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WATER SUPPLY ACTION DEFERRED ONE WEEK

Abilene City Commissioners last week deferred once again consideration of an agreement between the City of Abilene and the City of Merkel concerning a water supply for the city to the west.

A resolution which would authorize the mayor to execute a contract with Merkel for construction of an air gap reservoir facility was deferred for one week for further study of the present water supply rate structure.

Abilene now is under contract with Merkel to supply water from Abilene's treatment system. For over a year, negotiations have been under way to adjust the price in the present contract.

Under the contract, Merkel purchases treated water from Abilene at 25 cents per 1,000 gallons. Some of this water is then sold by Merkel to Tye.

City Commissioner Russell Day, serving his last day on the commission, recalled that previous analysis indicated that water to Abilene residents costs 35 to 37 cents per 1,000 gallons.

"It seems unfair to me for our citizens to pay part of Merkel's water bill," he said.

He said it is time for the city to attempt to draw a new contract with Merkel, adjusting the price to coincide with the city's cost of production and distribution.

"For this reason, I suggest we table this air gap thing for a week until we see if we can work out this price thing," he motioned.

In answer to a question from Day, City Manager Robert M. Tintman said the matter of the

air gap was up for consideration "because the State Health Department has asked for it."

He explained that the air gap would keep water from flowing back and forth from the Abilene water system to the Merkel system.

Tintman said he has talked with Merkel officials this week and was informed that those officials still are studying the problem.

"Still, it seems to me we can do some negotiating and get this thing nailed down in a few days," Day said. Commissioners supported his suggestion.

Merkel Ministers Announce Easter Sunrise Service

The Rev. W. B. Sawyer, pastor of First Baptist Church and president of the Merkel Ministerial Alliance, has announced that the Alliance will sponsor an Easter Sunrise Service, April 22. Weather permitting it will be held at the Badger Football Stadium.

Should the weather be bad, the service will be held at the First Methodist Church. Time of service is 6 a.m.

The program is as follows: Invocation: Rev. J. Alvis Cooley, pastor of First Methodist Church.

Congregational singing led by Sam Ligon, Minister of Music, First Baptist Church.

Offering: will be taken by Rev. Darral Gleghorn, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church.

Scripture: Read by Rev. Milton Martinez, pastor of the Bethel Baptist Mission.

Choir special: composed of members of all church choirs in the city.

Message: Rev. John Curtis, pastor of the Assembly of God Church.

Benediction by the Rev. W. B. Sawyer.

Sam Ligon has announced that several choir practices will be held and the members and churches will be notified as to time date and place.

The public is cordially invited to attend this sunrise service.

Trent Sophomore Student Wins In Regional UIL Meet

TRENT — Betty McAninch, Trent High School sophomore, won first place in girl's prose reading at the Region 2-B university interscholastic league meet April 14 at Stephenville.

She will attend the state meet in Austin May 3-5.

Delores Barnes won fourth place in girl's persuasive speaking at Stephenville.

Other Trent students who placed in the regional meet were Sue Dickerson in girl's poetry interpretation and Stephen Kiser in boy's persuasive speaking.

Wray B. Williams, school superintendent, accompanied the students to Stephenville.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Dismissals

Mrs. J. W. Patton
E. A. Moore
Mrs. Leonard Jurena
Mrs. C. L. Hernandez and baby
Mrs. John O'Donnell
Mrs. Muri E. Nichols
Mrs. E. L. Dean and baby
Mrs. Charlie Roland
Robert Magill
Mrs. C. E. Phillips
Dana Durham
Ethel Canida
Joe Ortega child
Walter Kelso
Olen Christopher
Mrs. Lela McEver
Mrs. Ennis Reidenbach
Jack Canon
J. W. Tiner

Admissions

Mrs. J. W. Patton
Mrs. D. H. Vaughn
Darral Farmer
Olen Christopher
Mrs. R. N. Campbell
E. A. Moore
Mrs. Leonard Jurena
Mrs. John O'Donnell
Mrs. Muri E. Nichols
Sandra Freeman
Mary Gordon Torrence
Johnny Perry



NEW VFW OFFICERS . . . of Merkel Post



NEW AUXILIARY OFFICERS . . . for Merkel group

NEW VFW, AUXILIARY OFFICERS INSTALLED

The Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 5683, and the Ladies Auxiliary held joint installation services in the Post home here April 12.

The following post officers were installed by Post District 8 Commander Fred Stevenson of Sweetwater at the request of District Commander Charlie Henry. Henry was unable to attend the installation.

New officers are: Neely Tittle, commander; Jack Hendrix, senior vice commander; Justo Hernandez, junior vice commander; Kenneth Purser, quartermaster; Dale Shugart, adjutant - surgeon; O. R. Gladden, advocate; John Duran, chaplain; Loyd Spruell, service officer; and Juan Biera, public relations officer.

Ladies Auxiliary officers were installed by Mrs. Vada Hanks, District 8 President of the Ladies Auxiliary to the VFW.

New Auxiliary officers are: Wanda Tittle, president; Viola En-

sminger, senior vice president; Frank Anderson, junior vice president; Opal Barnes, secretary-treasurer; Bernice Perry, chaplain; Flo Knight, conductress; and Irene Barnes, guard.

After the installation services, a barbecue supper was served about 45 people.

Visitors from Sweetwater Post 2479 included Stevenson, Juno Brooks and Mr. and Mrs. Oather Hanks.

Funeral Services Held Last Friday For Dee A. Lee

Funeral for Dee A. Lee, 73, was held at 2:30 p.m. last Friday in the Merkel Church of Christ with E. M. Borden, minister, officiating.

Mr. Lee, a Merkel resident since 1926, died last Thursday morning in the local hospital following an illness of several months.

He had operated the Camp Fair Courts since moving here, and was a member of the Merkel Church of Christ.

Surviving are his mother, Mrs. J. A. Lee of Exeter, Calif.; six brothers, Elmer and Loren of Exeter, Riley and Orvel of Cottonwood Ariz., Alvis of Fairfield, Calif., and Jack of Glendale, Ariz.; and one sister, Mrs. J. A. Bivens of Exeter.

ANNUAL BROOM, MOP SALE BY MERKEL LIONS IS MAY 8

The annual Merkel Lions Club Broom and Mop Sale will be held May 8, it was announced this week.

