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EX-MERKEL RESIDENT ON AFB MEDICAL STAFF

Major Billy G. Gant, son of Mrs. Sally Gant, is chief of medical surgeons, internal medicine and cardiology at Carswell Air Force Base in Fort Worth.

Maj. Gant, a graduate of Merkel High School entered the Army Corps in 1942. He served one year as an enlisted man before being commissioned in 1943.

He served overseas in Italy with the 15th Air Force during 1944-45 as a navigator, bombardier and radar operator. In 1947 he left the service to enter college, then went on to medical school in 1949.

Dr. Gant obtained a medical degree from Baylor University College of Medicine and re-entered the United States Air Force in 1953.

He completed internship through residency in internal medicine and residency in cardiology at Brooke Army Hospital, Ft. Sam Houston. He has been at Carswell since 1958.

On the board qualified in cardiology and internal medicine, he is also a member of the American College of Chest Physicians.

Dr. Gant lives at 5734 Wells Circle in Fort Worth with his wife, Betty, and children, Debbie and Pam. His hobbies are hunting, coin collecting and photography.

4 Board Places To Be Filled At Phone Co-Op Meet

Eight members of Taylor Telephone Cooperative, Inc. have been nominated as candidates for four places on the board of directors to be filled at the annual membership meeting to be held the latter part of September, according to John Hardesty, manager.

Nominated for Place 6 on the board are Frank K. Antilley and Jack Patton; Place 7, C. A. Fomby and Boles Fry; Place 8, Clyde Langford and Leon Morris; Place 9, Jack J. Farmer and Hilton Tarrant.

Serving as directors now are Charlie T. Myatt, president; Clark Perkins, vice president; Antilley, secretary; Fry, L. O. Huddleston, L. A. Lister, Joe B. McDuff, J. C. Raper and Troy Sloan.

The nominating committee was composed of Jesse Dea, Kirby Robinson, Harold Boozer, Bill Harmon and W. H. Smith.

2 Merkel Youths Take Marine Combat Course

CAMP PENDLETON, Calif. (PHTNC) — Marine Pvt. Franklin R. Hancock, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hancock of Merkel, and Marine Pvt. Vernon L. Wade, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. V. Wade of 207 Orange St. Merkel, completed four weeks of individual combat training June 28 at the Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, Calif. The course included the latest infantry tactics, first aid demolitions, field fortifications and advanced schooling on weapons.

Trainees learn that all Marines are basically infantrymen, whether they serve as cooks, typists, truck drivers, or with aviation units.

Family Meets In Reeder Home

A family reunion was held in the home of Mrs. Lena Reeder the past week.

On Sunday afternoon the group went to Brownwood lake for an outing. The time was spent in swimming, making pictures and boat riding.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Gray, Gary Allen Kemy and Gail Gray of San Fernando, Calif., Mrs. Hortense Harwood and son, Jimmie Tomez Wesley, Houston; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Harris, Darline and Becky, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Allison, Brenda and Johnnie and Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Maddera and son, Randy, all of Abilene.

Mrs. Bright, 79, Former Resident Of Trent, Dies

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Friday at the First Methodist Church in Trent for Mrs. Mary Ann Bright, a former longtime resident of Trent who died at Ward Memorial Hospital in Monahans at 2:10 p.m. Wednesday. She was 79.

The Rev. Elton Wyatt, a former Trent pastor, officiated. Burial was in the Trent Cemetery.

Mrs. Bright was born Aug. 12, 1880 in Roxton. She and her husband, who died in 1955, lived in Trent for 30 years until about eight years ago when they moved to Monahans. Mr. Bright was a farmer.

Survivors include four daughters, Mrs. H. J. Kegans of Trent, Mrs. L. C. Lester of Amarillo, Mrs. E. F. Halbrooks of Loop, Mrs. Beulah Russell of Monahans; three sons, Henry of Monahans, Wilson of Snyder and James of Seminole; three sisters, Mrs. John F. Landers of Denison, Mrs. Ome Martin of Plainview, Mrs. Beulah Woods of Lubbock; twin brothers, Sam Mitchell of Sulphur Springs and Claude Mitchell of Ventura, Calif.; 24 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Risinger and son, Jimmy visited Sunday with Mrs. Risinger's mother, Mrs. Daisy Toombs, and sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Irven Thompson and Joelle. Jimmy has just received his discharge from service. He was stationed in Alaska for 18 months.

4 AMENDMENTS TO BE VOTED ON IN ELECTION

Texas voters should look to the month of November 1960, as another time of decision, for it is in this month which a General Election will be held.

At this time a new President will be elected. His running mate, the Vice President, on the Democratic ticket will be a Texan. All other elective offices, both National and State, will likewise be voted upon.

There will be much pre-election campaigning and ballyhoo by both Democratic and Republican candidates. And because of the publicity in the newspapers, and on radio and TV, interested voters will be afforded ample opportunity to study the various candidates and their respective platforms.

At the same time Texans will again be called upon to amend their Constitution, but the four propositions which will be submitted for approval or rejection are not likely to attract as much attention as the candidates.

Nevertheless, these amendments should be carefully studied by every voter, because each involves matters of finance even though the specific subject matter of the amendments is unrelated. The amendments will be headed as follows:

"PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO BE VOTED ON AT AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 8, 1960."

Amendment No. 1 would authorize the Legislature to create a Hospital District including Lamar and Hidalgo Counties, and County Commissioners' Precinct



CONTEST WINNER—Mrs. Waymon Adcock receives a \$25 savings bond for submitting the winning name, Brick Haven, for Merkel's low-rent housing project in a contest sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce. Presenting the bond is Ray Wilson, chairman of the local housing authority board. In the background is the management and maintenance office of the project.

