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RED CROSS TRAINING—Ann Benson, center, and Don Wilson have been selected to attend Junior Red Cross training camps this summer. They are shown making plans with an unidentified Red Cross worker.

Merkel Students To Attend Junior Red Cross Camps

Ann Benson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Benson, and Don Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilson, have been selected to attend Junior Red Cross Training Centers this summer.

Ann will go to Camp Fellowship, Wichita, Kansas, June 14-21, and Don will go to College Camp, Williams Bay, Wisconsin, August 16-23.

Enrollment is limited to 120 in each camp and candidates are chosen on the basis of leadership in their school and interest in Junior Red Cross work. The two Merkel students were recommended by Mrs. Ellen McReynolds, teacher sponsor in high school.

The Taylor County Chapter pays the \$50 enrollment fees and assists in transportation costs.

C. R. Rogers, Stith, Dies

C. R. Rogers Jr., 42, lifetime Jones County farmer, died Tuesday at 1:10 p.m. in Sadler Clinic Hospital here.

Mr. Rogers had been in ill health several years, critically so the past four weeks. He was a deacon in the Stith Baptist Church, to which he had belonged since he was 10.

Born March 20, 1916, in Jones County, Mr. Rogers married the former Gracie Lee Ramsey of the Comper community on June 29, 1935. His farm is about seven miles north of Stith.

Funeral was held at 4 p.m. Wednesday in the Stith Baptist Church with the Rev. Jessie Swindell, pastor, assisted by the Rev. W. T. Hamor, officiating. Burial was in the Stith Cemetery under direction of Starbuck Funeral Home.

Surviving are the wife; two sons, Jackie Charles of Lubbock and Billy Joe of the home.

Pallbearers were F. J. McDonald Jr., J. B. Harris, Fred Perry, Norman Winter, Durwood McCoy and Leonard McCoy. Deacons of the church served as honorary pallbearers.

Will Nixon of DeLeon attended services at the First Baptist church here Sunday morning.

Plainview Man Dies Here While Visiting Kin

Ed Wilhelm of Plainview, died suddenly in the home of his niece, Mrs. P. B. Cooper, while visiting here for the Memorial Day weekend. He was 72.

Mr. Wilhelm came to Merkel to see two of his nephews, Tommy and Lloyd Harris, who were visiting here from Houston another nephew, Robert Harris, and two nieces, Mrs. Lewis Luke and Mrs. Cooper who live in Merkel.

Mr. Wilhelm was apparently in good health and the best of spirits just before he complained of having indigestion. He collapsed and died a few minutes later of a heart attack.

Funeral for Mr. Wilhelm was held in Plainview at 2:30 p.m. Monday.

He is survived by his widow; three sons, Lloyd, Bill and Orville, all of Plainview; and a daughter, Mrs. Hubert Nunn of Tulia.

Area Farmers, Businessmen Attend Field Day At Experimental Farm

The Texas Research Foundation staged its first field day at the West Texas Field Station on the Hollis McCoy farm near here Thursday, May 29.

The Merkel Chamber of Commerce, Lions Club, Vocational Agriculture department and Future Farmers of America cooperated with the Texas Research Foundation in staging the program.

There was a good turnout of area farmers and Merkel businessmen. A delegation from Abilene were Dr. Hubert Seale and his son, young Dr. Seale; Ed Wischamper, managing editor of the Reporter-News; Hilton Brown, blockman for John Deere Co.; H. C. Stanley, county agent and Allen Turner, assistant.

Guided tours of the 14-acre plot planted to improve strains of new and existing crops, grasses and legumes were conducted during the morning.

Chester Collinsworth, Merkel VA teacher and resident manager of the station, directed the tour, assisted by Fred Shaw, of the Renner publicity department; H.

C. Stanley county agent; Allen Turner, assistant; George Sparkman, of the Merkel work unit of the SCS; and Albert Maberry, Trent VA teacher.

Dr. E. O. Gangstad, Renner Agronomist, discussed summer annual grasses, perennial sorghums and small grains and legumes for forage.

Dr. Earl H. Collister, chairman of the plant science department at Renner, discussed sesame and Sunflower variety trial plots at the station.

Jack Lair, agronomist at Renner and supervisor of the station, discussed commercial and experimental small grain variety tests, hybrids and other varieties of grain sorghum.

Dr. Collister said that of all sunflower tests, at Renner, the field station near Henderson and Corpus Christi, those at the Merkel station show the greatest promise. From last year's test planting at Merkel a yield of 1,240 pounds of seed to the acre was harvested. Current market price for sunflower seed is 5 to 6 cents a pound. Sunflowers show promise as a commercial crop for its rich, edible oil, excellent protein value in livestock feeds, promising adaptability to dryland production and its market value.

An interest was also shown in a new sesame variety, Renner No. 15, developed at the main station. It is a papershell, non-shattering variety that is harvested with a combine and production costs and management is about the same as that for grain sorghums.

Farmers expressed an interest in a rhizomatous type of alfalfa, a legume that spreads in much the same manner as Johnson grass and shows considerable tolerance to droughty conditions.

Mrs. L. M. Touchstone of here Mrs. Don Dudley and two sons, Mike and Mark were in Lubbock last week to attend the Northwest Texas conference of Methodist churches and to visit with Mrs. Dudley's parents, the Rev. and Mrs. Hugh Hunt.



MODERATOR—Bryan Bradbury, Abilene attorney, acted as moderator at a meeting of the Taylor Electric Educational Committee Thursday.

75 Attend Second Educational Panel Meeting At Taylor Electric Co-op

About 75 members and guests of the Taylor Electric Cooperative Educational Committee met for a luncheon meeting at the Taylor Electric Auditorium Thursday, May 29.

A genuine Italian meal was prepared and served for the group by Mrs. Moser.

Bryan Bradbury was moderator for the discussion of problems facing Co-Ops following the luncheon. Purpose of the newly organized educational panel is to educate and inform the public about cooperatives.

Guests included candidates Robert R. Patterson, Snyder, Senator for 24th District; Leon Thurman, Anson, Michael Wash, Stamford, Rep. for District 85; Max Carrier, Roby, Rep. for District 91, Parker Nunley, Coleman, Rep. for District 77; Omar Burkett, Cisco, District 76, and his guest W. R. Chambers of May, and C. H. Dawson, Cross Plains, District 76.

