



# MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

In the homes of J. R. and Earl Baze visitors over the weekend were Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Baze and son Kelly Baze, of Idalou, and their daughter, Miss Mary Jane Baze, student at Lubbock, also Jewel Holt of Lubbock, Skeit Holt of Abilene, Loyd Turner and Cotton Walden of Brownwood, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Callihan, Mrs. Pete Ward and two children of Brady and Mrs. Paul Brewer and Mrs. Gage Sheppard, Ft. Worth.

Jesse M. Reeves of Philadelphia, Pa., is now assisting Irl Walker at the Gulf Service Station. Mr. Reeves is a brother of Mrs. Walker.

The garage at William Sheppard's home was almost completely destroyed by fire early

Thursday morning. The loss included two or three sacks of chicken feed, and about a dozen baby chicks were burned up.

Miss Tilda Ruth of Binghamton, N. Y., and Miss Mary Yeaton of Abilene were dinner guests in the A. J. Cannon home Sunday. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Sam Mashburn and daughter, Miss Mary Helen Mashburn, and Mr. and Mrs. Weldon McAninch and two children.

Miss Margaret Miller, student in North Texas State Teachers College, Denton, spent the spring vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Miller. A friend, J. B. Davidson, also a NTSTA student, visited during the weekend in the Miller home.

# MERKEL 40 YEARS AGO

Misses Geneva Brown and Nell and Lucy Tracy were home visitors from Simmons last week, returning Tuesday morning.

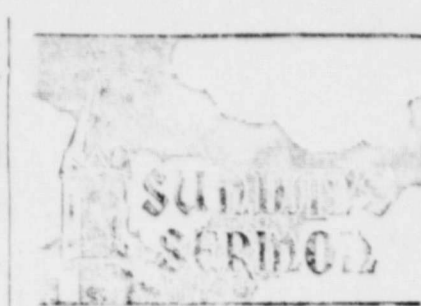
Mr. and Mrs. Tom Largent and little daughter have returned from an extended trip to Collin county.

Last Sunday evening a heavy rain fell in the Shilo and Noodle section and between Merkel and Abilene. Last Saturday morning it rained in portions of the Canyon. Only 2/3 of an inch has fallen in Merkel all told.

Asa Sheppard left Sunday night for Dallas where he will remain a month, taking a course in embalming.

T. A. Johnson, Lee Cox, J. T. Browning, Mr. Frazier and C. S. Cameron motored to Anson Monday, to attend the Methodist District conference at that place, returned Wednesday, reporting a great time.

Last Thursday afternoon death came to relieve the great suffering of Miss Eunive Armstrong, daughter of W. A. Armstrong, at



**KEY ROBERT H. HARPER**  
CHANGING MAY

AS the writer looks back he realizes he has seen much time to "re-orientate" what has happened in the past and many things that are a passing interest.

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**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**  
South 5th and Trundy  
Palmette 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.  
Tuesday —  
Ladies' Bible Class ..... 3:30 p. m.  
Wednesday —  
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 ..... 7:00 p. m.  
Tuesday —  
W.S.C.S. .... 2:00 p. m.  
Wednesday —  
Prayer Service ..... 7:00 p. m.

**Compre Baptist Church**  
Ross Merritt, Pastor

Sunday —  
Sunday School ..... 10:00 a. m.  
Morning Worship ..... 11:00 a. m.  
(2nd and 4th Sundays)

**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 —  
Y.W.A. .... 6:00 p. m.  
G.A. .... 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.

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# UP THE CANYON

By TOM RUSSOM

Our area has missed the heavy rains at this time, however it is the time of year that we are due to get a 'chuck floater'

The small grain does not need any more rain at this time, as there is some rust in the grain already and cloudy weather isn't too good on it.

Some of the volunteer grain is as fine as we have ever seen it. F. H. Horton stated it was the best he had seen since the year 1914. Some of the land was never plowed and the grain came up and the moisture came at the right time on it.

Some few are shearing their sheep now, and others think it is too early. Around the first of June is always a good time to shear as warm weather on the sheep causes more oil in the wool which makes more weight.

The Allen King Ranch is already paying off under the 10 year retirement plan as they have discovered pheasants on their place. King was so thrilled that he went to a hatchery and purchased more pheasants for himself and then he couldn't understand why his neighbors shouldn't have pheasants on their places so he delivered some to each of their farms.

Rev. Elmer Ward, pastor of Pioneer church, went to Higgins, Texas, this week to meet a sister who lives in Portland, Oregon. It had been eight years since they had seen each other.

This weekend will be a time when the teachers of the schools in the Middle Clear Fork Soil Conservation District will go on a field day of some work that has been done in the district. They will gather at the State Park for dinner and in the afternoon a guest speaker from Temple will speak to them.

We noticed that Charlie Orr and some friends have been doing some fishing the last week. We haven't received any report as to the kind of luck they had.

We just had a thought the other day about Buck Mashburn of Ft. Worth, a long time reader of the Merkel Mail and a former resident of Merkel, also a big fisherman. He is on the lake now fishing. Good luck, Buck.

Aunt Dollie Latimer of Merkel broke her hip last Friday and is in Hendrix Hospital Abilene. We do not have a further report of her condition at this time.

W. T. Perry, stockman in the Mountain Pass area, and part-time operator on the Davis ranches, states that sheep shearing is well under way at the Davis' ranch and reports the

sheep are fat and shearing good. A sheep got out of the herd and ran off and Perry took after it to rope it. While the horse he was riding was in a swift run Perry noticed the horse was checking speed and beginning to fall. He jumped off just as the horse fell dead.

Perry said it was one of the best horses on the ranch. One has to be a horse lover and like to ride range to understand how he felt.

Mrs. Raymond Demerie of Putman has been visiting relatives in the Canyon the past week. She visited in the Reed home, and the F. R. Demerie home.

Mrs. F. R. Demerie received word Saturday that her nephew, Ernest Ensminger of Hico had died. The Demeries and W. H. Ensminger of Merkel attended funeral services.

# Hawley Students In Music Recital

Caldwell Music Company of Abilene held their annual Spring Recital at the Bonham Elementary School Auditorium, April 24. Students from Hawley who played solos on their accordions were Lu Ann McCoy, Edward Horton, Bonnie and Sharon Blessing. These students are studying music under the direction of Mr. Frank Waggoner.

The familiar V-shaped formation of migrating birds, such as Canada geese, gives the rear birds an unobstructed view while their leader guides them through the air.

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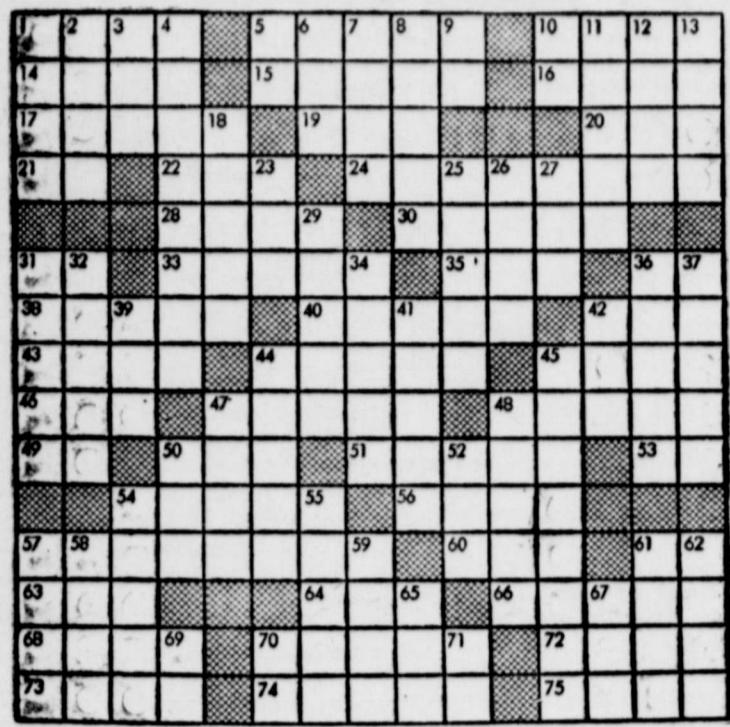
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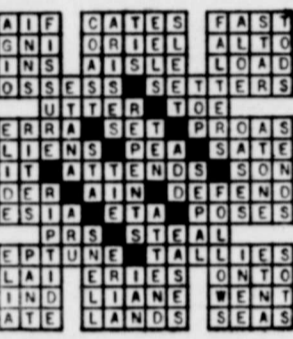
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PUZZLE No. 496

