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JUSTALINE

By Maxine Gardner

To say the weather in Merkel is fine and should please everyone, whether they like it hot or like it cool. We use heaters in the mornings and air conditioners in the afternoons.

If you think the weather is too cool for rattlesnakes to be on the prowl, you're wrong. The John Olivers, who live about two and one half miles northwest of Merkel, have killed 13 in their yard the past two weeks. Some of the snakes would have weighed as much as their pet Fox Terrier, Priss, who held them at bay until a member of the family killed them. Mrs. Oliver said. Three of the snakes were killed in one day and two others one night.

Boy Scouts of America in cooperation with Freedom's Foundation, are conducting a "reminder to vote" campaign. Merkel Cub and Boy Scouts, under direction of Cubmaster W. G. Reed and Scoutmaster O. H. Griffin, will make a house to house canvass Saturday distributing the little doorknob reminders. So, do as the circulars say—heed scouting's call and ring the bell for liberty. Vote as you think, but vote!

Speaking of voting, we'd like to quote from The Country Editor by H. M. Baggary in the Tulsa Herald: "The only intelligent way to select a President is to weigh all aspects of the various candidates—and choose the one with the fewer marks against him. To refuse to vote for a man because of his religion while ignoring all other considerations is asinine, unintelligent and a hold-over from the days of witchcraft. Catholics in office is nothing new. We have had many Catholic governors and now have nearly 100 in Congress. They've never mixed their religion and politics. Every Protestant President we have had has turned backwards in appointing Catholics to their Cabinet and to other high positions. Eisenhower had hardly taken office when he appointed a Roman Catholic to the U. S. Supreme Court—and not a chirp was uttered in the way of criticism. Kennedy could not do the same and avoid criticism."

First official act performed by Kennedy after his nomination was to appoint Henry Jackson, a Lutheran, as national chairman of the Democratic party—the first Protestant to hold the office in a quarter century!

This will be our last word on the subject. By next week this time, the die will be cast. Be sure you've had your part in making the decision, whatever it is. Remember—"All that is necessary for the triumph of evil is that good men do nothing" — Sir Edmund Burke.

NRECA ANNUAL MEET IN DALLAS DRAWS 600

Over 600 representatives of 101 rural electric cooperatives from Arizona, New Mexico and Texas attended their National Rural Electric Cooperative Association's Region annual meeting at the Baker Hotel in Dallas Oct. 19-21, according to R. A. Yarbrough, NRECA vice president.

The organization is a non-political, non-partisan association with members made up of approximately 1000 rural electric cooperatives throughout the United States, serving over 16 million rural people in 46 states.

Clyde T. Ellis, NRECA general manager, showed a movie Wednesday evening, related to the Senate committees on interior and insular affairs and public works that toured behind the Iron Curtain last fall, viewing Pussian hydro-electric construction. Ellis was appointed a consultant and was a member of the committee on this 31-day trip.

Also on the program for the annual meeting were panel discussions and reports on Legislation; Retirement, Safety and Insurance; and the Public Relations and Member Education programs.



Janie Breaux Is Cheerleader At Lubbock CC

Janie Breaux, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Breaux, 209 Cherry St., was recently selected as cheerleader at Lubbock Christian College.

Miss Breaux is a graduate of Merkel High School where she was a member of the Future Teachers Association, the Student Council and served as class officer. She attended Abilene Christian College last year.

Other LCC cheerleaders include Ella Ruth Jackson, Hollywood, N. M.; Cynthia Kromer, Adrian; Sandra Miller, Odessa; Jodie Treat, Crosbyton, and Larry Kingsley, Spearman.

Lubbock Christian College, now in its fourth year of academic operation, is a liberal arts junior college with an enrollment this fall of 380 students.

FFA SWEETHEART — Maxine Patterson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Patterson, has been named sweetheart of the Merkel Chapter of the Future Farmers of America. Miss Patterson, a senior, will represent the local chapter in the FFA District contest.

Quail Hunt On Matador Ranch Dates Are Set

AUSTIN, Oct. 27 — Quail hunting will be permitted on the Matador Wildlife Management Area in Cottle County again this year, according to W. J. Cutbirth, Jr., assistant executive secretary of the Game and Fish Commission.

The Commission is now accepting applications for this hunt, which will be conducted on four weekends. Dates have been set for Dec. 3-4; Dec. 17-18; Dec. 31-Jan. 1; and Jan. 14-15. A total of 496 permits will be issued.

Requests for applications should be sent to the Game and Fish Commission, Walton State Bldg., Austin. Cards, complete with instructions, then will be sent to the applicants. Each person whose name is drawn will be permitted to hunt one day and may kill his limit of 12 quail. Persons drawing permits are urged to bring their own dogs. The ground cover is so rank that the loss of cripples and dead birds will be unusually high if dogs are not used.

There can be no substitution of names and only persons over 17 will be considered eligible for the drawing which will be held in Austin Nov. 15. The Commission will notify all whose names are drawn as soon as possible thereafter.



Bicycle Bicycle Bicycle (Meaning a light, two-wheeled vehicle) Answer on Page Four

Where To Vote

Voting in Merkel for the general election Tuesday, Nov. 8 will take place at the Community Center and at the Welfare Office on Kent St.

Everyone living north of the railroad in this precinct in Taylor County will vote at the Welfare Office where Holland Terrace will be election judge.

Earle Watts will be election judge at the Community Center where all who live south of the railroad including Blair, will vote.

Polls will be open from 8 a. m. to 7 p. m.

Lambda Betas Net \$250 At Carnival

Members of Lambda Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi expressed their gratitude and thanks to all who helped make the Halloween Carnival they sponsored Monday night a success.

"We cleared approximately \$250, thanks to local merchants and others who donated prizes, food, etc.," Mrs. Vernon Mansfield, president, said. The money will be used to sponsor a patient at Abilene State Hospital, the local Learn-To-Swim program and other worthwhile projects chosen by the sorority throughout the year.

Vandals Damage Home On Oak St.

The Brandon Wades at 206 Oak St. were the victims of a not-so-funny Halloween prank sometime early Tuesday morning when portions of a brick fence in their back yard was pushed down, a louvered front door kicked in and eggs were splattered on their house.

