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Up The Canyon

By TOM
RUSSOM

Well the weather is cold in the mornings and warm in the afternoons.

There is some feeding of livestock going on due to the cold weather.

Some farmers have completed the sowing of their wheat. The ground is so cold the wheat is slow to come up.

There is a little grazing of wheat for the livestock on the early wheat, however, some farmers just do not like to graze their wheat.

Deer hunting is quiet at this time. Hunters say that they have to take out a little time to work "all hunting and not work make Jack a dull or lazy boy" and too he runs out of shells.

We were checking this week about the number of boys and girls we have in colleges and universities. We are very proud of Sue and Buddy King, Texas Tech in Lubbock, children of Mr. and Mrs. Allen King; Roger Moore, Cisco Junior College, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Moore; Velma Orsborn, Business College in Abilene, daughter of Mr. Ray Orsborn; and Malinee Seymour, Cisco Junior College, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Seymour.

Also Mr. and Mrs. Del Davis, ACC in Abilene. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. D. I. Davis, and Beverly Butman, York College in Nebraska, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Butman; Kenneth Don Ray, McMurry in Abilene, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Ray and Farris Neill, ACC, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Neill.

One party remarked to this writer that he didn't know what we had to eat out south of Merkel, but out north of Merkel they

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NOMINEES — Pictured are six of the nominees for the Merkel Miss Christmas contest. From left they are (top row) Honey Steck and Pat Bigbee and Jeanie Hook, (Bottom row) Ann Tipton, Dorothy Torrence and Bronwyn Gamble. Other nominees are pictured on page five.

MISS MERRY CHRISTMAS TO BE NAMED IN MERKEL

Names of nominees are being submitted by local merchants for the Miss Christmas contest slated for Monday, Dec. 21.

Voting will officially start Thursday morning. One vote can be made with each one dollar purchase. There will be a maximum of 25 votes on any major

purchase. Voting will be on either cash or charge purchases, but can not be made on past charges that are paid during the voting period.

The votes must be made only with items purchased between Thursday, Dec. 3 and Monday, Dec. 21.

Voting boxes will be in all of the participating stores.

The votes will be gathered and counted at 12 noon on Dec. 21. All nominees will ride on a float in the Christmas parade. Miss Christmas will be announced and presented a gift at the close of the parade.

Entries in Miss Christmas contest are Sharon Dudley, Dudley's T.V. & Appliance Co.; Jeanie Anderson, Irvin Thompson Butane Co.; Myrtle Davis, Bill's Flower Shop; Honey Steck, Merkel Merchants; Barbara Headrick, Ben Franklin Store; Brownyn Gamble, Merkel Chamber of Commerce and Mamie Patterson, Merkel Drug Co.

Also entered are Pat Tate, Carson's Super Market; Linda Kaye Boden, Max Murrell Chevrolet Co.; Janice Shugart, Wilson's Grocery; Ann Whisenhunt, F&M Bank; Linda Windham, Fisher Fina Stations and Merkel Auto Parts; Janie Hull, Palmer Motor Co.; and Linda Rutledge, Naylor Eoff Texaco Station.

Others are Jo Ann Buntin, Jack Boone Service Station; Dorothy Torrence, Merkel Locker Plant; Ann Tipton, Bragg's Department Store; Jeanie Hook, Badger Inn; Pat Bigbee, Taylor Electric Coop and Gloria Moore, West Texas Utilities, and Kathy Derrington, Merkel Restaurant, and Ann Smith, Kon Tinki Beauty Saloon.

Pat Bigbee, 16, is a sophomore in Merkel High School. She is twirler in the high school band and also plays the clarinet. She is a member of the local riding club and treasurer of her sophomore class.

Other interests of Miss Bigbee are swimming and bowling.

Dorothy Torrence is a junior student in the local high school. She is an active member in Fu-

ture Homemakers of America and the Merkel High School Marching Band.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Torrence.

Ann Tipton is a senior student. She has been a member of the local band for the past four years. She received the Optimist Award her sophomore year and at present is vice president of the Future Teachers Association. She is on the high school yearbook staff.

Her junior year she was recognized as high point student in her class.

Miss Tipton is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Tipton Jr. Linda Kaye Boden, 17, daughter

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Football Banquet Set For December 7

PROCLAMATION

KNOW ALL MEN that the citizens of Merkel are desirous of maintaining law and order and especially to protect their homes, families and cash from those foreign to the community.

KNOW ALL MEN that it has come to the attention of the AUTHORITIES of Merkel that certain bands of invaders from a neighboring municipality plan to make a crusade to Merkel for the believed purposes of "city slickering."

