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ISADORE MELLINGER

Mellinger Named New C-C Head

Isadore Mellinger was named 1958 president of the Merkel Chamber of Commerce by the Board of Directors Tuesday. He succeeds Charles Hogsett.

Others officers chosen were Ray Wilson, vice-president and Mack Fisher, secretary-treasurer. New directors to serve a three-year term are Earle Watts, Clyde Bartlett and John Hammond.

Holdover directors are Charles Hogsett, outgoing president, Chester Collingsworth and Nolan Palmer. Retiring directors are Horace Boney, Lester Dorton and Earl Hughes, who is also retiring secretary-treasurer. Mellinger is retiring vice-president.

Mellinger, one of the businessmen responsible for organizing a Chamber of Commerce in Merkel, is in partnership with his father and two brothers in the dry goods business. He is a past president of the Merkel Lions Club.

The new board approved the 1958 program of work and set the annual budget at \$7,500 for the year. They also heard a report of last year's work by the Chamber.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

To the editor:

I had the privilege and the opportunity to see a fine basketball team in action the other night—your own Merkel Badgers. I never seen these boys play although I had often about their ability from people.

I live in Abilene, the home of the champion Eagles. I naturally felt that no athletic team anywhere could possibly possess the same driving spirit and the will to win as do our Eagles. But certainly I found out how wrong I was after seeing your Badgers. These boys have the same sort of daring and perseverance that the Eagles do. The Badgers are top-flight and just the stuff that champions are made of. I wish them the best of luck for the remainder of the season.

Sincerely yours,
Wanda Barneis
P.O. Box 73
Tye, Texas

Dear Sir:

We appreciate you starting our subscription to the Merkel Mail, promptly as you did, we were very far news from the part of the country where I spent my childhood days.

Reading your well edited paper is like having an old friend pay us a visit and bring us up to date on all the news. Some of the people you mention I haven't seen in forty years. But I remember them as if it were only a few months ago. (I recall very vaguely and of course, some are strangers.)

But there was the name of one man in a recent issue of your paper that I shall never forget because of a kind deed he did for me when I was a twelve year old boy and the wonderful memories it gave me. I knew him as Mr. Wheeler.

Forty-five years ago Mr. Wheeler gave me a little puppy, he was black with a white ring around his neck, three white paws and the tip end of his tail was also white. We named him "Wheeler" and when he got to be along in age, every one, when speaking of him would always refer to him as "Old Wheeler" that was due to respect we had for him.

He thought he was a thoroughbred right from the start and I never told him any different. The

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F. L. Breaux Honored By Lone Star Gas

F. L. Breaux, Lone Star Gas Company service representative in Merkel, was awarded the company's Ruby Emblem this month for 25 years with Lone Star according to J. D. Holbrook, Sweetwater District manager for the company. Mr. Breaux worked part-time with Lone Star before joining the company permanently December 3, 1932 in Abilene. He has been in charge of the Merkel Subdistrict since February, 1939.

A native of Liberty County, Texas, he attended school at Colony Hill in Taylor County. He is a member of the Merkel Lions Club and the Church of Christ. Mr. Breaux has served for 10 years as a volunteer fireman and for 11 years as a Scoutmaster.

He is married to the former Gladys Lewis of Abilene, and they have two children, Eddie, 23 and Janie, 16.

P-TA MEETING

The Merkel Parent and Teacher Association will meet at 3:45 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 9, in the school auditorium.

Mothers of fifth and sixth grade students will serve refreshments. Second grade children will give the program.

Mrs. Bud Haley Presents Study At WSCS Meet

The Woman's Society of Christian Service met in its regular session at the First Methodist Church, Tuesday morning, Jan. 7.

Mrs. Eldon Hicks, program chairman, directed the program with Mrs. Bud Haley, study leader, introducing the study course, "Cross and Crisis in Japan."

Miss Lettie Butman, president, gave the opening prayer. For the program at next weeks meeting each member was requested to bring some facts and statistics on the churches and religious life in Japan.

Mrs. W. S. J. Brown closed the meeting with prayer.

Merkel Girls Win Tourney

Merkel defeated Winters, 42-40, to win the championship of the Winters girls basketball tournament in Winters Saturday night. Anson beat Winters B, 37-36, for third place with Eden defeating Ballinger for the consolation crown.

The Merkel team beat Bronte 56-21, Lakeview 69-40, Winters B, 49-31 and Winters A, 42-40 to win the tournament.

Minta McAninch of Merkel, who scored 123 points during the tourney, was named outstanding forward and Dianne Sims of Winters received the outstanding guard award.

Janie Breaux was named most valuable player and Madie Kelson and Janis Black made all tournament.

The Merkel girls, coached by Miss Leatrice West, have won 15 games while losing only three this season. They play their first district game against Stanton here Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Farmer and daughters of Lawton, Okla., were here for the weekend at the bedside of his father, Adrian Farmer, who is a patient in the Sadler-Clinic Hospital.

Rev. and Mrs. Howard Ramsey and children of Abilene were Sunday guests of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. C. G. Sewell and daughter, Linn Kay and attended evening services at the First Baptist Church here.

Mrs. J. C. Randal of Quanah is visiting her mother, Mrs. R. B. Johnson who has been a patient in the Sadler-Clinic hospital, but who is now at home and reported to be improved.

Mrs. Winnie Cyfert has returned from Austin where she visited with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Smith, former resident of Merkel. Mr. Smith has recently undergone major surgery.



IT'S POLIO MONTH — Mike Riggs, 4, polio victim treated in Abilene since December, 1956, watches as Leroy Langston, president of the Taylor County Chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, officially opens the 1958 March of Dimes campaign. Langston is raising the March of Dimes flag below the U. S. Flag in front of the U. S. Post Office Building in Abilene. Mike is the son of T-Sgt. and Mrs. E. T. Riggs of Merkel and the 11th Refueling Squadron at Dyess AFB. He contracted polio in 1954. Photo Courtesy Abilene Reporter-News.

How We Can Improve Our Facilities For Handling Juvenile Delinquents

Texas like to brag and we have reason to be proud of our history, our vast ranches and cattle, our natural resources, and, most of all, our people. But one thing we can't brag about—our facilities for handling juvenile delinquents are very insufficient. What we have is good, but it is far from enough.

Many counties have no probation or parole officers. In these counties if a youngster is put on probation there is no official to keep him in line. A boy released from the state institution to a county without a parole officer has no one trained to assist him in finding a place in the community. Effective supervision after release is just as necessary for rehabilitation as training in the school; and without it money and effort expended are a loss to the state as well as to the child.

In some instances small boys 10 to 13 are sent to Gatesville because the county has no facilities for handling them and doesn't know what else to do with them. They may have committed only minor offenses and have no home. This is not good. There are 40 to 50 boys this age at Gatesville. They sleep in a separate cottage, but otherwise—at meals, in school, and at play—they mix with older boys who have longer criminal careers and are good instructors in the ways of crime.

The community which allows a 10-year-old to be committed to Gatesville is failing in its responsibility to youngsters.

Gatesville, in addition to not being able to do the right kind of job for boys between 10 and 13, is heavily overcrowded. The result is that boys usually stay only about 7 months, not long enough to complete training.

The result of a too-short stay and no state parole officer is a high rate of return. Last year, 34 percent of the boys released from Gatesville returned.

The last regular session of the Legislature provided for new buildings at both Gatesville and the girls' school at Gainesville. But it was far too little. The buildings will take the place of those that are already unsafe for occupancy and will permit less crowding. The increased juvenile population of the state is not taken into account, and unless something is done immediately, the present situation will be back at us.

There is, however, something that can be done. AND IT IS UP TO THE PEOPLE TO DO IT. Public officials respond to what the voters want. After all, they have to be elected, and if the people feel their responsibility strongly enough and vigorously

urge their officials to provide necessary facilities for delinquent youngsters, it will be done.

On the county level it is the Commissioners Court which must provide for probation officers, foster homes, and county institutions for dependent and delinquent children. If your county is very small a volunteer probation and parole system might be set up, or perhaps two or more counties could cooperate in providing a paid officer.

The Legislature has the responsibility for the state institutions and parole officers for such institutions. If there is a strong enough public opinion favoring adequate facilities for training and rehabilitating delinquent children the Legislature will provide.

Public opinion is something you can be a force in developing—by conversations with friends, by talks to clubs, by letters to editors. And then the Commissioners Court and the Legislature should be made aware of your opinions. Until we have done whatever is necessary to provide proper facilities for juvenile delinquents, let's not blame the youngsters. Put the blame where it belongs—on the communities and the state.

My next article: IS THERE A SINGLE BIGGEST CAUSE FOR JUVENILE DELINQUENCY?

Scout Charter Presented To Lions Club

Mayor Earl Hughes presented the Boy Scout Charter for Troop 20 to Herman Carson, president of the Merkel Lions Club, sponsoring institution of the troop, at their luncheon meeting on Dec. 17.