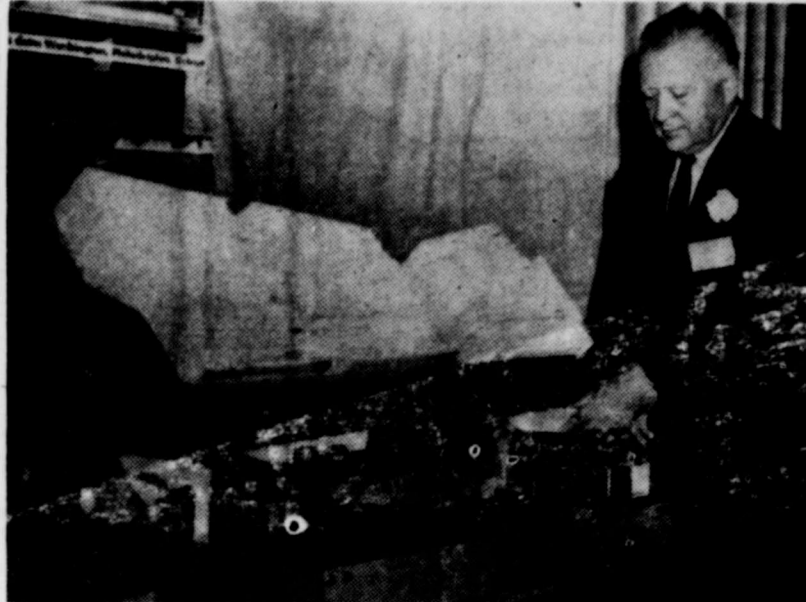
Vandals knocked about 20 feet of the brick fence into a flower bed, destroying several shrubs. The Wades won an award for the most improvement in a yard in the recent campaign conducted by the Merkel Garden Club and the Chamber of Commerce.

Student Council Officers Named

Representatives and sponsors of the Merkel Elementary Student Council named officers and committees at a meeting Monday, Oct. 17.

Officers are Aleta Scott, president; Jack Reynolds, vice president; Lois Givens, secretary, and Linda Doan, reporter.

Members of the committees and their sponsors are: safety — Bud McKeever, sponsor, Lonnie Tompson, chairman, Pat Warren, Larry Logan, Dick White and Stanley Shaw; health and sanitation — Mrs. Norman Winter, sponsor, Lois Givens, chairman, Karen Browning, Frances Doan and Randy Dunagin; beauty — Mrs. Carroll Benson, sponsor, Larry Teaff, chairman, Jack Reynolds, Linda Doan and Derrel Herring; hospitality and entertainment — Tracy Norris, sponsor, Weldon Tittle, chairman, Suzanne Howard, Linda Rutledge, Ann Lawson, Cynthia Ayers and Shirley Sandusky.



POSTMASTER General Arthur E. Summerfield operates a high speed facer-canceller, one of the many electronic devices now being developed to help process part of 64 billion pieces of mail that flows through more than 35,000 United States Post Offices annually. This specialized piece of equipment faces each letter in the proper position for canceling, locates and cancels stamps at the rate of 30,000 letters an hour.

BADGERS BEAT ROSCOE, 27-0, IN DIST. PLAY

The Merkel Badgers moved a step nearer to the District 6A title Friday night with a well-deserved 27-0 victory over Roscoe.

Fullback Ronnie Reeger, called one of the finest Class A football players in the state of Texas by Chuck Pickard, Abilene Reporter-News sports writer, romped for three touchdowns in the game at Roscoe. He slashed for 159 yards in 24 carries over a slippery gridiron. His touchdowns came on runs of two, 25 and 16 yards. The 185-pounder also kicked an extra point giving him a total of 19 points for the night.

The Badgers, winning their second straight district game without defeat, capitalized on Guard Jimmy Sledge's recovery of a loose ball following a 50-yard Badger punt. This gave Coach Carroll Benson's team ownership at the Roscoe 15, and the Badgers needed but five plays to put a score on the board. Reeger carried four times, the final trip being for two yards and the touch-down.

Phil Seymore proved a work-horse in the Badgers' ground attack, carrying 24 times for 87 yards. In all, Merkel piled up an amazing 287 yards on the soggy turf and completed four of 10 passes for 75 yards. Merkel netted 20 first downs in the contest to only seven for the Ploewboys. Center Jack Stallo, Dudley and Tackle James Bible led the Badger forward wall on defense.

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FTA Bake Sale Here Thursday

The Future Teachers Association of Merkel High School will sponsor a bake sale at Max Melinger's store Thursday, Nov. 3. Proceeds will be used for members to attend the district and state FTA meets.

Mrs. Ellen McReynolds is sponsor for the group.

Merkel Couple Sued For \$15,075

A \$15,075 damage suit has been filed against a Merkel couple as the result of an automobile accident at Merkel July 22.

The suit was filed in 104th District Court.

C. S. Higgins is suing Mr. and Mrs. Dewey B. Whisenhunt, alleging he suffered neck and back injuries in the accident. He asks damages of \$75 for his automobile, and \$15,000 for himself.

NOTICE

There will be an all day cemetery working at the White Church Cemetery Tuesday, Nov. 8.

NATION'S MAIL HITS ALL-TIME HIGH IN '60

A new all-time high in the nation's mail volume was reached during fiscal year 1960 ended June 30, which continued the steady upward trend of the past seven years at a rate which even exceeds the population growth, according to advance information from the Annual Report of the Post Office Department which has been made available to Postmaster Wrenn Durham.

Although subject to last minute revisions, the year's total has been estimated as 63.6 billion pieces of mail which includes about one billion pieces of parcel post. It was stated that this would mean an increase of nearly 25 per cent over the corresponding figures for 1953 when the annual volume was 50.9 billion pieces.

During this same period, it was pointed out, the revenue of the Department also has shown an impressive gain with an increase from \$2,091,714,000 in fiscal year 1953 to \$3,276,800,000 for fiscal year 1960.

Here in Merkel, receipts of the post office climbed from \$22,337 in 1953 to \$32,830 last year. "There is not much we can do about how much mail we have to handle from day to day or how many people are making use of the Postal Service", Postmaster Durham stated, "but the whole Department keeps busy in devising ways and means for doing the job not only more efficiently

Wm. H. Brewster, Grandfather Of Merkelite, Dies

William Henry Brewster, 89, grandfather of Mrs. T. G. Hull of Merkel, died at 1 p. m. Friday, Oct. 14 at Shackelford County Hospital Albany after a brief illness. He was a longtime resident of Moran.

Mr. Brewster, who was born in Alabama on Dec. 7, 1870, formerly lived in the White Flat area. He was a retired farmer.

