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Up The Canyon

By TOM

RUSSOM



Our area received more moisture the first part of the week and as some one said the ground is really wet, a very fine season. Things are looking perfect for early weeds and grass to come for livestock.

Winter is just about behind us and we are now waiting for spring to arrive. Spring always finds so many things to be done around the places such as cleaning, gardening and yard wark.

Another one of our Pioneer fathers has pased away and he was about the last one left. Uncle Allen Cook's funeral was held last Sunday in the Methodist Church at Nolan with John Gerguson and Charlie Byers conducting the ser-

As far as we know we only have one pioneer member left and that is uncle K. Blackburn. He is in his late 80s.

There were quite a few from the Canyon that attended the funeral of Mr. Cook. He was well known here.

Mr. Stanley King and Mr. and Mrs. Andy Shouse of Merkel were there. Stanley carried the Cook's mail for over 30 years and they were the best of friends.

Mrs. Irene Herd of Abilene, the former Irene Barnes, visited her son and family over the week end, Mr. and Mrs. Doyal Barnnes, and attended church at Pioneer

Mrs. Herd is helping her children enjoy their new home just newly built.

This Sunday afternoon at 2 p.m. the Taylor County Sunday Singing Convention wil be held at Pioneer Church. John Crain of Trent is vice president of the convention and he will be in charge of the singing.

Oklahoma are visiting here. They came to be with his father Dave ic Hospital for a week. Mrs. Odell Anderson, who was in Sadler Clin-Anderson is the former Rosa Russom, sister of Tom Russom.

We have been have some special songs at our church. These who have been singing are Mrs. Doyal Barnes and her son. Almer and Sue King, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen King.

Say. I wish who ever took the wire from my Tenant house and water pump pole would tell our REA what they did with it - there has been a number of vacant houses stripped of the wire in our

This Sunday night in the Fellowship Hall of Pioneer Church there will be a film shown of the constructing of our church. Every one is invited to come.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brnovak (Continued on Page 5) nephews.

TRACTOR EXPLODES **BURNS NOODLE MAN**

Earl Palmer, Noodle farmer, received second degree burns on his face and right arm Wednesday afternoon when the tractor he was driving exploded after striking a gas line.

According to his wife he was "bedding up the ground" when his plow hit the Humble gas line pipe causing his tractor to ex-

Mrs. Palmer stated that she rushed him to Sadler Clinic Hospital where he is being treated for the burns.

The tractor, a Farmall, was completely destroyed by the ex-

Mrs. Patterson Will Collect **Auto License Fees**

Mrs. Homer Patterson will be representative for the County Tax Office for the collection of vehicle license fees in Merkel.

Burl King, county tax collector, announced the appointment of Mrs. Patterson this week. Mrs. Patterson will have her office at the Merkel Chamber of Commerce, starting March 2 and stay open through March 31.

The collection station is to be located in Merkel, King said, so that Mer'el area automobile drivers would not have to go to Abilene to obtain their tags.

Mrs. C. E, Shouse Services Held

Funeral for Mrs. C. E. Shouse 68, was held at 3 p.m. Thursday in Merkel Methodist Church with the Rev. Howard Marcom, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Mr. and Mrs. Odell Anderson of Rose Hill Cemetery under direction of Starbuck Funeral Home.

> Mrs. Shouse, lifelong Taylor County resident, died at 9:30 a.m. last Wednesday in Hendrick Memorial Hospital after a year's ill-

She was born Elora Curb on May 21, 1895, in the Mount Pleasant community south of Merkel. She married C. E. Shouse on Nov. 24, 1912.

Surviving are her husband; three sons, Mardell of Fort Worth, Charles A. of 1602 Fannin, Abilene, and Bobby C. of Cedar Rapids, Iowa; two brothers, C. F. Curb of Merkel and John Curb of 3150 S. 5th, Abilene: two sisters, Mrs. Betty Sue Berryman and Mrs. Sally Moore of Merkel; eight grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren. A son, John Wesley, died in 1918, and a daughter, Gwendalyn, died in 1932.

Pallbearers were grandsons and

"MARCH TO SUNDAY

"March to Sunday School" day set by the Ministerial Alliance of Merkel

by the city's churches is 1221.

take pictures, both individual and family shots, during Sunday School and congregational pictures during the worship services, according to W. D. Tanner, pas-

He added that the pictures would be available for purchas-

Sunday, March 1, is the official like for those who will be unable to attend these services to contact us by phone or mail stating that they will listen to our Sunday School services at 10:15 and worship services at 11:00 over

> "March to Sunday School is being sponsored by the following churches. Assembly of God, Calvary Baptist, Church of Christ, Bethel Baptist, First Baptist, First Methodist, New Live Oak Baptist

"We urge everyone to March to Sunday School with us on March 1," stated the members of the Ministerial Alliance.

According to local doctors, Mr. Palmer is improving from the burns.

Merkel Girls To Attend YWA Houseparty

Approximately ten Merkel girls from the First Baptist Church will leave Friday for Hardin-Simmons University for the 15th annual Young Women's Auxiliary

Registration will begin at 1:30 p.m. and Houseparty activities will continue through Sunday.

While attending the meeting the girls will be housed in Rose Field House at H-SU.

Mrs. Bill Tate and Mrs. Esther Luke will act as sponsors for the YWA group.

Lt. Reynolds Completes 9 Week Officer Course

Second Lt. Jerry D. Reynolds, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cramer Reynolds, Rt. 2. Merkel, completed a nine - week officer orientation course at the U.S. Army Adjutant General School. For Benjamin Harrison, In.

During the course Lt. Reynolds received instruction in the basic functions and principles of the Army's administrative field.

