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CHAMP LAMB—A hampshire lamb owned by Joe Neill, Merkel FFA member, won reserve champion at the Houston Fat Stock Show recently. Picture is Jimmy Neill who showed the lamb at the show. (Photo courtesy of Vocational Agriculture Teacher Ass'n.)

Christine Collins Reviews Book For Fortnightly Club

The Fortnightly Study Club met Tuesday afternoon, March 11, in the high school library for the observance of "Texas Day."

During a brief business session, presided over by Mrs. Judd McReynolds, club president, members made plans to help Friday afternoon with the Red Cross Drive.

Program leader was Miss Christine Collins, who began her discussion of "Texas—a Part of the Wide World" with these lines from Berthe Hart Nance: "Other states were carved or born; Texas grew from hide and horn." For her book review, she chose J. Frank Dobie's popular "Tales from Old-Time Texas." Club members lived again the early days of Texas as revealed in Dobie's folklore—days of gallant living through untold hardships. Our famous Texas humor was stressed throughout the folk tales, whether tragic or otherwise. Miss Collins closed her program by reading Larry Chittenden's well-loved "The Cowboy's Christmas Ball."

Members present were Mrs. Carroll Benson, Chester Collinsworth, Johnny Cox, Mack Fisher, S.D. Gamble, Comer Haynes, Judd McReynolds, Homer Patterson, Andy Shouse, Henry West, Ray Wilson, and Christine Collins.

The next meeting will be held in the school auditorium on March 25. The program will consist of discussions concerning "Education for World Understanding," brought by Superintendent Mack Fisher and Principal C. A. Farley. Mrs. Carroll Benson and Mrs. Andy Shouse will host a school pilgrimage.

Merkel Faces Critical Situation

(EDITOR'S NOTE) This is the first of a series of articles directed toward civic improvement needed for Merkel to develop into a better place to live and earn a living. These articles will point out the needs of the community, tell how those needs can be administered to, and what the results will be for the community.)

Merkel is faced with a critical situation. It will either have to grow into a well organized, well planned city or it will eventually die from the lack of it.

People come here daily looking for homes for their families. A few find what they need but many others do not. That is because they cannot adapt what we have to offer for their particular use.

Building new homes and houses has slowed to almost a standstill because financing is a great problem. FHA mortgage insurance will not fit most needs because the town lacks proper planning.

Many houses are run-down and in poor state of repair due to lack of home repair loans. Blight has crept into neighborhoods throughout the city because we have no ordinances to prevent it from happening.

A new multi-million dollar highway is almost complete that will open a window to the ugliest part of town. New homes cannot be built in that area because of its environments. This area has not been the center of traffic in many years and many of the people living here are unaware of its condition. A drive over the new bypass from the east will show you the sore spot.

The city itself is not financially able to carry out a program to eliminate this condition but is willing to do all it can to help. The rest is up to the citizens of this community to want to help themselves.

This blighty condition throughout town is not only an eyesore but is hazardous to the health and welfare of the entire community. It is hindering the growth and development of the town and is a liability on all tax payers, by not allowing the town to grow.

This condition is not just a local situation but of national concern. In 1954 President Eisenhower's Advisory Committee on Housing Policies and Programs reported in part:

"A piecemeal attack on slums simply will not work—occasional thrusts at slum pockets in one section of a city will only push them to other sections. . . Programs for slum prevention, for rehabilitation of existing houses and neighborhoods, and for demolition of worn-out structures and areas must advance along a broad and unified front to accomplish the renewal of our towns and cities."

Large metropolitan areas are becoming over-crowded day by day. Smaller towns are dying out. Congestion of cities leave America vulnerable to attack in case of war. People are moving to the larger cities by droves because they fail to find adequate accommodations in the urban areas. This is of such a vital concern to our national defense that the federal government is ready to help these smaller places provide adequate housing to relieve larger cities of some of the congestion. In 1954 Congress passed a housing act and encouraged smaller communities to participate as well as the larger. They made special provisions for cities under 25,000 population if they would go into the program with long-range planning. They will assist in that. This is called the Urban Renewal program, which will not only remove blight but assure the community against its returning.

This does not mean that the city is going to run all the people out of town that can't afford a decent place to live. It is going to help them help themselves.

People don't live in these places because they want to, but probably because it is the best they can do or afford. This program is designed for their needs. Where they can't make the down payment on another house, financing will be available with no down payment required. If they can't afford a house of their own and are renting, rental units will be available for them at prices they can afford. These units will all meet FHA requirements and fit into the rehabilitation program specifications.

Builders who can't build in town because of financing will have no problem because special provisions have been made under Title 220 and 221 for all families in a blight area. These homes may be located anywhere in the city limits or may be applied toward the purchase of any home regardless of its location.

Every family living in a blight infested area will be adequately provided for. Their homes, if available for purchase, will be bought at a fair price and torn down. Before this can be done, a new home with all modern convenience must be provided them. Federal loans are available to carry out this plan, with no cost to the taxpayers. The loans are made available at low interest rates and are to be liquidated from the sale of the property after the area has been carefully planned and rehabilitated. The land must be well landscaped with trees and shrubbery, sidewalks, paved streets, curbs, drainage, sewage and water lines, parks and playgrounds, etc. This will encourage building and construction of homes and increase the property value. It will mean that the city will be able to collect taxes from property that has been furnishing little or no taxes at all.

This face lifting will not only rehabilitate the area and encourage out-of-town families to locate here but it will build the morale of the people living here and of their youngsters going to school here.

Merkel has 418 of its 812 homes substandard. That means that more than 50% of Merkel's residential area is substandard. The report is according to a U. S. Census report. The morale of students in school is low. Most families living in substandard housing take no pride in their community. It has been proven that slums account for 45% of major crimes; 55% of juvenile delinquency; 50% of the disease; 35% of the fires (this means that they swallow up almost half of every tax dollar); 45% of total city service costs despite this tremendous drain into so limited an area, they return only 6% of the tax revenues—real estate. Those figures are the national average where blight only averages 33%. Here it is more than 50%. Think about it! More next week



Jackie McAninch

Merkel Senior Honored At Tech

Jacky McAninch will be among the 32 students the 1958 LaVentana, Texas Tech Yearbook, will salute for outstanding contributions to campus life this academic year.

The students, who will be featured in a special section of the yearbook, were selected by a Student Council committee that received nominations from campus organizations and the student body.

Final selections were based on leadership, service to Tech and character. Those honored also had to have at least a 1.00 (C) grade point average.

Jacky, son of Mr. and Mrs. Weldon McAninch is a senior in agriculture.

279 Visit Schools Here March 3-7

A total of 279 patrons visited Merkel schools during Public Schools Week March 3 through 7, according to Mack Fisher, Superintendent of Schools.

Registration revealed that 241 visited the primary and elementary schools and 38 visited in high school.

The attendance awards were won by the Freshman Class in high school, Mrs. Carroll Benson's class in elementary school and Mrs. Irwin Shield's class in primary school.

Home economics taught by Mrs. Dale Gooch served breakfast to the visiting parents on Thursday.

School officials report the total attendance above that of last year during Public Schools Week.

Postmaster Speaks To Civics Class

Postmaster Wren Durham spoke to the Merkel High Civics Class Monday on "The Workings and Services of the U. S. Post-office."

Mr. Durham talked on classes of mail, Civil Service, mail clerk's work, postal rates and U. S. work on mail trains.

Butch Palmer invited Mr. Durham to speak to the American Government class, as they are studying President's Cabinet.

Tobe Paylor, who is agent for the Abilene & Southern railroad and resides at Ballinger, was a weekend guest in the home of his aunt, Mrs. Mable Dortch. Mr. Paylor's late parents were Merkel residents years ago.

Noodle-Horn School Teachers Attend Oil-Belt Meet

The Noodle School teachers attended a two-day teachers meeting in Abilene, Friday and Saturday, March 7 and 8.

During the two-day meeting they heard three outstanding speakers: Mr. Frank McIntyre, Public Relations Director of the California Teachers Association, Dr. Ernest O. Melby, Michigan State University, and Dr. Dan Proctor, former president of Oklahoma College for Women. Their central theme was "Education: An Investment In The Future."

The most important fact stressed by the speakers was "The Children We Teach are the most important people in the world." The teachers studied all day Friday in various sectional meetings, such as art, English, mathematics, science, audio-visual aids, Health and Physical Education, and supervision.

Mrs. W. J. Spurgin and Mrs. W. C. McCoy attended a sectional meeting on Friday for lunchroom workers.

Teachers attending from Noodle were: Mrs. Mona Faye Conger, Mrs. Dorothy Humphreys, Mrs. Lillie Rankin, Mrs. Raymona Pennington, Mrs. Anne Pence, Ernest Tate, Gerald Jennings, Jay McDaniel, Doyle Combs, and W. E. Pistole.

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Jerry Cunningham Praised By H-SU Basketball Coach

"Showed vast improvement in early workouts this year."

These were the words that appeared in the Hardin-Simmons University Basketball brochure this year by the picture of Jerry Cunningham, 6-6 1/2 senior forward from Merkel, who played his last game before the home folks Tuesday night in Rose Field House against the Midwestern Kiaws.

"Jerry has shown marked improvement this year, says head coach Bill Scott, 'especially in rebounding and on defense. Although he hasn't done much scoring his rebounding ability has really helped us, especially in the tough games,' added Scott. Seeing service in 16 of the 22 Cowboy games, Cunningham has dragged 60 rebounds off the boards and has scored 26 points, both improvements over last years marks.

Jerry enrolled at Hardin-Simmons in the fall of 1954 after enjoying a banner season his senior year at Merkel High School in basketball as he paced the Badger quintet to second place in the regional tournament at Lubbock.

Averaging slightly better than 20 points a game he was the top scorer on a team that included such stars as Robert McLeod and Dink Whisenhunt.

McLeod, then only a freshman, went on to establish an all time scoring record at Merkel and is currently burning up the hardwood court for the Abilene Christian College Wildcats. Whisenhunt went on to pitch for the Abilene Blue Sock.

After talking it over with Scott, Jerry decided to accept a scholarship to H-SU and in his freshman year he paced the team in scoring with a 22.2 average.

A physical Education Major, Jerry possesses a grade average of 2.5

Merkel Girls' Squad Place Second In District; 4 Named All-District

The Merkel High School Girls' Basketball team, coached by Miss Leatrice West, came through the season with an outstanding record. They placed second in District and four of the girls were named for All-District and one received honorable mention.

Minta McAninch and Chera Corder were the unanimous choice for the first team of the All-District selection. Madie Kelso and Janis Black made second team, and Linda Winter received honorable mention.

Out of the 31 games they have played, 24 were victories. The total number of points made this season is 1,486 and the average score per game was 48.71 is the highest score made in one game.

The Merkel girls also participated in three tournaments this season. They came out on top in the Winters tournament, won second place at R by and out of a competition of 16 teams at Hardin-Simmons tournament they were awarded consolation runner-up.

Only one team scored 50 points against the Merkel girls—Gorman, scoring 51 points. Merkel's outstanding defense held teams such as Roby, Clyde, Trent, and Avoco, who usually score 60 to 70 points, to scores below 50.

Starting guards were Chera Corder, Linda Winter and Janis Black. Starting forwards are Minta McAninch, totaling 728 points this season and averaging 24 per game; Madie Kelso, 454 total and 12 points per game average; and Janis Breaux, 212 total and average of 8 per game.

Four of the starting six on the girls team are seniors this year.

They are: Madie Kelso, four year letterman known for capability of handling the ball and maneuvering plays; Minta McAninch, three-year letterman playing post noted for her hook shot with either hand; Chera Corder, four-year letterman who was an outstanding guard; and Linda Winter, a dependable steady guard who lettered three years.

The highest individual score in one game was 41 points. This record is held by Minta McAninch.

Adcock Gets Weather Post

Waymon Adcock will assume the duties of director of Merkel severe weather warning system being vacated by Earle Watts.