'NAME THE PROJECT' CONTEST WINNER TOLD

Merkel public housing project, has a name and a local housewife has a \$25 savings bond this week as the result of a contest sponsored by the Merkel Chamber of Commerce to find a name for the low-rent housing units.

The group of twelve brick duplexes which comprise the project located in northeast Merkel, will be called Brick Haven. The winning name was submitted by Mrs. Waymon Adcock and was selected from some 230 entries. The street which runs east and west in the area will be called Brick Haven Drive.

Mrs. Adcock, wife of the owner of a local dry cleaning plant, is the mother of three children, Wayne, 18, Andrea, 15, and Gary, 12.

She was presented the \$25 savings bond Monday by Ray Wilson, chairman of the local housing authority board.

The low-rent project, designed to rehouse families who live in substandard housing, is scheduled to be ready for occupancy by Sept. 1.

Notice

Certificates for those who passed the swimming course held in Merkel recently are at the Merkel Swimming Pool and may be picked up there, Mrs. Raymond Smith, manager of the pool said.



Mr. and Mrs. John announce the arrival of a daughter, Dedra Rene, born Aug. 8. She weighed 3 lbs. 9 1/2 ozs.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Leonard McCoy of Merkel, Rt. 3, and Mr. and Mrs. Bud Fort of Odessa. Great-grandmother is Mrs. Virgie McCoy of Merkel.

The Rev. and Mrs. Jarrell Sharp of Blackwell are parents of a daughter, Sharrill Lorita, born Sunday, July 24.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Patterson and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Sharp of Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Kuykendall and son, Ronnie, of Wichita Falls who are on vacation, visited here recently with his aunts, Mrs. Mae Johnson, Delia Kuykendall and Mattie Billingsley. From here they went to Big Spring, Odessa and points in New Mexico.

CAPT. BILLY TARPLEY IS B-52 COMMANDER

"Unique at Biggs and rare throughout the Strategic Air Command is the 334th Bomb Squadron's Capt. Billy E. Tarpley who commands a B-52 Stratofortress at the age of 28," said an article that appeared in the Biggs

Knight Named Head Of Methodist Board

Lynn Knight was elected chairman of the official board of the First Methodist Church at a meeting recently. He succeeds A. H. McBlumurray.

Knight, co-owner of K&B Service Center, has been a member of the board for three years.

Anti-Communism Meet Slated By Abilene Jaycees

The Abilene Junior Chamber of Commerce will present a seminar against Communism Saturday, Aug. 13 at the V.F.W. Hall in Abilene.

William P. Strube Jr., secretary of the Anti-Communist Christian Crusade, will conduct the lecture series.

Strube is recognized as a noted authority of the evils of communism and the methods of combating it.

Registration is scheduled at 8:45 a.m. with seminar sessions scheduled from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, 3 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Attendance at all sessions is not compulsory but interested persons are invited to hear as much of the program as meets their schedule.

The Abilene Jaycees invite each church and civic club to have at least one delegate at the seminar and they expressed hope that the program will be of interest to all people in the central west Texas area.

Rites Held Here For Miss Martin

Funeral for Miss Lois Aleen Martin, 54, who died at 6 a.m. Wednesday in an Abilene hospital after an extended illness, was held Friday at 10:30 a.m. at Starbuck Funeral Chapel.

Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Miss Martin was born Sept. 5, 1907.

Surviving are three brothers, Lindel of Wilcox, Ariz., Rex of Merkel and Roy of Abilene; three sisters, Mrs. Reba Thorne, of Albuquerque, Mrs. Ova Hellwege of Chickasha, Okla., and Mrs. Eva Washburn of Estabab, Calif.

Pallbearers were Horace Bogey, Wilmer Criswell, Howard Laney, Herman Carson, J. L. Fisher and Waymon Adcock, all of Merkel.

TRENT MAN TO RECEIVE DEGREE AT MCMURRY

ABILENE — John Summerfield Townsend, III of Trent will receive a bachelor of science degree from McMurry College during the summer graduation exercises, August 18.

The commencement speaker is Dr. Poe Williams, pastor of McFarlin Memorial Methodist Church at Norman, Okla. Dr. Williams moved to Norman in July from Oklahoma City where he had been past of the First Methodist Church.

Two honorary doctor's degrees will be given, announced Dr. Gordon R. Bennet, McMurry president. They will be conferred on the Rev. Tilden Bennett Armstrong, pastor at Andrews, and on the Rev. John Lucian Carpenter, pastor of St. John's Methodist Church in Santa Fe, N.M.

Dr. Williams is immediate past president of the Oklahoma City Ministerial Alliance, past president of the board of education of the Eastern Oklahoma Conference, member of the board of trustees of Oklahoma City University and conference secretary of missions.

Rev. Carpenter is a 1938 graduate of McMurry. He has served as pastor at several New Mexico and Texas towns. From 1955-57, Rev. Carpenter was district superintendent of the Clovis, N.M., district. His wife, the former LaMoine Criswell, is also a McMurry graduate.

Rev. Armstrong is a graduate of North Texas State and was a teacher and school administrator from 1928 to 1941. During 1941-43 he served as postmaster at

Sunray and was admitted to the Northwest Texas Conference on trial in 1944. One of his daughters is Mrs. J. Harold Hughes, Jr. of Abilene, a McMurry grad.

There will be a total of 66 degrees conferred on students during the graduation exercises.

Social Security Celebrates 25th Birthday Aug. 14

The Merkel Mail was reminded this week by R. R. Tuley, Jr., district manager of the Abilene social security office, that August 14 marks the 25th Anniversary of the original Social Security Act. For the past quarter of a century social security has been serving American families.

