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**THE FAITHFUL** — These are the seven charter members of the Merkel Lions Club who attended the 35th anniversary banquet. From left to right they are F. Y. Gaither, Byers Betty, E. Yates Brown, Sie Hamm, Bill Haynes, Booth Warren and L. B. Scott. Dr. W. T. Sadler is a charter member who was to receive his 35 year Old Monarch pin but was unable to attend because of his schedule.



**LEADERS ALL** — Jim Cherry, left, an international director of Lions International from South Carolina, talks with from left, P. E. (Pete) Shotwell, district governor from Abilene; Onis Crawford, president of the Merkel Lions and Earl Hughes, secretary of the Merkel Club. Engraving Courtesy of the Abilene Reporter-News.

## LIONS IN MERKEL LAUDED FOR WORK

"Because of them, Merkel has been a better place in which to live."

That was the opinion of Jim Cherry, international director of Lions International, as he spoke to members and guests of the Merkel Lions Club banquet and Ladies' Night in celebration of the Merkel Club's 35th Anniversary.

The international representative from South Carolina spoke of the work and service the

members of the local Lions Club have performed during the years the club has been organized.

Dr. R. N. Richardson, Lions International counselor and Hardin - Simmons University president emeritus, introduced the seven charter members present.

Dinner music was played by Ken Mayhall of D&W Furniture Co.

The welcoming address was made by Onis Crawford, president of the Merkel Club. Isadore Mellinger introduced out of town guests, P. E. (Pete) Shotwell, district governor of Lion District 2-EI introduced the speaker. The Rev. Howard Marcom asked the invocation.

## Merkel Jaycees At Convention

The Merkel Jaycees and Jaycee-Ettes were well represented at the area convention held in San Angelo on January 26 and 27.

Shirley O'Dell attended the Sultan's Party at the Town and Country Club. Everyone sat on cushions in a circle while the program was presented in the center of the circle. The Camel Stamp was the social event of the convention.

Those from Merkel who attended included:

Johnny and Shirley O'Dell, Franklin and Georgia Myrick, Arthur and Judy Bagby, Carl and Marilyn, Giles, Council and Marge Luper.

The Merkel delegation stayed at the Cactus Hotel.

Mr. R. B. Horton, Abilene, was a visitor in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Amason Friday.

## Merkel Delegation Plans Trip to Fort Worth Show

### BRUSH STOMPERS IN GRAND ENTRY

Merkel Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a cowgirl sweepstakes in the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show in Fort Worth Feb. 2.

Directors selected Mrs. Ted McAninch (Wanda) as their sweetheart entry. She is married has two daughters, Dayna, 11, and Tonja, 7. She lives on a stock farm and has ridden most of her life.

Wanda owns 4 riding horses and 2 colts and will be riding a three-year-old roan named Judy, owned by Wilmer Criswell. She has been a member of the Brush Stompers Riding Club for the past two years.

The exact date for Merkel participants to appear in the show will be Saturday night, Feb. 2.

There will be a delegation of about 60 from Merkel who will attend the show. Approximately 18 members of the Brush Stompers Club will ride in the Grand Entry. The entire group from Merkel will set together and will be spotlighted and given a special introduction during the performance, according to information received by Mrs. Hargrove, C-C secretary.

Members of the Merkel Brush Stompers Club are planning to send a group of riders to participate in the grand entry of the Fort Worth Rodeo Saturday night, Feb. 2.

Anyone planning to ride in this event must sign a waiver of liability. Blanks can be obtained at the Chamber of Commerce office or at the Merkel Drug Company.

Riders must be 16 years old and all horses must have a health certificate before entering the Fair grounds. Dr. Smith will be

at the Merkel Co-op Gin Friday afternoon to inspect horses from 1:30 until 2 p.m.

Men will wear their club shirts and ladies will have gold saddle blankets on their horses.

### Nineteen Finish Merkel Course On Radiation

A course to train local personnel in the use of radiological instruments has been completed in Merkel.

Nineteen completed the course under the instructions of Robert Goodwin.

The course was held January 21 and 22.

Goodwin is a licensed instructor having completed the prescribed course recently held by the State Department of Health.

The program was sponsored locally by the City of Merkel Civil Defense unit of which Horace Boney is the executive head and Fred Starbuck is director.

Those completing the course were Waymon Adcock, E. A. Conley, Joe Crain, R. L. Chaney, Billy D. Doan, Gary Douglas, P. H. Duncan, Mack Fisher, Horace Hargrove and Robert Harris.

C. M. McWilliams, Rex Martin, Claude Newborn, Homer Newby, Pete Petty, Roscoe W. Shields, W. W. Wade, Ray Wilson and Clyde Wurst.

### MOD Totals Reach \$494.26

Mrs. Horace Hargrove, local chairman for the March of Dimes drive has furnished totals of monies contributed to date for the MOD drive.

The game night which included bridge, 42 and 84 brought in a total of \$91.58. The skating event sponsored by the Lone Star Skaters totaled \$3.25. The Telerama conducted from Saturday night after 10 p.m. thru Sunday 4 p.m. brought in a total of \$396.43. The grand total to date is \$494.26.

There will be more to come when the Jaycee-Ettes conduct their Mothers' March which will be from 7 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 31.

Forty-five mothers working under 9 captains will canvass the city between the hours of 7 and 8 p.m. Thursday evening. The nine captains are: Jan Hodgins, Marge Luper, Georgia Myrick, Shirley Odell, Paka Goodwin, Judy Bagby, Wanda Hendricks, Marilyn Giles and Jocille Brady. Help conduct the march are asked to be at the Civic Center Thursday at 6 p.m.

While there has been some solicitation in the city by teenagers, the Jaycee-Ettes ask that you have your porch light on and to please have your contributions ready for them when they call.

### Crawford's Mark 1st Anniversary

February 1 marks the first anniversary of Crawford's Mens Wear establishment in Merkel.

Mr. and Mrs. Onis Crawford came to Merkel from Dalhart, during the first week of February, 1962. Their store is located in the north half of the Bragg Department Store and carries a full line of nationally advertised merchandise, such as Keds, Jarman and Red Wing shoes, Levis, Nacona boots, Pool's work clothing, Style Mart and Jason clothes.

To celebrate their first anniversary in Merkel, the store is offering some store-wide sale items that will be in effect through February 9.

As an added attraction for the Anniversary Sale, they are going to give away free, a beautiful 17 inch portable TV and ask that you come to their store and register free. There is no obligation.

The Crawfords reside at 1413 Stewart and have two sons, Jimmy, age 17, Robert, age 14, and a daughter, Mignon, age 10.

