in 1913 and after a graduate course with General Electric was employed as an engineer by the American Public Service Company at Marshall in 1915. The only interruption in his 40 years of work in the electric industry came during World War I, when he entered the Army's first Air Force Service.

Coming to Abilene in 1920, Campbell had served in almost every phase of the company's business when he was made president in 1930. Under Campbell's leadership WTU has experienced its greatest period of growth. In 1920 the company's properties — which then included ice, water, and street railways, as well as electric facilities — were valued under \$3,000,000.

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Young, who observed his 31st anniversary with WTU this year, electrical engineering degrees was born in Marshall. He holds from both Alabama Polytechnic Institute and Massachusetts Institute of Technology. After com-



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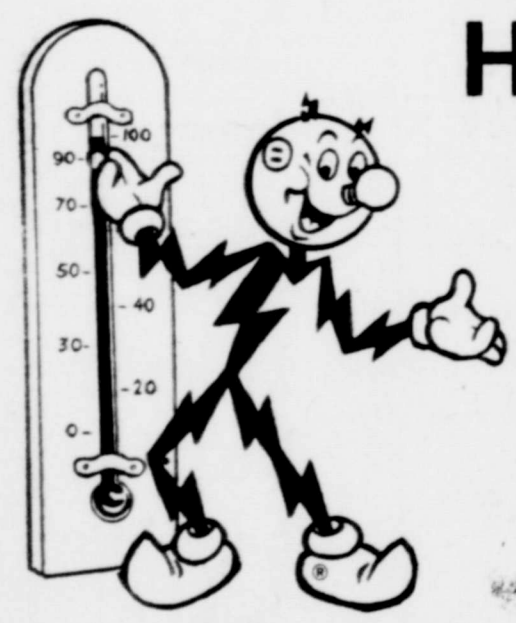
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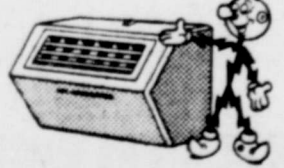
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NOODLE NEWS

MRS. GEORGE COOPER
Correspondent

In the absence of the pastor at the Baptist church Sunday, the young people took over. Joe Carter, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Carter, preached.

Mrs. Ted McAninch and Daynh visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Cooper Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Latham were visitors in our community last weekend. Mr. Latham is going to school at Abilene. They will teach here next term.

Mrs. W. D. Clement and boys spent a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Caldwell, while Mr. Clement went to Austin to bring back a new bus for the school.

The Dick Maverrys visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Benjie Anderson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Stanford and two children from Spearman, Texas, are visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Euckert this week. They formerly lived at Noodle.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Case and children of Tulsa, Okla., visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Sullivan last week. Mrs. Case and Mrs. Sullivan are sisters.

Mrs. Lum Gilbreth and daughter Geniva visited their mother and grandmother, Mrs. Joe Northcutt, at Anson last week. Mr. Northcutt is in California after having a housing operation. He is doing fine.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hill and children moved to Moran where he has accepted the job of superintendent. He will be missed as they have been a resident of this community several years.

Mrs. Tom Yandell and son, Jesse, of Trent, visited Monday afternoon and attended the revival at the Church of Christ.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Barbee have returned home after several weeks visiting in Colorado and Washington.

George Cooper is still gaining his health and strength back after having been ill for some time.

R. L. Caldwell of Anson is very ill. Many people will remember Mr. Caldwell and his son, Bill, working our county roads for years. He would appreciate any of his old friends dropping in to see him anytime they are in Anson and have time. He lives in the southwest part of Anson.

HODGES

Mrs. NORMAN SLOAN
Correspondent

Mrs. Paul Sneed and daughters from Houston and Mrs. McGowan from Ft. Worth are visiting in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Simpson.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Darnell of Lubbock visited Mr. and Mrs. Durwood McCay last week.

Durwood McCay attended a ginners meeting in Coleman last Thursday. His wife and daughters, Evlene and Lu Ann motored on from Coleman and visited her aunt, Mrs. C. J. Deer.

Emilie Simpson, bride-elect of Sydney Wyatt was presented with a gift tea on Tuesday evening at the Hodges Community Center. Women from the Hope Church of Christ were hostesses.

Derrell Sloan and Glen Bicknell were hunting Sunday evening on Bitter Creek and caught a soft shell turtle which they thought was pretty big. He was about thirteen or fourteen inches in diameter.

Jewell King of Abilene spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Vantrees.

Mrs. Jesse Dillard and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Bicknell of Abilene were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Jones on Sunday.

