

This was a bad week for Merkel, and for us, too. Thursday night we went out to watch the B Badgers, and we wound up on the short end of a 44-0 score, because we were in the game. The next night we went out to Badger stadium to see the Badgers hold down the Lions from Albany, but they couldn't do it, and they wound up on the short end of a 32-7 score. On top of that, we were injured before the game even started as we twisted an ankle getting from one side of the press box to the other outside door. It should be different this week, for the Badgers should take in Roby and the B team should take Roscoe.

People around Merkel should be giving some thought to old time pictures. We'd like to have them brought down to the Mail office, or mailed in. They will be returned in tact. The Chamber of Commerce needs several old time pictures for a souvenir plate that will be manufactured with old time pictures of Merkel on it. The plate will be issued as a part of the 1956 Golden Anniversary Celebration in Merkel next March. If you know of any good old time stories or have pictures about the area, we'd be glad to handle the story for you.

The next home game for the Badgers will be with Haskell on November 4, and that is the date Merkel has set its first homecoming. The first homecoming will be more or less an organization meeting with as many old grads as possible returning for the game. A business session will be held during the day. After this year there will be a complete organization, and homecoming should be a day when hundreds of former Merkel students come back home.

The Air Force will soon be issuing a newspaper at the base, and it will be called "The Planesman." It is a suitable name for such a paper, and the issuance of such a newspaper marks the beginning of an era which will be climaxed when more than 6,000 airmen are stationed at the base, which is located only six miles east of Merkel.

The first issue of the newspaper will be published for delivery just before Armistice day, or Armed Forces Day, whichever is the correct name. It will be an 8-page newspaper, carrying features, pictures and advertising. It is expected that such a newspaper will grow each month, and soon will become one of the major publications of the area. The newspaper will be printed by the publishers of the Merkel Mail, each Friday afternoon.

Staff of such a newspaper, naturally, carries far larger scope than our own weekly newspaper which serves this area. The editorial staff alone fill reach eight or ten, along with photographers and other personnel.

While on the subject of the air base, it might be pointed out that a main entrance to the air base will be constructed on the west side of the base, and that is the one which faces Merkel. This will mean that airmen stationed on the base, can have a straight shot toward Merkel, if and when suitable housing becomes available. The first 1,000 men are due at the base next month, just in time to receive the first copies of the Planesman. Dave Brumbeau, former Abilene newspaperman, will be in charge of the publication.

Merkel had some visitors from Abilene Chamber of Commerce the other day to tell about plans for the big Colesium. There is no need for Merkel to kid herself, or the people around here, the Colesium will be located in the fair grounds at Abilene, and will benefit the people in this area as much as those anywhere in the county. It will provide better entertainment in the way of ice shows, road shows, big festivities and tock shows. And the best thing is that such a building will be rented when it is used, and will provide sufficient funds to keep its operation, and that is more than a lot of other city or county-owned buildings are doing now.

We feel just like the representatives from Abilene. What helps Abilene will soon help Merkel, and what helps Merkel helps

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Merkel Plays Host to 150 Mid-Tex Firemen

There was no time for a fire in Merkel last Thursday. It was firemen's day, and it was part of fire prevention week. Fire Chief Waymon Adcock, Olive Fox, president of the firemen, the city of Merkel, and the Chamber of Commerce, played hosts to the Midwest Firemen's Convention, the 34th semi-annual affair. It was a gay day for the firemen who climaxed the serious business session with a series of water contests on the fire station street, and a dance at the Community Center that night. The Mid-West Fireman's district takes in a wide area from Snyder on the west, Eastland on the east, Haskell on the north and Ballinger on the south. Ray Lusk, Haskell, president of the organization, opened the meeting, and Mayor Fred Starbuck told the group that they were welcome to have their convention in Merkel, and the people of Merkel more than enjoyed having them here. He asked them to return at any time.

Featured speaker of the afternoon was Lew Holle, Abilene, director of Disaster and Emergency in Civil Defense, who outlined the Abilene Civil Defense setup, and urged other cities to take an active part in civil defense and organize their cities in event of disaster.

A group of firemen from the Abilene Air Force Base brought over a giant crash truck used in extinguishing fires on jet planes, and it was displayed downtown during the afternoon.

Harry Dobbins, Abilene, who is head of the Civil Defense committee was slated for a talk, but he was unable to attend.

"The best way to meet an emergency is by using the old Boy Scout slogan 'Be Prepared,'" Holle told the group. "A disaster involves thousands of lives and millions of dollars worth of property," Holle warned. He mentioned that traffic control was important in event of a disaster, and keeping unauthorized personnel out of a disaster area was a big problem.

"Often time unauthorized persons trying to get to a disaster area actually hinder rescue operations by clogging up the intake roads," he said. As for storms, Holle said that with radar available at the weather station, it was now possible to trace storms for 150 miles, and this should give plenty of time for warning.

Little Merkel Badgers Drop Game to C-City

The Merkel B Badgers just didn't have it last Thursday night when they played the Colorado City B team on the local field, losing 0-44.

The Badgers had several chances to move the ball, but nine fumbles cost them every time they got the ball. The Colorado City line was charging rapidly, and making it difficult for the Merkel backs to get started.

This week, the little Badgers play Roscoe at Roscoe Thursday night.

Band Favorites Are Selected

Betty Chancey and James Simpson were elected band favorites of the Merkel High School at a band meeting Monday. President, Homer Payne, presided over the meeting. The favorites will be presented at the Merkel-Haskell football game.

Betty is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Chancey and is a senior. She plays a tenor saxophone and is band secretary.

James, also a senior, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Simpson and play solo cornet in the band. They were the highest ranking boy and girl in the junior class last year.

Glenn Reed is band director.

Wins \$32,000



GINO PRATO, the opera-loving cobbler of the Bronx, N.Y., holds the \$32,000 check he won on a television quiz program. He turned down a chance to win \$64,000. Prato said he will use the money to visit his 92-year-old father in Italy, whom he has not seen in 33 years. The winner will travel with his wife and daughter. (International)

Construction Of Five Houses To Start This Week

Moving to alleviate the housing problem caused by the construction of the Strategic Air Command base east of Merkel, where 6,000 airmen will be stationed within a year, the Merkel Development Co. announced today foundations for the first five of a giant housing project will be dug this week.

Herman Carson, president of the Development Company, formed by a group of Merkel business men, said the papers have been approved by the Federal Housing Administration in Fort Worth.

This was the matter that held up the construction of the home in Merkel for several weeks.

The first homes will be near the Church of Christ, and others will be built as these are sold.

The houses will be planned to provide nice homes, and will make a beautiful residential district. The development company has purchased a large tract of land south-east edge of Merkel where the houses will be built. They also have purchased some land near the Church of Christ.

Onis Crawford, manager of the Chamber of Commerce, hailed the construction program as a potential lift for Merkel to continue to grow.

Only about 300 airmen are stationed at the base at the present time, and the first 1,000 are due in a few weeks.

Rent houses and apartments are scarce, but every effort is made to locate housing for those who come here looking for it.

Congratulations Girls... Twins

Babies born at the Sadler-Clinic hospital during the week include: Sylvia Jean Vinson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Vinson, Hawley, 7 pounds, 8 ounces. Born October 13.

Irma Estella De La Cruz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Guillermo De La Cruz, 7 pounds, 7 ounces. Born October 15.

Elsie Jo Pond and Gerry Juanita Pond, twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Pond, Tye, born October 15. Elsie Jo weighed 2 pounds, 12 1/2 ounces, Gerry Juanita 3 pounds, 6 ounces.

B. Reynolds Is Injured in Ohio

B. Reynolds, of Cleveland, Ohio, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Reynolds of Mulberry Canyon, was injured seriously last week in an accident in Cleveland.

Details of his injuries were not received here by relatives, but it was serious enough that the Reynolds and Mrs. Ralph Miller, his cousin, were called to Cleveland.

Support For Colesium Is Sought Here

Representatives of the Abilene Chamber of Commerce met with a group of Merkel business men following the Lions Club meeting Tuesday to solicit support for the construction of a \$700,000 county colesium at the Fair Grounds in Abilene.

Here from Abilene were Joe Cooley, Blue Tittle and Grover Nelson of Abilene. Rufe Tittle, commissioner from this district, also was at the meeting.

From Merkel were Booth Warren, Earl Hughes, Lester Dorton, Nolan Palmer, Mayor Fred Starbuck, Onis Crawford, Herman Carson, Isadore Mellinger, Bob Hicks and Tittle.

The Merkel men were asked to help get enough signers on petitions to present to the commissioners' court asking the court to call a special election for the people to vote on the question.

The matter of raising the money for such a project was discussed at length by the Abilene Tittle, an attorney and brother of Merkel's Commissioner Tittle.

He said the program of placing all new construction on the tax rolls would alone raise enough money to finance the project without increase taxes.

Commissioner Tittle explained that the maximum tax rate of 80 cents already has been reached, and if petitions were presented to the commissioners' court, a means of financing the project must be in sight.

The Abilene attorney said there are hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of property in Abilene, and in other parts of the county that are paying no county taxes at all.

The schools, he explained, and the city, had much of the property on the rolls.

There is a plan under way to place the property not on the tax rolls on the rendition list. He explained that in recent years Abilene has grown so fast that it has been difficult for an assessor to get the property on the rolls. The city had the advantage of the building permits to place the property on their rolls.

Commissioner Tittle said the commissioners' court wanted to do what the people wanted, and if sufficient petitions are presented the court will act.

Palmer Offers Clock-Radio At Showing

Nolan Palmer, owner of Palmer Motor Co., is planning on a big opening when the first showing of the 1956 Pontiacs is made at his showrooms Friday and Saturday.

Details of the Pontiac are found elsewhere in this issue of the Mail, including an advertisement on page 2.

Palmer said persons attending the opening will have an opportunity to win a General Electric clock radio at no obligation to them.

"We have many new features and many new models to show this year," Palmer said. "One of the features is a 'first' by General Motors is the new Hydra-Matic transmission called Strato-Flight Hydra-Matic by Pontiac engineers designed to provide smoother, quieter shifting of gears.

Horsepower in the new V-8 motor has been upped to 227 h.p. in the Star Chief and 205 in the 870 and 860 series, Palmer said. There is a choice of 57 colors.

Freshman Class Elects Officers

Joe Neill has been elected president of the Freshman class of Merkel high school. Other officers are Jerry McLeod, vice president; Katy Hunter, secretary-treasurer; and Linda Leach, reporter.

Sponsors are Mrs. Evelyn Reed, Mrs. Lucy Haynes, Richard Green and Don Loyd.

ALBANY LIONS CLOSE GATE ON BADGERS MERKEL PLAYS ROSCOE

A fast, hard-hitting band of Albany Lions, shooting for the district 8-A title, knocked Merkel's game Badgers from the unbeaten ranks Friday night, 32-7, in a stirring performance of speed and deception that started on the first play of the game when the Lions scored on a 51-yard pass play.

Before a throng that virtually filled Badgers stadium, the Lions made it a long night for the Badgers, striking twice in the first quarter, and then scoring in each quarter thereafter.

The swift Albany line was the difference in victory and defeat with the Badgers. Time after time the linemen were able to smear Merkel, and hold off scoring threats except one that the Badgers put together in the second quarter to pull up to 14-7.

James Simpson President Of Future Teachers

James Simpson was elected President of the Future Teachers of America Club at their first meeting held in the High School Library on October 18.