A truck will be set up in front of Carson's Super market and the club members will be selling off the truck as well as conducting a door to door selling program.

Items for sale include brooms, ironing board covers, door mats, mops and such cleaning equipment. All articles to be sold were made by the blind.

Proceeds from the sale will be used to remodel the community center.

Lion Benson and Lion Collinsworth are the captains of the two teams into which the club has been divided. The captain whose team sells the least is to be greeted with a broom in downtown Merkel, at a time and place to be designated.

LIGE GAMBLE KILLED: WIFE INJURED IN WRECK

MINEOLA — The body of Lige Gamble, 74, well-known Merkel druggist killed in a one-car accident here Tuesday morning, is being returned to Merkel by Starbuck Funeral Home.

Funeral will be held at 4:30 p.m. Thursday in Starbuck Chapel.

Mr. Gamble's wife, also 74, was reported to be resting well Tuesday night at the Medical Center Hospital in Tyler where she was being treated for a fractured left arm, abrasions and head lacerations.

Mrs. Gamble, a passenger in a 1961 Oldsmobile driven by her husband, received emergency treatment at Mineola hospital before being transferred to the Tyler hospital.

The accident occurred at 9:15 a.m. Tuesday on rain-slick U.S. Highway 80 about 300 yards inside the western city limits of Mineola.

Mineola Chief of Police C. G. Willingham said witnesses reported that when Mr. Gamble applied his brakes his car went into a skid toward the left side of the pavement, skidded about 100 feet, crossed a median and crashed into the rear of a parked, unattended water truck. Mr. Gamble was thrown out of the car, landing on the pavement.

Willingham said the car did not turn over but was a total loss. The highway was straight but the pavement was slick because of the mist, he added.

Mr. Gamble, a druggist in Merkel since 1919, owned the Merkel Drug Co. He was a Mason and Shriner.

A son, David, who operated the drug store for his father, said his parents were returning to Merkel from Longview.

Survivors include his wife; the son, and a daughter, Mrs. D. B. Sietfried in Germany, and two grandchildren.

Oklahoma Funeral Held Recently For Ruth Woodman

Mrs. Ruth Woodman 38, died at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 8, in an Altus, Oklahoma hospital after she fell from a truck while coming home from church in Gould, Okla.

Mrs. Woodman was born January 18, 1924, in Madill, Okla. After she married she moved to Gould where she was living at the time of her death. Funeral was held at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 10, in Gould Cemetery.

She is survived by her husband; two sons, Roy Frank and Albert; two daughters, Charlene and Helen, all of the home; her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Hughes of Ringgold; four sisters, Mrs. Jack Booher of Abilene, Mrs. A. L. Howard of Ringgold, Mrs. W. G. Carter of Bowie, and Mrs. Bernard Roberts of Apache, Okla.; one brother, E. A. Hughes of Henrietta and several nieces and nephews.

Butterfield School took runner-up position with 55 1/2 points. Others, by order of placement, were Tye, 44 1/2; Hamby 24 1/2; and Buffalo Gap, 7.

B. A. Hays, meet director and county supervisor with the Taylor County Superintendent of Schools office, said approximately 96 students participated.

First place winners included: Miss Bryan, story telling; Miss Griffith, music appreciation and ready writers; Mantooth, number sense, all of Elmdale; Dean Fitzpatrick of Tye, boys declamation; Nancy Teten of Butterfield, girls declamation; Gene, Charlene and Donnie Byrd and Donna Wright of Tye, team winner in picture memory; Patsy Teten and Jerry Long of Butterfield, team winner in spelling and plain writing for group five and six; and Nona Ray and Barbara Brady of Hamby, team winners of spelling and plain writing for groups seven and eight.

Noodle Play Wins District Contest

Noodle's one-act play entry "Antic Spring" won first place in district and was to be presented in regional competition at Stephenville.

Best actor awards in the district were by Carroll Spurgin and Charles Palmer. Best supporting actress award went to Rojean Perkins, Noodle High School student.

Linda Perkins was to compete in regional competition of high school number sense.

Trent 4-H Club Wins 3 Awards

TRENT — The Trent 4-H Club won three first place awards at the Taylor County Elimination Contest April 7 in Abilene.

The winners were: Sue King and Betty McAninch, community service; Linda Griffith and Sandra Mayhugh, junior poultry marketing and utilization; and Candy Higgins, senior, public speaking.

They will compete in the district contest in San Angelo April 28.

Assembly of God Easter Revival To Begin April 26

John Curtis, pastor of the Assembly of God Church, N. 2nd and Ruppels Sts., has announced a revival beginning Easter Sunday, April 26.

The evangelist will be Lois Cokerell of Fort Worth.

Services, which will be held nightly, will begin at 6:30 p.m. Sunday. During the week services will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Rev. Curtis said that there will be quartet, trio and duet singing from night to night.

Cokerell has had great success in revival campaigns during the past 35 years, Rev. Curtis said.

The public is invited to the services, he added.

Noodle Students Place at Recent UIL Competition

Noodle High School and elementary school participated in literary events of Interscholastic league competition at Old Glory Friday, April 6.

The following students entered these events in high school competition:

Poetry Interpretation — Delores Carpenter; Prose Reading — Margaret Hunter; Number Sense — Linda Perkins, Darrell Ueckert, Rojean Perkins; Alternate — Linda Richie; Typewriting — Darrell Ueckert, Carroll Spurgin; Spelling — Linda Perkins, Charlotte Alexander, Slide Rule — Carroll Spurgin, Ready Writing — Caren Carter, Carolyn Cagle; Alternate — Barbara Herron.

Elementary Competition: Spelling — (7th & 8th) Janice Hill, Barony Olive; Declamation — Burl Carter, Janice Hill; Story Telling — Sandra Womack; Spelling (5th & 6th) Ronnie Hendes, Bud Carter; Picture Memory — Eddie Carter, Judy Carpenter; Numbers Sense — Bud Carter, Karen Sullivan, Janice Hill.

Students placing were: Linda Perkins — First place, high school number sense; Bud Carter — third place in declamation; Delores Carpenter — Second in poetry interpretation; Margaret Hunter — third in prose reading.

Coaches were Mary Buckley, Anne Osburne, Edd Womack, Betty Wood and Janiz Bicknell.

