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MRS. L. A. WATTS DIES HERE AT 87

Mrs. L. A. Watts, 87, resident of Merkel for 56 years, died at 6:30 p.m. Sunday in Sadler Clinic-Hospital following an illness of 15 months.

Funeral was held at 3 p.m. Tuesday in the First Methodist Church with the Rev. Alvis Cooley, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery with Starbuck Funeral Home in charge.

Mrs. Watts was born in Franklin County, Kan., Feb. 1, 1873. She moved with her parents to northern Arkansas when she was five years old and lived there until she was married to Louis Ar-

chie Watts in 1895 at Waco. The couple moved to Merkel in 1904. Mr. Watts died in 1934. Mrs. Watts was a member of the First Methodist Church and held a life membership in the Women's Society for Christian Service. She had taught Sunday school and was a member of the Merkel Garden Club.

Surviving are two sons, Earle of Merkel and Foster of Hobbs, N. M.; six daughters, Mrs. Estelita Pearl Tipton, Mrs. Edna Brown, Mrs. Ruth Johnson and Mrs. Melba Irvin, all of Merkel, Mrs. Lillian Lane of Abilene and Mrs. Gladys Waldon of Midland; 18 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

PRE-SCHOOL CONFERENCE SCHEDULED

Parents who will have pupils in the first grade of the Merkel Primary School next fall are invited to a Pre-School Conference to be held in the school cafeteria at eight o'clock, Tuesday night, April 12.

The purpose of the conference is to help parents get their children off to a better start in their school careers. Short talks will be made by the principal, superintendent and school nurse. The three first grade teachers will show slides on "What is Expected of First Graders."

Parents will visit in their child's room and have an opportunity of discussing first grade work with the teachers.

WTU EXECUTIVE STAFF CHANGES ANNOUNCED

ABILENE — Changes in the executive staff of the West Texas Utilities Company General Office at Abilene were announced today. Cal Young, WTU President, announced the retirement of F. W. Schroeder, Executive Vice President, and the promotions of J. F.

Longley to Vice President and General Superintendent, and John A. Hutchison, Jr., to Chief Engineer.

One of the pioneers in the electrical industry Schroeder has been with West Texas Utilities for more than 41 years. Although he is retiring from his active duties as Executive Vice President, Schroeder will serve as a consultant to the executive staff.

Young, in announcing these staff changes, commented, "We're very glad Fred Schroeder will continue to work with us as a consultant. His many years of experience in the industry and his vast knowledge of our company will be of great help in our future operations."

A native of Davenport, Iowa, Schroeder joined WTU as a Line Superintendent in 1919. The company's first line from Abilene to Merkel had just been completed and placed in operation, and immediately, under the supervision of Schroeder, construction crews began building the lines that would connect the scores of towns and communities, now served by WTU, with central generating stations.

During the period from 1922 to 1926, when WTU was experiencing its greatest physical growth and extending transmission lines to most of the 166 towns and communities now served, Schroeder served as Construction Superintendent.

In 1933 he was elected a member of the Board of Directors and named Vice President and General Superintendent. As General Superintendent, he was responsible for the work of the company's eight operating districts, which serve an area extending from the Red River to the Rio Grande.

Since 1955, he has served as Executive Vice President and is recognized in his own company and throughout the Southwest as one of the industry's pioneers who helped bring modern central station electric service to West Texas.

J. F. Longley who succeeds Schroeder has since 1955 had the title and responsibility of Vice President and Superintendent of Engineering and Production. As Vice President and General Superintendent, Longley will assume the responsibilities of supervision of the company's operating districts.

As Chief Engineer, John Hutchison, Jr., will assume the responsibility for the company's engineering and power production. He has been employed by WTU since 1936 when he joined the company's Engineering and Transmission Department. He served as a Distribution Engineer until he entered the service of the U.S. Army in World War II.



J. F. Longley, Vice President
WEST TEXAS UTILITIES CO.



JOHN A. HUTCHISON JR.
... chief engineer



F. W. SCHROEDER
... retired

John Abernathy, Former Merkelite, Dies in Abilene

John F. Abernathy, 93, former Merkel resident, died at 2 a.m. Sunday at the residence of his granddaughter, Mrs. Doyle Loudamy, at 5214 Durango St., Abilene. He had been ill for two months.

Funeral was held at 2 p.m. Monday at Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel with Dwight Holland, minister of the Merkel Church of Christ, officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Mr. Abernathy was born June 2, 1866, in Tennessee, and married Flora Boden Oct. 25, 1885, in Farmersville, Tenn. They came to Merkel in 1905. He retired from farming in 1942. Mrs. Abernathy died in 1953.

He continued to live in Merkel until two years ago when he moved to Abilene to make his home with Mrs. Loudamy.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Rhoda Owen of Abilene, Mrs. C. L. Simmon of San Angelo, and Mrs. Bonnie Smith of Big Spring; three sons, Wayne and Leonard, both of Abilene; and Herman of Wichita Falls; 13 grandchildren; 33 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Tve P-TA Benefit Program Slated

The Tve P-TA will sponsor a fund-raising program at the school gymnasium, April 8.

Food and drinks will be available at a snack bar which will open at 6:30 p.m. Entertainment will be provided throughout the evening by local talent.

The program will include the Clippers, a band under direction of Mac Dumas; Caren O'Grady and Caren Gilbreth, tap dancers; and a vocal trio, Ann Askins, Jennette Dumas and Mary Ales Rorch.

The event will be open to the public.

Cemetery Working Set At Compere

Ross Merritt, secretary-treasurer of the Compere Cemetery Association, said there will be a working at the cemetery Tuesday, April 12, beginning at 8 p.m. All who are interested in the all-day working are asked to bring a lunch. Coffee will be furnished by area merchants.

W. D. Ramsey is president of the cemetery association.

CEMETERY FUND

The following persons have made contributions to the Merkel Cemetery Association fund:

Mollie E. Wimberly Estate

JACK Y RUSSELL MAKES MARK IN NTSC SPORTS

By LARRY SMITH
Journalism Student
North Texas State College

DENTON — From the West Texas town of Merkel comes proof that a small-town boy can excel in college sports. That verification lies in Jack Russell, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Russell of 1606 South Third Street.

The five-foot-nine inch junior at North Texas State is currently on the varsity track squad, and he has his eye trained upon leaving his mark there, just as he did while in Merkel High School and Tarleton State College.

Russell is running the 100-yard dash and the 220-yard dash on the Eagle cinder team. He has entered only one track meet this year — the annual Fort Worth Southwestern Recreation Meet. Instead of his individual performance, he turned to the sprint relay team and placed third.

So far this season, Russell has been clocked at 9.9 in the 100 and 22.2 in the 220 runnings. "I would like to run the 100-yard dash in at least 9.7 this year and also the 220-yard dash in possibly 21.3," he said.

Russell, a physical education major at NTSC, has been suffering from a pulled leg muscle in his leg this season. But if determination and desire plays a big role in being a good athlete — and the Merkel ace says they do — then he may be a lad to watch out for on the cinder track that circles NTSC's Fouts Field. The 160-lb. thinclad credits his

Trent Reelects Mayor, Aldermen

In what was believed to be one of the lightest votes ever, 17 voters reelected the mayor day in Trent.

and named three aldermen Tuesday. Cecil Taylor had 13 votes for mayor, James Ross and James Canady, each received one write-in vote.