He gave the following sketch of the old-age, survivors, and disability insurance provision of the Act: 1935 and 1936 were used to plan operations. . . . On Jan. 7, 1937, the Act became effective, with first social security deductions for retirement benefits made from wages and matched by employers. . . . Aug. 1939, Amendments added dependents of wage-earners, retired or deceased. . . . Jan. 1940, first monthly benefits payable, two years earlier than originally planned. . . . Aug. 1948, first military service credits provided. . . . Jan. 1951, first coverage for any self-employed person (most professional self-employed excluded), for full time farm and household employees, for state and local governments and employees of non-profit organizations (on optional basis). . . . Jan. 1955, coverage began for farmers, for part-time farm and household workers; first disability freeze provisions. . . . Jan. 1956, coverage extended to all self-employed persons except doctors of medicine. . . . Nov. 1951, first payments to women age 62 (actuarially reduced for wives and women workers, no reduction for widows). . . . Jan. 1957, first payments to disabled adult children; military coverage on compulsory, contributory basis. . . . July 1957, first disability payments at age 50. . . . Sept. 1959, benefits possible for dependents of disability beneficiaries; insured status requirements for disability somewhat liberalized.

During the past 25 years the number of persons receiving benefits in Taylor county has reached 5,188, with a monthly income of \$286,547.00, or almost 3 1/2 million dollars per year.

Hospital Patients

Admissions week ending 8-9-60

- John Graves
- Mrs. Howard Laney
- Miss Eula Sears
- Mrs. J. H. Fort
- Mrs. Dearl Ashton
- Mrs. Jackie Floyd
- L. S. Kingsbury
- Joe Hartley
- Mrs. Homer Laney
- Mrs. L. S. Storey
- Mrs. Roy Isom
- R. N. Pentecost
- J. L. Ashford
- Mrs. H. W. Hester
- Mrs. O. B. Boden, Sr.
- Mrs. Wesley Hambrick
- Miles West
- Mrs. B. L. Brown
- Miss Diane Knight
- Mrs. J. P. Scott
- Linda & Bobby Deming
- Mrs. Edd Burks
- Mrs. L. Halbrook
- Asa Sheppard
- Floyd Reed
- Earle Watts
- Mrs. Ronnie Hagar
- Ruby Higgins
- Mrs. Jack Benningfield
- Rufus Parks
- Mrs. F. W. Slayden
- H. Arnwine
- Mrs. Melvin Bachofer
- Mrs. Frank Ribera

Mrs. Knight Hosts Reunion

Forty-six persons attended a reunion at the home of Mrs. Betty Knight last week-end.

Present were Mrs. Ruby Hale and grandchildren of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Coy E. Knight and children, Midland; Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Blacklock and son, Cisco; Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Knight, Odessa; Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Knight and children of Irving, who have just returned from Korea; Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Knight, Temple; Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Knight and children, Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Thelton Ryne, Sweetwater; Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Ballenger and son, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. James Elam, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Doan, Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hale, Roscoe; Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Hale and sons, Abilene.

Only one of the children was unable to attend, O. R. Knight, who is working in Libya.

CEMETERY FUND

The following persons made contributions to the Merkel Cemetery Association fund for the week ending August 6, 1960.

- Mrs. A. R. Cullen Sr.
- Marvin Hudson
- June Graham

ALERT TODAY ALIVE TOMORROW



Civil Defense is more than a reserve for war; it is a weapon for peace

Mrs. A. L. Peek and son, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Peek and son, all of San Angelo visited the past week in the home of Mrs. Mary Carey. The Peeks and Careys were neighbors a number of years ago.

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UP THE CANYON

By Tom Russon

Feed crops up the Canyon are suffering from lack of rain. Feed needs moisture especially when heading.

Cotton is holding well. Reports are that there are no insects as yet in it.

There's plenty for livestock to eat and they are in excellent shape. So after all look what a good rain would do.

Allen King reports his wool sold in San Angelo market. He also had a load of sheep on the market there this week.

W. T. Perry, rancher in the Mountain Pass area, suffered foot and leg injuries this week while attempting to rope a sheep. His horse fell with him, catching his leg under the horse. Mr. Perry will not be able to work for several weeks.

Ford Butman, Canyon stockman is doing fine at his home, after undergoing surgery at Hendrick hospital the past week.

The revival is well under way at the Pioneer church. The Rev. Joe McCarthy, pastor, is doing the preaching. We invite you to come worship with us.

Mrs. Willie Perry of Abilene spent the week end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Perry and Children. She attended the homecoming at Nolan Sunday.

Joe Seymore had a load of cattle on the Abilene market this week.

Another pioneer of the Canyon died Monday night. Frazz Demere rancher and well-known by all the people in this area, had been ill for some time. All of us wish to extend our sympathy to the family.

Mr. and Mrs. Lucian Rudd and children of Missouri visited the past few days in the home of Mrs. Rudd's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Ray.

Kenneth Don Ray is attending band school at Ranger this week.

Public Offered CD Courses

Following are the courses offered at Office of Civil and Defense Mobilization schools:

STAFF COLLEGE
(Battle Creek, Mich.)
Elements of Civil and Defense Mobilization (a basic course)
Civil Defense Planning
Civil Defense Operations
State and Local Emergency Management of Resources and Production
Communicating Civil and Defense Mobilization Ideas
Civil Defense in Local Disasters

CHEMICAL-BIOLOGICAL-RADIOLOGICAL DEFENSE SCHOOL
(Battle Creek, Mich.)

