

Scoop

School days are here again. Beginning next Wednesday the kids will start their annual trek back to school, and this year those in the high school will have a clean, remodeled building to go to class in.

If everything works out, school officials will have a new gymnasium and other improvements by spring, giving Merkel a fine physical educational system. The contract for the new buildings will be let the first week in September, and work should be ready to start soon thereafter.

Talking about construction, Merkel should be a busy place during the next few months. Rufe Tittle is getting everything ready for the highway 80 by pass, and the state is ready to spend about \$1.5 millions on the new road, much of which will go for labor. This means that much of the labor will be in and near Merkel, which means that means a lot more construction work around Merkel.

Raymond Ferguson has made a wonderful contribution to the Cemetery. He recently donated the labor and the material to build a pump house at the Cemetery to house the pump there.

Bob McDonald was quite enthusiastic when the Boles home choir sang at the Church of Christ several weeks ago, and he vowed he'd go down and see the fine home at Quinlan some day. He realized this recently when he went on a vacation, he was able to stop and go through the church's orphan's home.

Several good slogans have been sent into the Chamber of Commerce, but more are needed. There's still time to get your entry in the Merkel Mail's contest, and there's a \$5 prize awaiting the one which is selected as the most appropriate for Merkel. If you haven't sent yours in, do so today. Send or take it to Onis Crawford at the Chamber of Commerce. The selection will be made in time for the Chamber of Commerce banquet which is being planned within the next few weeks.

Speaking of schools, this edition of the Merkel Mail is dedicated to the opening of school, and it'll pay you to look at the ads and see the many things for school kids that are offered by the Merkel business men. You can buy nearly anything in Merkel without having to go out of town to shop. Just scan the ads, and then do your shopping in Merkel.

We're having to hit the hard grind of newspapering this week, without much help. During the summer we were fortunate in having our two boys, Bob and Watie, around the shop to take the brunt of our work, but Bob has gone back to the University of Oklahoma to finish up his journalism course, and Watie is attending the football camp this week, so that leaves us at it.

We'll give up on our fish stories. Listen to this. Earl Carter, of Ballinger, formerly of Merkel, went out fishing with his neighbor to set out a trot line. When they came back to see about the line, they heard something splashing in the water, and they made preparations to take a big fish off the trot line, but instead they found a dog and a coon hooked. The person who gave us this item wrote "This is sure the truth. It is not a fish tale."

It takes everything to make a day exciting, and Mrs. Winnie Cyper, 802 Rose, isn't looking for any more like the one she experienced the other day when two young people found a diamond back rattlesnake in her front yard. They backed a car over it, and killed it, but there's still the thought of the rattlers. And to top it off, her neighbor, Mrs. Carl J. Maddox, was in her back yard Tuesday, and heard a peculiar noise that didn't sound so good. Looking around, she spotted a 3-foot long rattlesnake in her rock garden, and then proceeded to make quick work of getting rid of it. Mrs. Cyper says they must have been mates, and each had five rattlers. "But it isn't funny if you think they're around," she mused. So if you're floating around in your yard these days, just be careful, there might be a rattler around, and it won't be the baby's.

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Noodle-Horn School Opens Next Monday

Registration for the Noodle-Horn school district will be held Tuesday, August 30, with classes beginning the following day, Wayman E. Pistole, superintendent, announced today.

The first faculty meeting will be held August 29, at 9 a.m. The next day there will be a general assembly at 8:30 a.m. at which time the public is invited, Pistole stated.

He said all buses will make their regular routes Tuesday and students will be returned home by noon. There will be a full schedule of classes Wednesday, August 31, and lunch will be served in the school cafeteria.

The faculty is complete and includes the following: First and second grade, Mrs. Ima Jennings; Third and Fourth Grades, Mrs. Ruth Higgins; Fifth and Sixth Grades, Hervey Latham; Seventh and Eighth Grades will be departmentalized with high school where Gerald Jennings will coach and teach social science; Ernest Tate, science; Mrs. L. R. Posey math and English; Miss Mary Jo Garland, homemaking; and Superintendent W. E. Pistole, commercial subjects and girls basketball coach.

There has been extensive repair done to the school during the summer months. The library has been remodeled, changing it from a closed to an open library, which will encourage the students to make better use of the library. After the beginning of school there will be added to the library about \$1,000 worth of books.

To the science laboratory has been added a new table for experiment use and new desks for lecture. The seating will be so arranged that every student may sit at his desk and see demonstration experiments performed by the instructor.

All of the high school building has been repainted inside. New equipment has been added to the cafeteria — a new steam table will make it possible to have hot meals all during the serving period and will meet sanitary standards safeguarding the health of the students. All new cabinets are also being installed. A new excelsior tile floor replaces the old concrete floor.

The school has purchased a duplex apartment house in Abilene and is having it moved onto the school property for use as a teacherage. Mr. and Mrs. Hervey Latham and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Jennings will live in the teacherage.

Starting Revival

Rev. Elra Phillips will conduct a revival at the Golan Methodist church beginning Sunday, August 28, and continuing until September 4.

Services will be held each evening at 8 p.m.

SCHOOL MENUS ANNOUNCED FOR NEXT FEW WEEKS; TICKETS ON SALE

With the opening of school a few days away, Mrs. Earl Hughes, manager of the school lunch room has prepared a healthy menu for the children, and tickets are on sale for \$6 or single lunches can be had for 30c.

Mrs. Hughes said that from time to time she would announce publicly the menus in order that parents will know what the children are eating at school.

Tickets are on sale at the school. The menus are inspected by government inspectors regularly to insure a balanced diet. Milk is always served with each meal, and those desiring to drink more milk can do so by paying 3 cents per bottle. Mrs. Hughes said.

Trade Extension Talk Monday Night

All business men of Merkel are urged to attend a meeting at the Community Center at 7:30 Monday night for the purpose of discussing a trade extension program for the merchants.

This is an important meeting, and every merchant should be represented.

Farmers Looking Forward to Harvest

SHOWERS BOOST CROP HOPES

Showers which dumped nearly an inch and a half of rain on cotton, maize and guar last week sent crop prospects zooming to the highest point in recent years, crops observers in Merkel area predicted today.

Recent cool weather, plus nearly 2.5 inches of rain during August, have raised hopes for cotton production, and some farmers expect to start harvesting within a few weeks.

Last Thursday a shower in Merkel dumped 1.30 inches of moisture, and again on Friday several areas got another shower. The showers were so scattered, however, that some areas received a half

inch, and some received about an inch and a half.

Tommy Patterson, 5 miles south of Merkel, reported an inch of rain on his place. He is producing cotton and feed.

Woodrow Patton, 5 miles southwest of Merkel, had three-quarters of an inch of rain. Homer Finch, 7 miles northeast of Merkel, had .40 of an inch of rain on his feed crops.

Oliver Boden, south of Merkel, had several good showers, and Lawrence Bird, east of Merkel, had a good, soaking rain.

H. W. Hester, 1 1/2 miles northeast of Merkel, had about .30 of an inch. O. R. Douglas, 5 miles northwest,

had a half inch of rain on his cotton and milo. Some of the feed is maturing, and some harvesting may start the latter part of the month. Cotton will be harvested in October.

C. B. Rust, 8 miles northeast of Merkel, had .40 of an inch of rain. Vernon Hudson, 3 miles north of town, had a shower.

J. R. Baker, 4 1/2 miles north of Merkel, had about a quarter of an inch of rain.

A good rain was received at the M. L. Malone place where 1.20 inches fell 6 miles south of Merkel.

Sam McLeod, 3 miles north of Merkel, had a half inch of rain.