Ray Wilson presented annual membership certificates to the Troop Committee composed of Don W. Warren, Buster Hester, Frank Breaux, Lester Dorton, Lynn Knight, Horace Hargrove, Elmer Ward and Joe Earl Lassiter.

Scoutmaster Joe Earl Lassiter presented cards and Tenderfoot badges to Douglas Gladdeen, Keith Wilson, Mike Roland, Mike Doan, Danny Bagby, Wayne Hester, Bob Ward, Don Parmelly, Lynn Melton and C. B. Brown.

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The chamber was notified this week that the speaker could not attend on the date first selected, but he would be available at a later date.

Youth Camp Reunion Here

Counselors and high school campers of the Blue Haven Youth Camp, located at Las Vegas, N.M., and of which C. A. Farley is a director, held a reunion in Merkel Dec. 29-30.

All attended services at the Church of Christ Saturday evening and on Sunday met at the School Cafeteria where dinner was served.

Those present were: Larry Bills, Lufkin; David Vanderbug, Spearman; Dickie Reinhart, Demmit; Helen Snodgrass, Abilene; Jo Ann Harvey, Austin; Linda Wilks, Trent; Mozelle Tolchik, Hereford; Edd Speers, Houston; Sid Clemmer, Monahan; Joe Stalls, Abilene; Margaret Hardy, Marietta, Okla.; Jo and Maggie Chaffin, Searcy, Arkansas; Connie Peyton, Hobbs, N. M.; Joann Nicks, Albuquerque, N.M.; Madie Kels, Ann Benson, Janie Breaux, Burl McCoy, Patsy and Mike Farley and Mr. and Mrs. Farley.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hooks and son, Eddie of San Angelo, were guests of his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hooks New Years day. They also visited with a friend, Mrs. Hugh Campbell.

REA APPROVES \$276,000 LOAN TO TAYLOR ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE

Taylor Electric Cooperative took another giant step forward last week when the REA in Washington, D. C. approved a \$276,000 loan for them.

Lester Dorton, general manager for Taylor Electric, said the money will be used to provide 400 additional families with rural electricity and for improvement of the entire system.

The amount of electricity used per consumer has almost tripled in recent years making it necessary to install lines capable of carrying heavier loads.

Expansion and development at Taylor Electric, which does a gross yearly business of about 3 quarter million dollars, has been constant since 1941 when the first line was energized. With a total of about 2,000 miles of line

they now bring electric service to 5,000 consumers in eight counties.

Taylor Electric Co-op started business in the Toombs building on North Front Street with about ten employees. In 1949 they moved into their present location on West Highway 80 and employ 35 people.

The initial cost of the new building was \$100,000 with many improvements having been added since. The building has a total of 7,748 square feet of floor space.

In 1944 the Taylor Refrigeration Co-op, which is owned by Taylor Electric, was built. The plant features such services as locker rentals, slaughtering, pork curing, storing of meats, cutting and packaging meats. The latest electrical equipment issued throughout the plant.

Another improvement made by the Co-op is the two-way radio communication which has brought about better service to customers. It is also used to gather severe weather data and acts as a filter center for storm warnings as an aid to the weather bureau.

Payroll to employees, who are all from the Merkel area, was more than \$135,000 last year.

Officers of Taylor Electric are H. R. Roberts, president; C. F. Hill, vice-president; Sam Butman Jr., secretary-treasurer.

Directors are J. J. Anderson, Jack Morrow, Elmo Jones, O. S. Moore, Comer Haynes and Omah Thomas.

Explorer Scouts Training Course Set At Dyess AFB

An Explorer Scout Basic Training Course for all Explorer Scouts and their leaders will be conducted at Dyess Air Force Base on Jan. 24-25, with an airplane ride highlighting the occasion.

An Explorer Scout, a new item to the recently inaugurated scouting program for Merkel, is a Boy Scout, regardless of rank, who has reached his fourteenth birthday and wishes to specialize in scouting.

The training course, which is open to all adult scouters and committeemen as well as the Explorer Scouts, will tell of the latest Explorer program, their activities and techniques. The program will include a tour of the air base as well as the plane ride.

An adult scouter will accompany the Explorer Scout group for the event and all scouts must have a flight release signed by his parents for him to take the plane ride. Scouts participating must wear the explorer uniform. The program will begin at 5:00 p.m., Jan. 24 and conclude at 5:30 p.m., Jan. 25.

Any Explorer Scout or adult scouter who is interested in Explorer Scouting are asked to meet at the Merkel Scout Hut at 7:00 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 9, for a briefing by Joe E. Lassiter, Scoutmaster of Troop 20.

Mr. Lassiter believes there is a great field for such scouting activities in the Merkel area.

Merkel Clips Clyde To Win Tourney

Merkel damped Clyde, 52-38, to win the A Division championship of the annual Merkel invitational tournament here Saturday night, while Abilene Junior Varsity dropped Wylie, 59-47, for the consolation crown.

Jerry McLeod scored 12 for Merkel, while Gerald Breeding collected 12 for the losers. King paced Abilene Junior Varsity with 19 points, while Allen got 29 for Wylie.

Abilene Junior Varsity B team earned the B Division title over Merkel B by 44-31, with Russell pacing the champs with 14 points and Ronnie Reeger high for the losers with 11. Wylie B nipped Clyde B, 33-32, in consolation play. Leslie and Lambert got 10 each for Wylie, while Paylor collected 10 for Clyde.

The A all-tournament team was composed of Breeding and Dale Davis, Clyde; Manley Denton and Riley Seymore, Merkel; Allen, Wylie and Townsend, Abilene Junior Varsity. Earning spots on the B Division team were Russell and Poyner, AJV; Joe Neill and Reeger, Merkel; Barnes, Clyde and Guffin, Wylie.

The box score: MERKEL: Denton 5-1-11; McLeod 3-6-12; R. Seymore 4-3-11; Patterson 2-2-6; Perry 2-0-4; English 3-2-8; Neill 0-0-0.

CLYDE: Cullen 1-3-5; Johnston 0-0-0; Chrané 1-1-3; Davis 3-1-7; Breeding 6-0-12; Maner 4-3-11; Hicks 0-0-0; Odum 0-0-0. Merkel 12 13 14 13—52 Clyde 8 13 6 11—38

Miss Marnette Hart, a second year student nurse in Hendrick Memorial Hospital, Abilene, was a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Harris during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hooks and son, Eddie of San Angelo, were guests of his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hooks New Years day. They also visited with a friend, Mrs. Hugh Campbell.

Narcisso Ribera Takes Part In USN Operation

WITH THE FIRST FLEET (FHTNC) — Narcisso C. Ribera, Commissaryman third class, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ribera of 129 Lois St., Merkel, aboard the ammunition ship USS Vesuvius, participated in a Striking Force training exercise (Striker), with the First Fleet off the coast of Southern California during Dec. 3-6.

The operation emphasized the latest and most modern tactics in air and guided missile strikes against land mass, air defense, anti-submarine and replenishment operations.

Fourteen thousand personnel and 37 ships of the First Fleet participated, as well as carrier and land based aircraft from Southern California bases.

HOSPITAL NOTES

The following persons were admitted to Sadler Clinic-Hospital this past week:

- Bowman Barlow, Jr.
- Skippy Winter
- Ula Blackburn
- Mrs. Sammy Doan
- Mrs. W. C. Lee
- Glora Moore
- Mrs. C. D. Chancey
- Brenda Stephenson
- Phillip Davis
- Mrs. Robert Lynch
- John Stephenson
- Mason Shurley
- John Thomas
- Jennifer Jackson
- Mrs. Ralph Lockhart
- E. B. Strawn
- B. W. Maderra
- Lee Tipton
- Mrs. Blanche Smith
- Dorothy Swindle
- Bob McDonald
- Donald F. Davis
- Mrs. Donald F. Davis
- B. W. Woodard
- Mrs. Bessie Johnson
- M. L. Jones
- Dean T. Stroud
- David Tarpley
- A. L. Farmer
- Mrs. Mae Fields
- Mrs. Mae Fields
- Mrs. B. R. Fincher
- Mrs. Leona Conley
- L. S. Tipton

The following persons were dismissed from Sadler Clinic-Hospital this past week:

- Bowman Barlow, Jr.
- Skippy Winter
- Ula Blackburn
- Mrs. Sammy Doan
- Mrs. W. C. Lee
- Glora Moore
- Mrs. C. D. Chancey and baby
- Brenda Stephenson
- Phillip Davis
- Mrs. Robert Lynch and baby
- John Stephenson
- Mason Shurley
- John Thomas
- Jennifer Jackson
- Mrs. Ralph Lockhart
- B. W. Maderra
- Dorothy Swindle
- Donald F. Davis

Starr Rest Home

By MARY OUTLAW

We are back to normal again after a wonderful Christmas. A group came Sunday night from the Methodist Church and sang Christmas Carols. It was very nice of them and we did appreciate them coming. We hope that they will come back and sing for us next Christmas. Mr. and Mrs. Allen Fowler of Stamford visited their mother during the Christmas holidays. Albert Cade of Kermit visited his grandmother, Mrs. Cade. We want to thank Mrs. J. W. Tiner of Noodle for the nice angel food cake and fruit she brought us for Christmas. A. L. Hill and family of Dickinton visited their mother, Mrs.