Other officers elected were: 1st Vice President, Johnnie Tipton, 2nd Vice-President, Clydene Eager, Secretary, Treasurer, Betty Chancey, Parliamentarian, Jerry Miller, Reporter, Barbara Morgan, Historian, Kay Toombs and Conita Bagby, Song Leaders, Homer Payne and Jocille Thompson.

Those attending the meeting were: Leon Kelso, Jacky Russell, Jerry Miller, James Simpson, Larry Joyce, Betty Chancey, Barbara Morgan, Elsie Ward, Homer Payne, Clydene Eager, Twyla Moore, Margaret Chancey, Jocille Thompson, Conita Bagby, Kay Toombs, and Johnnie Tipton.

Elsie Ward, Twyla Moore, Larry Joyce, Leon Kelso, and Kay Toombs were selected to serve on the point system committee. Plans were discussed for the initiation to be held next month and the goals the Club will strive to achieve. Club meetings will be held twice a month.

Choral Club Picks Officers for Year

The Merkel high school choral club has chosen "Choralettes" as the name of the club this year. The name was suggested by Jo Ann Malone.

During the first meeting, Janie Rutledge was elected president; Norman Stephen, vice president; Jo Ann Malone, secretary-treasurer; and Margaret Chancey, reporter.

Other members of the group include Loretta Henry, Betty Reddin, Barbara Sylvester, Carolyn Rister, Sue Sarr and Janell Seymore.

The girls have begun to work on an operetta and their traditional Christmas pageant.

Noodle Opens Cage Season

The Noodle school will open the basketball season Thursday, October 20, in a game with Eula at 7 p.m.

There will be a boys' and girls' game after which the basketball sweethearts will be recognized. All ex-students are cordially invited to attend.

No homecoming activities other than the basketball game have been planned.

the Badgers had. No doubt the quick scoring thrust by the Lions in the first 32 seconds had some bearing on the future play of the Badgers.

Taking the ball on their own 49-yard line following the kickoff by End Robert McLeod, Lion Quarterback Bobby Allman rocketed a bullet-like pass to end Harold Hudman to open the scoring.

Fullback Jerry Atwell and Halfback David Mitchell each tallied twice for the Lions.

A fumble helped put the Lions on their second scoring drive when Quarterback Philip Pursley saw a drive the Badgers had started halted on the 46-yard line when Guard Travis Sears gobbled up the bouncing pigskin.

Just prior to that time Pursley had taken the kick off on the 15 and moved up to the 30. Kermit Rutledge and Jackie Russell picked up a first down in three plays on 4, 5 and 8 yard gallops, putting the ball on the 47 in what looked like a scoring

Trent High Homecoming November 4

The Trent high school homecoming celebration will be November 4 and 5, and hundreds of old grads of the school are expected to attend the festivities.

The homecoming activities are being sponsored by the Trent Community Club, and the club is looking for all the former students who can attend.

The feature event will be the football game between the Trent Goyllas and Robert Lee. If any exes have failed to receive an invitation, the club cordially invites them to be present anyway.

John Hammer is homecoming president and Edith Rudd is secretary.

The schedule follows:
November 4
6:30 p.m. — Supper in school cafeteria sponsored by the Senior class.

7:30 p.m. — Trent-Robert Lee football game.
November 5
7:30 a.m. — Breakfast in cafeteria sponsored by the Senior Class.

9:30 a.m. — Program, followed by business meeting.
Noon — Lunch in cafeteria sponsored by Senior Class.

Hospital Notes

Patients admitted to the Sadler Clinic Hospital during the week include:

Julia Lawson, Merkel.
Mrs. W. P. Gary, Merkel.
Nellie Sandusky, Merkel.
Tommy Good, Abilene.
Mrs. E. W. King, Merkel.
Mrs. O. Brewer, Trent.
Clifford Smith, Abilene.
Gerald Duncan, Trent.
Bruce Dean, Webb Air Base, Big Spring.

Olivia Lopez, Charlotte, Texas.
Mrs. Fannie King, Merkel.
Jenny May Mathews, Trent.
Mrs. R. C. Bentley, Merkel.
J. R. Glass, Abilene.
Leona Newton, Abilene.
Shirley Cole, Anson.
Cyrus Kelley, Sweetwater.
Mrs. Cloy Lyles, Merkel.
C. C. Gouge, Merkel.
Mrs. J. H. Witcher, Merkel.
Mrs. Tom Hogan, Merkel.
Mrs. Phillip Critchley, Tye.

Surgery —
Woodrow Patton, Merkel.
Mrs. E. E. Hurd, Sweetwater.
Stephanie Ann Miller, Abilene.

Merkel Child Out Of Polio Ward

Charles Ledbetter, 3, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Ledbetter of Merkel, was released from the Hendrick Memorial hospital polio ward last Friday. The child was admitted to the hospital Aug. 19.

drive. Larry Joyce added a couple of yards moving near the mid-field marker, but on the next play the fatal fumble came.

Dan and David Mitchell moved the ball from their own 46 to the Merkel 48 where End Donald Dillingham took a pitchout for 12 yards. It was from the 38 that Atwell, the scampering fullback, broke through the Badgers defenses for the second score for the Lions, making it 13-0. End Jodie Beall kicked his second extra point, and the Lions had a commanding 14-0 lead.

It was late in the second quarter that Merkel threatened to get back into the ball game as Pursley rifled a pass to Rutledge for 27 yards, to the Albany 37 yard line.

The Badgers suffered a 5-yard penalty, and McLeod picked up three on an end-around. Pursley tried to hit Russell, but the ball squirted through his arms like mercury in a thermometer. Pursley then shot a pass to McLeod for nine, moving to the 30. Pursley tried a keeper, and Russell fumbled on the next play but Tackle Barry Scott kept the march alive by pouncing on the ball.

A pitchout to Russell was good for a yard, and Rutledge took a hand-off on the 28 and rushed down to the 11 before being dragged down. Joyce rammed through the line for two yards, and Pursley sent a pass reeling to End Jerry Miller in the end zone for the touchdown, putting Merkel only a touchdown behind. Pursley kicked the point, making it 14-7.

Soon afterward Merkel again found themselves in Albany territory, the Badgers recovering a fumble on the 39. The Badgers worked down to the 31, but Pursley's attempt to pass to McLeod was broken up, killing the Merkel threat.

That was all for the Badgers. Atwell, steamed up like a locomotive and with the speed of a jet, streaked 38 yards before being run out of bounds by Russell on the Merkel 31. End Jimmy Neill speared Allman for a seven yard loss, and coupled with a 15-yard penalty on the previous play, the Lions found themselves backed up to mid-field, but Daniel Mitchell tore loose for 32 to the 19. Allman got nine and then two for a first down, and from the eight David Mitchell, one of a pair of twins playing for Albany, went over untouched.

On the next series, the Badgers could move only two yards from the 33 before McLeod was forced to punt.

The half ended 20-7, and from then on it, the Badgers just couldn't generate a scoring threat.

David Mitchell went over from the three for the next Albany TD, as the score soomed to 26-7.

Joyce returned the kickoff to the 41, but Beal intercepted a Pursley pass on the first play to give Albany the ball on the 48. From there Atwell and Allman moved to the one in six plays where Atwell went over from the one, it was 32-7.

At times Scott, Tom Swinney, Chester Collinsworth, Edwin Mewborn and Carl McKeever would stop the line plays, but the fast Lions cashed in on too many long runs that Merkel couldn't stop.

McLeod's punting averaged 40.5 yards, but the swift runbacks of the Lions often nullified the excellent kicks. Albany rolled up 302 yards from scrimmage to 54 for Merkel. Albany had 17 first downs, Merkel three.

THE GAME IN FIGURES

	Lions	Badgers
First downs	17	5
Net yards running	302	54
Passes attempted	3	11
Passes completed	1	3
Yards by passing	51	45
Enemy fumbles recovered	1	1
Punts, number	2	4
Punts, average	32	40.5
Penalties, yards	35	15

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**MRS. JESS FOY
GIVES TRIP REPORT**

A report of a recent trip into the northern states was given by Mrs. Jess Foy, to the Compere Home Demonstration Club on October 13, when meeting with Mrs. C. S. Childers.

Pictures and folders were shown to the club when discussing the country and difference in crops, in Minnesota and Iowa.

Mrs. Foy stated that they were having a drouth this year but still made approximately sixty bushels of corn to the acre. Vivid descriptions of tours through Colorado, Wyoming, South and North Dakota, and Wisconsin were given.

Mrs. Foy reported that lake fishing was good but very cold. Temperatures were freezing in Minnesota and the high wind made the weather uncomfortable at times.

The club meeting was called to order by Mrs. Jess Foy, president. Opening prayer was offered by Mrs. H. R. Chancey. Mrs. Ben Bingham led the choir in singing "The Battle Hymn of the Republic." Roll call was answered by each club member present with a "current event." Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

Plans are to be made for the club's Christmas party when meeting with Mrs. Ab Hunter on October 27.

Orders for pecans to be bought through the Home Demonstration Council were given to Mrs. Foy. She stated that the pecans would be ordered on a weekly basis.

Visitors were Mrs. Ben Bingham and Tommy Adkins. Members present were Mmes. I. B. Ray, H. R. Chancey, Jess Foy, Ab Hunter Jr., C. S. Childers, and Vernon Stanley.

**Prepare Soil
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Soil prepared now will be ready in the latter part of October to plant hyacinths, daffodils, Maricisi, jonquils, day lilies and many other bulb-like plants. Beds prepared now will be ready in December for tulips and Dutch iris.

Consider location first. For best effects, landscape architects recommend planting bulbs in clumps or groups. They fit well into bays or corners of the back or side yards or in front of screen or border plantings. Avoid spoiling the spacious effect of the lawn by scattering bulb beds at the forefront of home grounds or placing them in rings around trees and shrubs.

Sunshine is not important if you expect only one crop of blooms from your bulbs. For a second season of blooms, full sun or sun the greater part of the day is needed by most bulbs.

Good drainage is necessary to prevent decay and insure proper growth. Soil fertility is not important if new bulbs are bought each year. It is a factor, however, in producing blooms for the next year.

To fertilize, scatter one-half bushel of barnyard fertilizer or a bushel of well decayed leaf mold and one or two cups of commercial fertilizer over each 25 square feet. Spade well into the soil to a depth of 8-12 inches and keep moist for 5 to 6 weeks.