The Merkel area has received about 17 inches of rain during the year, which is considerable more than has been received in the past five years.

The area south and southwest of Merkel apparently has received more moisture than the areas north and northwest, but reports around Noodle and Hodges say that crops are in good condition. Those two areas have received good rains recently.

E. F. Vantrese, farmer near Hodges, reported that he had had good rains, and that his crops look better than they have in several years.

22 TRACTS OF LAND ON U. S. 80 SETTLED; MORE LAND IS NEEDED

County Commissioner Rufe Tittle announced today that awards totaling \$10,876 for 22 separate tracts of land needed in Precinct 2 for the construction of the highway 80 freeway had been made Monday.

The land extends from Tye to the Nolan county line.

It is still necessary to secure the land north of Merkel for the Merkel by-pass, Tittle said.

Tittle said he is starting to work immediately on the job

of getting the Merkel by-pass land which amounts to 167,820 acres of land.

No action had been taken on the Merkel land until the condemnation proceedings Monday were completed.

Tittle said last week he hoped to have everything out of the way by November 1 on the Merkel by-pass, and then the state can start working on the construction end.

He said he is hopeful of hav-

ing all the land, even that which has to be condemned by that date.

With the completion of purchasing or condemning of all the property needed as right-of-way in Precinct 2 the route will be ready for state work.

The state will not start construction, however, until all of the right-of-way is obtained, and "they can see from one end to the other." That means clearance of various obstructions.

MERKEL'S GRIDDERS, THIN, HUNGRY AND SCRAPY AS SEASON NEARS

With Albany and Haskell already picked as the favorites, Merkel's Badgers may become known as the conference's thin eleven as Coach Carroll Benson and Assistant Coach Don Loyd prepare for the opening game with Wylie September 9.

Right now, the Badgers probably could field about 11 men, but replacement may be hard to find, if some of Coach Benson's boys are injured.

As they line up at the chow hall, the Badgers—36 strong, including the freshmen and transfers who cannot play this year, look thin and they eat like they're hungry trying to put on the much needed weight.

But the Badgers will be scrappy, and will put up a tough fight as long as they can hold out without reinforcements. In fact, the first eleven will rate fairly good with other teams, but after that the coaches are just hoping for the best, like some of the youngsters coming along to make the needed replacements.

The week's training camp at Badger Stadium ends with a workout Saturday morning, following a practice game Friday night with Hamlin. The Hamlin session is open to

the public at 7:30 p.m.

The boys are putting in a full day's work at football. Here is their daily schedule:

6:30 a.m.—Up and at 'em, boys. 6:45 a.m.—Plenty of time for breakfast.

8:30 a.m.—Just a mere workout, lasting a couple of hours. 12:00—Time for lunch, boys. 1 p.m.—What they're waiting on—rest until 3 p.m.

3 p.m.—Brain work, or skull session.

4:30 p.m.—Back at it, boys, another 2 hours workout.

7:00 p.m.—Evening chow, and what a meal!

10 p.m.—Lights out, who wants to sleep?

There will be two practice sessions Monday, but after that the Badgers will settle down to the one-a-day sessions.

The Badgers will return the practice session with Hamlin and then will go to Winters Tuesday night for a practice session.

Here is the list of Badgers out for football:

Left ends — Jerry Miller*, Junior; Jimmy Neal*, Junior; Jerry McLeod, freshman.

Left tackles — Larry Joyce*, senior; Tom Sweeney, senior; David Pursley, freshman.

Left guards — Leon Kelson*, senior; Edward Mewborn, squadman, Junior; Gus Jackson, transfer from Oklahoma, Junior; David Melton and Bill Russell, freshmen.

Centers — Gayle O'Brien*, junior; Chester Collinsworth*, junior; Skippy Hicks, freshman.

Right guards — Carl McKeever*, junior; Eddie Higgins, squadman, sophomore; Watie Frye, junior, transfer from New Mexico; Benny Melton, freshman.

Right tackles — Barry Scott, squadman, sophomore; Charles Jacobs, squadman, junior; J. R. Mashburn, freshman.

Right ends — Robert McLeod*, junior; M. H. Ely, squadman, junior; Ronnie Toombs, squadman, sophomore; John Thomas, freshman.

Quarterbacks — Philip Pursley*, senior; Terry O'Brien*, senior; Joe Neal, freshman, Buddy Tittle, sophomore.

Right halfbacks — Kermit Rutledge*, junior; Lannie Perry, freshman.

Left halfbacks — Jackie Russell*, junior; Loyd Shugart, squadman, junior; Riley Seymore, squadman, sophomore.

Fullbacks — Terry O'Brien (also plays quarterback) Larry Joyce (also plays tackle) and Manly Denton, freshman.

Coach Benson will have to switch some of the boys, as many of them are working out in more than one position, but this is about how the squad looked in the opening week.

Trent Schools Ready to Open On August 29

Public schools will open in Trent August 29, Wray B. Williams, superintendent, announced today.

About 200 students are expected to attend the Trent schools this Fall, due principally to the addition of 25 square miles of additional land to the district. The Trent district and the Sylvester district have been consolidated.

A new five-room teacherage has been completed and will be occupied by Warren Thaxton, newly-hired band instructor. It will be the first year that Trent has had band as a regular curriculum.

Thaxton is a graduate of Hardin-Simmons University.

School will open with chapel services at 9 a.m. Monday.

Albert Maberry, agriculture teacher, and his students have been building two tennis courts across the street from the school.

Faculty members for the coming year are Mrs. Norman Bethany, Mrs. Edith Rudd, Mrs. Zana Young, Mrs. Madelon Horton, Mrs. Sam McLeod, Mrs. Wray B. Williams, Norman Bethany, Albert Maberry, and Wray B. Williams.

New members include Thaxton, commercial teacher, Mrs. Harold Bankston, homemaking instructor Mrs. Marjorie Jan Oliver of Abilene, and coach Wayne McLain.

Four Persons Injured In Traffic Mishaps

Four persons were injured Saturday in two freak traffic accidents near Trent. All were treated at Sadler Clinic in Merkel.

None of the injured are in serious condition.

Injured were James Harley Belt, 44, Brownwood; Mrs. Shirley Owens, 17, West Monroe, La.; Mrs. Teet Byrne, 62, Whitesboro, and Mrs. Allen Polk Schoolfield Jr., 30 of Fort Worth.

Doctors gave this description of their injuries:

Belt has a fractured back. Mrs. Owens received two broken ribs. Mrs. Byrne was bruised and shaken up and Mrs. Schoolfield suffered multiple cuts and bruises on her arms and legs.

The two accidents occurred in this order:

A 1953 Pontiac driven by Belt, went out of control on slick pavement during a shower about 2:25 p.m. The car skidded about 54 yards and landed on its top in a pasture. Belt was going west and was traveling alone.

Highway Patrolmen Donald Joy and Otho E. Luck had moved spectators off the south shoulder of the highway 45 minutes later and had started on the north shoulder when an east bound 1953 Pontiac went out of control on the wet pavement. It was driven by Allen Polk Schoolfield Jr. of Fort Worth. The Pontiac hit a 1953 Chevrolet owned by Larry Caughey Harmon of Huntington Park, Calif.

Harmon, a nephew of Mrs. Byrne who was traveling with him, had parked near Belt's car and Mrs. Byrne was standing near by. Schoolfield's car hit Harmon's car knocking it against Mrs. Byrne. It plowed into a 1950 Ford driven by Benjamin Franklin Owens of Monroe, La., injuring his wife, Shirley.

Merkel Schools Enrollment Is Wednesday AM

Addition of two teachers during the week completed Merkel's school faculty, as officials prepared for opening of school Wednesday, August 31.