Radiological Monitoring for Instructors (trains instructors who will train others in radiological defense)
Radiological Defense—Officer (trains radiological defense officers at the Federal, State and local level)
Chemical-Biological-Radiological Defense Orientation for Executives

EASTERN INSTRUCTOR TRAINING CENTER
(Brooklyn, N. Y.)

WESTERN INSTRUCTOR TRAINING CENTER
(Alameda, Calif.)

Courses in Radiological Defense, Basic Civil Defense, Principles of Organization and Staffing, Emergency Operations, Communications, Rescue, Chemical and Biological Defense, and Industrial Mobilization. The course, Radiological Monitoring for Instructors, is the same at both training centers and the C-B-R Defense School.

Families Meet In Snyder Park

Descendants of the late B. M. Westbrook and W. P. Horton families met for their first reunion in the Snyder Park at Snyder on July 31.

The day's program included visiting, picture taking and a baseball game.

Present were Faye and Tom Keener, Wilmer and Lonnie Westbrook, Clarence and Edna Horton Meiba and Allen Ray Glasscock and Joann Norton, all of Merkel; Ruby Lee and Sandra Boone of Odessa; Roy, Laura and Troy Westbrook of Sweetwater; Hermann and Leafy Light Janice, Terry, Jamie and Tammie Doan, Jimmy, Wanceil and Pam of Amrillo; Jerrel, Johnnie, Donn and Sheila Woodard of Fort Worth; John and Clio Norton, Billie and Jennifer Montgomery, Vernon, Glenda and Junior Dillard of Snyder; Otis and Virgie Westbrook, Arnold Westbrook, Pam and Kathy Morton I. V., Betty, Vernell, Verlene, Ivalene and Ikey Garrett of Abilene.

Visitors were Dervel and Damar Harp of Hodges; Nancy and Rickey Hemmingsen Margie, Monte and Kathy Mackey of Abilene; Alvin, Nez, Sherrie Skurlock of Lovington, N. M., and Jerry Norton, als oof Lovington.

The Rev. and Mrs. Elra Phillips of Lubbock were here Tuesday for the funeral of Frazz Demere. Rev. Phillips officiated. Mrs. R. G. Toombs has been ill the past few days, but its reported to be improved at this time.

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Two recent recruits in the United States army, David G. Reidenbach, son of Dan Reidenbach, Route 3, and Lloyd Gilmore, son of Mrs. Beulah Gilmore, Route 3, have been assigned to the cavalry, Fort Ringgold, Rio Grande City, Texas.

Claimant to the title of the world's champion fancy top spinner, a former Merkel boy, Thurman E. Landreth, whose home is in Abilene, is being given much publicity in papers over the country, representing products of the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company. He took up fancy top spinning at the age of 11.

Prize winners for Amateur right at the Butman Rodeo Picnic, Thursday, July 25, which were not available for publication last week were: 1st, Ralph rett string band; second, Kent Mathews; third, Union Ridge trio, consisting of Clara Joyce Cox, Bernie Opal and Elberta Dean; fourth, T. D. Compton Jr. There were twenty-one entries.

Misses Elna Tucker and Sue Bird of Merkel, who have been attending Draughon's Business college for the past several months, were two of the twenty-two highest ranking students whose names appeared on the honor roll for the past term.

In last week end's double rodeo, it fell to Leo Huff's lot to win first place in cow milking for both performances and first place in calf roping over Saturday afternoon entries. S. G. Russell, another Merkel cowboy, won calf roping honors Friday night.

**Questions and
Answers**

Q—I expect to be starting school this fall under the Korean GI Bill. How soon will I get my first GI allowance from VA?

A—Your first VA school allowance may not come until after you have been in school about two months. Payment can only be made after the first month's training is completed. And VA has 20 days after that to process checks. Be prepared with money enough to last two months.

Q—I am eligible for War Orphans schooling and want to start training this fall but cannot make up my mind about my course of study. Will VA help me decide?

A—Yes. In fact, VA is required by law to go over your study plans with you and your parent or guardian, and arrange for vocational counseling, so you and VA can be sure you have chosen the right course.

Q—Is there any deadline for applying for compensation for a service-connected disability?

A—No. A veteran with a service-connected disability may apply for compensation at any time. However, if he applies within one year from date of discharge, compensation may be back dated to his first day as a civilian.

Q—I want to pay my GI insurance premiums once a year instead of once a month. Where can I find out how much the yearly premium will be?

A—Write to the VA District Office where you pay your premiums. Be sure to include your policy number when writing.

Visitors the past week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Leach were Mr. Leach's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Donovan Stapp an son, Ricky, of Pendleton, Ind.

Mrs. Florence Hart of Clarksville spent several days here the first of the week in the homes of Christene and John Collins and Mrs. Alma Collins.



Moisture in Wood

The moisture content of wood is the weight of the water in the wood. This weight is expressed as a percentage of the weight of the wood when dry. Thus, if a green piece of wood is said to have a moisture content of 75 per cent, it means that the water in the wood weighs 75 per cent as much as does the dry wood.

The moisture content of green wood is approximately the same as the moisture content in the living tree. In some species of wood the moisture content is over 10 per cent. In other words, the weight of water in the wood is greater than the weight of the dry wood. Sapwood usually has a higher moisture content than heartwood.

When dry wood absorbs moisture, it swells. When wet wood is dried, it shrinks. The swelling of wood sometimes causes drawers and doors to stick in wet weather. Shrinkage of wood may open cracks in furniture and flooring. Exposed wood can be protected from moisture by treating with water repellents or by coating with a suitable finish. Wood used indoors should be installed dry and be kept dry to prevent swelling and shrinking.

Dry wood is stronger than green wood. That is the reason why so much importance is attached to the use of dry wood and the protection of wood from moisture.