Hill during Christmas. On Sunday December 22, Rev. Cannon of Church of Christ was unable to fill his appointment at the Rest Home on account of a trip. But Burl McCoy, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Bradford and Manley Denton came and sang for the patients. We certainly appreciated their singing as we know that during Christmas they probably had other plans but gave them up to come and sing for the old folks. If there is anything that they like better than singing it is a little more singing. Mr. and Mrs. Raymond McCoy visited Uncle Jim Smith during Christmas. Mrs. Will Campbell, Mrs. Walter Hunter and Mrs. Adilla Campbell visited the home during Christmas. We want to express our thanks to the Church of Christ

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They came Sunday thru the snow and rain. We do appreciate them each Sunday. Our place would be at a loss should they fail to come. Mr. Tarpley came and helped them sing last Sunday. Although Uncle Bennie Wheeler is gone, Paul Wheeler came by to wish us all a Merry Christmas. He brought chocolates for the staff. Thank you Paul. You were a nice fellow to Uncle Bennie. We had turkey and all the trimmings on Christmas and New Years' and we also had black-eyed Peas on New Years so we could have good luck all the year. Mr. Orands children all came by to see him during Christmas. That made him very happy. He set up this week for the first time since his leg fracture. Mrs. Hill had most of her children to visit her during Christmas. Mr. and Mrs. Gene Wallace of Rotan visited Aunt Aquilla Christmas. F. H. Sutherland of Baird visited his aunt, Mrs. Ida Hall, last week. Mr. and Mrs. Pickins of Colorado City visited her sister, Cora Reeder last week. Mrs. Edna Lyle of Abilene visited her sister, Mrs. Wiggins during Christmas. R. D. Hunter had his daughter, Sarah from Denver City visit him Christmas. Mr. and Mrs. Warren Price, Wiley Smedley and Mrs. Barney Gibbs of Baird visited Mr. Smedley Christmas. Mrs. Gafford and Mamie had lots of their old friends to visit them. Mrs. Bertie Jones of Stith visited her sister, Hettie West last week. We want to thank the man and lady from Lubbock who came by to visit Aunt Aquilla and brought her a box of apples. We want to thank Neta Williams and all the rest of the people who came by and played for us during the holidays. We want to take this opportunity to thank each one who has visited our patients and for the gifts that they brought the home. We appreciate each and every little thing you do. We want to thank Grand Ma Baird for the nice box of vegetables, jellies, preserves and chow chow that she gave the home during Christmas. If any one that brought us cookies, cakes or pies in the past has left cake plates if you would like to pick them up. Come by and get them.

Mrs. Tommie Smith our evening nurse is back on the job after a weeks illness. All patients were glad to have her back. Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Outlaw returned to their home at Dublin after spending Christmas in our home. Thanks to the firm and sixth grade for the decorations they made for each patients room. They were bright and cheerful and the patients enjoyed them very much.

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people for the nice turkey, honey cakes, candy, fruit and other things they brought the home for Christmas. It was surely appreciated. Mrs. W. R. Carr, of Van Court, Thelma Carr and Lillian Carr of Kermit and Linda Carr of San Angelo visited their mother and grandmother, Sarah Carr during the holidays. Mr. Wilks from Trent visited the home on Sun. Dec. 22 and brought gifts for Mrs. Sipe, Mr. Orand and Mrs. Gafford and Mamie. The patients and I express our thanks for his thoughtfulness. We wish to thank the nice ladies in Abilene who gave us our Christmas trees. Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Barry, Jr. and children and Mrs. B. B. Barry Sr. of Baird visited their mother and grandmother, Mrs. Burton Jewel Russell of Ft. Worth visited her mother, Minnie Meyer Christmas. Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Sipe and children of Noodle visited Mrs. Sipe Christmas. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Merrick and children of Abilene visited Mrs. Smothers last week. Mr. and Mrs. W. Boyd of Wilcox, Arizona, and Mrs. Boyd from Trent visited Mrs. Gafford and Mamie during Christmas. Mrs. Clara Bell Moore visited her father, John Mansfield Christmas. Mrs. Quattlebalm and Mrs. Boone visited Mrs. Sipe last week. Mrs. Gerald Goza and son of Douglas, Ariz., visited Mrs. Goza. Mrs. Elendor Anderson of Lawn visited her mother, Granny Cade. We want to thank the Junior Red Cross for the large box of fruit and candy and nuts that they

gave the Rest Home. There was a lot of good eating in that big box. Thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Gene Cade of Abilene for the sheets they gave the Rest Home. Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Reynolds and Jennie Mae visited R. D. Hunter, Mrs. Sipes, Mrs. Gafford, Mamie and Uncle Jim during Christmas. We had lots of visitors during Christmas, lots of people who were unable to get their names as we were so busy, but we appreciated them visiting our home and the gifts they brought to our home and to our patients. Rev. Lyles of the Methodist Church filled his appointment Sunday Dec. 29. Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Pee and Mrs. Andy Shouse sang. Rev. Lyles brought a wonderful message and the singing was enjoyed by all. We will be looking forward to their next appointment. Mrs. George Sparkman brought her Sunday School class, Carolyn Bond, Jean Owen, Gaythia Rice, Elizabeth Tuckey, Carolyn Anderson and Joy McWilliams and visited our home during Christmas and sang carols. We didn't have any services as Rev. Sewell failed to fill his appointment last Sunday Jan. 1. We missed having services. We want to thank Frank and Ethel Carr for coming to the Rest Home each Sunday for song ser-

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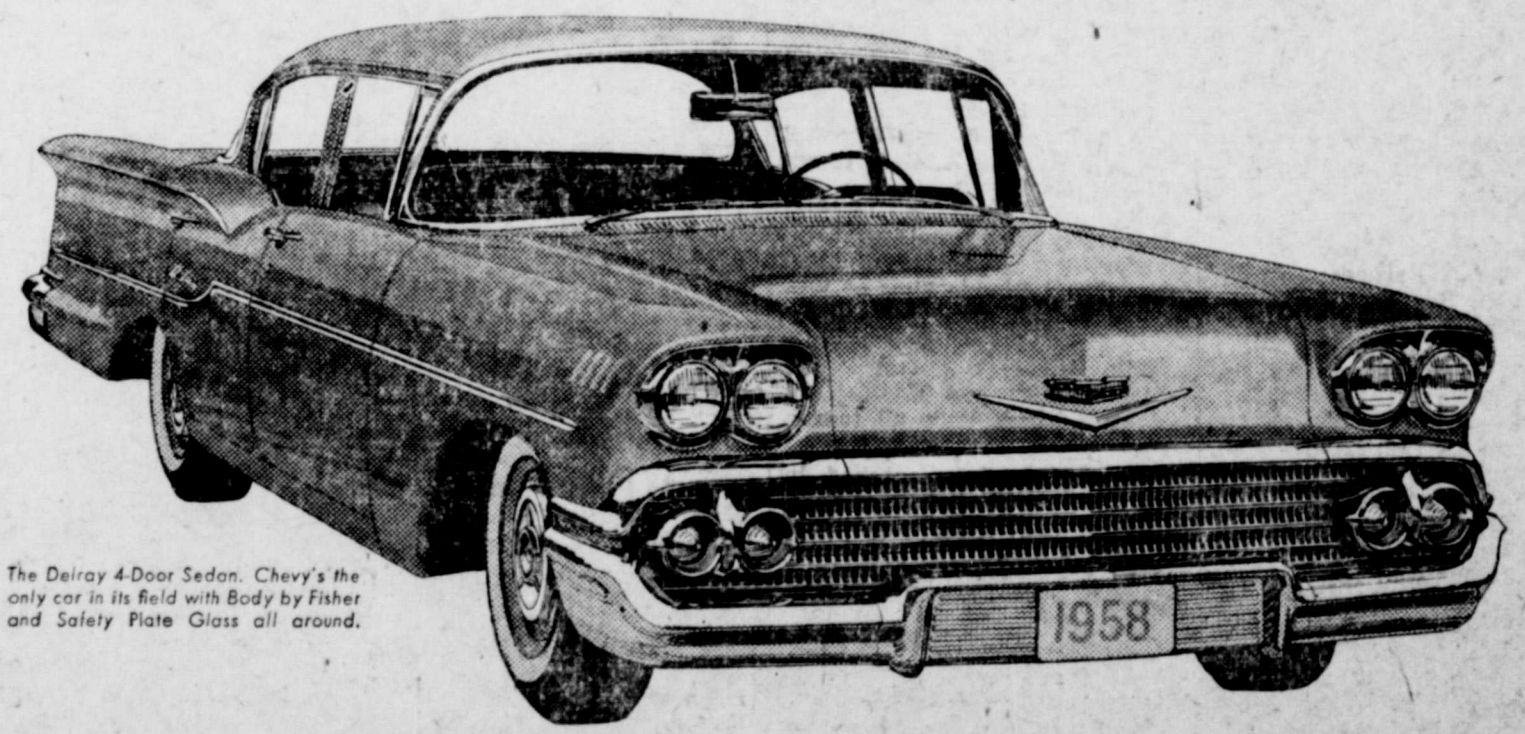
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The average man who works for a wage or salary doesn't have to concern himself about keeping books and records—at least so he thinks. His employer keeps a reliable record of his earnings and Uncle Sam looks primarily to the employer for information on his earnings and for the withholding of various taxes out of his wages.

