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Tell-Tale

housing project. It took a long week by J. L. Fisher. time to get to this stage, but

and haven't voted on the new di- brands of oil. rectors yet you are urged to do

Rumanian refugee from commun- a daughter, Diane, 11. They live ist terror, is scheduled to speak at 605 Haynes St. in several areas in Texas in the worth driving miles if necessary, to hear her.

Speaking of distinguished gue- Merkel Man's sts, we have had one for the past few days - our little granddau- Brother Dies went on a trip and double crossanother whole day with her. Maybe it's just as well - we weren't she stayed awake nights. She of Oliver Eidson of Merkel. slept peacefully while we nearly ran ourselves to death and almost tor, officiated, assisted by Dr. collided several times going back tor, officiated, assisted by Dr. Hubert Thomson, Methodist disforth to see if she was covered, breating, etc. Then, too, it was her grandfather's job to wash the diapers and his poor hands were getting all rough and redlooking from pushing the coins in the slot at the automatic laun-

We received the following letter today: Dear Editor:

I see by the wrappers that it's "pay up time." The old hometown paper has followed me here and there for the 22 years since I left Merkel. I always enjoy reading it, especially "Tell-Tale Mail." Honey, don't ever let them crowd you out.

Respectfully, Mrs. Ernest Wilson Lampasas, Texas

I thought I'd better slip that in at this particular time because talk is being kicked around in this place about some changes soon to be made - namely, that a more dignified column will replace this one on the front page and I will be moved to an inside

Another change will be in the form of a new rule - a rule whereby no one person's picture will appear on the front page of this paper two weeks in successon. If you remember a few weeks back, every time someone focused a camera Earl Hughes was in front of it and his picture not only made this paper but the Abilene paper too. You'd think he was mayor or something.

Have you paid your poll tax?

Merkel Couple's **Grandchild Dies**

Funeral was held in Denver, Colo., at 10 a.m. Monday morning for Cathy Fotopolis, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andy Fotopolis of Riverton, Wyo., who

died Saturday, Jan. 9. Born Dec. 16, 1959, the baby was taken to a hospital in Denver for surgery Dec. 22.

Mrs. Fotopolis is the former Jan Lemons, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Lemens of Merkel. Surviving, in addition to the parents and grandparents, is a

ssiter, Christy, 2.

Merkel Co-Op Fe-Mail Station Under **New Ownership**

Announcement of the sale of Today was, officially, the date his Merkel Co-Op Service Station for Alston Construction Co. to at 1146 N. 1st to Lynn Knight start work on Merkel's low-rent and Charles Eager was made this

The station's name will be things should hum right along changed to K & E Service Center, the new owners said. They will sell Fina gasoline, Fisk and If you are a member of the Goodyear tires, Southland Batter-Merkel Chamber of Commerce ies and accessories and all major

Knight, a resident of Merkel so immediately if not sooner, for about four years, was form-Time is running out and Mary erly associated with Taylor Elec-Hargrove, C-C secretary, says tric Cooperative and Taylor Televery few of the ballots have been phone Cooperative. Active in civreturned. I know of one ballot ic and church affairs, he is a past returned. I know of one ballot ic and church affairs, he is a past that is going to be turned in with president of the Merkel Quartermy preference of directors if it is back Club, secretary of the Mestill around tomorrow. And it thodist Men's Organization, vice-won't necessarily be the prefer-chairman of the official board of ence of the member it was sent the First Methodist Church and is a member of the Merkel Chamber of Commerce.

Princess Catherin Caradja, a He and his wife, Margarie, have for reelection.

coming weeks. We had the pleas- High School, formerly farmed months in 1952 by appointment ure of hearing her last January with his father, Glenn Eager, in by Commissioners Court to fill and it was the best talk we've Winters. He is a thirty-second de- out an unexpired term. ever heard. It would certainly be gree Mason and attends the First Baptist Church.

Funeral was held at 2 p.m. ed us by coming home a day Wednesday. Jan. 6 at Fairmont early. We had looked forward to Methodist Church in Abilene for Albert F. Eidson, 63, who died Department has given wholeheart- eteria. Jan. 5 after suffering a heart atgetting too much sleep. Not that tack at Rule. He was the brother ment agencies through the State.

> trict superintendent. Burial was odist Church, the Victory Men's in Merkel's Rose Hill Cemetery. Bible Class, the Abilene Lions M. Fidson a retired Abilene post office employe, had visited a seriously ill grandson at Stam- the Sheriffs' Association of Texas, ford and spent Monday night at the West Texas Sportsman's Club the home of a daughter in Rule and Woodman of the World and where he was stricken.

A 30 -year employe of the postal service. Mr. Eidson had worked at Sweetwater, Sylvester and Rotan before going to Abilene in

married to Beula Mae Elv June 14, 1923 in Abilene. A veteran of World War I. He was a member of the Knights of Pythias, International Order of Odd Fellows and Fairmont Methodist Church.

Surviving are his wife; one son, Surviving are his wife; one son, Dr. Lewis R. Eidson of Dallas; two 2 From Merkel daughters, Mrs. Jack V. McAdoo of Rule and Mrs. Ben E. Dozier of Abilene: two brothers. Oliver! of Merkel and Ernest of Sweetwater: one sister, Mrs. John Carman of Sweetwater; and seven places in the All Region band at grandchildren.

Polio Balloon Sale Nets \$50

Merkel Brownies and Girl Scouts upped the local March of Dimes fund Saturday as a result of a balloon sale they conducted dner, alto sax, and Kay Teaff, in the downtown area.

The troops, under the direcion of Mrs. Alvin Smith, Mrs. Pauline Cox, Mrs. Jim Torrance and Mrs. Dottie Gaute, collected approximately \$50 for the polio

The Scouts will again be in charge of the balloon sales on Meeting Slated Saturday, Jan. 16 when the troops of Mrs. Howard Carson, Mrs. Betty Smart and Mrs. Wallace Doan will sell, and Jan. 23 the troops of Mrs. Kenneth Browning, Mrs. A. D. Dickey, Mrs. Ann Derringon and Mrs. Albert Evans will conduct the sale.

Cal Farley, elementary school principal, is in charge of the local March of Dimes campaign.

Merkel Chamber of Commerce members are urged to have their ballots indicating their choice of directors in the C-C office by Saturday of this week. Ballots were mailed to members several weeks ago, Mrs. Mary Hargrove, C-C secretary said.