Grandsons Visit

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Patterson are two of their grandsons, Jerry Wayne Patterson of Arlington, and Michael Wallace of Ventura, Calif. Michael flew to Dallas where his grandparents met him. While there they visited their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Patterson Jr. and Tommy.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Spratlen of Odessa were week end visitors in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Spratlen and Mr. and Mrs. Grady Bishop.

**Gift Tea Honors
Jocille Thompson**

Jocille Thompson, bride-elect of John Brady, was complimented at a gift tea in the home of Mrs. W. H. Bullock Tuesday evening.

Greeting guests with the honoree were her mother, Mrs. Irven Thompson, and Mrs. Bullock.

Mrs. Gary Jones of Eglon Air Base, Florida, registered guests. Assisting with the serving were Mrs. D. Edwards of Abilene and Margaret Ann Chancey of Snyder.

The refreshment table was laid with an orchid cloth with white ruffled marquisette skirt which was caught and tied at intervals with orchid ribbon. An arrangement of orchid and white asters in a silver container formed the centerpiece. Appointments were in crystal and silver.

Other members of the household party were Jo Ann Hope of Sweetwater, Jo Ann Malone, Minta Lou McAninch and Suzy Bird.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. McGehee and children of Houston visited the past week in the homes of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Y. Gaither, and his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Malone and children.

Sharon Fine of Fort Worth is a guest in the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Dovie Cox, and aunt Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Rister, and other relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Smiley and Mrs. D. P. Smiley, all of Roaring Springs were visitors in the home of their sister, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Riney, and other relatives here the past week end.

Mrs. J. A. Scott of Tahoka was a weekend guest in the home of her son, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Scott.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Tipton are in Dallas this week where Tipton is attending the Texas Coaching School. Accompanying them were Coach and Mrs. Eugene Jones of Clint.

The Rev. and Mrs. Aubrey Smith of Chico, Calif. Mr. and Mrs. Jet Riney of Slaton and Mrs. Lynn Bridges of Breckenridge visited the past week in the home of Mrs. Elmer Barnes and son, L. D.

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IN MERKEL

Miss Lola Armstrong of Fort Worth arrived first of the week for a visit with her cousin, Miss Lola Armstrong of this city.

The Mail is in receipt of a letter from Thomas Johnson of the Coleman National Bank, and formerly Cashier of the Farmers & Merchants National Bank of Merkel, and among other things Mr. Johnson states that on Aug. 15 he will go to Pratt, Kansas, where he and associates have purchased a bank in that city. Mr. Johnson will have the position of Active Vice-President, a position which he is naturally fitted and amply competent to fill with credit to himself and satisfaction of those interested in same.

A deal was consummated last week whereby W. H. Laney & Sons

purchased the Confectionary business known as the Everybody's Confectionary, from G. H. Crossley, the owner, and immediately took charge of same. Mr. Laney and sons are well known here having been in business at times here for many years. They will make Everybody's Confectionary right up to date in every respect.

We have been informed that T. J. Coggin, formerly of Merkel, but now of El Paso, who was here last week on a visit to friends and relatives, stated that he could and would be glad to assist the farmers in this vicinity to secure their cotton pickers.

W. L. (Dub) Diltz Jr., returned Wednesday from a ten days vacation from his duties at the Farmers State Bank, and loos as if he had the time of his life. It is said that he spent most of his vacation sight-seeing in "kool Kolorado."

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Carey of Lubbock visited recently in the home of his mother, Mrs. Mary Carey, and his sister, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Walter and son, Bryan Lee, of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Baze visited Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Spratlan and Carroll.

Truett Patterson and children of Indianapolis, Ind., are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Patterson.

Mrs. W. L. Frazzell of Odessa visited the past week with her mother, Mrs. W. E. Petty.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Johnson of Lubbock were recent visitors in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Grady Bishop and the Lewis Spratlan family.

Miss Lucille Hogg of Bay City is visiting her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Houston Robertson.

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Wonderful values in Ladies' Slips and Half-Slips. All NYLON construction. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

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1 lot of Ladies' NYLON gowns. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

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Chennille Bedspreads

Nice weight, wide assortment of colors, and lots of chennille. Double-bed size FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

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Men's Shorts & Vests

All sizes in Men's Swiss-ribbed vests and either broadcloth shorts or knitted briefs. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

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Priced to sell to the last pair! All fabrics, all colors, and many patterns. Sizes 28 to 48. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

WAS	NOW
\$6.95	\$4.64
7.95	5.30
8.95	5.97
10.95	7.30
12.95	8.64

(Alterations extra at low Sale Prices)

SWIM TRUNKS

Our stock is low, but these MUST sell. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY
 Sizes 2 through 8 ONLY 49c
 Sizes 10 through 18 ONLY \$1.00
 All Men's Sizes ONLY \$1.49

BOYS' SPORT SHIRTS

Your choice of our entire stock of Boys' short-sleeve broadcloth shirts and cotton knits. Sizes 1 through 18. A big savings! FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

\$1.25 each

(Ideal for starting to school)

Men's Sports Shirts

Every Man's short-sleeve sport shirt on sale, knits included. Wonderful values, all sizes, and lots to choose from. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

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3.95	2.64

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GROUP I

Consists of every pair of Ladies' and Girls' regular \$3.95 White, Bone, and Red flats, bare-backs, and casuals we have left. Broken sizes. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

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Consists of every pair of Ladies' and Girls' regular \$4.95 and \$5.95 White, Red, and Straw flats, bare-backs, and casuals we have left. Broken sizes. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

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Consists of every pair of Ladies' and Girls' regular \$6.95 to \$8.95. White, Bone, Red, dress-type shoes. Broken sizes. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

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This is our FINAL CLEARANCE on all Summer dresses for Ladies. See them for sure. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

WAS	NOW
\$6.95-\$7.95-\$8.95	\$3.00
\$10.95-\$12.95	\$4.00
\$14.95 - \$16.95	\$5.00

SWIM SUITS

There's a big saving on all Ladies swim suits. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

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 Begins Sept. 1st. For information call Mrs. Buddy Nail, 257J. 20-2tc.