The two new teachers are Mr. and Mrs. Fathree. He will teach shop and she'll teach in the junior high.

Workmen this week were busy putting the finishing touches on the remodeling job at the high school, and Edwin Read, high school principal, said the job should be completed the latter part of the week.

Supt. Mack Fisher is taking a few days off prior to opening of school.

The primary principal will meet with his primary teachers August 29 at 8 a.m. and with the elementary teachers August 30 at 8 a.m. The high school principal will meet with his teachers August 30.

Fathree will teach general training and Mrs. Fathree will teach home economics.

C. A. Farley, principal of the elementary school, this week outlined several important announcements for pupils in grade one to eight: They include:

1. All first graders must have birth certificates.

2. No pupils are to be at school before 8:15 each morning. Classes will begin at 8:30.

3. Dismissal for the noon hour for the various grades will be as follows: first grade at 11:15 A.M.; second grade at 11:20; third grade, at 11:25; fourth grade at 11:30; fifth grade at 11:40; sixth grade at 11:45; and 7-8 grades at 11:55.

4. Classes will be resumed after lunch as follows: grades 1-3 at 12:15; grades 5-6 at 12:20; grades 7-8 at 12:35.

5. Dismissal time will be: grades 1-4 at 3:00 P.M.; grades 5-8 at 3:30.

6. Lunch tickets will be sold for \$3.00 or \$6.00, good for 10 and 20 meals respectively. Pupils may pay 30 cents each day if they care to.

7. Bicycles ridden to school must be kept locked when not in use.

8. Little brothers or sisters are not to be brought to school unless permission is granted by the teacher in advance.

9. Reports of pupil progress will be sent home every six weeks. Parents should ask them.

Dr. Chaney Takes Youths on Trip

For the third consecutive year, a group of boys under the direction of Dr. J. H. Chaney are on a week's camping trip in the National Game Preserve near Lawton, Okla., site of the famous Easter Pageant.

The boys plan to spend their week hiking in the mountains of which historic Mt. Scott is the largest. They'll have time for fishing and swimming in the many lakes nearby, and they'll watch the herds of buffalo and longhorn cattle which roam freely in the game preserve.

Those who left on this outing with Dr. Chaney are Bill Wheeler, Dwain Wade, Owen Gregory, Eugene Hester, Dale Wheeler, Vernon Wade and Johnny Martin.

Hospital Notes

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

- R. E. McClure
- Z. V. Moore
- R. J. Hewitt
- E. A. Conley
- Mrs. W. W. Owens
- James Belt
- Nellie Sandusky
- Judy King
- Mrs. D. G. Tigue
- Mrs. Gene Jorgenson and baby
- Mrs. August Newman
- Charles Palmer
- Mrs. Doyle Barnes and baby
- Mrs. Doyle Conley and baby
- Kala Canady, Trent
- Mrs. W. W. Loper
- Mrs. T. R. Smith
- Miss Marje Carey
- Everett Williams.

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'Son of Sinbad' At Queen Theater

The fiery adventures and fabulous loves of one of the world's most fascinating rogues are revealed in the Howard Hughes presentation of "Son of Sinbad", which comes to the Queen Theater on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

With its lavish production and tantalizing display of lush feminine beauty glorified in Super-scope and color by Technicolor this RKO Radio offering has been termed a magic carpet of spectacle, fun and adventure.

Dale Robertson enacts the title role, with Sally Forrest, Lili St.

Cyr, Vincent Price and Mari Blanchard in co-starring assignments. Special emphasis is also placed on the array of beautiful girls, seen as inmates of the Khalif's harem and as the fiery daughters of the famous Forty Thieves, and on the exotic Oriental dances performed by the torso-twisting Nejla Ates and Kalantan.

"Son of Sinbad" is spun from the Arabian Nights, which have been the source of a great many stories, plays and musical works. The setting is ancient Bagdad in the days of the 15th century, when the city of the Sultan's palace was besieged by the forces of the mighty Tamarlane. Much of the action centers around the use of the devastating Greedy Fire, the atomic weapon of its day. Only by securing its secret can Sinbad gain his freedom, after he has been caught invading the Khalif's harem once too often.

(Published in the Merkel Mail August 19, 25, Sept. 2 and 9, 1955) 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 following

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TO: James Howard Johnson, Defendant, Greeting.

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 3rd day of October A. D. 1955, to Plaintiff's First Amended Petition filed in said court, on the 15th day of August A. D. 1955, in this cause, numbered 29-633-A on the docket of said court and styled Clara Mae Corrigan Johnson, Plaintiff, vs. James Howard Johnson, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were legally married on the 23rd day of June 1952, and separated on or about the 15th day of January, 1954.

No children were born to said marriage and no property rights to be adjudicated. Plaintiff sues for divorce on the grounds of cruel treatment, and asks that her maiden name be restored, 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 15th day of August A. D. 1955.

(SEAL)
Attest: R. H. Ross, Clerk,
42nd District Court
Taylor County, Texas
By Irene Crawford, Deputy.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Joyce were in Dallas over the weekend attending the Winter market show.



State Capitol NEWS

AUSTIN, Tex. — Whether a special session of the legislature is called on school integration apparently hinges on a Texas Supreme Court decision still to come.

Filed by the anti-integration Texas Citizens Council in a district court at Big Spring, the suit seeks to bar payment of state funds to bi-racial schools.

Atty. Gen. John Ben Shepperd says the court decision holds the key to whether Texas laws must be changed immediately or already-integrated schools must back-track. Decision by the district court can be carried directly to the Supreme Court and possibly be settled by the time school starts.

Should the court hold payment to integrated schools can be made under existing laws, there apparently would be no urgent need to change them, at least in that regard.

Shepperd said he welcomed the Big Spring suit since it promises to clear up the difficult legal situation.

Gov. Allan Shivers says he will call a special session "if necessary." He apparently was waiting three developments.

He asked his newly formed citizens' advisory council on school integration to investigate and report to him on several questions, including the need of a special session.

He asked Shepperd to prepare an official ruling on legal questions.

And the decision in the Big Spring court case may set up conditions to determine need of the session.

In July the Board of Education voted to continue regular pay-

ments to local districts, whether segregated or not. If left racial policy up to local officials.

Since then, some 30 districts have announced whole or partial desegregation plans.

A University of Texas student committee also has taken on the segregation problem with a poll of student opinion on acceptance of Negro students outside the classroom. Graduate courses have been open to Negroes since 1950. Regents have ordered full desegregation in September, 1956.

KKK Talk Challenged
Attorney General Shepperd's claim that efforts are underway in Texas to revive the Ku Klux Klan brought a challenge last week.

Sen. Jimmy Phillips called on Shepperd to name names, but Shepperd declined. Names will be given prosecutors and grand juries when sufficient evidence is gathered for convictions, Shepperd said.

State Senator Killed
Death of State Sen. Wayne W. Wagonseller of Bowie cost Texas liberals one of their leaders.

Wagonseller, killed in a three-car collision in Fort Worth, was buried last week in the State Cemetery at Austin with full military honors. Services were held earlier in the Senate Chamber.

A World War II veteran, he served two terms in the House before beginning his Senate career in 1951. Friends in Tyler recently had boomed him as a candidate for attorney general. He had been associated with the Loyalist Democrats and had supported Ralph Yarborough in the latter's two unsuccessful races for governor.

Giles Pleads Guilty
One of the biggest news breaks of last week was Bascom Giles' plea of guilty in criminal district court at San Antonio to two charges in connection with a Bexar County block land deal.