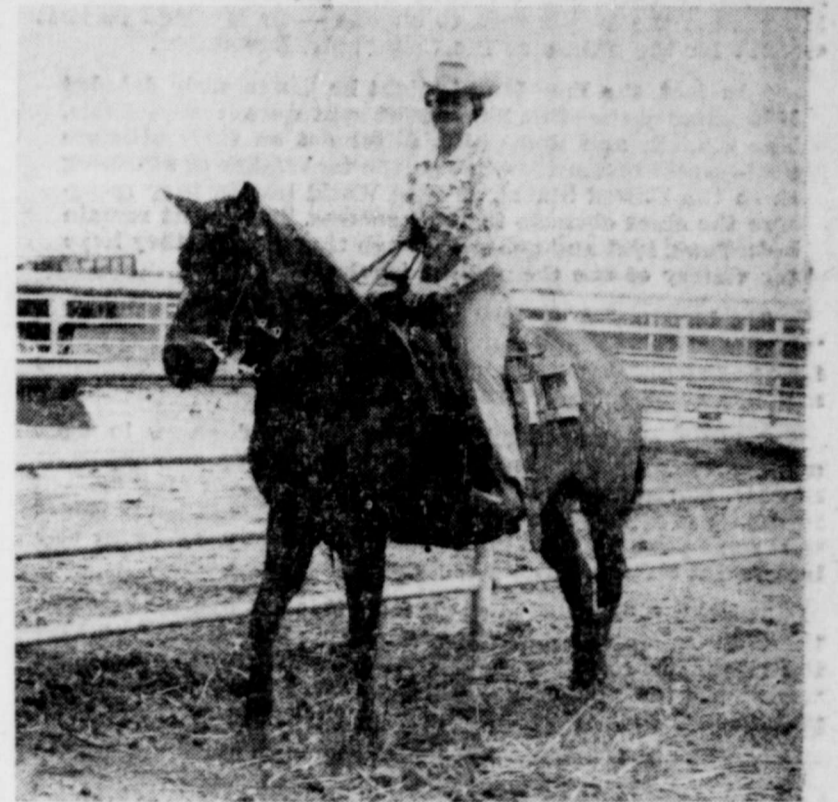
The Crawfords are both active in civic and church affairs. Mr. Crawford is presently president of the Merkel Lions Club and is also a member of the Booster Club.

### Merkel High Girls Model Dresses

The second and third year homemaking girls of Merkel High School held a style show in the auditorium Friday afternoon at 3 p.m.

The second year girls modeled a new feature for this year, the shift dress, which has a stand up collar, below the elbow sleeves and can be worn with or without a belt. The girls also made children's garments and had a small child to model their creations.

The third year girls modeled completely lined two-piece wool suits. They were not all constructed from the same pattern but had these main features: Collar, set in sleeves and bound button holes. After the modeling of the suits, both homemaking 2 and 3 girls modeled their home experiences.



MRS. TED McANINCH ... sweetheart entry

## FORTY BADGERS RECEIVE AWARDS

A glittering Awards Banquet, sprinkled with emotion as Coach Carroll Benson said a formal goodbye as coach of the Merkel Badgers, was topped by the

presentation of a special gift to Benson.

Isadore Mellinger made the presentation to all Merkel Coaches and then made the special presentation to Benson.

Mellinger said "this is something of special benefit to visiting pros" and then unveiled a two-seated electric golf cart and chided Benson that now it might be possible for Benson to defeat his (Mellinger's) little brother at golf.

While Mellinger was tongue-in-cheek about Benson's ability as a golfer, he was high in his praise of the job done by Coach Benson as a leader of the Merkel High School football team. He pointed out that Benson was the dean of coaches in this area.

Coach Benson said he at last had come to fully realize that the coaching profession was a hazardous one and full of problems. He said he was sorry that in the past three years that there had been problems which he had not been able to solve.

Merkel athletes were presented their letters for the past season.

Those who received letters included:

Mack Mansfield, David Loftin, Mike Doan, Van Gauthier, Frosty Winter, Keith Wilson, David Scott, Wayne Hester, Charles Danneheim, Charlie Russell, Don Parnelly, Roger Todd Moore, C. B. Brown, Johnny Whisenhunt, Robert Shouse, Donald Rich, Rodney Robertson, Joe Higgins, Freddie Mewborn, Larry Teaff, Larry Hargrove, Howell Cooper, Craig Litton, Bob Benson, Waldon Tittle, Jon Ford, Glenn Shaw, Jack Reynolds, Jack Mansfield, Terry Adcock, Jimmy Crawford, Gary Ross, Mike Arnold, Jimmy Reives, Dick White, Bruce Allamon, Richard Owen, Tommy Riney, Clarence Harris and Phillip Doan.



**REVIVAL** — Evangelist Jerry Bray and his wife Ruth of Atlanta, Ga., will sing at the Assembly of God Church in a revival starting Monday night, February 4, and running through February 10. The meeting will be held at the Assembly of God Church on the corner of North 2nd and Rannels Sts. The Rev. John Curtis is pastor. Services will begin at 7:30 p.m. The public is invited.

### CORRECTION

In the Jan. 24th issue of the Merkel Mail an announcement of engagement was published in regard to Miss Lovce Gaye Givens and Hugh Baker. We erred in printing the heading of the article which read, Givens - Seymour Engagement Told. It should have reads as Givens-Baker Engagement Told. It was entirely our error and we are sorry.



**FOR GOOD WORK** — Merkel coaches receive "Awards" from the Merkel Booster club. From left to right are Burl McCoy, Charles Wartord, William (Bill) Tate and Carroll Benson. Isadore Mellinger, far right, made the presentations.



**MONARCH** — Booth Warren, right, Merkel banker, charter member of the Merkel Lions Club and civic worker, receives his Old Monarch pin for 35 years service with the Merkel organization. Making the presentation is Dr. R. N. Richardson of Hardin - Simmons University and international counselor.



Editorial

# The Wrangling Reds: What Does It Mean?

COMMUNIST UNITY and Free World disunity — for years we've been fed the picture of the Soviet Union and Red China locked in an ideological smooch while the Western Powers squabbled among themselves. It was never a convincing love-fest but at least Mr. Khrushchev and Mao preserved a public appearance of amity on the world stage, however shrilly some of their puppets may have wrangled.

But now the differences between Moscow and Peiping—deep, bitter differences—have been aired in the wake of the Khrushchev backdown on Cuba and the Chinese slash into India. It is the West's turn to chortle — or it would be if it weren't for the nature of the Communist Revolution.

In fact, the Free World might be dangerously deluded if it assumed that this Sino-Soviet split were irreconcilable. The U.S.S.R. and Red China differ not on their ultimate goal—world revolution—but on the techniques of attaining it. In the United States, as Free World leader, they recognize the chief obstacle to their success. They must remain bedfellows, spat and quarrel though they may, if they hope for victory of the Communist ideology.