Candidates unable to attend were Senator David Ratliff of Stamford, District 24; L. L. Armore of Sweetwater, Rep. Dist. 91, and Rep. Paul Brasher of Cisco.

Other guests included John Ammons, manager of the Mid-West Coop of Roby; Farm Bureau county chairman, C. C. Gregory of Hamlin, and John Love, Eastland; Farm Union county chairman, F. L. Mitchell of McCaully, and Tom Moore, Breckenridge; Chairman of the legislative committee of the Farm Bureau, A. Z. Myrick, McCaully and Rex Redell, Tuscola.

Taylor Telephone Cooperative directors present were John Hardesty, manager, L. O. Huddleston, Hawley, Troy Sloan, Merkel, Charley Myatt, president, Rt. 6, Abilene, Frank Antilley, and J. J. Farmer.

Also present were Taylor Electric directors H. R. Roberts, J. J. Anderson, O. S. Moore, Sam Butman, Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Jones, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Hill and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Morrow.

Jacky McAninch Gets \$2,100 Idaho Assistantship

Jackie McAninch, a graduating animal husbandry major at Texas Tech, has been awarded a \$2,100 research assistantship at the University of Idaho. He will do advance study in animal nutrition while working on an M.S. degree.

In addition to doing top-level academic work, McAninch was the Tech Agriculture School's representative to the Student Council, president of Block and Bridle and president of Pi Kappa Alpha social fraternity. He was named Senior Class favorite and was cited in Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities and in the Tech Salutes section of La Ventura, the institution's yearbook.

Mrs. Helen Boney, Prominent Pioneer Resident, Dies; Rites Held Tuesday

Mrs. Helen Boney, 78, prominent pioneer resident, died at 12:12 a.m. Monday, June 2, at Sadler Hospital after an illness of seven days.

Funeral was held at the First Baptist Church at 3 p.m. Tuesday with the Rev. Levi Price, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Monahans, and the Rev. Joe Allen, pastor of the Childress First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery under direction of Starbuck Funeral Home.

Mrs. Boney was born at Fulton, Ky., Nov. 5, 1879 and was married to W. O. Boney in Bell County June 9, 1898. They moved to Merkel in 1906, where Mr. Boney entered the general insurance business. He died in April 1930.

An active member of the Baptist Church, Mrs. Boney taught in the primary department for many years. She was also an active member of the Eastern Star for many years.

Survivors include two sons, Horace of Merkel and Harold of Colorado City; four grandchildren; one great-grandchild; two sisters, Mrs. Jennie Cavin of Amarillo and Mrs. Mary Harkins of Roscoe.

Church School To Have Swim Party at Local Pool

Boys and girls of the kindergarten, primary and junior departments of the First Methodist Sunday School with directors of the Vacation Church School and all parents who can attend will meet at the church Saturday, June 7, at 3 p.m. and go from there to the Merkel Swimming pool for a swim and picnic.

The children will be registered for the school, which will have its first session Sunday morning, and receive other information in regards to classes to be conducted daily for one week, closing session being Sunday evening, June 15.

Mrs. Homer Newby is general director with Mrs. L. D. Bishop, Mrs. Don Dudley and Mrs. Eldon Hicks acting as supervisors for the three departments. There will be about 20 workers.

Theme of the study for the school will be "The Life of Jesus".

American Cotton Congress Slated In Harlingen

Several hundred people are expected to attend sessions of the American Cotton Congress which meets in Harlingen, June 5-7.

The program will be of particular interest to farmers and other people interested in hearing how U. S. cotton can be sold instead of piling up as surplus.

"We already know how to grow cotton better than anybody else, now experts tell us how to sell what we grow," Burriss Jackson, Congress president, said.

These experts include Lamar Fleming, Jr., Board Chairman of Anderson, Clayton & Co., leading cotton firm; Thomas C. Mann, Assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs; and Marvin L. McLain, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture.

The Congress' program also includes a tour of Mexican cotton-producing areas and stops at gins, oil mills and a Mexican Agricultural Experiment Station. Following the tour, the Mexican Cotton Association will entertain the Congress in Matamoros.

Entertainment for ladies attending the Congress includes a beach party at Padre Island and a shopping tour of Old Mexico.

And an extra treat may be on hand for the people expected. They may see the first bale of U. S. Cotton of the year delivered to Harlingen. Last year the bale, worth several thousand dollars in prizes, was delivered there, June 11.

There is no hard and fast membership in the American Cotton Congress. Anyone interested in Cotton and its problems is welcome to attend.

Wallace G. Hill Is BS Candidate

Abilene, June 5 (Spl)—Wallace G. Hill, Abilene Christian College senior from Sylvester, has been named a candidate for the Bachelor of Science degree, to be conferred May 26 in ACC commencement exercises.

A 1953 graduate of Noodle High School, Hill is the son of Mr. A. D. Hill, Route A, Sylvester.

He will receive his degree in physics with a minor in mathematics.

Wayne Tiptons Open Snack Bar

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Tipton have opened a snow cone stand and snack bar across the street from the high school.

The snack bar, which will be open from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m., will feature foot long hot dogs. They will also serve hamburgers and sandwiches.

The Tiptons came here from Sun Ray where Mr. Tipton teaches school. They have two sons, Sammy, 10, and Gary, 4.

Rev. and Mrs. John Ferguson and children, Debbie, Jack and Renee were visitors in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Denzel Cox and with other relatives here the past weekend. They were en route to Port Arthur from Pampa where Rev. Ferguson will pastor an Evangelical Methodist church.

Little League Gifts Valued At \$1800; Carson Supers In Season Lead

Lester Dorton, manager of Taylor Electric Cooperative, and Earl Hughes, manager of West Texas Utilities, announced this week that gifts valued at over \$1800 are being given to the Merkel Little League by their companies.

Gifts were in the form of material and labor by both companies. With the donations the Little League lighting system will be brought up to national specifications.

Both West Texas Utilities and Taylor Electric have been instrumental in making the summer program for boys successful. They each sponsor a team and they have employees who are active as managers or helping the organization run smoothly in many ways.