J. D. WOODARD . . . seeks second term

Sheriff J. D. Woodard Saturday

Woodard is seeking his second elective term. He was elected in will be located in Austin after for it with earnings. Each suc-Eager, a graduate of Winters 1956. Earlier, he had served &

His formal statement follows: "I am seeking my second term as Sheriff of Taylor County. I have been a peace officer for over twenty years in various capacities as police captain for the ed cooperation to law enforce-

"I was born in Concho County Club, the Chamber of Commerce, the Taylor County Rescue Service. am a charter member of the Abilene Boys' Club, Inc.

"I wish to express my sincere thanks for the confidence you have placed in me in the past and I have considered it an honor and privilege to serve you as your and support in my forthcoming campaign for re election.

In Region Band

Two Merkel band students won tryouts in Radford Auditorium at McMurry Saturday.

Lola Loflin, clairnet, and Tommy Lewis, bass, were selected to play in the All Region band concert Saturday night in the auditorium.

Other Merkel students who competed in the contest were Bitsy West, baritone, Penny Gar-

The five band members were winners in an All District meet here last month, making them eligible for the Regional compe-

To Plan 'March'

Room mothers of Merkel schools will meet in the elementary school library at 3:45 p.m., Jan. 19 to plan for the 1960 Merkel Mothers' March on Polio.

Cal Farley, Merkel chairman of the March of Dimes, will be present to show a film on the new plan of the National Foundation, which is adding work on arthritis and birth defects to that being done on polio.

Mrs. David Gamble, chairman of the Mother's March, commended the room mothers for their cooperation in the past and urged all to lend their support to the drive again this year.

Methodist Name Director For New Foundation

Dr. Monroe Vivion, Executive Secretary of the Texas Methodist Conference Council, Houston, tive Director of the newly organwhich is expected to be a multimillion dollar investing institu- here. tion of the six Methodist confrences of Texas.

other denominational foundations Baptist Church. he Texas Methodist Foundation will accept gifts and bequests the services. from individuals to be invested

time duties as Executive Director a short time. of the Foundation June 1, 1960. June 1.

Bob Hicks, Prominent Merkel Businessman, Dies At 69

Funeral for Robert Hicks, 69, president of Hicks Auto Parts Texas, has been selected Execu- Distributing Co., former city councilman and Merkel resident since ized Texas Methodist Foundation, 1904, was held at 2:30 p.m. Friday at the First Methodist Church

The Rev. Alvis Cooley, pastor, officiated, assisted by the Rev. Patterned after private and Mart Hardin, pastor of First

Burial in Rose Hill Cemetery will not only invest on a voluntray was directed by Starbuck Fuhasis the funds entrusted to it neral Home. Business houses and by Methodist institutions, but city offices were closed during

Hicks, whose supply house is and administered to designated one of Merkel's most important and non-designated Methodist in- economic forces, died at 5 a.m. stitutions in the state of Texas. Thursday in Sadler Clinic Hos-Dr. Vivion will assume full pital here. He had been ill but

Mr. Hicks, who lived at 401 but will direct the affairs of the Oak St., formed the present auto formally announced his candidacy Foundation as a part of his pre- supply firm in 1937 "on a little sent duties until that date. The less than a shoestring." He and paid it out. state office for the Foundation bought one truck and slowly paid ceeding year he bought another

The former grid star who of-

ficiates at many Southwest Con-

ference games, was a referee at

the Gater Bowl game on Jan. 2.

Jan Sula Beck of Sylvester.

es, Benson and Buddy Nail.

He is married to the former

The Quarterback banquet will

Coach Benson will introduce

assistant coach, will introduce

Gifts will be presented by Newt

The banquet menu will include

congealed salad, roat beef, new

potatoes, cherry cobbler, hot

Logan and Joe Gregory will aw-

Burns McKinney, a noted South-1 which will get underway at 7:30 City of Abilene, constable, and west Conference official and for- p.m., is \$1.50 and may be purdeputy sheriff prior to becoming mer Little All-America at Har- chased at Merkel Drug, Boney Taylor County Sheriff. I believe din-Simmons University, will be Insurance or any Quarterback in strict law enforcement, not the guest speaker Thursday night Club member. only with Taylor County, but at the Merkel Quarterback Club's also throughout the State and my annual banquet at the school caf-

Admission to the banquet.

tar of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Luttrell Jr. of Albany, died Jan. 1 at 4:30 n.m. in Shackelford Coun- honor the second place district ty Memorial Hospital after a Merkel Badgers and their coach-

A granddaughter of H. P. Washburn of Markel, Bonnie Susan members of his team and Nail, was born at Lovington, N. M., in

Surviving besides the parents re three brothers of the home. sheriff. I again invite your vote Harry, Lewis and Bruce; and the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Luttrell Sr., Cross Plains, and J. D. WOODARD Mr. Washburn of Merkel.

Attending the funeral from rolls, coffee and tea. Merkel were Mrs. O. W. Dickerson, Mr. and Mrs. Troy Dickerson and son, Don, Mrs. Leroy Thomand son, Don, Mrs. Leroy Thomas, M. T. Head and H. P. Wash- Abilene Symphony

Mrs. A. J. Canon.

Mrs. Tom Morrison.

Mrs. J. J. McNiece

Pat Moore, Tye. Mrs. H. W. Hester.

Alvin Smith.

ing Jan. 10:

A. L. Farmer.

Kent Denton

D. A. Lee.

H. R. Grayson.

Mrs. Roy Isom.

Mrs. Robert Riney.

Mrs. B. Sanford, Trent

Jay McCartney, Tye.

J. R. Rister, Abilene.

Mrs. G. D. McConnell.

The following persons were

dismissed during the week end-

Mrs. A. D. Watson, Abilene.

Mrs. T. R. Smith, Abilene

Miss Billie Pearl Holmes.

Weldon Beasley, Trent.

Master Billy Clift.

Brother-In-Law Dies

Walter Neal, had died.

M. L. Jones, Trent.

Derrell Farmer.

Jerry Paterson.

thter. Jolanda.

and new daughter, Katy Pris-

Mrs. Genebeba O'Con and dau-

To Salute Mexico **Hospital Patients** Thursday Night The following persons were

ard trophies

admitted to Sadler Clinic-Hospi-Abilene Symphony of which tal during the week ending Jan. in the second of its series. "Sa-International Relations Week.