The Church of Christ meeting came to a close on Sunday evening. There were two baptisms. Visiting the meeting were people from Abilene, Merkel, Noodle, Hawley, Anson and Turby. It's nice to have people from so many different places visit and help to make a meeting successful.

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BERNECE LOVE
Correspondent

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Beasley of Carlsbad, New Mexico, spent a few days with their parents the C. S. Esteps of Trent.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Hamner, Thelda Hamner and Kay Beasley left Trent Sunday for Colorado. They plan to spend two weeks at Yellowstone National Park.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hamner and family, Dayne Ambrose and Yvonne Martin returned Wednesday, July 27, after spending two weeks touring Colorado.

Miss Virgie Williams of Trent and Mr. Norman Walker of Pecos were married July 22 in the First Baptist Church in Trent. The bride's sister, Mrs. J. V. Bowen of Brownfield, was matron of honor and the groom's brother, Mr. Wayne Walker served as best man. Bridesmaids were also sisters of the bride, Mrs. Curtis Butler and Mrs. Beryl Grayson. Ushers were Otis Williams Jr., the bride's brother and her brother-in-law, Mr. Curtis Butler. Miss Judy Steadman Trent played the piano and Miss Pearl Matthews, also of Trent, sang "O Promise Me," and "Because."

Miss Pearl Matthews plans to enter Hardin-Simmons University for the fall term. She is now employed at the Home State Bank of Trent.

Work has begun on tennis courts at Trent High School. They are being built by the FFA boys under the supervision of their teacher Mr. A. A. Maberry.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Ambrose returned to Trent Sunday after spending their vacation in Colorado.

STITH

Mrs. W. M. LOFLIN
Correspondent

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Walter took her niece Miss Faye Wells home to Monahans. She had been visiting here a week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Mashburn and family are on vacation. They plan to do a lot of fishing.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Loflin and family have been on vacation. They did a lot of fishing but no luck. They also visited Guthrie, Seymour, Tulsa, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Brown and girls are vacationing in Colorado.

Mrs. C. B. Rust took her B.T.U. class on a weiner roast last Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Bird had Rev. and Mrs. Swindell, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Holloway and children as guests Sunday. Also Miss Lula Hassey of Tye.

We saw a few familiar faces at the meeting being held at the Stith Baptist Church. There were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shenell, Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Dunagan and Carol.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. McDonald went to Warm Springs Gonzales to take George for his check up. George gets to throw away one of his crutches.

Mr. and Mrs. Hinds and Mr. and Mrs. Dee Taff visited with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Penny.

Mr. Rhome Bumpass visited with Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Rust last Friday.

The revival at the Stith Baptist Church will continue through August 7. Rev. Jesse Swindell will lead the services at 10 a.m. and 8:15 p.m. Song leader is Ina Stanley, Mrs. J. B. Harris is the pianist.

Miss Linda Winters spent the weekend with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. West.

Lou (Grandma) Mashburn is at the home of her son Mr. Carl Mashburn in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Burl Bailey who now live at Anson are the parents of a boy born July 20 at Anson.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Robertson were visitors in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Rust, Sunday.

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Secondly, protect feed from body discharges of animals. Feed from racks and other feeds from troughs.

Thirdly, isolate in a "hospital" pen all animals showing indications of illness or impending abortion. Keep them away from the herd until they are normal. Add only animals to the herd which have a negative blood test and isolate them for 30 days and then retest before turning them with the herd.

Fourthly, says Patterson, put heavy springer cows in a maternity pen 10 days prior to calving and keep them there until all danvers have ceased. All membranes and still-born calves should be immediately buried.

And last, he says, contact the local veterinarian who will do the testing and vaccinations. He has the Plan B agreement forms which must be sent to the Livestock Sanitary Commission. Patterson believes much good can come from dairymen, veterinarians and county agents working together on the program and that many other problems can be solved by this joint effort; thus reducing the expense of the eradication program.

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PAKA NEWBY, ROBERT GOODWIN WED IN MERKEL CHURCH RITES



MRS. ROBERT DILLON GOODWIN
... The former Paka Deloris Newby

Paka Deloris Newby and Robert Dillon Goodwin were married in the First Methodist Church Saturday night at 8 o'clock in a double ring ceremony by the Rev. Cloy Lyles.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Homer H. Newby and he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Goodwin.

Greenery formed the background for an arch of greenery and gladioli with a wedding bell in the center. On either side of the arch were candelabra holding white tapers, garlanded with fern, and arrangements of white gladioli, majestic daisies and fern. Family pews were marked with white satin bows.

Mrs. Andy Shouse, organist, accompanied Bettie Raye Chancey who sang "Always" and Mrs. J. R. Baker sang "I Walk With God."