The warning system is a branch of the Civil Defense set-up. Fred Starbuck is Director of Civil Defense in the Merkel area.

Mr. Watts expressed his appreciation for the splendid cooperation he received from the watchers and the telephone companies.

A briefing for the weather warning system workers will be held at Taylor Electric Co-Op at 7:30 p.m., Monday, March 17. Anyone interested is urged to attend this meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hunter and three children of Lubbock visited relatives here and in Abilene the past weekend and attended services at the First Methodist church here Sunday morning.

Hospital Patients

Admitted

Del Davis
Kent Satterwhite
Mrs. Claude Brown
Mr. and Mrs. Bob Staton
Sherry Martin
John Blackburn
Mrs. Francis Martinez
Mrs. G. E. Brown
Mrs. H. Fennell
Mrs. L. E. Ford, Sr.
Cindy Davis
Faye Knight
Mrs. Paul Allen
Mrs. E. L. Shipman
Mrs. James Keith
O. B. Hamm
D. H. Vaughn
Randy Smith
Elzora Sackett
Mrs. Gaston Gregory
Mrs. B. L. Moody
H. J. Henley

Dismissed

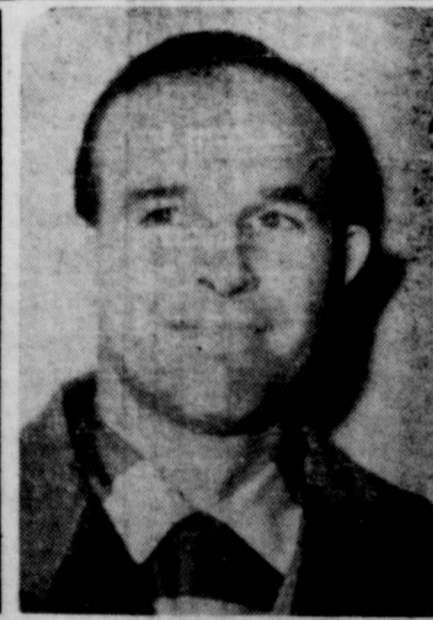
Mrs. Nolan Palmer
E. L. Tarpley
Mrs. Otis Young
W. R. Scott
Mrs. Carl Nunn
Mrs. W. J. James
Del Davis
Mrs. W. C. Kelley
Kent Satterwhite
Mrs. Claude Brown and baby boy
Mr. and Mrs. Bob Staton
Sherry Martin
John Blackburn
Mrs. Francis Martinez
Mrs. G. E. Brown
Cindy Davis
Faye Knight
Mrs. E. L. Shipman and baby girl
Mrs. James Keith



DISTRICT RUNNER-UPS—The Merkel Girls' Basketball team had an outstanding season record, winning second place in district action. The team pictured from left to right, back row, are Janis Black, Ruth Corder, Linda Winter, Mattie Arnold, Chera Corder, Fonda Brown, Beth Loflin, Janis Windham, Sue Madrall. Second row, Deanna Byrd, Carolyn Windham, Linda Jones, Marie Foster, Beth Mewborn, Lola Loflin. Front row, Janie Breaux, Madie Kelso and Minta McAninch.



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TUESDAY DOLLAR DAY SPECIALS!



HOME-COMING . . . British Prime Minister Harold MacMillan shows joy at return to London from 6-week tour of Commonwealth countries.

ACROSS the DESK

ideas from other editors

From The Canton Independent-Sentinel, Canton, Pa.: Interesting is the announcement that John D. Hertz, who rose from a penniless immigrant Hungarian boy to an American millionaire, is allocating most of his fortune, which may run in to "many millions of dollars" to a scholarship fund for training young men and women as mechanical and electrical engineers.

Mr. Hertz, who is now 78 years old and a partner in Lehman Brothers, investment bankers, became disturbed by newspaper reports that the Russians "were turning out 100 per cent more engineers than we are." To offset soviet advances in training engineers, he has made immediately available enough money to subsidize more than 100 students a year. The trustees of the fund, which will be called "The Hertz Engineering Scholarship Fund," will have full discretion in the administration of the money.

However, Mr. Hertz has made the following stipulations:

1. There must be no discrimination in giving aid with regard to race, religion or sex.
2. All those receiving aid must

take a course in American history.

3. They must pledge themselves to serve the United States on request of the Government in time of national emergency.

In explaining the aims of the fund, Mr. Hertz said: "I simply want to contribute in the interest of defense the fortune the United States has allowed me to accumulate." And, later, he said he was interested in "the poor boy or girl who really wants an education but can't get it."

From the Catskill Mountain Star, Saugerties, N. Y.: The great American cities are booming in population. But millions of people still prefer the smaller towns, the grass-roots feel and atmosphere, the way of life that goes with the countryside.

Recently an employment agency ran a three-line ad in the New York Times offering jobs on country weekly newspapers. From that single, tiny notice more than 60 replies were received. This caused the American Press to say that " . . . there may be many newspapermen who have gone to the cities to seek their fortunes and, after a few frustrating months or years, . . ."

Texas Cherry Pie Contest Champ



Mary Nell Card, 15, Cuero, Texas, who baked her way to the state championship, admires her cherry pie baked in an Admiral electric range. Here is her winning recipe:

- Cherry Pie**
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| 1-1/2 (16 oz.) cans red, sour pitted cherries, drained (2-1/4 cups) | 1/4 teaspoon salt |
| 1/3 cup cherry juice | 1 tablespoon soft butter |
| 1-1/4 cups sugar | 1/2 teaspoon red food coloring |
| 3 tablespoons cornstarch | 1/4 teaspoon almond extract |

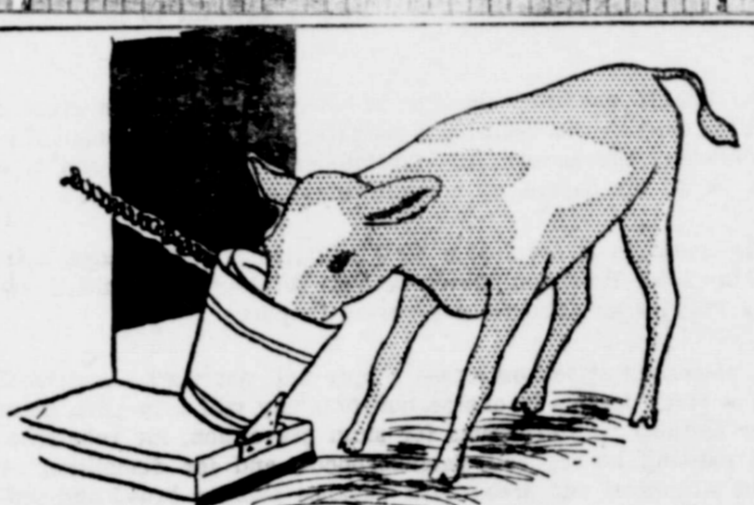
In a saucepan, combine sugar, cornstarch and salt; stir in cherry juice, butter and food coloring. Heat mixture until it comes to a boil. Add cherries and continue to heat for two minutes. Take from fire and add almond extract. Line 9 inch pie plate with pastry; fill with cherry mixture. Arrange pastry strips, lattice fashion, over filling. Flute edge. Cut a 2-1/2 inch strip of aluminum foil and fold it loosely around edge of pie. Bake in oven for 15 minutes at 450°. Reduce to 375° and continue to bake for 25 to 30 minutes. Remove foil for the last 5 minutes to give an even golden brown.

*If frozen cherries are used, reduce sugar to 5/8 cup (1/2 cup plus 2 tablespoons.)

- Crust**
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| 1-1/2 cups sifted flour | 1/2 cup shortening |
| 1/2 teaspoon salt | 3 to 4 tablespoons water |

Combine flour and salt in mixing bowl. Cut in shortening with knife or pastry blender until mixture resembles coarse meal. Sprinkle water over mixture, a tablespoon at a time, stirring with a fork until flour is moistened. Divide into two portions. With hands, shape dough into two flat balls. Roll pastry on a lightly floured pastry cloth to 1/8 inch thickness. Use short, light strokes from center to outer edges. Keep dough round and uniformly thin. Cut round 1-1/4 inch larger than pie plate. Line pie plate, being careful not to stretch dough. Pat into pan so no air bubbles are left between dough and pie plate.

FENCE LINES



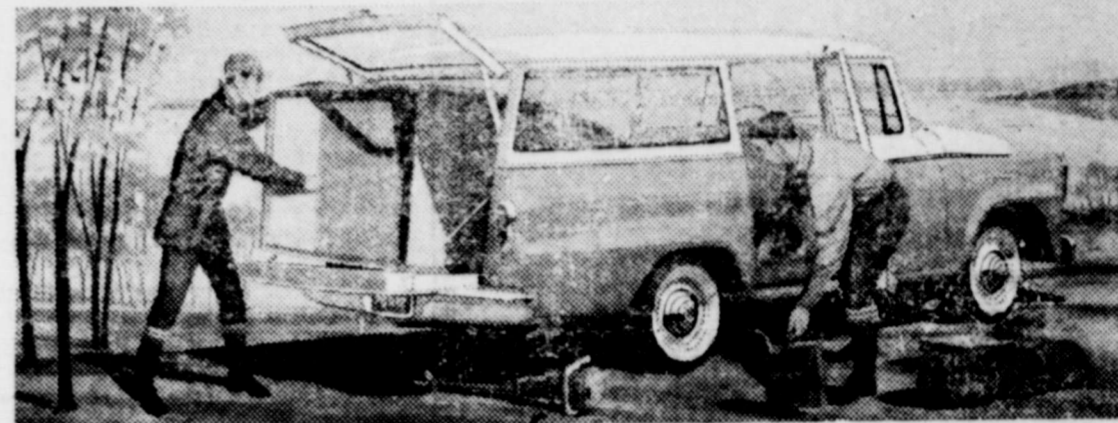
NO TIPPING . . . Spring and hinge arrangement as shown above will stop calves from tipping bucket while feeding. Bucket is fastened to bottom board by hinge, spring runs from top of pail to upright. Feed pail is set in larger bucket.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Green and daughter, Libby of Midland were weekend visitors in the home of her mother, Mrs. Bettie Berryman, and her aunt and uncle, Mrs. Sallie Moore and Charley Curb.

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TELL US YOUR PROBLEM

BY JOHN and JANE STRICKLAND

TODAY'S PROBLEM: Glamour vs. Ability

RECENTLY these columnists sat in on a discussion of the above subject by a group composed of two writers, a theatrical producer, an actor, three business people and a singer. They had just viewed a TV program where the guest stars were Ethel Merman and Cyd Hill. All agreed that those who saw that program were not likely to forget it. It was one of the better TV shows. The next day, the newspaper reviews bore out their opinion. It was noticeable that the young, lovely and glamorous Emcee of the Show was barely mentioned in the reviews; too, she had been commented on by the group mentioned in remarks not wholly to her advantage. As a matter of fact, she was considered just "another glamorous guest."

Why did the Guest Stars outshine the Emcee, who stood in the light of a Emcee—and hostesses always have the vantage spot. Here is what this cross-section of professional people had to say

about those who perform as entertainers, or as service folk, for the public with relation to ability and glamour:

The theatrical producer: The two Guest Artists learned their profession in the days when hard application to their art was the only thing that would get them "They become artists."

A writer: "We rely too much on glamour today, instead of an ability gained through hard work. The whole country has gone back on glamour."

A Business Man: "It's not only the entertainers who rely on glamour to put them over. Airline hostesses offer little else. Obviously with most of their service is secondary to glamour with them, judging by what the traveling public has to say."

The singer: "Most of the young people today think more of the impression they make due to makeup, pseudo charm, and the like."

Yet glamour, like cigarette smoke, dissipates the minute it strikes the air.