The week opens January 13. The Symphony will present an evening of Spanish and Mexican Abilene High School.

Out-of-town persons will be purchasing tickets at the box of- ley, members of Cactus Lions, of the presentation. Adult tickets start in October of 1959. will be \$2 and student tickets 75 K. A. (Lip) Lipscomb of Odeshave purchased season tickets

Carrying out the salute to Mex- Way of Life.' ico, restaurants have been invit-Mrs. Joe Allan Neill, ACC Hut ed to stress Mexican food on Dave Warner, group singing was (Latin America - 3 year term) their menus, schools and colleg- led by Travis Smith, and the in- under the General Board of Misents will study the history of ics was Lloyd Jones. their neighbors. There will be ager of the Abilene Symphony sium. Orchestra, Inc .said. "We have asked many people to help in this special gesture.

effort, Mr. McCracken said.



ROBERT HICKS . . ex-city councilman

At present the firm serves 85 West Texas counties and has a branch store in Stanton. The

company's Merkel address is 138 Edwards. ated behind the Hicks home in an old cowshed. Later two buildings were bought where Mack's Cleaners is now located, before the firm was moved to the pres-

ent address. Born Albert Robert Knox Hicks on Nov. 29, 1890 in Bell County. where Fort Hood is now located, he moved with his family to Lampasas County and then to Sweet-McKinney, a classmate of Badwater in 1902. Two years later, ger Coach Carroll Benson at H-

they moved to Merkel. was Little All-America in riis father Henry R. Hicks, was a bookkeeper. His mother, Mrs. college and was an All-State halfback while in high school at Wichita Falls.

A bookkeeper. His mother, Mrs. Stops In County Minnie B. Hicks, lives in Merkel. He attended Merkel High School but did not finish. Instead, he Publicity chairman for the began working. Later he took a business course at a college and

> For 20 years he was in the hardware business, working for

Tye Lions Club Receives Charter

- Lions International gained another club membership here Tuesday night Jan. 5 as the newly-formed Tye Lions Club received its charter.

Presenting the charter with 34 Tve residents' names on it was Lions District Governor Ben K. Lawson of Chillicothe. Club president Lucian Gilbreth accepted it. Approximately 95 persons, mostly from Tye and Abilene, attended the banquet held at the Tye School gymnasium. Bad weather cut attendance, which was ex-

pected to be about 115. Gifts from the four Abilene Lions clubs were presented to Walter McCartney, second vice Walter Charles is musical direc- president of Tye Lions Club; Cator-conductor, will salute Mexico ctus Lions giving a gong and gavel, with the date inscribed, lute to the Free Peoples of the Evening Lions giving a lectern. World," which will coincide with and Downtown Abilene and Elmwood West Lions jointly presenting a set of international flags.

The Tve Lions Club in turn presented the Lions Citizenship Music on the evening of January Award to Lloyd Jones, president 14, beginning at 3:15 p.m. at the of the sponsoring Cactus Lions

The Lions Extension Award privileged to attend this concert, went to Huie Lamb and Bob Tufice or at the door on the night for helping the Tye club get its

cents. Usually the symphony con- sa, a member of Lions Internacerts are open only to those who tional board of directors, spoke Church Sunday. on "Lionism as a Hobby and a Introduction of guesis was by

es have been invited to corres- vocation was given by Larry Loepond and exchange ideas, stud- tz all of Tve. Master of ceremon-

The Tye club will holds its regwindow displays and other fea- ular meetings at 7:30 p.m. the tures of the neighbors across the first and third Tuesdays of each border, Alan W. McCracken, man- month at the Tye School gymna-

Sister Dies

others eight years and for himself 12 years, always in Merkel. When the depression hit in 1929, he was practically wiped out. On Jan. 8, 1934, he started in the auto supply business, selling to dealers and working for the West Hardware Co. of Merkel. In 1937 he had sufficiently re-

covered to establish his own auto supply company. When his son, Ben R. Hicks. returned from the Air Force in 1945, he became a partner in the

business. Ben currently manages the firm and does all the buying. Mr. Hicks married Eva Walt ers of Merkel on May 31, 1916. She died Dec. 31, 1957. He married Floy Ryan on Oct. 18, 1958.

He was a member of the Merkel Methodist Church and the Merkel Masonic Lodge. The Lodge was in charge of graveside rites. Mr. Hicks also served one term on the Merkel City Council in the late 1940's.

Survivors include the wife; his mother, Mrs. Hicks of Merkel: the son, Ben R. Hicks of Merkel: a brother, Destal of Merkel; two sisters, Mrs. Andy Brown of Sweetwater and Mrs. A. H. Kutchins of Dennis; and two grandchildren.

Honorary pallbearers were employes, the Downtown Men's Bible Class and several close

Chairmen Named For Rookmobile

bookmobile stops in Taylor County were announced this week by Mrs. Lance Smith of Lawn. Con ty Chairman for the Texas State Library's bookmobile demonstration which will get underway in February.

Appointments included Mrs. G. T. Black Lawn: Mrs. H. L. Biddle, Ovalo; Mrs. Willie Fox, Tuscola: Mrs. Carl Corthron, Buffalo Gap: Mrs. B. A. Donaldson, Tye: Mrs. Erma Jean Loveland, Trent; Mrs. D. R. Snow, Wylie; Mrs. Eldon Landers, Elmdale; Mrs. Billy McCasland, Bradshaw; Miss Christine Collins, Merkel; Mrs. W. A. Cate, Shep: Mrs. Novel Baize, Potosi ,and Mrs. George Grantham of Hawley.

Requested by the commissioners courts of Callahan, Shackelford, and Taylor Counties, the bookmobile demonstration is furnished by the Texas State Library under provisions of the Library Services Act and is administered by State Librarian Witt B. Harwell. There is no charge to the counties involved.

"The bookmobile will provide a one-year 'free sample' of first class rural library service and it is hoped the program will point the way toward a permanent arrangement for rural services in the future." Harwell said.

Cuba Missionary Slated To Speak Here Sunday

Betty Campbell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Campbell of Lamesa, former residents of Merkel, will be the Morning Worship

Betty is a returned Missionary speaker at First Methodi from Cuba. She went as an LA3 siens, Woman's Division of Christian Service, of the Methodist Church.