Accompanying the group to Old Glory were Mrs. Betty Wood, Mrs. Annie Osburne and Mrs. Edd Womack.

Merkel Man With Amphibious Force

NORFOLK, Va.—C. A. HOLDER, machinist's mate second class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Holder of Merkel, is serving aboard the landing craft repair ship USS Krishna, a unit of the Atlantic Fleet Amphibious Force, headquartered at Norfolk, Va., which celebrated its 20th anniversary Feb. 20.

Organized Feb. 20, 1942, the force lead every major Allied amphibious landing in North Africa and Europe during World War II.

Today, nearly 17,000 men assigned to 58 ships and supporting units make up the force, which teams with the Atlantic Fleet Marine Force to provide a vital amphibious striking capability for the nation. Combat-ready units range the Atlantic, Indian, Arctic and Antarctic Oceans, as well as the Caribbean and Mediterranean Seas.

STATE CAPITAL Highlights AND Sidelights

by Vern Sanford
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN, Tex. — Although the Texas Youth Council lost its fight for a legislative appropriation of \$200,000 to add more officers to its Juvenile Parole System, it just won a battle for the benefit for orphans in state institutions.

Attorney General Will Wilson turned over the deed to a \$200,000 Bell County ranch along with a check for \$12,446 to Dr. James A. Turman, Youth Council director. Presentation represented the outcome of a four-year court battle. Heirs of the late Mrs. Parrie Haynes contested her passing the property to the state.

Dr. Turman said the orphans of Texas will receive all benefits from the 4,160-acre ranch on the Lampasas River. It will be used as a summer camp and activity center for orphan's homes. Youth Council will raise cattle, pigs and sheep there to help feed the thousands of children in its care.

HEARINGS SHOCK TURMAN — Speaker of the House James A. Turman, candidate for lieutenant governor and former educator, expressed concern about the House Textbook committee, which he appointed.

Turman was shocked when he

heard a witness in an Amarillo textbook hearing alleged that Rep. Ronald Roberts of the committee was a "communist."

"I am afraid the committee members have been too nice and open about letting any person appear to talk about any sort of censorship," Turman said. He is worried about the committee getting too far in its study of the textbook situation in Texas.

In an Independence Day address at Washington-on-the-Brazos, he advocated the teaching of Texas history in all grade levels and declared, "I think it is a mistake—a real mistake—for our educational system in Texas to recast our great state's history into a sort of grammar school fairytale."

The speaker may be tempted—or forced—to touch on the subject again Wednesday when he is honored guest at the Public Schools' Week celebration in Jasper, Texas.

SPACE AGE SEMINAR — Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson, head of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, came to town to tell a congregation of high school counselors how the move into space will affect American youth.

The Vice President's talk was the highlights of a two-day conference at the University of Texas which featured a NASA exhibit of space vehicles and a talk on "Space Satellites" by NASA representative Dr. Robert Krebs.

SALES TAX HEARINGS SET — Sen. George Parkhouse of Dallas, chairman of the Texas Commission on State and Local Tax Policy, invited anyone interested in changing the sales tax structure to attend a public hearing on suggested changes in Dallas on March 30.

Parkhouse asked that anyone who wants to appear at the hearing advise the commission by sending a letter to Drawer C, Capitol Station Austin, 11.

The commission was authorized to study proposed changes in the new sales tax during the recent special session of the legislature.

Members include Senators Louis Crump of San Saba and Jep S. Fuller of Port Arthur; Representatives Charles Bellman of Borger, Charles Sandahl Jr. of Austin and Charles Wilson of Trinity; Dr. John R. Stockton of the University of Texas' Bureau of Business Research; John McKee of Dallas and Hugo Loewenstern Sr. of Amarillo.

ARMY CALLS FOR APRIL QUOTA — Eligible men 22 years old and older will make up the April army quota of 244, says Col. Morris S. Schwartz, state selective service director.

Number of inductees is up from the March quota of 288. Schwartz said local quotas already have been sent to the 137 local boards in the state.

Exceptions to the 22-year-old rule will include volunteers and official delinquents.

Mouth Health Traced to Habits

AUSTIN — Dental authorities can count at least 36 everyday habits that a great many Americans practice to one degree or another that are actually injurious to mouth tissue.

Item: Opening bottles with your teeth may make you the life of the party, but it's a juvenile practice as far as good dental health is concerned. Still, people often damage their teeth using them for such unlikely practices.

The habit of biting pensively on ear loops of glasses can be an important factor in teeth migration—moving out of position, dentists point out.

Chewing on pencil or pen during moments of concentration is almost an occupational hazard for bookkeeper and stenographers. Dentists report considerable erosion of teeth among people in these professions.

Upholsterers, carpenters, and shoemakers who hold nails between their teeth develop typical dental ailments. Seamstresses who bite thread and dressmakers who hold pins and needles between their teeth invariably suffer from bad mouth conditions, dentists have found.

Biting on matches and tooth picks, abnormal tongue pressures against teeth, lip and cheek biting, and continued clenching of teeth to control emotions all may have their adverse effects.

Also listed as detrimental to teeth and gums is the practice among women of using their teeth to open bobby pins. Another is the habit of cupping chin in hands while reading or watching television.

Such poor dental health practices are summed up in the fact that about half the American population over 45 years of age is—or should be—wearing some form of artificial denture, resulting in a 40 to 80 percent reduction in chewing efficiency.

Among children the habit most

detrimental to teeth is thumb sucking. However, most authorities agree it will not cause improper teeth alignment if stopped by age four or five.

are often signs of faulty closure of teeth, a condition which is aggravated by poor dental habits.

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Dr. Newton K. Wesley
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The average American has his eyes examined only once in five years—time enough for a serious eye affliction to develop.

One of the main reasons we neglect our eyes is because usually there is no pain associated with eye disorders and, because eyes do not ache like teeth, we assume there is no trouble present.

Yet if we were to have our eyes examined twice a year, most eye afflictions could be discovered and corrected. The high rate of blindness could be cut in half.

Vanity plays a major part in our neglect of our eyes. We feel that we may have to wear old fashioned glasses that will make us look older. For those who can adapt themselves to them, contact lenses have solved this problem to a large extent. However, reluctance to visit an eye doctor still exists to an alarming degree.