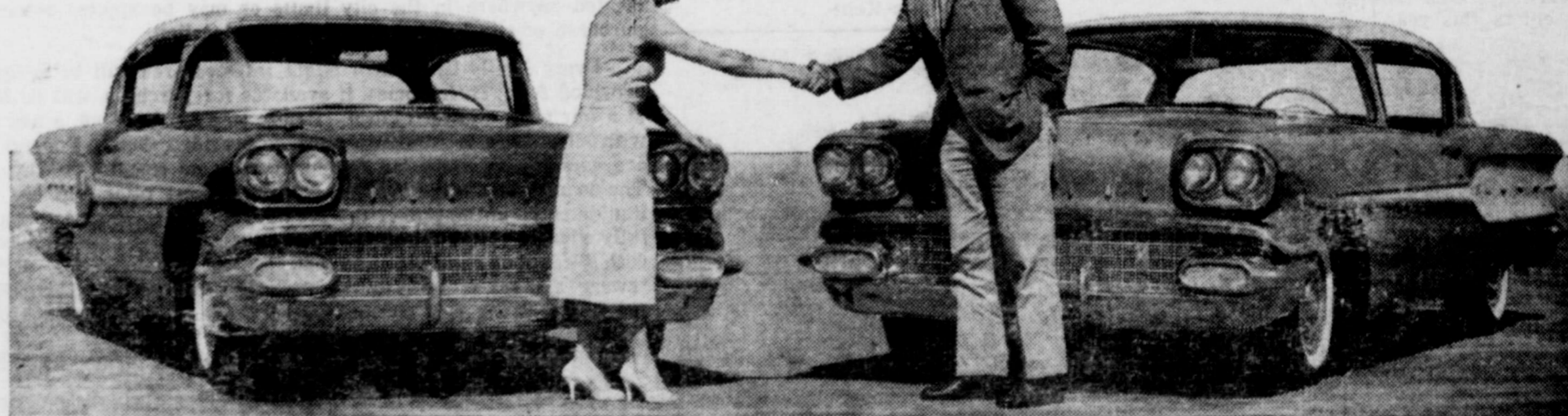
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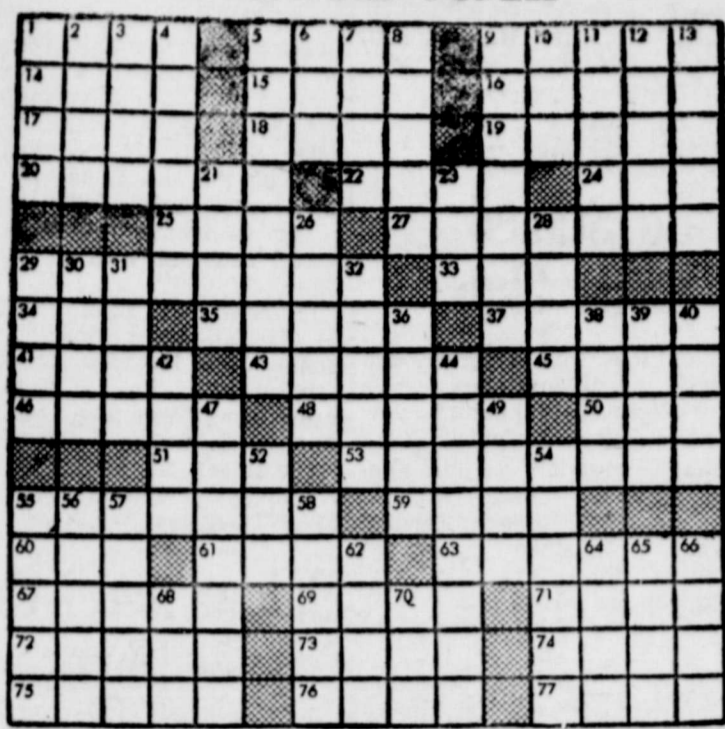
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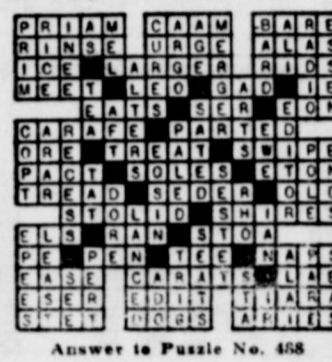
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 16 Papal cape
 17 Young salmon
 18 Solar disk
 19 Independent kingdom of Asia
 20 Kind of car (pl.)
 22 Chair
 24 French for summer
 25 Narcotic
 27 Burned with boiling water
 29 Asserting without proof
 33 Cravat
 34 Hawaiian diad
 35 Scott
 37 East Indian tree
 41 God of love
 43 Strong winds
 45 Antlered animal
 46 Kind of Persian rug
 48 Laments
 50 Promin
 51 Siamese coin

53 Term for a dear one (pl.)
 55 A satire aimed at a person
 59 Prevaricator
 60 The gums
 61 Man's name
 62 Corrects
 63 Unintended hole in boat
 71 Tidy
 72 Previous
 73 Great Lake
 74 Girl's name
 75 Pierce's with pointed weapon
 76 Disposed of for price
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11 Yawned
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 21 Egg drinks
 23 Perform
 26 Trojan hero
 28 Hawaiian
 29 Mimics
 30 Knowledge
 31 King of beasts
 32 Frozen
 33 Royal
 34 English school for boys
 39 Sharp pain
 40 Matures
 42 Cooky
 44 Uttered a shrill cry

47 One who ex-plates (pl.)
 49 Bridal terra
 52 Fetal digit
 54 Tending to person
 55 Swellings
 56 Villiant
 57 Girl's name
 58 City in Michigan
 62 Dodecanese Island
 64 Former Roman emperor
 65 Moist
 66 Remain
 68 Sailor in U. S. Navy
 69 Island



Answer to Puzzle No. 458

Scholarships For Women In Science

Dr. S. Thomas Greenburg, Vice President of Incarnate Word College, San Antonio, Texas disclosed today that 10,000 pamphlets on the "Dudley Tarleton Dugherty Scholarships for Women in Science" have been mailed this week to all top administrators of Texas high schools.

Said Dr. Greenburg: "These Science scholarships are available to all young women of the free world who pass competitive examinations, the first of which will be given in April of 1958. We invite interested young women to write to the Registrar of Incarnate Word College stating her qualifications, if she is de-

sirous of obtaining one of the scholarships."

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Junior Class To Present Plays Here March 14

The Junior Class will present the following one-act comedies Friday evening, March 14, at 7:30 p.m.:

"Sally Takes a Bow" is a play that revolves around a stage-struck girl. The cast includes the following:

- Sally Minton (who takes a bow) Shirley Brown.
- Mrs. Minton (Mother) Beth Loflin.
- Mr. Minton (Father) David Pursley.
- Bill Minton, Lonnie Harris.
- Carol (her girlfriend) Donna Scott.
- Dave (her boyfriend) Rinnie English.
- Mr. Haver (the theater's producer) J. R. Mashburn.
- Loretta (Mr. Haver's secretary) JoAnn Jacobs.
- Miss Armitage (the publicity agent of the Fabian Mills) Ann Benson.

"No More Boys" is the story of a boy-crazy girl and her experience with a young medical student who plans to be a psychiatrist. The players are:

- Fred Jones (a worried father) Jerry McLeod.
- Peggy Jones (the mother) Carla Hays.
- Tim Harvey (the medical student) Don Wilson.
- Delia Jones (the boy-crazy girl) Katy Hunter.
- Delia's friends:

- Benny ... Bobby Malone
- Jeanie ... Virginia Criswell
- Mary Lou ... Dana Durham
- Blake ... Dickie Dannheim
- "He Tried with His Boots On" is a master of misadventure concerning Wilbur Maxwell, a wild-west fan. The cast is as follows:

- Wilbur Maxwell ... Jim Horton
- Hercules Nelson ... Walter Grimmitt
- Mr. Maxwell ... Skippy Hicks
- Mrs. Maxwell ... Janie Breaux
- Connie Maxwell ... Annette Boney
- Eddie Anderson ... Benny Melton
- Betty Lou Maxwell ... Mary Watson
- Sagebrush Sarie ... Sue Bond
- "Sugar and Spice" is the story of a young lady who learns the art of attracting the opposite sex. The cast includes:

- Jane Jones ... JoAnn Johnson
 - Chump Edwards ... Teddy Byrd
 - Susan Harling ... Sue Sylvester
 - Mrs. Jones ... Linda Leach
 - Mr. Jones ... Manley Denton
- The public is urged to support these young people in their efforts to raise money to finance their spring banquet. Admission: Children - 25c - Students and Adults - 50c



CHERRY PIE QUEEN ... Barbara Chisholm, 16, of Huntsville, Ala., won 26th annual National Cherry Pie Baking Contest in Chicago in competition with girls from 48 states, Alaska, Canada and Hawaii.

Merkel Future Teachers Go To Denton Meeting

Five local high school pupils and two sponsors attended the Ninth Annual State Convention of Texas Future Teachers at N. T.S.C. in Denton last week-end. Theme of the program was "Education—An Investment in the Future."

Dona Durham of the local Pat Neff Club was seated in the State House of Delegates Saturday afternoon. Ann Benson and Jim Horton went to a conference on Coordinating F.T.A. Work and Membership Requirements, directed by Mineral Wells F.T.A.

Joe Cunningham presided over a State Workshop. He chose Katie Hunter as his reporter and Dana Durham, recorder. The entire two hour discussion was summarized to the State General Assembly. The workshop had free discussion on "Vitalizing F.T.A. Programs, and Cadet Teaching in our Local High Schools."

Joe explained to a group of some 200 Texas pupils how our Pat Neff F.T.A. assists the teachers in Merkel schools by erasing papers, checking notes, books and typing lessons. Katie Hunter explained how they assist in elementary school, supervision of playground and help teachers with spelling papers, math lessons or substituting one day each month for a teacher who is a supervisor of the practice teacher.

Merkel's Scrapbook of the club received honorable mention. The book was a history of the '57-'58 Merkel club, made by Katie Hunter, Becky Raye and Joe Cunningham.

Friday evening the group was entertained with a Hobo Party and a stage show.

Mrs. Judd McReynolds, club sponsor, attended a laboratory planning and coordinating aims commission meeting Friday at 7:00 p.m. All sponsors are serving under the direction of Texas State Teachers' Association and the Texas Educational Agency. The T.S.T.A. is sponsoring four scholarships for the most needed and most valuable boy and girl in Future Teachers Clubs of Texas.

The students who attended from here were Joe Cunningham, Jim Horton, Dana Durham, Katie Hunter and Ann Benson. Sponsors attending were Mrs. McKeynolds and Mrs. Carroll Benson.

SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT NEWS



The moisture content of soils and compaction from the use of heavy tillage implements are related. Moisture acts somewhat like a lubricant and allows soil particles to slide over one another. The result is a decline in the ability of soil particles to withstand implement traffic as the moisture increases. When the moisture in the surface soil is best for tillage, the subsoil moisture may be higher and best for compaction. Traction tires may compact the soil below normal tillage depths. No more tillage than necessary should be done when the subsoil is moist enough to compact easily.

Soils can bear most weight and are least susceptible to compaction at the end of the cropping season when the moisture in the soil is depleted, that is the best time to use the implements necessary for turning under the residue or for undercutting it with sweeps if mulches are to be left on the soil.

Deep-rooted crops improve the soil structure in places where a packed subsoil does not restrict growth of roots. Compact subsoils can be shattered by tillage, but often they remain shattered only temporarily, because compact layers are basically unstable. Often tillage and the wise use of deeprooted crops together are needed to improve the structure.



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Mrs. America Contest Entries End March 15

Midnight of March 15 is deadline for housewives of Merkel to enroll in the 1958 Mrs. America contest to find the Nation's No. 1 Homemaker. Contest entry forms may be obtained from the Lone Star Gas Company and participating gas appliance dealers.

Lone Star will conduct on-day regional eliminations in Dallas, Fort Worth, Abilene, Greenville and Waco, starting March 31. Each regional winner will be awarded a top-of-the-line deluxe gas range and runners-up will receive \$25 U. S. Savings Bonds.