Funeral was held at 3 p. m. Sunday, Oct. 16 at the Moran Baptist Church with the Rev. A. L. Teaff, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Moran Cemetery.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Mrs. C. A. Churchill of Fort Worth; four grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. Four children preceded him in death.

Pancake Supper Set For Nov. 10

The Fortnightly Study Club will sponsor a pancake supper at the Merkel school cafeteria Thursday, Nov. 10 beginning at 5:30 p. m.

Price of tickets will be 50 cents for "all you can eat."



Mr. and Mrs. Bobbie Johnson, 5706 Fairdale, Houston, announce the arrival of a 6 lb. 6 oz. son, Ronnie, on Oct. 23 at Baptist Memorial Hospital in Houston.

Mrs. Johnson is the former Brenda Lou Sublett. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ben Sublett, Mrs. Max Griffin and L. S. Johnson, all of Houston. Great-grandparents are Mrs. Florence Weyrick of San Antonio; Mrs. Helen Cobb of Houston; T. Sublett of Merkel, and S. W. Johnson of Madisonville, Tex.

Cub Scout Meet Tonight At 7

An organizational meeting of Cub Scout Pack 20 will be held in the school cafeteria Thursday at 7 p. m.

Cub scouting is open to all boys eight through 10 years of age. W. G. Reed, Cubmaster, urges all members, prospective members, and parents to attend.

but more economically. As I recall it, that was the way President Eisenhower outlined the principal objectives of the Department when Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield was being sworn in back in 1953, and that's the way we have been operating ever since.

"We can't deny that we still make mistakes and that the human element still plays a vitally important part in daily operations but the statistics in the Department's annual report offer positive proof that we are making progress on a nationwide basis. As an example, while the mail volume showed an increase of 16 billion pieces handled annually, the employment increase during this same period amounted to only 11 per cent.

"By way of explanation, it should be mentioned that the employment figures — based on thousands of man-years — are first worked out under two separate headings, city carriers and 'all other', and then combined for the over-all percentage figures just mentioned for fiscal 1960.

"It should also be mentioned that there has been a steady and substantial increase in 'city carriers' each year as compared with 1953 ranging from 4.5 per cent in 1954 to 29.2 per cent in the latest estimates. This increase has been essential to keep pace with the ever-expanding growth of established cities as well as the establishment of new ones. City delivery service has been started in 800 communities in addition to the extension of literally hundreds of routes which were already in operation. This required the equivalent of 31,000 more letter carriers to serve approximately 9,000,000 more American business concerns.

"There is perhaps no better way of demonstrating the Department's ever-improving efficiency than by showing just how steadily the annual volume handled per man-year of employment — excluding city carriers — has been increasing since 1953. In that year the total handled by one man was 132,000 pieces of mail. For 1960 the corresponding figure was 157,000.

"It is of course, true that all the additional service has made it necessary to take on many new employees and that our total increased from 506,520 in 1953 to 562,868 on June 30, 1960, but as pointed out in the original 1960 report figures, the workload increase during this same period was nearly 25 per cent.

"To my way of thinking that's the story in a nutshell and I seriously doubt if there has ever been a story just like it in the entire history of the Post Office Department. I am also of the opinion that it would be impossible to overemphasize the importance of this story — not only for today's operations but for the years that lie ahead.

"In a recent speech on this subject by the Postmaster General he brought out that by 1970 our population is expected to be 208,000,000 and that our annual mail volume by then will be more than 90 billion pieces. The U. S. Bureau of Standards, an entirely separate organization, estimates that our mail volume will be doubled within the next 25 years, and it all fits into the same picture.

"It was in another speech about the Post Office Department that another official expressed his sentiments about the situation like this: 'We are proud of our record. We have no apologies to make and no regrets to express. What has been done was once said to be impossible. Now it is history.' Those are also my sentiments."

Included among items cited by Postmaster Durham as recent accomplishments by the Department were the following:

Established the first large-scale program of automatic mail handling by machinery on a nationwide basis.

Developed the "airlife" program which speeds up the delivery of approximately one letter out of every 17 on a "space available" basis.

Continued with the development of faster machines for letter sorting, parcel post sorting, and for mail culling, facing and cancelling. Continued with plans for a new automatic postal sub-station which will vend stamps, envelopes, post cards and writing paper, and which will have money changers for both coins and bills.

Parrish - Cunningham Marriage Plans Told

Mr. and Mrs. Vester Parrish are announcing the engagement of their daughter, Karen, to Jerry Arnold Cunningham, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Cunningham of Merkel. Miss Parrish was graduated from Winters High School and is a junior at Hardin-Simmons University. Cunningham, a graduate of Merkel High School, received a bachelor of science degree in 1958 and a master's degree last August from H-SU. He is coach at Westbrook High School. The couple will be married Dec. 23.



Home Demonstration Notes

By LORETA ALLEN

Taylor County Home Demonstration Agents

Pears are now available in most Texas markets. Fresh, or canned and pickled for later use, they add variety and appeal to meals.

When you buy pears, extension foods and nutrition specialists of Texas A&M College suggest you keep these things in mind. Look for fruit that is firm or fairly firm but not hard. Choose clean, unblemished fruit that is well shaped for the variety.

Color is not a reliable guide to ripeness in pears. Some varieties are in prime condition when green or greenish yellow, while others may be yellow and yet not ripe enough for eating.

If pears are not fully ripe when purchased, let them ripen in a cool place for a few days. Place them in a fairly tight container. Store them in a fairly humid place at about 60 degrees to 70 degrees F., if possible. Check the pears often for some ripen faster than others. Do not store fully ripened pears too long for they may lose some of their delicate fresh flavor.

The versatile pear fits into any meal. Use in fruit cups and gelatin salads. For refreshing salad combinations, top pear halves with shredded cheese, cranberry sauce, peanut butter, minced chicken, or shrimp. Pears may be stewed, baked or broiled.

Plan for future use. Pears canned or pickled now will taste good later, when fresh ones are not available.

PICKLED PEAR

- 1 gallon pears
- 2 quarts sugar
- 1 pint water
- 1 quart vinegar
- 2 1/2 sticks cinnamon
- 2 tablespoons whole allspice (more if desired)

Kieffer pears or firm juicy pears are good for this recipe. Wash the pears, pare, cut in half

or quarter and core. Place the pears in a large enamel pan. Barely cover with hot water and boil 10 minutes. Drain the water off, but save 1 pint to use with the vinegar syrup. Mix sugar, vinegar and the 1 pint of water. Add the spices which have been tied loosely in a cheesecloth. Bring to boil and pour over the pears. Boil 10 minutes and let stand overnight. Next morning drain off syrup and boil down until thick. Remove spice bag. If pears are tender, they may be packed into hot sterilized jars and covered with boiling syrup and sealed. If they are hard pears such as Kieffer, they may be added to the thick syrup and cooked for about 15 or 20 minutes then packed hot, covered with syrup and sealed.