But whether or not you run a business of your own, you have a partner who each year is claiming a substantial interest in your personal income. And the law requires that you keep books for him in case he ever asks for an accounting.

Perhaps you own your home or are paying it out in installments. It's likely that some day you may sell that house. When you do you'll want to be able to prove whether you realize a gain or a loss on that sale. If a gain in capital resulted, it probably will add to your income tax. If a loss was suffered, it probably will reduce your income tax.

You may have made certain capital improvements on the house while you lived in it, but unless you can show what out-of-pocket expense you incurred while making them, you may not get credit for them in your cost basis so as to prove that you had no capital gain or that you had a loss.

Or perhaps you received that little summer cottage on the lake as a gift from your father. If you ever sell it, you should be able to show Uncle Sam not only the cost of improvements you made on it while you owned it, but also what its fair market value was at the time Dad gave it to you.

It may be that you are receiving an annuity on an insurance policy. If so, do you know how much that policy costs you and how much of that cost you have recovered tax-free to date?

There are many kinds of transactions you enter into that may some day affect the computation of your personal income tax. The best proof of the cost of anything you've purchased is a receipt bill or canceled check. If one of these pieces of evidence relates to any transaction that may affect your income in later years, it's a good idea to keep it. Your "partner" may some day ask to see it.

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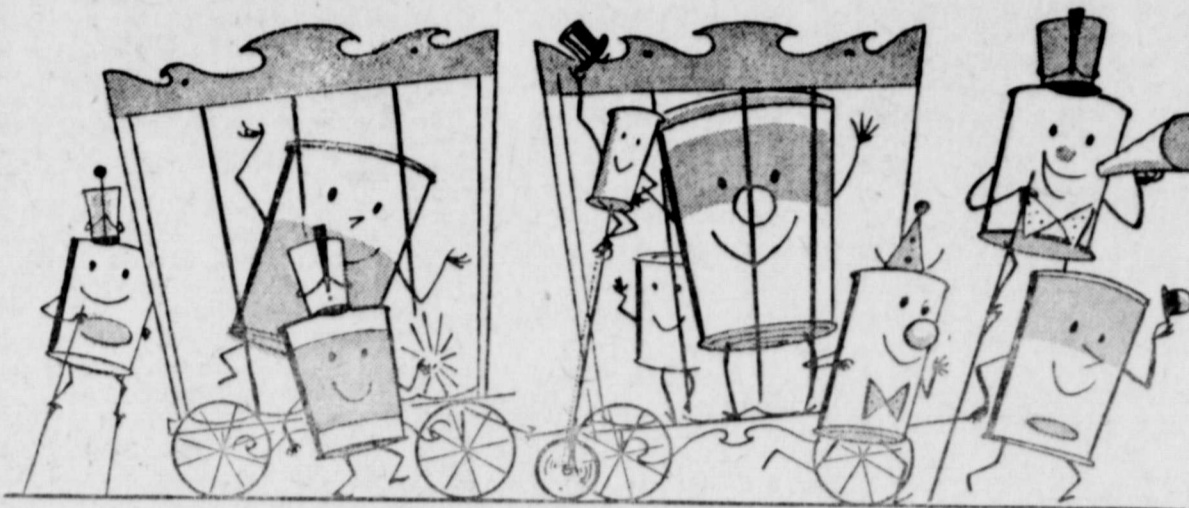
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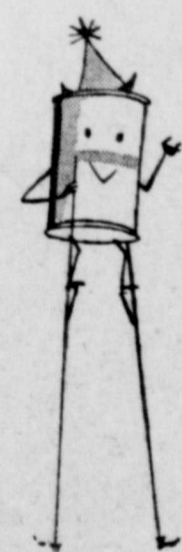


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A country girl, I once read, is one who goes to bed feeling all in and gets up feeling fine. A city girl, on the other hand, goes to bed feeling fine and gets up feeling all in.

That, I was informed, is the difference between a country girl and a city girl.

As a country boy, I used to keep an eye on a good many country girls in my day. So I can vouch that after rising at some ghastly hour in the morning and helping with household and farm chores all day, the average country girl—or boy—was pretty well bushed by sundown.

Of course, they could always call on a nice reserve of country energy for a Saturday night hoo-down or sociable pea-shelling. But then Sunday morning they would sleep late and not get up until maybe 6:30.

But all this has been changed as the farm has become mechanized and electrified. The country

girl, like her city cousin, gets her dairy products from a dairy rather than first-hand from a cow. Both obtain their canned goods and other foodstuffs from a grocery store. Both have wheels to take them where they are going.

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Here at the Gonzales Warm Springs Rehabilitation Foundation it pleases us to hear from former patients and to learn of their progress. Recently Clarice Ann Kruppa, 220 North Fulton, Wharton, who was a patient here in 1948, wrote as follows:

"I was totally paralyzed when I entered Warm Springs. Nine months later I miraculously walked away with many pleasant memories and in perfect health. Since coming home I have led a normal life. I am now 18 and have graduated from high school in

1956, where I participated in all possible sports. I am now employed with the county as a secretary to the county clerk of Wharton County."

Clarice Ann says she plans to continue in her present job but eventually hopes to get married and raise a family.

Letter to the editor

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only thought about him was his heart. At that time we lived three miles north of Trent. There was a windmill near the road not far from the house, about twenty feet away was a huge mesquite tree, and every afternoon, when school was out "Wheeler" would be lying in the shade of this tree waiting to romp with us. He grew from a frolicking, lovable pup into a big rangy, powerful dog. The undisputed King of all he surveyed and was one of the roughest, toughest, fighters you'd ever hope to see. No one ever saw him licked. There were men there at the time who were ready to bet their wages on him at any time.

As he grew older he stayed more and more to himself, he was friendly enough with people but only to the point of toleration and he was treated with the respect he deserved. He eventually became a wanderer and would be gone for days at a time. Sometimes he came home with his fur matted with dried blood and dirt. He would lie beneath the old mesquite tree and lick his wounds until they were healed, then he would disappear again. There came a time when old Wheeler came home but not with wounds. One cold night in Dec. we heard a scratching at the door and when we opened it, there was "Old Wheeler" barely able to stand. We knew he had been poisoned and my mother made him a bed in front of the fireplace and my Dad gave him something to counteract the poison and called the veterinarian but it was too late. "Old Wheeler" had gone on his last hunting trip. Next day we buried him in the shadow of the

JAMES H. CHANEY

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old mesquite tree near the windmill, with a worn out wagon wheel for a marker.

And that Sir, is why I remember Mr. Wheeler affectionately known as Uncle Bennie.

Sincerely,
 Jack E. Dunn
 1122 Sonora Ave.
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Dual Option Offered By U. S. Army

The U.S. Army is now offering a double-barrel option program for Regular Army volunteers who want to select their branch of the Army and an overseas assignment.

The new enlistment option, announced by M-Sgt. Leonard M. Evans, Army recruiter in Abilene, applies to men who want to join one of the combat arms, Armor, Artillery, Infantry.

Qualified young men may enlist for one of the three combat arms, and also designate that they desire overseas duty in either Europe or the Far East. Their assignment will be guaranteed by the Army before enlistment.

Upon arrival at an Army reception station, they will be given specialized training for existing vacancies in their chosen branch within the designated overseas area.

Additional information on the dual option now offered by the Army may be obtained from Master Sergeant Evans, at 900 No. 3rd St., Abilene.

Union Ridge H.D. Club Meets

The Union Ridge Home Demonstration club held its first meeting for the new year in the home of Mrs. O. B. Harwell, Friday, Jan. 3.

Mrs. Denzel Cox, president, led in prayer. She also gave a preview of the club work for 1958 using the year book as a program guide.