- ACROSS**
- 1 Distance measure (pl.)
  - 5 Yawning abyss
  - 10 Strike-breaker
  - 14 Winged ballplayer
  - 15 Milwaukee Spaniard
  - 16 Spanish pot
  - 17 Gem weight
  - 19 Wire measure
  - 20 Roman bronze
  - 21 Printer's measure
  - 22 Large tub
  - 23 Bequests
  - 28 Epic poetry
  - 30 Serous fluid
  - 31 By Social outcast
  - 35 French for summer
  - 36 Babylonian deity
  - 38 Wearies deposit of loam
  - 42 Entire Himalayan wild goat
  - 44 Covering for hand
  - 45 Cut lengthwise
  - 46 A Negro people of Nigeria
  - 47 Armed group with legal authority
  - 48 It will
  - 49 Sun god
  - 50 Vehicle
- DOWN**
- 1 Confront
  - 2 Ardor
  - 3 Hearing organ
  - 4 One who moves from place to place
  - 6 Symbol for calcium
  - 6 Meat
  - 7 Seed coating
  - 8 Part of foot (pl.)
  - 9 Symbol for manganese
  - 10 Therefore
  - 11 Assert a right to
  - 12 Opposed to
  - 13 Fish
  - 18 Fastens with
- adhesive band**  
23 Child's toy  
25 Large bird  
26 Skills  
27 Billiard stick  
28 Disposes of for price  
31 Oil of roses  
32 Head ornament  
34 Perch  
36 Choice part  
37 Change  
39 Greek letter  
41 To turn outward  
42 Fourth call  
44 Pierces with horns  
45 Grandeur  
47 Top of head  
48 South Seas
- Island**  
50 Feline  
52 Electrified particle  
54 Apportions  
55 Look at fixedly  
57 Stiffly  
58 Nerve network  
59 Command to cut  
61 Reach across  
62 Heating vessel  
65 Period of time  
67 Before  
69 Child's name for mother  
70 Form of "to be"  
71 Mulberry



Answer to Puzzle No. 495

# WEEK-END SPECIALS

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**OIL**  
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**PRUNES**  
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**BETTY CROCKER—ANGEL FOOD CAKE MIX** Pkg. - - - **49¢**

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**KOUNTY KIST—12-Oz. Can CORN** 2 for **25¢**  
**HUNT'S SOLID PACK—303 Can TOMATOES** 2 for **35¢**

**ASSORTED FAVORS JELLO** Pkg. - **5¢**  
**ZEE TISSUE** 4 roll pkg. **29¢**

**MEATS**

**HORMEL BACON** - - - lb. **69¢**  
**HORMEL—Butt or Shank End HAM** - - - - - lb. **55¢**  
**LEAN PORK CHOPS** - lb. **59¢**  
**CHUCK ROAST** - - - - - lb. **55¢**  
**ALL-MEAT BOLOGNA** - - - lb. **49¢**  
**LOIN STEAK** - - - - - lb. **89¢**

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**CHARMIN—80-Ct. Pkg. NAPKINS** - - - - - **10¢**  
**PRODUCE**  
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**FRESH CRISP—CELLO BAG CARROTS** - - - - - **8¢**  
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THURSDAY—LOSER	Tom Tubb	30.00
FRIDAY—LOSER	L. M. Strickland	35.00
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**TELL US YOUR PROBLEM**

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BY JOHN and JANE STRICKLAND

TODAY'S PROBLEM:

**HARRY LAWSON**, Cabot Avenue, Detroit, Michigan, writes us of his fears during his early childhood: he was afraid of the dark; he was afraid of being alone for any length of time; but most of all he was afraid of people.

When callers came, he kept out of the way. Since he was brought up on a farm, there were not too many callers. Keeping out of the way for a short call was all right, but when the caller stayed for dinner or overnight, little Harry suffered tortures. There might be an attempt, to bring him into the conversation, and, horror of horrors, he might be pulled up on someone's lap!

Going to school wasn't so bad. He knew the children for they had in a way been in his life all his life; and the teacher never became familiar with the pupils. As he grew older his fear dissipated to some extent but he still stayed close to his father if he went to town. Strangers were fearsome beings.

This worried his parents to the point that they knew something must be done about it. An appeal

to an uncle was made and he came to visit them. Harry hadn't seen him since babyhood so the uncle paid little attention to him at first, gradually showing friendliness. Soon he liked this uncle and when it was suggested that he return with him for a visit, he was rather pleased. They drove two days before reaching his uncle's home, and Harry stayed in the car all of the first day, eating sandwiches from a driver's seat. The next day he actually got out and stood near the gasoline attendants. After reaching their destination, the uncle found it necessary to go away for two weeks, leaving Harry with a strange aunt and three stranger-cousins. It was like plunging a non-swimmer into the deep water. But it proved to be the salvation of young Harry. By the time his uncle returned he was at ease with all the family. He says he remembers one remark of his uncle that has carried him safely among strangers throughout the years: "When you're afraid, just forget your fear and plunge in, you won't be afraid long." And this has been the keynote of his success as a salesman, a job thoroughly enjoyed today.

**ACROSS THE DECK**

ideas from other editors

From The News, Ravenswood, West Virginia: A short "hurray" for New York City school officials, who have finally realized that education is a privilege as well as an obligation. Because of the serious outbreaks of juvenile delinquency, the school authorities have kicked out more than 600 young terrorists. The city schools, the educators said, cannot afford to keep them around.

The action is not the first of its kind in the country. A few weeks ago a Massachusetts school board decided its schools were too crowded to pamper any longer pupils who were unwilling or unable to learn. The board said flatly that education was a privilege offered by the government, and it could see no reason to waste taxpayers' money on those who did not appreciate the opportunity.

Perhaps in these two actions the nation has found a workable weapon against juvenile delinquency, as well as a cure for some of our school problems. In the past generation we have adopted the bleeding heart theory that flunking or ousting a youngster would do permanent damage to his psyche. We had, at an even earlier date, decided not to do temporary damage to his posterior.

Teachers, between the Scylla of psyche and the Charybdis of shivs, were forced to pass a pupil on from grade to grade. Any attempt to discipline was met by outraged parents protesting that Junior was a good boy when he really was a goon. And the result was that each year the slow or lazy pupils held back the brighter or more willing ones. Teachers, conforming to a code that insisted there was no such thing as a bad boy and all people were equal in all things, spent too much time with the bottom of the class, not enough with the top.

So this nation, in an age demanding the best that uncommon men can offer, has turned out millions of common ones year after year.

Now, with the ugly threat of being forced to take a job hanging over his head, New York youngsters might not be so quick to turn to hoodlumism. They will work and behave, or they will leave. Cutting up, literally and figuratively, will not be so cute in the future.

Though the reasons for the change of heart in New York are tragic, the return of realism is a delight to behold.

**HALF-PAST TEEN**

SAY- THIS LINING COMES RIGHT OUT... BUT WHERE IS THE ZIPPER?

### Judge Joe Greenhill Files For Supreme Court Post

Joe Greenhill of Travis County announced his candidacy this week for his first elective term as associate justice of the Supreme Court of Texas.