The National Eye Research Foundation estimates that there are 50 million people in this country in need of eye care. Most of these people will neglect their condition either through ignorance of the consequences or an unwillingness to have their vision checked. Don't take chances with your most precious possession—your vision. Make an appointment for an eye examination soon.



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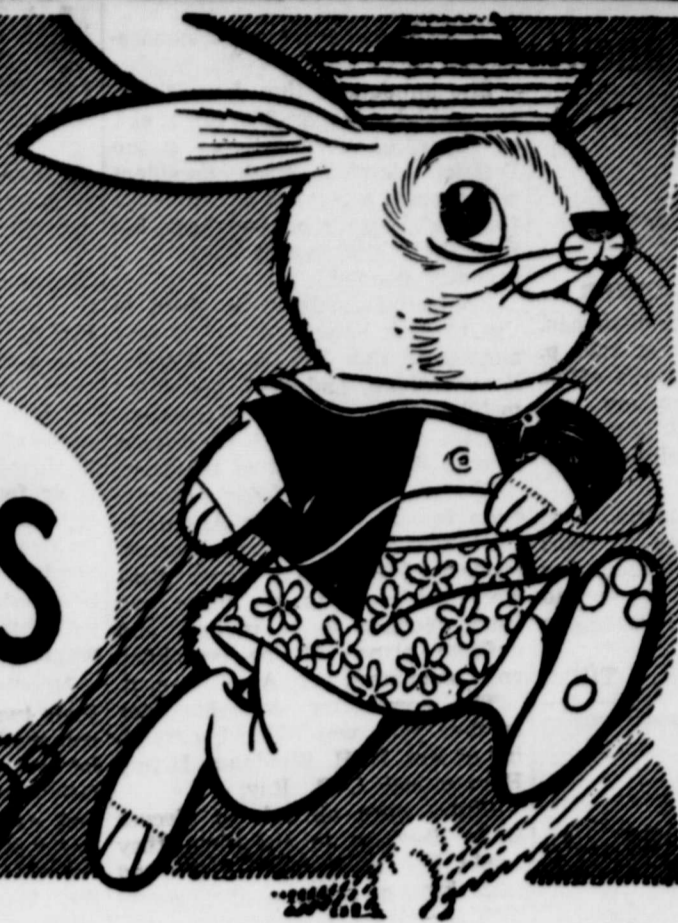
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Last HDA Council Meeting Held At Anson Office

By MRS. ELMER JOINER
Mrs. H. H. Windham, chairman, called council to order at 2:30 p. m. March 21, in the agent's office at Anson. Twenty members answered roll call, five visitors were present and eleven clubs were represented.

In the committee reports, Mrs. Harvey, yearbook, asked all clubs to bring a list of suggestions for programs and roll call answers to be used in making the yearbooks for another year.

Mrs. Noel Weaver, THDA

chairman, made several announcements. She announced that Jones County would be responsible for a skit or report on Civil Defense at the District Meeting. Each president will receive a request for information and it is to be sent back before their club meets since it is urgently needed.

Credential cards were given to the elected delegates and it was announced that Mrs. A. R. Knight, Breckenridge, had been appointed to fill the place of Mrs. Trainham, district vice president of district 3, who died the first of the year. The clubs all voted for a county-wide tea, to be held in Anson, to celebrate National Home Demonstration Week. Tentative plans were made as to the place and time speaker to be invited, and definite plans will be completed and announced at April council.

The nominating committee for another year was elected, consisting of Mrs. H. H. Windham, Maxey Harvey and I. B. Ray.

Clubs were all asked to discuss Rally Day as to the time they would like to have it, place and what kind of program they would like to have.

Mrs. Newberry also announced a shoe covering workshop some time early in April. She asked that all clubs be asked if they want to take it and if so elect some one to attend the workshop from each club.

Mrs. Barksdale, chairman of the 3E committee, gave the information on the clothing consumer day to be held in Anson at the Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church on April 19 beginning at 9:30 a. m. and is an all-day affair. From hearing the program, this promises to be a very informative and interesting program.

MISSIONARIES TO BE SPEAKERS

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Doyle, missionaries to Brazil, will be guest speakers at the First Baptist Church Tuesday, April 24, at 7:30 p. m. They have spent most of their furlough in Anson with relatives and will be returned to the mission field soon. The public is cordially invited to the service.

Noodle Chapter Holds Observance Of FHA Activities

Future homemakers of America in over 10,348 chapters throughout the United States, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands designated the week of April 1-7 as a time to recognize the contributions F.H.A. makes to personal, family and community living. There are currently 500,926 members working toward the following goals: to develop their potential abilities; to develop better understanding of their family members and to contribute to their well-being; to interpret the value of home economics as a basic part of their total education, to promote good will through getting to know their neighbors at home and abroad.

Noodle Horn chapter has as their two principal goals this year community service and furthering interest in home economics. The following activities were planned and carried out in observance of National F.H.A. Week:

Sunday: Go to church with family. Monday: buffet supper for school trustees. Distribute copies of "F.H.A. in Focus" to trustees and superintendent. Tuesday: field trip to Abilene, visited West Texas Utilities to see newest trends in electric appliances, Lone Star Gas for a demonstration of gas cooking and discussion of home service as a career; Trend House for observance of latest furniture and decorating trends and a talk by Wes Byrd on interior design as a career.

The group lunched t the Trade-winds. They were accompanied by Mrs. Lowell Easley, sponsor, Mrs. Ab Hunter Jr. and Mrs. Leslie Cox.

Wednesday—Red and white day and copies of "F.H.A. in Focus" was distributed to faculty members.

Thursday: The group practiced for P-TA program to be presented Monday night.

Friday: Most F.H.A. members entered Interscholastic League events at Old Glory. Future plans of the chapter include a banquet and a mothers tea. Members participating in these events were: Paula Caldwell, Caren Carter, Linda Richie, Carolyn Cagle, Myrlyn Carter, Rojean Perkins, Charlotte Alexander, Diane Easley, Margaret Hunter, Barbara Herron, Lois Adams, Carolyn Cox and Linda Perkins. Mrs. Lowell Easley is sponsor.

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Oliver and daughters of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Owen and Lisa Ann of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Whisenant and children were all Sunday visitors in the John Oliver home.