Does your shower and bathroom tile have a grimy look after hard summer wear? That dirty grey color may come from soap scum. You can remove it by rubbing a paste of baking soda and water over the dirty areas. Some types of water softeners work well, too. After cleaning, rinse the walls thoroughly and wipe dry. Never use harsh abrasives or strong acid solutions or bathroom tiles, for you may scratch the surface.

Revive the appearance of the leather handbag you carried last year with this simple treatment. Clean the bag with a good saddle soap. Dry carefully, then wax with a good paste wax. Cover the bag with a thin film of the wax and rub it carefully. If the frame is worn, retouch it with a light covering of gilt or aluminum and coat with clear nail polish.

gabby doodle from needle says:

DEAR MISTER EDITOR:

Ever year along about this time, when the weather starts getting cool, I notice the big wedding pictures and stories fall off in the newspapers. All summer long the papers is full of pictures of folks getting married, what the bride wore and them things. When I was a boy we didn't have all that to do over a wedding. But there's one thing that ain't changed none, and that's how the wedding come about.

The first person that knows a feller is going to marry a girl finds it out, then all their

friends begins to guess it. And when the feller hisself finds all of a sudden he's engaged.

Marriage will teach a young feller a heap of things, like thrift, regular hours, keeping his mouth shut and many other splendid habits he wouldn't even need if he stayed single. It can make a rich man pore and a pore man squirm for a long time. Of course, I ain't agin the institution of marriage. I'm just saying that, like taxes, it can have its drawbacks.

But everybody loves to read about marriage. That's the first thing my old lady looks fer in the papers. I saw a piece reprinted in a magazine not long ago from a Raleigh, North Carolina newspaper in 1851, more'n a hundred years ago. It was a letter to the editor from a woman and she said: "You can't think how

much good the marriages do me. If you knew how I love marriage, you would have them in each issue of your paper. The elopements are wonderful and the murders are most satisfactory, but I like best of all the marriages. That is perfect proof, Mister Editor, that the marriage season is the best one fer selling newspapers. Back when I was a boy most

everybody got their wedding news over the telephone. We had a rural line with 12 houses on the line. Ever house had a different ring and all the phones rung no matter which number you called. I recollect that our ring was three shorts and a long and when you took down the receiver you'd usually hear 11 more receivers come off the hook, and they'd stay off until you got through talking. If you didn't hear but

10 receivers click you'd know one family was away from home or they was all too sick to git to the phone. It was the best news-paper system ever invented. But I recollect that my Grandpa was agin putting ours in. "Them fool contraptions," he allowed, "will draw lightning and kill everybody in the house."

Yours truly,
gabby

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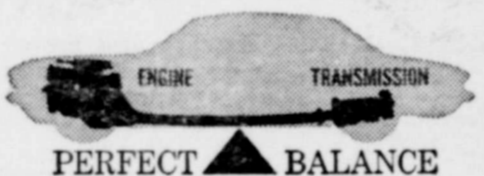
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STUDY CLUB MEETING HELD IN BENSON HOME

Mrs. Carroll Benson was hostess for the Oct. 25 meeting of the Fortnightly Study Club when "Fair Is Our Land" served as the theme to further the year's study of the subject "American Panorama."

In discussing "Highlights to See in Favorite Cities," Mrs. Bryan Dunagin gave first-hand information of many cities in the United States and compared these American cities with some in Europe described to her by her

daughter, Carol. She took her audience first to the Pacific Coast and then to the East, stressing with each city named just what makes a city great—not the tall buildings and wonderful museums, but the people themselves.

Throughout her discussion of "The Capital, a View of American Tradition," Mrs. Don Dudley agreed with Mrs. Dunagin that Washington, D. C. is truly named America's most beautiful city. She used both pictures and references to tell of the grandeur to be found by the traveler who crosses the capital city.

During the business hour, Mrs. Ray Wilson appointed committees to make definite plans for the pancake supper which will be open to the public on Nov. 10. Mrs. Wrenn Durham announced that the next meeting will be held in the home of Mrs. Clyde Bartlett.

Mrs. Johnny Cox and Mrs. Mack Fisher served from a table laid in silver on black linen. Mrs. Benson's centerpiece was made of fall flowers and leaves, flanked by candles and highlighted with Halloween favors.

Twenty-four members attended.

Bluebonnet HD Club Has Meet

The Bluebonnet Home Demonstration Club met Oct. 18 in the home of Mrs. R. E. Clemmer Sr. Roll call was answered with "A quality I notice in a charming hostess."

Prayer was led by Mrs. Joe McCarthy.

Mrs. D. I. Davis spoke on "Being A Gracious Guest" and Mrs. Allen King gave a talk on "Being A Gracious Hostess."

Mrs. Davis pointed out that a gracious guest will be pleasant, will not try to readjust the household and she will leave things as neat and nice as she found them. A gracious hostess, Mrs. King said, will do all she can to make the guest feel at home and at ease.

Games were directed by Mrs. E. C. Ray.

Mrs. Belle Black of Big Spring visited Mrs. Hester Groene Monday.

home from a week's visit with Allen D. King Sr., has returned his son, Allen Jr., in North Platte, Neb. Mr. King accompanied his son home from the Texas Tech Homecoming.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE—TEMPORARY NOTES HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF MERKEL, TEXAS

Sealed proposals will be received by the Housing Authority of the City of Merkel, Texas (hereinafter called the "Local Authority") at Brick Haven Office in the City of Merkel, Texas, until, and publicly opened at, twelve o'clock Noon, (C.S.T.) on November 15, 1960, for the purchase of \$235,000.00 Temporary Notes (Second Series), being issued to aid in financing its low-rent housing project.

The notes will be dated December 15, 1960, will be payable to bearer on December 15, 1961, and will bear interest at the rate or rates per annum fixed in the proposal or proposals accepted for the purchase of such notes.

All proposals for the purchase of said notes shall be submitted in a form approved by the Local Authority. Copies of such form of proposals and information concerning the notes may be obtained from the Local Authority at the address indicated above.



"The next time this wash and wear suit goes to that cleaner in the Want Ads!"