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a dress of white chantilly lace and tulle over bridal satin, styled on victorian lines. Folds of tulle trim outlined the deep v neckline. The skirt was styled with a floor length apron of lace edged with pleated tulle. The skirt swept into a short train. Her fingertip veil of illusion was attached to a lace calot edged with pearls and pleated tulle ruffles. She wore a single strand of pearls and matching earrings, gifts from the bridegroom. Her white Bible was topped with a white orchid. The Bible was given by her grandmother, Mrs. J. T. Newby.

Eddie James of Gail, uncle of the bridegroom, was best man and Carole Deen of Stamford was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Johnnie Tipton, Mrs. Eddie James of Gail; Barbara Morgan, Clydene Eager, Jackie Hogan, Patricia Palmer, Phyllis Newby, sister of the bride, was flower girl and candlelighters were Charlott Wilson of Big Spring and Becky Ray. Ronnie Fulkerson of Oklahoma City cousin of the bridegroom, was usher, along with Rich-

ard Cotton of Monroe, La., George Starbuck and Sessions Hammond. The maid of honor wore a pale blue ballerina length dress of crystaletta, made with draped bodice. She wore matching half hat and carried a colonial bouquet of flowers matching her dress.

Bridesmaids' dresses were in varying shades of pink made of nylon organdy, styled like the maid of honor's dress. They wore matching bandeaus of net petals, sprinkled with sequins and carried colonial bouquets of varying shades of pink.

The flower girl was dressed in white nylon chiffon, trimmed with nylon eyelet. The dress was over pale pink cotton satin. Her headdress matched the bridesmaids'. She carried a basket fashioned of pale pink net.

The mother of the bride chose a mauve lace dress over pale blue, with blue accessories and a white asters corsage. Mother of the bridegroom was attired in steel blue taffeta shantung with matching accessories and a pink asters corsage.

A reception was held in the home of the bride's parents. The bride's table was laid with a lace cloth over blue satin, and was centered with an arrangement of asters. The three-tiered wedding cake was topped with a miniature bridal couple. Glenda Petty and Gloria Teaff served in the house-party.

For a wedding trip to New Mexico the bride wore a pale pink cotton dress with white accessories and the orchid from her bridal bouquet.

Both will enter Sul Ross College at Alpine in September. She was graduated from Merkel High School in 1955 and was valedictorian of her class. He is a 1953 graduate of Rankin High School and a junior at Sul Ross.

The bride's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Butman, and Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Newby, of Colorado City, the grandmother of the groom, Mrs. M. L. Hopkins of Drumright, Okla., were present.

Other out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Fulkerson, of Oklahoma City, and Mr. and Mrs.



MRS. HAROLD DEAN SLOAN
... the former Betty Laverne Foster

Curtis Wilson, of Big Spring. The rehearsal dinner was hosted Friday night in the home of the bride's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Quanah Dudley and children are vacationing in New Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles McArthur are the parents of a son born July 30. The young son, David Lynn, weighed 6 pounds, 13 ounces. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Burleson of Merkel.

FOSTER-SLOAN WEDDING RITES SOLEMNIZED IN MERKEL CHURCH

The Church of Christ was scene of the wedding of Betty Laverne Foster to Harold Dean Sloan Saturday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Otis Foster and Mr. and Mrs. Troy Sloan. Ed Brown, minister of the Noodle Church of Christ, officiated. The altar was decorated with a background of greenery, baskets of white gladioli, flanked by palms and white tapers. Nuptial music was provided by a quartet. Mrs. Lee Tucker sang "Because" and Elaine Fare of Abilene sang "O, Promise Me."

ther, the bride wore a dress of nylon lace over taffeta made with a scalloped neckline, bordered with lace flowers and pearl centers. Tulle filled in the yoke, attached to a collar trimmed like the neckline. Her veil of tulle was gathered to an ornament of pearl trimmed flowers, and lace flowers edged the veil. Atop a white Bible, borrowed from Mrs. Tarpley, she carried a phalaenopsis orchid.

The feminine attendants wore dresses alike, made from crystal taffeta in light pink, green and orchid. They were styled with long torso lines, full gathered skirts, low necks and sleeveless. They wore ruffled headbands of the material of their dresses. All carried pink fan shaped arrangements of feathered carnations.

Marie Foster wore a blue nylon organdy dress made like the bridal attendants, and wore a pink feathered carnation corsage.

Mrs. Foster, mother of the bride wore navy voile dress with navy and white accessories. Her flowers were white gladiolias. Mrs. Sloan, mother of the bridegroom, wore a charcoal grey dress with pink accessories.