Giles' guilty plea concerned charges of consenting to accept a \$30,000 bribe. He pleaded not guilty to a third count, of accepting the bribe. The state waived this charge and Judge Buck Jones imposed a six-year prison sentence. It is to run concurrently

with a three-year sentence given Giles earlier at Austin on a charge of theft of \$6,800 from the veterans' land fund.

Giles has appealed the case, which affords at least 90 days' delay in final deposition of the sentence.

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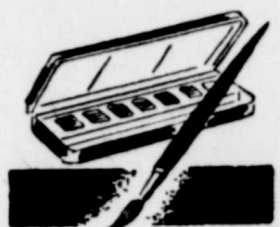
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Mr. W. M. LOFLIN
Correspondent

Rex Hudson from Levelland, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Whisenhunt and family, Mrs. J. M. Hudson from San Angelo were here visiting Miss Louise, Bob and Hollis Hudson.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Holloway are back from Phoenix, Ariz. where they have been visiting a month.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Byrd and family have been visiting in Greenville, Celeste and Bonham, Texas.

Rev. and Mrs. Troy Walker of Clovis, N. M. came by on their way to Ark. Mrs. J. C. Brown and girls went on with them. Rev. Walker will hold a meeting there. Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Walker will visit their mother.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Loflin had her sister, Mrs. Lewis Huff and daughter of Canton, Miss. and her mother, Mrs. J. B. Warren of Seymour for a visit.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Payne of Montgomery, Ala. Mr. and Mrs. Truett Jones and son, Jerry of Winters, Mr. and Mrs. Olin Potts and Sharan Beth of Anson, Mrs. Edgar Berry of Colorado City, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Howard of De Leon, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Howard of Hamlin were visiting with the Fletcher Jones's during the week and weekend.

Mrs. A. J. Byrd's brother, Jim Hassey and family were here from Bonham, Texas this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wells and daughter Faye of Monahans were visiting Mrs. Wells sister, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Walters.

Mrs. Roy Mashburn had as guests Sunday her mother, Mrs. John Shaw of Merkel and her sister Mrs. Roxy Meeks of Abilene.

HODGES

Mrs. NORMAN SLOAN
Correspondent

Helping Jimmy Dan Vick celebrate his birthday Sunday were Jimmy Francis Wilkerson, June Terrell, Larry and Derrill Sloan.

Mrs. Ce Verné McCoy and Lu Ann have been visiting in Lubbock the past week as guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Daniell and brother Horace Daniell.

Lightening struck Ed Vantrees television antenna last week and put their television set on the blink. They had an inch of rain, which was appreciated.

Mr. and Mrs. L. McCaleb and Jim and Nora Kelso went touring Sunday. They visited Fort Phantom Hill at Nugent, then on to Leuders, Avoca, Stamford, Tuxedo and Anson. They reported crops were better around Hodges than any place they visited.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Daniell visited Mr. and Mrs. Horace Daniell of Tahoka on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Parker attended the funeral of her mother, Mrs. Suggs at Dallas on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Buster Jones have gone to Paris, Texas to visit relatives.

Leonard McCoy and Roy Kelso went to the Harbers place near Austin last Tuesday to see the "soil program." Mr. Harbers told how he had made the soil produce on little rainfall. Well, that's what we need in this country as rain is scarce sometime.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Keese are in Bonham visiting relatives.

Joe Pair of Brady spent a few days with his mother, Mrs. M. A. Fair last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Runkle and daughters from Albany visited the Loyd Reeces on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Orvis Creek from St. Louis, Missouri visited with Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Bowen and Frances over the weekend.

Mrs. L. E. Harp and Delmar have been visiting in San Antonio with Mr. and Mrs. Deverle Harp.

Omer Jones and family of Houston have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Cooley. Also visiting the Cooleys were Mr. and Mrs. Seidwick of Abilene.

Mr. T. B. Ray carried the gin directors to Mason on a fishing trip on Tuesday. The river was on a rise so they returned home on Wednesday. The gin has been overhauled and new machinery bought. Here's hoping for a good cotton crop if we can just beat the insects.

SIX LADIES FROM STITH AT MEETING

Six ladies from the Stith Home Demonstration Club went to Lueders to the Four County Encampment held the 18-19 of Aug.

Even though it was raining there was a large crowd that registered at 2:00. In the afternoon there was crafts, games and swimming. After supper there was time for visiting and preparing for the evening fun.

Each county had to bring a 30 minute skit, so Jones County ask the Stith club to be in charge of this. So the ladies got their "Doll Dance" ready and came home another first place winner and a \$5.00 prize.

The closing program for the evening was the night gown parade, which was a scream from beginning to end.

Those ladies attending were Mrs. W. M. Loflin, Mrs. J. C. Hudson, Miss Louise Hudson, Mrs. John Eakin, Mrs. Wesley Mashburn, and Mrs. Marvin L. Walters.

And let's say thanks to Miss Patti Eakin, Linda and Lola Loflin who so graciously helped us out with our program.

Remember the ice cream supper Friday night at 8:00 at the home of the John Eakins.

'Robber's Roost' Sunday at Pioneer

"Robbers' Roost," in Eastman color and released by United Artists, starring George Montgomery, boasts one of the strongest supporting casts to be found in a big western film in the last ten years. The picture opens Sunday at the Pioneer Theater.

Heading the list of top co-stars is Richard Boone, who is seen in the title, starring role in TV's popular "Medic", and who has made eighteen outstanding motion picture roles in the last four years. Boone gained wide critical and fan acclaim for his co-starring role in Leonard Goldstein's "The Raid."

Another stalwart, outstanding actor in "Robbers' Roost" is Bruce Bennett, who needs no introduction to theater-goers, Bennett, a top Hollywood star for many years, has appeared with leading feminine stars such as Joan Crawford, Ida Lupino and Ann Sheridan.

Providing the feminine lead in the film is newcomer Sylvia Findley, who, after successes on Broadway, was featured in her first Hollywood picture, "Black Tuesday," released by United Artists, and immediately upped to co-starring billing in this, her second picture.