Lt. Reynolds was graduated from Merkel High School in 1959 and received his bachelor of arts degree from Hardin - Simmons University in Abilene in 1963. He is a member of Pi Gamma Mu

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Warren visited Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Graham in Cisco Sunday.

decided in 1950 to move to the But-

man Ranch house in Mulberry

Canyon where Mrs. Ray was born,

they found the old vacant house in

I was afraid to walk from the

tion Homemaker of the Year,

Before long Mrs. Ray had the

weeds chopped and the house

cleaned, and was ready for the

second phase of her life in the

Born Margery Butman, daugh-

ter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Sam

Butman, Mrs. Ray spent the first

29 years of her married life in

Coleman where she and her hus-

band were in business and had

It was the failure of Mr. Ray's

health and the advice of his doc-

to that he spend more time out

in the open that prompted the

couple's decision to return to Mul-

berry Canyon where they oper te

the 437 - acre ranch inherited from

Real Changes

Last fall, remodeling was be-

gun on the house, and although

it is still incomplete, the place

is hardly recognizable, with the

help of a son, Vernon, the Rays

leveled the house and under-

pinned it with thick cement, took

out two chimneys, enclosed a

porch with the kitchen, making

home so dear to her.

farming interests.

the Butman family.

"Weeds were so high and thick

a sad state.

CONSERVATION CANDIDATE

Nolan Funeral Services Held For A. W. Cook

Funeral services for A. W. Cook, 95, was held Sunday in Nolan Methodist Church with the Rev. Charles Byers, pastor, officiating, assisted by the Rev. John Ferguson, pastor of the Hamlin Methodist Church. Burial was in Slater's Chapel Cemetery at Nolan directed by Starbuck Funeral

Mr. Cook, longtime Nolan County resident, died at 8 p.m. Friday in Starr Rest Home after a long illness.

Born July 4, 1868, in Williamson County, Mr. Cook married Mary Bryson Jan. 19, 1888, in Hamilton County. He moved to Old Dora, now the Nolan community in 1891 and had lived on the same farm continuously since that time. He had been a patient in the rest home here for the past two years. Mrs. Cook died in April, 1953.

He was a longtime member of the Presbyterian church.

Surviving are one son, L. A. of Nolan; one daughter, Mrs. Vena Powers of Rt. 1, Tuscola, seven grandchildren and seven greatgrandchildren. One son, J. A., died May 1, 1963, at Merkel.

Pallbearers were Ernest Mc-Cright, Will Butman, Albert Oliver. Donald Crawford, Bernard Jones and Alvin Dunlap.



MRS. E. C. RAY

. . . born in same house

MRS. RAY REMODELS HER

SEVEN GABLED HOUSE

Ordinances Forbid Dogs Fowls Stray



RIGHT TO BE PROUD - These two Merkel Band students have a right to be proud of the new band jacket they are wearing. The jackets were presented to only 19 of the 55 students and the recipients had to meet special requirements. The jackets, worn by Larry and Suzanne Howard, are solid purple wool with gold leather trim. Larry, a senior student, plays the clarinet. Suzzanne, sophomore student, plays the flute. They are the children of Mr. and Mrs. Henry L. Howard

SCHOOLS OBSERVE

the other public schools of Texas will be observing Texas Education Week from March 2 through March 6

Parents and patrons of the schools have a special invitation to visit and observe all grades, 1-12, in normal operation during the special week stated Mack Fisher, superintendent of the Mer-

March 2-6 was designated Public Schools Week by Texas Governor John Connally who stated. "Special observance of increased emphasis on our education system have been marked annually for fourteen years by a Public Schools

riod, parents are encouraged to visit the public schools, and all citizens are urged through special programs to recognize the tremendous importance of our system of education. Our goal is to make Texas Public Schools the finest in the Nation, and to achieve this our citizens are urged to take an active interest in the school system and to cooperate with their school boards, superintendents, principals and teachers.'

Gov. Connally added that never before in our history has there been a greater need for educated leadership. "As we rush to train young people in science and technology to keep pace with world events, it is also important to remember that our public schools will furnish our leaders of tomorrow with the basic human, moral and spiritual foundations necessary for more advanced training and knowledge."

Mack Davis stated that, as added attractions at the Merkel schools during the Education Week, Cisco Junior College will bring a program to the auditorium on Wednesday, March 4, at 12:40 p.m. and the third and fourth grades will present a Texas Public School Week program on Thursday, March 5, at 1:45

On Friday, March 6 the Merkel faculty will be participating in the Oilbelt District VII Texas State Teachers Association meeting in Sweetwater.

Maj. O. C. Shouse of Duluth, Minn, is visiting in the home of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Odell Eoff. Maj. Shouse is a graduate of Merkel High School.

City Ordinances To Be Re-enforced

Two ordinances, passed by the City of Merkel on Feb. 5, 1923 and since been neglected - will be re-enforced and effective July 1, according to Mayor Horace Boney.

The ordinances are largely concerned with the running loose of dogs, chickens and other fowl throughout the city.

It was reported last Friday that an unidentified elementary student was bitten by a strange dog. Other such complaints have been filed by members of the postal department who have been bitten by dogs while delivering mail to the residential sections of Merkel.

Also several complaints have been received of chickens running at large destroying vegetable and flower gardens.

Due to these large number of justified complaints the two ordinances will be re-enforced.

The first ordinance regulates the keeping of dogs in the city, fixing a tax and a penalty for its violation.

The ordinance states that there will be a tax against each person owning a dog or dogs in the city in the amount of one dollar for each male nd two dollars for each female. Each dog must then wear a tag issued by the City Tax Col-

It also states that it will be unlawful for any person owning or controlling any vicious dog to keep or permit the dog to be in or about any public place, street or alley in the City of Merkel. Failing to comply with these provisions will result in a fine not to exceed one hundred dollars.

The second ordinance states that it is unlawful for the owner of and chicken, duck, turkey or other domestic fowl to permit the fowl to run at large on the streets. alleys and other public highways

If any fowl is found running at large it will be impounded in the City Pound and kept for one day during which time the owner may claim the fowl at a payment of 50 cents each, permitted the sum does not exceed \$2.50. If the fowls are not claimed after one day they will be sold for the payment of the fees.

It states that any persons in violation of these provisions shall be fined a sum not exceeding \$15. The two ordinances will go into effect July 1.

Brotherhood Holds Supper

The Brotherhood of the First Baptist Church will have a plantation supper Thursday night at Speaker for the occassion will

be Bro. M. D. Morehead Jr., pastor of Bethel Baptist Church.

GOOD MORNING MR. POLICEMAN

By MRS. CLYDE BUNCH

When a mother leaves her child at school each morning it's with a desire that he will gain knowledge for his growing life and that he will return to her safely in the afternoon.