Greenhill was appointed to the State's highest civil court last fall after 20 years of varied trial and appellate courts experience.

Greenhill came up from the ranks in Supreme Court work and has had extensive experience with the Court, having served for two terms as a briefing attorney. His first tenure was several years after graduating from the University of Texas. When World War II came he joined the navy, serving mainly in the Pacific.

After the war, he returned to Supreme Court work as briefing attorney for the late Chief Justice James P. Alexander, and the late Justices Few Brewster, John H. Sharp, C. S. Slatton and Graham Smedley, among others.

He then served three years in the attorney general's office, the last year as first assistant. Until his appointment last fall to take



JOE GREENHILL

the place of the late Judge Brewster, he was in private practice.

Judge Greenhill is a native of Texas. His grandfather was a division passenger agent for the Santa Fe Railroad in Texas. His father, who died in 1917 was Joe Greenhill was three years old, was an accountant with the Texas Company. His mother, Mrs. Violet S. Greenhill, who now lives in La Porte, is widely known throughout Texas for her welfare work and was a division chief with the State Welfare Department in the 30's.

In 1940 Greenhill married Martha Shuford, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Shuford of Tyler. At the time, Mrs. Greenhill was teaching in the Austin Public Schools. Her brother is Harry Shuford, captain of the SMU football team that went to the Rose Bowl in 1935. The Greenhills have two children.

Judge Greenhill said he planned an active campaign and would visit all parts of the State before the July primary.

### PERSONALS

Mrs. Ina Hunter and Mrs. Minnie Hunter visited relatives in Lubbock Sunday and Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray J. Massey of Dallas were weekend guests of her father, J. T. Ford and sister, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Ford.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Toliver and daughter, Gala Sue went to Dallas on business Thursday and also visited with a cousin, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Sears and daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Doan of Bell Flower, Calif., visited in the homes of Mr. Doan's brothers and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Adren Farmer and Mrs. Hugh Campbell.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Stockbridge were in Breckenridge last week to visit her mother, Mrs. Nannie Glenn who accompanied them here for an extended visit.

Mrs. Mae Douglas of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Baylor Amason of Mineral Wells and Joe Amason of Sweetwater spent Thursday with their brother and father, T. J. Amason, a patient in Sadler Clinic.

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### Abilene Minister Is Junior-Senior Banquet Speaker

The Rev. Sterling Price, pastor of the University Baptist Church in Abilene, was guest speaker at the Merkel junior-senior banquet at the Wooten Hotel Saturday night.

The Rev. Price, who spoke on "The Good Things In Life," was introduced by Principal Edwin Read.

Joe Neill, junior class president, presented the welcome, and Erroll Rutledge, senior class president, gave the response.

The theme of the banquet, "Candyland," was carried out in the table decorations with arrangements of candy striped carnations, bouquets of lollipops, and sugar houses decorated with lollipops and jelly beans. Candy canes decorated the walls.

A girls' trio from Hardin-Simmons University sang "Sugar-time" and "Somewhere Over The Rainbow." A sextet composed of juniors Manley Denton, Joe Neill, Jerry McLeod, Annette Boney, Janie Breaux and Linda Leach, sang "Now Is The Hour."

Dona Durham and Katy Hunter gave the senior prophecy and Bette Flo Smith read the senior will.

Class sponsors are Mrs. Melba Gooch, Mrs. Ellen McReynolds, and Carroll Benson.

### Mrs. Dale Litton Wins Flower Show Sweepstake Award

Mrs. Dale Litton won the sweepstakes award for the greatest number of ribbons won in the Merkel Garden Club spring flower show, "The Circus," which was held here last week.

Mrs. Litton also won the tri-color award for the best arrangement and the award of distinction for the best composition.

Mrs. Nathan Wood was the winner of the award of merit for the best horticultural specimen in the show. It was a French lilac which is hard to grow in this area.

Blue ribbon winners in the artistic division were as follows: Mmes. Litton, three firsts; John Shannon, one first; Charlie Sherrill, one first; Miss Lynn Gamble, one first.

Horticulture: Mmes. Wood, six firsts; Benson, two firsts; Jones, two firsts; Litton, two firsts; Mack Fisher, one first; Nora Foster, one first; Lynn Gamble, one first; Earl Hughes, one first; Odum, one first; Sherrill, one first; Hilton Suber, one first; Brandon Wade, one first.

Junior division: Brenda Doan, one first; Gayle Gladden, two firsts.

Weekend visitors in the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. P. Howard were Dr. Howard's sister, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Payne and a niece, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Slader and son, all of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Doan of Bell Flower, Calif. were guests last week in the home of her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Silas Scott and family.

**TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY**

FOR SALE—Several nice 6-week old pigs. W. B. Toombs. Tel. 9014 J1 7-21c

**CARD OF THANKS**

Our recent sad loss leaves us with grateful hearts toward neighbors and friends. Their comforting expressions of sympathy and thoughtfulness will always be remembered.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Lawson  
Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Brown  
The McLean families.

### Questions and Answers on Low Rent Housing

**How is eligibility (for occupancy) determined?**  
Prospective tenants apply for admission by means of information submitted on an application form which lists family income, status and other pertinent data. The information on the application is checked and verified and if the tenant qualifies he is either admitted or (if no units are currently available) put on the waiting list.

**Is housing for any certain race?**  
Not necessarily. Units are constructed in areas now occupied by members of a particular race and they in turn will live in the units.

**Will local or state taxes be raised to pay for new units?**  
Definitely not. Rather, the Housing Authority gives the City money, in the form of "payments in lieu of taxes." These are equal to up to 10 percent of the shelter rent.

**Who controls low-rent public housing?**  
The local Housing Authority. Operating the Authority are five Commissioners, appointed by the local mayor for specific terms, who serve without pay.

**Where are new housing units built?**  
In areas or locations determined by Housing Authority Commissioners. Low-rent housing is designed to provide decent, safe and sanitary quarters for families of humble income, and also to clear slums.

**Will occupancy be segregated?**  
This is a matter of local policy and determination, decisions being made by the local Housing Authority Commissioners.

**Who owns Low-rent housing units?**  
Title is vested in the name of the local Housing Authority, a political subdivision of government.

**Why is federal assistance necessary to finance this?**  
Because housing is thus provided for families unable to pay economic rent, which means rent in an amount sufficient to pay for the cost of the building and the operating of this type housing and provide a profit for the owner. Private enterprise cannot afford to construct this type of housing and make a profit by renting it to families of low income.

**Why should a man who earns \$40 a week be entitled to accommodations one would expect of a man making \$400 a month?**  
Every American citizen is morally entitled to a decent, safe and sanitary home. The objective of a local Housing Authority is to provide such accommodations to low-income families at rents, without profit, these families can afford. It costs more to subsidize a slum house than a low-rent housing unit.

**How much will this type housing cost a family?**  
Approximately one-fifth of the family income, as provided

by state law. Regardless of the size of the apartment, rent is based on family income.

**Will areas of filth and squalor be condemned or permanently cleared and the new units be erected on such sites?**  
This is a two-part question. To answer part one: Through local code enforcement, the City agrees on an "equivalent elimination" clause which means that a slum house will either be condemned, or brought up to standard, for each low-rent unit constructed; Part Two: Every effort is made to construct new units in slum areas. This is a matter of local determination.

**What constitutes Sub-Standard Housing?**  
A house is considered sub-standard if it lacks:  
1 - inside plumbing  
2 - running water  
3 - an inside bath or toilet  
4 - heating or cooking facilities  
5 - if it is in a state of general disrepair

**How does a Housing Authority expect to take care of displaced persons during construction?**  
Through turn-over in existing low-rent units, and existing standard rental units. An Authority will develop a "temporary relocation program" affecting specific cases. And of course, some families will re-locate themselves.