Girl Scout News

Skating Course

A skating course for Brownies and Girl Scouts is being held each Saturday for ten weeks from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. at Plaza Skate the course is Bill Anderson, once Bowl in Abilene. Instructor for international skating champion and twice the national champion.

Brownies and Scouts of Merkel enrolled for the course which started Oct. 29, are Cathy Derington, Linda Jacobs, Mamie Patterson, Nancy Evans, Bronwyn Gamble, Ann Whisenhunt, Karlen Gamble, Linda Windham, Linda Luke, Billy Holmes, Dorothy Torrance and Nelda Doan. Prospects are Kathryn Patterson and Alice Whisenhunt.

Lessons are \$1 for each session. This includes skates and the privilege of skating in the afternoon at the Bowl.

Receives Diploma

Mrs. Jake Martin, leader for the second grade Brownies, has finished the troop leadership training course for Girl Scouts and was invested as a leader and presented a diploma at investiture services in Abilene Monday.

Mrs. David Gamble, who now leads the sixth grade Scouts with Mrs. Jack Whisenhunt, was also invested as leader. Both Mrs. Gamble and Mrs. Whisenhunt have completed most of the leadership course.

Attend Outing

Jr. Hi Girl Scouts of the West Texas Council met for a week-end of camping and fun at Camp Boothe Oaks at Sweetwater, Oct. 21. Mrs. Wallace Doan, leader for the Merkel Jr. Hi Troop, accompanied Mildred Haley and Brenda Doan to the outing. Jo Lynn Buntin and Cherry Davis were guests of the Merkel Scouts.

100th Anniversary

All Brownies and Scouts of Taylor County are observing the 100th anniversary of Juliette Lowe, founder of American Girl Scouting. One of the "Birthday year" celebrations is the showing of the film, "Follow Me Girls," which depicts actual scenes of early-day scouting. The Merkel girls will see the film with the Dyess Scouts at the Vapor Trails Service Club.

Union Ridge HD Meeting Held

The Union Ridge Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. J. C. Walton Thursday, Oct. 21.

Mrs. F. Y. Gaither opened the meeting by reading the club prayer. Members repeated the THDA creed.

Mrs. E. O. Carson and Mrs. Wynona Scoggins presented the program on "Bulbs." They told members when to plant bulbs and how to obtain best results with them.

Mable McRee directed the recreation period.

Mrs. O. E. Harwell, president, presided at the business session when Mrs. Andy Baker was appointed reporter.

Mrs. M. R. Douglas reported on the recent birthday party given by the club for patients at the Abilene State Hospital.

Refreshments were served to six members and visitors, Mrs. Ike Turner, Mrs. Carson, Mrs. Gaither and Mrs. Scoggins.

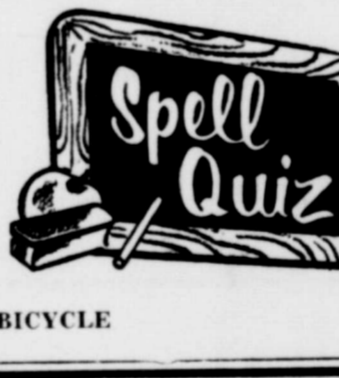
Next meeting will be in Miss McRee's home on Friday, Nov. 4.

Lone Star Club Elects Officers

Mrs. Andy Shouse's seventh grade Lone Star Club met Oct. 25 in Room 8 to elect officers for the next six weeks.

Officers elected were Linda Rutledge, president; Sharon Dudley, vice president; Sue Holloway, secretary; Janie Hull, treasurer; and Linda Windham, reporter.

Mike Hester is outgoing president.



BICYCLE

TURKEY SHOOT

SPONSORED BY MERKEL VFW
22's and High - Powered Rifles
Time—1 p.m.—Sundays, Nov. 13-20
Place—Tipton Gravel Pit
Proceeds To Be Used For Charity
PUBLIC IS INVITED

Robert Lee Rips Gorrillas, 12-0

Two long runs by Steer half-back James Blankenship brought Robert Lee a 12-0 victory over the Trent Gorrillas here Friday night.

Blankenship scored the first time in the second quarter when he skirted right end for 44 yards and a touchdown, climaxing a 78 yard drive.

The other score was made in the third quarter, when Blankenship crossed over left guard and went 43 yards for the score. Two good downfield blocks, one by guard Bill Ledbetter and the other by tackle James Harmon, kept the way open for him.

Trent made its only real scoring threat early in the first quarter. A steer fumbled the ball on receiving the kickoff, and the Gorrillas worked their way to the eight before being stopped.

Trent displayed a nice passing attack during the entire game, despite a continuous light drizzle, making 118 yards passing, and completing seven out of 14 pass attempts.

Friday's game gives the Steers a 4-4 standing for the season, with 1-2 in conference play. The Gorrillas have a 6-2 record for the season, with 2-1 in conference play.

ROBERT LEE 0 6 6 0—12
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Allmond Named Red Cross Head

Bruce Allmond was named president of the Jr. Red Cross at an organizational meeting in Mrs. Johnny Cox's room Monday, Oct. 31.

Other officers elected were Gayle Gladden, vice president; Almer Barnes, secretary; Nelda Doan, treasurer and reporter; Sheila Holland and Almer Barnes, ideals committee.

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Mrs. Illa Leeton of Odessa is visiting her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Elliott of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Fagan of Snyder visited their sister-in-law, Mrs. W. M. Elliott, Sunday.

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BADGER TALES

By Ruthie Corder

Friday night the football team got awfully soggy along with everything else but it is going to take something bigger than a little rain to stop the Badger team now—they are on their way toward a district championship.

Roscoe's team may not have been a match for ours but Merkel's mud can't be compared to Roscoe's. That was the nastiest, the slipperiest, and the stickiest mud that I have ever seen in my life. Everyone at the game was just walking around on huge balls of mud—if they managed to stay on their feet.

Things sure were popping in town Monday night—and about ninety-five percent of them were water balloons—(the other five per cent were eggs). If anyone stayed dry for more than ten minutes at one time it was because they were really trying. By the time that most of us went home we resembled drowned cats—and I would have liked to have seen someone that stayed in town until it was really late—if they didn't run out of water bombs.

Beth Dunagin, Mary Jane Horton and Carolyn Anderson really went to town Monday night—Those three girls were in everything going on.

Wilson Wade didn't get into any meanness Halloween but it was just because he couldn't run.

I hope no one tried to play any tricks on Miss Morton—she was prepared to run out on the top of her garage and dump ten gallons of water on anybody's head that threatened her.