Hollis Jones, with 13 votes, Dow Williamson, 13, and Bill Hammer, 12, were reelected to alderman posts.

Ben Wheeler with 4 and John Henry Sweeney, with 9, were defeated.

Terms are for three years.

Taylor 4-H Team Places In Contest

The Taylor County Senior 4-H brass judging team placed second in the brass judging contest Saturday at Aspermont.

Del Davis of Merkel was third high individual. Other team members were Stanley Griffith, Elm Dale, and Mark Hamilton, Wylie.

Brownies, Scouts To Have Picnic

The Merkel Brownies and Girl Scouts will leave Friday April 8 at 3:30 p.m. from the Scout Hut for a picnic to be held at the Gamble farm south of Blair. They will return by dark.

The picnic is a treat from the Mrs. David Gamble, neighborhood chairman for the local Scouts, as a reward for the good work done by the girls during the annual cookie sale. It was a sell-out for the first time in the nine-year history of the sale, Mrs. Gamble said.

Boosters Buy Warm-Up Suits

The Merkel Booster Club has recently presented the local seventh and eighth grade boys with twenty warm-up suits to be used during football and track seasons.

"We want to thank the Booster Club for this timely gift. The warm-up suits certainly fill a definite need in our grade school athletic program," stated Leon Walker, head coach of the Merkel Elementary School.

Trent Student On H-SU Honorable Mention Roll

B. F. Hand of Trent has been named to the Honorable Mention Roll for the 1959 fall semester at Hardin-Simmons University.

The Honorable Mention Roll is composed of students carrying for six to eleven semester hours who earn a grade point average of 3.58.

Hand is the son of Mrs. Leah Hand, Rt. 1, Trent.

4-H Club Girls Winners Chosen In Area Contest

More than 100 Taylor County 4-H Club girls participated in the county-wide elimination contests Saturday at Abilene Christian College. The event was directed by Sybil McDaniel, assistant home demonstration agent.

First place awards in the senior division went to Linda Smith and Carolyn Moore of Abilene, poultry marketing; Carolyn Saling and Rhoda Evans of Tuscola, vegetable preparation; Betty McAninch of Trent, public speaking; Sue King and Stepien Kiser of Merkel, share the fun team demonstration; Ann Griffin and Rita Wagner of Abilene, farm and home safety; Gayle Dornay and Kay Holloway of Abilene, electric team demonstration.

Junior winners were Jo Ann Moore and Barbara Churchill of Abilene, poultry marketing; Kaye McKilliams and Sue Dickerson of Trent, farm and home safety; Sandra Adkisson and Kay Griffith of Abilene, dairy team demonstration; Janet Landers of Abilene, individual dairy demonstration; Luanne Donaldson and Carol Lynn Joiner of Tye, vegetable preparation; Delores Barnes of Merkel and Floyd Ross of Trent, public speaking; Myrtle Davis, Pat Bigbee, Raylenn Brubaker, Nancy Evans, Becky Gladden, Wyona Doan, Juanita Bierra and Corzuelo Hernandez, all of Merkel share the fun team.

Winners in the junior and senior divisions will compete in the district contest in San Angelo April 23. State meet is scheduled June 7-9 at College Station.

Trent Jr. Girls Win Tournament

The Trent Junior High School girls' volleyball team won the district championship tournament last Friday at Blackwell. They were in competition with teams from Highland, Hobbs, Blackwell, McCauley and Divide.

The girls playing in the games were Brenda Tittle, Delores Barnes, Sue King, Betty McAninch, Mary Frances Fellers, Barbara McAninch, Kaye McWilliams, Floydell Ross and Linda Barnhill.

Former Merkelite Named Insurance Agencies Director

Ray Earthman, former Merkel resident, was appointed director of agencies for the American Trust Life Insurance Company effective March 1. The announcement was made by Harold Jones, chairman of the board.

Earthman, son of Mrs. T. T. Earthman, graduated from Merkel High School in 1929. He attended Austin College at Sherman and was assistant manager of Woolworth's at San Antonio before entering the insurance business.

He started as an agent for Southwestern Life Insurance Company in 1939. In 1945, after spending two years in the military service, he joined American Hospital & Life as assistant manager of the Dallas agency, remaining in that capacity for three and one-half years.

He went to Chicago, Ill., as manager for the same company for a ten-year period, during which time the annual premium income received by that branch was increased by 400 per cent.

He returned to his native Texas as manager of the Houston branch in 1958. This branch is the second largest in that company.

Earthman has completed "Institute of Insurance Marketing" at Southern Methodist University. "Life Underwriter Training Council," obtained the designation of "Chartered Life Underwriter," a five-year college equivalent course, and received "Diploma in Agency Management" from the American College of Life Underwriters.

Spaghetti Supper On Tap Tonight

A spaghetti supper will be held in the school cafeteria from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 7.

Tickets for the supper, sponsored by Merkel High senior class room mothers are \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children. The public is invited to attend.

VOTING LIGHT IN AREA TRUSTEE ELECTIONS

With a total vote of 70 cast two incumbents were reelected to the Merkel Independent School board in Saturday's election.

Ray Wilson and Waymon Adcock, both Merkel businessmen, each had 70 votes. There were no opponents.

For County trustee at large James E. Freeman had 67 votes. Joe C. Humphrey received one write-in vote.

In the Trent election, two incumbent school trustees were re-

ected in a close race with three candidates running for the two vacancies.

Reelected were A. M. Claborn, 31 votes; and J. M. Stowe, 23. Running a close third was Yates Sipes, with 22.

James Freeman received 22 votes for county trustee at large.

Ab Hunter Jr. and Charles E. Carter were elected to the Noodle-Horn School District's board of trustees.

Hunter was seeking reelection, and Carter will replace R. D. Ely, board president.

A total of 40 votes were cast in the Noodle election, Max Spurgin, election judge said.

Others in the race were Carol Best, Henry Ueckert, W. A. Henager and F. E. Sipe.

In Tye's election, Walter Webb and Dennis Hammond were reelected school trustees.

They had no opponents, but three write-in votes were cast for Don Byrd. Webb received 34 votes, and Hammond collected 31. There were 34 votes cast.

James E. Freeman of Buffalo Gap received 33 votes as trustee at large. He had no opponent.

All 3 Reelected No City Council

Three Merkel councilmen who were seeking reelection won their posts back Tuesday by large majorities.

Reelected are O. H. Griffin who collected 139 votes; Ben R. Hicks, 118; and Newt Logan, 143. There were 170 ballots cast in the election.

Also in the race were Mrs. G. D. McConnell, who received 22 votes, and Clyde Wurst, who got 82.

Nail Gets Scholarship

Mack Fisher, superintendent of the Merkel schools, received word last Thursday that Billy Ray Nail, mathematics and science teacher in the Merkel High School, had been awarded a scholarship in the National Mathematics and Science Program, Howard Payne College, Brownwood.