She is a graduate of McMurry College, and attended Scarritt Nashville, Tennessee College, then a language school at Costa Rica in preparation for Mission-ary work. In addition to being a deaconess, she is a lay preacher and has filled many pu Worth Saturday after receiving tion is cooperating with the Abi-word that his brother - in - law, lene Symphony Orchestra in this words a state of Mrs. Lilly Bailey, sister of Mrs. her province in Cuba. Her proolutionary movement.

Merchants Appreciation Day Is Every Thursday

Chevrolet has added a new 2-door coupe to its the 4-door Corvair sedan, but has its own dis Corvair line and shipments to dealers are now tinct sporty styling motif. This is accented by under way. The new model of the rear-engine a split front seat and a new roof design which compact car has the same basic dimensions as features a large sloping rear window.

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Thursday — Loser — Mrs. Jerry Ulke — — — 100.00 Mrs. Maurice Johnson — — — — 40.00
Friday — Loser — Harold Bankston — — — 100.00 Mrs. S. D. Phillips — — — — — 45.00
Saturday — Loser — Mrs. J. O. Castle — — — 100.00 Mrs. Loman Heff — — — — — 50.00

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hevrolet assembly plants at Wil- odist Church, read the rites. w Run, Mich., Kansas City, Mo., and Oakland, Calif., Cole said. ensions of the new rear engine as the Corvair sedan.

Main difference in the interor is that the coupe has a split front seat. Interior trim and equipment is identical to sedan moels, same as with the Corvair 4which prvoides 13.3 cubic feet of added luggage space is standard the 4-door sedan. All optional equipment and accessories offered for the sedan apply also to the

The 2-door coupe will be available in regular and deluxe models, same sa with the Corvair 4-

Factory list prices on the coupe are \$50 less than on the corresponding 4-door models. They are \$1.810 for the 50 series and \$1,-270 for the 700 series, exclusive of federal state and local taxes, destination and delivery and handling charges.

20 YEARS AGO

H. W. Lemens. Moutray agent sustained a broken rib when one of two cars involved in a collision on Highway No. 1. about three miles west of Baird, struck the Studebaker pick-up he was driving, knocking it into a bar pit. Among Merkel spectators at the

High School championship football game at the Cotton Bowl, Dallas last Saturday, were Supt. Conner Robinson, Rex. Myers. Bob Grimes, Wrenn Durham, Meyer Mellinger and Vernon

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Patterson and Mrs. W. W. Campbell returned Monday night from the Chevrolet factory at Flint, from where they drove home in new cars. Mr. Patterson bought a 2-door Master Deluxe special, and Mrs. Campbell, a 4-passanger coupe.

Two of Merkel's most popular young people were united in marriage on Saturday afternoon when Miss Alice Russell became the bride of Mr. Leo Harris. Rev. R. A. Walker officiated, reading the ceremony at 2 o'clock at the Presbyterian manse. Bernard Clark was the only attendant at the

The interested public is invited to tune in on a musical program over KXOX, Sweetwater on Friday morning from 9:30 to 9:45,

erts and Louise Smith, Messrs. Jake Roberts and Kenneth Burk-

broadcast by Misses Jonnie Rob-

Friday, January, 15, 1960

pirthday, the presence of guests in the store last Friday night. The ents, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Thompoccasion marked his 55th natal son.

Rt. 2 and Robert A. Nolen, Trent,

In a list of more than 600 post- Mr. Hubert Harris. masters confirmed by the United of Texas postmasterships.

tor of Cordell, Okla., and his delightful time. wife and three childrenE visited Misses Lucy Tracy, Julie Marley, where Rev. Mr. Tucker has Simmons College. accepted a pastorate at Merced-

Miss Willie Jo Riney, daughter Rosewell, N. M. of Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Riney of gun production of a new 2-door Nubia, and W. T. Perry, young of the bride's parents, Mr. Waltcoupe for its Corvair line, it was Elm Creek rancher, sor of Mrs. er Teaff and Miss Laura May Ely announced by Edward N. Cole, Ernie Perry, were married at were married. Rev. W. M. Mur-10:30 Sunday morning at the rell officiating. They are both Shipments of the new model to home of the bride's parents. Rev. of the Tye Community and will ealers are now under way from J. B. Stewart, pastor of the Meth- continue to make their home

the marriage of her youngest ugh life. The five-passenger coupe is daughter Melbalea, to Calvin G. Among the many who have redistinguished from the Corvair Irvin, youngest son of Mr. and newed and subscribed for the Mail 4-door sedan by a sloping, "fast- Mrs. I. N. Irvin of Noodle. The since our taking charge of same, roof line and larger rear wedding took place Saturday ev- are many old time citizens among wheel openings which give it a ening, Dec. 18 at 730 o'clock in them Mr. S. A. Derstine, who sports car appearance. Basic dim- Anson, with the Rev. C. C. Arm- states that he has been reading strong, Methodist pastor, reading compact model remain the same the ceremony at his home. News of the marriage was revealed only last Saturday.

Succeeding Wednesday afternoon's temperature in the comfortable 60's, a blestery, highpressure norther struck this secion around 10 o'clock Wednesday night and by morning the equipment on this model as with thermometer had dipped to 1! egrees, coldest of the season.

> Mrs. Henry C. West, president of the Abilene presbyterial, went Waxahachie last Thursday to attend a two-day meeting of the Synodical board, held at Drane hall, Trinity University. She was accompanied by her daughter. Mrs. Sidney Foy, of Baird.

> Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Perry of Willcox, Ariz., visited recently with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Perry and Mrs. Tommy

> Mr. and Mrs. Herman Doan of Mineral Wells were weekend guests of their son, Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Doan and children, and other relatives here.