Mrs. Edna Horton went to Liberal, Kansas, the past weekend to visit with her son, Mr. and Mrs. Rueben Clyde Horton and children who accompanied her home. They are returning to Merkel to make their home.

Mrs. Walker and children remained here while Jimmy, Coach Bonner, and Larry Wilson, high school student, went to Lubbock, where Larry was to compete in a Texas Tech Invitation meet. He will go to Austin for the meet there Saturday.

### LOCAL

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### TFWC Convention To Be May 5-7 In Fort Worth

Mrs. Alfred Joseph Hulse, Yoakum, president of The Texas Federation of Women's Clubs will end her two year term of office at the 61st Annual convention Fort Worth headquarters Hotel Texas, May 5-7, 1958.

The Convention is themed "The Lamplighters." Achievements of the administration which has been built around "Abundant Living Through Service" will be reported by the various chairmen of departments, divisions, and committees at the pre-convention Board of Directors' Meeting on the morning of May 5.

Judge Sarah T. Hughes, Dallas, will be the feature speaker at the evening program, which will be

a dinner meeting with an Hawaiian motif and entertainment. Other entertainment will include a presentation of George Bernard Shaw's "The Village Wocing" by the Theatre in the Round, directed by Dr. W. R. Vollock of the Fine Arts Department of Texas Christian University.

### TRENT NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne McLean and son, Mike and Mrs. Nettie Milliken of Merkel were in Amarillo over the weekend visiting Wayne's mother.

Morris Hall of Odessa visited his mother, Mrs. Frank Hall Sunday.

A. C. Terry and son, Allen of Ft. Worth were here on business Monday.

Miss Mary Childers is able to attend school after an absence due to illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Kilpatrick have returned from a vacation visit with his mother in Illinois. They also visited in Missouri and Arkansas.

Weekly Meditation — Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy loving kindness; according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.

Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.

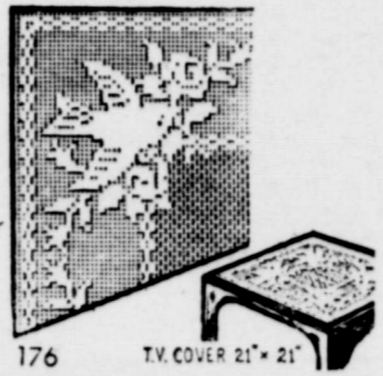
Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of thy Salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit:

Then will I teach transgressors thy ways; and sinners shall be converted unto thy ways. Psalm 51: 1-13.



ROYAL COIFFURE... Britain's Princess Margaret exhibits her new hairdo featuring short, tapered bob with ear curls and bangs.



Dress Pattern No. 1429—HIGHLIGHT of your spring-into-summer wardrobe — the stunning sheath and bolero set that is so wearable. No. 1429 with PHOTO-GUIDE is in sizes 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20. Size 12, 32 bust, dress, 3 1/4 yards of 35-inch, bolero, 1 1/4 yards. Needlework Pattern No. 176—Bluebirds and roses form this lovely fillet design that is equally pretty when used as a pillow-top or cover for TV set. No. 176 has crochet directions, diagram. Send 35c for each dress pattern, 25c for each needlework pattern (add 5c for each pattern for first-class mailing) to AUDREY LANE BUREAU, Dept. "NWNS", 367 West Adams Street, Chicago 6, Ill.

### Fifth Graders Have Party

Room parents for Mrs. Comer Haynes' Fifth Grade hosted a skating party at Trent on Thursday afternoon, April 24, for the twenty-three members.

After two hours of skating, these boys and girls enjoyed sack-lunches and cold drinks: Cynthia Ayers, Lina Biera, Sharyn Bishop, Connie Conrow, Cherry Davis, Donald Denman, Lois Givens, Johnny Hardesty, James Harrison, Richard Hernandez, Derrell Hopper, Richard Owen, Jacky Reynolds, Rodney Robertson, Aleta Scott, Glen Shaw, Robert Shouse, Tommy South, Wanda Sylvester, Vickie Teaff, Lonnie Thompson, Weldon Tittle, and Linda Wade.

Parents attending were Mr. and Mrs. Andy Shouse and Mmes. Blake Davis, John Hardesty, Fletcher Hopper, Cramer Reynolds, Lloyd Robertson, J. E. Mutchler, Jack South, Charles Sylvester, Deverl Teaff, and Moursere Thompson.

Sue Sylvester and Johnny Thompson were guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Russell of Merkel attended church here Sunday and visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Link Adair.

Mrs. Fronia Sosbee and Mrs. Dora Hinkle were dinner guests Thursday of Mrs. Sosbee's sister, Mrs. A. J. Barbee and also visited with her brother, Dock Callaway. Others visiting in the Barbee and Callaway homes last week was their nephew, H. F. (Son) Wheeler of Clovis, N. M.

Miss Dolores Hunter was a weekend guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Bowen.

Mr. and Mrs. Newell Lucas have moved to Merkel to make their home. This community regrets to lose this couple.

Mr. and Mrs. James Santlabin of Abilene were here Sunday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Spurgin.

Mrs. Pearl Van Huss of Wichita Falls visited her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Dixon Sunday.

Mrs. Boyd Tarpley and Mrs. Annie Hudson visited Mrs. Dock Callaway Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Miller of Ft. Worth were guests of Mrs. Miller's sister, Mr. and Mrs. Troy Sloan, last week. Mrs. Miller is the former Ruby Jenkins.

Mrs. Tim Mason and little daughter, Jacquelyn spent the weekend with Mrs. Mason's parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. R. Justice.

Mrs. Cleve Jeffery visited Mrs. J. M. Boaz Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Cox returned from San Angelo where they visited in the home of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Herbie Bullock, and Freeport where they were guests of their son, James Cox.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Caldwell Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wood of Snyder, and Mr. and Mrs. D. Wood and children of Big Spring.

### NOODLE NEWS

### Clean Up Leader Praises Our City

Laurence Kiefer, Director of the National Clean-Up Paint-Up Fix-Up Bureau, Washington, D. C., commended Merkel for its forthcoming Clean Up plans and pledged his organization's full assistance to the local campaign.

Mr. Kiefer advised Clyde Bartlett of his appreciation for our community's support of the nationwide program of civic beautification and betterment. "In your Clean Up-Paint Up-Fix Up program, beginning soon, you will be joining over 6,000 other progressive American towns and cities in an all-out fight against blight, slums, fire, accident, and disease. You will be practicing the American virtues of local initiative and responsibility. Clean Up-Paint Up-Fix Up is a demonstration of faith... faith in the future and faith in your own abilities to create that future to fit your desires," the Director said.

"We in Washington are delighted that Merkel is conducting a Clean Up-Paint Up-Fix Up program this year. Should you need us, we at National Headquarters will be happy to advise you," Mr. Kiefer promised.

The National Clean Up-Paint Up-Fix Up Bureau was organized in 1912 and has aided communities conduct Clean Up campaigns in every state of the nation. Last year an estimated 80 million men, women, and children participated in the civic improvement program.

A look at the potential of our own natural resources points up the fact that no nation can live apart from the rest of the world in time of peace, let alone in time of war. The dependence of the United States on other nations for critical materials is quite startling. Manganese, cobalt, nickel and tin are some critical items that our country does not have, but must have in order to keep industry productive.

Lassiter said that it was pointed out that our greatest struggle is against the so called "Soviet Block" of nations, who want to deprive the U. S. of all critical items. The future of this nation being dependent in her political, economic and moral strengths, was emphasized by the conference instructors, he said.

Other members of the committee are J. C. Porter, Wichita Falls banker; E. W. Wehman, state soil conservation board member; W. C. Howard, Quannah banker and president of the state soil conservation board; and H. B. Boswell, state association member.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Irl Walker last week were their son, Jimmy Walker, coach at Mason, his wife and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Uecker, two daughters and son of Monohans are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. McCain of Noodle.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Ensminger and Mrs. Frase Demere of Butman community attended funeral services for Ernest Ensminger, 57, of Hico who died of a heart attack Friday in the Drs. office where he had gone for a check-up. Mr. Ensminger, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Jim Ensminger, pioneer settlers of Nolan, was a nephew of Mrs. Demere and cousin of Mr. Ensminger.