Maxine looked like a pirate Monday night—complete with scars, a black eye and beard.

Penny Gardner's car has Nixon written all over it again.

FTA Members Have Hayride

Members of the Future Teachers Association of Merkel High School were invited to the Edgar Davis ranch for a hayride Friday, Oct. 14.

Mr. and Mrs. D. I. Davis and Mr. and Mrs. Judd McReynolds sponsored the affair.

The group gathered at 7:30 p.m. and went to Elm Creek for a bonfire. They roasted weiners and marshmallows. Penny Gardner, second vice president, and her committee planned the refreshments.

Del Davis arranged for the pick-up and two hay filled wagons used for the ride.

The Pat Neff Chapter of FTA has a number of activities planned for the year. Officers will be installed and new members pledged on Nov. 7. Mrs. McReynolds will head the installation committee.

The group is planning to attend the FTA District meet at Vernon.

School Lunchroom Menu

- Monday**
- Hot Tamale Pie
 - New Potatoes
 - Green Salad
 - Homemade Rolls
 - Fruit & Honey
- Tuesday**
- Steak & Gravy
 - Mashed Potatoes
 - Green Beans
 - Bread
 - Cake
- Wednesday**
- Sloppy Joes
 - Baked Beans
 - Carrot Sticks
 - Buns
 - Pie
- Thursday**
- Meat Balls
 - Hominy
 - Spinach
 - Cornbread
 - Fruit Salad
- Friday**
- Hot Dogs
 - Red Beans
 - Green Salad
 - Buns
 - Cookies

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| ✓ Believes that every man should have the right to say whether or not he must belong to a union. | ✗ Has pledged to change the Taft-Hartley Act and take away the working man's privilege of a free choice of jobs. |
| ✓ Is for peace without apology. | ✗ Would apologize to Khrushchev. |
| ✓ Believes in the rights of states and local communities to govern themselves. | ✗ Believes in a big Federal Government running everything for everybody. |
| ✓ Believes that local school boards are capable of running their schools. | ✗ Would have the Federal Government control the schools through Federal aid. |

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Mrs. B. C. Tipton returned to her home Friday in Lawton, Okla. after visiting six weeks in the home of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Clark and sister-in-law, Mrs. Chas. West.

Mrs. Caul McLean and her sister, Mrs. Julia Lawson of Abilene, visited another sister, Mrs. Lee Smith of Lakeview, Ore., recently.

UP THE CANYON

By Tom Russom
The first norther of the year blew in early Monday morning, requiring people to turn on fires. The high wind Sunday caused the sand to blow real bad. After the hail storm a few weeks ago the ground is quite hard on top, and it is believed that some will have to plow their land again before sowing it.

With the sunshine we are having now farmers are really getting back into the fields to harvest their crops and sow grain.

A. D. Scott has started his cotton stripper to work gathering his cotton. He thinks after a few more days of sunshine he can tell more about how it is working.

Lots of cotton off the Divide is being taken to Merkel to be ginned. Crops in that area are good.

Mrs. Oswald Everett returned to her home at Crosbyton the first of the week. She underwent surgery at Hendrick hospital recently, and remained at her home in Merkel for a few days to convalesce.

Well, deer hunting is the talk now with just a few days left before the season opens. Some stockmen don't want any part of letting hunters on their land to hunt, while others are planning to let them in.

It is believed that the deer are as fat as the cattle as there has

been plenty for them to eat. Word was received here this week of the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Payton Scott of Manhattan, Kansas.

The story goes that Payton wanted a boy, but as he walked on the floor a nurse came out and told him he had a daughter. He said "Pardon". She repeated that he was the father of a daughter, and he replied, "Oh, that was my second choice anyway."

Mr. and Mrs. Elby Frazier are parents of a daughter. The Fraziers, who live at Blair, are former residents of the Canyon.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Swinney of Paducah and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Swinney of Abilene were weekend visitors in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Swinney.

Gerald Derrick of Merkel, who owns a stock farm in the Canyon, reports that hail completely destroyed a patch of hegari for him.

We would like to say hello this week to our old friends Mr. and Mrs. Melvin McCoy and family out at Muleshoe, Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Blair and the Rev. and Mrs. Elva Phillips, all of Lubbock.

And then there is our old friend, Buck Mashburn of Fort Worth. All are readers of the Merkel Mail.

David McCarthy of Breckenridge visited recently with his brother and family, the Rev. and Mrs. Joe McCarthy.

Michel Ponder attended church at Pioneer Sunday night.

20 YEARS AGO

Petite Lou Dale Gray, who is holding the spotlight, socially, until her marriage Nov. 6, to Clyde Sears, was again named honoree by Miss Gay West, who entertained for her with a smart Saturday luncheon. A shower of gifts for the kitchen was presented the bride-to-be.

Friday, Oct. 25, was the twenty-fifth anniversary of the wedding date of Mr. and Mrs. George Woodrum, who were given a surprise party by a group of friends, joined by a number of relatives of the honoree. From the Stanley King home, where they gathered, the group converged on the Woodrum home, bringing a beautiful array of gifts carrying out the silver anniversary note. Included with one gift was a bridal bouquet, with another, a boutonniere of bachelor buttons, which were presented to the accompaniment of "Here Comes the Bride," sung in chorus.

In a pool joined by 55 local young men who registered for the draft on Oct. 16, Jack Stanford drew the jackpot of \$13,750. His serial number is 19 and this number, 11th in order for Draft Board No. 2, Taylor county, was the first drawn out of the group that participated.

Removal of sewing room equipment from the John West building to the Jones building on Edwards street took place over the week-end and work was started under a new project Monday morning at the new quarters. Number of workers employed at present is 25, it was stated Thursday morning by Bonnie Griswold, supervisor, and about 1,000 garments are made each month.

40 Years Ago

Last Tuesday evening at 8:00 Mr. Loring Hamblett entertained his friends with an oyster supper at the Busy Bee cafe. Those enjoying the hospitality of Mr. Hamblett were Misses Reed, Jones, Wharton, Herring, Houston, Sutphen and Deal; Messrs. West, Grimes, Britton, Baze, Brown, Jones, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Winter.

We understand that a deal was recently consummated by Mr. Clyde Sears purchasing from Beasley Brothers the block of business houses on Elm and Edwards, and which houses are occupied by the following firms, The Corner Hardware, Gem Confectionary, Gem Theatre, Rose's Barbershop and Merkel Bakery.