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 All types hay. See E. C. Ray, Route 4, Merkel. Phone Nubia 4167. 17

WANTED — Dirty windshields to clean. K & E Service Center. 5-4tc.

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LET ME TAKE CARE of your painting and papering needs. Deon Brown. Tel. 243-J. 22-3tc.

IRONING AND SEWING done in my home. Contact Mrs. Hollis Horton. 601 Walnut Street. 22-4tc.

LOST—Two young liver and white pointer bird dogs. Large dog, solid liver head, smaller dog heavily liver ticked. Disappeared from 2 miles northeast of Noodle. If found, please notify Dr. J. C. Duff, Anson. Tel. VA 4-1275. 22-1tc.

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 FOR RENT—4-room house with bath. 1½ miles north of Merkel, on Farm to Market road. C. K. Russell. Phone 9012-J2. 2-4tc.
 FOR RENT—3-room unfurnished rock apartment with bath. Also 3-room furnished garage apartment. E. O. Carson, 501 Ash Street. Phone 275-W. 20-4tc.

FOR RENT — Furnished apartment. Mrs. Ina Hunter, 301 Oak Street. Phone 63-W. 21-3tc.

FOR SALE
 FOR SALE OR RENT — 6-room modern house. Double garage, large corner lot, water well, electric pump. Located at 501 Orange Street, Merkel. Write Leo Mashburn, Route 1, Tuscola, or call 4-4592, Buffalo Gap.

FOR SALE—Black-eye peas. Tip Carter, Noodle. Phone 6127. 22-3tc.

FOR SALE — Shetland House Pony. 20-months old paint. Broken to ride. \$150. Phone OR 3-4524. 1024 Richmond Drive. 22-2tp.

FOR SALE — A nice 3-room house with bath. Close in on paved street. Dowdy & Toombs. 22-4tc.

FOR SALE—G. E. portable dishwasher. Regular \$200 value, only \$39.95. McCue Drug.

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FOR SALE—Portable twin laundry tubs and one flush toilet complete. 3—7.10x15 tires and tubes: 1—7.60x15 tire and tube. Phone 164-W after 5 p.m. G. D. McConnell. 21-2tc.

FOR SALE: Three houses on Oak Street. Two and three bedroom. With or without furniture. Nice location. Terms. Dowdy and Toombs. 17-4tc

FOR SALE: B-flat clarinet, used only three years. Mrs. S. P. Curb, 1415 North Second, Phone 42M.

FOR SALE — 1959 Opal, Palmer Motor Company. 3tc.

FOR SALE: Gray wool rug size 12' x 12', in good condition; also one figured rug 9' x 12'. Phone 303W. 21-4tc

FOR SALE—3-room house with bath and fixtures, to be moved. G. N. Reynolds at Trent. Phone 2-9382. 21-4tc.

The Rev. and Mrs. Dave Johnson and sons, Bruce, Wayne and Ray of Jena, La., are guests in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Miller.

Stith News

The revival at the Stith Baptist Church will start Friday night, Aug. 18 and continue through Aug. 28. The Rev. R. A. Guthrie will conduct the services. Song leader will be Lonnie Harris. Visitors are welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Berry and children of Lubbock spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Berry. The Rev. Griffith of Abilene preached at the Stith Baptist Church Sunday in the absence of the pastor, the Rev. R. A. Guthrie.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Vantrees have returned to their home after a week's visit in Rogers, Ark. with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Welch and children.

Eldon Black has returned to camp after a three-day visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Nichols.

Mr. and Mrs. James Tyler and son of Abilene, spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Prescott and children.

Mrs. R. A. Green of San Augustine is visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Windland this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Reddin and children enjoyed a picnic supper and swimming at the Ft. Phantom Lake Thursday evening.

The Stith Home Demonstration Club met Wednesday with 10 members and two visitors present. Mrs. Edith Leach, was hostess. After the meeting, the members quilted quilts to be sold at the Halloween Carnival this fall.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Allen Soigner and sons of Tucson, Arizona, were overnight guests Saturday in the home of their aunt, Mrs. Lucy Ford.

Bridal attendants were Maxine Patterson, sister of the bridegroom, who was maid of honor and Mrs. J. B. Swinney, Sue Payne, and Sarah Payne, who were bridesmaids.

J. B. Swinney, brother of the bride, was best man. Ushers were Fredlyn Farmer, Johnny Swinney and Travis Swinney.

The reception was in the church fellowship hall. Mrs. Virgil Patterson and Mrs. John Townsend were members of the houseparty.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Swinney and Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Patterson of Merkel.

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LEGAL NOTICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS
 To any Sheriff or any Constable within the State of Texas —
 GREETING:

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

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
 THE STATE OF TEXAS
 TO: Earl Thomas Mattison, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 104th District Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse 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 5th day of September A.D. 1960, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 9th day of February A.D. 1960, in this cause, numbered 9041-B on the docket of said court and styled Lenora Ann Mattison, Plaintiff, vs. Earl Thomas Mattison, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and defendant were married Feb. 5, 1956 and became permanently separated December 15, 1957.

Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of harsh and cruel treatment.

Plaintiff also sues for custody of the two minor children of Plaintiff and Defendant's 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 the 22nd day of July A.D. 1960.