A hostess was selected for each month, and committees were appointed.

Mrs. Clyde Newton, secretary, called the roll, each member answering with "What Attracts You First About a Community."

Miss Mabel McRee, treasurer, gave the yearly treasurers report for 1957.

Those present were Mes. M. L. Douglas, J. H. Clark, J. C. Walton, Wynona Scoggins, Newton Cox, Harwell, Miss McRee and Jimmie Turner, a visitor.

A. B. Patterson Host Reunion

Children of the late Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Baker met in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Patterson on Oak Street for a reunion on New Year's Day.

Plans were made to have more observances of this occasion in the future.

Guests present were: Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Mashburn, Ft. Worth; Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Baker, Hamlin; Mrs. J. B. McLaughlin, Lubbock; Mrs. Leonard Dennis, McAdoo; Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd McLaughlin and daughter, Carlshad, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Leach, Linda and Dick, Merkel, and the Pattersons.

AIN'T IT GOOD TO GIVE

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Hurt by pranks that fate can play, They're a lookin' and a hopin' For a better chance to live. When so much help costs so little, Tell me . . . Ain't it good to give? Will you see a youngster stumble When by stretchin' out your hand You can get him past the rough spot, And help him straight to stand? Can you take the chance of leavin' Helpless tots in pain to live? When at night you face your conscience, Tell me . . . Ain't it good to give?

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Taylor Countians To Be Interviewed In Finance Survey

Residents of this area will be among the consumers interviewed during January and February about their spending and saving during the past year and their prospects for 1958. This is one of 69 areas in which interviews will take place in the thirteenth annual Survey of Consumer Finances, sponsored by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System. Local people employed by the Survey Research Center of the University of Michigan will carry out the interviewing.

Within each area, individual addresses are selected at random. Reports from persons living at these addresses furnish financial statistics representative of all consumers throughout the country.

The 1958 survey will include questions regarding income, financial position, major purchases during 1957, and intentions to buy cars, other durable goods, and houses during 1958. Also covered is the consumer's evaluation of his current financial situation and his prospects for 1958. Similar information obtained in previous Surveys of Consumer Finances has been very useful in appraising the general business outlook.

All interviews are held in strictest confidence and no information concerning individual families is disclosed. The information is used solely for statistical analysis of the financial position and prospects of different groups of people in the country. Many families have been interested in these results because they indicate how other families in similar circumstances are spending their incomes and investing their savings.

Guild Honors Mrs. A. T. Lemens

Mrs. Raymond Ferguson was hostess to the Wesleyan Service Guild in her home Monday evening, Jan. 6, when thirteen members and one visitor, Mrs. Rescoe Shields, met for a social as a farewell gesture to Mrs. Alvin Lemens, who with her family will leave soon for Midland to make their home.

Mrs. Johnny Cox, president, presided for a short business session at which time Mrs. Lemens, treasurer, gave the yearly report and tendered her resignation, an office she has held for five years.

Mrs. Earl Hughes will succeed her as treasurer. Miss Mary Collins presented Mrs. Lemens with a lamp, a gift from the guild.

Lamba Beta Chapter Meets

The Lambda Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met in the Taylor Electric Auditorium Tuesday night with Lucille Litton, president, presiding at the business meeting.

Bonnie Douglas and Rojean Hicks presented a program on Benjamin Franklin. Mrs. Douglas gave Franklin's biography and Mrs. Hicks reviewed the book "Poor Richard" by James Dougherty.

Reports were heard from Bonnie Dayton, treasurer, and Mary Hargrove, chairman of the Ways and Means Committee.

Billie South and Margarie Knight served refreshments to 23 members.

Rev. Ray Ellis, assistant professor of Greek and Bible at Hardin-Simmons University, spoke at

Actor Visits Relatives Here

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Reese of Austin and Mr. and Mrs. Etsel Hunter and son, Carroll Wayne, of Arlington were holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Nally. Mrs. Reese and Mrs. Hunter are the former June and Joy Nally.

Another out-of-town visitor in the Nally home was Mrs. Nally's nephew, Cecil Rutherford of New York City, formerly of Abilene. Mr. Rutherford appeared on Broadway in the play, "No Time For Sergeants," which has had a year's run.

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MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

Jane Ferguson of Merkel was named an honor student at John Tarleton college in a report released from Registrar Charlie S. Wilkins' office after reports of second preliminary grades were in. She is a junior in the department of home economics in Tarleton.

Mrs. Elmer Lowe and Mrs. Carlton Vick were co-hostesses Wednesday evening, complimenting Mr. and Mrs. Delma Compton, popular couple who were married during the Christmas holidays. The party was given in the home of Mrs. Lowe and entertainment was all informal.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Murphy of the Castle Peak community are announcing the marriage of their daughter, Miss Loretta Cox, to Pete Morgan, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Morgan, of Noodle, which took place Aug. 22, last, at Mon-

ahans. Both of the contracting parties were employed at Odessa at the time and their marriage was not revealed until this week.

Miss Loucille Justice will present a song program over KRBC, Abilene, at 3:15 Friday afternoon, while at 5 o'clock the same afternoon Miss Loraine McGaughy will be heard in songs. Sanderfer Hollingsworth will accompany Miss McGaughy.

Friends here will learn with interest of the marriage of Miss Voncille Gilbert, a former Merkel girl and sister of Grover Gilbert, and Leonard Coker, which took place at 9:30 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 26, at the home of Rev. C. E. Lancaster of the First Baptist church at Big Spring, in the presence of relatives and friends.

Burl Wheeler inspector for the Texas Railroad commission, was in Merkel on official business Thursday of this week.



"Ha! This garage's Want Ad says you can't drive on a flat tire—I can!"

MERKEL 40 YEARS AGO

Nellie Sharp, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Sharp, happened to a serious accident on December 23, when she fell from a horse, striking her head on a rock. A blood clot formed on the brain which necessitated her removal to Abilene where an operation was performed. It was successful and Nellie is getting along nicely.

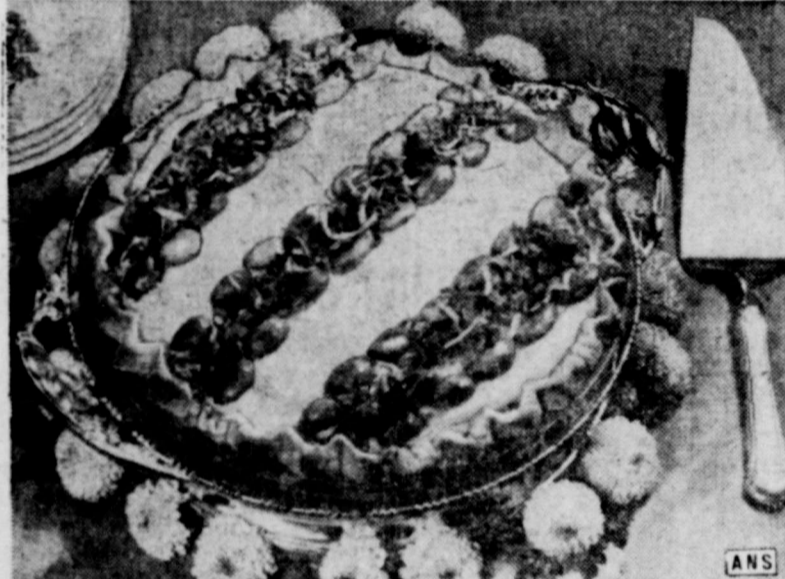
While driving his team in the neighborhood of his home in the Salt Branch community on December 22, the team became frightened and ran away, throwing Mr. W. A. Thornton out and seriously injuring his head. He was taken to the sanitarium in Abilene and even yet the full extent of the hurt is not known.

Ralph Green, well known horse-

man of Shiloh, rode bucking horses Christmas eve and got the Red Cross \$30.90. Ralph is to be commended for his patriotism. He deserves as much credit as if he had paid the money out of his own pocket. He risked personal injury on the hard streets of Merkel that he might contribute to this worthy cause. He is no slacker.

Miss Stacy Adkisson came near being the principal in a serious accident Thursday. As she neared crossing to her home the west-bound passenger train was passing. Driving in behind it she ran her car into the rear part of the engine of the eastbound. Miss Adkisson was jarred up a great deal, but not serious, it is thought. Her car was badly damaged.

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2 egg whites
1/4 teaspoon salt
4 tablespoons sugar
1 baked 9-inch pie shell or Coconut Crust

Blend egg yolks with 1/4 cup of the milk in sauce-pan. Add remaining milk, 1/4 cup sugar, and gelatin. Mix well. Cook and stir over medium heat until mixture begins to thicken and coats a dry metal spoon. (Do not boil). Remove from heat. Chill until mixture thickens slightly. Whip cream and fold into thickened mixture. Add almond extract; blend.