FORMER LOCAL WOMAN IS 'MOTHER' NOMINEE

Mrs. W. W. Haynes of Abilene has been chosen nominee for the First Baptist Church of that city, for Texas Baptist Mother of the Year.

A former Merkel resident, Mrs. Haynes is the former Lora Joiner, daughter of Mrs. W. F. Joiner of Caps and the late Mr. Joiner. She attended grade school at Tye and completed her high school work at the old Simmons Academy. She received her BA degree in 1923 from Simmons College where she was an honor graduate. She taught school at Tye one year before her graduation from

college and two years at Merkel after graduation.

She was married in 1925 and continued to live in Merkel until October, 1939, when Haynes purchased an interest in the Ford agency in Abilene. He is now engaged in ranching.

The various positions which Mrs. Haynes has held during the past 20 years she has been a member of the Abilene church, include nursery superintendent, beginners department superintendent, cradle roll visitor, president of the Association Woman's Missionary Union and president of the First Baptist W.M.U. from 1942-1945.

In addition to her church work she has been P-TA president at three different Abilene schools. She is a delegate to P-TA City Council from Lincoln Junior High School and also serves as room mother.

The Haynes' children are Kay, an eighth-grade student; Mrs. Calvin McIntosh of Austin; Wayne Haynes of Abilene, and Mrs. James Claunch, also of Abilene. Another daughter, Dorothy Nell, died Sept. 26, 1959, following an automobile accident.

There are three grandchildren, Cal McIntosh Jr., Marilyn Haynes, and Jimmy Claunch.

Trent MFT Slates Political Rally

The Mother-Father-Teacher organization of Trent Public Schools is sponsoring a political rally on Monday, April 11 at 7:30 p.m. at the Trent High School.

Politicians are expected from four counties and two congressional districts. The program will also include numbers by the Trent School Band. There will be a cake-pie auction following the program.

Mrs. Mark Williamson, president of MFT, stated that the public is invited to attend.

The Texian Editor's
Frontier News Flashes
Department of Journalism & Graphic Arts
University of Houston

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Plans and Movements of General Houston
Gen. Houston's letter to the press stated that he has received more than 50 applications from parties who desire to raise volunteer companies to defend and protect the frontiers of Texas from further invasion.
Gov. Houston has advised such companies to be raised and placed under the command of officers in every country along the frontier of Texas.
He advises these companies to be always ready to defend the country and in case of an alarm to pursue and exterminate all

war like forces who may dare to cross into Texas for the purpose of ravaging the country.
LETTER FROM LAMAR
Lamar, Refugio County, Texas Feb. 16, 1860
I wonder if we poor denizens of this way have the right to complain of the irregularity of the mails? If so, we would like to say to Postmasters generally that Lamar is in the county of Refugio and not in Lamar County. Our mail should come via Saluria, such is the mail contract, but it has often come via Victoria and (Heaven save the mark) to judge by the lapse of time, our letters and papers take an airing into the interior of the state.
From the Richmond Examiner:

The cry of love for the Union is a cuckoo song, and may titillate the ears of nonthinking men. Some who find it useful to themselves may sing it and the idle people may find amusement in listening. The real people of the South wish to know what is doing to unite the people whose rights these monotonous song singers say are endangered. They desire to know why these gentlemen prize a Union with Black Republican enemies so highly and dread a consultation with slave holders so extremely. Let the people be informed how much of this abhorrence of Black Republicanism is real — how much of this story of injustice done to the South is really believed by the men who tell it. Let the people know whether the distrust of the South, where the opposition to Abolition is stronger with the Union-lovers. In fact let men say whether they do not prefer submission to Black Republican rule to united action by the Southern States to prevent it.

The late Legislature have, we believe, made several new counties by cutting off positions of the old ones. Our new map for 1861 will give accurately all such new counties and will truly represent all the other changes and improvements that have been made during the past and present year.



GOVERNOR DANIEL PROCLAIMS CANCER CONTROL MONTH — Urging all Texans to join in the crusade to control cancer, Gov. Price Daniel left is shown here presenting his official memorandum proclaiming April as Texas Cancer Control Month to Bill Maulsby of San Saba, a five year survivor from the disease, while Texas Crusade Chairman Olin Culberson looks on. Maulsby was in Austin recently with his family to meet the Governor and represents the more than 1,000,000 Americans alive today because they heeded the life-saving message of the American Cancer Society.

TSC To Host 4-H Club Meet

Approximately 700 boys and girls from 4-H clubs in 19 counties in Texas will meet at Tarleton State College April 9 for the annual District Eight competition in agriculture and home skills. Miss Annie Lucy Lane, district

agent, said the 4-H members will test their abilities in 27 different subjects dealing with farm and home activities. Competition will be conducted in both Junior and senior events. Winners of the senior events will represent District Eight at the 4-H Club Round-Up at College Station June 7-9.
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DEAR MISTER EDITOR:

The boys at the country store Saturday night was taking a very dim view of the summit conference. Clem Webster missing the trash can 10 inches with an apple core, allowed as how war was bound to come sooner or later. The fellow that owns the store said if war does come and we get attacked from the air, he aims to hide in the trash can. He said it ain't never been hit by nothing yet.
Ed Doolittle announced that he wasn't going to worry no more about the situation. He said he ain't done nothing all his life but face one crisis after another. He started out he allowed, with the Pancho Villa and Mexican crisis and has come down through wars and rumors of wars and to where we now got a crisis everywhere, north and south, east and west. He told the fellows that as soon as it warmed up a little he was getting out his fishing pole and aimed to go fishing and stay all summer.
Per two cent, Mister Editor, I'd git my pole and go with him. Put the Brass Hats in Washington is divided on the outlook. I see by the papers where Nixon says our people is enjoying security and comfort and that we're living in the "rocking chair age." I reckon it's possible. We got a Cavalry Regiment in the Army that ain't got no horses so it might be possible to have a rocking chair age when we got no rocking chairs. Now if we could just get an emergency tax or two that wouldn't outlive the emergency by 15 or 20 years, things might be better.
On the other hand, I see where Senator Byrd of Virginia says this country now owes more than everything in the country is worth. In business circles this is known as bankruptcy but the Government says that it don't matter because we owe most of it to each other. Modern finance, Mister Editor, is getting mighty complicated, especially the Government brand.
I see where one columnist says we've now got more folks depending on the Government than once supported it. Our founding

fathers set forth that it was the duty of the people to support the Government. The thing has switched ends and now the Government is supporting the people. It's funny how the label can stick to somepun after the contents of the jar has gone.
And I see where even scientists is having their troubles. A doctor in Atlanta come up last week with a statement that tells a story of our times. A girl that was about to enter a beauty contest asked him to vaccinate her where it wouldn't show. "There are some things," he replied, "that are beyond the capabilities of science."
Yours truly,
GABBY

Trent Students Take Tests As Part of Survey

Aptitude tests were given students at Trent High School Monday and Tuesday as part of the nationwide Project Talent being supervised by the University of Pittsburgh.
Supt. Wray B. Williams said the Project Talent tests, also being given in several other West Central Texas high schools, are part of a national survey of the abilities and aptitudes of American youth.
Followup studies will later be made, Williams said.