Every morning, almost without exception, as I take my children to school, I meet Mr. D. B. Bowen, local policeman, somewhere along the school grounds. He smiles or waves at each car that passes and it makes one feel that

the children's safety is assured. I realize the strip in front of high school makes an excellent "drag" for teenagers but his presence discourages that. In fact, as a busy working mother, I drive slower and more carefully because he reminds me that the life I save might be that of my child.

I know I voice the opinion and gratitude of many parents when I say thank you Mr. Bowen for giving us the opportunity to say. "Good morning Mr. Policeman."

SCHOOL" MARCH 1

The combined total goal set

The First Baptist Church and Bethel Baptist Church have set a goal of 491.

The First Baptist Church will

Bro. Tanner stated, "We would

radio KWFA. These people will

be counted in our March. and Presbyterian.

When Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Ray a kitchen - den combination, removed five or six gables from the back of the house making a sloped roof across the entire back, and put on a new roof and siding. "I used to call it the house of

seven gables and four porches, but not any more," Mrs. Ray front gate to the house," Mrs. Ray, said, "Now it has a modern look a candidate for Texas Conserva- and there's only one porch." Improvements most appreciated

by Mrs. Ray is the remodeled kitchen - den completely equipped with labor - saving appliances. The Ray family now numbers 24 - three daughters and sonsin-law, two sons and daughtersin-law, 12 grandchildren and when there's a family gathering, they all tend to gravitate toward the

"This posed something of a problem in the old 12x12 kitchen. but now there's plenty of room for everybody," Mrs. Ray says.

A modern bathroom has replaced the rickety old outhouse, a favored retreat of rattlesnakes, spiders and wasps.

A special project of Mrs. Ray's was the closing of one end of a hallway for a walk - in closet. Shelves were built, a clothes bar added and a light installed. Mrs. Ray painted the walls and shelves white and painted and lebeled storage boxes.

Future Plans Plans for the future include sheetrocking all other rooms, removing the partition between the living and dining rooms and instaling a plate glas window at the front of the living room.

The wiring of the house has been updated to take care of the family's many appliances, and there are two adequate septic tanks. The water system includes a well som 400 feet from the house furnishing safe tested water via electric pump which has enough pressure for safety in case of fire.

To preserve the land they love so much, the Rays engage in an extensive program of conservation. Practices include crop residue uses, conservation cropping system, building of a farm pond, diversion terracing, brush control, range deferred grazing, the erection of 11.6 miles of terracing and contour farming.

Land Improvements There are 100 varieties of grass in the pasture - many of them

hand - sown by Mr. Ray. Other improvements of the land include digging of a well and construction of a windmill by Mr. Ray, a welder; digging of an earthen tank and improvement of the private road from FM 126 to the house.

Some landscaping improvements have been made, but there's more to do in this area, too, Mrs. Ray believes.

Biggest assets in this department are two huge oak trees hundreds of years old under which Mrs. Ray played as a child, and

TO THE PREACHER: "Your sermons are not ap-TO THE VISITOR: "This church is not going for-

TO THE TREASURER: "Look out for a deficit."

TO THE PROSPECTIVE CHURCH MEMBER: "You had better wait. TO THE MEMBER PRESENT: "Why don't you go

ATTEND CHU

| CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH | SUNDAY- |
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| Marvin H. Clark, paster SUNDAY MORNING Broadcast | Sunday School Radio Broadcast Worship Service Radio Broadcast Training Union Evening Worship |
| Training Union 6:45 Worship Service 7:30 WEDNESDAY Evening Service 8:00 GRACE PRESBYTERIAN | MONDAY — Junior Royal Am TUESDAY— Intermediate GA's WEDNESDAY— |
| Sunday School 10:00 Preaching Service 11:00 | Women's Missionary Society Sunbeam Band Junior GA's |
| FIRST METHODIST CHURCH Howard Marcom, paster SUNDAY Sunday School 9:45 Preaching 10:55 | Ambassadors Mid-Week Services Choir Practice |
| Youth Meeting 6:00 Evening Worship 7:00 | ASSEMBLY OF John Curtis, pa |
| Choir Practice 8:00 | SUNDAY Sunday School |

| NEW LIVE OAK BAPTIST CHURCH | |
|--------------------------------|------|
| Bill Williams, pastor | |
| SUNDAY | |
| Sunday School 1 | 0:00 |
| Preaching Service 1 | 1:00 |
| Training Union | 6:00 |
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| Ke | enneth | Jo | oines, | pastor | | |
| SUNDA | Y | | | | | |
| Bible | Scho | loc | | | 9:45 | |

Morning Worship 10:30

Evening Classes 6:00 Evening Worship 6:45

Bible Classes 8:00 FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

WEDNESDAY

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| Worship Service 10:50 | a.m |
| Radio Broadcast 11:00 | a.m |
| Training Union 6:30 | p.m |
| Evening Worship 7:30 | p.m |
| MONDAY - | |
| Junior Royal Am 3:30 | p.m |
| TUESDAY- | |
| Intermediate GA's 7:00 | p.m |
| WEDNESDAY- | |

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| Society | 9:30 | a.1 |
| Sunbeam Band | 3:15 | p.1 |
| Junior GA's | 3:45 | p.1 |
| Intermediate Royal | | |
| Ambassadors | 6:30 | p.1 |
| Mid-Week Services | 7:30 | p.1 |
| Choir Practice | 8-30 | n i |

ASSEMBLY OF GOD John Curtis, pastor

| SUNDAY | |
|-----------------------|------|
| Sunday School | 9:4 |
| Preaching | 11:0 |
| Evening Preaching | 7:00 |
| WEDNESDAY | |
| Mid-Week Evangelistic | |
| Service | 7:3 |
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MISSION BAUTISTA BETHEL Pastor, M. D. Morehead Jr. SUNDAY

NOODLE NEWS

By SIMMONS CALLAWAY

Earl Palmer is in Sadler Clinic lospital recovering from burns on is face, arm and back received ast Wednesday when his plow struck a gas line breaking it and causing his tractor to blow up. Farmers were real proud of the snow which fell last Thursday. It will help the grain a lot.

Mrs. Leta Barbee and Mrs. Myrtle Paul visited Sunday evening

with Mr. and Mrs. Dock Calla-

way. Also visiting the Callaways

during the week end were Mr. and

There are mumps and measles

in the school. The two Clift girls

have the mumps and Paul Best.