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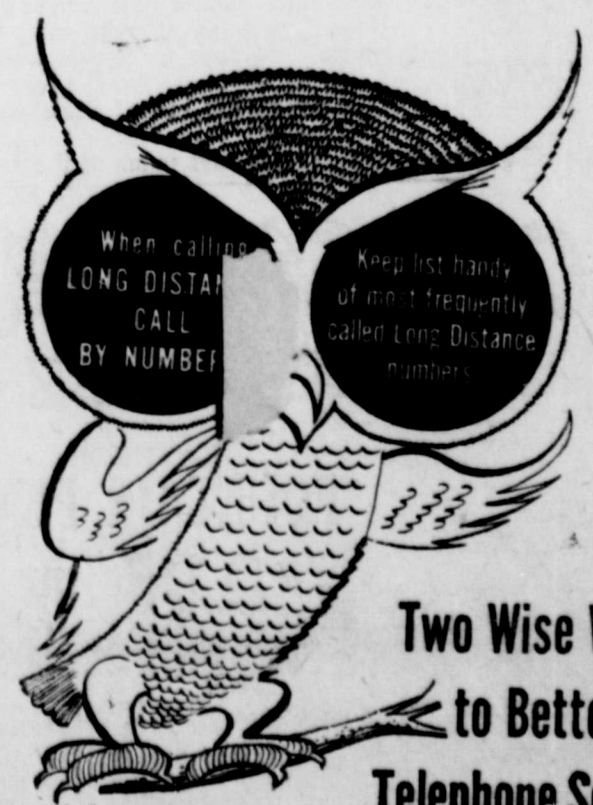
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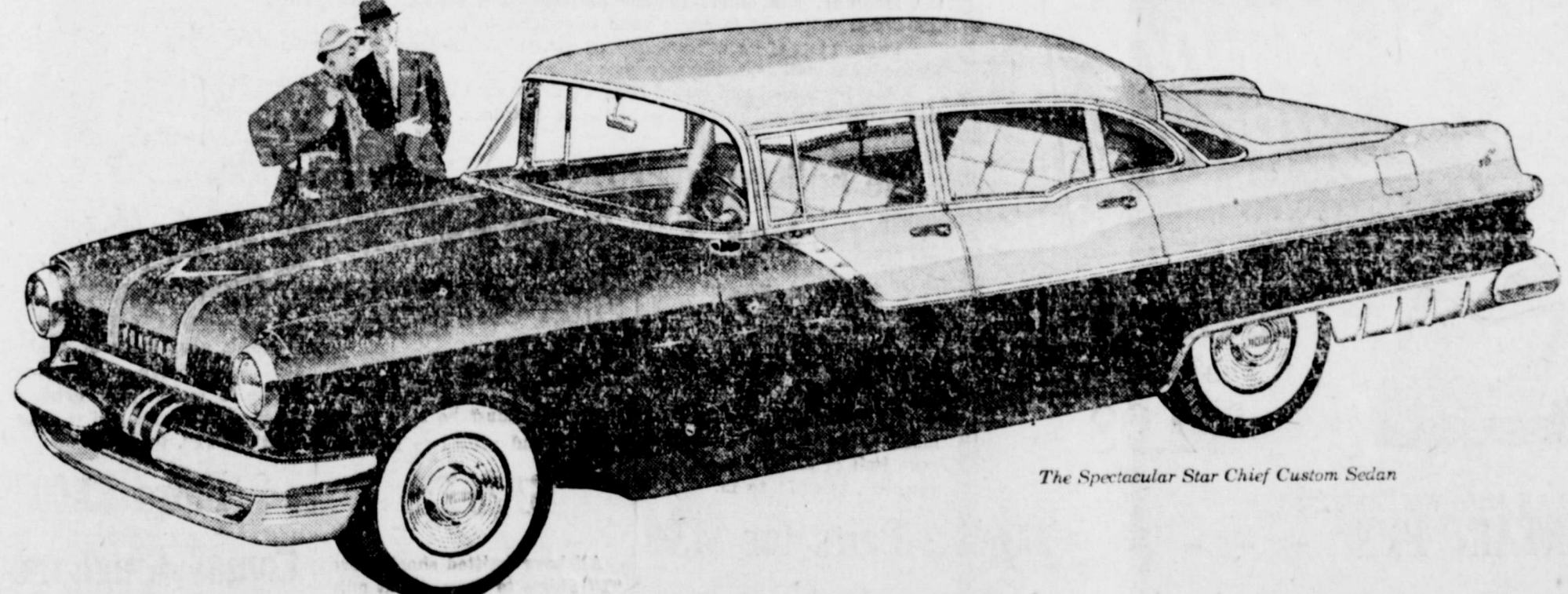
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Mrs. Ida Lantrip visited with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Cooper last week. Mrs. Lantrip is Mr. Cooper's oldest sister and lives at Anson.

Mr. and Mrs. Dock VanHuss from Wichita Falls, Texas spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Dixon.

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Lucas and family from Arkansas are visiting in the Chester and Newell Lucas homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Doc Calloway visited Mr. and Mrs. John Hobbs home Sunday evening.

Little Jan Leveritt, baby daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Fred Leveritt had a convulsion at church Sunday night and was rushed to Sadler hospital at Merkel where she spent the night and part of the next day. It was thought her ears, sore throat and cutting teeth made her have such a high temperature.

Judy Spurgin, Karen Irvin and Nancy Hunter was on the Home-makers Fiesta KRBC-TV Tuesday evening.

The Baptist ladies WMU circle visited in the home of Mrs. Palmer Tuesday eve. Mrs. Palmer isn't well so they decided to spend their meeting time with her.

Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Cox are back home from South Texas where Mr. Cox has been employed.

Mrs. Geo. Cooper and Ruby Caldwell spent part of Friday in the R. L. Caldwell home in Anson.

A good crowd from the Church of Christ went to Merkel Church of Christ Tuesday night and enjoyed seeing some movies that Mr. Farley made this summer when he visited the Holy Lands.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Cooper received word that their grandson Dwayne Brewer and Miss Marie Davis were married and are living in Houston.

Bennie Anderson is still not on the mend very well and has to stay in at least two or three more weeks.

At this writing Mr. August Newman is still very low at the Sadler hospital.

Peggy Pack, Deloris Herring and Jean Irvin, Alice Spurgin were all at home over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Latham are in our community waiting for school to start and that won't be long, Aug. 29.

There was a bridal shower given at the school auditorium for Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Jennings

Saturday night. There were about 80 present.

The wedding for Miss Alice Nell Spurgin and Mr. James Santleben will be Saturday night, August 27 at 7:30 at the Baptist church.

Four from the Baptist Church were baptized last Sunday night at the Merkel Baptist Church.

Texas Fair In Colored TV

Color television will be a spectacular new feature of the 1955 State Fair of Texas, Oct. 7 through 23.

The only mobile unit for color TV in the world today — built and operated by the Radio Corporation of America — will be based at the Fair throughout the 16 days and 17 nights of the 1955 exposition. Live color programs will be telecast daily.

Many people will have an opportunity to see for the first time with their own eyes the wonders and beauty of this latest electronic marvel.

Fairgoers will see many of their favorite network television programs in full color on the dozens of color television sets which will be in operation on the fair grounds.

In addition, color television programs will be projected onto a giant, movie-size screen 15 by 20 feet by one of the few color TV projectors in existence.

And visitors will see color TV programs actually produced as they are telecast direct from the fairgrounds by the two Dallas television stations, WFAA-TV and KRLD-TV. The two stations will share time in studios in the Agriculture Building.

At times when the stations are not actually telecasting from the Fair, special programs will be presented on closed circuit color TV which can be seen only on the sets at the fairgrounds. The programs will feature popular entertainers and interesting activities at the Fair.

The high color TV stage in the Agriculture Building will have complete facilities for telecasting color programs, either on a local, regional or nationwide basis. Interest has been expressed in originating network shows from the fairgrounds which would show the glamour and spectacle of the nation's largest Fair to viewers throughout the country.

The RCA Color TV Caravan will be making its first appearance in the Southwest. It is the successor to a similar RCA mobile unit which traveled across the country in 1947 introducing black-and-white television.

The color TV programs originated at the Fair will be compatible — that is, they can be picked up on black - and - white sets also.

Seed Law Helps Protect Farmer

Read the label or tag which is attached to every sack of planting seed before making a purchase, advises Associate Extension Agronomist Lee C. Coffey. The information carried on the tag is for the protection of the buyer and must list the content of noxious weeds if any.

With the small grain planting season at hand, the specialist offers tips which may aid in keeping your farm free from weed enemies. Among the weeds often found in small grains are cheat or chess, jointed goatgrass, wild morning glory, field bindweed, curled dock, Johnson grass and wild oats.

Once a field is infested with primary noxious weeds, the job of cleaning up may require years and considerable expense. Crop damage results from lower yields and perhaps dockage because of the presence of some weed or from soil made unproductive through the use of chemicals for control.

Coffey says much of the trouble

can be avoided by planting certified seed. They are not only pure as to variety but must be free of noxious weeds. Under Texas laws every sack of planting seed sold, whether certified or not, must be tagged and labeled. The tag carries information which should be read. The State Department of Agriculture administers the seed laws of the state and make a diligent effort to protect the buyers of seeds by testing and inspection programs.