Mrs. Cox's fifth grade room elected officers for the next six weeks. They are: Tommy Doan, president; Ronnie Bigbee, vice president; Gaylon Doan, secretary; Kaye Lynne Conley, treasurer, and Katherine Patterson, reporter.

CONTENT NEWS

A churchwide Sunday School was held earlier this month in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Shores.

The WMU and YWA presented a "Hillbilly Wedding" with Miss Nellie Brown and Mr. Tom Dooley, both of Content, being united in a double ring ceremony.

The bride, played by Mrs. Bob Bass, wore a beautiful blue jersey nightgown (size 40) with matching lamp shade hat and green nylon, shoulder-length veil. Her shoes were black western boots.

The groom was played by Mrs. Bayne Miller; best man by Mrs. Claude Coats; maid of honor by Mrs. Billy Burton, father of the bride by Mrs. Claude Smith who carried a 1914 double-barrelled shotgun.

Ring bearers were Miss Shirley and Miss Nadian Pentecost. They carried bullrings on feather pillows.

The wedding was performed by a "dear friend" of the family, the Rev. Luke, played by Mrs. Louis Sansom.

Lamp-lighters were Mrs. C. B. Pentecost and Mrs. George Clark. Lighting for the ceremony was by candles set on an apple box. The ceremony was read from a mail-order catalogue and the bride carried a homemade orchid on a telephone directory.

"Hang Down Your Head, Tom Dooley" and "Slap Her Down Again, Pa" was sung by Mrs. W. D. Shores who accompanied herself with a stringless guitar. She also sang "Here Comes The Bride" and the wedding march was "The Bear Went Over The Mountain." The tunes were all new and "tune-less."

Mrs. Carl Richey was mother of the bride and Mrs. Bud Coats and Mrs. Roy Smith portrayed the grandmothers.

The reception was held in the dining room and the table was laid in lace overgreen. A red flower provided the centerpiece. The three-tiered "cornbread" boy and a miniature bride and cake was topped with a green cow-groom.

Following the reception games of 42 were played and refreshments served the following: the Rev. and Mrs. Billy Burton and children, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Fuller, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cummings, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Richey, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Ross and children, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Smith and Oscar, Mrs. Bud Coats, Mrs. Claude Coats and children, Mr. and Mrs. Boyne Miller and Rex, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Pentecost and children, Mrs. Ellen Poindexter of Dallas, Miss Velma Strickland, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Sansom and Glen, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Clark and Mr. and Mrs. Shore and sons.

Brenda Hartline, Cattle Market George Martin Set Strong, Active June Wedding

TRENT — Mr. and Mrs. Ben A. Wheeler are announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Brenda Joyce Hartline, to George Martin, son of Mrs. G. C. Martin of Loraine.

The couple will exchange wedding vows June 1.

The bride-elect will be graduated from Trent High School in May. The prospective bridegroom was graduated from Loraine High School in 1958. He is employed by the Soil Conservation Service, Colorado City.

Stith HD Club Meeting Held

The Stith H.D. Club met at the Community Center Wednesday afternoon April 11, with the president, Mrs. Wesley Mashburn, presiding.

Mrs. Fletcher Jones brought the devotional. Prayer was led by Mrs. J. E. Swindell.

The program was on Heart diabetes and polio.

Mrs. Ted Hudson discussed drapes and upholstery.

There were two visitors, Mrs. Benny Hobbs and Mrs. Dewey Reddin, present.

Members present were Mmes. J. E. Swindell, Fletcher Jones, Buck Leach, Paul Bradley, Orval Ely, M. E. West, Ted Hudson, Wesley Mashburn, Curtis Clyburn and Hulan Hill.

000 pounds sold up to \$220 a head. Fat butcher cows ranged from 14 to 16.50, canners and cutters from 10 to 14 and old shells from 10 down. Choice butcher calves and yearlings sold up to 25.50, good ones up to 23, standards to 21 and ranges from 15 to 17. Choice feeder steers sold around 24.50 to 25, good ones from 22 to about \$2 less. The best kind of feeder steer and their heifermates were and heifer calves ranged from 23.50 to 25.50. Good and choice stocker steer yearlings were worth 25.50 to 27, common and medium 23 to 25; heifermates were \$1 less.

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Noodle Eighth Grade Is Honored At Recent Banquet

The Noodle eighth grade graduating class was honored at a western banquet March 30 in the school cafeteria.

Wagon wheels, cactus, rail fences, red and white checker tablecloths and horseshoes were used in decorating the room. Programs were shaped like horseshoes and nutcups were boots.

Members of the class are: Willard Adams, Dennis Hall, Freddie Richie, Jimmy Hunter, Buddy Lott, Jimmy Woodson, Steve Carter, Bill Carpenter, John Sargent and Dora Herrera.

Superintendent Ed Womack gave the invocation.

Participating in the program were: Jimmy Hunter who gave the class prophecy, Freddie Richie and Gerald Jennings who gave the benediction.

Mrs. Ina Cotton Jennings, first grade teacher, gave the principal address—"Days of the Old West."

Members of the seventh grade served. They were Wilma Cox, Janis Hill, Barry Olive, Dorothy Flowers, Joe Goodman and Jerry Dean. They were dressed western fashion.

Seventh grade mothers who helped serve included Mrs. Leslie Cox, Mrs. A. D. Hill, Mrs. Lawrence Olive and Mrs. Dickie Jones. They were assisted by the following girls: Caroline Cox, DeLores Carpenter, Lois Adams, Linda Perkins and Margaret Hunter.

TYE SINGING SET

There will be a community singing at Tye in the community center Thursday at 7:30 p. m. Everyone is cordially invited.

Mrs. Buck Leach and son, Dick, visited last weekend in Slaton with her brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Baker Jr., and in Lubbock with Linda Leach at Texas Tech. At the college they visited the Home Economics Open House, the Science and Engineering Show and the Interscholastic track and field events. Mrs. Leach reported seeing some more Merkelites while up there.



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BRUSH STOMPERS OPEN NEW RIDING ARENA

Members of the West Texas Barrel Racing Assn. and the Merkel Brush Stompers collaborated April 15 in the formal opening of the group's arena just west of Badger Stadium.

The last monthly point race of

UP THE CANYON

By TOM RUSSOM

Well, the weather is still in the news this week. The high winds are taking out quite a bit of the moisture, but we always have that. Pastures are getting real good, feed wagons have stopped, stockmen have quit feeding.