Tom R. Wilson and family left this week for Richland Spring, Texas, where they will reside in the future.

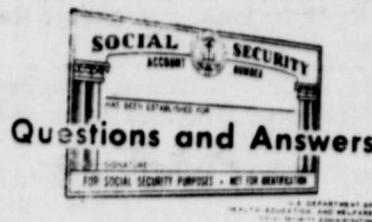
Messrs. Bud Sears, Ed Teaff, Bill Sheppard and Geo. Ferrier left first of the week for a ten days hunting trip into the Davis mountains.

J. T. Dorsey, one of our splendid furniture dealers, was in Post City this week on business. Rev. W. G. Cypert carefully and ably looked after his furniture store.

L. E. Keer, a prominent druggist of Dallas, was here first of the week, looking after his half section of land located in Mulberry Canyon.

At a recent meeting of the City Council Judge N. D. Cobb was appointed City Attorney of Merkel. Judge Cobb is in every way highly capable and qualified to fill this position.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Green of Missouri visited in the home of Mrs. Hester Groene Monday. Mr. Green lived in Merkel a number of years ago.



Q—What were the major changes in the 1960 Amendments to the old age, survivors, and disability provisions of the Social Security Act?

A—Disability benefits can now be paid before age 50; amount of work or social security credit required to get benefits was reduced about one-third; work restrictions changed for 1961 in a way that will benefit most beneficiaries; survivors of insured workers who died before 1-1-40 and after 3-31-38 may now receive monthly benefits; some children of deceased parents will have their benefit amounts raised; dependent widowers of women who died before September 1950 may now get benefits; parents who work for sons or daughters (except household work) may get social security credits beginning in 1961; clergymen who failed to file waiver for social security credits before 4-15-59 may do so before 4-15-62; part or all the lump-sum death benefit may now be paid directly to the funeral home.

Q—What does the removal of the age 50 requirement for disability benefits mean?

A—It means that a disabled person who has five years of social security credits out of the ten years before becoming disabled may be paid his social security benefits regardless of any age requirement. Too, minor children and qualified wives may also be paid benefits based on the disabled parent's earnings record prior to disability.

Q—I had my social security record frozen under the old disability freeze provisions. What should I do now?

A—If you have not had a letter from your social security district office by October 31, asking you to file your new claim for monthly benefits, then write the office for information on your rights to a new claim.

Q—When do these under-age 50 disability benefits begin?

A—The first month such new benefits are payable for is November 1960.

Q—What change was made in the amount a social security beneficiary may earn and keep his social security checks for a year?

A—A person earning over \$1,200 per year will still have some deductions made from his benefits. However, instead of making the deductions by holding in social security checks for one to twelve months of the year, there will be held out 50¢ for each \$1. of earnings between \$1,200 and \$1,500 in the year, and on a dollar for dollar basis for earnings over \$1,500. For example, if a husband and wife are getting \$150. per month they will still get \$650 in benefits even if the husband earns \$2,500 in the year. For full details as to how much you may earn and still get some benefits write your social security district office. All beneficiaries will still get a full month's benefits for any month in which earnings are judged to be less than \$100, no matter how high the annual total.

Q—How as the required time to become insured shortened?

A—Heretofore, you must have acquired social security quarterly credits for a period equal to one-half the time after 12-31-50 (or age 21 if later) and before retirement age (62 for women, 65 for men) or death to be fully insured. Now, you need have only one such quarter of coverage for each three calendar quarters between 1950 (or the year you reach age 21) and the year in which you reach retirement age or die. If you reached retirement age before 1957, you need only six quarters of coverage (1 1/2 years) to be fully insured. You will need two years of credit if you reached retirement age in 1958, 2 1/4 if in 1959, 3 if in 1960, 3 1/4 if in 1961, etc.

Becky Pyburn Named TCL Council Delegate

Mrs. Douglas Pyburn, the former Becky Ray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Ray, was elected inter-club council representative for Theta Chi Lambda social club at McMurry College.

Mrs. Pyburn, an elementary education major, will graduate next August.

Mrs. W. A. McCandless recently returned home after a month's visit with relatives in Fort Worth Grand Prairie, Houston and La Marque. She reports lots of rain in the areas she visited.

Mrs. Ellis Harris visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jaynes of Lubbock, last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Merman Doan, Mineral Wells, visited their son, Mr. and Mrs. Sammie Doan, the first of the week.



ON YOUR MARK—Dale W. Spence (left), an instructor in the physical education department at Hardin-Simmons University, prepares Sophomore Jim Horton, a middle distance man from Merkel, for a test run, in hopes of measuring Horton's potential ability in track and field events. Spence has completed preliminary study on a motor ability test of natural talent with tentatively favorable but not conclusive results. Spence believes there is a need for such a test. (H-SU News Photo)



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CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS To: Betty Middlebrook, Defendant. Greeting: YOU ARE HEREBY COM-

MANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd 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 21st day of November A. D. 1960, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 5th day of February A. D. 1960, in this cause, numbered 24-672-A on the docket of said court and styled Leonard G. Middlebrook Plaintiff, vs. Betty Middlebrook, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and defendant were legally married on or about the 8th day of August, 1952 and became permanently separated on or about January 28, 1960.

Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of harsh and cruel treatment 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 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 18th day of September A. D. 1960.

ATTEST: R. H. Ross Clerk, 42nd District Court, Taylor County, Texas by Irene Crawford, Deputy. (SEAL)

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NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF ROY M. MCCALLON, DECEASED:

Notice is hereby given that original letters testamentary upon the estate of Roy M. McCallon, deceased, were issued to me, the undersigned, on the 3rd day of October, 1960, in the proceeding indicated below my signature hereto, which is still pending, and that I now hold such letters. All persons having claims against said estate, which is being administered, in the county below named, are hereby required to present the same to me respectively, at the address below given, before suit upon same are barred by the general statutes of limitation, before such estate is closed.

and within the time prescribed by law. My residence and post office address are 1065 South 3rd Street, Abilene, county of Taylor, state

of Texas. Dated this 26th day of October, 1960. H. GRADY BAILEY Independent Executor of the Es-

tate of Roy M. McCallon, Deceased, No. 6724 in the County Court of Taylor County, Texas. 34