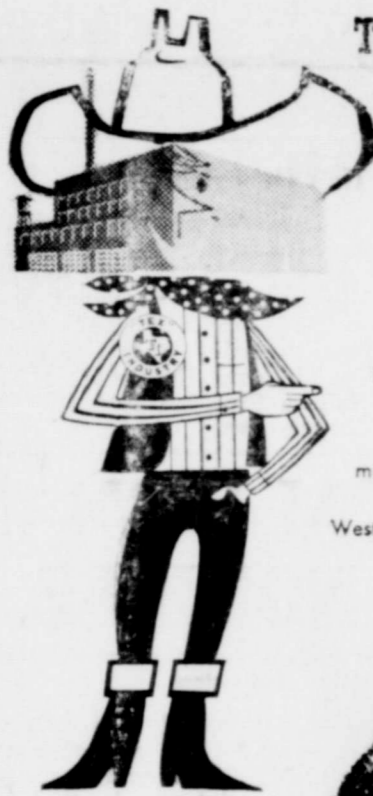
The modern theory seems to be that a dollar saved is just a good time lost.

JACK POT WINNERS and LOSERS THIS WEEK

TUESDAY—Loser—Iwgl Jo Moore	100.00
LOSER—Velma Rutledge	20.00
WEDNESDAY—Loser—Byron Fellers	100.00
LOSER—Mary Howe	25.00
THURSDAY—Loser—Ronnie Stevens	100.00
LOSER—Mrs. Clarence Newton	30.00
FRIDAY—Loser—Tom Spears	100.00
LOSER—Thelma Renfro	35.00
SATURDAY—Loser—Jeff Anderson	100.00
LOSER—E. L. L. Harton	40.00
MONDAY—Loser—Kurtz Bouman	100.00
WINNER—Mrs. D. J. Richie	45.00

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April 1-7



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Industry in West Texas means more people, more jobs, and more payrolls, which mean more business and a better living for all of us. West Texas Utilities is building ahead to provide the power for a growing industrial West Texas.



CHEAPER BY THE DOZEN . . .

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While today, you are getting more work saving, time saving conveniences out of your electric service than before,

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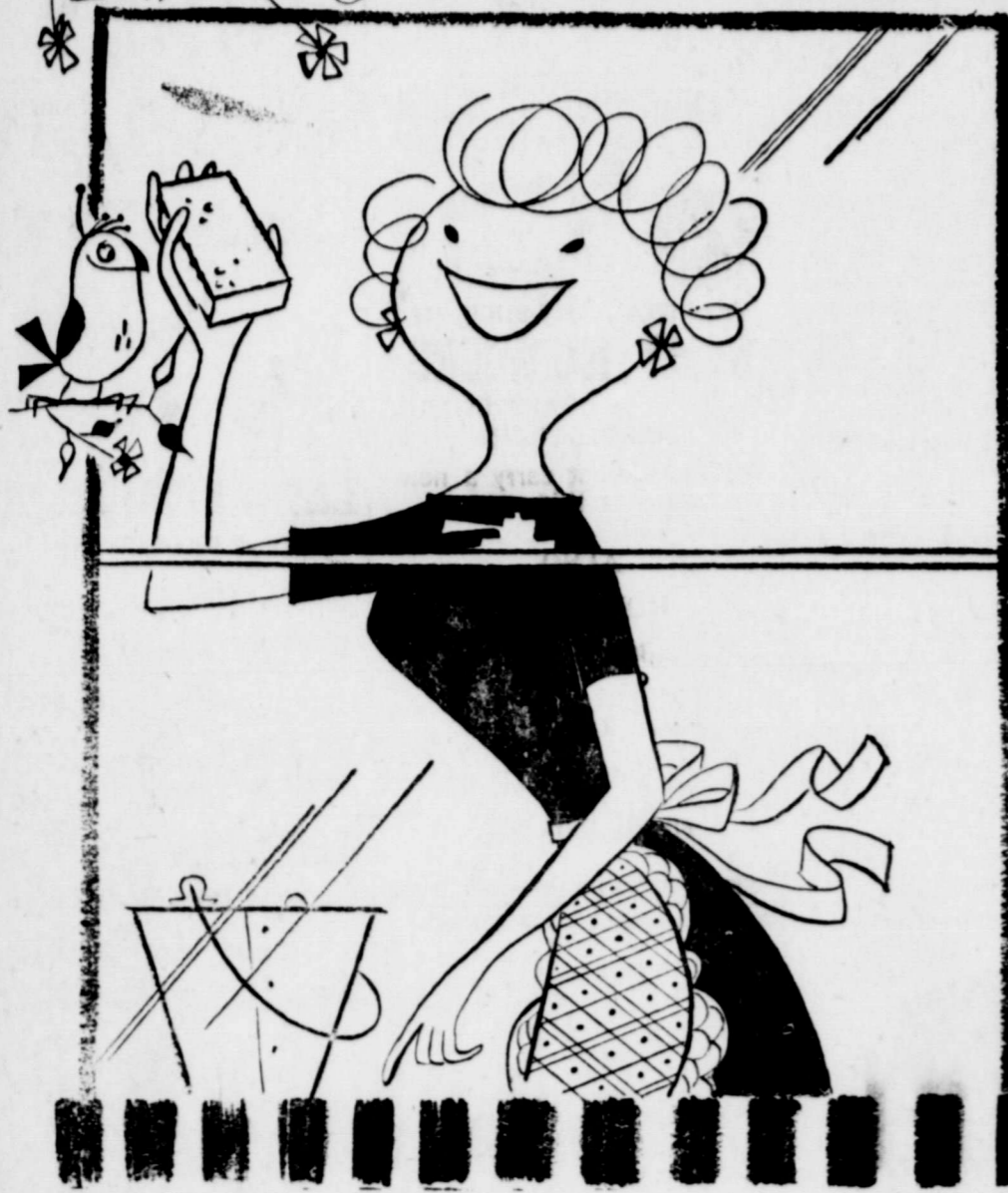
Corvair named "CAR OF THE YEAR"

"Four-wheel independent suspension totally unlike any other U.S.-built car" . . . "air-cooled aluminum engine . . . not dependent on the properties of a liquid coolant" . . . a rear-mounted transaxle "allowing a flatter floor and a lower roofline. . . ." These are some of the praises heaped upon Corvair by the editors of Motor Trend—the world's largest general automotive magazine—in announcing their coveted Car-of-the-Year award. Other cars didn't even come close. The Motor Trend experts, who evaluated every make in the country, were unanimous in their decision, published in the April issue. But, unless you have personally driven a Corvair, you can't appreciate what this engineering achievement really means in combining compact car economy and agility with big for economical transportation car ride, room and sure-footedness. Drop down to your dealer's, take a trial drive and then judge the Car of the Year for yourself!

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Home Demonstration Notes

By LORETA ALLEN

Taylor County Home Demonstration Agent



You missed a good meeting if you did not come to the Landscape Workshop that we had last Thursday. We learned how to care for our lawns, how to propagate plants, how to protect plants, shrubs, and trees from disease and insects, how to care for shade trees with particular emphasis on the pecan tree.