After the service, Mrs. Douglas Chancey and Mrs. Jimmy Smith, both of Sweetwater, assisted the couple in greeting guests from New Mexico, Arlington, Fort Worth, Merkel, Sweetwater, Odessa, Abilene and Big Spring.

For a wedding trip to San Antonio, the bride wore a baby blue polished cotton dress with white accessories and an orchid corsage.

They will live at 602 Locust St. in Merkel, after Aug. 3.

The bride attended Merkel High School and Gail Business College in Abilene. She was president of the Home Economics Club and junior class favorite in high school. He was graduated from Noodle High School where he was salutatorian and senior class favorite.

She is employed by the Taylor Electric Cooperative in Merkel and he farms at Merkel and is employed by Dugger-Herring Drilling Co.

MOLLY BETH DOUGLAS BECOMES BRIDE OF BILL BUTMAN

Molly Beth Douglas became the bride of A-2c Bill Butman in a double ring ceremony read in the First Baptist Church parsonage at 7:30 Tuesday evening. Rev. Sam Tullock solemnized the vows.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Douglas of Merkel. Mr. and Mrs. Ben Butman of Merkel are parents of the groom.

Jerrell Butman served his brother as best man and Mrs. Jerrell Butman was matron of honor.

For a wedding trip, the couple went to San Marcus. The couple will make their home in Dennison, Texas. The bridegroom is stationed at nearby Perrin Air Force Base.

GLEANERS CLASS MEETS IN POGUE HOME

The Gleaner Sunday School class met July 15 in the home of Misses Connie and Alzada Pogue. Mrs. Johnnie Cox was co-hostess.

Devotional was given by Miss Mabel McRee. Mrs. Ray Wilson gave a book review. Mrs. W. W. Toombs, president of the class, presided during the business meeting.

Refreshments were served to Mrs. Lou Petty, Mrs. John Shannon, Mrs. Tom Largent, Miss Mabel McRee, Mrs. Reece Hall, Mrs. Denzil Cox, Mrs. Jack Miller, Mrs. W. S. J. Brown, Mrs. Forest Gaither, Mrs. Leon Toombs, Mrs. Kenneth Pee, Mrs. M. L. Douglas, Mrs. Harold Odum, Mrs. Winnie Cypert, Mrs. D. H. Vaughn, Mrs. Lee Tipton, Mrs. Roy Baccus, Mrs. Herbert Patterson, Mrs. Ray Wilson and Mrs. R. E. Carnes, visitor.