Ford Butman and Frank Brnovak have sheared their sheep and delivered their wool to San Angelo for sale. Shearing will be well underway in the next fifteen days.

As to the farming, very little planting has been done, mostly grass for early grazing, and some few have planted some milo.

Wheat that was never grazed is real good, but that which was grazed off took a few beatings from high winds and sand storms.

The weather is warming up. While working this week I pushed my hat back and the perspiration came down over my glasses. That's when I called time out.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Seymore and family visited their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin McCoy over the weekend at Morton. The grandchildren were on the Easter program there.

The Easter Revival opened at Pioneer Church Monday night and will be in progress all this week. Dr. Woodrow Adcock, Supt. of the Abilene district is doing some wonderful preaching. Come out and hear him.

Rev. and Mrs. Elria Phillips of Lubbock are here for a few days visit and will attend church services at Pioneer church. Rev. Phillips was the first pastor of Pioneer church and he and Mrs. Phillips still love the people here.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Tombs attended the funeral of her brother-in-law at Lorraine this week.

Henry Tittle of Trent attended church Monday night at Pioneer Church. Cevene Neill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Neill, who is teaching, spent the weekend at home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Clemmer and children spent the weekend in Abilene in their parents' homes.

WSCS CIRCLES END STUDY ON SUFFERING

The two circles of the W.S.C.S. met at the church Tuesday, April 3, to conclude the study of "The Meaning of Suffering."

Mrs. Jarrett Williams directed the study.

Other discussion leaders were Mrs. J. S. Pincley, Mrs. John Shannon, Mrs. M. R. Hall and Mrs. A. H. McElmurray.

the 1962 fiscal year was held by the West Texas barrel racers. Winners were, by class:

14 Years and Under.
Mary Davis, 19.1-18.9; Brenda Foster, 19-18.9; Margaret Davis, 21-20.2; Gladys Pinkert, 18.9-18.3; Susan Martin, 18.9-19.2; Celia Martin, 19.2-19.5 plus 5; Mary Ellen Osmitt, 21.4 plus 5-21.5 plus 5; Sheila Walker, 21.2 plus 5-20 plus Donna Renfro, 18.8-19.1 plus 5.

Open.
Pat Murphy, 18.5-18.6; Betty Fryc, 18.3-18.1; Marie Voss, 18.6-18.7; Brenda Jackson, 19.4-19.1 plus 5; Nancy Tucker, 18.2-18.3, and Jo Palmer, 19.1-18.8.

Poles.
Barbara Whisenhunt, 22.9; Myrtie Davis, 22.7; Mary Davis, 23.4; Margaret Davis, 23.8; Brenda Jackson, 20.8, and Paulette Allen, 20.4.

Novice.
Mary Mellwain, 19.8-20; Pat Murphy, 19.5-18.3; Myrna Brokart, 22.3-22; Vickie Smith, 19.3-19.1; Marie Voss, 18.2-17.9; Dorothy Bourland, 19-13.9 plus 10; Mary Brown, 20.1-20.4; Sadie Cox, 19.3-19.5; Cindy Reader, 19.7-20.7 plus 5; Mary Mellwain, 19-19.2; Mary Davis, 19.9-20; Barbara Whisenhunt, 19.2-20; Paulette Allen, 19.6-19.5; Jean Moore, 21.7-20.9, and Mary Beaver, 21.5-20.9.

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Noodle HD Club Meeting Held In School Cafeteria

The Noodle Home Demonstration Club met April 10 in the school cafeteria with the president, Mrs. V. R. Justice, presiding.

Roll call was answered with "one good receipte I've tried this year."

Prayer was led by Mrs. Chess Cox.

Mrs. Easley presented a program on covering shoes.

As part of the program, Mrs. Billy Maxwell brought some funny and interesting games.

The next meeting will be April 24.

The following members were present: Mmes. Spurgin, Parkham, Callaway, Boaz, Skidmore, Maxwell, Sullivan, Campbell, Ueckert, Palmer, Cox, Dillard, Jones, Carr and Ernest Sourgin. There were four visitors, Mrs. Betty Muster and Mrs. Frances McCoy of Abilene, Mrs. Mary Fay Stanley of Comperre and Mrs. Karstendick, Mrs. Carr's aunt, of El Paso.

ATTEND FUNERAL

Those attending the funeral which was held last week in Brownfield for Mrs. W. A. Tittle were: Ruth Tittle, Betty Jane Tittle, Mrs. Ina Hunter and Mr. and Mrs. Irl Walker.

Other discussion leaders were Mrs. J. S. Pincley, Mrs. John Shannon, Mrs. M. R. Hall and Mrs. A. H. McElmurray.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

FARMERS COOP GIN

SATURDAY

APRIL 22, 2:30 p.m.

Three directors are to be elected

Annual report will be read

Dividend checks will be handed out



MRS. BARBARA WHISENHUNT
... senior barrel rider



MYRTIE DAVIS
... junior barrel racer

Stith News

Sue King Feted On 16th Birthday

The annual Stith Co-op Gin meeting was held at the community center Wednesday, April 11. A barbecue luncheon was served 135 persons by an Abilene caterer. A business meeting was held in the afternoon.

Mrs. A. M. Evans has returned home after visiting in Nacogdoches with her sister, Mrs. R. M. Graham, and in Houston with her son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Evans.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Mundy of Fort Worth visited Louise, Bob and Hollis Hudson and Mr. and Mrs. Ted Hudson last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Pick Payne went to Belton Wednesday for a visit with their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Bryon Hieker.

Mr. and Mrs. John Browning visited Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ray Browning in Tuscola Friday and visited the Rev. and Mrs. Jack Bedford and daughters in Abilene Saturday.

The Stith Baptist Church congregation surprised the pastor and his wife, the Rev. and Mrs. T. E. Moore, with a "pounding" Saturday night. Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Clyburn and children carried the groceries to the pastor's home in Abilene Saturday night.

Mrs. E. H. Thompson, mother of Mrs. Curtis Clyburn, was honored with a surprise birthday party Sunday, April 8, given by her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren at the Hodges Community Center.