Beat egg whites with salt until foamy throughout. Add 4 tablespoons sugar, 2 tablespoons at a time, beating after each addition until sugar is blended. Then continue beating until mixture will stand in stiff peaks. Fold into gelatin mixture. Pour into pie shell. Chill until firm. Garnish with additional whipped cream, toasted coconut and salted almonds, if desired.

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Home Demonstration Notes

By LORETA ALLEN

Taylor County Home Demonstration Agents



The Home Demonstration club women of Taylor County decided they would like to work on clothing problems this year. The first program will be given to all home demonstration clubs this month on "Selecting Becoming Colors." The schedule is as follows: Blue Bonnet Club January 7 at Mrs. Allen King's; Pleasant Hill Club, January 8 at Mrs. L. A. Groene's; Wylie Club, January 9, Potosi Club January 14, at Community Center; Tuscola, January 15 at Community Center; Union Ridge

January 17; Ovalo January 21 at Community Center; Lawn January 22 in Home Economic Cottage; Hamby January 23; Lake Abilene January 24.

There will be a series of clothing work shops. These workshops will be on basic sewing and will be for 5 days with 3 days one week and two days the next week. You do not have to be a home demonstration club members to attend. Come if you are interested in learning to fit and do basic sewing. There will be a prework

INCOME TAX, WHEN TO FILE

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R. O. Anderson
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show for all who plan to attend these work shops. This meeting will be Monday January 20 at 9:30 A.M. in the Agricultural Building in Abilene. If you are interested in attending the clothing work shops be sure to attend this first meeting where complete plans will be made. The work-shops will be at Merkel, Pleasant Hill, Ovalo, and Lake Abilene. The dates are as follows:
Ovalo Community Center:
Monday, Jan. 27 — Wed. Jan. 29—Friday Jan. 31.
Tuesday, Feb. 4—Thursday Feb. 6
Merkel (Taylor Electric Coop. Auditorium):
Tuesday, Jan. 28 — Thursday, Jan. 30
Monday, Feb. 3—Wed., Feb. 5 —Friday, Feb. 7.
Pleasant Hill Community Center:
Wednesday, Feb. 12 — Friday, Feb. 14 — Wed. Feb. 19
Friday, Feb. 21 — Tuesday, February 25.
Lake Abilene Community Center:

Monday, Feb. 24 — Wed. Feb. 26 — Friday, Feb. 28.
Thursday, March 6 — Friday March 7.

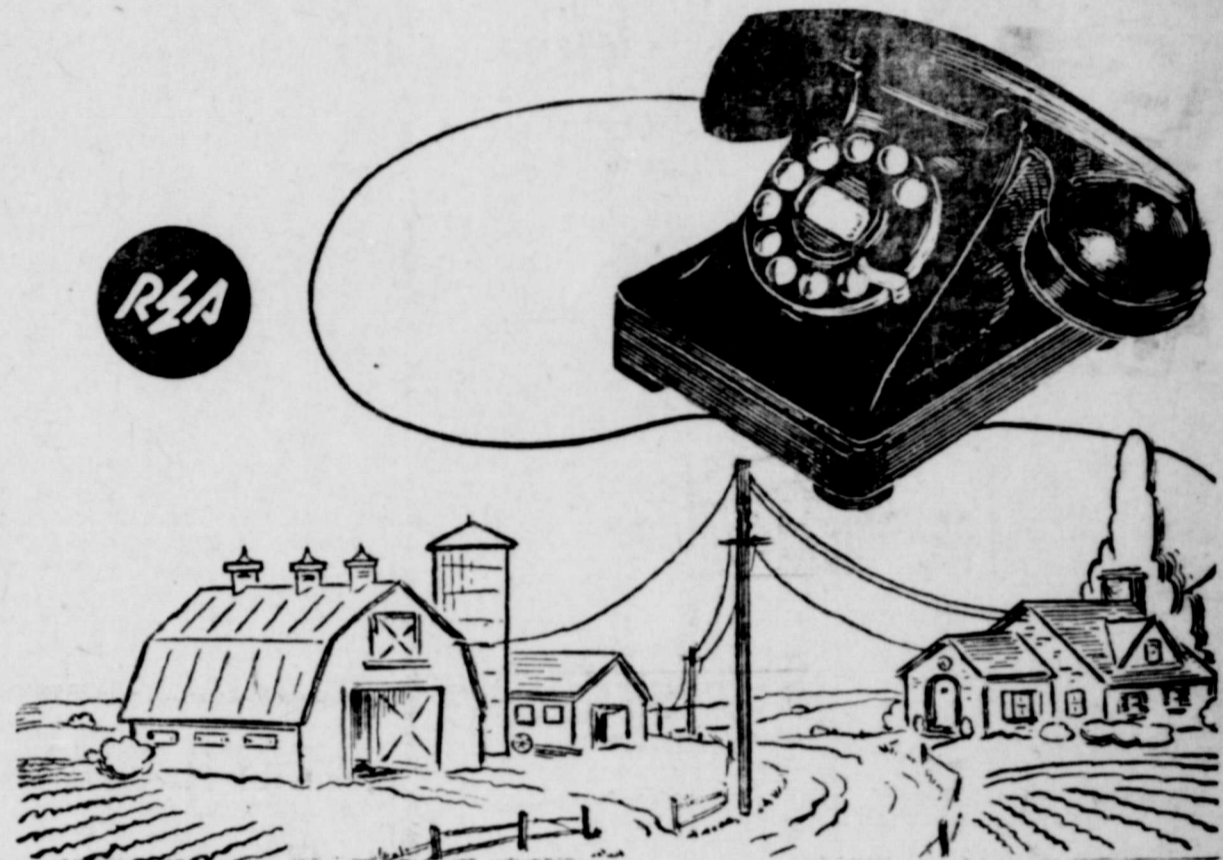
If you are interested in attending please send me your name and address as soon as possible, because there will be room for only a limited number and you can attend if you let me know in time.

Mrs. Hugh Campbell visited her son, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Horton and granddaughter, Mrs. Shirley Newman and son, Mike, of Abilene Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Dudley took their son, Mike, to Scottish Rite Hospital, Dallas, Wednesday where he will undergo surgery on his leg. He will be hospitalized for about two weeks.

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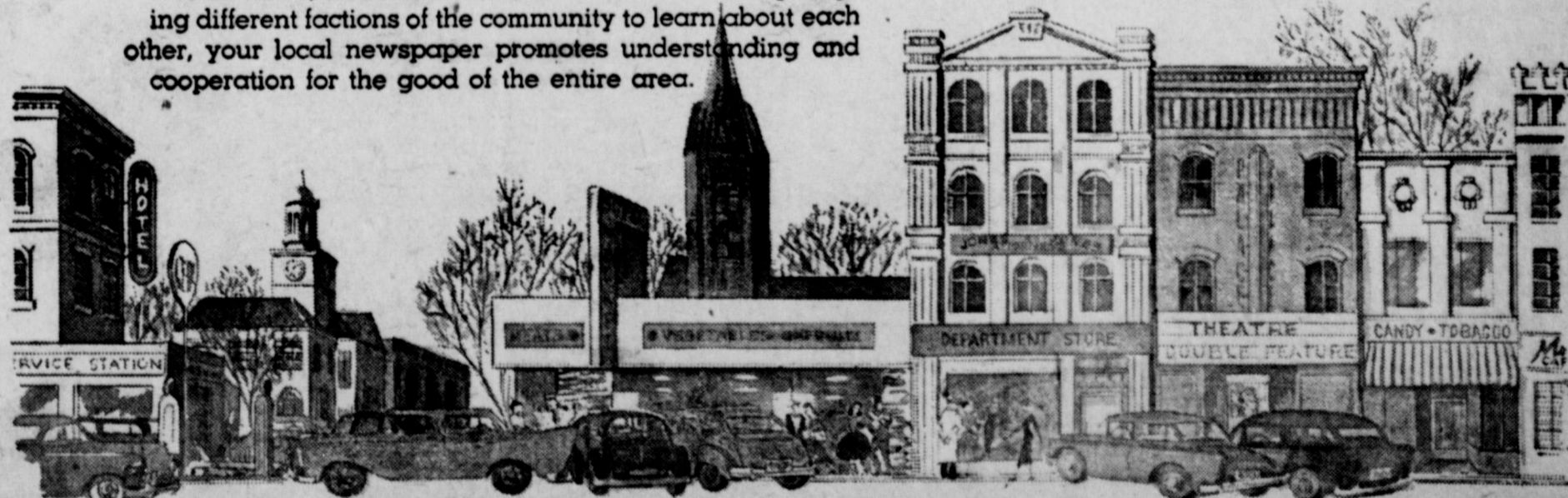
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Robert Hicks
Ben Hicks Family

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With deepest gratitude we extend thanks for the many acts of sympathy expressed by thoughtful friends in the loss of our wife, mother and sister, Mrs. Perry. We also wish to thank the Doctors and Hospital Staff. Your kindnesses have meant much to us.
Cliff Perry
Mr. and Mrs. Allan Whiteaker
Mr. and Mrs. Carl Moore
Mr. and Mrs. Bill Perry
L. D. Dudley

Legal Column

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

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for four consecutive weeks, the first publication to be at least twenty-eight days before the return day thereof, in a newspaper printed in Taylor County, Texas, the accompanying citation, of which the herein below following is a true copy.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: Bobbie Zed Reddell, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 3rd day of February A.D. 1957, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 14th day of May A.D. 1957, in this cause, numbered 22,141-A on the docket of said court and styled Salina Rhue Reddell, Plaintiff, vs. Bobbie Zed Reddell, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: plaintiff and defendant were married on May 25th, 1956, and separated April 19, 1957.