Planting seed containing nutgrass or field bindweed cannot be sold in Texas. Neither can seed containing more than 100 dodder, curled dock, blueweed, Canada thistle or Johnson grass seeds per pound of seed. Seed containing more than 100 Johnson grass seeds per pound can be sold if marked — pasture mixture.

Read the tag before you buy, advises Coffey and especially check for noxious weeds in planting seed.

Washington

"As It Looks From Here"



OMAR BURLESON
Congressman
17th District

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Each week President Eisenhower holds a meeting of his Cabinet. It is often supposed that each Cabinet Member, when it comes his turn, brings up for discussion the problems of his Department.

It does not work exactly this way. Prior to the meeting, the Secretary of the Cabinet meeting has prepared for the President's approval the issues to be discussed. Generally, each Cabinet member is called upon to explain how the particular question affects his department. The issues presented are of a general nature. In other words, they are those which affect the entire country, and not especially applicable to a single department of government.

A matter of recent discussion by the Cabinet was the effects of the present business boom. Business generally over the Nation is

extremely good. Everything is up except farm income. President Eisenhower and his advisors seemingly are not eager for the "boom" to increase much more than at present. From all indications, they fear that, should business be too good from now until next Spring, in the wake of such high-level activity there might follow a recession.

They are trying to find a moderate way of braking the upward spiral. There are numerous factors involved. One method is to tighten up the supply of money. Another is to discourage by certain actions stock market speculation. Installment buying and credit generally are another part of the operation.

This economy of ours is a very, very complex system. It requires some regulation, but the regulation should be applied evenly. It should not be imposed on a part for its protection and leave the remainder without benefit.

This reminds me of what James R. Page said a long time ago: "If we should repeal all the regulatory laws on our statute books and enforce only the Ten Commandments, in 10 years we would become the most law-abiding Na-

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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: Ruby Hefley and Ernest Hefley and to the unknown heirs of Ruby Hefley and Ernest Hefley and their heirs and legal representatives, and all persons in being having a vested contingent or possible interest in the land hereinafter described under a deed dated January 31, 1927 from G. F. Hefley, Grantor, to Exie Haynes, Grantee, recorded in Volume 181, page 409 of the Deed

Records of Taylor County, Texas; all of the lawful heirs of the hereinafter named Defendants; all of the unborn bodily heirs of Exie Haynes; all of the unborn heirs of the Plaintiffs herein; all of the unknown heirs of the named Defendants herein, their heirs and legal representatives; all such persons in being and not in being having a contingent future interest legal or equitable whether arising by way of remainder, reversion, possibility of reverter, executory devise or upon the happening of a condition subsequent or otherwise, in and to the land hereinafter described under the deed above described, and under the provisions of Article 2320-C of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas GREETING:

You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 10th day of October, A. D. 1955, at or before

10 o'clock A. M. before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County, at the Court House in Abilene, Texas. Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 23 day of August, 1955. The file number of said suit being No. 20,779-A. The names of the parties in said suit are:

L. G. Haynes, Jr. and James L. Haynes, as Plaintiffs, and Lessie Cannon and husband, Luther W. Cannon, Nettie Patterson and husband, C. J. Patterson; Estes Zimmerle and husband, Alton Zimmerle; Stanley Hefley; Levi Hefley; Exie Haynes and husband, L. G. Haynes; Ethel LaFleur and husband, Walter J. LaFleur; Tennie Poor, a widow; Ruby Hefley and Ernest Hefley; the unknown heirs of Ruby Hefley and Ernest Hefley, their heirs and legal representatives; the lawful heirs of all the above named Defendants; W. W. Walters and wife, Willie Walters; Sohio Petroleum Company, a corporation; and the Chicago Corporation, a corporation; all individ-

ually and being all of the persons in being having a vested contingent or possible interest in the lands hereinafter described under a deed dated January 31, 1927 from G. F. Hefley, Grantor, to Exie Haynes, Grantee, recorded in Vol. 181, page 409 of the Deed Records of Taylor County, Texas. Plaintiffs sue Sohio Petroleum Company and The Chicago Corporation, owners of a part of the oil and gas leasehold interest in said lands, and Plaintiffs also sue all of the lawful heirs at law of the above named Defendants and also all of the unborn bodily heirs of Exie Haynes, also the unknown heirs of the above named Defendants, their heirs and legal representatives, also all of the unborn heirs of the Plaintiffs herein, and sues all such persons in being and not in being, having a contingent future interest, legal or equitable, whether arising by way of remainder, reversion, possibility of reverter, executory devise, or upon the happening of a condition subsequent or otherwise, in and to the land hereinafter described, under deed dated January 31, 1927 from G. E. Hefley, Grantor, to Exie Haynes, Grantee, recorded in Volume 181, page 409 of the Deed Records of Taylor County, Texas. Plaintiffs herein sue all of said named Defendant as a class representing all of the unknown persons in being and not in being having a vested contingent or possible interest in the land hereinafter described under deed dated January 31, 1927 from G. F. Hefley, Grantor, to Exie Haynes, Grantee, recorded in Volume 181, page 409 of the Deed Records of Taylor County, Texas as Defendants.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to-wit: For cause of action, Plaintiffs would show the court: That Plaintiff L. G. Haynes, Jr. is a bachelor twenty-nine years of age, and James L. Haynes is a bachelor twenty-two years of age; that the Plaintiffs are the children and only children of Mrs. Exie Haynes, one of the Defendants herein. Plaintiffs would show the Court that by deed dated January 31, 1927 their grandfather, G. F. Hefley, conveyed to their mother, Exie Haynes, the following described land in Taylor County, Texas, to-wit:

All that certain tract or parcel of land situated in Taylor County, Texas, about 22 miles South of Abilene, and being approximately 50 acres out of the J. C. Thompson Survey No. 433, and more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a stake in the south boundary line of a tract of 50 acres of said survey conveyed to G. F. Hefley by W. D. Mayfield on the 4th day of October, A. D. 1923, as appears from deed recorded in Deed Records of Taylor County, Texas, Vol. 137, page 459, at a point 324.18 vrs. East of the Southwest corner of said 50 acre tract for beginning point; Thence East 500 vrs. to stake for corner in the south boundary line of the tract of said J. C. Thompson survey owned by me, being the southeast corner of the tract herein conveyed; Thence North 583 1-3 vrs. less 10 feet reserved by me, to a point 10 feet south of my north line of said lands owned by me out of said J. C. Thompson survey, stake for corner, same being the northeast corner of the tract herein conveyed; Thence West parallel with the north boundary line of said lands owned by me out of said J. C. Thompson Survey 500 vrs. stake for corner, same being the northwest corner of the tract herein conveyed and being situated at a point 10 feet south of my north boundary line and 324.18 vrs. East of the West boundary line of the Mayfield tract above referred to; Thence South 583 1-3 vrs. less 10 feet, to the place of beginning.

That said deed contained the following clause: "The estate herein conveyed to the grantee is a life estate, with remainder to her bodily heirs; and in the event she should die without issue, then said remainder shall go to the brothers and sisters of the grantee, and their lawful heirs at law. It is specifically provided by this conveyance that grantee shall not be empowered to alienate said lands either by deed or conveyance or otherwise, and shall not be empowered to encumber the same by any character of liens."