### Joe E. Lassiter Attends National Meet In Ft. Worth

Joe E. Lassiter, Major in the Army Reserve, has returned from Fort Worth where he attended a National Resources Conference conducted by the Industrial College of Armed Forces, Washington, D. C.

Some 485 officers from all branches of the military service were in attendance at the conference which was held April 14 through April 25.

In his report of the meeting, Lassiter said, "The conference gave an insight into the ability of any country to successfully wage war based upon its gross national product income and its natural resources."

It was pointed out that a natural resource which we tend to overlook is the young people of a nation. It makes one realize how important the youth of our nation become in the struggle for world power.

The "Christian Home" was the theme for the officers and teachers banquet which was held at the First Baptist church Monday evening, April 28.

Perry Davis, Sunday School superintendent, presided.

Rev. C. G. Sewell said the opening prayer and special music was given by Mrs. Don Riney and R. B. Hall Jr., with Mrs. Comer Haynes accompanist.

Mrs. Leon Walker and Perry Davis discussed the "Values of family devotions."

The closing prayer was repeated in unison.

### Baptist Banquet Held Monday

The Bible study "Gospel according to Saint Mark" was concluded by study leader, Mrs. Lynn Knight, at the regular meeting of the Wesleyan Service Guild in the Chapel of the First Church, Monday evening, April 28.

A hymn was sung and prayer was said by Mrs. L. M. Touchstone.

Mrs. Johnny Cox, president, presided for the business session at which time the minutes were read by Mrs. Don Dudley, secretary, and reports given by chairmen of the various committees.

Selection of officers for the ensuing year was read by Mrs. Dudley, chairman of the nominating committee, and all were approved.

Mrs. Touchstone, Chairman of Missions, called attention to needs of certain families in our town and members of the Guild

### Service Guild Completes Study

Dividend checks totaling \$26,182 were distributed at the annual membership meeting of the Farmers Co-op Gin Saturday, April 26. 115 members attended the meeting.

Dee Teaff was elected president of the Co-op for a one year term. Other officers elected were Comer Haynes, vice president; Curtis McAninch, secretary-treasurer; A. G. Stephens, re-elected to the board of directors and Ernest Meeks and Curtis McAninch were named new directors to serve three year terms. Morris B. Smith was reappointed manager of the gin.

Mr. Smith reported that 3,132 bales of cotton were ginned at the Farmers Co-op in 1957.

### Co-Op Gin Holds Annual Meeting

### Compere HD Club

The Compere Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mr. I. B. Ray Wednesday, April 23.

Club members made planters, using molding plaster on tin cans. The planters were colored with shoe polish and finished with shellac.

Aprons were brought to the meeting for an apron parade. Patterns were discussed and exchanged.

Mrs. Ab Hunter, Jr., president, presided over the business meeting. Mrs. Ramsey offered prayer. Roll call was answered with "What I read in the newspaper."

Mrs. Hunter gave the April council report.

It was announced that the county tea, to be held in observance of National HD Week, will be in the Anson Woman's Club on May 7 at 2:30 p.m. Miss Fern Hodge, district agent, will be guest speaker.

The next club meeting will be May 8 in the home of Mrs. J. E. Touchstone when a covered dish luncheon will be held. Members will display articles that have been made in HD work.

Mrs. Ray Perry, her daughter



BEAUTY PIERCES CURTAIN... First "iron curtain" delegate to compete in "Miss Universe" contest at Long Beach, Cal., will be Alicia Bobrowska, 21, of Krakow, Poland.

### Taylor Grocery and Market

- THURSDAY, FRIDAY & SATURDAY SPECIALS
- GANDY'S  
**MELLORINE** 1/2 gal. 39c  
SALLY ANN—10-Oz.  
**STRAWBERRIES** - 25c  
CALIFORNIA RED  
**GRAPEFRUIT** 2 for 25c  
FRESH  
**RADISHES** 2-6-Oz. pkg. 15c  
FRESH—Cello  
**CARROTS** - - 2 for 15c  
BANANA  
**SQUASH** - - - - lb. 10c  
NEW  
**POTATOES** 2 lb. bag 26c  
CONCHO—No. 2 Can  
**CORN** - - - - 2 for 25c  
MAXWELL—Instant  
**COFFEE** - - - 6-oz. \$1.29  
KIMBELL'S  
**TUNA** - - - - 1 can 19c  
BRICK  
**CHILI** - - - - 1 lb. 49c  
**ROAST PORK** - lb. 49c

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In TRENT



A. Paisley print shirtwaist in pink, blue, toast. 10-40 \$12.95  
C. Soft-bow dress in taupe, blue, grey, brown 8 to 20. \$12.95

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# WANT ADS

## MISCELLANEOUS

**FARM HAND WANTED**—Must be able and willing to work, drive tractors handle other equipment including automatic hay baler. Will furnish house or employee may go back and forth to work. See BOOTH WARREN F & M Nat'l. Bank 7:15

**WANTED**—House painting, Repairing, Remodeling, Building, Big or little jobs. Hour or contracts. Lee Ward, Phone 195-J, 511 Ash. 23:15

**WORK WANTED** — Will keep your cemetery lot clean for \$10 per year. Contact Bernie Berry, Rt. 1, Merkel. 6:31p

**HIGGINS & MALONE** water well drilling, surface pipe set and shallow production. Phone 26, Merkel, Texas. 14:1f

**WANTED**—Baby sitter between ages 17 and 30 to live in home. Nights and weekends free. Call in person at 912 Locust on weekend or tel. 365-W after 5 P.M. 7:15p

## NOTICE MASONS

Stated meeting of Merkel Lodge No. 710, A.F. & A.M. Saturday, May 3, 7:30 p.m. All members are urged to attend. E. A. Degree, Visiting brethren cordially invited.  
T. J. Bird Sr., W. M.  
C. B. Rust, Secretary.

## FOR RENT

**FOR RENT**—Newly, refurnished, furnished, two room apartment. Mrs. Johnny Cox, 212 Cherry. 3:15f

**FOR RENT**—2 nicely furnished rooms with bath. Front and back entrance. A. J. Cannon, 1311 S. 2nd. Tel. 139. 7:31f

**FOR RENT**—Furnished 3-room apartment with bath. Phone 126 or 247-W after 4 p.m. 7:45f

**FOR RENT**—3-room furnished garage apartment. E. O. Carson, Tel. 25. 7:45f

**FOR RENT**—Building 50 x 60 on highway 80 East. See W. B. Toombs or Leon Toombs. Tel. 294-W or 9014-J-1 7:41f

**FOR RENT**—3-room furnished apartment with private bath. 1006 Oak. 5:15f

**FOR RENT**—6-room house and bath with all conveniences. Garage and storm cellar. See G. N. Reynolds, Trent or write box 53. Tel., Trent 2-9382 5:31f

## FOR SALE

**FOR SALE** — 2 formal, solid white size 9. Changeable pink and blue size 7. Like new—very nice dresses. Call 17-W 31

**FOR SALE** — Hide-A-Way bed Divan. See Mary Collins at F. & M. Bank. 7:45f

**FOR SALE** — Sorghum alum seed. \$12 per hundred. B. L. (Babe) Tarpley, Rt. 1, Merkel. Tel. 9016 W-1. 7:45f

**FOR SALE**—Plenty of full blood Duroc pigs. \$10. J. C. Jacobs. Phone 9008 M-1. 7:15p

**FOR SALE**—Tru-Cold 16 ft. upright deep freeze. New at a bargain. Merkel Salvage. 928 N. 1st. 7:45f

**FOR SALE**—Fresh dressed Frozen Hens. Call 9013-M2. R. M. Ferguson. 46:15f

**FOR SALE** in Trent—1.5-room house with bath. 7:25ft. lots. W. C. Matthews, Real Estate Trent. 52:15f

**FOR SALE**—Leonard Electric range. Excellent condition. To see call 120-J after 6 p.m. 52:15f

## 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 Clive Pierce (re-election)

County Commissioner Precinct 2 Rufe Tittle

Commissioner Precinct No. 2 Joe Cybert

Commissioner Precinct No. 2 Joe Seymore

Senator 24th Senatorial District David W. Ratliff (re-election)