Those attending were Mason Barker, Jerry Ray and Cliff, Judy and Doug of Knox City, Curtis Clyburn and Don, Marsh and David of Stith, Jerry Barker, J. C. Allen and Alfred and Randy of Abilene, Loyde Thompson of Lamesa, Truitt Thompson an Truitt Wayne of Merkel.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Cleary of San Angelo and Mrs. H. H. Spears of Wyoming visited the last of the week with Mr. and Mrs. Ira Stanley.

The Rev. T. E. Moore conducted services at the Merkel rest home Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones visited Mr. and Mrs. Olin Potts and Sharon Beth at Anson Sunday afternoon.

TRENT — Sue King, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen D. King was honored with a surprise 16th birthday party April 3 at her home.

The members of the Trent High School sophomore class arrived at her home in a group. They played games and sang "Happy Birthday" while the candles burned on twin birthday cakes.

The cakes, sandwiches and punch were served for refreshments.

At the party were Betty McAninch, Brenda Tittle, Candy Higgins, Delores Barnes, Lee Lanning, Bobby Williams, Stephen Kieser, Keith Clayburn, Mrs. Cal McAninch, Buddy King, Mr. and Mrs. Allen D. King and the honoree, Sue King.

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Boyd's Sing At Fortnightly Study Club Meeting

The Fortnightly Study Club met in the home of Mrs. Alvis Cooley for study on another aspect of the American home.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Boyd were special guests. Boyd, an Irish baritone, presented several musical numbers and spoke about music in his homeland.

Mrs. Boyd, a concert pianist, accompanied her husband and played several piano solos.

Mrs. S. C. Dixon concluded the program with a discussion on literature and the home.

Program On Credit Presented April 6

The Union Ridge Home Demonstration Club met Friday, April 6, in the home of Mrs. Beauford Buntin for a program on "Consumer Credit."

Roll call was answered with a suggested form of exercise.

Mrs. J. H. Clark gave the prayer.

In the program, presented by Mrs. Denzil Cox, it was pointed out that "if your outgo exceeds your income, your upkeep will be your downfall."

There were six members and three school girl guests present.

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FHA Loans Repaid By Texas Families

Texas farm families repaid \$39,146,268 in principal and interest on U. S. Farmers Home Administration loans last year, L. J. Cappelman, the agency's State Director announced in Temple today. This was 19.9 percent above collections of the previous year in the State.

A total of 3,078 Texas families completely repaid their loans in 1961.

Mr. Cappelman said the Farmers

Home Administration loan program is an outstanding example of those USDA activities producing large returns to the U. S. Treasury which nearly balance out initial cost.

Mr. Cappelman said the repayment record of Texas farm families demonstrates their willingness to make sacrifices now in order to develop sound and efficient farms for the future.

Farmers Home Demonstration makes loans to young farmers, small farmers attempting to improve their operations, farmers whose equities have been wiped out by low returns of recent years,

and those hard hit by natural disaster. Loans are made to both part-time and full-time farmers. Before these borrowers come to the Farmers Home Administration, they were unable to obtain credit from any other sources.

During the past 25 years, nationally, about two million farm families have borrowed \$5.5 billion from the Farmers Home Administration and its predecessors. To date they've repaid more than \$4 billion of this. Most of the amount outstanding has not fallen due. Interest collections far exceed losses on principal.

A major reason for the excellent repayment performance of FHA borrowers in Texas, Mr. Cappelman said, is the management aid supplied by the agency to all of its borrowers.

"The Farmers Home Administration programs include guidance and technical aid as well as credit. The aim is not only to produce better farmers but also to provide the entire farm family greater opportunities to develop their ability to manage farm and home resources, including capital available to them," Mr. Cappelman said.

He reported that in 1961 Farmers Home Administration advanced over \$40 million in supervised loans to Texas families. Following are some highlights of the agency's lending program last year in the state.

— Operating loans for equipment, livestock and other expenses totaled \$40,301,000 to 3,531 farmers.

— 140 farmers received a total of \$2,631,940 to buy, develop or enlarge farms or refinance debts, \$1,618,870 of this was advanced by private lenders under the agency's insured loan program.

— Approximately 648 loans totaling \$5,849,030 were made to farm families and others to build or repair dwellings and other buildings.

— About 19 individuals and 4 associations received soil and water conservation loans totaling \$615,038. Watershed loans amounted to \$1,485,000.

— Emergency loans, amounting to approximately \$9,505,758 assisted 791 farmers hard hit by floods, droughts and other disasters.

Due to the increased number of requests from farmers and eligible applicants for Operating Loans and Rural Housing Loans, all of these funds for the fiscal year of 1962, ending June 30, 1962, have been obligated. There are funds, however, for Emergency Loans; Farm Ownership Loans; Soil and Water Loans for individuals and associations; as well as Watershed Loans.

BANK NOTES by Malcolm

DID YOU KNOW...

HEADS OR TAILS? THE REVERSE DESIGN OF THE 1959 PENNY WAS CREATED BY FRANK GASPARD, HIS INITIALS 'FG' APPEAR BELOW AND RIGHT OF THE LINCOLN MEMORIAL.

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While ordinary real estate tax is deductible, special tax assessments which are levied against your property are not deductible if they are for improvements, such as streets, sewers or sidewalks which increase the value of your property.

The Texas tax on gasoline is 5c per gallon. Gasoline taxes imposed vary from state to state. Deduction for gasoline taxes should of course, be based upon the specific number of gallons purchased in Texas and other states.

However, where this computation is impossible due to inadequate records, you can often arrive at a reasonable approximation of your gasoline taxes paid by determining the number of miles you receive per gallon, and then multiplying the number of gallons used by the tax per gallon in the various states where you used your car.

In the case of the Texas sales tax, the Internal Revenue Service has issued a schedule of what it considers a reasonable estimate of sales tax based upon your income. If you do not have specific records this schedule should be used. Otherwise, you may be called upon to substantiate your deduction.

Medical and dental expenses incurred by you and your dependents are deductible as itemized personal deductions in the year you pay your medical or dental bill.

Generally, these expenses include fees of doctors, dentists and nurses, hospital expenses, eye glasses, false teeth, hearing aids and premiums paid on hospital and medical insurance. Medicines and drugs are "medical expenses" only to the extent that they exceed 1 percent of your adjusted gross income.