Defendant sues for divorce on grounds of harsh and cruel treatment.

Plaintiff alleges that there is no community property to be adjudicated, but there is one child of this marriage for which the plaintiff sues for as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date

of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

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

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this 19th day of December A.D. 1957.

(SEAL)
Attest: R. H. Ross, Clerk, 42nd District Court, Taylor County, Texas. By Irene Crawford, Deputy. 42-43-44-45

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TO: P. C. Harkless and, if he be deceased, the Unknown Heirs of P. C. Harkless, deceased, and their heirs and legal representatives, Defendants, Greeting:

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A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: A suit filed under and by virtue of Article 2320b, Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, as amended, Acts 1951, 52nd Legislature, page 460, Chapter 287, Section 1, which suit has as its purpose the appointment of a receiver for and on an undivided one-fourth (1/4th) interest in the oil, gas, and other minerals in and under the West 37 acres of a 57 acre tract of land out of the southeast part of the Leonard Bowerman Survey No. 83, Taylor County, Texas, said 57 acre tract being described in deed from A. G. Hamilton to W. R. Walker, dated February 9, 1909 and recorded in Vol. 57, page 101 of the Deed Records of Taylor County, Texas, here referred to, and more particularly described in Plaintiffs' Application and Petition on file herein, such receiver, when and if appointed, to have under orders of the court the power and authority to execute and deliver to a lessee an oil, gas and/or mineral lease on the above described undivided mineral interest upon such terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the Court. No special pleadings are relied on by plaintiffs other than those allegations contained in plaintiffs' application and petition on file herein which are necessary to maintain said suit and invoke the jurisdiction of the court under said statute, as is more fully shown by said petition and application on file in this suit.

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Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court

at Abilene, Texas, this the 28th day of December, A. D. 1957.

(SEAL)
Attest: R. H. Ross, Clerk, 42nd District Court of Taylor County, Texas, by Deputy. 42-43-44-45

UP THE CANYON

By TOM RUSSOM

The people up the Canyon are happy over the moisture that fell Saturday night and Sunday which is very fine on small grain and winter weeds.

The ground had already been plowed and now will be ready for spring sowing.

The annual New Year's eve singing was well attended last Tuesday night at Pioneer church. Visitors from Blackwell were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Johnson, Mr. Harris of Arkansas, father of J. B. Harris, Stith, Homer Parks of Cisco. Mr. Parks is construction superintendent on Highway 80 from Merkel to Trent. He also built the highway up through the Canyon a few years ago.

Farmers and stockmen report conditions up the Canyon are in better shape than they have been in many years, speaking from the live stock and farming viewpoint.

Several from the Canyon attended funeral services for Mrs. Cliff Perry at N. lan last week.

Our community night was cancelled last Saturday night due to the weather.

The Methodist preachers of the Big Spring, Abilene and Stamford Districts held a retreat at the Butman Youth Camp, Friday evening and Saturday, Dr. Quillan of SMU, Dallas was speaker Friday night.

Rev. Elmer Ward of the Pioneer Church reports that the swimming pool at the Youth Camp is about half completed and will be ready by camping time this summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Riley Whisenhunt and family are leaving the Canyon. They are moving to the W. A. Daniel ranch west of Blair.

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We regret it have them leave our community.

There won't be much moving out of the Canyon this year as all are about gone now.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Ray and little son have moved to the Moore place near Pioneer church. They have been living in Abilene where Vernon is employed.

Mrs. Willis Malone and son, Buford of Abilene spent New Year's Day in the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Demerie, and also visited with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Demerie and Mr. and Mrs. John Coomer. The Malones lived in the Canyon many years.

A. L. Farmer has been quite ill and is still in the hospital at Merkel. We hope that he will soon be able to be back home.
Joe Seymore reported an inch

of moisture at his place Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Oliver had as guests New Years Day his brother and family from Midland. They all attended the singing at Pioneer Church New Years eve night.

The singing of the Cross Timber quartet of Abilene was enjoyed by our people.

Rev. and Mrs. Ward of Pioneer are the proud parents of a new baby boy born Sunday night.

Horace Miles, stockman in the Canyon said the moisture was fine at his place and would really benefit small grain. Horace reports that his family have been ill with the flu but are improved at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Wurst, Dale and Junior spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Wurst of Orville, Calif., Dale left Sunday for Ft. Knox, Kentucky, where he is stationed.

A reunion was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Harris Christmas day when seven of the Russell children were present. Mrs. Sam Nunnally of Roswell, N. M., and Mrs. Bob Shive of Brownwood were unable to attend.

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Annual Stockholders' Meeting
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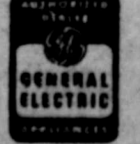
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CHURCHES

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 First Methodist Church

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.



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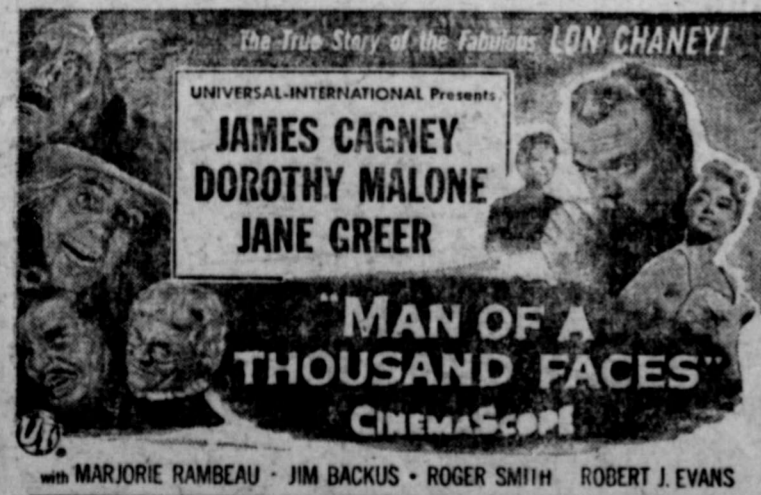
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DOROTHY MALONE
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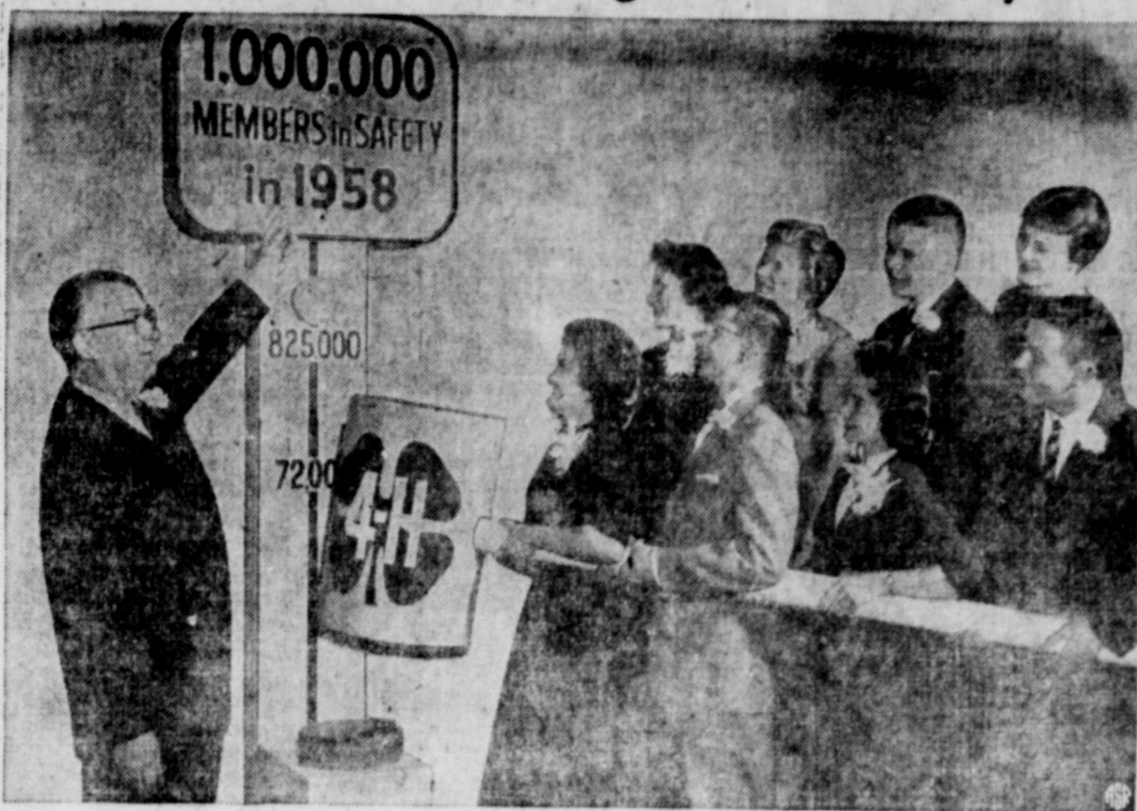
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4-H Winners Vow To Ring The Bell For Safety