Lone Star's five regional home-making champions, along with regional winners from other sections of Texas, will compete in the Mrs. America state finals to be conducted in Galveston at the Galvez Hotel April 14-15. The winner will receive numerous prizes and awards and be crowned Mrs. Texas with the right to participate in the national Mrs. America finals to be run at Fort Lauderdale, Florida, May 1-13. Mrs. Texas will compete against winners from the 47 other states and the District of Columbia.

Regional, state and national contests cover menus and meal planning, table setting, dishwashing, cooking, laundry and sewing, hair styling, cake baking and other homemaking events. Contestants will be judged also on personal attractiveness, poise, personality and interest and work in behalf of church and community affairs. Personal attractiveness means good grooming, tasteful dress and pleasant appearance.

Mrs. W. M. Carey Honored On Her 80th Birthday

Mrs. W. M. Carey was honored with a birthday dinner Saturday evening, March 8, given by two of her daughters, Mrs. Rayford Crockerell and Mrs. Woodrow Walter, of Fort Worth. The dinner was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter.

Mrs. Carey was 80 years old March 5. She is spending the winter in Fort Worth. All of her children were present except a son, C. S. Carey, of Hobbs, New Mexico.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Carey, Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Carey, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Carey, all of Lubbock, Dr. and Mrs. A. V. Lofton of Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. Cockerell, Betty Jo and Carey Don, Miss Blanche Ann Wilkinson, Jimmy and Gail Walter, all of Fort Worth.

Future Nurses Attend Meet

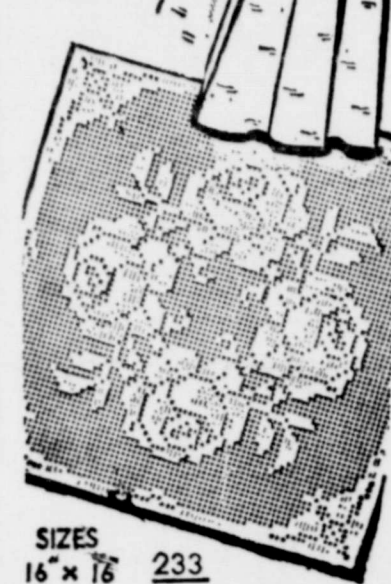
Nine girls with their advisor, Mrs. W. T. Sadler, represented Merkel High School at the Regional Meet of the Future Nurse's Clubs in Abilene on Feb. 22.

Girls attending were Patsy Herling, Shirley Carey, Annette Boney, Donna Scott, Carolyn Windham, Beth Doan, Venita McLean, Sandra Merritt and Marie Schultz.

The day began with a tour of Abilene High School at 9:30 a.m. Tours were also made of Dyess Air Force Base Hospital, West Texas Rehabilitation Center, St. Ann Hospital and Hendrick Memorial Hospital.

Sack lunches were eaten at the high school at noon. After lunch a panel discussion on the different phases of nursing was heard by the group.

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Mrs. Lynn Knight Begins New Study For Service Guild

Mrs. Lynn Knight gave the program when the Wesleyan Service Guild of the First Methodist Church met in the Chapel on Monday evening, March 10, with 11 present.

Mrs. Knight, study leader, covered the first six chapters of "The Bible study of 'The Gospel According to St. Mark'."

Miss Betty Tittle brought the devotional on the "Parables of Jesus" found in these chapters, and Mrs. Don Dudley said the opening prayer.

The hymn "Footsteps of Jesus" was sung by the group.

Mrs. Johanie Cox, president, was in charge of the business session at which time several projects were suggested for the Guild to carry out.

Members voted to remember Miss Naomi Hare, who has been assigned to the local guild as its Conference Daughter, and is a missionary in Mexico, at Easter and on her birthday, which is in April. They also voted to send a gift of money to a student from Japan who is in the States to further her education.

Mrs. L. M. Touchstone gave the closing prayer.

The next meeting will be held on Monday evening, March 24, at which time Mrs. Knight will continue the study on Mark.

Mrs. Jack W. Lewis of Odessa and Mrs. Lewis Borders of Dallas

have been the house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Patterson. Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Moore and daughters, Pat and Gloria, spent the weekend in Odessa with their daughter and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Greenfield, Jr.

Laugh Fiesta To Be Staged By Lions Club

Merkel Lions Club members are receiving novel invitations to a Ladies' Night to be held on March 27 at the School Cafeteria.

Stellar attraction is an altogether-different entertainment, a humor packed "Laugh Fiesta." Program Chairman promises something doing every minute, leading up to feature acts that will score new highs in fun-making.

Prince Nur-Al-Din, Oriental Mystic, with powers of diving the future, is the guest of honor. Members and their wives will be permitted to lift the curtain to see what the tomorrows have in store for them. Eight novelty acts and features will display the well known comic talents of the membership in a wide variety of surprise events.

President Herman Carson of the Merkel Lions Club issues a friendly warning to all members not to miss this funfest, or there will be war when the mischievous members tell what a frolicsome evening every one had.

Mrs. Lige Harris Hosts SS Class

The Dorcas Class of the First Baptist Church met in the home of Mrs. Lige Harris on March 6. Mrs. J. O. Castles presided in the absence of the president, Mrs. Josie Shanks. Mrs. Castles also brought the devotional by quoting several Psalms from memory. The 15 members present answered roll call with a scripture verse.

Ice cream and cake was served to the following: Mmes. Helen Boney, J. J. McNiece, W. A. McCandess, P. F. Harris, W. C. Burleson, Ema Wheelley, Ada Higgins, J. O. Castles, Sam Swann, O. B. Boden, R. H. Mathews, C. P. Stevens, E. M. McDonald and Daisy Dwiggins.

Malone Receives Science Honor

Marklin Malone, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Malone, former residents of Merkel who now make their home in Eunice, New Mexico, was the winner in the Elementary division of a district science fair held at Jal, New Mexico on March 8, 1958.

Marklin's exhibit was a model of the sun and it's planets. The sun and planets were made of clay and arranged to show the distance of each of the planets from the sun and the size of each in comparison with the others.

Other winners in the division were James Grayson and Judy Flower both of Eunice.

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"I REMEMBER"

BY THE OLD TIMERS

From Mrs. Ina B. Smith, Smithsburg, W. Va.: I remember when I was four years old I lived close to a railroad and went to visit my grandmother who lived in the country 30 or more miles away.

I went the first 16 miles, perhaps, on the train and the rest of the way in the mailman's horse and buggy. When I got there, my Grandmother told me we were going somewhere. She had baked lots of cats, which she packed into a lunch and we were off. We got there at 11 o'clock and oh! there were so many wagons, bugles, carts, and people riding horseback and walking.

After dinner they told us to go up the hill. We went up the path and found a beautiful, level grave. They had made benches out of trees and there was a big stump for the preacher's bible. The preachers (there were four of them, my grandfather being one) began to preach, one at a time, and it did not take me long to see that this was a funeral sermon.

I whispered to my grandmother, "Where is the man?" She said, "Be still, child, he's been dead for one year." She had not explained before as to the meeting.

I am 69 now and times have changed.

(Send contributions to this column to The Old Timer, Community Press Service, Box 29, Frankfort, Kentucky.)

Joe E. Lassiter Files For Trustee

I wish to formally announce my candidacy for the office of School Trustee of the Merkel Independent School District, and for a place on the ballot to be voted on April 5, 1958.

I would like to submit to you the following aspects of my civic, educational and personal background. As most of you know I was born just north of the present city limits of Merkel, some 41 years ago. I am married and have two daughters, one who will be in her third year of school starting in September and one which will begin school in September. My educational background includes a B. A. degree in Government from the University of Texas, one and one-half years of Law at the University of Texas, a post graduate course in accounting and a Military Service School course in the administration of Military Information and Education courses through the facilities of the United States Armed Forces Institute. I have a Reserve Commission in the rank of Major in the Infantry

with 17 years service. As Scoutmaster of Troop No. 20, sponsored by the Merkel Lions Club, I come in personal contact with many problems of the youth of the community. I have been a member of the Baptist Church since I was nine years old.

The following statement of principles and platform is made for the consideration of the people of the Merkel School District. I think that the responsibilities of a School Trustee are three fold: First he owes allegiance to the school faculty by giving them unqualified support in the execution of their duties. We parents look to the teacher-faculty to teach and train our children in the arts and sciences of education that will equip them with the necessary tools for making a living. The intent of education however, goes much deeper. There must be instilled into every child the importance of his role as a good citizen. The recognition of the importance of the individual is a great factor in establishing mutual respect among people. The respect of person is the one greatest factor that has made this Nation great and free. Take away the importance of the individual and the

very foundation of Democracy will be destroyed. If our teachers are to produce according to our expectations, they must have a sense of importance and the unqualified support of every parent. This support should, I think, extend especially to the delegation of authority to discipline students where discipline is necessary to maintain order and scholastic conduct. Where there is good discipline there is good morale, be it in an individual, an army, a home, a school room or an entire community.

Our schools, however, should not be regarded as disciplinary barracks for our children. The basic principles of discipline must begin and continuously be maintained in the home. Schools and class periods, of necessity, should be utilized fully in the teaching of the scheduled subject. We all come to appreciate, as we grow older, the importance of the need for the things we should have learned YESTERDAY.

A trustee then owes an allegiance to the student. Every student should be given the maximum opportunity to get the best course of study that is possible for a school to provide. No half way measures in so far as courses taught or persons who teach them should be tolerated. All courses must have a predestined

goal to achieve and some useful thing or lesson to reveal. Systematic daily achievements must be planned and assigned each student in order to give him a sense of accomplishment. Any thing short of the maximum utilization of the text material provided, is an injustice to the student and a flagrant, criminal waste of time and money, neither of which can be recaptured. The school trustees owe to the students such academic support.

The community, its financial status, and its educational needs must be given consideration by the school trustees. In short, consider the taxpayer. Authorization for expenditures must be made only after an analysis of the basic need has been made in light of the existing facilities. Maximum use of all properties and classroom space must be planned so as to return to the community a person who will make an honorable and useful citizen. As a property owner I pledge to help keep the school tax rate as low as possible without sacrificing a high standard of education.

Your vote and influence will be greatly appreciated.

Adv.

Miss Sara Hunter of Denver City was a weekend visitor with her grandmother and sister, Mrs. Gertrude Pee, Mrs. Ina Hunter and Sandra Hunter.



HITS FRENCH . . . Tunisia's Pres. Habib Bourguiba proclaims blockade of French naval base at Bizerta and demands withdrawal of French troops from Tunisia

Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Collins of Lubbock were visitors here this weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Pinkley and with Mr. Collins' sister, Miss Mary Collins.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. McGuire and daughters of Corpus Christi spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Fulton.

Noodle To Compete In Play Contest

The Noodle School will present "The Blue Tea Pot" in district competition at Lueders, Friday night, March 14, under the direction of Mrs. Raymona Pennington, high school English teacher.

Characters are: Shirley Clift, Dolores Hunter, Tommy Hogan, and Roy Justice. Assisting as stage helpers are: Edwin Dixon and Kenneth Vancil, make-up crew are: Nancy Hunter, Jane Clift and Nancy Campbell.

Other schools competing are: Hawley, Avoca, Jim Ned, Trent, and Lueders.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Campbell and children of Haskell are here for an indefinite visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hamp Campbell and Mrs. Carry Washburn.

Mrs. Tom Largent, Mrs. Denzel Cox and Mrs. Hallie Burden visited Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Guthrie and Mary Lynne, and Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Guthrie and two children of Big Spring Saturday.

"When the soil moves, people move. When the soil fails, life fails." — Robert Flaherty, in Scenario for "THE LAND".



TOP DOG . . . Ch. Puttemcove Promise, standard poodle owned by George Putnam of Boston, was chosen best-in-show at Westminster Kennel Club show in New York.