Doug Womack and Richard and Jodie Woods have the measles.

Mrs. Carl Jackson and Mrs. Forrest Warren sponsored a birth-

day party Saturday night for Mrs.

Lucas and Mrs. A. Knowles. The

party was held in the home of

Mrs. David Sevey from Snyder.

11 a.m.

6 p.m.

7 p.m.

Sunday School Morning Worship

Training Union

Prayer Meeting

WEDNESDAY

Evening Worship

Warren and children, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Blacketers and children, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Porter and children, and Mrs. Knowles, all of Richardson.

Also Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Swarington, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Swarington and Mr. and Mrs. Philip Pursley and children, of San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Davis and boys, Mrs. Violet Smith, Mrs. Jewell Strickland, Mrs. Inez Warren, M. H. Spann, and Mrs. T. K. Marshall, all of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Kitchens and children, Snyder; Cliff Thomas, Dick Gray and Tommy Blalock of Snyder; Mr. and Mrs. Buster Jones, Hodges, Mrs. Tressie Lucas and Chrisit, Merkel: Mr. and Mrs. Dock Callaway, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Jackson and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Maxwell and girls, all of Noodle

Entertainment was provided by a group of musicians, Dick Gray, Tommy Blalock, G. W. Kitchens and Cliff Thomas.

Dawson McCain is in the Merkel Clinic.

Mrs. Ernest Spurgin is visiting at Bronte with her daughter. taking care of a new grandson. The L A. Sargents are moving to Abilene

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposals for constructing two sanitary sewerage facility projects wil be received at the office of the City Secretary, Merkel, Texas, until 2:00 o'clock p.m. March 17, 1964, and then publicly opened and read. Either or both of the projects, which

on are listed below, may be bid. 1. Gravity flow sewerage line and appurtances and approximately:

4286 LF 15" 884 LF 12" 2764 LF 8" 1998 LF 6" 2. New Sewage Treatment Plant and Lift Station

Bidders must submit a bond,

cashier's or certified check for 5 per cent of the amount bid as a guarantee that the bidder will enter into the contract under the conditions set forth within ten (10) days after notice of award of contract. A performance bond equal to the amount of the contract will be required. The minimum wages which shall apply on this work are the established rates for this area, as determined by the U.S. Secretary of Labor under the Davis - Bacon Act and set forth in the specifications. A bidder may be required to submit a statement of his experience, financial resources and equipment before award of contract. The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to award the projects to the bidder or bidders as considered of most advantage to the City. Plans and Specifications may be inspected at the office of the City Secretary, Merkel, Texas, or Hasie & Green and Associates office in Lubbock, Texas. Plans and Specifications may be obtained at the office of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Toliver are Hasie & Green and Associates, 3901 Avenue H, Lubbock, Texas, upon deposit of twenty - five dollars (\$25.00), which will be refunded to each actual bidder upon return of the plans and specifica tions. Seventeen and one - half dollars (\$17.50) will be refunded to non - bidders upon return of the documents. Proposals are

> available without charge. "NONDISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT: Bidders on this work will be required to comply with the President's Executive Order No. 11114 and the provisions of Executive Order No. 10925 as included therein. The requirements for bidders and contractors under this order are explained in the Specifications."

> > CITY OF MERKEL By Horace O. Boney Mayor

> > > 50 2tc

LEGAL NOTICE

Auction Sale of the following described goods will be held Monday, March 9, 1964, at 10:00 a.m. at the J. D. Moore Storage Warehouse, 601 South 4th Street, Abi-

A quantity of household goods stored by Mrs. J. M. Williams. A washer and drier stored by Carl Dugger.

quantity of household goods stored by Minnie B. Thomas. A quantity of household goods stored by Louise Presley Sitzes.

stored by Charles Muir. A quantity of household goods stored by Helen Williams.

(5) cartons of personal items

A quantity of household goods stored by Mrs. V. L. Shamberger. An air conditioner and refrigerator stored by A. A. Scott.

(4) cartons of personal effects stored by Roy Throckmorton.

A quantity of household goods stored by Charles Smith. A quantity of household goods stored by Ruth Swearington. A quantity of household goods

stored by Ruby Reeves. (1) Electric range stored by E

A quantity of household goods stored by S. W. McFarlin. (1) carton, mattress and box spring stored by Bill Littleton. A quatity of household goods

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stored by John E. Griffin.

A quantity of household goods stored by J. M. Gabbert. (1) ironing board and (2) car-

tons stored by Ella Mae Gee. A quantity of household goods stored by E. E. Bilbrey. A quantity of household goods

stored by Bob Beck. A quantity of houshold goods stored by R. D. Brown.

(1) carton, (1) box and (8) foot lockers stored by R. W. Brown. A quantity of household goods stored by Carl Duffield.

A quantity of household goods

stored by D. P. Smith.

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JOHNNY COX Accountant **Income Tax Notary**

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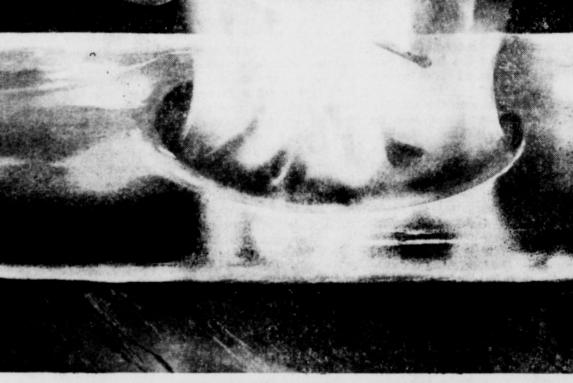
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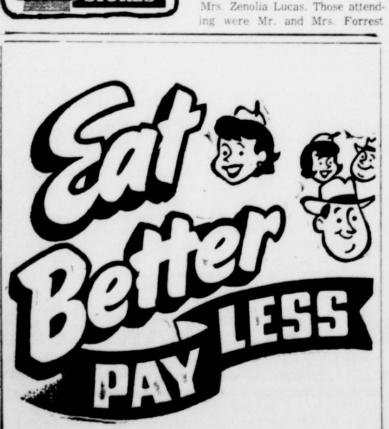


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| PETER PAN PEANUT — 18-0Z. BUTTER |
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| BEANS 4-lb. bag 39c |
| Finest Quality |
| MEATS |
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MASONIC MEETING Stated Meeting of Merkel Lodge No. 710 on 2nd Saturday and 4th Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Visitors welcome. Members urged to attend. BILLY MAXWELL, W.M.