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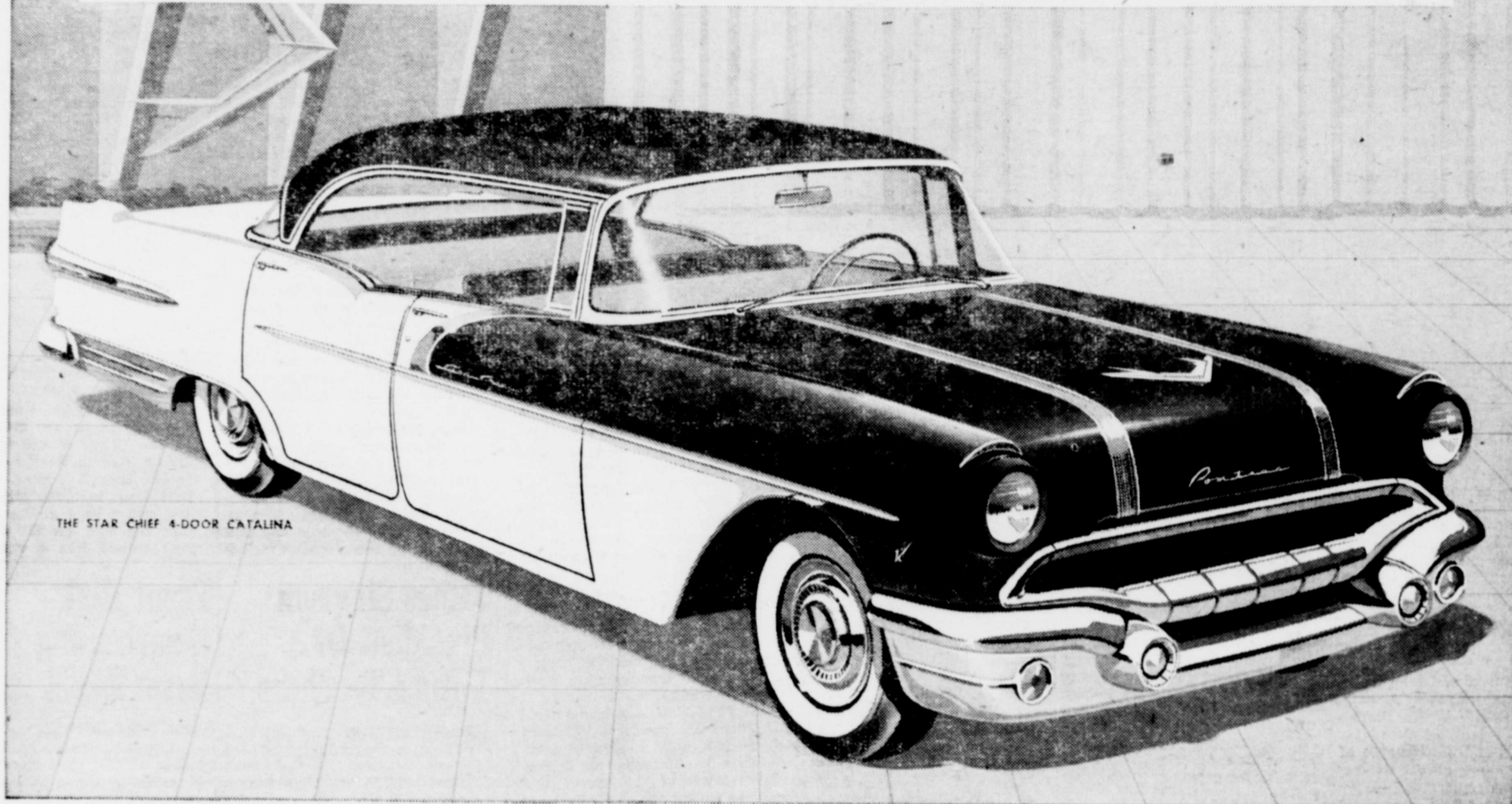
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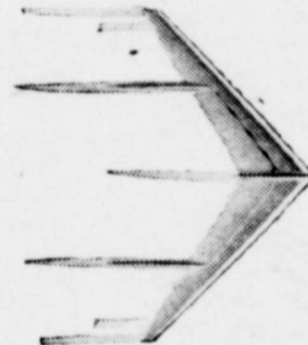
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 EXECUTORS OF THE ESTATE OF LOU E. AMASON, DECEASED.
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 TO: Peggy Lee Butcher, Defendant. Greeting:
 YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court 42nd Judicial District of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 21st day of November A.D. 1955, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 7th day of October A.D. 1955, in this cause, numbered 20,879-A on the docket of said court and styled Evert I. Butcher, Plaintiff, vs. Peggy Lee Butcher, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and defendant were married on 17 May, 1941 and lived together until July 1943. Plaintiff would show that there are two children of this marriage in the custody of their mother; that there is no community property. Plaintiff sues for divorce on the ground of cruelty 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 seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this 7th day of October A.D. 1955.
 (SEAL)
 Attest: R. H. ROSS, Clerk,
 42nd District Court, Taylor County, Texas.
 By C. BOWER, Deputy.

UP THE CANYON

By TOM RUSSOM

The Pioneer church in the Canyon observed Layman's Sunday last week, with Earl Watts, Merkel, as the speaker during the morning service. The group enjoyed his message. Mr. and Mrs. Stacy Bird of Merkel accompanied him and his family to the church.

Mrs. Frank Brnovak has been suffering from a badly sprained ankle, but is improving now.

We found out that cotton pickers are pretty plentiful, but not easy to get. Some of the boys got out and made a drive the other day, but had no luck in getting hands. There's lots of cotton up the canyon that hasn't been pulled yet.

Dewell McLean had some wheat sown before the rain. He says it is getting off to a good start and will make grazing soon.

The live stock market warmed up this week. About 1,000 lambs moved to market. The buyer was F. E. Modgling of Bronte. The sellers were Frank Brnovak, Sam Butman Jr., Will Butman, A. D. Scott and Allen D. King. The price paid for the lambs was 16 1/2 cents per pound.

Ford Butman bought a load of good mouth ewes this week from the Drake Commission Co. of San Angelo. No price was reported.

The \$1.40 a hundred price for the recently harvested milo crop has been the topic of conversation among farmers of the area. Four months ago you couldn't buy 100 pounds of milo at all, but the elevators were all full. We're ready to listen if someone can tell us how farmers can pay for repairs, much less pay for tractors and plows with that price for milo.

Fred Johnson on the north side of the canyon is getting ready to put 40 head of steers on feed at his place. The steers have been on field pasture, and they are carrying a lot of weight already. There won't be many cattle put in feed lots up the canyon this year, but around Merkel plans are being made to feed a lot of cattle. With feed so cheap and cattle still high, it looks like a good bet.

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TRENT

By CHARLES BRIGHT Elizabeth Gentry and Helen MeLeod visited Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stribling over the weekend...

Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Tribotian from Wichita Falls also were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stribling.

The G. C. Wilks have returned from the State Fair of Texas and had a wonderful time...

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Walden are visiting her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Yandell.

Farmers are harvesting cotton fast as they can while it is pretty. Was good to see Lola Lee O'Kelly back in church Sunday.

Barbara Edwards, Shirley Carter, Jerry McWilliams, Tommie Toliver, Willie Pearl Mathews, Dane Ambrose, James Wilks were weekend with parents and friends...

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Yarbrough were in Trent for the football game.

H. L. McRee of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Don Dudley, of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Scott, of Sweetwater, were visitors in Trent last week.

Carolyn McRee of Abilene visited with Dane Ambrose.

Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Viall have moved to California.

Mr. and Mrs. Zed Bright had as their guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Seago. They were returning from their vacation...

The wolfe hunters have gone to Quanah to the Texas-Oklahoma wolf hunt.

L. D. Jones and Miss Wilma Payne, Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bright and Onis Graham attended the McMurry-ACC game last Saturday night in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Jones and family and Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Jones are attending the State Fair of Texas in Dallas.

Morris Claborn and Jerry Horton attended the National F.F.A. in Kansas City, Mo., last week.

The F.F.A. boys are in Dallas this week trying for some of the honors.

Gerald Duncan received a broken right hand in the football game Friday night. The team will miss Gerald.

Our new water system has added 19 new meters.

The halloween queens are Janice Hobbs, first grade; Mary-Jon Wilks, second; Sue Dickerson, third; Sherry Healty, fourth; Sue Bankston, fifth; Kay Lambless, sixth; Judy Claborn, seventh; Gay Steadman, eighth; Tillie McWilliams, freshman; Connie Cade, sophomore; Colleen Stowe, junior; Thelda Hamner, senior.

The little football boys play tonight, let's back these boys. We are hoping to hear our band homecoming.

McWilliams Will Go on Maneuvers

Specialist Third Class Edwin D. McWilliams, son of Mr. and Mrs. James McWilliams, Merkel, Tex., is scheduled to participate in Exercise Sage Brush, the largest Army-Air Force maneuver since World War II.

The two-month exercise will be held in Louisiana starting in November. Some 110,000 Army troops will take part, testing the latest concepts of atomic, bacteriological, chemical and electronic warfare.

McWilliams, a mechanic in Headquarters Battery of the 4th Armored Division's 195th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion, is regularly stationed at Fort Hood, Tex. He entered the Army in October 1953.

McWilliams was graduated from Merkel High School and was employed by the Drilling and Exploration Company, Pampa, in civilian life. His wife, Dorcia, is now living in Gatesville, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Campbell of Lamesa were guests of his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilson, and Mrs. Campbell's aunt, Mrs. Bertha Ensminger, also Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cyfert, over the weekend. They attended the ACC-McMurry football game Saturday night.

STITH

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Vantreesse had as guests Sunday Mrs. and Brother Fullbright and children.

Mrs. J. M. Dunagin, Mrs. Billy Dunagin visited Mrs. Fred Groene of Merkel on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Evans and Nancy visited Mr. and Mrs. Hub Evans at Capps on Sunday.

Mrs. J. R. Mashburn, Mrs. Marvin Walters went to Gatesville Friday to take Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Walters home after they had been here on a visit. Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Walters also visited an aunt and uncle in Stamford.

Mrs. W. M. Loflin and Joe and Lourell, visited her mother, Mrs. J. B. Warren at Seymour, Thursday.

Mrs. Larry Bailey is here from West Virginia visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Bailey and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Tompson visited with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley Sunday.

Frosty Winters visited his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. West on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Loflin was in Munday on Wednesday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Opal Spayberry who was burned in Odessa two weeks ago.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Loflin went to Jayton Saturday night to see the Jayton Guthrie 6 man football game. Mrs. Loflin's nephew Marvin Crawford plays for Guthrie.

Mrs. Lenoir is back with her daughter Mrs. J. E. Hudson after visiting her son Weldon Lenoir at Woodson.

Word was received this morning of the death of Bob Mashburn who was a long time resident of Stith.

Plans are completed for the Stith H. D. Club Halloween carnival Oct. 29th at the Stith Tabernacle. The public is invited.

Little Miss Carolyn Hanson celebrated her 6th birthday Oct. 15th by entertaining her friend with a party. The Halloween theme was carried out. Her beautiful birthday cake was decorated with pumpkins and black cats...

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MISS BOBBIE TAYLOR, WARD COOKSEY WED

Vows were exchanged at the Belmont Baptist church in Abilene Friday, October 14, at 6 p.m. for Miss Bobbie Taylor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Taylor, Nolan, and Ward Cooksey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Cooksey, Goree, Texas.

The bride is the commercial teacher in Merkel school. She graduated from Hardin-Simmons University in August. Cooksey is a student at Hardin-Simmons where he is a junior in secondary education.

Attendants at the wedding were Miss Nancy Blackley, of Morton, Texas, and the bride's brother, Marvin Taylor, of Nolan. The bride wore a beige sheer wool suit, and her accessories were of corn flower blue and white gardenias corsage.

For a short wedding trip they went to Graham and Possum Kingdom. She graduated from the Divide high school in Nolan and he graduated from the Goree high school. They are now at home at 411 Ash St. in Merkel.

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FORMER MERKEL FOLKS RETURN FROM S. AMERICA

W. O. Reeves, formerly of Merkel, visited his sister, Mrs. Irl Walker recently. Reeves went to Venezuela in 1942 as president of the Standard Oil Co. He has retired and returned to his ranch near Linden, where he plans to make his home.

BUSINESS WOMEN'S FEDERATION MEETS

The business women's federation met in Merkel Monday night. Officers were installed for 1956. Miss Melba Clyde of Abilene is president and Mrs. Irl Walker of Merkel is vice president. Women from Abilene, Merkel and Sweetwater were present.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED FOR MISS SULLIVAN

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Sullivan are announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Frankie LaJean to Milton M. (Mack) Spurgeon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Spurgeon, also of Noodle. The vows will be exchanged on November 24 at 6 p.m. at the Noodle Baptist church.