That said deed is recorded in Volume 181, page 409 of the Deed Records of Taylor County, Texas; that the above described land is the subject of this law suit; that Plaintiffs' mother, Mrs. Exie Haynes, has a life interest in said property, and that in all likelihood the remainder interest in said property will vest in these Plaintiffs, but that the other Defendants herein in being and not in being have a contingent future interest in said land if both of these Plaintiffs should die before their mother, Mrs. Exie Haynes, dies, or if either of these Plaintiffs should die before their mother dies and leaves children who are bodily heirs of these Plaintiffs.

III Plaintiffs would further show the Court that Mrs. Exie Haynes joined by her husband, L. G. Haynes, has conveyed one-half of the oil, gas and minerals under said land to W. W. Walters and wife, Willie Walters, and that these Plaintiffs have ratified, confirmed and recognized the validity of said conveyance. Plaintiffs would further show the Court that all of the above named Defendants except the Sohio Petroleum Company and The Chicago Corporation are brothers or sisters or nieces or nephews of their mother, Exie Haynes.

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Authorize and direct the leasing of such unleased contingent future interest in said land above described for the development of oil, gas and other minerals or either of them, whether at a public sale or at private sale, and upon such terms and conditions as the Court may direct; and in such case to authorize such Receiver to make and execute such oil and gas lease covering the unleased interest in said land and to receive the proceeds therefor and the rentals and royalties thereof, and to hold and invest or to pay out such proceeds for the benefit of and to the persons entitled thereto, according to their respective rights and interests, and to that end to confer all necessary powers on the Receiver.

WHEREFORE, premises considered, Plaintiffs pray that all of the above named Defendants be cited to appear and answer herein and that the Defendants named as a class representing all persons in being and not in being have a vested contingent or possible interest in said land be cited to appear and answer herein and that all other Defendants, including those in not being and those, the names of which are not known to these Plaintiffs, be cited by publication to appear and answer herein; that the Court appoint a Receiver for the unleased interest in said land, and authorize and direct the leasing of such interest in and to said land for the development of oil, gas and other minerals, or either of them, under the orders and direction of the Court and that such Receiver pay out such sums, bonuses, rentals and royalties to proper persons shown to be entitled thereto, or to hold such funds under the direction of the Court.

If this Citation is not served within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Issued this 23rd day of August A.D., 1955.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this 23rd day of August A.D., 1955.

(SEAL) R. H. Ross, Clerk, District Court Taylor County, Texas.

By C. Bower, Deputy.

The Trent High Seniors sponsored the Fox Four Seven in Trent Aug. 19. They had a very entertaining show featuring Red Fox, Dean Beard, Fonda Wallace, and De Don. They had an Italian supper before the show.

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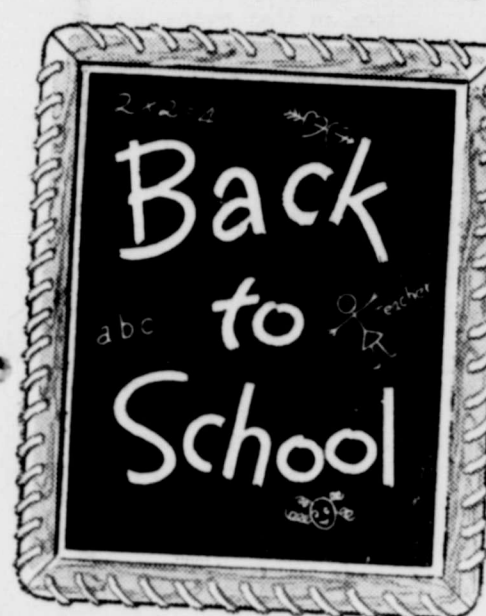
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GREETING:
You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for four consecutive weeks, the first publication to be at least twenty-eight days before the return day thereof, in a newspaper printed in Taylor County, Texas, the accompanying citation, of which the herein below following is a true copy.
CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: 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 thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 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
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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.
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 29th day of July A. D. 1955.
(SEAL)
Attest: R. H. Ross, Clerk, 42nd District Court, Taylor County, Texas.
By C. Bower, Deputy.

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"The Man From Laramie," one of the outstanding shows of the season, comes to the Queen Theater Sunday and Monday, R. T. Hodge announces today.
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Mr. and Mrs. Milton Shannon and family, Charles, Butch, Diane and Steven, of Texas City, spent last week visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Shannon and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Odie Jones and Doyle and Craig and Mr. and Mrs. Dwain Jones visited Mrs. Jones' sister, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Gilmore in Fore San Sunday.

CURB FAMILY HAS FAMILY REUNION

Descendants of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Curb held a family reunion Sunday in the home of C. F. Curb and Mrs. Betty Berryman.

It was the first time in 10 years that members of the family had all been together, the occasion being to visit with Mrs. Frank DeVasto and children, Larry and Vickie, of New York City. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Curb, of Abilene, and has been visiting there.

Those attending were Mrs. Sally Moore, Mrs. W. T. Curb, and son, Byron, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Shouse, all of Merkel, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Beasley of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Shouse and daughter, Helen, of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Mardell Shouse, and children, Don, Dan and John, of Hawley, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Shouse, of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Ward Berryman and daughter, Gail; Mr. and Mrs. Pete Green and daughter, Libby, of Midland; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Berryman, and son, Wayne, of Abilene; and Jerry Curb, of Abilene.

Maxine Justice spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vessie Justice. She had as her guest her roommates at Abilene Christian College. They were Lucy Hawkins, of Carlsbad, New Mexico, and Barbara Calwell, of Bentonville, Arkansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hobbs of Big Spring were guests of his sisters, Mrs. Ella Neeb and Mrs. Lena King Monday evening.

PERSONALS

WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD ENTERTAINED

Thirteen members of the Wesleyan Service Guild and 14 guests had a wonderful time on a "cook-out" picnic Monday evening.

The tantalizing odors of frying bacon and potatoes whetted the appetites of the already-hungry picnickers so the food was really delicious when everything was finally ready.

The picnickers sang the "Doxology" for the blessing. After the table were cleared the men got in a huddle for a private conversation and the children played and the women sang "harmonious" out-of-doors songs until time to go home.

The next meeting of the group will be September 12.

Mrs. Earl Stanford is visiting her niece, Mr. and Mrs. George Coker in Fort Worth, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Boney and family have moved from their home at 206 Oak St. to their recently purchased home at 1412 Herring Drive, which was the former Paul Honeycutt home. The Honeycutts moved to Abilene to make their home.

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

Mrs. Alma Collins has returned from an extended trip to Europe, including the Holy Land. In London she attended the World Conference of Baptist churches.

Mr. and Mrs. Booth Russom of Odessa brought his mother, Mrs. J. H. Russom, home from Odessa, where she had undergone surgery. She is convalescing nicely.

Mrs. Dewey Hutchins, Mrs. Jodie Clark, Linda and Vickie, of Odessa, have been visiting Mrs. Hutchins' sister, Mrs. B. H. Riney. On Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Riney accompanied them to Fort Worth to visit their brother, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Blair. They also visited Dallas while away.

Younlind and Wayne Carey, children of Mrs. Frances Carey, are visiting in the home of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Carey, of Post.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Harwell left Monday for a visit with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Fortner, of Antioch, Calif.

WASHBURN REUNION HELD AT ABILENE

The Washburn family reunion was held at the Abilene State Park with about 100 relatives and friends registered.

There were folks there from Seminole, Midland, Anson, Breckenridge, Merkel, Abilene, Trent, Blair, Post, Lamesa, Odessa, Decatur, Cotton Wood, Cross Plains, Tahoka and Shreveport, La.

Thrumman Head was elected president, and Mrs. Troy Dickerson, vice president.

The reunion will be held next year the second Sunday in August at the Abilene State Park, site of this year's reunion.