Senator 24th Senatorial District Robert R. Patterson

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**FOR SALE**—Plenty of good tomato plants. Also book readers paradise—free book exchange. Domino Hall. 6:31f

**FOR SALE** — Late model used automatic washers. Palmer Motor Co. 24:15f

**FOR SALE**—Kenmore automatic electric range in excellent condition. L. G. Beebe, P. O. Box 581, Trent. 5:31p

**FOR SALE**—2-bedroom home, good well water, excellent location near school and church. 306 Oak. Phone 141-J 5:45f

**FOR SALE** — 52 Chevrolet two-door, Fair condition. Newt Goodwin - Trent 2-2624 5:31f

**FOR SALE**—100-acre farm 4 1/2 miles northwest of Merkel. Good improvements. See or call Jeff Chancey, Ph. 9005 R-2

**FOR SALE**—Double porcelain sink. 5 1/2 feet long and 25 feet wide. Mrs. Carl Jackson, Tel. Noodle 6187. 6:31f

**FOR SALE**—1947 S. C. Case tractor completely overhauled, new battery, good tires used very little the past three years, complete with tool bar, planter and sweeps, also three disk case breaking plow, also sixteen drop, eight inch spacing MM seed drill, metal seed box, good condition, John Deere hammer mill, six foot frizno. Will sell altogether or separately. Johnny Cox, 212 Cherry, Phone 12. 6:31f

**CARD OF THANKS**  
With deepest gratitude we extend this word of thanks for the many kind acts of sympathy, extended by thoughtful friends. Your kindnesses have meant much to us.  
Mrs. Earl Strawn  
James, Virginia Chloé and children  
Mother  
Brother and sisters

**CARD OF THANKS**  
We wish to take this means of expressing our sincere appreciation to our many friends and neighbors for their many acts of kindness and expression of sympathy in the illness and passing of our beloved mother.  
The family of Mrs. Ala Ransone  
The L. S. Kingsbury family  
Reba Ransone  
The E. E. McLaurin family

## 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: Henry Thomas Johnson and if deceased, the heirs and unknown heirs of Henry Thomas Johnson, deceased; and the unknown heirs of Ophelia Washington, deceased; and T. D. Washington, deceased; and the unknown heirs of Leola Washington Robinson, deceased; and J. C. Robinson, deceased; and the unknown heirs of Viola Robinson, deceased; and Horace Griffin, and if deceased; the heirs and the unknown heirs of Horace Griffin, deceased; and Andrew Moreland, and if deceased; the heirs and the unknown heirs of George Hill, deceased; Defendants, Greeting:  
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court, of Taylor County at the Court-house 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 19th day of May A. D. 1958, to Plaintiff's

Petition filed in said court, on the 3rd day of April, A. D., 1958 in this cause, numbered 22,910-A on the docket of said court and styled Jesse Griffin, Plaintiff, vs. Henry Thomas Johnson, and if deceased the heirs and unknown heirs of Henry Thomas Johnson, deceased; and the unknown heirs of Ophelia Washington, deceased; and T. D. Washington, deceased; and the unknown heirs of Leola Washington Robinson, deceased; and J. C. Robinson, deceased; and the unknown heirs of Viola Robinson, deceased; and Horace Griffin, and if deceased, the heirs and the unknown heirs of Horace Griffin, deceased; and Andrew Moreland, and if deceased, the heirs and unknown heirs of Andrew Moreland, deceased; and George Hill, and if deceased, the heirs and the unknown heirs of George Hill, deceased.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:  
Suit in Trespass to try title covering the following described property: Being Lot No. 2, Block No. 103, in the City of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, and commonly known as 630 North Treadway Blvd. in Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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

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

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this 3rd day of April A. D. 1958

Attest: R. H. Ross, Clerk, 42nd District Court, Taylor County Texas.

(SEAL)  
By Irene Crawford, Deputy 4:5-6:7

## LEGAL NOTICE

### PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION ORDINANCE

An Ordinance creating a Planning and Zoning Commission for the City of Merkel, Texas, and prescribing their powers and duties.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Merkel, Texas: Section 1.—That there is hereby created and established for the city of Merkel, Texas, a Planning and Zoning Commission, which shall be composed of five (5) members. The members shall be resident citizens, taxpayers and qualified voters of the City, all of whom shall be appointed by the Mayor subject to confirmation by the Governing body, to serve for terms of four (4) years. All vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner as provided for the original appointments. All expired terms shall be filled for terms as provided for the original appointments and in the same manner. Members of the Commission may be removed by the Mayor, with the consent of the Governing body, after public hearing and for cause assigned in writing. The members of the Commission shall serve without compensation. (The five members of the City Council shall serve as ex officio members of this Commission).

Section 2.—The Planning and Zoning Commission shall elect a Chairman and Vice Chairman from its membership and shall have power to employ such qualified persons as may be necessary for the proper conduct and undertakings of the Commission and to pay for their services and such other necessary expenses, provided that the cost of such services and expenses shall not exceed the amount appropriated by the governing body for the use of the Commission. It shall also have the power to make rules, regulations and by-laws for its own government, which shall conform as nearly as possible with those governing the City Council and same shall be subject to approval by such Council. Such by-laws shall include, among other items, provisions for: (a) regular and special meetings, open to the public; (b) records of its proceedings, to be open for inspection by the public (c) reporting to the governing body and the public, from time to time and annually; and (d) for the holding

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## LAFF OF THE WEEK



"I want it in a bottle and a big pail to spit it in like the boxers do!"

of public hearings on its recommendations.

Section 3.—The Planning and Zoning Commission shall have the power and it shall be its duty to make and recommend for adoption a master plan, as a whole or in parts, for the future development and redevelopment of the municipality and its environs and shall have the power and it shall be its duty to prepare a comprehensive plan and ordinance for zoning the city in accordance with Chapter 283, Acts of the Regular Session of the Legislature, 1927, (Acts, 1011a to 1011j, R. C. S.). The Commission shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by ordinances or State Law.

Passed and approved, this 21 day of April, 1958.

ATTEST:  
Flossie W. McKeever  
City Secretary

APPROVED:  
Earl Hughes, Mayor  
(SEAL)

## LEGAL NOTICE

### INTERIM ZONING ORDINANCE

An ordinance providing that no building permit shall hereafter be issued except with the approval of the City Planning and Zoning Commission or the governing body of the City of Merkel, Texas.

Section 1. That hereafter, until adoption of a comprehensive Zoning Ordinance by the City of Merkel, all requests for building permits shall be first submitted to the City Planning and Zoning Commission for a report and recommendation before same may be granted by the building inspector.

Section 2. That in case of an adverse report and recommendation by the City Planning and Zoning Commission, same may be overruled by the City Council by a majority vote.

Section 3. That the City Planning and Zoning Commission shall act promptly on all such requests for building permits and in case any such request is not acted upon within ten days, then such requests shall be deemed to have been approved by the City Planning and Zoning Commission.

supply. Municipal and industrial users of water were greatly interested in the outcome of the survey.

Farm ponds were singled out for the study, because some had felt that they might have more effect on water yield than any other single practice. When the survey was begun, little definite information was available as to the number of ponds, their location, or the real effect they might have on water supply.