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I'm 68, a widow, and would time to hospitals, organizations, etc. But I'm a little timid about applying. Is there some way I can get confidence in myself? -GOLDEN AGE

useful living.

What information is there on what a state can do for its senior citizens? We belong to a club and want to prepare a speech.

- MARIE AND FRIENDS

issuing invitations to her friends - and herself! - is to highlight the fact that they invited you, too. In short, it's her role to elevate you straight out of the cellar corner all polished up for you at

HINTS FOR VOLUNTEERS

Dear Helen. I heard about clubs

for retired men that make valu-

able contributions to the com-

munity. Not money, but service.

Can you tell me more about

them and where they are? Six of

us await your reply. Thank you

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ly refer to the Mora Clubs form-

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A. C. Snyder, 1605 Chelsea Ave.,

am replying to a recent column

of yours in the newspaper here

which criticizes family physicians

for not helping a patient over

the psychological bridge from an

old doctor to a new doctor. Per-

haps the word "criticized" is too

strong. I do not have the column

on my desk now, but I remember

it very well. I am one of the

family physicians you mention.

Many of my old patients are

moving away into retirement cit-

ies and I would like you to know

that most of us gladly cooperate

to help our old patients place

the same confidence in the new

doctor that they had in us. I trust

you will find space in your col-

umn for this reassurance. We

help them conquer their fears

and misgivings. Your very truly,

Dear Helen, Please don't mis-

understand, my daughter and her

husband are charming and I dear-

ly love them. The problem net-

tling me is being invited to their

home for a social evening. I find

their friends rather dull. But

what really rankles me is that

prestige and status, yet the gen-

old-mother hanging around. This

is intolerable to me. I hesitate to

make an issue of it because I have

nothing but an emotion to dis-

cuss. Do you see what I mean?

Am I suffering from a displaced

Your children are charming?

Not in my book dear! Your emo-

tion is resentment at being down-

graded by them and their friends.

You're boiling at the assault on

your self - esteem and your pub-

lic and private image. Unintention-

al, maybe; but it does not ex-

cuse your young savages. Show

this clearly to your daughter. The

charming thing for her to do when

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very much. - Captain Tom.

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EVERYBODY IN THE ACT

The world's your oyster! Take these fast jottings and let's go! Almost every state in the union has a committee on aging. In Massachusetts, Boston's seniors now get low - cost movie tickets. For information write to Mrs. George Oliva, Editor of the News Bulletin, 167 Tremont Tt., Boston. In Utah, a conference of experts on "The Older Volunteer" explored new motivations. For information write to Eva Hancock, Community Services Council, Salt Lake City. In the State of Washington, a Directory of Retirement

February is a month of celebration, and if punch is in order please your guests with a hot cranberry juice creation. Children and adults alike go for the cheerful, robust color and tangytaste, and there's nothing like a hot punch to warm the cockles of your heart on a frosty day. HOT BUTTERED CRANBERRY PUNCH 1 quart Ocean Spray Cranberry Juice Cocktail 4 cup brown sugar 1 quart apple juice Butter

LET'S CELEBRATE!

Combine all ingredients except orange juice and butter. Heat slowly until piping hot and spicy. Add orange juice. Pour into mugs. Add bits of butter just before serving.

Homes is ready, along with speakers on gerontology. Write to the Governor's Council on Aging, P. O. Box 1162, Olympia, Mashington. In Georgia, its entire older population was profiled for housing, finances, health, hopes. Write to the Georgia Commission on Aging, 7 Hunter St., S.W., Atlanta. Start with all this, then finish up with the free list of booklets sent as compliments of this column. Your speech wil be a humdinger!

NEED HELP ON A PROBLEM? Write to Helen Alpert, National Senior Center, Lehigh Acres, Florida, or in care of this newspaper. Write today for the free list of the many booklets and services available to you, compliments of this column.

In 1854 the State of Texas purchased 1,280 acres of East Texas Big Thicket at \$2 per acre and set it aside as an Indian Reserva-

Hartley - Teaff Host Garden Club

Mrs. Joe Hartley and Mrs. Ernest Teaff hosted the Merkel Garden Club meeting in the Elementary School Library Thursday af-

During the business meeting Mrs. Hartley was elected to serve as president for the unexpired term of Mrs. S. D. Gamble who had resigned.

"Silent Spring," book by Rachel Carson, was reviewed by Mrs. Buck Leach.

Attending the meeting were Mmes. Eunice Massey, Herbert Patterson, Charlie Sherrill, Johnny Cox, Mary Click, Mack Fisher, R. M. Ferguson, W. L. Brown, H. ico from Texas in the first nine N. Odum, Joe Hartley, Ernest Teaff, Buck Leach and Miss Christine Collins.

LITTLE BADGER **TRACKS**

COACHES Charles Warford and Mack Davis have been working hard the last week organizing their Junior Boys and Girls into track teams. They are also getting their volleyball and tennis teams ready for the Junior Conference play as well as the Grade School Interscholastic Meets to be held this Spring. The Merkel Elementary School has a number of boys and girls participating. All are expecting to have an excellent season.

Texas Public School week begins March 1st and ends March 7th. The Elementary School invites all the patrons of the school to visit during the week. Mrs. Dunagin and Mrs. Haynes have combined their classes to arrange a program to be held in the school auditorium beginning at 1:45 p.m., Thursday, March 5th.

The Merkel Public Schools will recognize March 6th as a school holiday in order that the teachers may attend the Oilbelt District of the Texas State Teachers Association meeting. This meeting will be held in Sweetwater. There will be no school on March 6th.

The Merkel Elementary School will participate in the University Interscholastic League Spring Literary Meet to be held in Big Spring on April 4th.

We do have Parent - Teacher Conferences coming up March 12th and 13th. The afternoons of each of these days will be devoted to parents and teachers working together for the progress of our children.