PALMERS SPENT LEAVE IN MERKEL

T-Sgt. and Mrs. R. G. Palmer and daughter, Carol Ann, spent 10 days with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Palmer. It was the first time the elder Palmers had seen their granddaughters.

Sergeant Palmer has been stationed at Castle Air Base, Calif., and were enroute to Pine Castle, Florida, where he will be stationed.

Also visiting in the Palmer home, was their daughter, Mrs. H. A. Fick and family from Odessa. The Palmers other son, T-Sgt. and Mrs. Wayne Palmer have been stationed in Germany for two years.

YEOMAN REIDENBACH HOME ON LEAVE

Mr. and Mrs. David G. Reidenbach and two sons arrived home October 11th from Charleston, South Carolina, where they have been stationed the last three years. They are staying with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Dan Reidenbach.

David leaves for Brooklyn, New York, October 21st en route to a two year tour of duty with the U. S. Navy in London, England. Mrs. Reidenbach, who is from England, and the two boys will follow next month.

BRIDAL SHOWER FOR MISS WASHBURN

A bridal shower was given in honor of Miss Barbara Washburn, of Trent, whose marriage to Don Hagar, of Abilene, will be an event of October 15. The hostesses were Betty Payne, Nancy Jones, Cora Yandall, Berniece Love and Neita Hale.

FORTNIGHTLY WILL SERVE TURKEY DINNER

The Fortnightly Study Club met Tuesday in the Community Center with Mrs. S. D. Gamble as hostess.

Mrs. Ben R. Hicks gave a most interesting and informative report on the book "Twenty-One Stays", by Virginia Pasley.

The club voted to serve a turkey dinner on Sunday, November 13, at noon, in the school cafeteria to help finance a traffic light at 5th and Ash Street \$1.25 for adults and high school students and 75 cents for children.

Those attending the meeting were Miss Christine Collins, Mesdames Clyde Bartlett, Carroll Benson, Johnny Cox, W. R. Cyfert, Mack Fisher, David Gamble, S. D. Gamble, Comer Haynes, Ben R. Hicks, Dale Litton, George T. Moore, Homer Patterson, Andy Shouse, Don Warren, Henry West, Ray Wilson, and Wren Durham.

HORTON FAMILY REUNION HELD IN PLAINVIEW

Descendants of the late Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Horton, who settled in Jones County in 1908, held their annual family reunion at Plainview, Sunday Oct. 9.

Seven of the eight living children were present. Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Horton of Arlington were absent.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Horton, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Lucas, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Lucas, Linda, Janice and Don, Lockney; Mrs. Clara Ball, Mrs. J. T. Ball, Buzzie and Robert McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Vayden Horton and Wanda, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Arnold, Glenda and Marilyn, Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Pierce Horton, J. P. and Eva Fae, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Horton, Yvonne and Sue, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Autrey, Jeannie, Plainview.

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Perry, Hobbs, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. Vayden Horton Jr., and children, Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Alvis Phillips, Leven, Hal, Ronald and Donald, Levelland; Mr. and Mrs. Louis Arnold and children, Spur; Mr. and Mrs. Ozey Arnold, Sonny and Evelyn, Tulsa; and one visitor, Mrs. E. M. Blackburn, Merkel.

GRADUATES FROM BEAUTY SCHOOL

Miss Barbara Free, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Bartlett, has graduated from the Abilene Beauty college, and has accepted a position at Nell's Beauty shop.

Mrs. Toby Paylor of Monahans spent the weekend with her sister, Mrs. Mabel Dorton. Mrs. Paylor's son, Toby, came up from Ballinger and took his mother home with him for a few days. She will return to Merkel later this week.

Mrs. Mabel Dorton was a guest in the home of Mrs. Frances Widmer last week in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Boring and daughter, Mrs. Carl Clendennon, all of Tyler, Texas, were visitors in Merkel this week. Boring left Merkel in 1917, but still owns property in this area. He was spending the day greeting many of the old-timers of the area.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Thompson Friday and Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Dyees and son, Clovis, and his son Mike Dyes, all of Waxahachie, Texas. They were neighbors of the Thompsons from 1925 to 1930 northeast of Merkel.

Mrs. Henry Hester, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Petty and Mrs. W. C. Lee of Saltbranch and Mrs. Sally Greenway of Atlanta, Texas, Mrs. C. H. Sparks, Mrs. R. G. Bryan, and daughter, Kay, of Abilene, and Judy and Jim Hester, were weekend guests of Mrs. W. M. Hays.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Spartlen and Royce, of Odessa, visited over the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Spartlen and Carroll.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jones of Mercedes, Texas, and son, Earl Jones, of Robstown, spent Monday and Tuesday visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Castle. Sam Jones is Mrs. Castle's brother.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Spears, of Reverton, Wyoming, accompanied by a friend, Mrs. Lillian Tuttleit, visited Mrs. John Hughes and other relatives last week. Mrs. Spears is a sister of Mrs. Hughes, and Mr. Spears is a son of Tom Spear and a brother of Mrs. Ira Stanley and Mrs. Curb.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Seago have returned from their vacation which included visits with their sons, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Seago in Hobbs, New Mexico and Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Seago in Midland.

NOODLE

Mrs. Waldo Cox spent a few days last week visiting her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Herby Bullock in San Angelo.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Forest Warren Saturday night, were Mr. and Mrs. George Cooper, Mrs. Billie Maxwell and little daughter, Marilyn.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Caldwell and girls spent Sunday in the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Caldwell at Anson.

Dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Riley Sprayberry Sunday were Rev. and Mrs. Fred Levertz, Jon, Susie and Mr. James Brannon.

Mrs. Dick Pack and Raymond spent Saturday at Aspermont and attended the bridal shower for Mr. and Mrs. Dickie Pack.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Davis and sons of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. T. K. Marshall of Merkel were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Lucas.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis Melton of Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Clement and sons of Rotan were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Doc Calloway, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Mason of Lubbock were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Vessie Justice.

HODGES

Mr. and Mrs. L. McCaleb had breakfast in the R. W. Reynolds home on Sunday morning and then motored on down to Ranger and had lunch in the home of their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis McCaleb.

Attending the singing at Hope Church of Christ were Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Justice, Minister and Mrs. Will Watson, Bob McDonald, Mrs. Denton and two sons and Mr. and Mrs. Ven Landingham of Merkel. There were visitors from Turby and Hawley also.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Keese visited their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Patterson of Winters last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Barnett Moore were visiting relatives in Oklahoma.

Miss Marris Nell Jones of Abilene spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Buster Jones.

Mark Owens of Eunice, New Mexico has been visiting the Bud Moore's of Hodges. Mr. Owens is the brother of Mrs. Moore.

George Rister of View visited Mr. and Mrs. L. McCaleb one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dub McCoy spent the weekend in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Aubrey Duncan.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Stokes visited in Houston over the weekend with the Stokes son John Stokes.

Mr. C. S. Parker has resigned his job as minister of the Hodges

ANDY SHOUSE -Real Estate- 115 KENT ST.

The baby of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Ledbetter who has been ill with polio in an Abilene hospital has returned home and is doing fine.

Officers installed at the Hodges Baptist Church on Wednesday evening were: Mrs. Dub McCoy president, Mrs. Virgil Stokes, vice president, Mrs. I. B. Ray, second vice president; Mrs. Mason Barker, sec.; Mrs. Reagan Hay, recording sec.; Mrs. Walter Cook, community mission; Mrs. Fred Daniell, stewardship and Mrs. L. D. Bruton, Bible study.

Little League To Hold Meeting

The Little League will hold a meeting Monday, October 24, at 7:30 p.m. at the school cafeteria for the purpose of discussing next year's program. Mina Winter, president of the league announced.

The meeting was originally scheduled for last week, but was not held. All persons interested in little league baseball in Merkel should attend.

SCOOP

From Page One Abilene. For instance, if Abilene continues to grow at the pace it is setting, Merkel will continue to grow for the simple reason that it is in the area of Abilene, and is in close proximity. Values of property in this area will go up as Abilene grows. This is proven by other towns which have been close to larger cities which have grown. Note the small towns near Fort Worth and Dallas and see what you can buy a home for in these areas.

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CHURCHES

Merkel First Baptist Church
Sunday School 9:45 a. m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.
Training Union 6:30 p. m.
Evening Worship 7:30 p. m.
Wednesday Prayer Service 7:30 p. m.
W. M. U. Mon. 9:30 a. m.
Sunday: Bible Study 9:45 a. m.
Merkel Church of Christ
Morning Service 10:45 a. m.
Young People's Bible Class 6:30 p. m.
Evening Services 7:20 p. m.
Merkel First Methodist Church
Sunday: Sunday School 9:50 a. m.
Morning Worship 10:50 a. m.
M. Y. F. 6:30 p. m.
Evening Service 7:30 p. m.
Hebron Baptist Church
Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.
Training Union 7:00 p. m.
Evening Worship 7:30 p. m.
Wednesday: Evening Prayer Services
Comperre Baptist Church
Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
Morning Worship, 2nd and 4th Sunday 11 a. m.
Merkel Grace Presbyterian Church
Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
Worship Service 11 a. m.
Merkel Assembly of God
Sunday school 10 a. m.
Morning Service 11 a. m.
C. A.'s (Young People) 7 p. m.
Evening Worship 7:30 p. m.
Tuesday W. M. C. 2 p. m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:30 p. m.
Merkel Calvary Baptist Church
Sunday School 9:45 p. m.
Morning Service 11:00 a. m.
Evening Bible Class 6:30 p. m.
Evening Worship 7:00 p. m.
Merkel Catholic Church
Sunday Mass 10:30 a. m.
Primitive Baptist Church
Meeting time first Sunday in each month 11 a. m.
Saturday preceding 8 p. m.

Trent Methodist Church
Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
Evening Worship 7:30 p. m.
Morning Services 11:00 a. m.
M. Y. F. Services 6:30 p. m.
Prayer Services 7:30 p. m.
Trent First Baptist Church
Sunday: Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.
Training Union 6:45 p. m.
Evening Services 7:45 p. m.
Tuesday: W. M. U. 2:15 p. m.
Intermediate G. A.'s Jr. G. A.'s 3:45 p. m.
Prayer Services 7:30 p. m.
"Are you a stranger here but once?"
Pioneer Memorial Chapel
Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
Morning Service 11:00 a. m.
Evening Services 7:30 p. m.
Wednesday: Evening Prayer Service 7:30
Noodle Baptist Church
Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.
Young People's Class 6:30 p. m.
Evening Services 7:30 p. m.
Trent Church of Christ
Sunday: Sunday 11:00 o'clock
Bible Class 10:00 a. m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.
Evening Services 7:30 p. m.
Ladies Bible Class 4:00 p. m.
Thursday: Men's Downtown Bible Class
Sunday 8:44 a. m.
New Live Oak Baptist Church
Sunday: Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
Morning Worship 11 a. m.
Training Union 6:45 p. m.
Evening Worship 7:30 p. m.
Tye Baptist Church
Sunday: Sunday School 9:45 a. m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.
Training Union 6:45 p. m.
Evening Services 7:30 p. m.
Tye Methodist Church
Sunday: Sunday School 10 a. m.
M. Y. F. 7:00 p. m.
Prayer Meeting 7:30 p. m.
Morning Service 11:00 a. m.
Noodle Church of Christ
Sunday: Bible Class 10:00 a. m.
Morning Worship Service 11:00
Young People's Service 6:30
Evening Worship 7:30 p. m.
Amity Baptist Church
Morning Service 11:15 a. m.
Sunday School 10:30 a. m.
Evening Bible Class 6:30 p. m.
Evening Services 7:30 p. m.