Rev. James Ray Garrett of Washington, D. C. and E. Doyle Garrett of Waco were guests in the homes of their sisters, Mrs. R. J. Miller and Mrs. H. B. Robertson, over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley King had as weekend guests their son, W. J. of Abilene and Mr. King's brother, Mr. and Mrs. Shirley King of Ysleta.

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NOTICE MASONS

Stated meeting of Merkel Lodge No. 710, A.F. & A. M. Thursday, Mar. 13, 7:30 p.m. All members are urged to attend. Visiting brethren cordially invited.

T. J. Bird Sr., W. M.
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FOR SALE—24, 26 and 28-inch International Disc plow blades 28-inch, \$12; 26-inch, \$11; 24-inch, \$10.

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FOR SALE—Sandusky estate property, 476 acres 6 miles southwest Merkel, 376 acres in cultivation, 178 acres 6 miles north Merkel in Jones Co. all in cultivation — by royalty goes with land, not leased for oil. House and 2 lots in Merkel 2 blocks from school. Contact J. D. Sandusky, Phone 9014 R1. 50-4tc

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FOR SALE—1951 Pontiac. See Mrs. Ira Moore, 411 Yucca, Tel 160-w. 51-3tp

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

(The Merkel Mail is authorized to make the following announcements of candidates, subject to the action of the Democratic party primary, July 26.)

County School Superintendent
Oliver Pierce (re-election)

Legal Notice

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF TEXAS

In the matter of proceedings by the State of Texas for the condemnation of certain property of Harry J. W. Niehaus, if deceased, the heirs and unknown heirs of Harry J. W. Niehaus.

TO: The State of Texas, petitioner, and to Harry J. W. Niehaus, if deceased, the heirs and unknown heirs of Harry J. W. Niehaus, owner.

You are hereby notified that on the 11th day of April, 1958, at 10:00 o'clock A. M. and at the County Court House, in Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, the undersigned Special Commissioners appointed by the Judge of the County Court at Law of said County to assess the damages occasioned by the condemnation of the following described property lying and being situated in Taylor County, Texas, to-wit:

Being a strip of land containing approximately 5.5 Square Feet more or less out of Lot No. 7, Block No. 111 of the Town of Ovalo in Taylor County, Texas, as:

for the purpose of constructing and laying out and reconstructing a Highway designated as Highway FM 382, all of which more fully appears in a certain written statement filed by the said State of Texas with said Judge on the 14th day of February, 1958, to which reference is here made, having heretofore duly selected such time and place for hearing as required by law, will proceed to hear said parties and to act thereon in the manner directed by law.

Witness our hands this 20th day of February, A. D. 1958.
J. A. Millerman, Jimmy Partin, Clay Reeves, Special Commissioners. 50 - 51 - 52 - 1

LEGAL NOTICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF TAYLOR

In the matter of proceedings by the State of Texas for the condemnation of certain property of Della McLean Patterson, a widow, if deceased, the heirs and unknown heirs of Della McLean Patterson, A widow.

TO: The State of Texas, petitioner, and to Della McLean Patterson, A widow, if deceased, the heirs and unknown heirs of Della McLean Patterson, a widow, owner.

You hereby notified that on

the 11th day of April, 1958, at 10:00 o'clock A. M. and at the County Court House, in Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, the undersigned Special Commission appointed by the Judge of the County Court at Law of said County to assess the damages occasioned by the condemnation of the following described property lying and behind situated in Taylor County, Texas, to-wit:

Being a tract or parcel of land in two (2) parts together with two (2) channel Easements and containing 7.595 acres more or less out of the West Side of the defendant's property in Section 73, Block 19, Texas and Pacific Railroad Company Survey, Taylor County, Texas.

for the purpose of constructing and laying out and reconstructing a Highway designated as Highway FM 1085, all of which more fully appears in a certain written statement filed by the said State of Texas with said Judge on the 14th day of February, 1958, to which reference is here made, having heretofore duly selected such time and place for hearing as required by law, will proceed to hear said parties and said written statement and to act thereon in the manner directed by law.

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LEGAL NOTICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF TAYLOR

In the matter of proceedings by the state of Texas for the condemnation of certain property of I. A. Moorehead, if deceased, the heirs and unknown heirs of I. A. Moorehead.

TO: The State of Texas, petitioner, and to I. A. Moorehead, if deceased, the heirs and unknown heirs of I. A. Moorehead, owner.

You are notified that on the 11th day of April, 1958, at 10:00 o'clock A. M. and at the County Court House, in Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, the undersigned Special Commissioners appointed by the Judge of the County Court at Law of said County to assess the damages occasioned by the condemnation of the following property lying and being situated in Taylor County, Texas, to-wit:

Being a strip and parcel of land containing 0.072 acres more or less out of Lots 12 and 11 of Block 4 of the Bald Eagle Addition to the Town of Ovalo in Taylor County, Texas.

for the purpose of constructing and laying out and reconstructing a Highway designated as Highway FM 382, all of which more fully appears in a certain written statement filed by the said State of Texas with said Judge on the 14th day of February, 1958, to which reference is here made having heretofore duly selected such time and place for hearing as required by

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The Hog Business

Mr. Secretary of the Agriculture Washington, D. C.

I write you about not raising hogs. I don't understand about this soil bank business, but my cousin John over the ridge just got a check from the government for \$1000 for not raising hogs this year. I want to go into the not

rain hog business. What I want is your opinion about what is the best kind of hogs not to raise. I would rather not raise razor backs but if I have to not raise bershires or durocs, O. K.

I ain't much bookkeeper and my biggest job is gonna be to keep an inventory on how many hogs I ain't raised. My cousin is shore happy about the futur of this business. He's been raising hogs for 20 years and the best he ever made was \$400 in a year til this year when he got \$1000 for not raising hogs.

I calculate as how I will start on a small scale at first, say about 4,000 hogs, which means \$80,000. That sounded funny at first, but I know you folks don't count nuttin nowadays under a billion. Another thing. These hogs I ain't gonna raise

won't ear 100,000 bushels of corn and I understand you pay for that too, so will you pay me any thing for the 100,000 of corn for the hogs I ain't raising? I want to get started soon as possible and your quick answer will shore

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This Week's Recipe

Chocolate Marlow (Serves 6)

1/4 pound marshmallows
1/2 cup evaporated milk
1/2 cup semi-sweet chocolate bits
1/2 teaspoon vanilla
1/2 cup graham cracker crumbs
1/2 cup evaporated milk, chilled until icy

Melt marshmallows in 1/2 cup evaporated milk over hot water. Remove from heat and blend in chocolate bits. Stir in vanilla and cool. Line bottom of freezing tray with half of crumbs. Whipped chilled evaporated milk until stiff. Fold in cooled chocolate mixture. Pour into freezing tray, sprinkle with remaining crumbs and freeze immediately.

milk for calorie watchers. Green beans are delectable if you saute some onion in butter and then add some soured cream to them before pouring over the vegetable.

Stuff a boned shoulder of pork with bread and raisin dressing which has a pinch of poultry seasoning. It's inexpensive and delicious to eat.

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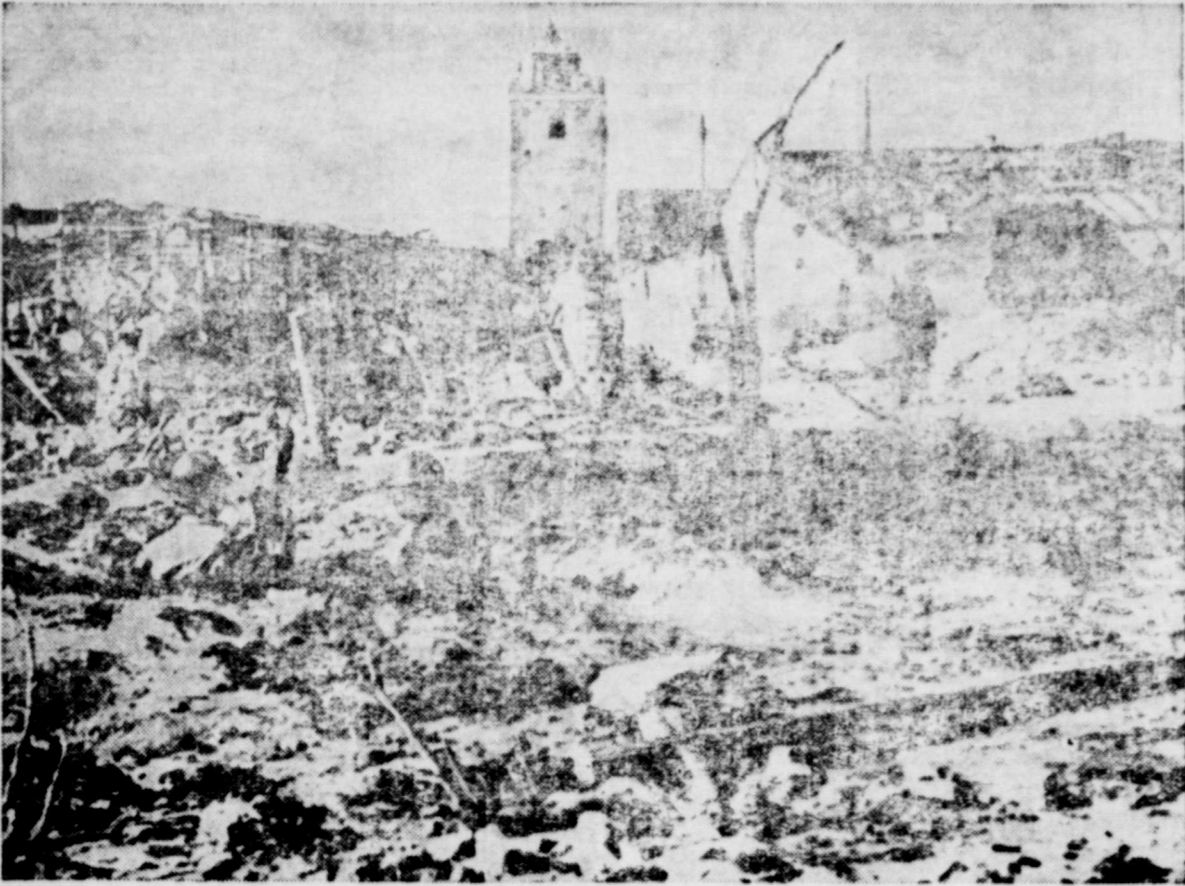
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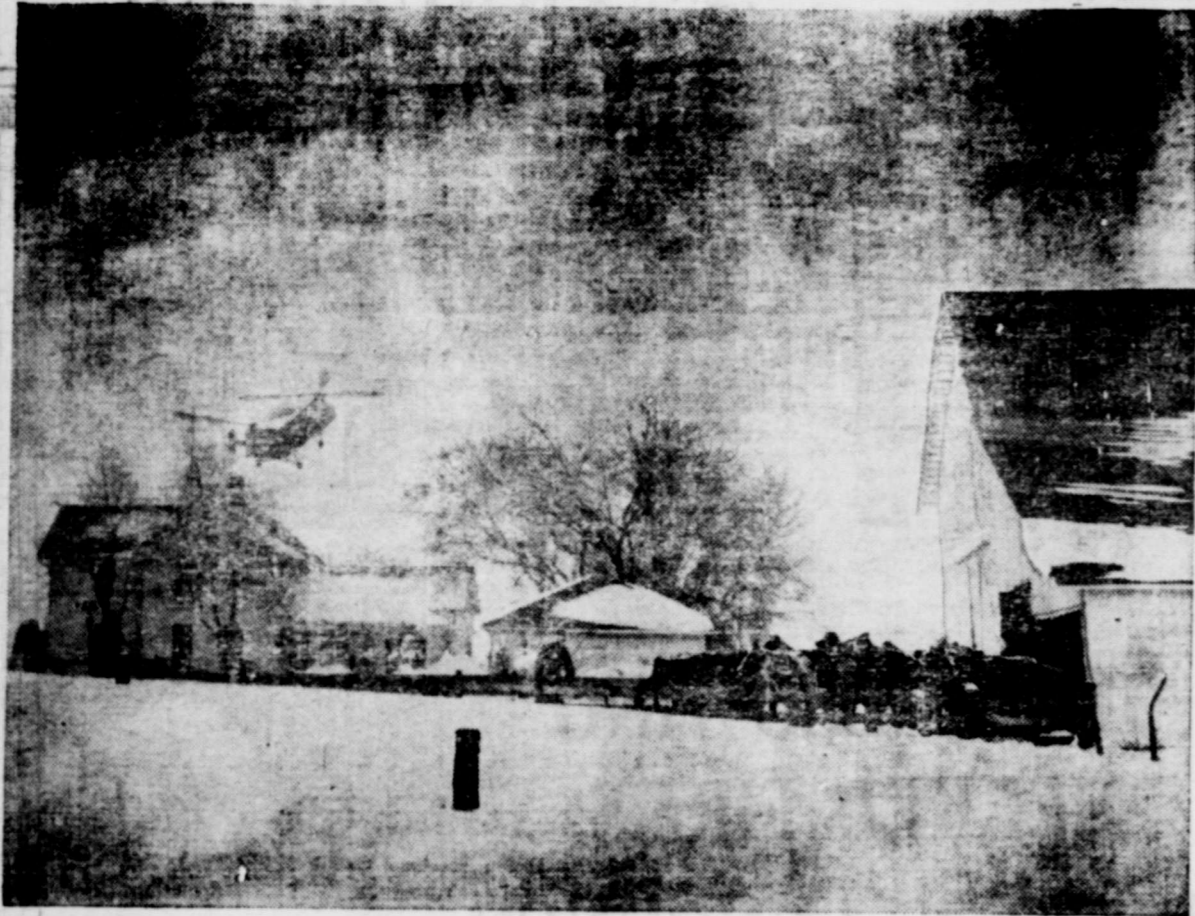
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Dairy and poultry market news department of Agriculture office coming out of Texas will be which opened March 1 in Kansas strengthened by a new U. S. De-sas City.