The Valentine Post Office sponsored by Mrs. Benson and the Decoration and Beautification Committee netted \$31.25 to be spent on beautifying the school campus. A 'pat on the back' for a job well done.

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> The strength and confidence of Faith can mean many things to many men . . . and to the families who count on them. So together with your family start to find that Faith

Mulberry Canyon 4-H Club Meets

The Mulberry Canyon 4-H Club met in the community center with Donald Russom calling the meeting to order.

Judy Brnovak led the American pledge followed by the 4-H motto and prayer led by Becky Bry-

Susie Riney spoke on "The Country Things.

Betsy Johnson introduced the speaker, Betty McAninch who spoke on her eight years experience in 4-H.

A gift was presented to Miss McAninch by Mark Dudley.

"Guide on Civil Defense" was explained by Larry Orsborne and Mrs. Dobkins.

During the business session it was decided to sell tickets and sponsor a dinner at the Shoat Sale on June 1st. Members on this committee are Mary Johnson, Robert Clemmer, Katy Neill and Myrtie Davis.

Attending the meeting were Becky and Glenn Bryan, Judy Brnovak, Gaylon Brnovak, Robert Clemmer, Mark Clemmer, Katy Neill, Myrtie Davis, Mark Dudley, Mike Dudley, Donald Russom, Betsy Johnson and Mary John-

UP THE CANYON

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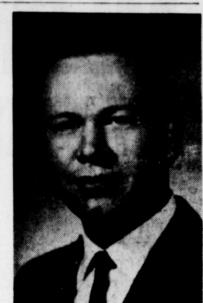
and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Polk in Midland over the week end and attended the opening of the new church that the Polks attend.

Mrs. Polk is the former Ruth Butman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Butman

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Swinney are the grandparents of a baby girl born last week to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Swinney of Amarillo.

Morice Johnson is recovering from the mumps. He said he did not want them anymore. His brothers have been helping care for his livestock.

The venom of the Australian tiger snake is considered the most toxic snake poison known



CHARLES FREELAND . . . guest pastor

Charles Freeland To Speak March 1

Charles Johnston Freeland III, second - year student at Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary in Austin, wil be guest pastor at the Merkel Presbyterian Church on Sunday, March 1.

Mr. Freeland received his bachelor of arts degree from Davidson College in Davidson, North Caroline, in 1962. He has his church membership in the First Presbyterian Church of Crowley, Louisi-

Barley Aboard USS Everglades

Billy J. Barley, machinery repairman fireman, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. James C. Barley of Tye, is serving aboard the destroyer tender USS Everglades, operating out of Charleston, S. C.

The Everglades departed Feb. 8 for a tour of duty with the Sixth Fleet in the Mediterranean area. The Sixth Fleet is a force consisting of an attack carrier striking force, an amphibious task group and a variety of auxiliary ships which enable the fleet to operate for extended periods of time without the support of land

WSCS Meets In Chapel

The Women's Society of Christian Service met in the chapel of the First Methodist Church Tuesday with Mrs. Jarrett Williams as program leader

The topic of the program was "The Church Speaks or Dies." Mrs. Vernon Hudson was in charge of the business meeting. Eleven attended the meeting.

Lunchroom Menu

THURSDAY

Tuna Salad on Lettuce Leaf Green Beans **Buttered Baked Potatoes** Sliced bread - butter Lemon Pudding

Meatballs, onions and tomato

FRIDAY Hot Dogs Bean Vegetable Salad

Apple Cheese Crisp MONDAY

sauce Corn Spinach Cornbread

Butter Peach Cobbler Milk

TUESDAY Pork Roast Gravy Lima Beans Cabbage Slaw Homemade Bread - Butter Spiced Apple Sauce

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DANCE OF DEATH



MANY today remember the nursery game, "Ring Around The Rosie." It's an

age-old favorite. But few remember this seemingly innocent fun started in London during the Great Plague of the Middle Ages. Tiny tots of the time took up the rhyme as a defense against the terror in their hearts. Then 'they all fall down" was no joke. It was grim reality. For that's exactly what happened to victims of the plague; they literally dropped dead in the

Today, the game seems harm-less enough. For its origin is all but forgotten. And modern hygiene and sanitation have literally stamped out Great

But now-in spite of all the excellent care and precautions of our Public Health authorities—trouble may lie ahead, says the National Water Institute. Localized outbreaks of disease like infectious hepatitis that often stem from po water are cropping up with alarming frequency around the country. Some bring death. These infections are usually

traced to fecal matter and often to water contaminated by human waste. Worse yet, more than 70 newly-discovered vi-

The mamba of the African for-

ests is a snake that lurks in trees

and bites its victims in the face

or shoulder

ruses have been added to the original list of enteric diseases known to be present in human wastes in just the last 15 years. Since World War II, the

nation's population has exploded. The birthrate soared. And new communities have sprung up overnight. Many are built too fast for publicsewage systems of their own or too far from existing facilities. So septic tanks and cess-

pools fill the gap.

But these antiquated methods of waste disposal often create a serious health hazard. Drainage may become difficult and sewage seepage results.
Then water supplies are seriously polluted and disease breaks out.

So it behooves us all to take a good hard look at our coma good hard look at our com-munity and at our own sewage facilities and water supply. And if they don't come up to par, we must act now to spread the word around, support our city administrators and—most important—supply them with the money to do the job well. For unless we work together for more and better water now,

we risk the health of our fam ilies. And one day, our chil-dren's happy game of "Ring Around The Rosie" may revert again to a dance of death.

peans.

The last Tasmanian native died in 1876, about 100 years after the island was discovered by Euro-

Banquet Held For Blue-Gold

The Merkel Cub Scouts Pack 20 and their parents attended the Scouts annual Blue and Gold Banquet Monday night in the school

The Scout Den of Mrs. Bonnie Dayton presented a puppet show followed by a song from the Scout Den of Mrs. Robert James. The Scout Den of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Allen completed the program with a skit.

Each den decorated their own table with a centerpiece made by the boys.

New member signing for the scouts was Robert Toler.

Following the banquet a business meeting was called by Cub-Master Dan Allen. During the meeting the following officers were elected: Dr. Don Warren, institutional chairman; Johnny Young, Cubmaster and Roy Dalziel, chairman of cimmitteeman. Committeemen elected were Buster Hester, R. E. Dayton and Ralph Russell.