The little league season reaches the halfway mark this week with the Carson Supers leading the Starbucks and Cardinals by half a game. The REA Willies, Bankers and WTU Kilowatts are grouped closely behind.

Troop 20 Scouts To Receive Awards At Court of Honor

Boy Scouts of Troop 20 who have advanced in Scouting in the past seven months will be recognized at a Court of Honor in the Community Center at 7:30 p.m., June 5, according to Scoutmaster Joe Lassiter.

The entertainment and educational program planned will include an Indian skit to be presented by John Lanier's fam us Tonkawa Tribe from Abilene.

George Gray, district advancement chairman, will have charge of the awards presentation program. An impressive ceremony has been arranged through the efforts of Jim Culwell, Scout district executive for the Central District.

Scouts scheduled to receive the second class awards are Danny Bagby, Tim Martin, Michael Roland, Wayne Hester, Glynn Melton, and Dr. n Parmely.

The public is invited and especially parents, relatives and friends of the Scouts are urged to attend, said Mr. Lassiter.

A film, depicting high lights of the Boy Scout summer camp at Tonkawa, will be shown and any question the parents may have about summer camp will be answered after the Court of Honor is concluded. The annual summer camps will be June 15-21 for the Merkel Scouts.

Little League Schedule

Tuesday—June 10:
Cardinals vs. Willies
Kilowatts vs. Starbucks
Thursday—June 12:
Starbucks vs. Cardinals
Supers vs. Bankers
Friday—June 13:
Willies vs. Supers
Bankers vs. Kilowatts
Team listed first will be the home team and take the south dugout. First game will start at 6:25 and must be finished by 7:55. The second game will start at 8:05 and must be finished by 9:30.



MOST REPRESENTATIVE—Minta Lue McAninch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis McAninch, and Joe Neill, were selected by members of the faculty at Merkel High School as the school's most representative girl and boy.

HOW MUCH IN EXAMPLE?

By JUDGE SARAH HUGHES
In order to grow into mature, stable men and women, boys and girls need parents with right attitudes, high moral and ethical standards, and religious faith.

the law, cheat just a little, do whatever they can get away with in order to keep from paying as much tax or to make just a little more money.

Smart? Not with Children
Such actions are frequently not frowned on by friends or neighbors. The man who gets by may be considered smart. But with children to raise, the standard of conduct for parents should not be what pleases others but what is good and right.

Children learn more from example than from being told. Do you remember during the war how many people got more gas, coffee, and meat than they were entitled to? And some even bragged about getting around ration limitations. The children were bound to know. And if parents cheated and got away with it, it must be alright to cheat at school so they reasoned.

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tell his father an untruth, then isn't it all right for him to fib just a little if he has to get out of a tight situation?

Just telling a child to be honest to tell the truth, is not enough. Moral-ethical ideals can't be inculcated by education and religious teaching alone. Little effect will be had on behavior, still less on character, unless right attitudes become a part of the individual — that is, have been learned through constant example and living.

Old Fashioned Virtues Needed
Perhaps we need a rededication to the old-fashioned virtues — honesty, truthfulness, industry. I am reminded of a story my pastor told of an engineer who, deep in the Amazon jungle, received word of his wife's serious illness. He began a forced march to the coast. One morning he awoke to find the natives had not yet packed; they were simply sitting. In reply to his question as to why they were not ready to go, the leader replied, "We are waiting for our souls to catch up with our bodies."

Our Souls MUST Catch Up
In this modern day we certainly need to slow down our bodies so our souls can catch up — our physical progress has outgrown our spiritual development.

In addition to the attitude of parents towards honesty and truthfulness, how do they act toward each other? Are they kind, considerate, loyal, affectionate or are they selfish, nagging, disloyal or cool? Do they work together, plan together, have the same interests, or does each go his or her own separate way? Are they understanding and tolerant of each other's ideas, or are they constantly on the verge of an argument?

Extremely Hard Job
I have in mind a college senior who was asked by her professor what she was going to do when she graduated. She looked up at him in amazement and said "Nothing, I'm going to get married." Little did she realize that marrying and raising children was one of the hardest jobs she could undertake. She would need all her education, training, and experience if her children were to be worthwhile citizens.

If parents are immature, unstable in their attitudes, the children begin life handicapped. **Stable Home Atmosphere**
Children need a home atmosphere where there are stable, mature adults with right attitudes towards life. With such a foundation they already have a head start in combating the trials and temptations of living. In my next article I will discuss severity of punishment.

Starr Rest Home

By MARY OUTLAW

Our patients are well at this writing only Mrs. Stella Miles, who is a new patient. We are happy to welcome her into our home. We hope that she will soon be on her way to recovery.

Dr. and Mrs. James W. Fielder of Corpus Christi visited Mrs. Joney Smothers last week. They visited each patient in the Rest Home, said they wanted to shake the hands of our hundred year old patients and Mrs. Fielder. When Mrs. Fielder came to Mr. Smedley she not only shook his hand but reached down and curled up his mustache, said she had always wanted to do that but never had the opportunity.

Rev. Sewell, Pastor of the First Baptist Church, was unable to fill his appointment on account of illness and the ladies of the Ester Class of the Baptist Church came. Those present were Meses. Earnest Teaff, Craig Humphries, Bud McKeever, Leon Scott, Raymond Miller, Preston Henry, Don Riney, Roy Miller, Herman Carson and Dean Higgins. Mrs. Teaff brought the devotional and Mrs. Carson and Mrs. Riney sang a duet. Mrs. Roy Miller was pianist. The group sang several songs and closed with a prayer. It was a nice service and we appreciated their coming and invite them back again.

Mrs. A. J. Carr, Lemesa, Mrs. John H. Pittman and daughters Maralyn, Jane and Angella Fowler visited Mrs. Frankie Fowler Monday. Jane Fowler played the piano for her grandmother and the other patients. For this we are appreciative.

We want to thank Frances Collier for coming into our home Sunday and playing for our patients.

Floyd Grayson and Travis Wheeler who were here for the Wheeler reunion visited Granny Cade Sunday.

We want to thank Uncle Tom Bagby for dividing his nice fresh dry onions with us. They are really sweet and nice. They were certainly appreciated.