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DEAR MISTER EDITOR:

The fellers at the country store Saturday night was wondering if you'd got that letter off to our Congressman about them Chinese feathers. In case you ain't dispatched it yet, some of them wanted a item or two added to it.

Ed Doolittle allowed as how them bureaucrats in Washington worc him down and brain-washed him complete on the idea we got to have one tax-enter fer ever tax-payer in the country. If we can just hold this one-fer-one ratio, claims Ed, we can keep the national budget unbalanced till judgement day. You can't explore new frontiers, says Ed, with a balanced budget.

And says he'll go along with the one-fer-one system that calls fer ever office holder to have a assistant, and fer ever assistant to have a helper, and fer ever helper to have a 30-hour week, port to port pay, retirement benefits at 50, a month's vacation onet a year with full pay, and a

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Furthermore, says Ed, he ain't raising a finger agin that million-dollar grant the tax-payers give them science fellers to study if baby monkeys loves their mothers. But Ed is pritty upset over the fact that four months has gone by and we ain't had no report on this monkey - love project. Ed claims that, fer a million dollars, the tax - eaters ought to be giving the tax-payers a report about onet a month, maybe onet a week, on this matter.

When you send that letter off to Washington, Mister Editor, see if you can git the latest news on this monkey - love project. All the fellers will appreciate it.

Clem Webster said to tell his Congressman he's strong in favor of our stockpiling program. Clem says Sampson did the biggest job of slaughtering till the A-Bomb, and he done it with the jaw - bone of a ass. Somewhere between Sampson and the A-Bomb, claims Clem, you'd have to put Senator Byrd fer trying to do a jaw-bone job on our fine stockpiling program.

Bug Hookum was lamenting one thing about this program. He said he was reading a list of them things we was stockpiling and he was shocked over the absence of one item. Bug said, according to the list, we been stockpiling everything from humming bird eggs to grandfather clocks but they ain't a frying pan, on the whole list. Bug allows as how the fryin pan next to fire and the wheel, was the greatest invention ever made by man. He wants you to ask his Congressman how come we ain't stockpiling this strategic item. Bug says if war comes he'd rather have one frying pan as a carload of them Chinese feathers.

Yours truly,
Gabby

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Saved Time SPECIALS

COOL!
CRISP!

NABISCO
VANILLA WAFERS
Large Box **29c**

BAKER'S
COCOANUT
Southern Can **19c**

ALLSWEET
OLEO
2 for **49c**

HI-C
ORANGE — PINEAPPLE-GRAPEFRUIT
PINEAPPLE-ORANGE or GRAPE
DRINK

CELLO WRAPPED — BULK
EASTER EGGS
Pound **39c**

FROZEN FOODS

MORTON'S STRAWBERRY, CHOCOLATE or LEMON

CREAM **39c**
PIES Each **39c**

KELLEY'S — 10-Oz.
STRAWBERRIES 2 for 35c

REYNOLDS
WRAP
25-Ft. Roll **29c**

TOOTH PASTE
CREST
Economy Size **61c**

SCOTT
TOWELS
2 for **39c**

HOLSOM
OLIVES
Stuffed Jar **39c**

Box **39c**


3 46-Oz. Can **89c**
Send Labels In And Get One Free

SCOTT
NAPKINS
2 for **29c**

MY-T-FINE
PUDDING
3 for **29c**

MARYLAND CLUB
INSTANT COFFEE
10-Oz. Jar **99c**

LIPTON TEA 1/2-Lb. **69c**
VEGETOLE ARMOUR'S 3-Lb. Can **53c**
SUGAR DOMINO Powdered ... 2 for **25c**
COFFEE MARYLAND CLUB 1-Lb. Can **59c**
ZEE TISSUE 4-Roll Pkg. **29c**

GLADIOLA
FLOUR
10-LBS. **79c**



COLONIAL CAKE
DELUXE STYLE
GERMAN CHOCOLATE
Only **73c**

Finest Quality MEATS

HORMEL — ARMOUR — GOOCH
EASTER
HAM 1/2 or Whole Lb. **49c**
GOOCH COUNTRY STYLE
BACON 2-Lbs. **95c**
GOOCH RANCH STYLE
SAUSAGE 2-Lbs. **79c**
KRAFT
ELKHORN CHEESE Lb. **49c**
CHOICE HEAVY BEEF
SHORT RIBS Lb. **19c**
FRESH
OYSTERS Can **79c**
FRESH CATHEY'S
FRYERS Lb. **29c**
CHOICE BEEF
CHUCK ROAST Lb. **49c**
HORMEL OR ARMOUR — BONELESS CANNED
HAMS 7 1/2-Lb. Can **5.49**

PANTRY NEEDS

LIBBY'S — NO. 2 1/2 CAN
PEACHES 2 for **49c**
LIBBY'S — NO. 303 CAN
PEARS 2 for **49c**
LIBBY'S — NO. 303 CAN — WHITE
C. S. CORN 3 for **53c**
AUSTEX — NO. 2 CAN
CHILI Each **49c**
AUSTEX — JUMBO
TAMALES 2 1/2 Can **33c**
TEA BAGS — 48 IN BOX
LIPTON TEA Box **59c**

PILLSBURY
CAKE MIX
2 Boxes For **49c**



DOUBLE STAMPS

EACH WEDNESDAY
ON \$2.50 PURCHASE
OR MORE

PARD
DOG FOOD
3 for **35c**

WISK
Quart Can **63c**

LUX LIQUID
Quart Size **53c**

ALL
Jumbo Box **\$1.93**

LUX SOAP
Regular Bars
3 for **25c**

HANDY ANDY
Quart Size **59c**

CLOROX
Bleach 1/2-Gal. **39c**

Garden Fresh Vegetables

SUNKIST
ORANGES
Lb. **15c**
FRESH
TOMATOES Cello **15c**
RED ROME
APPLES Lb. **15c**
FRESH
BANANA SQUASH Lb. **15c**
FRESH
GREEN ONIONS Bunch **5c**
RUSSETS
SPUDS 10-Lb. Bag **39c**

CARSONS' SUPERMARKET



MERKEL, TEXAS
STORE HOURS
WEEKDAYS: 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
SATURDAYS: 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
TRADE WITH US AND BANK THE DIFFERENCE

PRICES
GOOD
FRIDAY
THURSDAY
SATURDAY
APRIL
19, 20, 21