"In Moscow," Secretary of State Dean Rusk has observed, "they're more subtle and sophisticated. They talk about peaceful co-existence. They are using such instruments as economic assistance and things of that sort."

Peiping, on the other hand, Mr. Rusk said, seems to want a more beligerent and military approach. This apparently is not Mr. Khrushchev's way—at least not now—as he indicated in the tense days of the Cuba crisis. But we should never forget that some powerful men around him feel differently—men who believe not only in rattling rockets but in using them.

Has the West profited at all from this hot dispute between the two leaders of the Communist Bloc? Yes—if only because it has shaken and disrupted Communist groups all over the world; and their disunity is our gain. But let's never grow complacent about it. (AFPS)



FOR A JOB WELL DONE — From second from left, SSgt. John R. Reid, TSgt. John P. French and SSgt. Herman J. Letourneau receive congratulations from Maj. Allen W. Benedict, left, after he decorated them with the Commendation Medal. All four men are assigned to the Site Activation Task Force, SATAF, which is in the process of deactivating at Dyess. Story on this page. (AIR FORCE PHOTO)

## Enrichment Week Programed In Feb.

By CHAPLAIN (CAPT.) HERBERT A. BRETHAUER

The Dyess Protestant men and women of the chapel will personally visit or telephone every Protestant working or living on the base to invite them to the Protestant Religious Mission to be held at the Base Chapel Feb. 10 through 13.

The Protestant women, under the leadership of Mrs. Lawrence Miller, will visit every Protestant home in the base housing area. The women will meet at 9:30 a.m. Monday, Jan. 28, in the chapel annex to receive assignment lists of the Protestant families living close to the visitor.

Each participant will pass out publicity literature and tell the families about the services of worship during the four day religious emphasis week. Dr. Harold H. Wilke of the United Church of Christ,

Cleveland, Ohio, will be the speaker during the mission services. Mr. Wilke, an ordained minister, hospital chaplain and church executive, will speak at the 10 and 11 a.m., and the 7 p.m., chapel worship services Feb. 10, and at 7 p.m. each evening Monday through Wednesday, Feb. 11 through 13.

His ministry is unique due to his handicap. He was born with no arms. He is completely independent in all normal human activities. All that the average person does with hands, Mr. Wilke does easily and gracefully with his toes.

The Protestant Men of the Chapel, the Protestant laymen's organization, will provide personal on-the-job visits to all Protestant personnel to urge them to attend the Protestant religious mission.

Maj. Robert E. Shank, president of the group, and Chap-



Doctor Wilke to speak at Protestant Mission.

lain (Capt.) Herbert A. Brethauer, advisor, have worked a program out of key-lay leaders who will visit in the work and family areas. Key visitors of the Protestant men's group are Lt. Col. Robert E. Rehner, Lt. Col. Harvey E. Rehner, Lt. Col. Robert A. Fowler, TSgt. William O. McCellan, MSgt. William C. Higgins, MSgt. R. R. Auringer, Capt. Fred L. Norwood and MSgt. William H. Osterholt. Every military organization

## Col. Miles Assigned To Institute Of Technology

Lt. Col. Wilson A. Miles, 819th Strategic Aerospace Division executive officer, will leave Dyess Jan. 18 on an assignment with the Air Force Institute of Technology, headquartered at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio.

The colonel's new station will be Whiteman AFB, Mo., where his duties will be in setting up graduate education programs for Minuteman missile crewmen at Whiteman and Minot AFB, N.D. He will then become dean of the school at Whiteman, which is expected to open this time next year.

Colonel Miles came to Dyess in September 1958, first serving as Base director of personnel and then as Division executive officer from April 1959. His assignment to Dyess followed graduation from the advanced management course at George Washington University, Washington, D.C., where he received a masters degree in business administration. The colonel holds a bachelor degree in military science from the University of Maryland and had also attended Louisiana State University for two years where he had majored in social science.

The colonel began his military career in 1934 as an Army enlistee and served as a warrant officer prior to winning a commission in 1943. He has completed over 24 years of ac-



LIEUTENANT COLONEL WILSON A. MILES

tive service and tours with Headquarters United States Air Force, Military Air Transport Service, the Air University and Strategic Air Command. During World War II he had a 23-month tour in North Africa and he has since completed a three year tour in Panama.

Col. Miles and his wife, the former Else Magrane of West Hempstead, N.Y., have resided at 103 Utah Street, Dyess. They have three children: Wilson A. Jr., 14; Barbara, 12, and Richard, 9.

## Farm Facts

The United States is the world's largest producer of fats and oils. In 1961, U. S. production, estimated at 18.4 billion pounds, represented more than 1/4 of the estimated world production.

Our production of edible vegetable oils—mainly soybean oil and cottonseed oil—represents almost 1/3 of the world output.

In 1961, our production of industrial oils—chiefly linseed, castor, tung, and tall—totaled 1.2 billion pounds. This was more than a third of the world output.

Production of animal fats—lard, tallow, and grease—ran to 7.8 billion pounds in 1961, accounting for a little less than 1/3 of the world total.

Output of marine oils was around 0.2 billion pounds or slightly less than 10% of the world total. Marine oils consist of whale oil, sperm whale oil, fish oils, and fish-liver oils.

The U.S. is the largest producer of fats and oils.



Food processors have long been the major single outlet for domestic fats and oils. From 1939-59, from 61% to 67% of our annual consumption was in the manufacture of food products.

on the base will sponsor an evening worship service during the religious mission.

The women and men of the chapel groups are a vital part of the chapel program and their visitation assistance will promote a successful religious mission.

## Sometimes

## It Pays

## To Lie

LOCKBOURNE AFB, Ohio (SAC PS)—Who says it doesn't pay to lie? Not Walter Lewis, a civil engineering civilian employee here.

Lewis recently was certifi-

ed the United States' champion liar by the Burlington, Wisc., Liars' Club.

To gain his esteemed title, Lewis told about the hardship of an Ohio drought.

"It was so dry around Williamsport one year I had to pull the well out of the ground, turn it wrongside out and run it through the clothes wringer to get my canary a drink. When I put the well back into the ground it finally started to rain; I had to prime the well to get a stream of water started."

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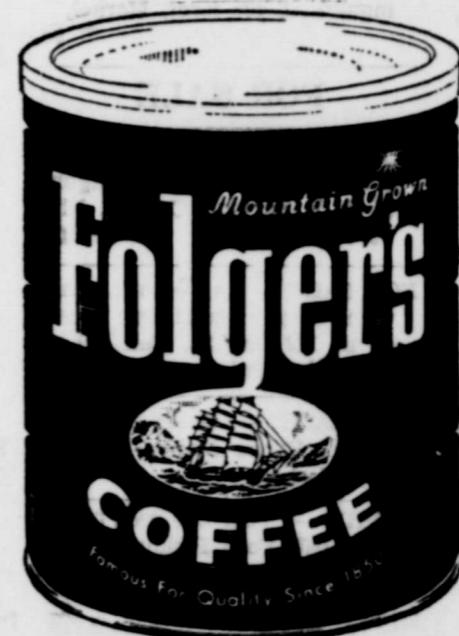
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## Girl Scouts Set Cookie Sale Day

The Annual Girl Scout Cookie Sale will begin on Feb. 1, and last through Feb. 9. All leaders will distribute cookies to girls Friday, Feb. 1, after school. The profit of nearly 50 per cent is divided between the girl scout camp fund and the girls' troops. Each girl receives for her own use or use by her troop, three cents a box.