THE MERKEL MAIL, Merkel, Texas

IN MERKEL

his home for a turkey dianer was Miss Lynnis Thompson, junior complete surprise to E. O. Car- in the University of Nebraska, son when he returned home from spent the holidays with her par-

One of the most important Recent enlistments in the Un- weddings in sometime yet, one ited States Army, as reported by characterized by simplicity, took the Abilene Recruiting Station, place at the Blackwell home 3 include: Deris A. Hutcheson, of miles northwest of Merkel at 3 Trent, Wade M. Gunter, Merkel, o'clock Stinday afternoon, January 11, 1920, when Miss Annie Blackwell became the bride of

Mrs. Frank Sears and daugh-States senate Tuesday the ap- ter. Miss Mossie, have returned pointment of John M. Strawn, from an extended trip to Chila-Trent, was included in the list cotha, where they visited relatives. Mrs. Touchstone and baby re; Rev. Chas. Tucker, former pas- turned with them. They report a

last week with his parents, Mr. tin, Annie Mae Swann, Lola Armand Mrs. J. L. Tucker. They were strong, Selena Teaff and Mr. in route to the Rio Grande val- Holland Teaff have returned to

Miss Irene Swann left the past week for her school work in

On Dec. 21, 1919 at the home there. The best wishes of their Mrs. L. A. Watts is announcing many friends go with them thro-

the Mail ever since its first is | One out of every 10 persons in Page Two sue. Mr. Derstine is one of our Colombia is dependent on food most substantial and best fixed assistance. It costs only \$1 to send itizens, who recently moved with a 24-lb. peakage to a needy family his family to town where his chil- in Colombia through the CARE dren could have the opportunities Food Crusade, New York 16, N. of attending our splendid school. Y.

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was the theme of the annual nightly Study Club held in the Martha SS Class Christmass meeting of the Forthome of Christine Collins on Dec.

devotional on Christmas.

The special program also included a vocal solo by Mrs. Hom-er Patterson a piano solo by Mrs. Of Mrs. Collins er Patterson, a piano solo by Mrs. Ardy Shouse and carol singing by club members.

Members brought gaily wrap-

GIRL SCOUT NEWS

Neighborhood Meeting

Scouts met with the neighborhood the group. chairman, Mrs. David Gamble, for their regular monthly meeting. Mmes.

loons and the purchase of a new Sherrell and the hostesses. door to the Scout Hut.

The expense o fa new door is necessary as a result of damage | Recent visitors in the home of by vandals who broke into the Mrs. C. P. Stevens were Truett

Scouts and the neighborhood Mrs. Stewart, all of Cameron.

chairman plan to attend the West Texas Area Council meeting at Rotan Thursday, Jan. 14.

The meeting is for all Scout workers of 13 West Texas coun-

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Mrs. H. C. West brought the Meets In Home

The Martha Sunday School class of the First Baptist Church ped Christmas gifts for needy met in the home of Mrs. Twyman Collins Friday, Jan. 8. Mrs. Homer Finch was co-hostess.

Mrs. Collins gave the devot ional "First Altar" with scripture found in Genesis 8:13-22.

Members wrote their new year's resolutions on slips of The leaders of Merkel Girl paper which were read aloud to

Earl Walker, Fort Baze. Business discussed were the plans for Girl Scouts to aid the March of Dimes by selling balTeague, E. R. Clack, Alonzo Peterson, Ina Hunter, Zola
Teague, E. R. Foster, Charley

Weeks of ew Braunsfel, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Beratt of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Hester of Lawn and All leaders of Merkel Girl Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Patterson and

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FFA SWEATHEART - Carolyn Graham of Trent was

elected sweetheart of the Abilene District FFA Monday

night. She is shown here with Jim Lanning, Trent FFA boy, who is president of the Abilene district. (Reporter-

TFA District awards harquet Monday in the present tiv Carolyn Graham, vention in 1959, to: Trent FFA Chapter Sweetheart. Jerry English and Paul Cowley,

didates from 11 other chapters.

The Trent High School junior, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Graham, was named "Miss Teen Aldridge, William Chatham and Cocil Fuller, all of Jim Ned, and Cocil Fuller, all of Jim Ned, and didates from 11 other chapters. of Cross Plains: Byron Miller, beauty contest in June, and was Jim Lanning, Trent.

West Texas Fair. this year, and for the two pre- ers. Gene Pickard and Watt

Besides the winner, other can- VA teacher, Oran Egger. didates were Drucilla Jones, of George Hurt, Austin, state ad-Cross Plains: Virginia Gray, of visor, introduced several honor-Baird: Mary Kathryn Mays, Al- ary Lone Star Farmers. Escoe bany; Darlene Isenburg. Eula: Webb, high school principal, in-Betty Franklin Jim Ned; Marie troduced visiting school admin-Foster, Merkel; Sharon Balfantz, istrators. Abilene: Joan Windham. Clyde: In the talent contest a vocal Barbara Thornton, Wylie; and and instrumental duo, composed Eusie Huriey, Cisco.

Two other important Trent in- erson, of Cisco, won first place, dividuals at the banquet were Second was Eula FFA Chapter. Jim Lanning, president of the with a sextet, composed of Car-Abilene FFA district and his vo- rol Miller, Johnny Poole and cational agriculture teacher. Al- Marvin Davis, instrumentalists,

Maberry, district advisor. As district president, young and Hene Bentley vocalist. Lanning was in charge of the banquet program, which included, in addition to the sweetheart contest, presentation of district and area awards, presentation of Lone Star Farmer degrees, and

talent contest. sented by J. B. Payne of Stephenrille, Area IV supervisor, were: Salvation" for the morning ser-Junior chapter conducting-1. vice. foran in district, second in area. 2. Jim Ned. 3. Cross Plains. Senior chapter conducting -1.

Greenhand quiz_1.* Wylie. 2.

Abilene. 3. Jim Ned. Radio broadcasting-1. Abilene Wylie. 3. Eula.

Junior farm skill-1 Abilene. district: 1st in area, fifth in tate. 2. Wylie. 3. Eula. Senior farm skil!-1. Abilene, Mrs. Robert Gilmore. in district, first in area, second

in state. 2. Albany. 3. Eula.

ilities. We may not be learning visited Miss Louise and Bob and student majoring in nuclear phy- days. sics, but there are more of us Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Dillard learning a little than a few lear- of Noodle and Mr. and Mrs. Wallieve that our teacher should try Mrs. E. L. Berry Sunday. to shove an education down us Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones at such a rate that we don't even have time to sleep, eat or think, her sister, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. I believe that a student should Howard. have time to really apply himself to his problems. He should have Pat and George, visited Mr. and time to enjoy life and the things Mrs. C. B. Rust and children of around him that make up his environment. Being in close association with the things that make nie and Johnnie were weekend up a persons life is what inspires visitors in the home of Jack and that person to learn and think. Gayle Bedford of Lampasas. To read and learn is to forget;

to live and learn is to remember. A few people in our educational Joyce, Mr. and Mrs. Butler Donorganization may read an article nley and Jane and E. C. Ray and on how the Russians are teach. John Jones of Truby. ing their youth fifty percent more than the Americans and be stir- visited several times with her red up and inspired to the extent mother, Mrs. Jack Canon, who that they will assign more home has been very ill in the Sadler work than the students have time Clinic Hospital, Merkel. or in the hope that this will improve their store of knowledge. Keeping up with the Joneses has expanded until its keeping up with the Russians. How long is this going to last? Until the Russians blow us up or we learn the most (which is very unlikely) Unreasonable home work is not the answer to our problem because it merely makes the student rebel and take a nonchalant attitude toward passing. Let's try a new approach!