LEADS REVIVAL AT TRENT
George Mullinax has been selected to lead the youth revival at the Trent Baptist church October 19 through 23. Song leader will be Dale Coody and Pianist will be Paralee Nelson. Services will begin each evening at 7:30. The young people of Trent Baptist church will lead in the Wednesday and Thursday evening services. A group of young people from Hardin-Simmons University will lead the weekend services.

Grade School Defeated, 32-13

The elementary school Badgers were defeated 32-13 Tuesday night on the local field by Rotan, but the fans were thrilled as one long touchdown run by Tokio Moreno. Marino took a kickoff at the half and ran the entire field for a TD. The other Merkel score was made by Fernin Hernandez who who went over from the five after a 40-yard drive. Coach Don Estes' boys will play Hamlin next week at Hamlin. Starting for Merkel were Allen Tittle and Gary Rust, ends; Phil Seymore and Butch Palmer, tackles; Mike Farley and Carleton Pair, guards; Jimmy Hargrove, center; Larry Seymore, quarterback; Johnny Thomas and Tokio Marino, halfbacks; and Lester Dorton, fullback. Tittle hurt his arm in the game and was replaced by Walter Harris. Next home game will be with Anson, November 15.

Carolyn Anderson Elected by Scouts

Carolyn Anderson was elected president of the sixth grade Girl Scouts when the group met Friday. Other officers are Carolyn Bond vice president; Patsy Holmes secretary; Penny Durham, treasurer; Sandra Hunter, game and song leader; and Neida Reese, reporter. The girls plan to study Girl Scout laws at their next meeting which will be Friday afternoon.

Sponsors Of Red Cross Meet In Abilene

The teacher-sponsors of the Junior Red Cross met at the chapter house in Abilene Tuesday to hear a talk by Jimmy Hamilton, district representative, of Sweetwater. Bettye Chancey and Homer Payne, of Merkel, reported on their trip to the Training Center in Austin. Claude Farley, grade school principal, showed colored slides of the Arab refugee school children in Jerusalem, to whom he carries gift boxes from the Junior Red Cross council of the Merkel Elementary school. Others present from Merkel were Mrs. Josephine Tidwell and Mrs. Johnny Cox.

STITH H.D. CLUB PLANS CARNIVAL

Plans for a Halloween carnival were discussed when the Stith Home Demonstration club met in the home of Mrs. Billy Ray Browning for its regular meeting. Mrs. Louise Hudson, president, was in charge of the meeting. Mrs. Vernon Stanley from the Comperre club gave an interesting talk on the T.H.D.A. meeting in August at Dallas. Mrs. H. R. Chancy from the Comperre Club was also a guest at the meeting. One game was directed by Mrs. J. E. Hudson, Mrs. Orval Ely led the group in a song "The Eyes of Texas," and Mrs. Fletcher Jones gave the prayer. Refreshments were served to the two guests, 10 members and three children. Everyone is looking forward and making plans for the Halloween Carnival October 29 at the Stith tabernacle. The club adjourned to meet October 26 in the home of Mrs. Bill Childers. Master Sergeant and Mrs. L. C. Whisenunt and children of Tucson, Arizona, have been visiting their parents, Mrs. Tommy Smith and Charley Whisenunt, of Ballinger, before going to his new post at Topeka, Kansas.

MoorMan's Mintrate RANGE BLOCK



It's New! It's Different! MoorMan's Mintrate Range Block is a mineralized protein concentrate made to be self-fed to cattle, as a supplement to forage. It is a blend of 6 separate high quality protein ingredients with urea and a special mineral. The mineral is complete and balanced and will supply adequate amounts and proper proportions of every mineral ingredient known to be needed by range cattle. Irradiated Yeast is used to supply Vitamin B. Available both with and without added Vitamin A. Trademark Reg. U. S. Pat. Off.

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ABILENE, TEXAS
"YOUR MOORMAN MAN"

CLASSIFIED AD SECTION

FOR RENT
FOR RENT: Furnished four room house with bath, also two furnished apartments, Mrs. Bert Milton, 1412 S. 5th, Phone 232. 29-31p.
FOR RENT - Unfurnished apartment, 4 rooms and bath. See Ray Wilson, Wilson's Food Store. 30-tfc
FOR RENT - 2-bedroom house, all modern. 402 Ash. E. B. Barnes. 32-31p.
FOR RENT - Sleeping porch with two beds, 208 Ash St. 31-1tp.

FOR RENT - Small modern house to couple, 5 miles north of Merkel, Phone 9025-R-1. Roy R. Largent. 32-1tp.
FOR RENT - A good farm, well improved, close in. R. L. Bland, Abilene, Box 719, Phone 4-6961. 32-tfc
FOR RENT - Unfurnished apartment, 3 rooms and bath, 202 Locust St. A. T. Sheppard. 32-tfc
FOR RENT - Furnished house with bath. 202 El Paso. 32-1tp.

MISCELLANEOUS
TV SERVICE
We Serve All Makes. Next Time PHONE 193 DUDLEY ELECTRIC
SEE ME at my home 802 Rose, between 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. for your Christmas Cards. Winnie Cypert. 32-8tp.
WATER WELL drilling and surface pipe set. Higgins & Malone Box 267, Merkel. Phone 26.

SALESMAN OPPORTUNITY
Be in business for yourself. Sell candies and confections and county area. Must be prepared salted nuts to merchants in 3-to furnish \$100 cash bond. If you are not hard worker, and do not want a permanent business, do not answer this ad. Apply in person to W. W. Frye, at the Merkel Mail office, and see samples. Main office in Dallas, Texas.

FOR SALE - My home at 133 Oak Street. Three bedrooms, 100x140 feet lot. Double garage, 20 ft. concrete drive, stone room, priced to sell. Call 22 Horace O. Boney. 22-1tp.
WE HAVE SEVERAL reposed TVs to choose from. Some are real bargains. See them at Badger Chevrolet Co.
FOR SALE - We have several electric ranges to sell at low cost. Make us an offer. Badger Chevrolet Co. 15-tfc
FOR SALE - 300 Good Chevrolet fence posts, 6 1/2 feet by 3 1/2 inches and 6 1/2 feet by 2 1/2 inches. Badger Chevrolet. 10-tfc

BARGAINS - In used TVs \$75 up. Badger Chevrolet Co.
FOR SALE - One high power rifle 30-06 Bolt Action, Nolan Palmer. 25-tfc
FOR SALE - Combine, 25 foot Massey-Harris Clipper \$350. Nolan Palmer. 25-tfc
FOR SALE - Seven room modern house and 6 lots. Electric pump. 810 Walnut 30-tfc

FOR SALE - New Ford tractor Alamo 3-disc breaking plow, post hole digger, scraper, scoop, chisel. Sell any or all, big discount, or trade for cattle. Riley Horton, Abilene. Phone 4-9563. 2034 N. Third. 32-1tp.
MAKE \$135 AND UP every week. Full or part time. Take orders for America's largest selling nationally advertised Liquid Fertilizer since 1946. WRITTEN GUARANTEE. No Investment. Excellent opportunity for expansion. Write "Na-Churs" Plant Food Co., 472 Monroe St., Marion, Ohio. 31-3tc

TURKEYS
Thanksgiving and Xmas On Foot or Dressed ORDER NOW and get the size you need. PH. NOODLE 6371 Thru Merkel Exchange Rt. 2 - Trent, Texas

Karl Bonneaux
GUNS
FOR SALE OR TRADE YOUR FAVORITE MAGAZINES
MAC'S CITY DRUG

FOR SALE - Must sell electric meat case, pop box, air compressor, sausage mill, scales, adding machine, cashiers, large bolt and nail sets, show cases. See Mrs. Johnson, Thompson, Noodle.
FOR LEASE - Or Rent, 126 acres land, see G. N. Reynolds, Box 536, Trent.
FOR SALE - 25 Aged Ewe per head. See Sam Bunn.

FOR SALE - Fresh goat and one large billy goat. See J. E. Miller, route 2.

Make Money For Your Club
If your club is planning raising money this fall, about our plan of selling candy. One club cleared \$100 in one week. Profits good. Will consign 100 boxes that sell for \$1. BILL FRYE AT MERKEL MAIL OFF.



PONTIAC 860 TWO-DOOR SEDAN - Pontiac's 1956 two-door sedan, the most economical model in the big-car class, rides on a 122 inch wheelbase with 206 inches over-all length. It's big 205 h.p. Strato-Streak V-8 engine gives it power and performance unequalled in the medium priced range. "Vogue" two-toning and luxurious interiors are other features that make it the best dollar for dollar buy.

PONTIAC INTRODUCES ANOTHER FIRST IN AUTO TRANSMISSIONS

Pontiac introduces another first - a completely new development in automatic transmissions this week when the 1956 Pontiacs equipped with Strato-Flight Hydra-Matic transmissions go on display across the nation. Nolan Palmer, of Palmer Motor Co., announced today. "We are proud to be the first to bring this important new controlled fluid coupling Hydra-Matic transmission to the buying public," Palmer said. "It is smoother, quieter, cooler running and more efficient than any transmission ever offered. A new concept in automatic transmissions, it represents the most important improvement since Hydra-Matics were introduced. Coupled with our 227 horsepower 1956 Strato-Streak V-8 engines, the revolutionary new Strato-Flight provides a new standard of driving ease and safe, instantaneous power." The Strato-Flight Hydra-Matic transmission is offered in the 1956 Star Chief series which will be shown to the public for the first time Friday, October 21. The revolutionary system uses a newly developed controlled fluid coupling for complete smoothness in shifting of gear ratios. Sprag clutches, which apply and release without grabbing, add further to the smooth action of the Strato-Flight. The new fluid coupling insures an efficient, uninterrupted flow of power from engine to rear wheels. Acceleration from start is smooth and rapid. The transmission smoothly downshifts for quick, safe passing without loss of torque. A circulating cooler for the transmission fluid holds temperatures constant in the Strato-Flight Hydra-Matic. The unusual quietness of this ingenious transmission is accomplished by submerging gear units in noise dampening oil and using larger, quieter operating oil pumps. The increased oil output also eliminates the possibility of rough shifts due to oil starvation. Fundamentally, the Strato-

Flight Hydra-Matic transmission consists of a fluid coupling with three planetary gear sets, providing four forward speeds and a reverse. Shifts occur automatically varying with car speed and acceleration. Included in the design of Pontiac's Strato-Flight Hydra-Matic transmission is a new "P" or parking position on the control indicator for the selector lever. The engine can be started in either park position. As an additional safety factor, when the selector lever is in "P" position the transmission is locked and acts as a positive brake when the car is parked. Great strides were made in simplifying maintenance requirements on the new Strato-Flight. Periodic band adjustments are eliminated through the use of sprag clutches. The transmission control valve and other parts are quickly accessible by removing the bottom pan of the transmission case. A new method attaching the transmission to the engine makes the unit easily removed and installed. In first speed the transmission ratio is 3.966:1; in second speed, 2.553:1; in third, 1.553:1; in fourth 1.000:1; and in reverse, 4.306:1.

Advertisement for Palmer Motor Co. featuring a cartoon and the slogan 'WHERE BETTER CARS ARE SOLD'. Includes contact information for sales, service, and parts in Merkel, Texas.