**Girl Scout Thinking Day**  
February 22, the birthday of the founders of scouting, Lord and Lady Baden-Powell, is also designated as Girl Scout Thinking Day, which is observed each year by programs emphasizing World Friendship.

The Merkel Brownies and Scouts will gather in the elementary school library Wednesday, Feb. 20, at 3:30, to see a film published by the Girl Scouts U.S.A., "The Wide Wide World."

At this time the annual "Dimes for Daisy" fund will be added to by each girls' contribution of one cent for each year of her age. This fund is used for aiding scout projects which further international friendship.

**West Texas Scout Council Meet**  
The Annual West Texas Scout Council meeting was held in Big Spring Tuesday, Jan. 8. At that time Mrs. David Gamble was installed for the fourth year as Neighborhood Chairman of Merkel Scouts. She was also awarded a certificate of appreciation for interest and service rendered in the best interest of Girl Scouting.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Pee and Mrs. Dee Grimes of the Brages Department Store spent last week attending the National Fashion Exhibit in Dallas. Mr. and Mrs. Pee returned earlier in the week and Mrs. Grimes visited with her daughter, Mrs. John Cleveland while in Dallas.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Robert Glenn Thayer, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 10th 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, some being the 11th day of March A.D. 1963, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 19th day of February A.D. 1960, in this cause, numbered 9050-B on the docket of said court and styled Celia Thayer, Plaintiff, vs. Robert Glen Thayer, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: plaintiff and defendant were married July 7th, 1955 and became permanently separated on or about August 3rd, 1957. 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 the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this 22nd day of January A.D. 1963.

(Seal)  
Attest: R. H. ROSS Clerk,  
104th District Court,  
Taylor County, Texas  
By Irene Crawford, Deputy.

## Stith News

By MRS. FRITZ HALE

Mr. and Mrs. Dwaine Garrett and son Allen of Amarillo, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Burton.

Mrs. Jessie Lenoir is visiting in Albany with her daughter, Mrs. C. O. Willingham.

We welcome Mr. and Mrs. Charles Filks and sons to our community. They have purchased the Lester Dalton place and moved from Merkel Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Pick Payne visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Kelso in Anson Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hale and children of Midland, visited Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hale and Sandra Sunday.

The Rev. and Mrs. T. E. Moore and Fay had dinner Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Perry.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Thacker of Abilene attended services Sunday morning at the Stith Baptist Church.

State surveyors are surveying the Farm to Market road that is soon to come through the Stith Community.

## Dorcas SS Class Honors Mrs. West

The Dorcas Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church met in the home of Mrs. Charles West Jan. 25 honoring Mrs. West on her birthday.

Presiding was the president, Mrs. Lige Harris. Opening prayer was given by Mrs. W. A. McCandless, devotional by Mrs. Josie Shanks, theme "Love and Loyalty," social secretary, Mrs. Lon Stephens, flowers and general funds, Mrs. E. B. Wilburn, closing prayer, Mrs. Charles West and publicity, Mrs. Blanche Amason.

Larry Cochran served refreshments of chicken salad sandwiches, potato chips, mince pie and fruit punch to Mmes. E. M. McDonald, Bessie Jackson, C. F. Stephens, P. F. Harris, W. A. McCandless, R. H. Matthews, Ada Higgins, W. M. Hays, Josie Shanks, Blanche Amason, Elmer Wheatley, Emory Wilburn, Leonard Partin, Sam Swann, Charles West, Lige Harris, Lon Stephens and Maggie Erwin.

Visitors were Mmes. Homer Finch, C. E. Westenhover, Claude Warren, Lana Newsom, Cecil Cochran, Ca'lie Newsom and Alma Collins.

## Mrs. Louisa Luna Buried At Merkel

Funeral for Mrs. Louisa Luna, 81, a resident of Abilene for three years and formerly of Merkel, was held at St. Francis Catholic Church Monday at 11 a.m. with Father Michael O'Dwyer officiating.

Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery in Merkel.

Laughter - North Funeral Home of Abilene had charge of arrangements.

She died at 8 p.m. Saturday at her home, 986 Minda, Abilene. Surviving are five sons, Sam, Ynizx Juan and Tony, all of Abilene and Tom of Merkel; seven daughters, Mrs. Llamordia Salazora of Oklahoma City, Mrs. Juanita Rosas of Merkel, Mrs. Librada Yragraz of Merkel, Mrs. Refugia Molina of Colorado City, Mrs. Angelita Castineda of Stamford, Mrs. Santos Garcia and Mrs. Francisca Rodriguez, both of Abilene; 32 grandchildren and 28 great-grandchildren.

## Mrs. Robins, 83, Buried At Merkel

Funeral for Mrs. Rossie Myrtle Robins, 83, Abilene, was held at 10 a.m. Monday in Kiker-Warren Chapel, with the Rev. Joe Temple, pastor of the Bible Center, officiating.

Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery at Merkel.

Mrs. Robins died Saturday in an Abilene nursing home.

Born March 11, 1879, in Lincoln County, Tenn., she came to Texas in 1896 and married William C. Newberry in 1897. He died at Merkel in 1907. She married L. R. Robins in 1912.

Mr. Robins and a son by her first marriage, C. E. Newberry, preceded Mrs. Robins in death.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Harrell Trantham of 2925 Grape, Abilene; two sons, Billy Robins of Abilene and Roy E. Robins of Santa Fe, N.M.; a brother, Henry Young of California; nine grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

## Fortnighters Study Paraguay

With a setting of brilliantly colored fruits, fringed mats, and South American curts, Mrs. Clyde Bartlett, hostess, presented an attractive background for the study of Paraguay by the Fortnightly Study Club on Tuesday, Jan. 22.

Mrs. Don Dudley presided at a short business session.

Mrs. Wren Durham gave a very interesting discussion of many phases of life in Paraguay. Mrs. Ray Wilson read an excellent report on Paraguay written by Mrs. Earl Hughes, who was unable to attend.

Refreshments were served to let, Johnny Cox, Robert Curtis, W. R. Cypert, Roy Dalziel, S. C. Dixon, Don Dudley, Wren Durham, Mack Fisher, David Haynes, Ben R. Hicks, Howard Marcom, Andy Shouse, Ray Wilson and Miss Christine Collins.