DETERMINED TO BOOST THE NUMBER OF 4-H members actively participating in safety programs to the million mark in 1958 are these eight national winners in the National 4-H Safety Program. Here, they show Ralph W. Moore, Director of Plant City and Field Relations for General Motors, the dramatic rise from 72,000 4-H participants in safety when GM began its sponsorship of the program awards 13 years ago to the current participation of 825,000 members, leading 4-H toward the "million in safety mark" next year will be these winners, each of whom received \$400 college scholarships from GM. In addition, General Motors provides them and the other state winners all-expense trips to the National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago. Bottom row, left to right are Sylvia McCarty, 18, Myers, Ky.; Leonard Wertz, 17, McClave, Colo.; Marilyn Ellison, 17, El Reno, Okla.; Don Willis, 18, Mendenhall, Miss.; Top row, left to right are Sharon Mitchell, 16, Dixmont, Maine; Carolyn Kay Moore, 16, Fairview, Kans.; Ronald Powell, 16, Clark, Mo.; Christine Pasley, 17, Hillsboro, Ore.

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. "You are 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 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.

Merkel Grace Presbyterian Church

Sunday School 10:00 a. m. Worship Service 11 a. m.

Noodle Church of Christ

Sunday: Bible Class 10:00 a. m. Morning Worship Service 11:00 a. m.

Young People's Service

6:30 p. m. Evening Worship 7:30 p. m.

Noodle Bandit 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.

Spotlight on HEALTH

Science Features

French Wine And American Fat

When a Frenchman goes to see his doctor, the physician first checks his liver. The chronic complaint of Frenchmen about their livers is a well-known example of a disease pattern traceable to national eating (or drinking) habits. Another famous example gave the British the nickname "Limeys." It was discovered that British sailors, while at sea, frequently developed scurvy. Though he did not know the cause was lack of vitamin C in the diet, a Naval surgeon finally discovered that citrus fruit would prevent the disease, and decreed that every tar in the service should receive a regular ration of limes. And the scurvy was beaten. Now some doctors think they have identified another dietary cause of disease, in this case traceable to the love of Americans and Europeans for rich, fatty foods. From surveys made in Japan, Africa, the Scandinavian countries and in the United States, doctors have found a connection between a high-fat diet and heart disease, the No. 1 killer in this country. It was known that the clogging of arteries that feed the heart leads to formation of clots in those arteries and the consequent starvation of areas of the heart muscle. In many cases the heart can recover and continue to do its work. In others, it cannot and the victim dies. After researchers found that the material responsible for this silting up of blood vessels was a fatty substance called cholesterol, they began to suspect that the amount and kind of fats we eat might be involved in this disease. Checking the kinds of fat eaten by different peoples, and the incidence of heart attacks among them, doctors found, for instance, a much lower rate of heart disease in Japan than among U.S. citizens living in Hawaii, and further, that Japanese who emigrated to Hawaii promptly began showing a heart attack pattern similar to that of their new country. Dr. Ancel Keys of the University of Minnesota is one of the leading heart researchers who is convinced of the importance of eating habits in the development of clogged arteries (or atherosclerosis, its medical name). Doctors do not yet agree that all Americans should give up many of the fats they eat, but most physicians are recommending that older people with signs of heart disease, such as angina pain or high blood-cholesterol levels, cut down on the fat in their diet. Together with the recommendation that such patients eat less, doctors urge them to avoid the animal fats such as milk and butter fat and to eat less meat fats. The future may well see these recommendations applied to all adults, even those without immediate signs of heart disease.



Mr. and Mrs. Frank Breaux and daughter, Janie were in Carlsbad, N.M., Friday to attend funeral services for Mrs. Breaux's niece, Patricia Kay, thirty-months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Long of that city.

Jimmie Turner of Ft. Worth has been visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Walker. Miss Jo Ann Malone, student in McMurry College, Abilene, spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Malone.

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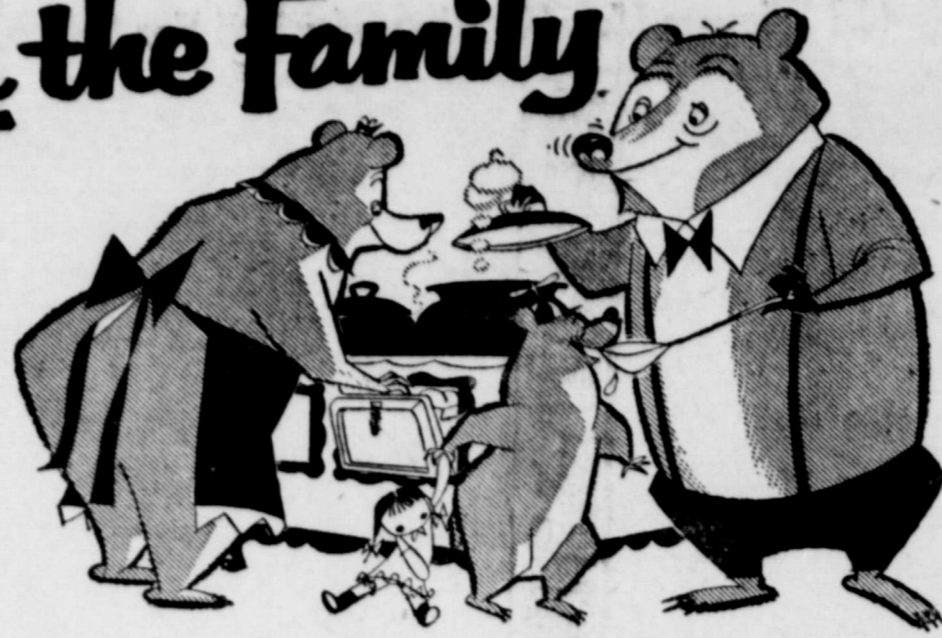
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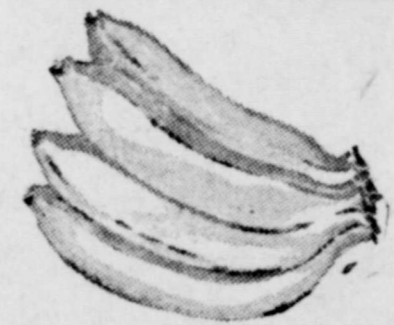
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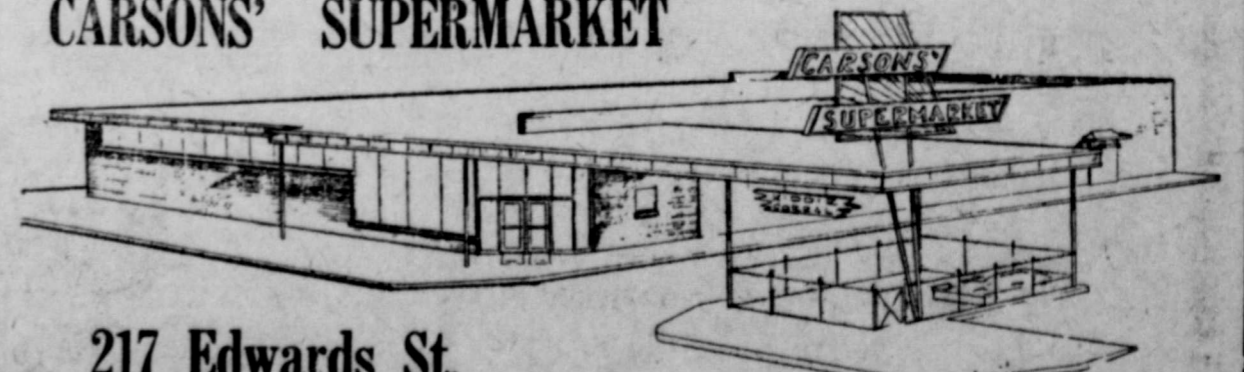
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