The 4-H Contests went off fine Saturday even if it was raining. The following won in their contests:

Jr. Dairy Team Demonstration
1. Sandra Adkisson and Kay Griffith, Spanish Cream With Fruit.
2. Barbara Brady and Kathy Grisham, Peach Cottage Cheese

Salad
3. Phyllis McAdams and Janie Rutland, Lime Cheese Surprise.
4. Ann Tipton and Aleta Soett, Pudding Cheesecake.
Junior Poultry Marketing and Utilization Team Demonstration
1. Jo Ann Moore and Barbara Churchill, Chicken Salad.
2. Sue Vinson and Patsy McKee, Knowing our Poultry Products.

Senior Poultry Marketing and Utilization Team Demonstration
1. Linda Smith and Carolyn Moore, Egg Salad Sandwich Boats.
2. Jane Holloway and Kay Ware, A Twin Egg Changer.
3. Candy Higgins and Barbara McAninch, Making the Most of Eggs.

Junior Individual Dairy Team Demonstration
1. Janet Landers, Orange Milk Punch.
2. Sally Hicks, Meat Balls and Cream Gravy.
3. Marilyn Wilks, Five Minute Fudge.

Senior Vegetable Preparation and Use Team Demonstration
1. Carolyn Saling and Rhonda Evans.
Junior Vegetable Preparation and Use Team Demonstration
1. Louanne Donaldson and Carroll Lynn Joiner.
2. Judy Smith and Linda Hampton.
3. Kay Cochran and Brenda Le-wallen.
4. Gelora Wilson and Nelda Collet.

Junior Public Speaking Team Demonstration
1. Floydell Ross, 4-H Lights the Way.

Senior Public Speaking Individual Demonstration
1. Betty McAninch, My Health to Better Living.

Junior Share the Fun Team Demonstration
Myrtle Davis and Sue Pickley, Bronwyn Gamble and Nancy Evans.
Senior Share the Fun Team Demonstration
1. Sue King and Steplen Kiser, Sparkling Juggy Jane.
2. Sherry Hull and Adrian Adcock, I'm a Big Squirrel Now.
3. Brenda Dick, Kerry Ray and Nancy Ward, The Mummy.

Junior Farm and Home Safety Team Demonstration
1. Kaye McWilliams and Sue Dickerson, Fire Fighting for the Householder.
2. Dianne Graham and Sue Fields, Kitt These Rattlers.

Senior Farm and Home Safety Team Demonstration
1. Beverly Halford and Patsy Land, Fire Safety at Home.
2. Ann Griffin and Rita Wagner, Watch Your Step.

Sr. Electric Team Demonstration
1. Gayle Domy and Kay Holloway, How to Take Care of Your Mixer.

Don't forget to come to our Style Show Friday night at 7:30 p.m. at the Health Unit at 2241 South 19th St.

The frost Sunday morning nipped the Irish potatoes, but they were not seriously injured. Everything is really growing in our garden.

Have you tried this cheese cake? It is very good.

Refrigerator Cheese Cake
1/2 cup melted butter or marg.
3/4 cup sugar
2 cups fine zwieback crumbs
of bread crumbs
2 teaspoons cinnamon
2 tablespoons gelatin
1 cup cold water
3 eggs separated
2 cups Neufchatel or 2 3-oz. packages cream cheese.
3 tablespoons lemon juice
1 tablespoon grated lemon rind
1/2 cup whipping cream
Blend butter or margarine, 1/4 cup sugar, crumbs and cinnamon. Press 3/4 of this mixture on bottom and sides of a 9-inch spring form pan or angel food pan. Soften gelatin in 1/2 cup cold water 5 minutes. Cook egg yolks, 1/2 cup sugar and 1/2 cup water in a double boiler, stirring constantly, until mixture coats spoon. Add gelatin and stir until dissolved. Add gradually to cream cheese and beat thoroughly Cool. When mixture begins to thicken, beat several minutes with egg beater. Whip cream and fold in with stiffly beaten egg whites. Blend well. Pour onto crumbs. Sprinkle remaining crumbs on top. Chill until firm. Serves 8 to 10.

This recipe is found in a bulletin MP 122 "Neufchated Cheese." It has many other good recipes using neufchated cheese. If you would like a copy write or come by my office at 317 Pecan St., Abilene.

BADGER TALES
By RUTHA CORDER

Everyone entering more than one literary event in Interscholastic League was rather disappointed Tuesday when they found out that nearly all of the events were scheduled for the same time. Some students are going to have to drop as many as 2 and 3 events because of this. Too bad someone couldn't pull a few strings and have the events scattered out more.

At least tennis is scheduled for a different day — maybe the tennis players will get out of school for a little while; we did last year.

Six weeks test week is almost over and we will be able to settle down again. Actually there won't be too much of the old rou-

time going on because this next six weeks will be the last this year. By the time it is this late each year, everyone including the freshmen is out of school. "Test out." The only problem now is enduring this last six weeks. It really shouldn't be too hard on the girls because they will be making all types of plans and arrangements for their trip and graduation exercises. There is also the junior-senior banquet coming up, which will be held at the Sands Hotel this year. The juniors feel certain, as the juniors always do, that the banquet is going to be the best one that we have had in a long time.

Mr. Nail was awarded a school scholarship last week which will enable him to work on his M.S. degree. This statement concerns only you who are not fortunate enough to be a Merkel High student. I think Mr. Nail has already notified all of his classes and fellow faculty members. It's nice to know that someone enjoys going to school.

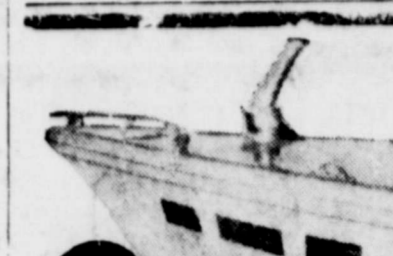
Shirley Sandusky Feted at Party

Shirley Sandusky, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Sandusky Jr., was honored on her eleventh birthday with a party in her home Thursday, March 24.

Parties were served to Pat and Gary Bigbee, Cathy Deringer, Verna, Joan, Linda Cliff, Becky Gladen, Bronwyn

Gamble, Lindy Jacobs, Phyllis Newby, Mirtie David, Ann Whisenant, Mamie Patterson, Soni Jones, Jerry Don and Pam Sandusky.

Four of the girls, Bronwyn, Linda, Mamie and Linda, remained to spend the night with the honoree.



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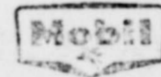
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Trent Play Wins District Contest

Trent High School won the District 13B-14B area one-act play contest Saturday at McMurry College. Rochester represented 13B.

Trent is now eligible to go to the Region 1B contest at Lubbock April 22-23.

The all-star cast included Johnny Heatley of Trent, best actor; Paula Dudley of Trent, best actress; Paul Higgins and Judy Claiborn of Trent; and R. A. Shvaer and Carolyn Bean of Rochester.

RAY-PYBURN WEDDING DATE SET FOR MAY 22

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Ray of Merkel are announcing the date of the marriage of their daughter Rebecca (Becky), to Douglas Wayne Pyburn, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Acheal Pyburn of Roby.

The wedding will be in the Pioneer Methodist Church in the Butman community on May 22 at 2 p.m.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Merkel High School and the bridegroom graduated from Roby High School. They are both students at McMurry College in Abilene.