Mrs. Leslie Clawson and daughter Lynn of Big Springs visited the Rest Home Sunday. They were down for Barbara Wilson's wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Sharp and children of Dennison visited their grandmother, Mrs. Goza Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Scifule and Mr. and Mrs. Evans of Dallas visited Mrs. Hartley Saturday and Sunday.

We want to thank the G. A. Girls from Tye Baptist Church for remembering the old folks with some plate favors. Mrs. Melwyn White, Dianne Mauldin and Nancy Mosie brought them.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Price of Rowden visited Mrs. Smedley Saturday.

Thanks to Mrs. Andrew Wheeler for the pair of shoes she brought the Rest Home.

Thanks to Uncle Tom Bagby for the fresh beans he brought the Rest Home Thursday, nothing better than good fresh vegetables.

I am sure we are going to enjoy them.

We enjoyed the song service Sunday morning with the Carrs. Thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Evans of Dallas for helping with the singing.

Lillian Floyd is back at work after being away on her vacation.

We have a new evening nurse, Mrs. Ella Morris. The patients are very happy about getting her for a nurse and we hope she will like to work in our home. She replaced Tommie Smith who resigned to work at the Air Base.

"I REMEMBER"

BY THE OLD TIMERS

From Mrs. M. S. Sweet, Onawa, Iowa: I remember Mother telling of her childhood life in Western Kansas in the 1890's. They lived in a dug-out between Herndon and Oberlin, Kansas. She had three miles to walk to school, and cut across the prairie on foot. She told of several occasions when a pack of coyotes followed her, staying quite a distance behind. If she ran, they would also run, but luckily, they always stayed about the same distance from her.

Their drinking water came from a dug well, and she told of getting typhoid fever and losing all of her blond hair. When it came back, it was a medium brown. She told of another instance of not being able to straighten her leg for a long time and getting around only by resting her knee on a chair seat, then pushing the chair in front of her. It sounds like the polio of today, and was probably caused by their living conditions.

She also told of the fierce prairie fires that raged out of control in the tall native grass. The women would also have to go out and help fight the fires. She told of her parents locking her in the dug-out while they fought the fires. She was safer there, because the fire would go right over her head and leave her unharmed.

While my mother is not alive to tell her own story, I thought I would send it in. We are so smug today in our everyday living that we often forget just what our ancestors had to go through to make this country a wonderful place for us to live in.

(Send contributions to this column to The Old Times, c/o Community Press Service, Box 20, Frankfort, Kentucky.)

We hope Tommie likes her new job.

Mrs. Nettie Harris, our cook has gone to South Carolina on her vacation. We hope she has a nice vacation.

Mrs. Robert J. Criswell and daughters Carol and Robbie, of Plainview are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Dunagin and Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Criswell.

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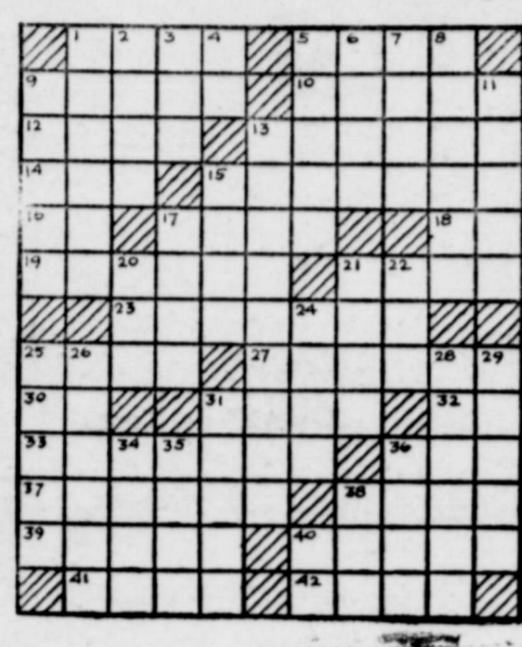
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ACROSS

- Dutch river
- Store
- Abstain
- Employed from
- Serf
- Notebook cover
- Perform
- Box
- Toward
- Location
- Type
- Sample of cloth
- Undeveloped flowers
- Construction men (U.S. Navy)
- First man
- Disclose
- Samarium (stra.)
- Cunning
- Behold
- Torrid region
- Muscular twitch
- Remove bottle top
- Pry
- Bind again
- Merits
- Betsy flag maker
- Beards of rye

DOWN

- Capital (Eur.)
- Are not (colloq. contr.)
- Mature
- Thus
- Gloss
- Female red deer
- Calendar of offices (R. C. Ch.)
- Gazed
- Deeds
- Light weights
- Scouring brick
- A size of type
- Branch
- Man's name
- Flock of quail
- Employ deer
- Lampreys
- Genus of goshawks
- Mending device
- Foreigners
- The hair type
- Telegraphs
- Eight (comb. form)
- Water god
- Hawaiian food (pl.)
- Gull-like bird
- Animal's foot



"I Don't Care" Poor Attitude

Nothing is worse for a city—like a person—than an "I don't care" attitude. And a city is, after all, only a sum of its parts: people, you and I. With Clean-Up, Paint-Up, Fix-Up time here, it is time for us individually and collectively to rid ourselves of any indifference and get ready to support the coming campaign.

If we continue to dump trash on that vacant lot down the block, scatter fruit peels and wrappers from car windows, and ignore garbage and trash regulations,

we will soon have a reputation for messy unconcern. Tourists, visitors, new business are not attracted to that kind of city any more than you want to become better acquainted with an unkempt, rumpled-appearing person.

Let's each make a firm resolution to obey our city's disposal ordinances, stop littering streets and sidewalks, and otherwise blemishing our collective property. If we do, and then clean, paint, and repair our individual share of the city, whether it be room, apartment or house, apathy's curse will be soundly defeated by energy's dividends.

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- FRESH PAC PEAS - pkg. 17c
- STOKLEY'S FRENCH Green Beans pkg 25c

- MEATS**
- NEUHOF'S—Thick Sliced BACON—2 lb. pkg. \$1.35
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UP THE CANYON

By TOM RUSSOM

Well we just don't have much time these days to write news. However, there has been several things happening this week up the Canyon.

Those who have wheat and oats ready to thrash are after them in a big way, and others are in a run to get their machines in running shape. This has been one of the biggest grain runs we have seen in many years with very favorable weather for the harvest.