BOMBED TUNIS . . . Tunisian troops man machine gun posts in village of Sakiet Sidi Yussef where 75 civilians were killed in bombing attack by French planes



SNOWBOUND . . . Army helicopters bring relief to hundreds of northern Indiana farm families isolated by heavy snows. Food and medical supplies were flown in and many persons were carried to relief stations. This scene is near Westville, Indiana.

weeks of experience at the Beecher cottage Miss McAninch will return to the campus. On Wednesday of next week, March 9, a rabbit drive will be staged at Noodle and every body is invited to come and take part.

Waldo Cox is in charge of arrangements. Residents of Merkel and this section awake Monday morning to find the ground blanketed with a four inch snow, heaviest in this area for several years.

MERKEL 40 YEARS AGO

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Compton, Lucile, Christene Russell and Phala Diltz were at Hastings, Oklahoma last week visiting Mr. and Mrs. Philip Diltz and Jesse and Delma Compton.

G. J. Jones and daughter, Miss Ruby, visited his son, Choc, at Camp Travis, leaving Friday and returning Monday.

Dr. Miller has returned after a leave of absence for several months. He has been attending hospital clinics and doing special practice.

In Merkel school there is an enrollment of 654, and they own 1,623 thrift stamps. Of the total enrollment, 508 agree to plant or work in a war garden. Some of the older citizens might take a lesson from the school children.

Misses Agnes Lassiter and Edith Brown, who are attending college in Abilene, were visitors in Merkel this week.

The boy scouts of Merkel are perfecting organization. This is mighty fine for the boys and every good, moral upright boy ought to be a member. They expect to perfect organization the coming week with fully 50 or 100 members.

Misses Ruby Campbell, Irene Swann, Emma Houston, Ollie Teaff, and Annie Lee Smith and Messrs. Holland and Nim Teaff motored to Abilene last Thursday evening to witness the Simmons-Baylor Basketball game.

Texas' 111,500 4-H club members have passed the midway point in their observation of 4-H Club Week. This year they have given a special salute to their parents. Boys and girls interested in becoming 4-H members should check with a member, leader or county extension agent for details on how they may enroll.

Abilene Livestock Auction Comm.

SALES EACH TUESDAY & THURSDAY
Hog Sale — 10:00 a.m. — Cattle Sale 11:00 a.m.
East End North 7th — Abilene — Phone OR. 3-7865
References: Citizens National Bank
First National Bank
F&M National Bank, Merkel, Texas
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MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

George S. Berry, 71, who was engaged in the banking business here at the turn of the century, died Sunday afternoon at his home at Tulsa, Oklahoma. He had been active in real estate there since 1921 until ill health forced him to retire six years ago. Mr. Berry's wife is the sister of R. C. Anderson and Nat Anderson of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Lesley Beasley of Trent are announcing the birth of a daughter named Theresa Kay on Thursday, Feb. 24. They are parents of another daughter, Patricia Ann, age 4.

Mrs. Earl Strawn and Mrs. John Strawn were hostess to women of the Methodist auxiliary of Trent Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Alsie Carlson, study group

leader, led in a brief resume on the book, "Radiant Heart." Following this the group engaged in a social hour in which a patriotic theme was used for games and contests.

Practical experience in home-making and home demonstration work will be obtained by Miss Aline McAninch of Merkel through her work this semester at Texas State College for Women in Denton. She has moved into a training cottage at Pilot Point along with six other senior home economic majors. After six

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AND A LITTLE CHILD

By Gertrude Pierson

ALTHOUGH it rained all night, by noon the sun had warmed and dried the city. He could go to the park. Sam Burns thought, tucking his newspaper and checker board under his arm. He hoped Joe's rheumatism wouldn't keep him in. Sam felt like a rousing checker game.

As Sam closed his apartment door the one across the hall opened. The new tenant stepped out. Smiling uncertainly she said, "Mr. Burns, I hate to bother you—but could I ask a favor of you?"

"Of course, Mrs. Saunders." Sam answered politely.

"Could you take my daughter with you to the park? She has been ill and the sun would do wonders for her. Mrs. Penders looks after her while I'm at work, but can't ask her to take Alice out—" She paused. "I thought since you went to the park every day—"

"Well—" Sam was hooked and knew it. "All right, I'll take her. She can play by herself, I suppose?"

"Oh yes, she'd be happy just to sit in the sunshine, Mr. Burns, and thank you so much." Turning she called, "Alice, Mr. Burns is taking you to the park."

Mrs. Saunders carefully placed the small hand in Sam's. "Mr. Burns will lead you, dear. Now do as he tells you and don't be any trouble, will you?"

"No, Mama." The child answered without turning her head.

Consternation filled Sam. The poor little mite! Those big soft eyes were sightless. Sam wanted to pick her up and carry her, but his instinctive kindness told him that would be a mistake. So he shortened his stride to match hers and keeping a firm grip on her hand led her to the park.

All day Sam stayed as far as possible from the statue of Washington and his favorite bench. He

was in no mood to listen to Joe's caustic comments about "baby sitting at your age." He and Alice walked around, getting acquainted then sat awhile, then walked some more.

After that it seemed taken for granted that Sam would take Alice with him to the park. And so it went until Saturday when Mrs. Saunders was free to take Alice out herself.

Sam hurried to his bench and Joe, like a boy let out of school. He had all afternoon to loaf, read his paper, play checkers, feed the pigeons, and gab about the good old days.

Joe sat dozing in the sun when Sam came up, Sam shook him. "Hey you! What's the matter? Sit-tin' here sleepin' like an old man." Joe jerked bolt upright, clicked his store teeth and blinked. "Who's an old man? Ain't but seventy 'n that's younger'n you. Where you been all week?"

Sam chuckled. "Maybe I am in love. She's only five—but she's been teaching me to see—you see."

"No, I don't see. What'n tar-nation do you mean? Teaching you to see? You see all right, don't even wear bifocals. Whatever you're talking about?"

Sam told him about Alice. "I was with the little one all week—telling her about everything. She asked how big everything was, how high, how wide and all that—but especially what color."

Sam sighed. "It's funny, Joe, I never looked at things properly before, so never really saw them. Never knew there were so many kinds of green in trees and grass; never knew flowers came in so many colors; that people had so many different kinds of faces; that some things looked hard, some soft, some warm, some cold. No Joe, I never learned to see until last week."

Points Cleared In New Egg Law

The Texas Egg Law has been in effect since February 17th and already the Texas Department of Agriculture is being flooded with questions concerning its various points.

Greatest concern seems to be whether ungraded eggs can now be sold in the state. Yes! Ungraded eggs can still be sold, but they must be marked clearly "Ungraded" on the package or carton.

Just because eggs have not been graded, it does not mean that the eggs are of poor quality. On the contrary, a display of ungraded eggs may contain a mixture of all egg grades. However, the eggs must be of edible quality or they cannot be offered for sale.

Another point causing some confusion is the fact that certain descriptive terms cannot be printed on egg cartons or used in advertising.

Any eggs below the quality of Grade A must not be labeled as "FRESH," "SELECTED," "HENNERY," "NEWLaid," "INFERTILE," "CAGE," or other words of similar import. These terms are confusing and sometimes mislead the consumer on eggs of lower quality. Unless some bans were placed on descriptive phrases for eggs under Grade A, then "Fancy Phrases" might be used to camouflage the true condition or quality of the product.

And finally, retail egg sellers do not have to renew their license from the Texas Department of Agriculture each year. The Retailer's license is good indefinitely until it is recalled, cancelled or revoked.

For other segments of the industry however, licenses run only from Sept. 1 through Aug. 31 of the following year. These required to have a license include: Dealers, wholesalers, processors and brokers.

Mrs. Doyle Blair and son, Robert, of Santa Rosa, California, have been here visiting their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Mathews Sr. Mrs. Blair will visit with relatives on the Plains before returning home and Robert goes to Florida to enter spring training with the San Francisco Giants.

Ralph Bartlett Named To Frat

DENTON, Ralph Edwin Bartlett of Merkel has been named a member of Gamma Theta Upsilon, national geography fraternity at North Texas State College.

Bartlett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bartlett, 102 Lamar, is a senior education major, and is a member of Phi Delta Kappa, national professional education fraternity. He is also a member of Young Republicans.

P-TA To Meet Thursday Night

Billy Ray Nail will be the main speaker for the Merkel P-TA meeting in the high school auditorium at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, March 13.

Mr. Nail, high school teacher, will speak on "Banishing The Word Delinquent."

Seventh grade students taught by Mrs. McLeod, Mrs. Shouse and Mrs. Shuey, will present a program.

A fellowship hour will be held following the meeting. Teachers and room mothers of the seventh grade will serve refreshments.

Swingsters Attend Music Festival

The Merkel Swingsters and their director, W. G. Reed, attended the annual Jazz Band festival which was held in Brownwood, Friday and Saturday, March 7-8.

Following is a list of 13 members who compose this musical group: Marie Foster, Janice Windham, Linda Winter, Don Wilson, Cynthia Newburn, Bobby Malone, Bitsy West, Dickie Dannheim, Kay Chaney, Suzy Bird, Linda Leach, Manley Denton and Lester Dorton.

Playing catch up may lead to disaster. Farmers over Texas will take to the fields with a rush once conditions become favorable. The Texas Farm and Ranch Safety Council passes on this word of warning: "Don't try to cram more hours into a day by over-taxing your physical capacity. Many fatal farm accidents are caused by fatigue which dulls the reflexes and leads to the taking of chances that could mean serious trouble. Don't throw aside safety for haste. The life you save may be your own."