Mrs. Ike Turner and daughter returned home Sunday with Mr. Turner after spending several days visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Harwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Doan of Abernathy were guests of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Price Melton and family, last week, and also his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Patterson and sons, of Kermit, were weekend visitors.

Mrs. J. L. Pertain of Stamford was a guest of her sister, Mrs. P. F. Harris, this past week.

Mrs. Addie Brown of Fort Worth is visiting her sister Mrs. Mose Brown.

Mina Winter has been released from the Hendrix Memorial hospital at Abilene where he underwent medical treatment.

Mrs. M. A. Porter and baby have been released from the Hendrix Memorial hospital at Abilene.

Betty Joyce Carter of Ballinger is visiting her Aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Whisenhunt this week.

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4th grade — Mrs. Otis Young.

5th grade — Mrs. Madeion Horton.

Jr. High Math — Mrs. Sam McLeod.

Jr. High Social Science — Mrs. W. B. Williams.

High School

Commercial subjects — Mrs. Harold Bankston.

English — Mr. N. J. Bethany.

Football coach and history — Wayne McLain.

Vocational Agriculture — Mr. A. A. Maberry.

Science and band — Warren Thaxton.

Home Economics — Mrs. Marjorie Oliver.

Math and Superintendent — Mr. Wray Williams.

The first football game for the Trent Gorillas will be September 2. This will be a practice game with Knox City, there. The first home game will be with Aspermont on Sept. 9.

The Washburn family had a family reunion Sunday, Aug. 14, at State Park, Abilene. Among those present were Mr. H. P. Washburn and his daughter Barbara Washburn of Trent and her fiancé, Mr. Don Hagar of Abilene, and Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Dickerson, Mr. and Mrs. Troy Dickerson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Washburn and family all from Merkel, and Mrs. Leroy Thomas and son of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Dickerson and family from Seminole, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Washburn and daughter of Abilene.

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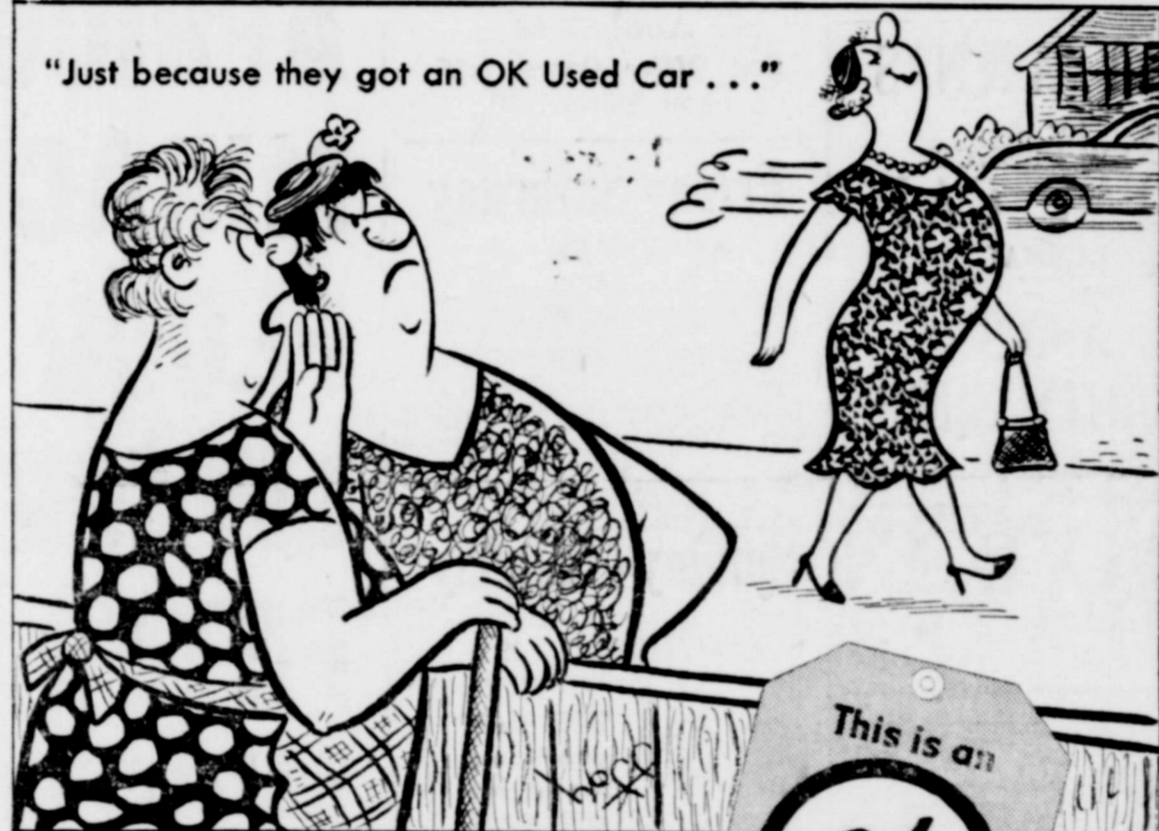
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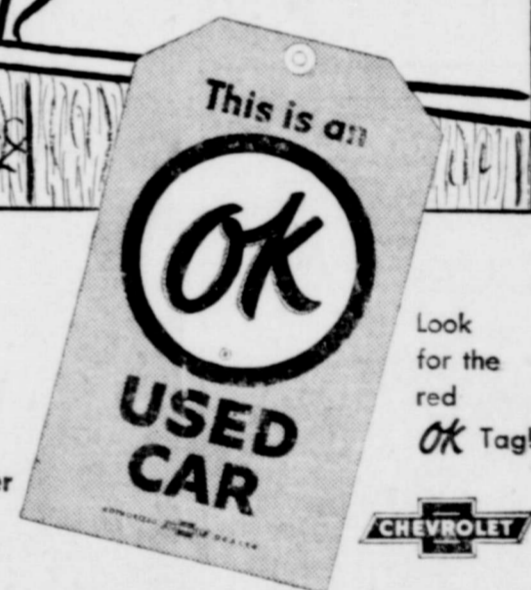
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They have asked that all their old friends call. They were married in Mulberry Canyon Aug. 27, 1905, at the Charley Brown home, one of the early settlers. Rev. E. L. Fisk, Methodist minister, officiated.

BUTCHIE BOYKIN CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

Butchie Boykin celebrated his third birthday with a party. After games were played and gifts opened refreshments of cake and punch were served to the following Joe, Freddie and Carol Scott, Pat Bunch, Lue and Billie Holmes, Francis George Epperson, Joy Woods, Gin and Jeff Smith, Neta Williams, Donald Harris, Janett and Buster Rucker, and the hostesses, Mrs. Leonard Rucker, Mrs. E. H. Hendrix and Mrs. Leona Bunch.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob McDonald have returned from an extended vacation trip which took them from Louisiana to West Texas. They went to Shreveport, La., and Texarkana and then returned by Dallas to attend a Vincent family reunion. After returning home Monday they left for Stanton to visit their daughter, Coach and Mrs. Kenneth Dismuke, and then went to Lamesa to visit their son, Mr. and Mrs. Lon McDonald, where he is the vocational agriculture instructor.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Lee Burfiend spent the past week vacationing in New Mexico. While on their trip they visited his brother, J. W. Burfiend and family in Albuquerque.

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Officiating were the Rev. Sam Tulloch, First Baptist Church pastor. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Mr. Leroy was born Jan. 4, 1878 in East Texas.

Survivors include his widow; one sister, Mrs. Lucy Kent of Childress; one foster son, Carl Morris of Waxahachie; several nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Dee Grimes and Mrs. Cyrus Pee attended the Winter and Holiday Fashion market in Dallas this week.

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