Next Sunday in the absence of Bro. Hogan, Kent Denton, whose home is in Merkel, and is a student in ACC, will be the speaker at the Church of Christ here.

Minister and Mrs. Norman Hogan and Ann were guests of the Troy Sloans Sunday.

Miss Joanne Maxwell spent last Tuesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nath Maxwell — she is from Dallas.

Mrs. Onedia Sevey, of Snyder spent several days this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dock Callaway.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Stockbridge visited in the home of her mother, Mrs. Nannie Glenn and sister, Mrs. B. T. Collins of Breckenridge the past week.

Mr. J. D. Beasley, Meadow, is visiting this week in Merkel with John Shannon and other friends. Mr. Beasley moved to Meadow in 1929.

## Couple Honored At Dinner

Miss Ann Benson and Bill Scott, who will be married Feb. 23, were honored at dinner Friday evening.

Mrs. Paul West, 807 Oak Street was hostess.

The table, laid in white Maderia was centered with a green and white arrangement.

Miss Benson was wearing a winter white woolen sheath with gold accessories. Her corsage was of gardenias.

The hostess gift was a china clock in the bride's chosen pattern.

Guests included: Mr. and Mrs. Percy Scott, Trent, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Scott, Sweetwater; Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Munsfield, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Rex Reddell, Tuscola; Mr. and Mrs. John Shannon, Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Benson and Bob of Merkel.

## P-TA Hears Good Program

The Merkel Parent-Teacher Association met Thursday night, Jan. 24, in the high school auditorium. Mrs. Clyde Bunch, co-president, called the meeting to order. The invocation was given by the Rev. Howard Marcom.

Mrs. Comer Haynes, program chairman, then presented the program. First to perform were Don and Ann Carson with a piano and cornet duet. Mrs. Haynes introduced Dave Brumbeau, owner of The Merkel Mail, who talked on the subject, "Good Citizenship; Responsibility thru Civic Participation."

The school feature of the program was presented by Mrs. Spear's sixth grade room. They gave a clever presentation of their school days.

## NOODLE NEWS

Last week, Joe Womack visited his brother, Edd Womack and family for lunch. Their Sunday guests were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lantrip, Hawley, Mrs. H. S. Collins and children, Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Barbee and children, Hawley, Mr. and Mrs. Dock Callaway and Mrs. Zenobia Lucas.

Mrs. Verner Sublett from Junction spent several days recently with Mr. and Mrs. Karl Bonneau.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Brown and daughter and Mrs. Ralph Tarpley were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dock Callaway.

Mr. and Mrs. Anderson from Kermit attended the Church of Christ Sunday morning, and were guests of his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Anderson.

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## W. O. W. Reorganizes

A reorganization meeting was held Monday night at Gene's Drive Inn, Merkel, to elect officers of the Merkel Camp, Woodmen of the World.

The newly elected officers are: Ned Newsom, Consul Commander; Walter Harris, Advisor Lieutenant; Lana Newsom, Secretary; Nita Harris, Escort; Jimmie Emmerson, Banker; Richard Lowe, Watchman; Robert Lewis, Sentry; and Pat Cybert, Linda Emmerson and George Beaird, Auditors.

Plans were made to hold regular meetings on the 1st and 3rd Fridays each month at a place to be announced. The Camp also voted to admit women in the local unit.

Visitors at the meeting included Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Weber of Abilene, representing Texas Headquarters, Woodmen of the World.

## Mrs. Meyers Shower Honoree

A bridal shower honoring Mrs. Richard Meyers, Abilene, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ek Keen of Trent, was hosted in the home of Mrs. Onis W. Graham, Trent, Monday evening, Jan. 21. Twenty-five guests called during the evening.

The bride's chosen colors of pink and white were carried out in the table decorations. Appointments were in crystal and silver.

Other hostesses assisting Mrs. Graham were Mrs. R. O. Pyne, Mrs. James Canady, Mrs. George Byrom, Mrs. Merle Barnhart, Mrs. Gary Douglas and Mrs. Athel Clahorn.

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## HOME DEMONSTRATION NOTES

By LORETA ALLEN  
Taylor County Home Demonstration Agent

Taylor County 4-H Girls' Committee met Saturday morning. Carolyn Moore, chairman presided. Nine 4-H Clubs were represented.

The chairman appointed the following on the Yearbook Committee: Jo Ann Black, Kay Griffith, Katie Neil, Brooks Bennett and Terry Wozenshaft. The Education and Exhibits Committee has the following members: Nellie Warren, Betsy Orr, Gaytha Walker, Sarah Lou Hastings and Linda Smith.

Rules and information concerning County 4-H Elimination Contests and the Favorite Food Show were discussed. March 30 is the date for these.

Clubs were urged now to begin planning their activities for National 4-H Week, March 4-9.

Mrs. Gene Dobkins is in College Station this week on a special training assignment.

The last few weeks of cold weather has brought a number of calls to my office on what to do about sweating walls and windows.

Heaters and open flames mean the problem of sweating walls and windows, according to W. S. Allen, extension agricultural engineer, Texas A&M College.

A considerable amount of moisture is given off when open flame heaters are burned, he said. When this moisture contacts a cold surface, it condenses to a liquid state, the sweating you see.

To solve this problem all gas stoves, floor furnaces, central heating systems, gas refrigerators, dryers and water heaters should be vented, Allen says. This can best be done in a new house when it is built or when an old one is remodeled, but it is sometimes possible to vent space heaters through a closet or old chimney. But some condensation will still occur if the open flame type heater is used.

Allen also suggests the use of good insulation when new homes are built and where practical it can be installed in older homes.

Properly venting of stoves, clothes dryers, water heaters, sinks, dish washing areas and shower areas will solve the moisture problem in many homes. Check your appliances today to see if they can be vented to prevent mildew and sweating in those areas of the house where excess moisture occurs, says Allen.

The Cotillion was sponsored by the Women's Service Board of Grant Hospital at Valley Dale.

Miss Bennett was among the 27 young ladies who wore the traditional white ball gown and carried a white fan, centered with red roses.

She is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Robert O. Bennett Jr., Her mother will be remembered by many as the former Frances M. Higgins of Merkel. (See letter to the editor.)

### Vicki Bennett Belle Cotillion Debutant

Miss Vicki Bennett, granddaughter of Mrs. C. S. Higgins, 1109 So. 1st, Merkel, made her debut at the second annual Belle Cotillion December 27, 1962, in Columbus, Ohio.

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### Announcements

Band parents will meet Monday, Feb. 4 at the High School auditorium for the regular meeting at 7:30 p.m.

The program will include Mrs. Spears sixth grade.

### Mrs. Justice Hosts Noodle HD

The Noodle Home Demonstration Club met Jan. 22 in the home of Mrs. Jessie Justice.