RETURN TO BERLIN . . . Mrs. Marta Schulz (center), son-in-law Hans Kuhl and daughter Gerda were among group of German scientists freed by Russia after 12 year servitude.

located in these counties:
EAST TEXAS: Cass; Franklin; Nacogdoches, 2; and Upshur.
NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS: Bosque; Brown, 2; Coleman; Comanche; Eastland; and McCulloch.
SOUTH CENTRAL AND SOUTHWEST TEXAS: Bastrop; Bexar, 10; DeWitt; Dimmi, 3; Maverick, 6; Medina, 3; Wilson, 3; and Zavala, 31.
VALLEY: Cameron and Hidalgo, 2.
WEST TEXAS: Culberson; and Pecos, 2.
PANHANDLE: Deaf Smith.
Requests for information about the sale may be addressed to Commissioner Allcorn at the General Land Office in Austin, Driskill says.



FIDDLER . . . Yehudi Menuhin balances violin case on head as he and wife board ship at New York enroute to Swiss home for rest before concert tour.

Vet Land Tracts To Be Sold Mar. 31

AUSTIN, Feb. 28 — Seventy-seven tracts of forfeited land in 23 Texas counties will be offered for sale by the Veteran's Land Board on March 31.

The forfeited tracts are located in every part of the state, says Frank Driskill, administrative assistant to Land Commissioner

Bill Allcorn. Meanwhile, the Veteran's Land Program is continuing at top speed, Driskill says, 2,750 application forms have been mailed since the Board sold \$12.5 million worth of bonds on December 16. About 55 application forms are mailed every day to veterans in the waiting list, Driskill points out. The Board reached application number 8,750 today. Tracts of forfeited land to be offered in the March 31 sale are

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- Colorado's state flower is (a) Golden Poppy; (b) Mountain Laurel; (c) Columbine.
- The Panama Canal is (a) 30 miles long; (b) 60 miles long; (c) 50 miles long.

ANSWERS
1. (b) Haiti
2. (b) Mountain Laurel
3. (c) 50 miles long

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Fred Boen, Pastor
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Noodle Baptist Church
John Hamilton, Pastor

Sunday —
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Training Union 6:30 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:15 p.m.
Monday —
W.M.U. 2:30 p.m.
Wednesday —
Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

Noodle Church of Christ
Paul Forshey, Minister

Sunday —
Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday —
Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

Merkel Grace Presbyterian
Ben Neill, Pastor

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

Merkel Assembly of God
William S. Agnew, Pastor

Sunday —
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Service 11:00 a.m.
Booster Band 6:30 p.m.
Evening Service 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.
W.M.C. Thursday 2:00 p.m.

Tye Methodist Church
Jarrell Tharp, Pastor

Sunday —
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Church Service 11:00 a.m.
Evening Fellowship 7:00 p.m.
M.Y.F. 7:00 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.

Tye Baptist Church
Rev. Armstrong, Pastor

Sunday —
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Church 11:00 a.m.
Training Union 6:45 p.m.
Evening Worship 8:00 p.m.
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Merkel Methodist Church
Cloy Lyle, Pastor

Sunday —
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Service 10:55 a.m.
M.Y.F. 6:30 p.m.
Evening Service 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday —
Choir Rehearsal 7:30 p.m.

Pioneer Memorial Chapel
Elmer Ward, Pastor

Sunday —
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Service 11:00 a.m.
Jr., Sr. Young People 7:00 p.m.

W.S.C.S. 7:00 p.m.
Evening Service 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday —
Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

Our Mother of Mercy Catholic Church
Scuth 5th and Trundy
Palletine Fathers
Thomas Leahy, SCA, Pastor
Patrick Wheelan, SCA

Sunday —
Confessions 10:00 a.m.
Mass 10:30 a.m.
Tuesday —
Legion of Mary 8:00 p.m.

Merkel Church of Christ
Bob Cannon, Minister

Sunday —
Bible Study 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.
Evening Classes 6:00 p.m.
(Classes for all ages)
Evening Service 7:00 p.m.

Trent Church of Christ
Lowell Williams, Minister

Sunday —
Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
Regular Worship 11:00 a.m.
Night Service 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday —
Midweek Service 7:00 p.m.

Trent Methodist Church
Carl Nunn, Pastor

Sunday —
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Service 11:00 a.m.
M.Y.F. 6:30 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.

Compere Baptist Church
Ross Merritt, Pastor

Sunday —
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
M.Y.F. 6:30 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday —
W.S.C.S. 2:00 p.m.
Wednesday —
Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

Merkel First Baptist Church
C. G. Sewell, Pastor

Sunday —
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Training Union 6:30 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday —
W.M.U. 9:30 a.m.
Wednesday —
Prayer Service 7:30 p.m.

Merkel Calvary Baptist Church
Wayne Davis, Pastor

Sunday —
Radio Program, KXOX 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Service 11:00 a.m.
Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.

Trent First Baptist Church
A. H. Williams, Pastor

Sunday —
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Preaching Service 11:00 a.m.

Training Union 6:30 p.m.
Evening Service 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday —
W.M.U. 2:30 p.m.
Wednesday —
YWA 6:00 p.m.
GA 6:00 p.m.
Primary Sunbeams 6:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

New Live Oak Baptist Church
Wayne Pemberton, Pastor

Sunday —
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Training Union 6:30 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday —
Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

Hebron Baptist Church
Glenn Ferguson, Pastor

Sunday —
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Training Union 6:30 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.



Rev. Robert H. Harper

SILENCE

WE read in Revelation 8:1 that, that when the seventh seal was opened "there was silence in heaven about the space of half an hour." Thus silence is of such importance that when the inspired seer looked off from Patmos to the glories of the new Jerusalem, he recorded that there was once a half-hour's silence in heaven. Some years ago, a gentleman lent me a small book that contained a long poem about Silence. The name of the kind gentleman and the name of the author have passed from memory. But there was a picture that has remained—that of a towering mountain capped with snow and something about the mountains in silence lifting their summits toward heaven.

In boyhood, I was thrilled by the long, almost silent exhaust of a palatial steamboat on our river and learned to associate great power with the soft purring of mighty engines and the assurance of vast resources in reserve. And we cannot escape the conviction that half an hour of silence in our country might clear the minds of men and bring to their hearts a better understanding of the issues of the time.

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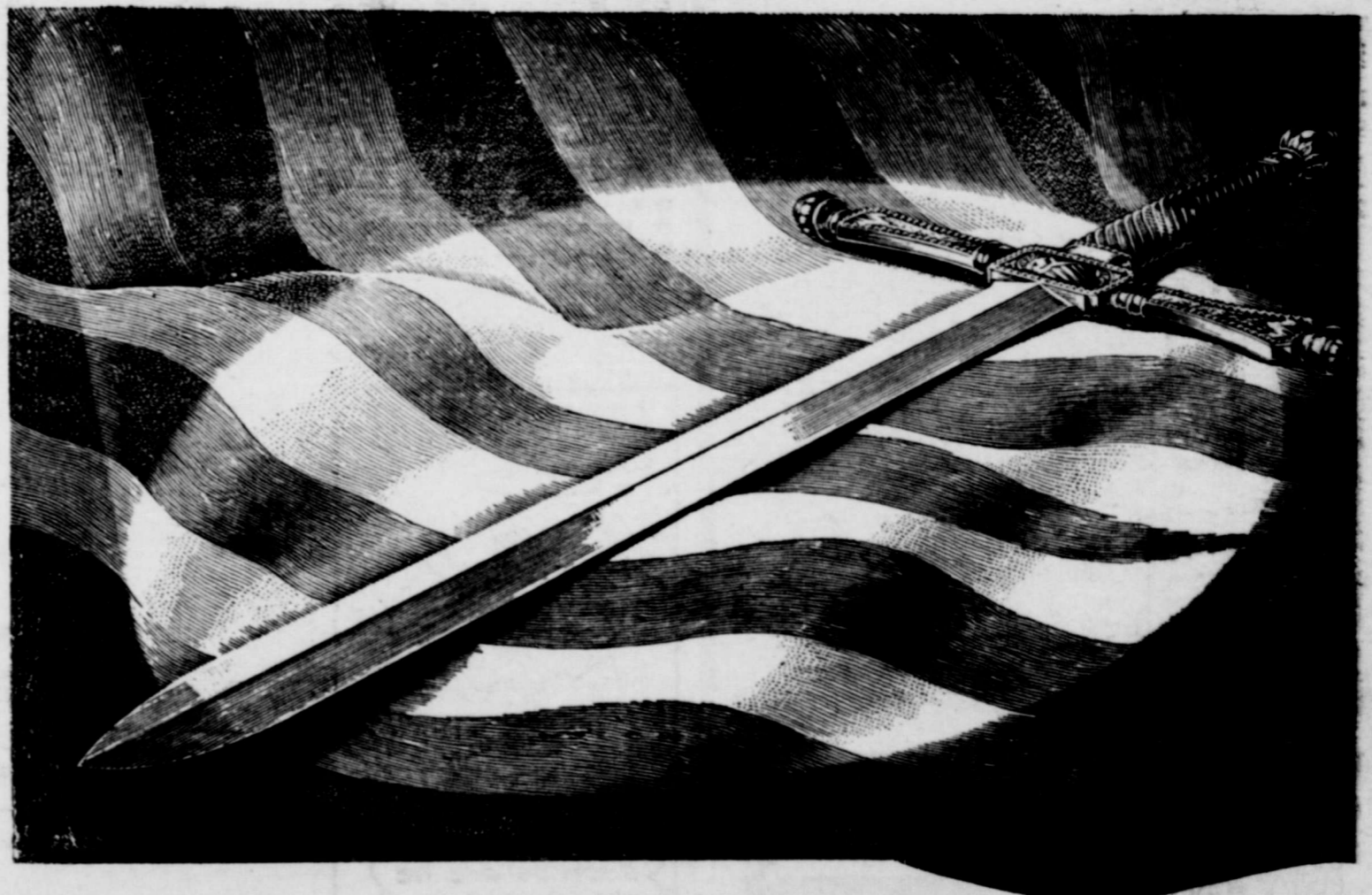
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Beneficiary Should Be Brought Up To Date On GI Insurance Policy

An increasing number of cases are coming to light in which GI life insurance proceeds must be paid to other than the veteran's immediate family because the veteran failed to keep his beneficiary listing up to date.

This was reported today by VA for the benefit of any of the 6,100,000 GI insurance policyholders who should change their beneficiaries in line with recent changes in family status.

Marriages, divorces, births or deaths are the type of changes in family status which may indicate

needed changes in beneficiary listings, VA said.

In many of the recent cases coming to light, the beneficiaries of VA records were the same the veterans had named when they took out their policies years ago, even though they had since married and begotten families, VA said.

VA is required by law to pay GI insurance proceeds to the beneficiary of record, whether or not that beneficiary still is in any way connected with the veteran.

Changes of beneficiaries can be made at any time without notifying the beneficiaries, but they must be made in writing over the policyholder's signature and sent to the VA office servicing the policy, VA said.

These changes cannot be made in a last will or testament, VA added; they must be filed by the policyholder with VA directly to be valid under the law.

Any VA office will be glad to assist GI insurance policyholders in filing beneficiary changes.



SALOME SMILES... Soprano singer Inge Borkh of Mannheim, Germany, makes up in Metropolitan Opera House dressing room for debut as Salome.

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EASY DOES IT
BY HELEN HALE

NOW that asparagus is coming into season, it's easy to tie in a bundle and cook with the tips up in an old coffee pot that's been thoroughly scrubbed out. The steam from the water is enough to cook the tips.

Threads won't become so easily knotted while you're doing hand sewing if you tie each end into a knot instead of just one knot.

If you don't like to wash pans in which meats have been roasted or broiled, line them with aluminum foil which can be discarded when the cooking is finished.

If sliding shelves in refrigerators tend to stick, rub them with a stick of paraffin (the kind used for jars) on the inside channels.

Hand-painted china should not be exposed to the dishwasher or to hot water temperatures or it may fade. Use hand washing and mild, lukewarm water and soap.

Keep your polishing cloths clean. If they are soiled and dark they will cause the wood on which they're used to darken.

Hang scarves over wire hangers, using clothes clamp pins to keep them from sliding off.

Screw small metal cup hooks to the underside of a wooden hanger. It's a neat way to keep belts in an easy-to-find row.