GIRL SCOUT NEWS

LEADERS MEET
The monthly meeting of Brownie and Girl Scout leaders was held Tuesday, April 8 at the Scout Hut with Mrs. David Gary's neighborhood chairman, president. Items of business which will wind up the year's work were discussed. Folders for the summer camps were issued to the leaders.

PICNIC SLATED
The Brownie and Girl Scout troops will leave Friday, April 8 at 3:30 p.m. from the Scout Hut for a picnic. They will return by dark. No lunches will be needed.

COOK-OUT PLANNED
The Brownie and Scout troops will have their annual cook-out at Camp Boothe Oaks Thursday, April 21. The troops will leave when school is dismissed for lunch on that day which is the first day of parent-teacher conferences.

3 TO JR. HI CAMP
The three Junior High students of Mrs. Wallace Doan's troop, Branda Doan, Beth Patton and Mildred Haley, plan to attend the Junior High Senior week-end to be held at Camp Boothe Oaks on May 13-14-15. The girls will meet with others from all over the thirteen counties of the West Texas Council for the first such event arranged for fun and planning for future activities.

Becky Ray Named To Club Office

Becky Ray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Ray of Merkel, has been elected inter-club council representative for Theta Chi Lambda, newest woman's social club at McMurry College.

The purpose of the newly formed group is to promote high standards of womanhood at McMurry. The organization is interested in cultural, social and academic attainments.

Dean Helm of the Butman community is also a member of the club.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Dale F. Greer of Denver, Colo., were guests the past Wednesday of Mrs. Greer's cousin, Mrs. Frank M. Simpson. The Greers were en route to their Denver home after vacationing in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Winn Sr. of Trent were weekend guests in the home of their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Winn Jr. of Odessa.

Mrs. Will Campbell left Tuesday for a month's visit with her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Campbell and children of Fort Worth.

Mrs. Tina Cobb of Los Angeles, Calif., is a guest in the home of her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Vaughn.

Mrs. Shugart Hosts Guesse Circle Party

The Guesse Circle met for a "come as you are" party in the home of Mrs. Duane Shugart Monday at 3:30 a.m.

Mrs. Jimmy Riggs won the "slouchy" person prize. Mrs. John Young and Mrs. Jimmy Hobbs were named chairmen of the social committee following a game playing session.

Mrs. Bobby DuBose and Mrs. Billy Boy Tarpley were named program chairmen. Refreshments were served to Mrs. DuBose, Kent Satterwhite, Young, Waymond Hicks, Robert James, Harold Sloan, E. A. Conley, Donald Wayne Douglas, Hobbs, Riggan and Tarpley.

Scholarship In Agronomy Being Offered

COLLEGE STATION — A \$1,000, four-year agronomy scholarship will be made available to a student entering Texas A. and M. College next September. R. G. Perryman, secretary of the A. and M. Faculty Scholarship Committee has announced.

The scholarship is provided by the Western Compress and Storage Company, with main offices at Abilene and compresses and cotton warehouses at Abilene, Hamlin, Rule and Sweetwater. Perryman said candidates must live in a 10-county area composed of Taylor, Nolan, Mitchell, Runnels, Callahan, Scurry, Fisher, Jones, Haskell and Knox counties.

He said applications can be obtained from high school principals, county agricultural agents, vocational agriculture teachers, or Perryman. The applications must be filed not later than April 15.

Previous winners of similar awards are David T. Richburg of Roscoe, Harold Don Barton, of Sweetwater; Herman Ray Adams, Winters, and Wesley Robinson of Clyde. Smaller scholarships from the same company have gone to Nathan R. Boles of Winters and John R. Gannaway of Haskell.

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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 May 7, 1960.)

Congress From 17 Cong. District
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Jack V. Davis

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LEGAL NOTICE

AN ORDINANCE FIXING AND DETERMINING THE GENERAL SERVICE RATE TO BE CHARGED FOR SALES OF NATURAL GAS AND NATURAL GAS SERVICE TO RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL CONSUMERS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF MERKEL, TAYLOR COUNTY, TEXAS, PROVIDING FOR THE MANNER IN WHICH SUCH RATE MAY BE CHANGED, ADJUSTED AND AMENDED AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF MERKEL:

SECTION 1. Effective with the first gas bills rendered on or after the 5th day of May, 1960, the general service rate for sales of natural gas and natural gas service rendered to residential and commercial consumers within the city limits of Merkel by Lone Star Gas Company, a Texas corporation, its successors and assigns, is hereby fixed and determined as follows:

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Net rate shall apply to all bills paid within ten days from monthly billing date.

This ordinance does not regulate any rate or charge except those specifically set out herein above.

The above rate is applicable to each residential and commercial consumer per month or for any part of a month for which gas is used at the same location.

SECTION 2. The rate set forth in Section 1 may be changed and amended by either the City or Company furnishing gas in the manner provided by law. Service hereunder is subject to the orders of regulatory bodies having jurisdiction, and the Company's Rules and Regulations currently on file in the Company's office.

SECTION 3. The fact that there is an imperative public need for an immediate change and adjustment in the rate for gas and gas service furnished to residential and commercial consumers creates an emergency and the reading and passage of this ordinance is hereby suspended and this ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after the date of its passage at a single meeting and the approval thereof by the mayor.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS THE 21st day of March, A.D. 1960.

ATTEST:
Flossie W. McKeever
City Secretary
Earl Hughes
Mayor

STATE OF TEXAS:
COUNTY OF TAYLOR:
I, Flossie W. McKeever, Secretary of the City of Merkel, Taylor County, Texas hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of an ordinance passed and approved by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Merkel at a Regular session held on the 21st day of March, 1960, as it appears of record in the Minutes of said Board of Aldermen, in Book 5, page 213.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF SAID CITY, this the 21st day of March, A.D. 1960.

SEAL
Flossie W. McKeever
City Secretary
City of Merkel, Texas 3-4

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COUNTY OF TAYLOR:
Notice is hereby given that the partnership lately subsisting between C. D. Carter and C. W. Carter, of Taylor County, Texas, under the firm name of North Park Nurseries was dissolved by mutual consent on January 1, 1955. All debts due to the said partnership are to be paid and those due from the same discharged on 2788 Pine Street, in Abilene, Texas, where the business will be continued by C. D. Carter under the firm name of North Park Nurseries.

WITNESS OUR HANDS AT Abilene, Texas.
(SIGNED)
C. D. Carter
C. W. Carter 3-4-5-6

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To any Sheriff or any Constable within the State of Texas—
GREETING:

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

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: Billie Jean Gossett, Defendant, Getting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County at the Court house thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 12th day of May A.D. 1960, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 21 day of January A.D. 1960, in this cause, numbered 24,633-A on the docket of said court and styled Derel Gossett, Plaintiff, vs. Billie Jean Gossett, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were duly and legally married in Humboldt, Tennessee on March 31, 1958 and lived together as man and wife until Defendant abandoned Plaintiff on or about November 21, 1958, and Defendants whereabouts are unknown. Plaintiff shows there were no children born to said marriage and there is no community property to be adjudicated. Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds that Defendant refused to provide a home for him and was guilty of excesses and mental cruelty so as his health was undermined as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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

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

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this 31 day of March A.D. 1960.