Mrs. Justice, president, presided at the meeting and also led the group in a guessing game in the absence of recreation leader, Mrs. Burl Skidmore. Mrs. Odell Euckert led the opening prayer. Roll call was answered with "Did You Know."

Mrs. Justice read to the club the committee recommendations. She also read the duties of each officer.

Mrs. Justice brought the program on "Decorating Food for the Sick." Mrs. Bill Maxwell was lucky lady and won the hostess gift. Refreshments were served to the following: Mrs. Earl Palmer, Mrs. Louise Parham, Mrs. Boaz, Mrs. Bea Anderson, Mrs. Macky Spurgin, Mrs. Jim Spurgin, Mrs. Hazel Spurgin, Mrs. Adelia Euckert, Mrs. Ruth Vancil, Mrs. Bill Maxwell and three children, Patti, Dale and Eddie.

The next meeting will be Feb. 12. Mrs. Earl Palmer will bring the program on how to laundry drip dry materials. It will be held in her home.

### Linda Leach Named HD Aide

Miss Linda Leach, Merkel, has been named to replace Mrs. H. S. Spain as assistant home demonstration HD aide.

Miss Leach is a graduate of Jan. 18 from Texas Tech with a major in home economics education. She will work with 4-H clubs in the county which have been handled by Mrs. Spain, said Miss Thelma Casey, district No. 7 HD agent.

Miss Leach will reside at 305 S. Jackson, San Angelo, and this week will be in State College attending a training program for new agents. Miss Casey said she would be in Tom Green HD office Feb. 4.

The new assistant agent is a daughter of a farm and ranch family in Merkel. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Leach and she has a brother, William Richard, attending Merkel High School.

She plays the piano and sings alto, loves sewing and is a member of the First Baptist Church in Merkel.

As is a tradition with Beta Sigma Phi, Ann Benson presented the members of the sorority with a box of candy.

### Sorority Hears Abilene Speaker

Mrs. Peggy Johns of Abilene presented a program to members of Lambda Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi in the home of Mrs. Carrol Benson.

Mrs. Johns spoke on "Let's Talk on the Radio and Over Television."

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### Up The Canyon

By TOM RUSSOM

The weather Up the Canyon is just about the same, not much farming going on due to such cold weather. Feed bills are running high for the livestock.

The late Sam Butman Sr. always said February is a short month and when the stockmen got through February with feeding their livestock, they had it pretty well made. So, we are about to enter February and we could get some rain which would be a wonderful help.

Some flocks of sheep that were lambing when the cold came have had a very hard time. The loss has been too much. New born calves, however, made it fine.

Well, there have been some land deals made Up the Canyon in the last few months. The Latimer land has been sold to A. D. Scott. We don't have any idea as to what the land sold for. But there were around 640 acres sold.

The John Hughes place near White Church sold to Frank Ernovak for a price of \$90 per acre. There were 160 acres in that place.

We understand that the 340 acre stock farm known as the Will Orr place or the Uncle Perry place, which runs up into the mountains in the south end of the Canyon, has been sold for about \$75 per acre. But this sale has not been confirmed.

Women from all over this part of West Central Texas will gather Friday at the Butman Youth Camp for a Prayer Retreat, which is an annual affair. Approximately 200 women are expected to attend the three-day program.

Mrs. R. E. Clemmer has been spending some time in Abilene with some ill folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Patterson were in Arlington over the week end visiting their children. Their daughter, Mrs. Bill Wallace, has been ill.

No oil news reported in our area. There's no leasing that we know of.

There is some land being cleared and plowed on Elm Creek and some wells being drilled on the land which will be seeded in coastal Bermuda grass, which makes good growth. It is a grazing program yet to be seen.

Mrs. T. H. Russom, who was burned very badly some two weeks ago, is still improving at the Sadler Hospital.

### Trent Gardners Elect Officers

The Trent Community Garden Club met at the school cafeteria Monday night. There were 12 members present; guest included Mrs. Patricia Graham from Abilene, Mrs. Lola Lee O'Kelly, Mrs. Otha Barnhill from Trent, Mrs. Henry Ueckert, Mrs. Benjie Anderson from Noodle and Mrs. Dale Litton from Merkel.

Mrs. Litton, Nationally Accredited Flower Show Judge showed slides on "Modern Trend in Flower Arranging."

Officers for the 1963 year were elected as follows:

President, Mrs. J. M. Stowe; vice president and reporter, Mrs. Ola Lee Winn; treasurer, Mrs. Oihell O'Kelly; recording secretary, Erma Black, and parliamentarian, Mrs. Ronnie Freeman.

Committee chairmen named are:

Conservation, Mrs. J. M. Beasley; ways and means, Mrs. Weldon Beasley; horticulture, Mrs. W. L. Brown; civic beautification, Mrs. Foy Steadman; program and yearbook, Mrs. Weldon Beasley; historian, Mrs. Jackie Bright; flower show, Mrs. Odell Freeman; pilgrimage, Mrs. John Strawn, bird, Mrs. Carl Edwards; book service, Mrs. Erma Black; publicity, Mrs. Ronnie Freeman; telephone, Mrs. Leslie Beasley; litterbug, Mrs. Geta Williamson; arbor day, Mrs. Cecil Taylor.

### Goodman HD Club Meets

The Goodman Home Demonstration Club met Friday, Jan. 25, in the Community Center with the president, Mrs. Frank Carter, presiding.

Meeting was opened with prayer from Mrs. D. L. Butler. Mrs. Cal McAninch, secretary, called the roll and the council report was given.

The program was Care of Milk, given by Mrs. Cal McAninch. The March of Dimes Drive began Jan. 26 in the home of Mrs. D. L. Butler, with a supper for husbands and families.

Refreshments were served by hostesses, Mrs. Karl Bonneaux, to Mrs. Jennings Winter, H. H. Windham, Cal McAninch, Frank Carter, D. L. and C. H. Butler.



Mr. and Mrs. Walter Paul Coody, Abilene, announce the birth of a daughter, Paula Gaye, weighing 6 pounds and 4 ounces, on Jan. 22 in Sadler Clinic Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Santos Pena of 103 Lois, announce the birth of a son, Dorio, weighing 6 pounds 4 ounces, Jan. 21 in Sadler Clinic Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Owen of 1217 Jeanette, Abilene, are the parents of a son, Terry Dean, born Jan. 23 in Sadler Clinic Hospital. Terry weighed 7 pounds 12 ounces and has one sister. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Owen and Mr. and Mrs. John Oliver, all of Merkel.

A son, Alfonso Jr., was born to Mr. and Mrs. Alfonso Gonzales of 109 Lois, Merkel, Jan. 22 in Sadler Clinic Hospital. The baby weighed 8 pounds 10 ounces.