cafeterie of Abilene High School, "fleater, won at the state con-

was chosen to reign as district both Abilene; Jess Watkins, Tony weetheart in a contest with can- Burns and Jimmy Thomas, all

a candidate for queen of the 1959 McPherson also presented honorary Lone Star Farmer degrees She is her band's drum major to two Shackelford County ranchvious years was a band majorette. Matthews, and to the Jim Ned

of Terry Bostick and Bert Thackand Joan Davis, Reta Shipman

Attendance was down at the Stith Bantist Church Sunday. The District and area awards, pre- pastor, the Rev. Swindell, brought a good message on the "Plan of

Visitors recently in the Westley Mashburn home were Mr. and Mrs. John Brindlee of Midland. Jim Ned. 2. Albany 3. Cross Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Patrignani and children of Arlington, Calif., Mrs. Jimmy Bates. Beverly and Micki Carter and Virginia Richardson, all of Bay City, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mashburn. Mrs. Gladys Richardson and children of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hogan and children and Mr. and

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Duncan and daughters of Abilene visited Mrs. Billy Dunagin and Mary

Mr. and Mrs. Roline Finch returned last week from Arkansas where they visited relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Hudson of Not everyone is as fortunate Levelland, Mr. and Mrs. Clark as we Americans to have good, Munday of Fort Worth and Mr. sound, and solid educational fac- and Mrs. Ted Hudson and Lenior as much as the average Russian Hollis Hudson during the holi-

ning a lot, Personally, I don't be- ter Vantreese visited Mr. and

spent Thursday at De Leon with Mr. and Mrs. F. J. McDonald,

Cisco Sunday Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Harris, Lon-

Visiting the Hale's Saturday were Lester Dalton and daughter.

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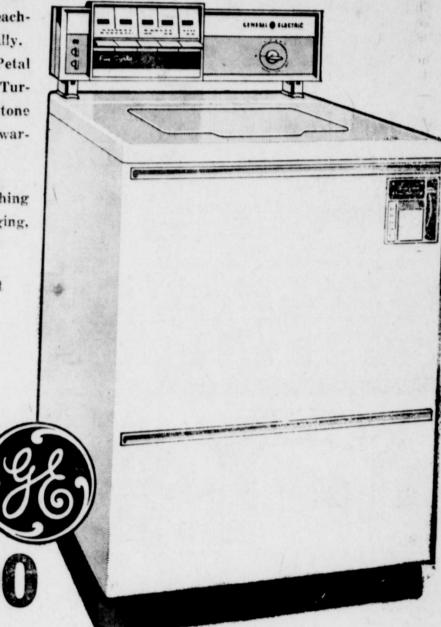
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home of Mrs. Joe Hartley Tues- Mrs. J. L. Fisher. day morning, Jan. 12.

Mrs. Hartley, prayer chairman, Moore, president of the WMU. hymn "The Church's One Foun- Bright of Trent and Dink Rees of ther

read the scripture from Psalm mission study.

chairman, Mrs. Buck Leach, ste- these problems. wardship chairman, Mrs. Lucy Mrs. Junior Clark, also intro- kethall tournament. The Lucy Lynn circle of the Mrs. T. J. Amason, publicity. the Rev. Ada Dubigg, presented Jesse Watson

Mrs. Ernest Teaff, circle chair- Mmes. Preston Henry, Doan, ea. man, presided. Mrs. Vaughn Doan. Dayton, Ford, McAden, Teaff, Bettye Jane Tittle was in with 20 points for the losers.

Leads Study For Wesleyan Guild

Mrs. Don Dudley study leader, port. introduced the new study, "The Church's Mission to Town and Wesleyan Service Guild at their meeting in the chapel of the First Fred Starbuck and Cyrus Pee. Methodist Church Monday night. Mrs. Dudley, acting as a TV

announcer, introduced her father, the Rev. Hugh Hunt of Luobock, executive secretary of 55. Mrs. R. E. Dayton gave the for the Northwest Texas conference, who spoke on the problems Reports were given by Mrs. L. of the rural communities. He al-

Ford, secretary, Mrs. Lloyd Rob- duced by Mrs. Dudley, and ap- Lynn Gipson passed the losers ertson, enlistment chairman and pearing on the TV program as with 18.

no by Mrs. Clark.

Scripture reading was by Mrs. by the Rev. J. A. Cooley.

Dudley, president, presided. Min- high for the losers with 14. utes were read by Mrs. Patsy Hunter, secretary, and Mrs. Earl lation crown by nipping Noodle, Hughes gave the treasurer's re- 45-43. Bobbie Powell led the win-

the song "Faith of Our Fathers" and gained high point honors with Country," to members of the and prayer by Mrs. Johnny Cox. 22. Visitors were the Rev. Cooley,

Noodle Nips Roby For Tourney Win

ell Sipe's 27 points, defeated Ro-H. McAden, community mission so suggested solutions to some of by, 52.49, here Saturday night to win the Noodle Invitational bas-

First Baptist Church met in the Closing prayer was said by specific facts revelant to situations in the rural communities 43 victory over Wylie for third Lawrence, born at 5:56 a.m. Tues-Refreshments were served to of the Crigham Canyon, Utah, ar- place. Joe Guffery, however, was day, Jan. 5, in Hendrick Hospital, the leading individual scorer Abilene. He weighed 7 lbs., 13

program chairman, had charge of Hartley, Amason, Robertson, charge of the worship service Sipe and Gibson along with Mrs. Wynnona Scroggins of Leach, Fisher and George T. leading the group in singing the Lonny Uckert of Needle, Urban Merkel is the paternal grandmo-

dation" accompanied at the pia- Westbrook were named to the all-tournament team.