Information gathered included total number of farm and ranch ponds by major watersheds, surface area, drainage area, capacity, and depth. Any pond built by a farmer or rancher primarily for livestock water was considered as a farm or ranch pond. From these data, such information as the percent of total land area draining through ponds, the total surface area by watersheds and for the state, the total capacity, and other items could be computed.

The information was gathered on a representative sampling basis. In addition to its being expanded on a major river watershed basis, it also can be calculated on a land resource area basis, thus increasing its usefulness to water use planners.

The survey revealed that for the state as a whole there are almost 342,000 farm ponds. When added to capacity, these ponds had an original total storage of approximately 932,000 acre-feet. When the survey was made, an estimated 100,000 acre-feet of the original capacity had been filled by sediment. The total surface area of the ponds was about 248,000 acres, and the total drainage area 12,737,000 acres. The average pond capacity when full was 2.72 acre-feet, the average surface area 0.72 acres, the average maximum depth 10.57 feet, and the average drainage area per pond 37.25 acres.

For three of the major river watersheds in the state, the survey revealed the following:

Watershed, Brazos:	No. of Ponds, 93,000; Average Cap. 2.61 Ac. Ft.; Average Surface Area, 1.72 acres; Average Drainage area, 36.06 acres.
Trinity Watershed:	No. of Ponds, 61,000; Average Cap. 1.97 Ac. Ft.; Average Surface Area, 0.52 acres; Average Drainage area, 19.36 acres.
Colorado Watershed:	No. of Ponds, 34,000; Average Cap. 3.12 Ac. Ft.; Average Surface Area, 0.82 acres; Average Drainage area, 50.77 acres.

The total area draining through ponds comprises only 7.55 percent of the land area of Texas. This varied from a low of 0.44 percent in the Coast Prairie Resource Area to a high of 26.26 percent in the Reddish Prairie Resource Area of Northern Central Texas.

Smith stated that in many areas of the state, farm ponds are the major source of usable livestock water available to the farmer or rancher, and they plan a vital role in the management of livestock grazing resources.

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# FACT and FANCY

A segment of my reading public has asked me to elaborate further on the subject of golf, obviously because my previous treatises was so enlightening. I shall endeavor to comply with her wishes.

My primary observation today is that there is no greater test of a man's character and personality than playing golf. I doubt that any man has toured many fairways without revealing some flaw in his get-up, if not to his fellow golfers then to the Old Pro upstairs, the Gentleman with the tally card they check at that Last Hole.

Perhaps the greatest temptation that comes to a golfer is when he ends up in the rough, the aptly-named ungrazed segment of the course which has an uncanny magnetic attraction for golf balls. The rulebook says you must play your ball where it stops, but I challenge any and all golfers to swear that they haven't, on occasions, nudged it an inch or two. Especially when a quick glance assures them that no one is looking!

This sneaky maneuver is called "improving your lie", but improving or not, it's still a lie and a pretty bad one.

The fact that a ball weighing a few ounces can make an utter jackass out of a 195-pound man is pretty well established in golf-dom. For example, while the term "addressing the ball" has reference to the preparation for the swing, you will find a great many golfers who address their ball after it is hit as well as before. And in no uncertain terms.

The instruction most difficult for a golfer to follow is to keep his eye on the ball. This is particularly difficult for male golfers when the links are lined with lithe-limbed lassies in shorts and sweaters. Thoroughly distracted, they will flub a shot quicker than you can holler Jayne Hargitay—proving again that mind over

matter, at least on the golf course, is a rare thing indeed.

Handicapped persons seeking treatment at the Gonzales Warm Springs Rehabilitation Foundation should first write to the Registrar, P. O. Box 58, Gonzales, Texas, and ask for full information and application forms.

One requisite to admission is a medical referral from a qualified physician who is acquainted with the case. It must be determined that the Foundation's program can be helpful to the applicant, because no one is hospitalized on a purely custodial basis.

Frequently it is indicated that an applicant should be admitted for evaluation purposes to determine if in-patient care is needed.

WALTER H. RICHTER

## Highway Patrol Exams Set For May

Texas Highway Patrol Sergeant Roger W. Sosebee of Abilene announced today that examinations will be given next month for positions with the Texas Department of Public Safety.

Young Texans interested in a career in law enforcement may compete in state wide examinations for the positions of highway patrolman, driver license patrolman, license and weight patrolman and motor vehicle inspection patrolman. May 10 is the deadline for submitting applications to the department headquarters in Austin.

"Job security, paid vacation, sick leave and retirement are only a few of the benefits you will enjoy as a state law enforcement officer. Any young man between 21 and 35, a high school graduate and in good physical condition can contact me at the District Office, 2064 Butternut, Abilene, for an application," Sergeant Sosebee said.

## Is More Severe Punishment Needed To Deter Teen-Age Delinquents?

By Judge Sarah T. Hughes (Ed. Note.—This is another in a series of articles on the state's growing problem of juvenile delinquency by one of Texas' foremost authorities on the subject, District Judge Sarah T. Hughes of Dallas, who has handled more than 25,000 juvenile and family relations cases, along with an even greater number of other civil cases in 23 years on the bench. "Family law is probably the most important phase of the law," says this internationally known jurist, whose work has been honored in the U. S. and in Europe and whose name was put in nomination for the vice-presidency of the United States in 1952. A Discussion of a different aspect of the problem appears

every week.) In the face of shocking crimes and a wave of vandalism throughout the country involving children, the cry has gone up for "tougher" laws to punish teenage delinquents.

Repeal of the indeterminate sentence law for juveniles has been advocated and the lowering of the age limits from 17 to 14 recommended so as to subject those 14 and over to the same punishment as adults. Several "get tougher" bills were introduced in the last Texas legislature.

**Tried, and Failed** But treating young offenders like criminals isn't the answer. It has been tried before and it has failed. Less than 150 years ago

all children over 7 were held responsible for their crimes.

Severe punishment, or, more aptly, retaliation, was the established pattern for a good many centuries.

Children in Texas were subject to the death penalty until 1856; and until 1907 children could be confined in the Texas penitentiary. As late as 1814 three boys in England, 8, 9, and 11 years old, were hanged for the theft of a pair of shoes.

**Teaches Them More Crime** Classifying youngsters as criminals and imprisoning them won't do anything except complete their education as criminals. They learn additional techniques in crime and additional criminal attitudes from older or more hardened boys or men.

In comparing boys who had been officially whipped with those who had been put on probation, a royal investigating commission in England recently found that far more of those whipped became repeaters, that their companions regarded them as heroes. In two industrial centers 440 children out of 574 who had been whipped were in court again within two years.

**Toughness Differs from Firmness** In this country likewise "getting tough"—different from being firm, has failed. One parish priest who has worked in an underprivileged area of Denver had this to say to the Senate Committee investigating juvenile delinquency:

"Getting tough with the kids... is the worst thing you can do. A lot of them come from rough families and rough neighborhoods. They are used to brutality."

**Need More Probation Officers** Those who have studied the causes of delinquency and worked with teen-age offenders recommend probation in the child's home wherever possible. This means more supervision... and calls for more supervisors. When probation is not advisable the delinquents should be put in an institution where there will be

treatment and a program of education and rehabilitation.

Finally, in the home what is the place of punishment? The Senate Committee investigating delinquency had this to say:

**Firm But Not Hostile**

"The critical point seems to be whether the disciplinary measures (in the home) are consistent or not, whether discipline is cruel or firm and kindly, and... most important... whether it is given by a parent who really loves the child or one who is indifferent or hostile to the youngster."

In the home, as elsewhere, coercion doesn't work. Punishment which tries to prevent de-

linquency from fear alone is not the answer

**Stronger than Fear**

There must be a stronger reason than fear for good behavior. Otherwise as soon as the parent... or policeman... is absent, the child will go and sin some more.