(SEAL)
Attest: R. H. Ross, Clerk,
29-4 District Court,
Taylor County, Texas
By Mamie Betterton, Deputy 4-5-6-7

Trent Man Helped Save 4 Russians

A Trent man was one of a Navy rescue squad that rescued four Russian soldiers from a landing craft floating adrift near Midway Island recently.

Halley Simpson, 19, fireman, U. S. Navy, who entered the Navy in June, 1958, was one of several Navy personnel who assisted the rescue operation.

The Russians were frightened when brought aboard the USS Kearsarge, CBS 33, aircraft support, but became more friendly later, Simpson said. None spoke English.

They had been spotted from a plane 15 miles from the ship. The Kearsarge went toward them and affected the rescue.

The men were in pretty rough shape Simpson said, having been out about 49 days.

Simpson's ship was on its way to the States after a six-months cruise in a Far Eastern assignment.

The Trent man is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Simpson, who farm near Trent.

Simpson got into Trent Sunday for a 30-day leave. He will be assigned to a Machinist Mate School at Great Lakes Training School.

Mr. and Mrs. Pauline Amason and daughter, Linda, of Graham visited his father, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Amason, Sunday.

Johnson Praises Konrad Adenauer

Senate Majority Leader Lyndon B. Johnson said Sunday Chancellor Konrad Adenauer is the man "principally responsible" for the economic comeback of West Germany.

In a radio report recorded for broadcast of his Texas constituents, Johnson said the 84-year-old German Chancellor and his people are "on the front lines of the cold war."

"Soviet tanks and troops are only a few miles away. Communist missiles can reach any point in West Germany in a matter of minutes. Only the brave can live under these circumstances," he said.

Johnson, who received Adenauer last week in his Majority Leader's office, said that Americans can be grateful that the German Chancellor is "so determined in his resistance to communism and so faithful in his devotion to freedom. Above all, we can be proud and glad he is our friend."

STITH NEWS

A mission study is in progress at the Stith Baptist church. Lessons will be presented by a different speaker each evening.

Attending the singing convention in Anson Sunday afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Perry and Martha, Sandra, Hole, Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones and Mr. and Mrs. John Browning.

Mrs. A. M. Evans remains in the Sadler Clinic Hospital but is reported greatly improved. She is now able to have visitors, among whom have been her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Evans of Houston, Mrs. Earl Chatman and Lawrence, Chatman of Winters and Mr. and Mrs. E. Hassel of Sweetwater. Rev. and Mrs. Jesse Swindell have moved to their new home in Stith.

Mrs. A. M. Jackson of Odessa is visiting her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Dunagin, Mary and Randy.

Mrs. Tom Keener has returned to her home after spending a week with her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Lessley Westbrook and children of Baird.

Mrs. Troy Walker and children of Plainview spent the weekend with her brother, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Harris and Johnnie.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hambrick and children of Seminole spent the week with her parents, Mr.

and Mrs. Johnnie Eakin and Jimmy.

Ray Keener and mother have moved to the T. E. Butler house. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kelso left Friday for Tucson, Ariz., for a visit with their son, Mr. and Mrs. Dearl Kelso. They were accompanied by Mrs. Ina Kelso and Madie Kelso.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Berry visited in Anson Sunday with Mrs. John Green and Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Butler.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Hassel of Sweetwater and Lawrence Chat-

man of Winters visited Mr. and Mrs. Albert Evans Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Burns of Jackshoro spent Sunday night with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Burns.

Mrs. Bobby Toliver and children, Larry and Galasue, of Odessa visited in the homes of their parents, Mrs. Edna Horton and Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Toliver, Tuesday. They were accompanied here by a friend, Mrs. Jan Brown and daughter, Kellie Debra.

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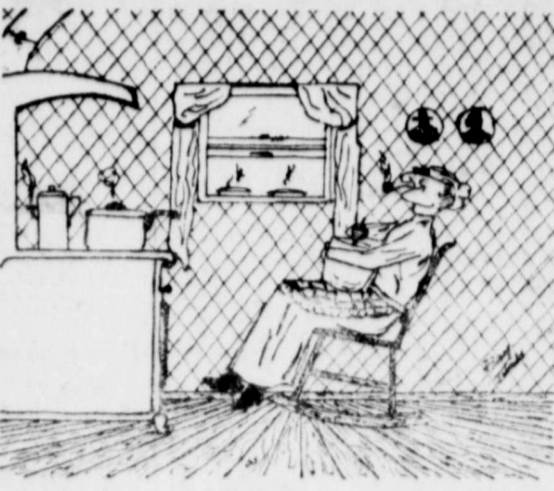
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Out of Granny's Kitchen



The recipe I'm going to pass along to you this week was given to me several years ago by a friend who now lives in Lubbock. It's an interesting version of tomato aspic and is delicious served with ham. For a "cool" meal on a hot day it could be served with deviled eggs and chilled red salmon.

Tomato Aspic Salad
Tomato juice, 300 can 1 3/4 cup
Philadelphia Cream Cheese, 2 3-oz. pkgs.
Vinegar, 2 T.
Salt, 1 tsp.
Onion—chopped, 1/2 cup.
Celery—chopped, 1/2 cup
Bell pepper—chopped 1/2 cup
Mayonnaise, 1/2 cup

Unflavored gelatin, 1 envelope
Water (cold), 1/2 cup
Sprinkle gelatin over 1/2 cup water and let dissolve while heating tomato juice, cream cheese, salt and vinegar to boiling point. Remove from heat and add gelatin. Beat with rotary beater until cheese and tomato juice are well blended. Chill until partially set. Fold in vegetables and mayonnaise. Chill in ring mold or individual molds. Serve on lettuce leaf.

Did you know...
If you're short of eggs you can substitute dissolved gelatin in croquettes or patty recipes calling for an egg to hold them together.

20 YEARS AGO IN MERKEL

Miss Mary Lou Hughes and Paxton Hays were united in marriage Saturday evening at 7:30 o'clock, with Rev. Cooper Waters, pastor of the First Baptist church, reading the ceremony at the baptist parsonage. Only attendants of the couple were Verner Hester and Dorothy Horton.

The track team of Trent High school won the county meet in Abilene the last weekend with a total of 54 points. This is the second consecutive year for Trent to win the county.

J. J. Russell, who has been stationed at Warren, Ohio, the past several months, arrived Tuesday for a visit with his mother, Mrs. J. J. Russell, and other relatives. He left Wednesday for Tulsa, Okla., with prospects that he would be transferred and not return to the Ohio city.

As delegate from the Fortnightly Study club Mrs. Tom Largent spent Tuesday in Colorado City attending the sessions of the Sixth district, Texas Federation of Women's clubs. She was accompanied by Mrs. S. D. Gamble.

Miss Pearl Mathews went to Abilene Thursday where she joined a group of four girls who were to leave Friday for Austin. They will spend the weekend there enjoying the activities of the University of Texas Annual Round Up Week.

Misses Sue Bird and Dorothy Horton of Merkel, who are taking general business courses in Draughon's Business College, were two of the twenty highest ranking students whose names appeared on the honor roll for the past term.