(SEAL)
 Attest: R. H. Ross, Clerk,
 104th District Court
 Taylor County, Texas
 By Irene Crawford, Deputy.
 20-21-22-23

CARD OF THANKS
 Our heartfelt thanks to all who extended comforting sympathy and help in our recent sorrow. For the beautiful service, floral offerings, food and other kindnesses, we are deeply grateful. May God richly bless all of you.
 The Tom Watson Family
 Alton Jordan.

CARD OF THANKS
 May we express our thanks to each one who was so thoughtful of us in the loss of our son and brother, Maurice Thompson. The food, floral offerings, cards, many phone calls and kind words were deeply appreciated.
 Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Thompson
 Bunyan Thompson
 Buster Thompson
 Durie Thompson
 Mrs. Doyle Vantrees
 Mrs. Rolene Finch
 Mrs. Truett Thompson
 Mrs. Billy Walker

CARD OF THANKS
 Our sincerest thanks for the numerous ways our friends helped us during our recent loss. The kindness and genuine neighborliness meant so much to us.
 The Children of Mrs. Oliver Bright.

Syra Swinney, Jerry Patterson Exchange Vows

Syra Frances Swinney and Jerry Frank Patterson exchanged rites in Trent Methodist Church on May 20. The Rev. Lynward Harrison of Colorado City, uncle of the bride, officiated.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Swinney and Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Patterson of Merkel.

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DEAR MISTER EDITOR:
 Fer years the mail man has been stuffing by mox full of pamphlets, circulars, and junk from the farm agencies, agriculture departments and other folks that thinks a farmer or rancher ain't got nothing to do but read. I've had to git me a bigger mail box twict in the last 20 yea rto handle this stuff and it looks like the last one I got is gitting too small. But I ain't investing in another one. I'm going to leave the mail man a note and tell him to pile the surplus up alongside the post and put a big rock on it. I don't want it blowing over on my neighbor and maybe poisoning his stock.

But anyhow, in one of them pamphlets I got last week it was announced that elephants was gitting scarce. The piece said that a few more year the elephant, like the American buffalo, would be about gone. Just what elephants has got to do with agriculture, I ain't shore, but it's nice fer them agriculture folks to warn s about it.

We was talking about it at the contry store Saturday night, and, all the fellers was mighty grateful to the Government fer notifying us about the matter. One feller said it made him feel like paying up his back taxes so's they could keep gitting out them pamphlets. Ed Doolittle allowed as how they wasn't nothing that attracted attention at the circus like a elephant. Fer instant, said Ed, when a half-naked girl was riding a elephant they'd be at least a dozen out of 5,000 that would look at the elephant. But put the same girl on a white horse and they wouldn't be one in the 5,000 that could tell you two minutes later what color the horse was. Elephants is going to be missed and all the fellers agreed that this item from the agriculture folks was mighty important news.

From elephants the fellers naturally got to talking about the hot weather. Zeke Grubb said it got so hot at his place here awhile back that the scare crow he'd put out left the corn field to set in the shade. He allowed as how next summer he aimed to rig up his scare crow in a bathing suit. Nobody gits ahead of Ed Doolittle in these matters, so Ed had to tell us about the time when he was a boy it got so hot they had a square rain-bow on account of it gitting warped from the heat. I left on that one, figgering that sooner or later the fellers would git to lying.

I see where a Englishman that was visiting us when Congress was in session has wrote that he was shocked at how little dignity they had. He ain't saw nothing till he catches one of 'em back home telling about his record.

Yours truly,
 GABBY

Mrs. Lacey Ford returned the past week from a three-weeks' visit with her daughter and family, Major and Mrs. R. T. Blair and children of Lawton, Okla.

Calloway Reunion Held In Lubbock

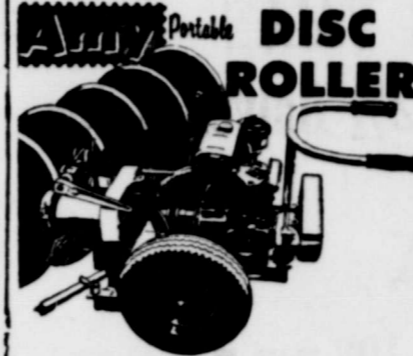
Mr. and Mrs. Doc Calloway accompanied by their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gary, attended a reunion of Calloway descendants at Lubbock Sunday.

Among the 68 attending were nine daughters, one son and their families. Only one son-in-law was unable to attend. They were from Anson, Lubbock, Midland, Rule, Pdaucah and California.

Farmers Surprise Son On Birthday

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Farmer honored their son, Fredlyn, with a surprise birthday party in their home Sunday, Aug. 7.

Attending were Kay and Edith Bagby, Sue Cassidy, Sandra Merritt, Beth Ann Doan, Charlotte Randolph, Eddie Jenkins, Roy Davis, Tommy Lewis, Bobby Workmack, Mr. and Mrs. Derrell Lee Farmer and Vickie, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hewitt and Larry.