The following den mothers signed for the coming year: Mmes Robert James, R. E. Dayton and Dan Allen; Webelos Den, Mr. S. C. Dixon assisted by Dan Allen. Approximately 120 attended the

Dallas Garden Show Scheduled

An "Enchanted Voyage" thru lavish gardens representing all parts of the world will be featured as theme of the 1964 Dallas Garden Center Flower Show.

The 13th annual show, co - sponsored by the Dallas Garden Center and State Fair of Texas, will run March 14 through 22 in the World Exhibits Building at State Fair Park.

"This is the first time to our knowledge a Flower Show has been designed by architects," according to Mrs. Herbert Marcus Jr., chairman of the show. "We anticipate a show that will be spectacular both in scope and dimension.

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MRS. RAY

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The Rays are active in community affairs and are very proud of their beautiful Pioneer Methodist Church for which Mr. Butman was donor of the land and principal donor of the building funds. Mrs. Ray is church secretary and serves as secretarytreasurer of the church's Women's Society of Christian Service. She is a member of her community's home demonstration club, and both she and her husband are interested in the Butman Community 4-H Club of which their grandson, Michael Ray, is a mem-

"I wouldn't trade my life here in Mulberry Canyon for any other," Mrs. Ray declares. "The people are truly like one big family, sharing their resources. their happiness and their sor-

Each Christmas season, the Rays enjoy driving their pickup truck to the nearby mountains to cut their own Christmas tree, and then, before going home, looking over the countryside.

"The fields and pastures look like a beautiful patchwork quilt." Mrs. Ray says. "I truly believe that anyone who has ever lived here, will eventually come back - either to make it his home again or to see its people."

Asked for her philosophy behind the love and care of the land, Mrs. Ray wil reply, "Many people agree that we are entitled to use the land for our benefit, but it really belongs to God, and we should pass it on to the next generation in better condition than we found it."

Brownie Troop Meets at Hut

Brownie Troop 62 met Monday at the Scout Hut with president Judy Shields leading the pledge to the flag.

The group completed work on puppets.

Cynthianne Steck served refreshments.

Mrs. R. E. Dayton and Mrs. Pat Cypert are co - leaders of the troop.

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Mrs. E. H. Thompson visited in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Curtis Clyburn and family last

Mrs. Neva Sparks and Mr. and week end.

Mrs. Ralph Miller visited her son, Mr. Jack Miller and family in Odessa last week end. Visiting in the Ralph Miller home at the of Mr and Mrs. D. C. Fry and



the home of her sister in law, Mrs. Arthur Sears in Abilene last week Visitors in the home of Mr. and

Mrs. O. J. Adcock last week end was her son, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Scott of Crane. His son and daughter in law, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Mrs. J. O. McMurry of Abilene Adcock of Kress, are visiting in were visitors in the home of their the home this week while attendmother, Mrs. W. M. Hays last ing the Abilene Christian College lectureship.

Jerry Miller of Glen Rose.

Sandusky last week end.

las last week end.

Mrs. Eunice Massey and daugh-

ter Mrs. Gerald Fudge and fami-

ly of Abilene in the home of Mr.

and Mrs. Roy B. Massey in Dal-

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Jump and

Mrs. Mossie Statfield visited in

daughters of Odessa were visitors

Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Fry and daughter, Mrs. L. M. Schooler and children, visited in the home Randy at Lake Brownwood last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Peterson and family of Abilene were visitors in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Peterson last week end.

Mrs W D Crawford and Mrs. Dunn of Midland were visitors in

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the home of her mother, Mrs. Texas, by filing a written answer present time are Mr. and Mrs. Callie Price the past week end.

M. C. Fronabarger and M. E. Fronabarger from Fort Worth are visiting in the home of their sister, Mr. and Mrs O B Boden.

Visitors in the W E Coop home this week were her father, J H Whitlock and sister, Mrs. Eileen Woodward, both of Hico.

in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mr and Mrs A B Horton of Abilene were visitors in the home Mrs. Lucy Ford visited in the of his mother, Mr. and Mrs. T. home of her brother, Mr. and Mrs. J Amason last week end. Jim Bridges in Lamesa the past

Mr and Mrs W L Brown Jr., and children of Hobbs, N.M. were week end visitors in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W L Brown Sr.

Will Johnson from Lubbock visited his sister, Mrs. Wheatley over

the week end. Mrs. M. C. Clayton of Tulia is visiting her sister, Mrs. Sam

Gene Bankhead of Lubbock visited his sister, Mrs. T. J. Melton

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

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: GEORGE WATSON, defendant. Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COM-MANDED to appear before the Honorable Court of Domestic Relations of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene,

LEGAL NOTICE

at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of

the first Monday next after the

expiration of forty - two days

this citation, same being the 30th

day of March A.D. 1964, to Plain-

tiff's Petition filed in said court,

on the 7th day of February A.D.

styled DEANNA LOTT WATSON.

Plaintiff, vs. GEORGE WATSON,

of this suit is as follows, to-wit:

Plaintiff and Defendant were duly

and cruel treatment and for cus-

as is more fully shown by Plain-

tiff's Petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served

of its issuance, it shall be return-

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 di-

Issued and given under my hand

and the seal of said court at Abi-

lene, Texas, this the 12th day of

Domestic Relations Court,

Attest: R. H. ROSS Clerk.

Taylor County, Texas.

By Millie Scott, Deputy.

LEGAL NOTICE

Due to the large number of justi-

fied complaints concerning the

running loose of dogs, even to the

point of children on the school

grounds being bitten by dogs of

owners unknown, it has been de-

cided to enforce the ordinance

that is now in effect and which

has in the past been neglected.

Copy of this ordinance is hereby

printed for the convenience of

dog owners and effective July 1,

1964 the portion of the ordinance

concerning the registration of

An ordinance entitled an or-

dinance regulating the keeping of

dogs in the City of Merkel, fixing

a tax thereon and providing a

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF

Section 1. That there is hereby

fixed and assessed a tax against

each and every person owning of keeping a dog or dogs in the City of Merkel, as follows: Against

each and every male dog, one dollar: against each and every female dog. two dollars. Said tax shall be due and payable on the 1st day

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the City Tax Collector and Assessor to provide suitable metal tags with numbers thereon begining at one and running numerically, and he shall furnish all persons complying with the terms

of July of each year.

dogs, will be enforced.

penalty for its violation.