40 YEARS AGO IN MERKEL

On last Saturday afternoon about six o'clock Merkel's High School building came near to being destroyed by fire. Had it not been for the heroic work of the fire department, the building and all its contents would have been a total loss.

Merkel holds the West Texas championship in senior boys' basketball by virtue of the fact that she is undefeated. Further, she holds the championship cup for boys' basketball in county and also having carried an ad in the foremost papers of Texas, claiming West Texas championship and no challenge. Members of the team are Wade Dorsey, Chester

Hutchison, Bill Stevens, J. J. Abilene with her parents. Russell, Dyle Garrett, Raymond Ferguson and Roy Stevens.

Miss Blanche Durham, after spending several days between terms with her parents here, left Monday for Dallas where she is attending Southern Methodist University of that city.

We are informed that Dr. Chas. F. Williams closed a deal this week for the purchase of the Big-ham residence which is located just south of the Methodist Church. This is one of the nicest and most home-like places in the city, most ideally located, and no doubt the doctor has made an excellent and profitable selection.

Messrs. Tom Largent and J. L. Wirtler were among those of our citizens who visited the Pecos fields last week. They report purchasing some acreage there.

UP THE CANYON BY TOM RUSSON

Well, we think we are headed for spring now. However, W. T. Perry said they had plenty of ice at their place in Mountain Pass, Sunday morning.

Steve Butman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Butman, suffered a broken leg while playing at school the past week. He is reported to be doing well at this time. We hope he will be up and around in a few days.

Attendance at Pioneer Church was down Sunday.

Mrs. Helm of Comanche, mother of the Rev. Helms, pastor of Pioneer Church here, was visiting her son and family over the weekend.

Ve-madean Helms and roommate at McMurry college were guests in the home of Mrs. Helms' parents, the Rev. and Mrs. Helms, the past weekend.

It is being talked that a big rattlesnake hunt will be held up the Canyon soon. We don't have any date on that just yet.

T. J. Neill and sons report a good lamb crop from their herd of show ewes. Mr. Neill says his daughter, Katy, will feed lambs this year.

Joe Swinney, Canyon stockman, had two loads of cattle on the Abilene market this week.

Mrs. Will Butman reports they have been killing some rattlesnakes at their ranch home. She said all of them must be the same age as all had only one rattle each.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Benovak and family of the Canyon spent the weekend in Temple with his folks.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Clemmer and family spent the weekend in

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SENATOR ☆☆☆ Yarborough's Report

In order to help meet the housing needs of millions of American families and at the same time help toward a goal of full employment, I am co-sponsoring bills to extend the World War II Veterans Housing program.

Although this program is scheduled to end on July 25, 1960, unless new legislation is enacted there are still 9 1/2 million veterans who are eligible under the guaranteed or direct loan plans. Unless the loan is extended their rights will end next July.

The record proves that the Veterans Housing Plan of World War II has been of tremendous benefit to veterans and their families. Over 5-million homes have been built under the program at a time when our nation badly needed additional housing.

Another factor of the program's success has been that its relative cost has been as nothing compared to the great human and economic benefit it has brought the nation.

With more than five million loans guaranteed, less than one per cent have resulted in claims against the government and those

paid off with losses total less than one-tenth of one per cent.

I have co-sponsored two bills to help continue the two major phases of this highly successful and vitally important program. The first bill would extend the guaranteed home loan program for veterans of World War II until January 31, 1965. The other proposal would likewise extend the direct home loan program for World War II veterans to January 1, 1965 and also continues the \$150-million annual addition to the direct loan fund.

These bills have the dual purpose of helping our veterans have the opportunity to build better homes and also to create additional construction jobs. Home building is our second largest industry and a high percentage of our over four million workers who are unemployed are building tradesmen.

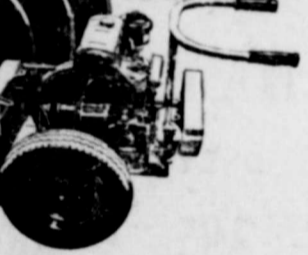
Continuation of the veterans housing programs will have a substantial beneficial economic impact on virtually every town and city large and small in the nation. It is one which I feel the majority of Texans will welcome, as it will strengthen the economy of Texas.

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Compere HD Club

The Compere Home Demonstration Club met Wednesday, March 23, in the home of Mrs. Cullen Crenshaw.

Mrs. I. B. Ray led the opening prayer. A game was directed by Mrs. Vernon Stanley.

Mrs. Ray presided at the business session when Mrs. Kenneth Vancil gave the council report.

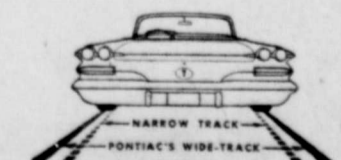
Mrs. Mary Newberry, home demonstration agent, presented the program on "Frozen Foods." Present were Mrs. Ray, Dewey Ramsey, W. S. Allred, Carol Best, J. F. Touchstone, Kenneth Vancil, Don Adair, Ab Hunter Jr., Newberry, the hostess and four children.

The next meeting will be Thursday, April 14, in the home of Mrs. Kenneth Vancil. Secret bids will be revealed and an auction sale will be held to raise money for council and THDA dues.



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Senior 4-H Girls Meet

The Senior 4-H Club met Thursday, March 24, with Carole Sue McAninch presiding. Aleta Scott called the roll and

Ann Tipton led the group in the club motto, pledge and prayer.

The girls planned a skating party and discussed the achievement tea.

Mrs. L. V. Armstrong has returned from Weatherford where she visited her sister, Mrs. Callie Ellis, who is ill but some improvement.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Amason visited in the home of her son, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Horton, and Mrs. Amason's sister, Mrs. Mae Douglas, all of Abilene, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Whitt Farmer of Ita are visiting her father, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hamp Campbell and other relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Baylor Amason and daughter, Linda, of Graham were guests of her mother, Mrs. J. K. Ayers, Sunday.

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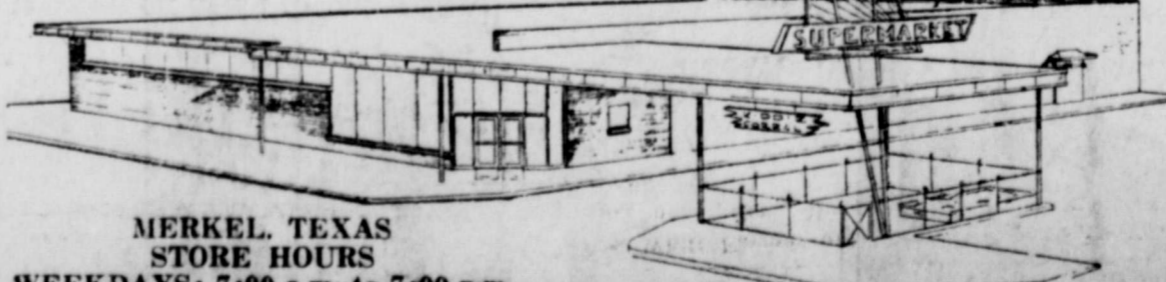
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