Advertisement for Nell's Beauty Shop. Text: 'WE ARE GLAD TO INTRODUCE THE ADDITION OF A NEW OPERATOR MISS BARBARA FREE NELL'S BEAUTY SHOP 135 Kent In Joyce's Fabric Shop Phone 391'

Advertisement for The Abilene Reporter-News. Text: 'SUBSCRIBE NOW! Fall Bargain Offer Abilene Reporter-News (Regular \$18.00 value) NOW ONLY \$11.95 Daily & Sunday By Mail In West Texas SAVE \$6.05 See Your Agent or Use This Handy Order Blank'

Advertisement for Karl Bonneaux Guns. Text: 'Karl Bonneaux GUNS FOR SALE OR TRADE YOUR FAVORITE MAGAZINES MAC'S CITY DRUG'

Advertisement for Roofing Lydick-Hooks Roofing Co. Text: 'ROOFING LYDICK-HOOKS ROOFING CO. Let the Lydick-Hooks Roofing Co. make your estimate to reroof your building. We Use Genuine Rubberoid Materials'

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
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CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: J. P. Frederickson and wife, Mary Frederickson, if deceased, the heirs and unknown heirs, assignees, devisees, and legal representatives of J. P. Frederickson and wife, Mary Frederickson; and unknown owners, Defendants, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable Special Commissioners' Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by personal appearance at or before 10 o'clock A.M. December 9, 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 17th day of October A.D. 1955, in this cause, styled The State of Texas Plaintiff, vs. J. P. Frederickson and wife, Mary Frederickson, if deceased, the heirs and unknown heirs, assignees, devisees, and legal representatives of J. P. Frederickson and wife, Mary Frederickson; and unknown owners Plaintiffs.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Condemnation of land for road right-of-way for U. S. Highway No. 80, and a part of Lots 4 and 5, Block 18, of the Grimet Addition to the Town of Merkel, 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 seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 17th day of October, A.D. 1955.

(SEAL)
Attest: Mrs. Chester Hutcheson, Clerk, Special Commissioners' Court, Taylor County, Texas.
By Inez Williams, Deputy.

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: W. N. M. Grimett, if deceased, the heirs and unknown heirs, assignees, devisees, and legal representatives of W. N. M. Grimett, and unknown heirs, Defendants, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable Special Commissioners' Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by personal appearance at or before 10 o'clock A.M. December 9, 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 17th day of October A.D. 1955, in this cause, styled The State of Texas Plaintiff, vs. W. N. M. Grimett, if deceased, the heirs and unknown heirs, assignees, devisees, and legal representatives of W. N. M. Grimett, and unknown heirs, Defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Condemnation of land for road right-of-way for U. S. Highway No. 80, and a part of Lots 2, 3, and 8, Block 18, Grimet Addition to the Town of Merkel, Texas, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION
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TO: C. E. Fetherree, if deceased, the heirs and unknown heirs, assignees, devisees, and legal representatives of C. E. Fetherree, and unknown owners, Defendants, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable Special Commissioners' Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by personal appearance at or before 10 o'clock A.M. December 9, 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 17th day of October A.D. 1955, in this cause, styled The State of Texas Plaintiff, vs. C. E. Fetherree, if deceased, the heirs and unknown heirs, assignees, devisees, and legal representatives of C. E. Fetherree, and unknown heirs, Defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Condemnation of land for road right-of-way for U. S. Highway No. 80, and a part of Lot 32, League 148, Grimes County School Land of Taylor County, Texas, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION
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TO: Fenton L. Husbands, if deceased, the heirs and unknown heirs, assignees, devisees, and legal representatives of Fenton L. Husbands, and unknown owners, Defendants, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable Special Commissioners' Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by personal appearance at or before 10 o'clock A.M. December 9, 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 17th day of October A.D. 1955, in this cause, styled The State of Texas Plaintiff, vs. Fenton L. Husbands, if deceased, the heirs and unknown heirs, assignees, devisees, and legal representatives of Fenton L. Husbands, and unknown owners, Defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Condemnation of land for road right-of-way for U. S. Highway No. 80, and a part of Lot 1, Block 18, of the Grimet Addition to the Town of Merkel, 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: D. S. Howell, if deceased, the heirs and unknown heirs, assignees, devisees, and legal representatives of D. S. Howell; and unknown owners, Defendants, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable Special Commissioners' Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by personal appearance at or before 10 o'clock A.M. December 9, 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 17th day of October A.D. 1955, in this cause, and styled The State of Texas, Plaintiff, vs. D. S. Howell, if deceased, the heirs and unknown heirs, assignees, devisees and legal representatives of D. S. Howell; and unknown owners, Defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Condemnation for road right-of-way for U. S. Highway No. 80, and being a part of the SE 1/4 Section 36, Block 19, T&P RR Co. Survey, Taylor County, Texas, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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(SEAL)
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SITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Lydia Mlynec Bruton, 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 21 day of November, A.D. 1955, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 5th day of October, A.D. 1955, in this cause,

numbered 20875-A on the docket of said court and styled Lillie Lane, Plaintiff, vs. Will Lane, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: This is a suit for divorce with plaintiff alleging as grounds therefor ten (10) years abandonment by defendant without cohabitation, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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(SEAL)
Attest: R. H. ROSS, Clerk, 42nd District Court, Taylor County, Texas.
By IRENE CRAWFORD, Deputy.

(Published in the Merkel Mail Oct. 14, 21, 28, Nov. 4, 1955)

IN THE 42ND DISTRICT COURT OF TAYLOR COUNTY, TEXAS
LILLIE LANE
VS.
WILL LANE
NO. 20875-A

REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE
Farmers & Merchants National Bank
OF MERKEL
in the State of Texas, at the close of Business on Oct. 5, 1955 published in response to call made by Comptroller of the Currency, under section 5211, U. S. Revised Statutes.

ASSETS

1. Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection	\$ 958,436.74
2. United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	1,000,000.00
3. Obligations of States and political subdivisions	573,567.68
5. Corporate stocks (including \$6,000.00 stock of Federal Reserve bank)	6,000.00
6. Loans and discounts (including \$2,476.69 overdrafts)	897,021.27
7. Bank premises owned (Do not own), furniture and fixtures	2,500.00
12. TOTAL ASSETS	\$3,437,525.69

LIABILITIES

13. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$2,851,853.25
15. Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	19,548.01
16. Deposits of States and political subdivisions	331,313.21
18. Other deposits (certified and cashier's checks, etc.)	3,094.46
19. TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$3,205,808.93
24. TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$3,205,808.93

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

25. Capital Stock:	
(c) Common stock, total par	100,000.00
26. Surplus	100,000.00
27. Undivided profits	31,716.76
29. TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	231,716.76
30. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$3,437,525.69

MEMORANDA

31. Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and for other purposes	104,000.00
33.(a)(1) Loans to farmers directly guaranteed and redeemable on demand by the Commodity Credit Corporation, and certificates of interest representing ownership thereof	66,142.17

I, Geo. T. Moore, (cashier) of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

CORRECT—Attest:
W. S. J. BROWN
H. C. WEST
BOOTH WARREN
Directors

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF TAYLOR, ss:
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 13th day of Oct., 1955,
Betty Jane Tittle, Notary Public
My commission expires June 1, 1957.

ber, 1955 at 10:00 o'clock A.M. levy upon the following described tract or parcel of land situated in the County of Taylor, State of Texas, as the property of Clark P. Chandler:

TRACT NO. 1: 40 acres out of the West 1000 acres of the Andrew Winter Survey, Abstract No. 423, Taylor County, Texas, BEGINNING at a point South 88 deg. West 2640 feet from the Southeast corner of the 1000 tract; THENCE 88 deg. W. 1320 feet; THENCE North 1320 feet; THENCE North 88 deg. E. 1320; THENCE South 1320 feet to the place of beginning, containing 40 acres;

TRACT NO. 2: 80 acres out of the West 1000 acres of the Andrew Winter Survey, Abstract 432, Taylor County, BEGINNING at the Southeast corner of the said 1000 acre tract; THENCE South 88 deg. W. 2640 feet; THENCE North 1380 feet; THENCE North 88 deg. E. 2640 feet; THENCE South 1320 feet to the place of beginning, containing 80 acres.

TRACT NO. 3: All of Blocks Three (3) and Seven (7) in the Borden Haven Addition to the Town of Lawn, Taylor County, Texas, and being the same property conveyed to Clark P. Chandler by James L. Smith by warranty deed dated 13 May 1955 recorded in Volume 503, Page 215, Deed Records of Taylor County, Texas, and

On the 1st day of November, 1955, the same being the first Tuesday in said month, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 P.M. on said day, at the Court House door of said County, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction, for cash, all the right, title and interest of the said Clark P. Chandler in and to the property hereinabove described, to satisfy the amount due and owing according to the requirements of the Writ of Execution.

Dated at Abilene, Texas this the 30th day of September, A.D. 1955.

ED POWELL, Sheriff of Taylor County, Texas.
By L. A. ARNOLD.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Lydia Mlynec Bruton, Defendant, Greeting:

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IN THE 42ND DISTRICT COURT OF TAYLOR COUNTY, TEXAS
LILLIE LANE
VS.
WILL LANE
NO. 20875-A

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

ASSETS

1. Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection	\$166,283.86
2. United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	412,419.89
5. Corporate stocks (including \$2,700.00 stock of Federal Reserve bank)	2,700.00
6. Loans and discounts (including \$979.67 overdrafts)	208,296.33
7. Bank premises owned \$2,250.00, furniture and fixtures \$2,450.00	4,700.00
12. TOTAL ASSETS	\$794,400.08

LIABILITIES

13. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$682,693.66
15. Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	525.00
16. Deposits of States and political subdivisions	6,616.82
19. TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$689,835.48
24. TOTAL LIABILITIES (not including subordinated obligations shown below)	\$689,835.48

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

25. Capital*	\$ 25,000.00
26. Surplus	65,000.00
27. Undivided profits	14,564.60
29. TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$104,564.60
30. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$794,400.08

*This bank's capital consists of: Common stock with total par value of \$25,000.00

MEMORANDA

34(a)(1) Loans to farmers directly guaranteed and redeemable on demand by the Commodity Credit Corporation, and certificates of interest representing ownership thereof	\$ 10,499.90
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STATE OF TEXAS, County of Taylor, ss:
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 12th day of October, 1955.

(SEAL)
Pearl Matthews, Notary Public
Taylor County, Texas

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 14th day of November A.D. 1955, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 15th day of September A.D. 1955, in this cause, numbered 20,838-A on the docket of said court and styled Joe Henry Bruton, Jr., Plaintiff, vs. Lydia Mlynec Bruton, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and defendant were legally married on or about Dec. 24, 1953 and separated on or about July 13, 1954.

Plaintiff alleges that no child was born or adopted by plaintiff and defendant and no community property rights to be adjudicated.

Plaintiff sues for divorce on ground of harsh and cruel treatment, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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

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

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 29th day of September A.D. 1955.

(SEAL)
Attest: R. H. ROSS, Clerk, 42nd District Court, Taylor County, Texas.
By IRENE CRAWFORD, Deputy.

(Published in the Merkel Mail Oct. 14, 21, 28, Nov. 4, 1955)

IN THE 42ND DISTRICT COURT OF TAYLOR COUNTY, TEXAS
LILLIE LANE
VS.
WILL LANE
NO. 20875-A

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TO ANY SHERIFF OR ANY CONSTABLE WITHIN THE STATE OF TEXAS—
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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 date 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: Will Lane, Defendant, Greeting:

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Miss Louise Hudson and brothers Bob and Hollis visited Mr. Bob Mashburn of Abilene, Cousin Bob is confined to his bed, but is doing as well as could be expected.