We believe that for the next week or so the activity will even be greater.

The attendance at Pioneer Church was up Sunday.

Rev. John Ferguson, a former pastor, and his family were visitors. John preached at the morning service bringing a good message.

The Ferguson family were en route to Port Arthur where Rev. Ferguson will start a new church. He has pastored a church in Pampa for the past year.

Rev. Elmer Ward preached his farwell sermon to the Pioneer church people Sunday night at the Butman youth camp. He goes to a church north of Brownfield where he will pastor two churches.

Rev. E. H. Martin, pastor of 6th Street Methodist Church, Sweetwater, the past year, succeeds Rev. Martin at the Pioneer Methodist for another year. He will also be in charge of the Butman Methodist Camp. Several groups are expected for camps this summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bickley of Abilene were in attendance at the Pioneer Church Sunday and were dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Russom. They also visited in the E. H. Cordill home. Riley Jack Seymore left last week for the Plains where he will be engaged in farming for the summer with his brother-in-law, Melvin McCoy.

Gerald Derrick of Merkel has been working some cattle at his place in the Canyon this week. Oats on the place has made good grazing.

F. H. Horton remarked that he has been in the Canyon for more than 45 years and he cannot recall ever having seen grain piled on the T. & P. right-away as it is this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Terry and Jeanne were guests last week-end in the Buck Leach home.

Abilene Firm Gets Contract For Road Work

A contract for road work on 26.3 miles on US Highway 277 & FM 1178 in Taylor and Callahan County has been awarded to an Abilene firm, it was announced in Austin this week by the State Highway Commission.

B. G. Brown & Co. and J. A. Fruit and F. M. Brown & Sons, Inc. submitted the low bid of \$586,465.71 on the project. Construction of widening grading, widening structures, flexible base and one and two-course surface treatment from FM Road 18 southeast to Callahan Co. line from Taylor Co. line east to US 283 at Cedar and Elm Creeks and from SH 36 to 4.7 miles south is expected to take 300 working days, according to J. C. Roberts, District Highway Engineer at Abilene. The awarding of the contract to this firm is subject to the concurrence of the Bureau of Public Roads.

E. L. Harris, Resident Engineer at Abilene will be in active charge of the project while under construction.

Hospital Patients

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

- Mrs. Theo Newton
- Kathy Jo Jones
- Mrs. Esther Corbin
- Frank Woodrum
- R. H. Riney
- Mrs. H. M. Weston
- Mrs. T. E. Goode
- Roy E. Reid
- Syra Swinney
- Ollie Sanders
- Mrs. Bill Jones
- Kyle Crocker

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

- J. B. Donnelly
- Mrs. James R. Stracener
- Kathy Jo Jones
- Allen Cade
- Mrs. Esther Corbin
- Donald Crawford
- W. T. McAninch
- Mrs. Justo Hernandez and baby girl
- Mrs. H. M. Weston
- Roy E. Reid



MERKEL FAVORITES—Upper left, Betty Flo Smith, daughter of Mrs. W. L. Carnohan, is senior girl favorite. Upper right is Ronny Toombs, son of Mr. and Mrs. Deverl Toombs, most popular boy. Lower left is Lou David Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Beauford Allen, senior boy favorite. Kay Lynn Perry, lower right, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Perry, is most popular girl.

Joe E. Lassiter Speaks To Grads; Top 8th Graders Receive Awards

Joe E. Lassiter, principal speaker at the 8th grade graduation exercises Wednesday night, spoke to the class about the pressures on students that will begin with the new phase of education they will encounter in high school.

Mr. Lassiter made these suggestions to the group: (1) "Search for the truth (2) Have a sense of values (3) Have respect for your fellow man (4) Have faith and belief; believe in something and know why you believe in it (5) Weave a moral fiber within yourself that will stand up against the trials and temptations of life."

Awards were presented to outstanding students in the eighth grade at graduation exercises. Top students were chosen from each of the eighth grade rooms.

In Mrs. Kathrine Shuey's room Linda Tolver was highest ranking girl with an average of 91.75. Larry Windham was highest ranking boy with 92.62, and Leon Gregory received an award for showing the most improvement.

Leon Walker's room, Gayle Harris, highest girl, 94.79 average. Brown Higgins, highest boy, 93.42 average. Barbara Whisenhunt, showing the most improvement.

Don Estes' and Mrs. Norman Winter's room, Bob Ward, 95.37. Carolyn Anderson, 95.99, and Robert Gilmer, showing most improvement.

Outstanding student awards, based upon honor, scholarship, leadership, service and attitude, went to Elizabeth Tuckey and Eugene Hester.

Awards of merit went to the following parents for 100 per cent attendance at Parent-Teacher Conference for eight consecutive years: Mmes. A. B. Gregory, Johnny Berry, Morris B. Smith, Jack Hogan, O. J. Bagby, F. J. McDonald Jr., and Chester McWilliams.

Cyrus Pee and Fred Starbuck were in attendance at the Northwest Texas conference for Methodist churches which was held in Lubbock the past week.

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An assignment in Europe is available to qualified young men through a special U.S. Army "Choice - Not Chance" enlistment program. M-Sgt. Leonard M. Evans announced today.

Young men enlisting for three years or more prior to June 20th may request assignment with the 2nd Battle Group in Europe. The 2nd is a gyroscope unit of the 28th Infantry, 1st Infantry Division.

This Army enlistment option is open to young men with or without prior military service. Prior service personnel may be accepted in grades below the rank of E4.

Accepted enlistees will receive Army basic and advanced individual training at Fort Riley, Kansas.

Interested young men should contact Master Sergeant Evans at 600 North 3rd St., Abilene, before the June cut-off date for this particular assignment.

Mrs. Lena Reeder visited her daughter, Mrs. J. C. Harwood, in Houston recently. Another daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Vernie Harris accompanied her.

P.O. Box Rent Increase July 1

Box rent rates for Lock Boxes and Drawers at the Merkel Post Office will be increased effective with the Quarter beginning July 1, 1958, stated Postmaster Wren Durham.

will be placed in the boxes 10 days prior to the first of July. Size No. 1 will be increased from 90c to \$1.20. No. 2 from \$1.10 to \$1.50. No. 3 from \$1.50 to \$2.25. No. 4 from \$2.25 to \$3.00 per quarter.