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Stith News

A large crowd attended the Halloween Carnival at the Community Center Saturday night. A total of \$204.81 was raised and will be used to pay the last payment on the building. We are proud of the HD Club and everyone else who worked hard to make the affair a success. Old friends and neighbors at-

tending the carnival were Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Rust, Cisco; Frank Mundy and Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bradley and children of Abilene; Mrs. Dally Elfers, Joyce, Elane, and Donna of Clovis, N. M.. There were others but I failed to get their names.
Mrs. Zella Bright of Trent and Mrs. Zula Dabby of Borger visited Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hale.
Lester Dalton of Truby visited

at Stith Saturday after- Mrs. Dally Elfers an- ers of Clovis, N. M. vis last week with her sister Mrs. Walter Vantrees brothers, Mr. and Mrs. ry, Barney Berry and other brother, Ollie B. Sweetwater, visited here Mr. and Mrs. Andy Sa. Petersburg, Tex., visited he- ter, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Mash- burn, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester McWil- liams and Bob Brannon of Dyess Air Base, visited the Wilber Lof- lins Saturday night and attended the carnival.
Mrs. Ora May Reed of Abilene visited Mrs. W. I. Burton Thurs- day.

premium is due. Should I pay it, or wait until VA sends me a remind- er notice?

A—By all means pay your GI insurance premium when it falls due. Premium payments is always the policyholder's responsibility, and failure to do so means risking policy lapse. Do not wait for VA reminders. It is the actual premium due date of your policy which should be observed.

Q—A friend of our is a World War Two veteran whose service-connected disabilities have previously kept him from entering on vocational rehabilitation, but whose condition has lately somewhat improved. Can he still take training or has the deadline for that benefit come and passed?

A—The deadline which until recently would have applied to your friend has been extended. World War Two veterans too seriously disabled to begin rehabilitation earlier now have until 1965 to complete such training.

Q—I am 17 years old, the daughter of a deceased veteran and eligible for a pension under the new pension law. In computing my income for pension purposes must I include money I earn for myself on a job?

A—No. The law says that a child may not have an income of more than \$1,800 annually. However, money you yourself earn as wages is not counted as income, nor is profit from self-employment.

Q—I'm a Korean veteran and currently unemployed. Does the VA administer the unemployment pay program?

A—No. Unemployment benefits are administered by the U. S. Department of Labor through State, Job - finding help, consisting of counseling and placement services, is offered by the U. S. Employment Service.

Special boost in November when the Texas Press Association conducts a campaign to inform the public about recent improvements made in series E and H bonds. L. B. Smith, Brady publisher and president, has announced that Forrest Weimhold, Levelland, will head up the campaign.

Weimhold, publisher of the Levelland Sun-News, contest committee chairman for the Texas Press Association, and his committee are working out details of the campaign to be conducted during November, 1960. The committee is made up of publishers of four state newspapers.

Smith said that in 1959 Texas newspapers used over 1000 savings bonds advertisements and thousands of news stories, pictures, editorials and features telling the public about series E and H bonds.

"You can readily see," he added, "that promoting the sale of Savings Bonds is not new for Texas newspapers. However, for the one month period in November, we plan to do something additional to call attention to the many improvements made in bonds by recent legislation."

Both E and H bonds now earn 3 3/4%, based on being held to maturity. For the E bond, this is compounded semi-annually, accumulating to the value of the bond, and for the H it is paid by semi-annual Treasury check.

Members of the Texas Press Association Savings Bonds contest committee directing this special campaign are the following publishers: Weimhold; Walter Buckner, San Marcos Record; Ward Lowe, Lampasas Dispatch; and L. B. Smith, Brady Standard, Ex Officio.

Stock Show

Several important changes are contained in the premium list for the 1961 Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show, just off the presses, reports President-Manager W. R. Watt.

Entry closing dates for the coming show are: Cattle, sheep and swine, Dec. 20; horses, Jan. 5, and poultry, rabbits, turkeys, pigeons, ducks, geese, and game and exotic birds, Jan. 15. Watt noted that an important new category, decided on too late to be included in the premium list, will be Hereford and Angus competition in herds of 10. The exhibitor may enter his 10 best animals in the particular breed, regardless of grouping. That is, his herd may be made up of steers, bulls or females in any proportion.

Judging of the herds will be a special rodeo attraction. Only the top herd in each breed will be chosen, and the winning exhibitor will receive a trophy.

New competition in the bull division, reported in the premium list, will find Herefords competing in classes for pens of five yearling bulls, senior bull calves and junior calves. There will be the same classes for pens of three bulls. There will be no Carlot Hereford competition in 1961.

These classes also will apply to Aberdeen - Angus. New also are the pens of five and pens of three classes for Angus senior yearling bulls. Only the Angus will have these last two classes. Shorthorns will show yearling bulls and bull calves in both pens of five and pens of three. Santa Gertrudis bulls will have classes for senior bulls in pens of three.

Angus bulls entered in the pens of five and pens of three

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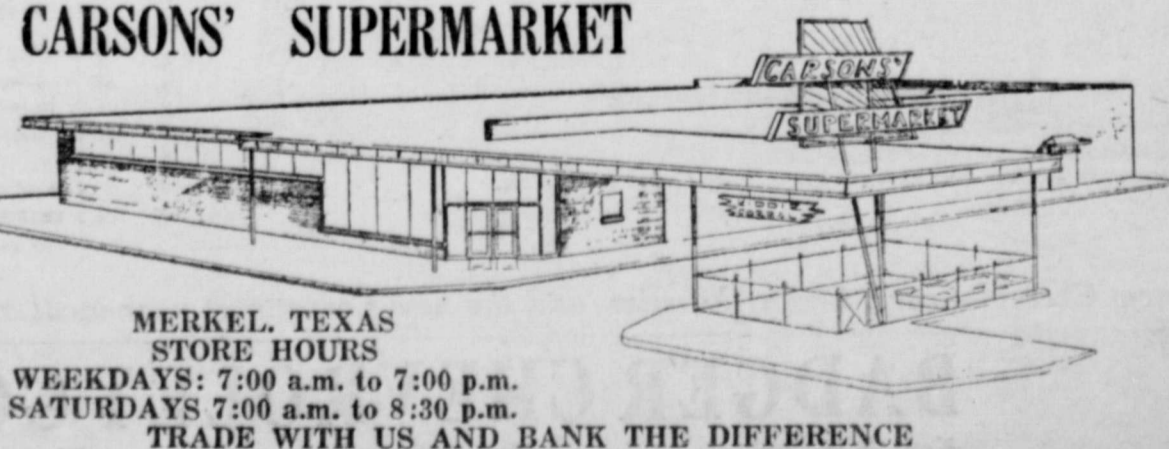
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