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MRS. W. M. LOFLIN
(Too Late for Last Week)
Miss Mary Dunagin had as her guest Sunday Miss Lana Cox.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Savell visited Mr. and Mrs. John Eakin and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Mashburn and son from Robert Lee visited the W. M. Loflins Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley had as guests Mrs. Boyce Barnard from Abilene.

Mrs. Connie Pruitt visited with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Childress and also Mr. and Mrs. Gene Fraizer from Abilene.

Mrs. A. D. Barnes of Abilene spent the weekend with her son, Mr. and Mrs. Doyal Barnes and family.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Tarpley had her brother, Troy Gregory from

Colorado City, over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Miller had as guests Mr. and Mrs. Don Phillips from Lovington, N. M.

Mrs. Della Breckenridge of Merkel is visiting her son and family Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Fikes.

Mrs. Lenoir is back with her daughter Mrs. J. E. Hudson. She has been visiting her son Waldon Lenoir of Woodson.

Mr. and Mrs. Forest Walker and children visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Flem Johnson of Cross Plains on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sammie Alred visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Kelso and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Walters went to Gatesville Sunday to attend the funeral of Mr. Wayters grandmother, Mrs. Bell Walters. Mr. Walters parents, Mr. and

Mrs. M. C. Walters came home with them for a visit.

Cpl. James H. Hubbard is visiting his aunt, Mrs. T. Hanson. Cpl. Hubbard is just back from Korea. He has been overseas 15 months.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Harris went to Westbrook Sunday to visit Mr. Harris's uncle and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Harris.

NOODLE

(Too Late Last Week)

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Maxwell and little sons of Aspermont spent Saturday in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nath Maxwell.

Mr. and Mrs. George Cooper accompanied by Mrs. Bill Caldwell, spent Friday in Anson visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Carson Hatfield were guests in the Carl Baccas home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Meeks of Abilene were week-end guests in the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Dick Herron.

Mr. and Mrs. Levert of Abilene attended church at the Baptist church Sunday night, the Leverts are parents of Rev. Fred Levert.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Dooley and children of Anson visited in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Dooley, Sunday.

Mrs. Rue Satterwhite, Cline and Barry Satterwhite, also Mrs. Tennis Sloan, all of Abilene, visited in our community Sunday evening.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Will Spurgin, recently, were Mr. and Mrs. Jones Santleben of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Spurgin and daughter of Odessa and Mr. Willie Spurgin of Lorraine.

Mr. and Mrs. Barney Cross and babies of Anson, Mrs. Eunice Frasier and children of Sweetwater visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vollie Cross Sunday, Mrs. Cross' mother, Mrs. T. L. Kirby

of DeLeon is spending a few days with the Crosses.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Reese and girls, Mr. and Mrs. Wilber Crisswell and children were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hicks Goode, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Newell Lucas and children spent Saturday in Cisco with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Barbee, Mr. and Mrs. Dock Callaway and Mrs. J. E. Touchstone and children all of Noodle were in Anson Saturday night where they helped in serving a farewell supper honoring Major Buddy Redd, he left for Korea the 12th of October. Mrs. Redd and children will live in Abilene while he is away, she is the former Dorothy Barbee.

Visitors in the Dick Pack home Sunday were, Mrs. Pack's father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Owens, her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Owens, Ronnie and Jan, Mrs. Carol Stone all of Fort Worth, and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gilley of Aspermont.

Miss Linda Gilley of Aspermont and Dickie Pack were married Saturday, October 8th, at the Swenson Church of Christ. They will make their home in Merkel. A shower in honor of the young couple was given in the home of Mrs. Bill Caldwell. Co-hostesses were, Mrs. Billy Maxwell, Mrs. Noth Maxwell and Mrs. Jake Bacman.

Lots of useful gifts were received and a good crowd of friends and neighbors had a good visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Caldwell and daughters, Ruby, and Paula, visited in Snyder, Sunday.

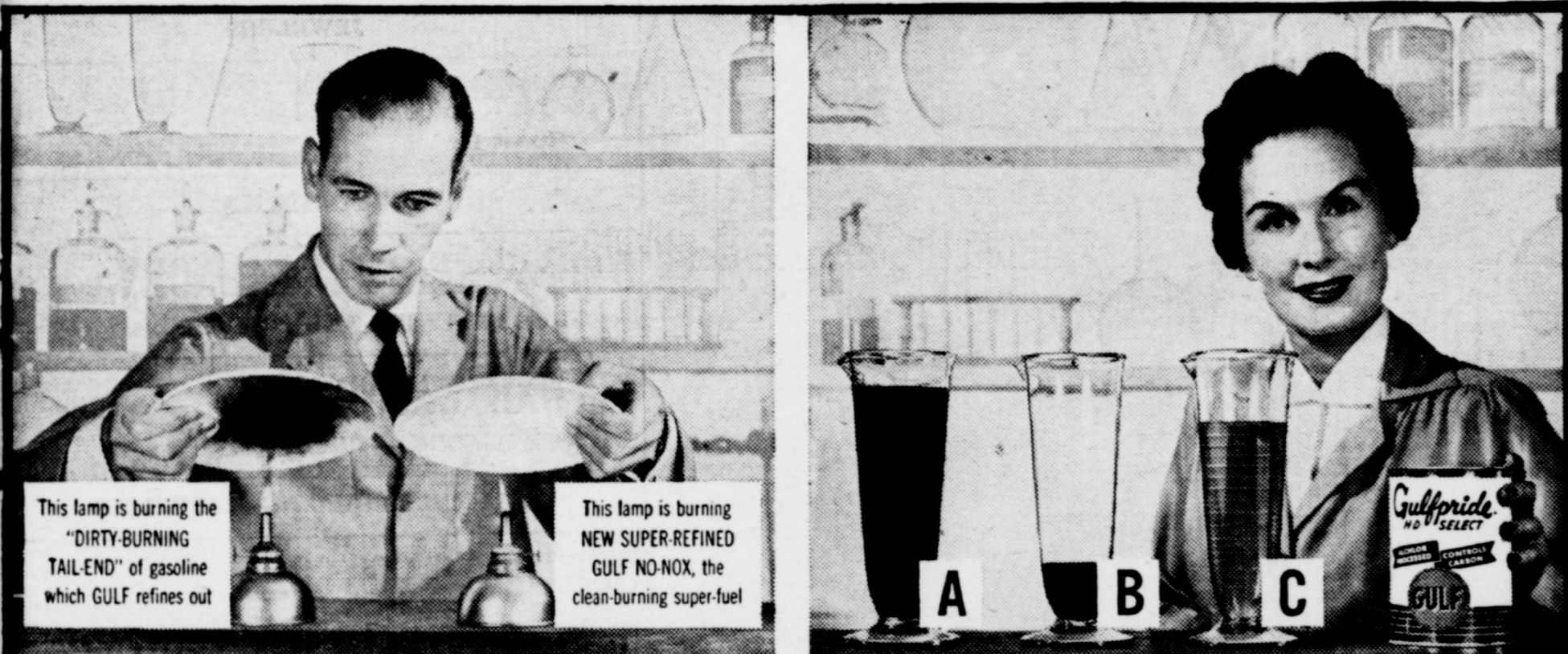
Mrs. Ada Higgins has returned home after an extended visit with her son, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Higgins, of Mercedes, Texas, and friends at Harlingen, Weslaco and Farr, Texas.

Reube Horton and Mrs. Thelma Stevens, of Abilene, visited his mother, Mrs. Edna Horton, over the weekend.

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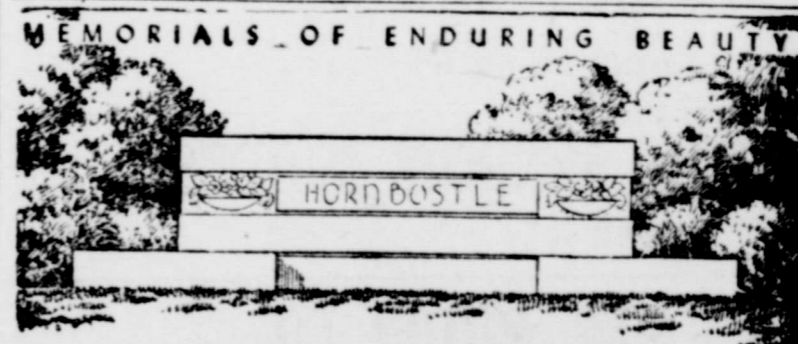
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W. J. Largent and son, Bill Largent are in Kansas City, Mo. this week attending the K. C. Royal Live Stock Show.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman English and children of Big Spring are visiting her mother, Mrs. Norma Bond for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Nalley spent the week-end in Fort Worth as guests of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Etzel Hunter and son, Carol.

Mr. and Mrs. Bertis Lang and family of Abilene were guests of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Reagan, Sunday.

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Climaxing a sales year that promises to set a new all time records for the automobile industry, Chevrolet will introduce the 1956 passenger cars Friday, Nov. 4. Jack Miller, of Badger Chevrolet Co., announced today.

The new models will go on display simultaneously at dealer showrooms across the country. Although details have been withheld, the company has reported the forthcoming line is the most diversified in its history.

W. E. Fish, general sales manager of Chevrolet, predicted one of the company's most successful retail showings.

"This is the biggest day of the year for Chevrolet dealers," Fish commented, "and they traditionally go all out to make it a memorable occasion for the people who visit their showrooms."

"Special entertainment, decorations and favors are an accepted policy by thousands of dealers. The expense in showroom trim alone will run well over \$3,000,000. Dealers want to be certain that the background and setting of the new cars do justice to their many improvements."

A feature at many showings this year will be demonstration rides in a duplicate of the car that clipped a full two minutes off the Pikes Peak hill climb record. The officially certified mark was set in September with a heavily disguised 1956 model.

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MRS. KENNETH PEE NEW H. D. PRESIDENT

Mrs. Kenneth Pee was elected president of the Union Ridge Home Demonstration club at its last meeting in the home of Mrs. Carol Best.

Mrs. Mabel McRee, outgoing president, was in charge of the meeting.

Mrs. Tommy Russom led the prayer. After a short business meeting, the following officers were elected:

President, Mrs. Kenneth Pee; vice-president, Mrs. Earl Harwell; council member, Mrs. Carol Best; treasurer, Miss Mabel McRee; secretary, Mrs. Clyde Newton; reporter, Mrs. Houston Clark.

Mrs. B. Ray from the Blue Bonnet Club told of her trip to the state meeting in August. Everyone enjoyed her talk.

Refreshments were served to two visitors, Mrs. Ray and Mrs. Tommy Russom from the Blue Bonnet club, seven members and six children. The club adjourned to meet Friday, October 21, in the home of Miss Mabel McRee.

T.E.L. CLASS HOLDS MEETING WEDNESDAY

The T.E.L. class of the First Baptist church met in the home of Josina Shanks last Wednesday with Mrs. Lon Stephens and Mrs. W. A. McCandless as co-hostesses.

Mrs. Earl Lassiter, president, presided. Mrs. E. W. King presented the opening prayer, which was followed by the leass song "Our Best."

Mrs. Sam Tullock gave the devotional, and at the business session Mrs. T. J. Bird was elected president; Mrs. John Walker, vice president; Miss Selina Teaff, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Fred Baker, vice secretary-treasurer, and Mrs. Hugh Campbell reporter.

Group captains elected were Mrs. Dave Anderson, Mrs. Huston Roberson, Mrs. E. O. Carson, Mrs. Earl Lassiter and Mrs. W. J. Largent.

Following the business session, punch and ice cream with devil's food cake were served to 16 members and one visitor.