Notices that rent will be due Mrs. Effie Rider spent the weekend in Ft. Worth as guests of her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Terrell Mashburn and children.



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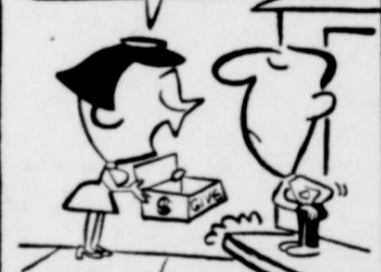
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Estelle Humphreys
Secretary

NOTICE MASONS
Stated meeting of Merkel Lodge No. 710, A.F. & M. Thursday, June 12, 7:30 p.m. All members are urged to attend. E. A. Degree, Visiting brethren cordially invited.
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(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 Cypert

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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W.M.U. 2:30 p.m.
Wednesday —
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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
South 5th and Trundy
Pallatine 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.

Compere 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 Service 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.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Doan were recent visitors in the home of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Chenaunt and Vickie of Stamford. While there Mr. Doan attended to business matters also.

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THE FIGHTER ALWAYS WINS

By F. L. Rowley

KERMIT SPENCER was the shy type. In the ten odd years he'd been in Hillcrest no one had heard him say more than a dozen words at one time. People liked him though, mostly because he minded his own business. When you went into his hardware store to buy something you never came out with a handful of things you didn't need. Kermit was not a high pressure salesman.

The only time I saw Kermit prick up his ears and look interested was one afternoon in Art Mullins' Coffee Shop. Art's pretty sister Eileen had just trotted in to announce: "Ray is trying to get himself killed!"

Maybe I ought to tell you right here that Ray Jensen and Eileen Mullins were planning to get married.

Art sighed. "Ray been fighting again? Who did he pick on this time?"

"Gus Pappas. Ray's going to fight him tonight," moaned Eileen. "and everyone says that Ray will get his block knocked off this time."

"And it's just what he needs," Art grunted. "Only we can't let him do it; not ten days before your wedding. He wouldn't be out of the hospital in time. Gus Pappas is tough. Can't you talk Ray out of it?"

Kermit was studying my head. "You need a haircut," he said. "So do I. Wait until I get a few clippings from my store and we'll go over to Gus' place together."

"Clippings?" I didn't get it. Kermit ran into his hardware store and came out a few minutes later with a loose-leaf notebook under his arm.

When we reached the barber shop there were three men ahead of us. Gus was having a good day. No sooner had we settled ourselves than Kermit whipped open his loose-leaf book.

"This is my collection of fight-

Mr. and Mrs. Don Doan and children Steve and Dian, of Stamford and Mrs. Grady Bishop of Stith were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Doan Saturday. The Doan family accompanied by her father Grady Bishop, of Stith have returned from a week's vacation which took them to Alabama, Tennessee and Georgia.

Mrs. M. L. Touchstone of here and daughter, Mrs. J. B. Jordan and two children of Abilene spent the week in New Orleans, La., as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Gonzales. Mrs. Gonzales is the former Bess Touchstone.

Mrs. Mae Douglas of Abilene visited her brother, T. J. Amason Friday.

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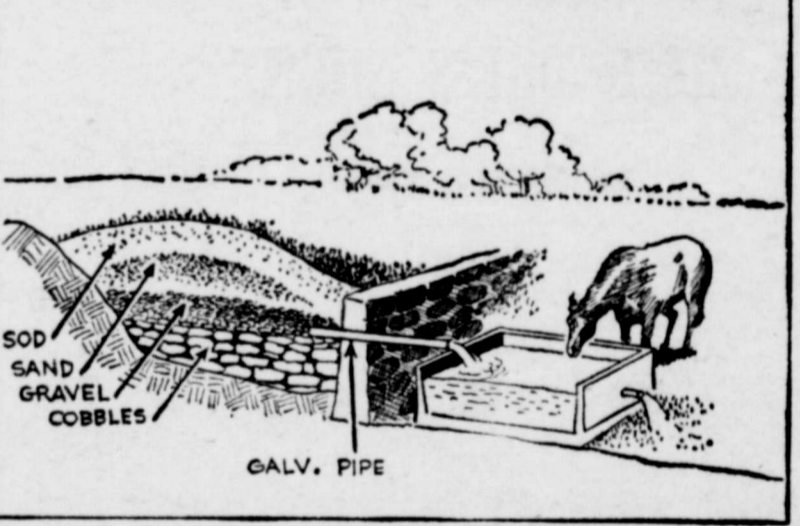
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1. Doublet refers to (a) old Spanish coin; (b) hat; (c) close fitting jacket.
2. Petulant means (a) fretful; (b) cheating; (c) infected.
3. The wildbeest is also know as (a) the ox; (b) yak; (c) gnu.

ANSWERS
1. Doublet
2. Petulant
3. Gnu

FENCE LINES



CLEAN WATER . . . Boggy springs can be dammed and impounded, then piped to livestock watering tank by constructing small dam of concrete or field stone on the downgrade side of the spring.

TELL US YOUR PROBLEM

BY JOHN and JANE STRICKLAND

PROBLEM: Self Reliance
ONCE Gerry Thomas, 709 Stockbridge Avenue, Kalamazoo, Michigan, came home in the evening facing a task that he didn't relish: helping his young son with his homework. He knew this boy was perfectly capable of doing his homework himself, but a variety of threats did not serve to make him do it. Every month the report showed mostly C's, a B injected now and then. So he had formed the habit of practically "learning" the boy what he had to know. He kept on until both became irritable and unfriendly toward each other and Gerry gave the boy some good "bawlings out."

There was one subject on which the boy never needed help: history. For some reason, probably the excitement of adventure, the boy did his history work satisfactorily and it was frequently given an A.

Gerry decided to use history as a ladder. He praised his son's knowledge of history to a friend in the boy's presence. A few minutes later when the boy came to the dinner table, he noticed he was more self confident than usual. That night before tackling the other subjects, he gave the boy an examination which he knew full well he could pass. He praised the boy for his answers. All of a sudden the atmosphere seemed to clear. He took up the next subject in the same spirit. Same result.