Anson's girls, with Holly Hunt Raymond Ferguson and prayer dumping 24 points, turned back Trent, 47-29, and won the fem In the tusiness session Mrs. championship. Sarah Payne was

Jim Ned's girls won the consoning attack with 17 points and The meeting was closed with Laura Carter topped the losers

> Joining Miss Payne on the all tournay team were Sandra Goode of Noodle. Vickie Watkins of Anson, Marta Holloway of Anson, Carolyn Graham of Trent and Pat Allyn of Jim Ned.



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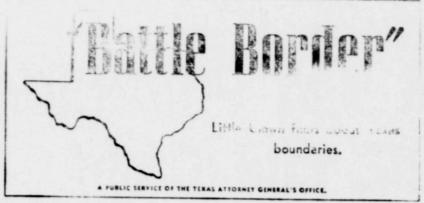
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Will Wilson points out that in the 1923 Red River dispute with Oklahoma cross sections of century old timbers were shown the court as proof that the river had not been there



(Editor's Note: This is the outlining the numerous bound-1716, pointing up little known ed States. facts which shaped the Texas of today.)

straight line.

The Rio Grande is no excep- clearly defined. on. In times of flood the river apartment. Recently redecorate they did in caring for Mr. Bar. will cut straight chead, rejoining continued to own land even when ed. \$35.00 per month. Utilities nes, Dr. Gardner for his care the channel further down stream, it moved north of the river. In about normal since Christmas paid. Lady preferred. Mrs. L. A. through all his sickness and Dr. leaving an exposed loop which Mexico the government owns all holidays are over.

dry ground which has by action other. These tracts of land are

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The changing of the river channel began to pose real problems and in another treaty in 1884 it was agreed that any bancos cut off since 1852 by the river should remain part of the original na-

This meant that parts of the Inited States were south of the river and parts of Mexico were

north of the river." This naturally did not work so another treaty eliminated all present and future bancos and

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nations along the deepest chaneleventh in a series of articles | nel of the streams. The 58 bancos remaining on the north side of ary conflicts dating back to the Rio Grande went to the Unit-

The International Boundary Commission is directed to set Rivers usually flow along in monuments in the abandoned series of lops rather than a beds of the river where the boundaries of the bancos could be

the minerals while in Texas the We extend our sympathy to

of the river, changed its position Government reded jurisdiction We will miss him very much for

the bancos it appears, in the light his illness. We miss him very another three way battle looms Barnes for the clothing she gave between the Federal government, the State of Texas and the Mexican landowners over the minerals rags Mr. and Mrs. Dave Anderunder the bancos.

The General Land Office reports that none of the bancos! have been leased by the state for ed her mother. Sarah Carr this minerals in view of the uncertainty of the title.

The Texas portion of the river bed has been leased, but not the

Oil drilling along the Rio Grande will eventually force a decision regarding mineral rights.

fixed the line between the two No State Tax On Juke Boxes, Will Wilson Says

Attorney General Will Wilson b-a Hyde & Company, was dis- has ruled that juke boxes are exsolved on the 31st day of Decem- empt from the new State tax on ber. 1959. All debts due to the record-players and hi-fidelity e

The opinion noted that the ed at the office of Southern Gar- same act specifically taxes coin den, 4040 South Treadaway, in operated machines including juke the City of Abilene, Texas, where boxes. Reference to "phono the business will be continued graphs" under the three per cent retail sales tax on high fidelity Done at Abilene. Texas. Janu- recording equipment does not include juke boxes.

"Music coin-operated machines are commonly known and sold by that name or as 'juke boxes' not 44-45-46-47 phonographs," the opinion stated

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UP THE CANYON

By TOM RUSSOM

Well after missing getting the last two columns in, we are glad to get a little news in this week. The flu has slowed us down a of the last few days, having sent this week.

number of people to the hospial for shots. Adran Farmer of our area has Stephenville after a two weeks been in Sadler Clinic hospital for everal days with a bad case of

in the hospital. Our winter weather is off beam, ome days hot and some days o'd. The last few nights have een like spring weather.

Say, did you notice the last rain we received in January this rear, how we could stand out nd wash our faces just like in e spring. We like it that way. the cause of so many cases as he always preached the Bible.

Speaking of rain, my oh my, a ground is sure wet now. Some farmers say it will be February preciated. fore we can get in the fields. Mr. and Mrs. Dewell McLean have returned home after spend ing the holidays in California with their son, Hollis, and family, Mrs. McLean's sister and other relatives and with Dewell's brother .Vance, and wife. They eport a fine trip.

Mrs. Joe Seymore and two children. David and Melba, have returned to their home after a short visit with her daughter and familv. Mr. and Mrs. Melvin McCoy

of Muleshce. Livestock trading has come to halt until spring. All the boys ave sold out and only a few

We regret to lose Mr. and Mrs. John Oliver, who have moved to Merkel. They have resided in the Canyon for 16 years and have many friends here

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Swinney have moved to Merkel. He is working for a highway construction company

It was good to see so many of our young people home for the holidays, including Mr. and Mrs. Payton Scott of Wyoming, the four sons of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Swinney from different places and Allen King Jr. of Utah.

Mrs. Vernon Ray and babies cf Abilene attended church at Pioneer Memorial here Sunday.

Starr Rest Home

By Mary Outlaw

Inside this loop is a plot of landowners control the minerals. Mrs. Minnie Hicks and her fam-By a 1922 statute, the Federal ily over the passing of Bob Hicks. over the bancos and provided that he always brought sunshine into they be a part of the State of the Rest Home each time he came to vist.

We want to thank Mrs. E. B. Barnes for her kindness. We ex-Because the act did not specifi- tend to hee our sympathy over cally state what happens to the the passing of her husband. He ownership of the minerals under was a very nice patient despite of the Tidelands experience, that much. We want to thank Mrs. the home.

We appreciated the white clean son brought the home, they were needed badly. Mrs. B. T. Brown, Trent, visit-

week. The Hebron Church filled their appointment here Jan. 3. Had

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the arrival of her son. Leon and their kindness. Merkel to live after a year in ry well at this writing.

North Carolina. Mr. Joe Bryant, Abilene, visit- Miss Berthie Agnew, Anson, visited his father, Mr. William Bryant ed Mrs. Agnew Saturday.