February A.D. 1964.

(Seal)

tody of the three children.

ed unserved.

from the date of the issuance of There is also an Ordinance entitled an ordinance prohibiting the running at large of chickens and other fowls in the City of Mer-1964, in this cause, numbered 844 kel, providing for the impounding on the docket of said court and of the same and carrying a penalty for its violation. Copy of this A brief statement of the nature ordinance is printed for convenience of owners of same.

An ordinance entitled an ordinand legally married at Abilene ance prohibiting the running at Texas, on August 5, 1955. They large of chickens and other fowls became permanantly separated in in the City of Merkel, providing for November, 1963. Plaintiff sues the impounding of the same and for divorce on grounds of harsh carrying and providing a penalty for its violation.

> BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF

Section 1. that hereafter it shall within ninety days after the date be unlawful for the owner of any chicken, duck, turkey or other domestic fowl to permit the same to run at large on the streets, alleys, and other public highways in the City of Merkel.

> Section 2. That when any such fowl as mentioned in section one hereof shall be found running at large on any street, alley or public highway of this city, the same shall be by police impounded in City Pound and kept a period of 1 day during which time the owner thereof may be the payment of the sum of 50 cents for each fowl be permitted to take such fowl or fowls, provided that in no event shall the impounding fee exceed \$2.50, regardless of the number of fowls, so impounded. And if they are not redeemed by the owner within such time then such fowls shall be sold for the payment of said fees, as is now provided for the sale of animals under the ordinance of the city; provided, that should the policeman be unable to catch any such fowl or fowls, then

he is authorized to shoot the same. Section 3. That the running at large on the streets and alleys of the City of Merkel of any such fowls as are mentioned in Section one hereof is hereby declared to be a nuisance.

Section 4. That any person who shall wilfully violate any of the provisions of this ordinance, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, in the Corporation Court of the City of Merkel shall be fined in any sum not exceeding \$15.00.

Section 5. That this ordinance shall be in full force and effect Passed February 5 A.D. 1923.

NEWS

By MRS. FRITZ HALF

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This community had a big snow Thursday night.

The Rev. J. E. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones and Mrs. Paul Bradley attended the workers conference at the First Baptist Church in Lueders Tuesday

Mr. and Mrs. James Strong and

Melinda of Odessa visited over

the week end with Mrs. J. E. Swindell and the Rev. and Mrs. Jesse Swindell. Mrs. Fletcher Jones and Mrs.

Paul Bradley attended a Home Demonstration Club Council Meeting in Anson Thursday. Wilbur Loflin was home for the

week end. He returned to the hospital near San Angelo Sunday

W. I. Burton is reported to be

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ray Browning and children of Tuscola visited Mr. and Mrs. Wilber Loflin

The Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Moore and Fay were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Perry. James Hale, of Midland, Ethel Canida of Crosbyton and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Malone of Abilene visited Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hale

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Hobbs of Grand Prairie spent the week end with Mr and Mrs. John Hobbs and Mr. and Mrs. Benny Hobbs and children.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Griffin attended services at the Hope Church of Christ Sunday morning. Henry Holt came home from Sadler Clinic Hospital Monday. He had surgery and is reported to be doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Holt of Abi-

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Thursday, February 27, 1964

lene were visitors in the Holt home Sunday. The Rev. J. E. Moore conducted a funeral in Muleshoe Monday afternoon. He was pastor of the First Baptist Church there for many years before moving to Abi-

THE MERKEL MAIL, MERKEL, TEXAS

Mrs. W. C. Payne, Glenda and Mike of Guyman, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Payne, Cordell, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. John Jones of Truby visited Mr. and Mrs. Pick Payne Saturday.

Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Payne attended a birthday dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Byrum in Trent celebrating the birthdays of Pick Payne, Les Payne, Mrs. Bess Jackson and George Byrum. This is the 3rd year they have had a birthday dinner together and we wish for them many more.

Mr. and Mrs. Buck Leach visited their daughter, Linda in Llano last week end. They later visited Dick Leach, a student in Le Tourneau College in Longview.

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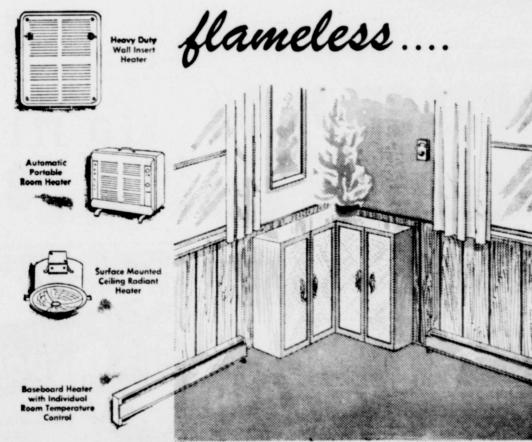
of this ordinance with such tags and shall in a well bound book kept for that purpose register the number of such tags or tag and the name of the person procuring. Section 3. It shall be the duty of any person owning or keeping a dog or dogs within the corporate limits of the City of Merkel to apply to the City Assessor and Collector, pay the tax upon his dog or dogs and obtain from said assessor and collector a tag as herein provided and to have such tag at all times securely fastened on a collar around the neck of the dog. It shall be unlawful for any person to use any tag upon a dog similar to the tag issued by the city tax collector and as-

sessor and not duly issued by him. Section 4. It shall be unlawful for any person owning or controlling any vicious dog to keep or permit the same to be in or about any public place, street or alley in the City of Merkel.

Section 5. It shall be unlawful for any person owning or controlling any bitch to allow her to run at large on the streets of the City of Merkel.

Section 6. Any person failing to comply with the provisions of this ordinance, or violating any of the provisions thereof shall be deemed quilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction, shall be fined in any sum not to exceed one hundred dollars; provided that the provisions of this ordinance shall not apply to dogs following countrymen into the city.

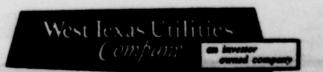
Section 7. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and publication Passed, February 5, A.D.



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