Then one Monday he said to his wife, "I'd like to take Bobby hunting on Saturdays now that Spring is here, if I didn't have to do my own work on Saturdays." "Why not do your work at night?" asked his wife, who had been primed for this interview. "Oh, I'm too tired after helping Bobby with his lessons." Bobby of course was within earshot.

That night Bobby said to his father: "Dad, my work's not so hard tonight; I can do it by myself." And he did.

The next night the same thing happened; and the next; and the next. Bobby got his work done in short order with only an occasional reference to his father.

Came Saturday: "Bobby, how would you like to go off on a day's hunting?" Gerry asked.

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Home Demonstration Notes

By LORETA ALLEN

Taylor County Home Demonstration Agent



Last week I took two days annual leave to sew, but instead I spent most of it in the yard.

This week we went to 4-H Camp in Kerrville. The 4-H'ers in Taylor County can look forward to a good camp at Buffalo Gap July 21-22 as these boys and girls who attended district camp have a lot of good ideas.

This is just a reminder, but remember the planning meeting for the foods preservation workshop next Friday morning, June 6, at 10:00 a.m. in the Agriculture Building. This meeting is for anyone interested in foods preservation.

Steam pressing is a fast growing trend judging by the increasing number of questions on the selection, use and care of steam irons. For interested homemakers, here are some answers to some of the most-asked questions.

When it comes to selection, there are two main types: The flash or open water container type, which is usually filled at the front of the handle. Instructions say heat, then turn to steam. It's important to follow the instructions because the water runs through and doesn't turn to steam if not sufficiently heated.

The other kind has a boiler or sealed water container. To fill,

the cap is unscrewed or removed. All the water is heated to the steaming point and continues steaming until the water is gone.

Prevent spitting and water spotting by following manufacturers instructions for filling and heating. These general precautions apply to most steam irons: Don't overfill or handle roughly, or tilt excessively. This is especially important for irons with flash or open water containers. Be sure the iron is hot before turning on the steam. Set iron at correct temperature setting. Water is likely to boil over if the steam may be too dry if the iron is overheated.

Use a tap water, unless it is naturally soft, will usually lead to a deposit of minerals that corrode the metal and close the steam passageway. Use of distilled (soft) water will prevent mineral deposits.

To open clogged vents, some manufacturers suggest the use of clear vinegar. This mild acid is effective in removing calcium, one of the minerals which collects in the iron. Fill the water with 1/2 cup vinegar and steam 2 minutes. Let stand overnight, then rinse several times. Expect unpleasant odor.

This tastes good in Texas:

CHOCOLATE NUGGETS

- 2 squares unsweetened chocolate
- 1 egg, beaten lightly
- 1 cup sifted confectioners' sugar
- 1 cup chopped nuts.
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 24 marshmallows, cut in cubes.

ACROSS the DESK
ideas from other editors

From The Vista Press, Vista, Calif.: That old political pot is a-brewin' faster and faster day by day, and the season where the best of friends become the bitterest of enemies is fast approaching.

That inexplicable something which allows people to get along in every day life week in and week out in spite of religious beliefs has no bearing on these same citizens when it comes to political opinions. All sense of tolerance is lost, and all regard for the other's opinion goes by the board. It happens every election time here in these United States.

Should that good friend be registered in an opposing party he becomes a dirty dog and it is not fit to sleep with the pigs, or wipe up the floor with. But just a few short weeks after election he regains his character and again becomes one of the finest persons in the world, whether his party won the election or not.

Then there is the fence straddler. He is the man who has the courage of his convictions and votes for the man—not the party. To ardent party members he is not above a snake—in the open—not in the grass. The so-called fence straddler is the man most always found on the "not to be associated with" list, for several months before an election and for a few weeks after because he is the man who let the party down.

In other words—as the party thinks so should the voter—but life can't be that sweet for some people. They take the attitude that there is a party in Russia that does most of the thinking for the people and therefore they just do not care to become entangled in the good old USA.

We, all of us, will admit that the party with which we are not affiliated is composed of a bunch of skunks and grafters. We've never been able to figure out just what kind of a world this is since both of the major parties have this same idea.

Then there's another thing that bothers us somewhat about these candidates. The mere fact that John Doe belongs to the Plebian Party and has done an excellent job in his office as a dog catcher and as a side line is a crocodile wrestler of great note is no concern of the Commonwealth Party. They have no consideration for the man who is doing fine work. Willie Jones who is registered in the Commonwealth Party can do so much better, not because he happens to have the background but because he is registered in the Commonwealth Party.

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Mrs. Ollie Skidmore of Monahan is visiting here for an indefinite time with Mr. and Mrs. Lige Harris and in the P. D. Skidmore home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Nutt and children Pamela Ann and Rodger Lynn of Plainview were weekend guests of her mother, sister and brother, Mrs. Edna Horton, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Tolliver and children and Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Horton and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Whitaker of Dallas are guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Dunagin.

TEENAGE PROBLEMS OF TODAY

By BITSY WEST

There are many problems, or questions that face teenagers today. One is whether or not to go steady, what time to come in and how often to date.

Going steady is a problem that faces many of us. I think that whether or not to go steady depends on the persons involved. There is always a feeling of security in going steady, but too if you go steady your conduct must change and your association with other boys can't be too friendly. But, why not go steady if you really enjoy being with the boy, because if you go with a boy more than two times in a row other boys take it for granted that you are going steady and

don't ask you for a date. I think that most teenagers would rather go steady.

Another question is what time to come in. Some kids have a curfew; some don't. I do but I don't mind it, because it gives me time to do what is usually done on a date and it cuts out a lot of temptation to just run around that would be there if there wasn't a certain time to come in. "I think that kids should have a certain time to come in until they are mature enough to know what is a reasonable time. I think that teenagers should be allowed to help set the time because we know how much time it takes to do what there is to do. I think that a boy respects you more if

you have a certain time to come in (if it is reasonable) than if you can come in any time of the day or night.

There is still another problem of how often to date. I am not allowed to have dates on school nights. At first I thought that this was unreasonable but now I really think that it is right. During the week most of us have work to do or lessons to get at night and if we had a chance to go somewhere most of us would say, Oh, I can get that Algebra tomorrow in study hall or I can iron tomorrow afternoon. I know I would say that. And more than likely I would never get it done.