THIS WEEK'S RECIPE
Banana Waldorf Salad
(Serves 4-6)

1 large red apple
1/2 cup celery, diced
1/4 cup salad dressing
2 ripe bananas
1/4 cup pecan halves
Salad greens

Wash apple, remove core and dice, unpeeled. Combine with celery, mayonnaise and bananas, peeled and sliced crosswise about 1/4-inch thick. Make cups of salad greens and fill with salad mixture. Garnish with pecans.

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WORDS ... or Just Being Numb
by Brad Anderson **THOUGHTS**



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Mrs. Chas. Hogsett Gives Program On Art For Sorority

Mrs. Chas. Hogsett presented a program on "Painting" when the Lambda Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met in the home of Mrs. R. E. Dayton Thursday night.

Mrs. Hogsett said that pastels were easy for a beginner to work with. She painted a picture using pastels which was presented to the hostess.

Members of the sorority voted to sponsor two girls in the Abilene State Hospital who have no family. The girls, one sixteen and one eighteen, will be remembered on their birthdays and all special occasions. They will be given shoes or any other clothing they may need. Earlier in the year the sorority took clothes to the State Hospital for children of all ages, sent them house shoes, gave them a Bible with pictures and have donated \$25 in cash to be used as needed.

Dallas Garden Center Flower Show March 15-23

"Texas Under Six Flags" will be the theme of the 1958 Dallas Garden Center Flower Show on March 15-23 in the General Exhibit Building at State Fair Park in Dallas.

Two jeweled pieces will be features of the show. On display will be the \$4½ million Crown of the Andes. Arrangements have been made by Linz of Dallas to show the ecclesiastical crown, termed one of the most beautiful pieces of jewelry ever created. Focal point in one of the elaborate model gardens will be "The Living Flower." Designed by Salvador Dali, it opens and closes like a morning flower to reveal 1,381 diamonds set in gold.

For the first time except during the State Fair in October, the Esplanade of Light will be in full operation. The colored lights on ever-changing water patterns in the 720 foot reflecting pool will run throughout the Flower Show. "Secrets of Holiday Isle" will be title of the enchanted trail, with each room in the winding path depicting a whimsical holiday scene.

A top attraction of the show will be a Camellia Well, designed by Viggo Larsen to give the viewer an illusion of looking into a bottomless well filled with the rose-shaped flowers.

Other features will include a series of model rooms by interior decorators and antique dealers, hanging gardens, table settings, flower arrangements, garden nooks, wall plaques, hanging baskets, strawberry jars and dish gardens.

The 1958 Flower Show will be open from 7 to 10 p. m. Saturday, March 15, and from 11 a. m. to 10 p. m. through Sunday, March 23. Tickets will be \$1 for adults and 25 cents for children. The seventh annual show is being staged by Dallas women in cooperation with the State Fair of Texas.

Trent MFT Hears Panel Discussion

"Good Citizenship" was the subject of the program for the M. F. T. Association of the Trent schools when it met at the school auditorium on Monday evening, March 10.

Mrs. H. M. Claborn is president of the organization and Mrs. G. B. Green is program chairman.

The study was presented in the form of a panel discussion from the standpoint of the church, school and the home. J. G. Wilks acted as panel chairman.

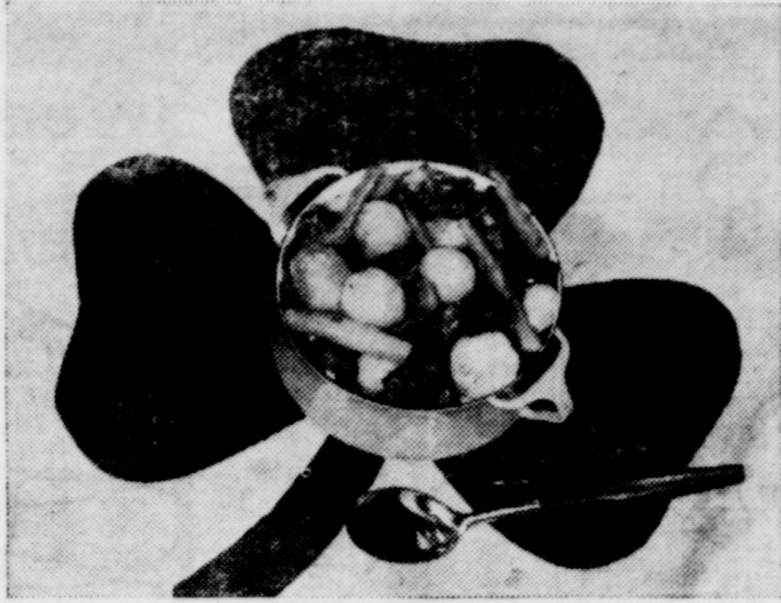
Revs. A. H. Williams, Carl Nunn and Lowell Williams, Trent pastors, represented the churches on the panel; Supt. Fray B. Williams and Mrs. Bailey, the schools and Mrs. Clayborn, Mrs. Mayberry and Sherman Diggers, the home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sledge and son, Jimmie went to Brownwood Sunday to help celebrate with her mother, Mrs. J. H. Lloyd on her 89 birthday, in the home of Mrs. Sledge's sister, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Smith. Eight of Mrs. Lloyd's children and families were present.

A pre-convention meeting of the Mid West Texas Fireman's Association was held in the Fire Station here Sunday afternoon, March 9, for the purpose of planning the spring convention which will be held in Rotan on April 10. Snyder, Rotan, Baird, Albany and Merkel were the towns represented at the meeting.

Randy Hunt of Denver City was a weekend guest of his grandmother, Mrs. Gertrude Pee.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Criswell and children of Plainview were weekend guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Dunningan.



SURE'N THE IRISH HAVE A NAME FOR IT! Irish Stew, Texas-styled, will be served in many homes Monday, March 17 when Texas Irishmen doff their Stetsons to their ancestors on St. Patrick's Day. Served with or without the shamrock place-mat, the Texas Beef Council's stew is hearty, tasty and economical.

Home Demonstration Notes

By LORETA ALLEN

Taylor County Home Demonstration Agent



Blue Bonnet Club met this past week even if the group did have to change and meet with Mrs. Tom Russom instead of Mrs. Frase Demere. It was a bad day, but several of the members made it anyway.

These spring days will really make things grow. I can practically see the things in my garden growing. I'm having carrots now and they are really crisp and sweet. It is a good time to plant carrots, radishes, spinach, beets, and mustard. It's a little late, but I'm planting potatoes this week. Talking about potatoes makes me hungry and reminds me of potato salad. Hot salad is made differently from the familiar cold salad, but is another appetizing way to serve potatoes. Here's a recipe that offers 5 or 6 servings of ½ cup each.

Assemble these ingredients: 3 cups diced raw potatoes; 4 slices bacon; ¼ cup finely chopped onions; 1 tablespoon flour; 1

teaspoon powdered dry mustard; 1 teaspoon salt; 1 tablespoon sugar; ½ cup water; 1 egg, beaten; ¼ cup vinegar. To make: Cook potatoes in a small amount of boiling salted water until tender. Drain. Cook bacon in fry pan until crisp. Remove from pan and chop. Using 2 tablespoons of bacon fat, cook onions until golden brown. Blend flour, mustard, salt and sugar into the fat. Stir in the water and boil for 2 minutes. Add about 2 tablespoons of the hot mixture to the beaten egg, then stir this into the rest of the mixture. Add vinegar and reheat. Pour the hot dressing over the hot diced potatoes. Mix in the chopped bacon. Serve hot.

Bluebonnet HD Club News

The Bluebonnet Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. Tom Russom on March 4 with Mrs. R. E. Clemmer Jr., the vice-president, presiding.

Mrs. Russom offered prayer and Mrs. Joe Seymore led in group singing. Roll call was answered with "How I Would Spend \$100 Foolishly."

Mrs. Seymore gave a council report. Miss Lottie Butman was elected a delegate to the state convention in Austin.

Miss Loretta Allen gave a demonstration on "Planning Your Landscape." "Do not divide your yard into small areas," says Miss Allen. "An unbroken lawn, an area for flowers and a large bed to accommodate most of your shrubs will make for beauty and cut down on labor. Curbs tend to cause work. Keep your lawn level and unbroken."

It was announced that Bryan Bradbury, Abilene Attorney, will be guest speaker in Fellowship hall of the Pioneer Church for a Community-wide program. Mr. Bradbury will speak on "You and Property Laws." The public is invited to attend.

Refreshments were served to five members and Miss Allen.

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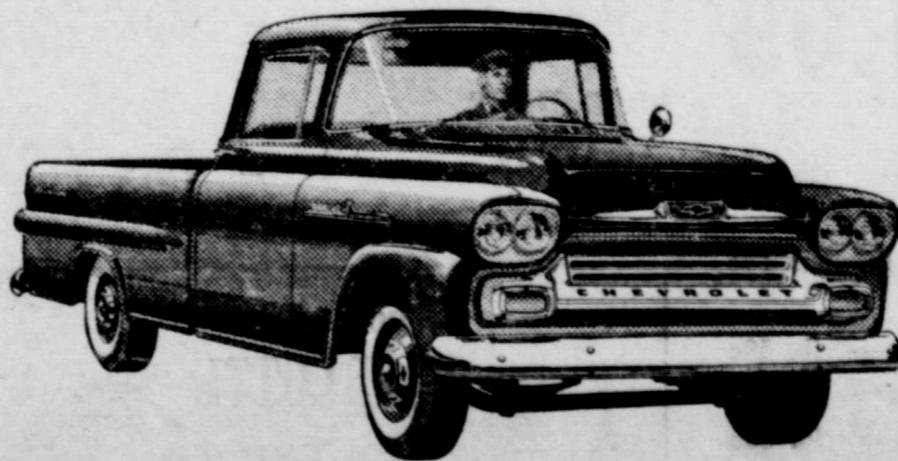
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DEL MONTE Family Style
CORN - - - - - 7 for \$100

DEL MONTE Crushed No. 2
PINEAPPLE - 4 for \$100

DEL MONTE No. 2½
Fruit COCKTAIL 3 for \$100

DIAMOND 46-Oz.
Pineapple JUICE - 4 for \$100

TEX SUN 46-Oz.
Grapefruit JUICE 4 for \$100

DIAMOND Sweet Midget
PICKLES pint - 2 for 63c

EL FOOD Preserves 18-Oz.
STRAWBERRY glass 33c

Garden Fresh VEGETABLES

RUBY RED
GRAPEFRUIT
6 for **39¢**

FRESH CELLO
CARROTS 2 for **15¢**

CALAVO
AVOCADOS - each 10c

Fresh
CELERY - - - - - lb. 10c

Fresh Bag
RADISHES - - - - - 2 for 15c

Fresh
CABBAGE - - - - - lb. 5c

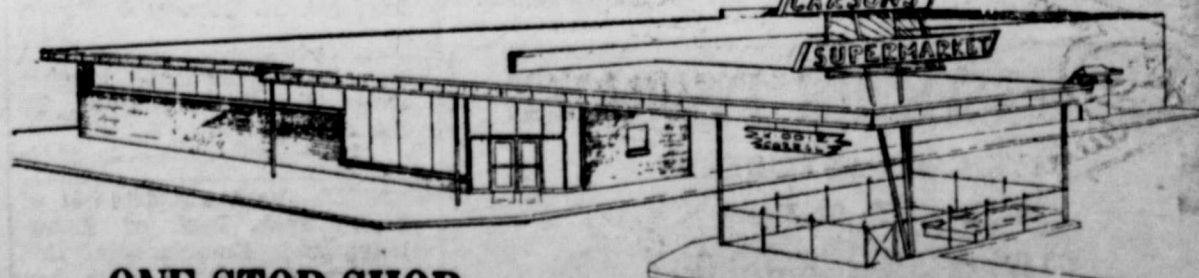
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APPLES - - - - - lb. 10c

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