Our Mama and Papa Outlaw have returned to their home in stay in our home.

Our Son-in-law. Wallace Doan he flu. His son, Derlee, was also attended the funeral of his Aunt. Mrs. Maggie Horton, of Wichita Falls Friday. Before her marriage she was a Doan.

We will miss Wayne Davis who was pastor of the Calvery Baptist Church. He went to Greenville where he will have a larger church. We hated to lose him but were glad he could get something better. The patients all loved him

the box of clothes she brought the Rest Home. They were ap-

Rev. Thorp of Tye, Methodist

good singing and a good Message. minister, failed to fill his ap-Mrs. Ella Morris is back work- pointment Sunday so Mrs. Carson ing at the Rest Home. Every one and some other nice ladies came is glad to hear her laughter again. and sang. The nurse failed to get Nettie Harris is happy over they names but we do appreciate

family, who have come back to Mrs. Minnie Hicks is doing ve-Mrs. Treadwell, Stamford and

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fever season, just to name a few. port in a month afore normal

The way things is working out sons is gitting to be what we my Sunday suit and that nine it looks like we git more and might call the "Item 4 Minus dollars I got in the bank, send more bad seasons in this coun- Item 3" season. Them brass hats it to 'em and tell 'em this is try ever year. We got the hurri- in Washington figgers farmers is what I'm holding and fer them cane season, the tornado season, a little dumb, so they make the to work it out. I'll add a note the polio season and the hay farmers git their income tax re- advising that if there's anything

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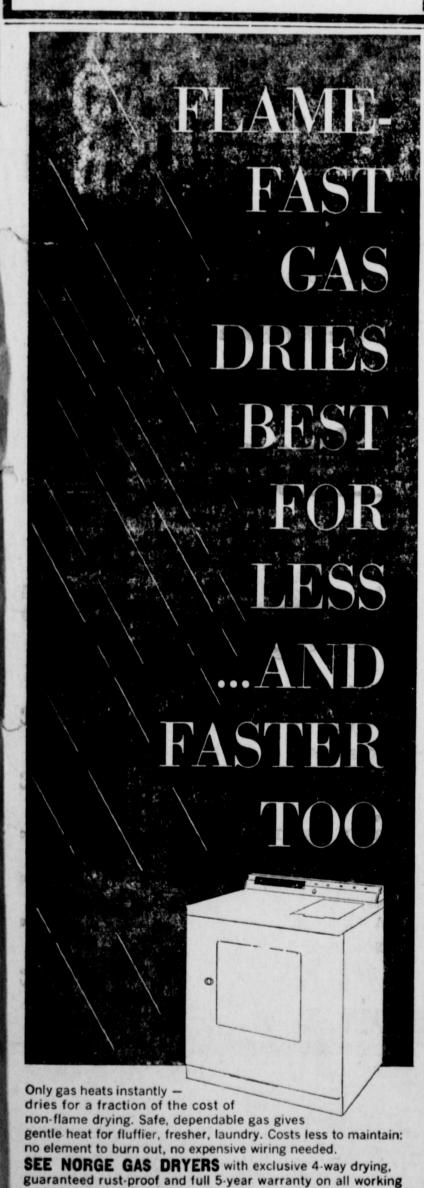
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folks has to turn theirs in. I al-Page Seven ways start on mine the first week in January so's to allow plenty of time fer prayer and meditation. I been working on this new jig-saw puzzle fer three straight days and I git a new answer ever time I figger it out And one of our very bad sea- I got a good notion to wrap up left over, I'd like to have my

Sunday pants back. "Subtract item 4 from item 3 then carry it to Schedule A Line 9" or somepun, it says. I can't even find Schedule A, much less Line 9. Ever year about this time git out that old motto I won at the country fair, dust it off and hang it over my bed: "I will lay me down and bleed awhile and rise to fight again."

Taxes is gitting to be a religion amongst them folks we elect to public office. I see where the U. S. Tax Foundation says there's 151 different taxes on a loaf of bread, 92 on a egg. 116 on a man suit, and around 600 on a house. And when they run out of regular taxes they come up with a "temporary" tax fer some emergency. When the emergency is over they just hike it a little. It's got so I never ask the price of nothing no more, just ask about the tax. I figger that if I can pay the tax they'll make the tax permanent and credit me fer the balance. A feller that runs a grocery store over in town told me the other day he had to hire three clerks, two to wait on the trade and one to keep books fer the Guvernment. From the looks of things right now, Mister Editor, I figger ulcers is in fer a good, long run in this country.

A feller said onct that whenever three business men git together in this country, sooner or later they form a company and one is president, one is vicepresident, and one is treasurer. And it looks to me like ever time we elect three candidates to office, one turns out to be tax collector, one assistant tax col-

lector, and one tax inspector. Well, I got to quit now and git back to Item 4 Minus Item 3 It's a funny thing to me that when we owe Uncle Sam money he's got to have it right away but he'll wait 30 years fer England to pay him

Yours truly, GABBY

Internal Revenue Office Stresses 'Self-Help' Plan

Taxpayer self-help will again be urged by Internal Revenue Service during the income tax filing period from January 1 to April 15, Arthur E. Fogle, Jr., Administrative Officer of the Abilene office, said today.

"Self-Help," Mr. Fogle explained, "means that we ask the taxpayer to complete as much of his 1959 returns as possible before asking our help. This saves the time of IRS people who, in turn, save taxpayers money when uninterrupted from the routine duties of seeing that every taxpayer bears his fair share of the tax burden.

The Revenue representative revealed that many tax problems can be solved by studying the comprehensive instructions that accompany Federal income tax forms for 1959 or by telephoning the IRS number, OR 4-9146.

"Special taxpayer assistance day is every Monday, from 8:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M. On that day," Mr. Fogle said, "we have a full crew aboard to give whatever individual or group help is need-

The IRS office is located 289 Pine Street, Abilene, Texas.

Relatives from this area attending funeral service for Mrs. Mae Graham at Wichita Falls Friday, Jan. 8, were Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Amason accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Horton of Abilene, Mr. nd Mrs. V. L. Doan and son, Ronny, Mrs Buddy Derrington, Wallace Doan, Vaughn Doan and Mr and Mrs. Price Melton accompanied by Claude Doan of Wickett and Mr. and Mrs. Preston Doan and son, Landry, of Kermit.

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