I think that most problems of teenagers can be solved if the teenager and the parents understand each other and try to find a solution to the problem together.

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Farmers are about to get all their crops planted and between plowing and combining are kept busy.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lucas and daughter Linda, of Antioch, Calif., are visiting her mother Mrs. Annie Hudson, and brothers, Clarence and Dub. They attended the Lucas reunion which was held in Ft. Worth Friday and Saturday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl McGill and Lonyse Walker of Clovis, N. M., were here to attend the Wheeler reunion at Merkel Sunday and to visit with their aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Barbee and Mr. and Mrs. Dock Callaway.

Mrs. Charles (Tip) Carter is in the Sadler Clinic hospital where she is recovering from surgery. Her many friends wish for her a speedy recovery.

Rev. and Mrs. John Hamilton and Charles were Sunday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. McCain.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Herron Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Weeks and Dena and Mr. and Mrs. Milton Kelly all of Abilene.

Sunday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Benningfield were Mrs. Vera Gardner and children and Mr. and Mrs. Billie Jack Benningfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Irvin and Karon visited Mrs. Irvin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Moore of Abilene Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Moore of Charleston, W. Virginia, were also visiting in the Moore home at Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Tolliver have moved to Sinclair where Pete is employed on a farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Cox visited her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lollis last week.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Nath Maxwell and Jan last week were Misses Josephine Matius and Fern Roghenery.

Mrs. Les Cox is in Dallas at the bedside of her son who had his leg amputated. He is reported in fair condition.

Mrs. Bennett Anderson's father spent last week in her home and is now visiting a daughter in Odessa.

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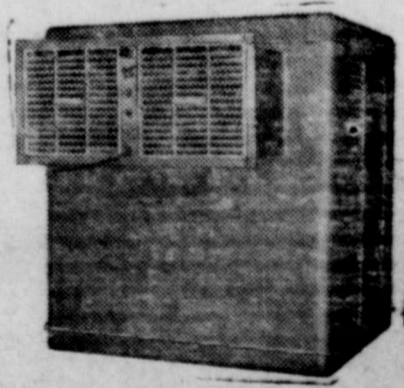
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Couple To Mark 50th Anniversary With Reception

A reception honoring Mr. and Mrs. C. E. (Toodie and Charlie) Huff on their 50th wedding anniversary will be held at the Merkel Community Center, Sunday, June 15 from 2 to 6 p.m.

The Huffs have lived in Taylor County since 1923 when they came here from Idabel, Okla.

Their nine children, all raised in and around Merkel, will be here for the celebration. They are: Elmer, J. D. and Leonard of Harrison, Arkansas; Leo, Sweetwater; Ollie Payne, Dallas; Grace Stanford, Odessa; Lawrence, Dallas; Buddy and Loman of Midland.

All friends of Mr. and Mrs. Huff are invited to attend the reception, according to members of the family.

County Agent Presents Stith HD Club Program

Mrs. Mary Newberry, Jones County HD agent, presented a program on "Managing Family Income" when the Stith Home Demonstration Club met in the Community Center last week.

With charts and illustrations, Mrs. Newberry showed probable divisions and percentages for each division of the income. She stressed the fact that you should know where this year's income went in order to plan better distribution of next year's income.

Members brought various articles for an auction after the business meeting. Mrs. Babe Tarpley acted as auctioneer. Proceeds from the auction went to the ceramics fund.

Mrs. John Gunewinkel was hostess. Twelve members were present.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Phillips and son Jerry last weekend were their sons, Mr. and Mrs. James Phillips and children of Pasadena, Texas, and Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Phillips, Jr. of Big Spring. Jerry accompanied his brother and family upon their return to Pasadena where he will visit for two weeks.

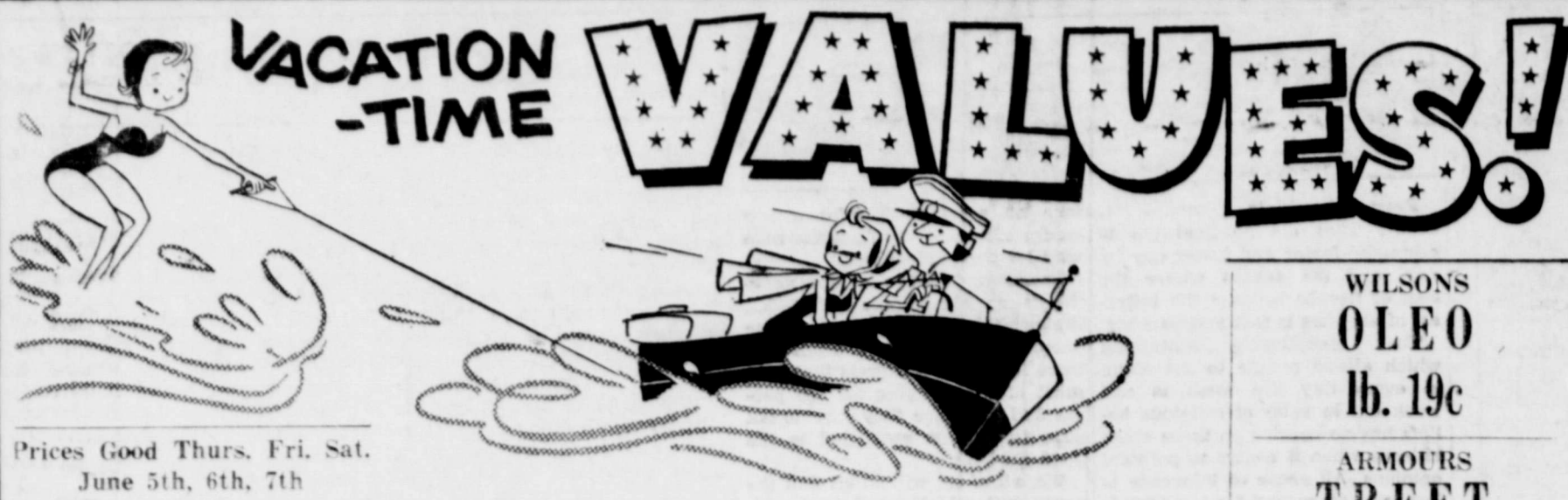


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