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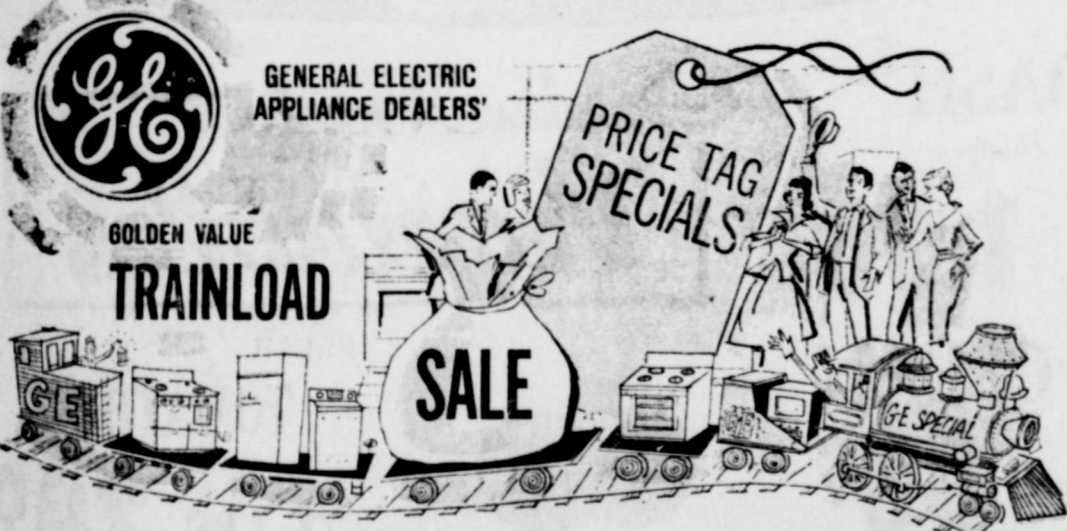
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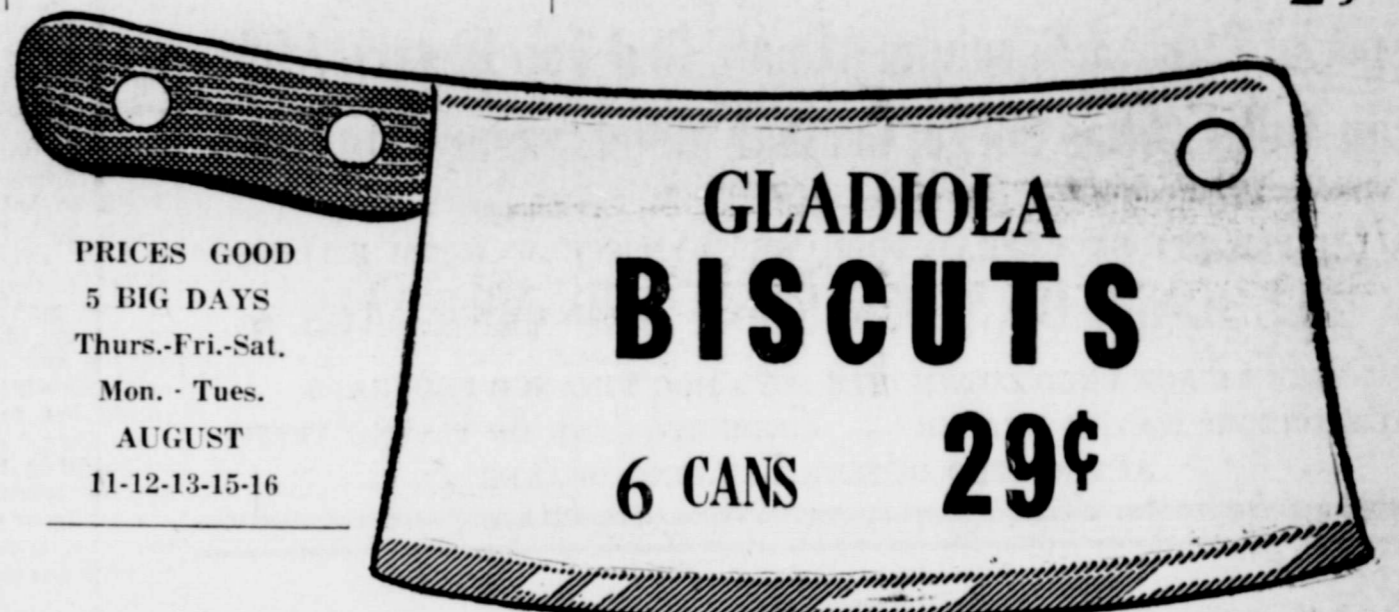
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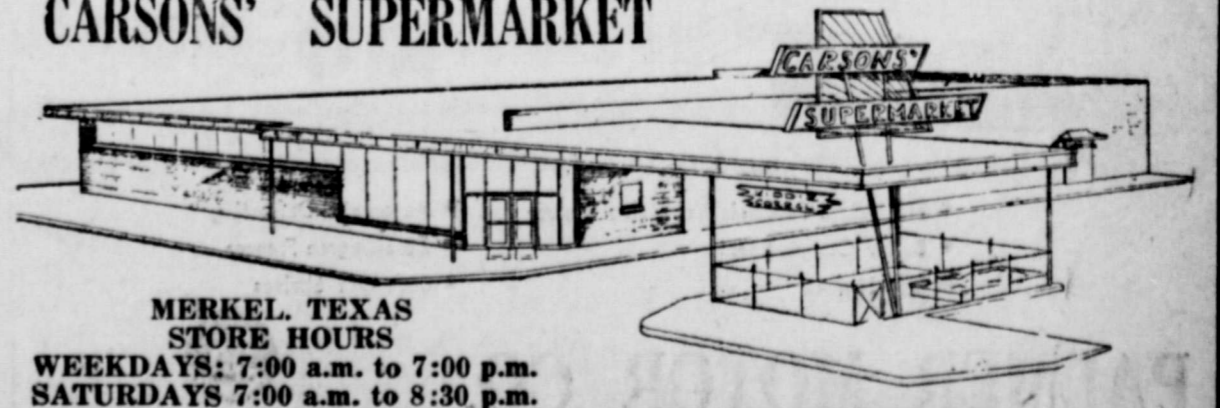
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