### HOSPITAL NEWS

Admissions to the hospital Sunday, Jan. 20 through Saturday, Jan. 26 are:

T. B. Poe, Winters  
Monroe Harris  
Mrs. J. W. Mayfield  
Val Byrom  
Mrs. S. G. Russell  
Mrs. A. R. Booth  
E. L. Marton  
Mrs. O. E. Taylor, Trent  
Mrs. J. B. Rosson  
Baby boy Tackett  
Mrs. Lucy Russom  
David Tarpley  
Dismissed during the same period were:

Mrs. Torliff Hanson  
Mrs. M. E. Baccus  
Mrs. Ruby Kuykendall  
Mrs. T. C. Satterwhite  
Mrs. Fred Lawrence, Wingate  
Mrs. James Tackett, Trent  
Mrs. Bettie King, Tye  
Mrs. Dewey Rogers, Hawley  
Mrs. W. L. Warren, View  
Mrs. Ray Munday, Abilene  
J. S. McCarty, Abilene  
Mrs. Santos Pena and baby  
O. K. Schooler, Hamlin  
Mrs. Mary L. Dunn, Abilene  
Mrs. A. L. Gonzales and baby  
Mrs. C. R. Gray, Roswell, N.M.  
H. L. Davenport, Midland  
Mrs. Walter Coody and baby  
Abilene  
Mrs. Bobby Owen and baby,  
Abilene  
Ed Brooks.

### IN THE MAIL BAG

THE MERKEL MAIL

Dear Editor:

Please find enclosed article from the Columbus Dispatch, Columbus, Ohio, regarding Vicki Bennett.

I am her mother — formerly Frances M. Higgins, 1938 graduate of Merkel High School. We have many relatives and friends who would be pleased to hear of this event.

Vicki's grandfather is Mr. C. S. Higgins, who resides at 1109 S. Forest Street, with Vicki's aunt, Mrs. Mary Gershon and son, Sidney.

Her grandmother is Mrs. Margaret Higgins, formerly of Merkel, who resides with her daughter, Clarice Higgins, at 2075 S. Van Ness St., Santa Ana, Calif.

I am enjoying the Merkel Mail and reading about the progress in Merkel and the activities of former classmates — Herman Carson, Horace Boney, and others.

MRS. ROBERT BENNETT  
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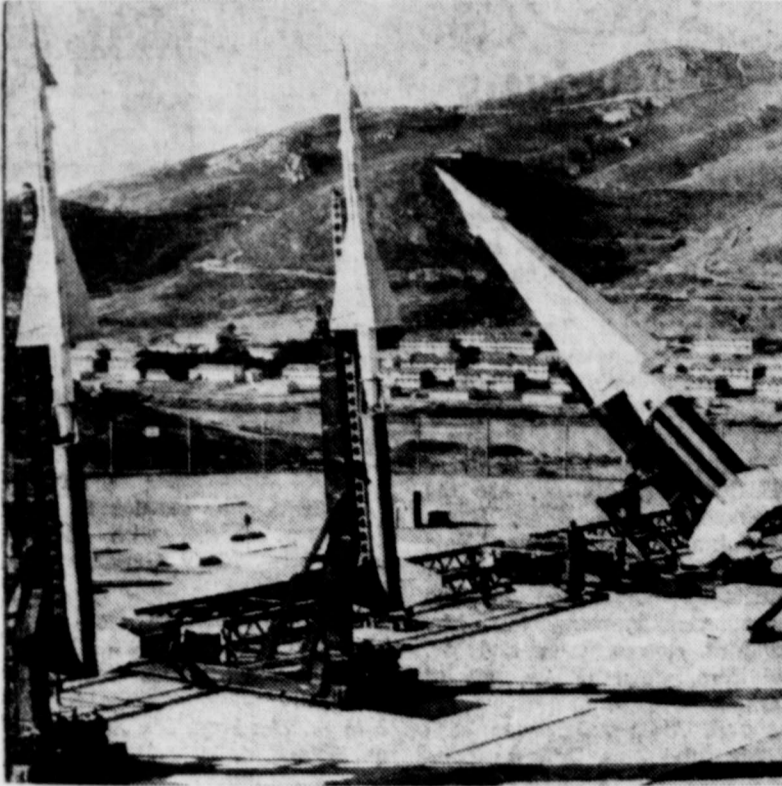
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1st Lt. Don B. Walther, co-pilot, and 1st Lt. Tim Brady, navigator. The flight engineer, SSgt. Leon R. Myers and his assistant, A1C Charles R. McCoy, will be honored in future ceremonies.

### Local Battery Takes Top Missile Honors

The 5th Missile Battalion's Battery B of Abilene, commanded by Capt. Richard F. Wasiewski (Wa-zey-ski), took top honors with a near perfect score in its annual proficiency test at McGregor Range, New Mexico.

The Nike missilemen achieved the distinctive Honor Battery Award of the US Army Air Defense Command for their overall superior performance.

It was the second time that a unit of the local Nike Battalion, while under the command of Lt. Col. Pete D. Pavick, earned this award.

The 45 men from the Berkeley Nike Missile Site earned Honor Battery status by firing at close to maximum efficiency in the newly revised and more difficult rating system employed in the Short Notice Annual Practice (SN-AP).

This test covers all phases of maintaining an air defense—pre-flight preparation, radar target identification and tracking and the actual launching-crew operation that sends the two-stage, solid propellant Nike-Hercules streaking toward its supersonic target.

Last year Battery A of the battalion at the Fort Phantom Nike Missile Site won nationwide recognition with an Honor Battery citation at its annual practice.

### First Awards Made In TAC's New 516th TCW

During the formal dining-in recently for officers of the new 516th Troop Carrier Wing, Maj. Gen. Fred M. Dean presented the first awards given by the new Tactical Air Command unit.

Included in the awards were four Air Force Commendation Medals, General Dean, Deputy Commander of Twelfth Air Force, and the guest speaker for the dining-in, presented the medals to Lt. Col. Odell K. Smith for meritorious service as wing staff communications officer from August 1961 to November 62; to Capt. John P. Portasik for outstanding support of the Mercury Missile Program at Grand Turk AFB, from July 1961 to July 1962, and to First Lieutenants Robert K. Dickey

and Richard W. Wright for meritorious service as C-130 crew members during October 1962.

General Dean also presented two crew-of-the-month awards to the officers concerned. The November award to Crew No. E-3, commanded by Capt. George Young and including First Lieutenant John Cayton, co-pilot; and Capt. Richard A. Pearson, navigator. Enlisted members of the crew, SSgt. James F. Mitchell Flight Engineer, and SSgt. Michael A. Ashcraft, Assistant Flight Engineer, will be presented their certificates at ceremonies next week.