Guidance and training by parents with character and mature love must go along with punishment. To the children for whom these are not available, society must provide more probation officers with skill and wisdom, additional training school supervisory officials and more training school space.

## Home Demonstration Notes

By LORETA ALLEN

Taylor County Home Demonstration Agent



Twenty-three home demonstration club women from Taylor County attended the District 7 Texas Home Demonstration Association meeting in San Angelo last Wednesday. There were women from Blue Bonnet, Hamby, Lake Abilene, Pleasant Hill, Potosi, Union Ridge, and Wylie Club.

The theme of the meeting was Christian Home. Hope of the Nation, Mrs. C. E. Barfield, district vice president, presided. Miss Glydas Martin, State Home Demonstration Agent, spoke to the group on looking ahead. Miss Bonnie Cox, organization specialist, spoke on "Objective Family Living."

After the business session in the afternoon, there were workshops. Taylor County Home Demonstration Club women had charge of the workshop on citizenship. Mrs. L. A. Groene, Taylor County Texas Home Demonstration Association chairman, helped with workshop. Mrs. Riley Miller presided over the workshop. Mrs. Roy Manahan had charge of the opening exercise, and led the group in pledging allegiance to the flag and singing of "America." Mrs. W. I. Marshall, Jr. of San Angelo spoke

on "Property Laws." A panel "Did You Know?" was composed of Mrs. L. A. Groene, Mrs. Henry Antilley, Mrs. R. F. Morgan, and Mrs. Denzil Cox.

Sybie and I took Carle Hooper and Frances Meeks with us to San Angelo to attend the District THDA meeting. They were interested in being home demonstration agents when they graduate from Abilene Christian College in June. Frances liked it so much that I think she accepted a position as a county home demonstration agent that day. She will begin work as soon as school is out.

Several home demonstration club women, Sybie and I went to Coleman to a landscape leader training meeting Monday and Tuesday of this week. You'll be hearing of the many things we learned.

There will be a leader training meeting on "Picture Framing" at 1:30 P.M., April 29 in the Agricultural Building in Abilene. This is for those interested in picture framing. There will also be a leader training meeting for the clothing leaders on "Storage." This will be at 2:00 P.M., April 30 in the Agricultural Building in Abilene.

I must run and see some 4-H girls give some demonstrations on dairy foods. Bet you'd like to help me taste.

## Traffic Signs Protect Public

AUSTIN—"What would you do if all traffic signs in Texas were suddenly removed?"

That question was asked today by J. O. Musick, General Manager of the Texas Safety Association, in an attempt to focus the public's attention on TSA's Signs of Life program.

"Traffic signs placed at carefully selected locations act as silent policemen to protect the public and help move traffic safely and efficiently," Musick said.

He stressed that in addition to urging the public to know and obey traffic signs, traffic officials, police and engineers make regular checks to see that the signs are in good condition. Sometimes, he reminded, the weather, vandalism or other conditions make the signs difficult to read.

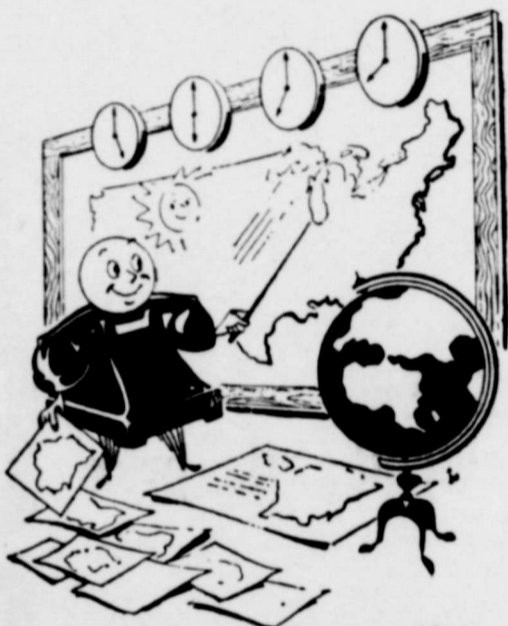
"We urge motorists and pedestrians to learn the meaning of signs by their shape alone," the TSA manager said. "They should know their shapes and learn to use this knowledge instinctively in city traffic or on the highway."

Musick said that the over-all attack on traffic accidents is built around safety's original three E's—engineering, education and enforcement.

"First," he explained, "the engineers design and install aids for moving and controlling traffic. Then it's necessary to education the public to utilize these aids and protections. Finally, for those people who insist on learning the hard way, there is enforcement. All of these are being continuously stepped up, particularly this year, as part of a national drive to make 1958 traffic safety's decisive year."

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WHAT ABOUT PERFORMANCE? Few people today care about horsepower but everybody likes a lively performer that's a pleasure to drive . . . and has the "go" to get you by quickly when passing. Tom McCahill, writing in January "Mechanix Illustrated", rates Pontiac as the liveliest thing on four wheels. "Motor Trend" reports how Pontiac outperformed two other cars, one with 380 horsepower, the other with 345 horsepower!

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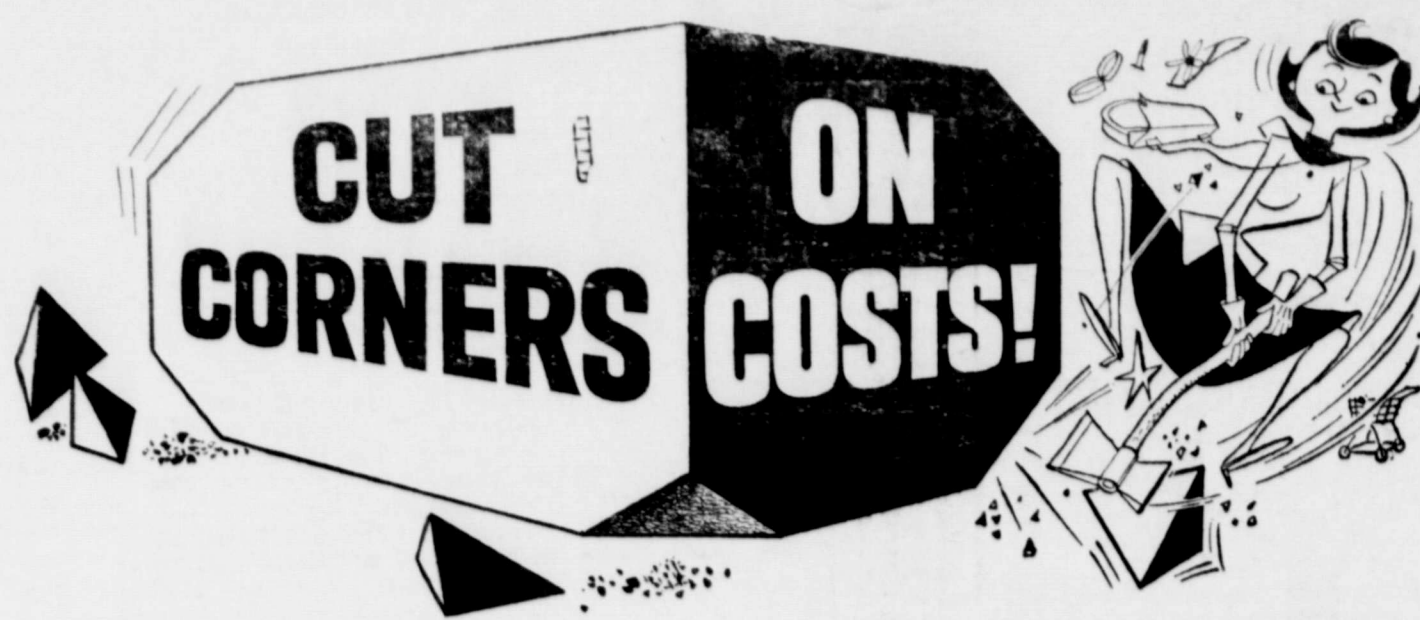
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