GARDEN CLUB MEETS TO HEAR MATHEWS

The Garden Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, October 20, at the Community center to hear a talk by Eric Mathews, Abilene, on "Developing Native Plants in the Home Garden."

At the last meeting in the home of Mrs. Homer Patterson, Mrs. Lige Gamble gave a talk on shrubs suitable for growth in this area. She gave the Botanical and common name, also a description of fourteen different shrubs.

An arrangement of lillies and vegetables was made by Mrs. Nathan Woods, Mrs. John Shannon and Mrs. Herbert Patterson also made an arrangement of roses, solvia and queen's wreath.

Refreshments were served to Mrs. John Hughes, Mrs. Lige Gamble, Mrs. B. H. Jones, Mrs. A. H. McElmurry, Mrs. B. T. Sublett, Mrs. Dee Gimes, Mrs. Doc Vaughn, Mrs. Lee Petty, Mrs. C. E. Sherrill, Mrs. Lucy Ford, Mrs. R. T. Dodge, Mrs. W. S. J. Brown, Mrs. W. T. Sadler, Mrs. John West, Mrs. Nathan Woods, Mrs. Jack Miller, Mrs. Herbert Patterson, Mrs. Dole Litton, Miss Christine Collins and Miss Norah Foster.

A new member, Mrs. Reese Hail and a visitor, Mrs. Bill Coop, were also present.

GOODMAN MEETS IN REGULAR SESSION

The Goodman Home Demonstration Club met in regular session at the Community Center Friday, October 14th. The President, Mrs. H. H. Windham presided.

Mrs. Dan Butler led the opening prayer. The main business was the discussion of the needs for a needy family the club is sponsoring.

After the short business session the president turned the meeting over to the guest speaker Mrs. Vernon Stanley of the Comper club. She gave her report as delegate to the THDA meeting in Fort Worth.

Her report was the highlight of the meeting and enjoyed by all present. She was accompanied by Mrs. Chaney of the Comper club.

The Halloween theme was used as table decorations by Mrs. Karl Bonneaux who was hostess for the day. There were 12 members and three visitors present.

Mrs. Earl Baze and her mother, Mrs. O. B. Boden Sr., were called to Fort Worth last week on account of the illness of her cousin, Mrs. Fay Marie Fronabarger, who is seriously ill.

NEWTON FAMILY HOLDS REUNION AT FAIR PARK

The sons and daughters of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Newton held a family reunion at Fair Park in Abilene, Sunday.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Newton and Louise, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Newton, Gladys Newton, and Mrs. Junior Clark all of Merkel, Carl Newton, Oregon, New Mexico, Mr. and Mrs. Theo Newton of Tye, and Mrs. Arthur Newton, Linda and Kay, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Newton, Paula and Darlene, Alton Newton, Galen and Becky, Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Newton, Kurt and Cindy, Mrs. Donald Ray, all of Abilene. Other guests were afternoon visitors.

JUNIOR 4-H CLUB COMPLETES ELECTION

The Junior 4-H club met last Wednesday for the purpose of completing the election of officers for the year.

Mary Jane Horton, the new president, was in charge of the meeting. Other new officers are as follows: Gavle Harris, vice president; Pat McDonald, secretary-treasurer; Deborah Ferguson, reporter; Penny Durham, vegetable demonstrator; Pat Harris, bedroom improvement; Mary Seymour, vegetable leader; Kay Bagby, bedroom improvement.

Mrs. Paul Osborn is the teacher leader, and mother leaders are Mrs. John U. Ferguson, and Mrs. Joe Saymore. Mrs. Beth Everett is assistant home demonstration agent who meets with the group. The next meeting will be October 25 in the library with the mother leaders in charge.

Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Durham, and daughters Dana and Penny attended the State Fair in Dallas over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobbie Toliver attended the State Fair of Texas in Dallas Friday.

Mrs. M. Rosenwasser of Lubbock, Texas, and Mrs. Myrtle Brown of San Antonio, Texas were week-end guests of their sister and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Max Mellinger and family.

S. N. Reed, of Bryan, Texas, evangelist, spoke at the First Baptist church Sunday morning.

Miss Denta Gibson and Clyde Lindsey of Pampa spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dent Gibson. Mrs. Gibson returned to Pampa with them to accompany Denta home for an extended visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Coleman O'Brien and family former residents of Merkel, now of Lubbock were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Largent. They attended the Lubbock - Sweetwater football game Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Booth Russom and children, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Denson and sons of Odessa, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Perry, attended the Abilene-Odessa football game Friday night, and spent the week-end in Merkel.



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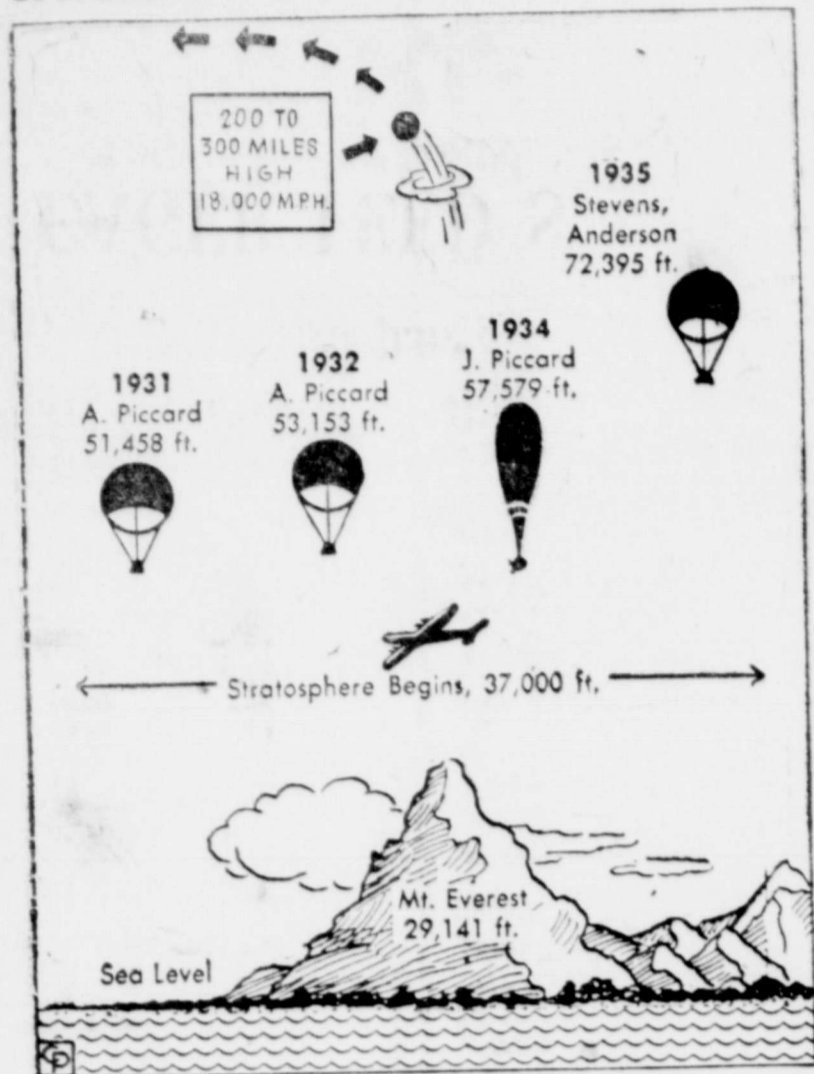
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CONSERVATION NEWS

Conservation equipment similar to that used by Clinton Harbers on his farm near West Point, Texas, has been purchased recently by the Middle-Clear Fork Soil Conservation District.

A conservation plow with fertilizer-seeder attachment was delivered to the District last week. This is the second such piece of equipment the District has purchased recently to be used by district cooperators of the Middle-Clear Fork District. Also a complete tool bar package with gage wheels and fertilizer-seeder attachment has been received. This piece of equipment will fit on the tool bar of almost any tractor and will do the same job as the larger plow. Holland Teaf, new district supervisor, was instrumental in acquiring this equipment and is custodian at the present time.

Farmers interested in improving their soil by the use of Austrian winter peas and who have not reported up to now, are R. M. Wagstaff, 300 acres; Leland McCoy, 60 acres; Roy Kelso, 30 acres; Ernest Smith, 30 acres; and A. D. Scott, 35 acres.

Farm-City Week will be observed throughout the United States next week, October 23-29. Congressman Harold D. Cooley and Clifford R. Hope sponsored resolutions in Congress last spring to designate Farm-City Week as a part of a positive public-relations program for farmers. Many farm organizations, schools, industrial concerns, farm papers and

magazines, the U. S. Department of Agriculture, and civic groups have taken the lead in promoting better understanding among farm people and city folk.

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3-lbs. - 53c

DIAMOND PICKLES
SOUR or DILL - Qt. - 23c

Store Hours: Weekdays 7:00 to 6:30, Saturdays 1:00 to 9:30
SPECIALS Thurs. - Fri. - Sat. OCTOBER 20 - 21 - 22

DEL MONTE CORN - Golden - 2 for 29c

MISSION - 303 SWEET PEAS - 2 for - 29c

DIAMOND - 303 TOMATOES - 2 for - 25c

KIMBELL'S - 303 GREEN BEANS - 2 for - 25c

TIP TOP SPINACH - 2 for - 19c

KOUNTY KIST CORN - 2 for - 25c

PET - TALL CAN MILK - 2 for - 23c

DIAMOND - 20-oz. Pork and Beans - 2 for - 23c

MARYLAND CLUB COFFEE - lb. 93c

SUNSHINE CRACKERS - lb. 23c

SCOTTS BAR-B-Q - Sliced 16-oz. Can - 39c

SUNSHINE CANDIES - cello 19c

DEL MONTE CRUSHED - No. 2 PINEAPPLE - 2 cans 49c

HUNTS - 2 1/2 PRUNE - 2 for 49c

LIBBY'S Vienna Sausage - 2 cans 33c

DASH - MEAL DOG FOOD - 7 lbs. 69c

WESSON OIL Quart - 59c

PINTO BEANS 2-lb. Bag - 19c
New Crop - 19c

FRUITCOCKTAIL Stockton No. 2 1/2 Can - 29c

TISSUE ZEE Colored - 4 Rolls - 29c

PINE SOL Quart Bottle - Each 69c

KLEENEX 400 Colored - box 22c

SNOWDRIFT 3-lb. Can - 69c

PINEAPPLE JUICE Del Monte - 46-oz. - 29c

Finest Quality MEATS

CHOICE HEAVY BEEF
CHUCK ROAST lb. 43c

CHOICE HEAVY BEEF
T-BONE STEAK lb. 59c

CHOICE HEAVY BEEF
LOIN STEAK - lb. 73c

HORMEL DAIRY BRAND
BACON - lb. 53c

FRESH
PORK ROAST - lb. 39c

ARMOURS STAR
SAUSAGE - lb. 29c

HORMEL ALL MEAT
BOLOGNA - lb. 39c

GOOCH-WILSON - Butt-end lb. 49c
CURED HAM, - shank-end - lb. 45c
CENTER CUT

Cured HAM - lb. 89c

TEXAS SIZE TIDE
King Size Box - 83c

LOTS OF TRICK or TREAT
CANDIES
40 to 80 Count Boxes
from 39c to 69c

VEGETABLES

FLORIDA
ORANGES - lb. 9c

FRESH
LETTUCE - lb. 15c

EATMORE
CRANBERRIES - lb. 23c

TOKAY
GRAPES - lb. 10c

IDAHO RUSSETS
SPUDS - 10 lbs. 43c

EAST TEXAS
YAMS - lb. 6c

ROME RED
APPLES - lb. 12c

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