The December award was presented to crew No. F-25 consisting of Capt. Lloyd C. Blasdel, aircraft commander;

### SCIENCE FACT AND FABLE



DR. THOMAS DIMSDALE OF HERTFORD, ENGLAND, WHO INOCULATED THE EMPRESS CATHERINE OF RUSSIA AGAINST SMALLPOX IN 1786 WAS PAID A \$50,000 FEE, \$10,000 FOR EXPENSES, RECEIVED A LIFE ANNUITY OF ABOUT \$2,500 A YEAR, AND WAS DUBBED A BARON OF THE RUSSIAN EMPIRE.

FOR OPERATING ON LOUIS XIV OF FRANCE (1638-1715), DR. CHARLES FRANCOIS FELIX WAS PAID \$15,000 AND WAS GIVEN A COUNTRY ESTATE.



GABRIEL, PHYSICIAN TO THE COURT OF HAROUN AL RASCHID, OF THE ARABIAN NIGHTS, WAS AWARDED A FEE OF ABOUT \$125,000 FOR CURING THE CALIPH OF A DISEASE.

### Zuckert Pleased With Units In Pacific Areas

Air Force Secretary Eugene M. Zuckert, in a report on his special visit to Air Force installations in the Pacific during December, said he was "tremendously impressed with the job being done by Air Force units" there. Secretary Zuckert made the statement during a press meeting at the Pentagon on Jan. 8.

The Air Force secretary said the Air Force mission in South Vietnam is "making progress in helping the Vietnam Air Force help itself."

Air commandos, he said, are proving effective in the Vietnam operation.

He said Air Force troops there are instructing the Vietnamese in various specialized tactics. He emphasized that where these tactics have been employed there has been no encroachment by Viet Cong forces.

Questioned about the type of action in Vietnam, the Air Force Secretary pointed out that the conflict in that country cannot be described as either a ground war or an air war.

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## Brig. Gen. W. R. Yancey Presents RBS Trophy

The Strategic Air Command Radar Bomb Scoring trophy was presented to the 5th Nike Missile Battalion at formal ceremonies Wednesday at the Base gymnasium.

Brig. Gen. William R. Yancey, a former commander at Dyess, represented SAC when he presented the 26-inch gold plated trophy to Lt. Col. Pete D. Pavick, Battalion commander.

Three platoons and a color guard in the Army Battalion witnessed the award ceremonies.

The RBS trophy is awarded on a quarterly basis to the Nike defense unit, in conjunction with a SAC bomber unit, which achieves the highest score on a series of aerial exercises which primarily involves tracking of Air Force aircraft.

The 5th Missile Battalion tracked Air Force aircraft (over three hundred) without error during the October through December period of last year.

It should be realized that the Nike battalion at Dyess was in competition for this award with all other Nike units in the United States.

General Yancey, who made the presentation to Colonel Pavick, remarked that he saw the Army unit grow while he was 819th Air Division and 96th Bomb Wing commander

during his tour at Dyess. He went on to say that he was pleased to see such an efficient unit of Army men at Dyess.

The rotating trophy will be retained by the Battalion for three months. General Yancey commented that he wished to see the 5th Missile permanently retain the trophy.

General Yancey returned to Castle AFB Wednesday afternoon where he is commander of the 47th Strategic Aerospace Division.

Maj. Gen. James R. Winn, U. S. Army Defense 2d Region, who was scheduled to be present for the ceremonies was forced to remain at his headquarters due to bad weather conditions.

## Three Sergeants Receive Medals

Three sergeants were presented the Air Force Commendation Medal recently for meritorious service with the Site Activation Task Force (SATAF), which is in the process of deactivating at Dyess.

The men, TSgt. John P. French, SSgt. John R. Reid and SSgt. Herman J. Letourneau, were decorated by Maj. Allen W. Benedict, in charge of Western Contract Management Region, Contract Support Detachment No. 5, with headquarters in California.

Sergeant French, property administrator, received the award for meritorious service during the period September 1960 to November 1962, as did Sergeant Letourneau, and industrial property specialist.

Sergeant Reid received his decoration for meritorious service during the period from February 1962 to September 1962.

## 6 Lieutenants Change Bars

Four SAC and two TAC lieutenants have changed the color of their bars this month from gold to silver.

First Lieutenants Thomas C. Chambers, Base housing officer and Floyd T. Longbeam, Base retention officer, both in the 96th Strategic Aerospace Wing, had date of rank beginning Jan. 13 and Jan. 14 respectively.

First Lieutenants Ralph R. Crow Jr. and William B. Williams, both deputy missile combat crew commanders in the 96th Strategic Aerospace Wing had date of rank being Jan. 11 and Jan. 9 respectively.

In the 516th Troop Carrier Wing, First Lieutenants Edward O. De Bary, chief of the administration division, and Richard E. Fried, C-130 copilot, were up graded with date of rank being Jan. 17 and Jan. 14 respectively.

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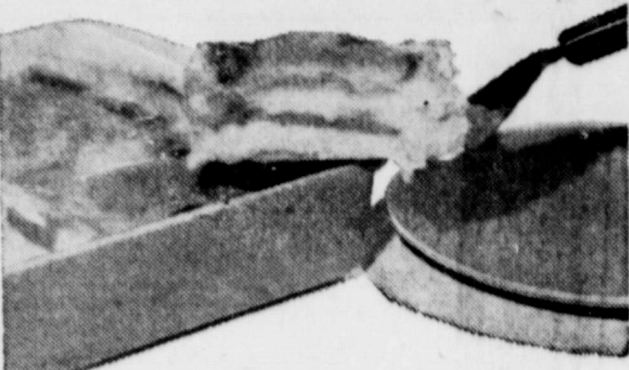
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few grains paprika  
1 1/2 cups water  
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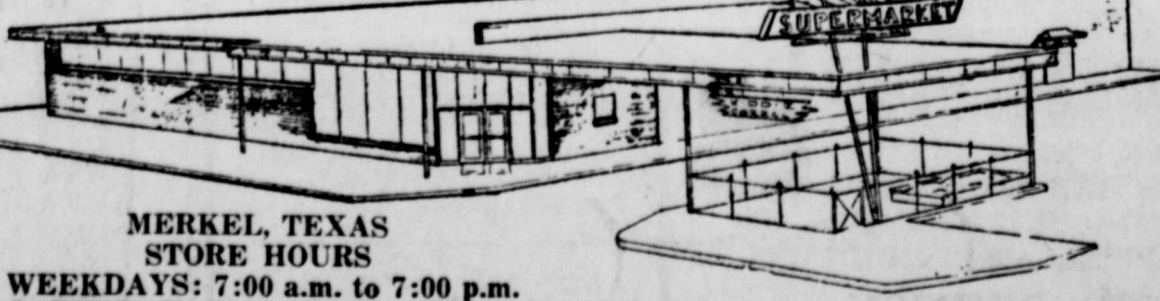
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