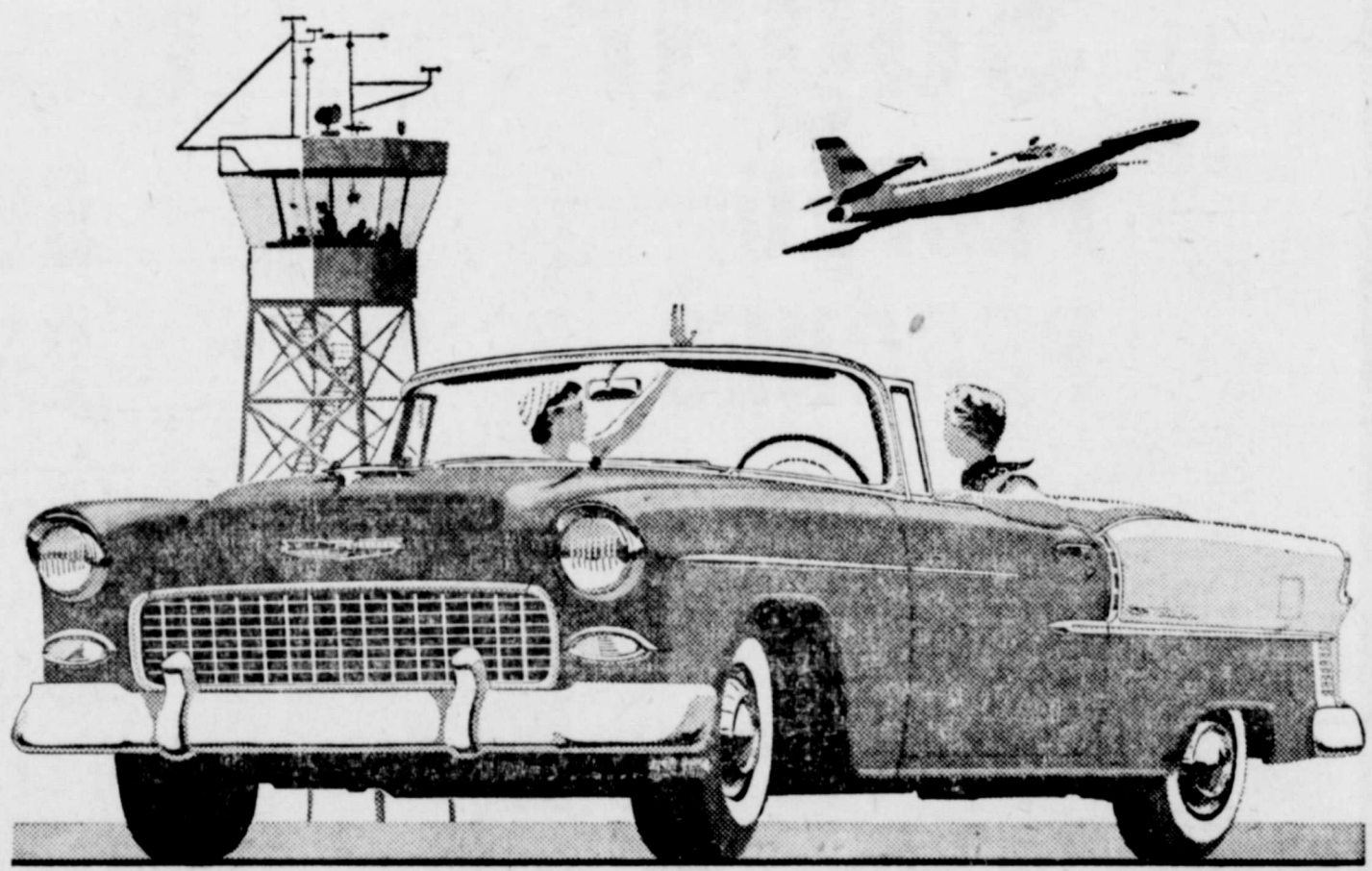
COKE PARTY HELD FOR MRS. BILL BUTMAN

Mrs. Ollie Fox hosted a coke party at her home Tuesday morning honoring Mrs. Bill Butman. Mrs. Butman is the former Molly Beth Douglas. Those assisting Mrs. Fox were: Mrs. Don Estes, Mrs. Waymon Adecock, Mrs. Jake Martin, Mrs. E. B. Wallace, Mrs. Dent Gibson, Mrs. Clarence

Perry, Mrs. E. O. Carson, Mrs. Manford Noster, Mrs. Clyde Bartlett, Janice Rutledge.

Guest of Mrs. Joe Garland and Mary Jo during the weekend was Miss Maxine Bonner of Long Island, New York. Miss Bonner, a registered nurse, has been visiting with her parents in Sweetwater.

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Senator Lyndon B. Johnson preparing to leave Bethesda Naval Hospital for two or three weeks' rest at his home in Washington before returning to Texas, wants the people of Texas to know he is grateful for all they have done to start him on the road to full recovery from the heart attack he suffered July 2.

Mrs. Johnson, fondly known as Lady Bird to multiplied thousands of Texans, said her husband declared he has a fuller appreciation than ever before of how fortunate he is in his friends.

"During those first difficult hours immediately after he suffered the attack, messages started pouring in," Mrs. Johnson said. "They were encouraging, heart-warming messages of confidence and hope, and they gave Lyndon strength when he needed it most."

Mrs. Johnson estimated that some 5,000 letters, telegrams and "Get well" cards have been received by the Senator since he was stricken. A great many of them carried the information that their senders were praying for him. They came from people in all walks of life — from the President of the United States and from a 12-year-old boy in East Texas — from farmers and housewives and working men and business executives and members of Sunday School classes.

"Nothing else has helped Lyndon so much as the knowledge that so many people are pulling for him," Mrs. Johnson declared.

Senator and Mrs. Johnson hope to return to their ranch in Gillespie County by September 1, where the Senator will rest and relax between now and the opening of the next session of Congress in January.



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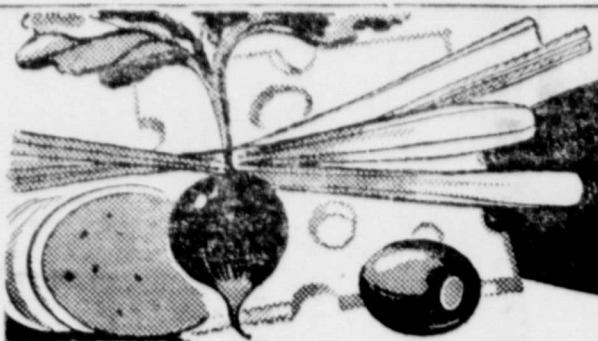
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