WHEREAS the city AUTHORITIES of Merkel do hereby decree such activity against the law.

WHEREAS the city AUTHORITIES of Merkel do hereby proclaim that they are "agin" such foreign encroachment.

THEREFORE it shall be against the law for any group from a neighboring municipality to participate in such activities within the confines of the City of Merkel. Anyone charged with this crime shall be given a fair trial and then hanged by the neck until death do us part.

Witness my hand this 1st day of December, 1964:

HORACE O. BONEY
Mayor, City of Merkel

Grant Teaff Guest Speaker

The Merkel Football Banquet has been scheduled by members of the quarterback club for Monday, Dec. 7 at the school cafeteria.

Guest speaker for the event will be Grant Teaff, head football coach at McMurry College in Abilene.

Master of ceremonies will be Lynn Knight, president of the Quarterback Club.

One of the highlights of the evening will be the presentation of awards.

Members of the Merkel Badger team will be presented best lineman, best back, and most conscientious. Presentation will be made by Norman Winter.

Advance tickets are on sale at \$1.50 per plate. Tickets purchased at the door will be \$1.75.

Contact any Quarterback Club member for advanced tickets.

Club member in charge of ticket sales is Vincent Barnett.

Club officers for 1964 are Lynn Knight, president; Ted Cooper, vice president; and Leon Walker, secretary - treasurer.

Merkel citizens are urged to support the Badgers in all events and to attend the football banquet to be given in their honor.

TRADE TRIPPERS 'PARTY' PLANNED

A special party is being planned in Merkel for a busload of "trade - trippers" from Abilene.

The trade trippers are a portion of the Abilene Chamber of Commerce plans to increase wholesale and distribution facilities of the Key City.

Merkel citizens are urged to attend the welcoming party for the Abilene group, which is expected to arrive here at 4 p.m.

L. W. Ross Funeral Held

L. W. Ross Sr., 87, longtime resident of the Trent area, died at 6:45 p.m. Saturday at Sadler Clinic - Hospital here after an illness of six weeks.

Funeral was held at 2:30 p.m. Monday at the Trent Baptist Church. Burial was in Elmwood Memorial Park under direction of Starbuck Funeral Home.

Born Aug. 12, 1887 in Alabama, he moved to White Flat community west of Trent in 1911, where he was engaged in farming and ranching.

He married Mary Maude Clark Dec. 25, 1901 in Abilene.

Survivors include his wife; one son, L. W. Jr. of Trent; three daughters, Mrs. R. W. Johnson of Happy; Mrs. Ruth Parker of Hamlin and Mrs. Elmer Hall of Littlefield; one brother, Will, of Abilene and one sister, Mrs. Maude Teuton of Lockney; seven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were John Hamner Orvin Robinson, Doug Carriker, Alonzo McMurray, Albert Maberry, Marvin Freeman.



REV. W. D. TANNER
First Baptist pastor

Local Pastor In Tye Revival

The Tye Baptist Church is having their winter revival which began Sunday and will continue through Sunday, Dec. 6.

The Rev. W. D. Tanner, pastor of the local First Baptist Church is evangelist.

John McAnelly, recently called by the church as music director is in charge of the music. Revival services begin at 7:30 p.m.

Lions To Hold Turkey Shoot

A dinner honoring Badger football players and a turkey shoot have been scheduled by members of the Merkel Lions Club.

The dinner honoring the 1964 Merkel football team has been set for noon, Dec. 15 at the Lions Club Hall.

The turkey shoot has been set for the Saturday before Christmas in downtown Merkel at the Civil Defense Building. Funds raised from the turkey shoot will be used by the Lions to help defray the cost of youth programs and other charitable activities of the organization.

Noodle 4-H's Awarded At Anson Banquet

The Jones County 4-H Club Achievement Banquet was held recently in Anson.

Janice Hill, Gold Star Girl for Jones County, was on the program.

She received the Achievement Award and was chosen as the outstanding member in Foods and Nutrition.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Hill of Noodle.

Marilyn Maxwell and Martha Cochran, each received an award in clothing.

These girls had completed projects and entered record books in district competition, according to Mary Y. Newberry, County Home Demonstration agent.

Mrs. Gene Cochran, Mrs. Bill Maxwell, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Hill and Mrs. Hubert Sullivan were among the parents attending the banquet.

CEMETERY FUND

Donations to the Merkel Cemetery Association were:

W. A. or Vivian Wilson, Coahoma

Mary E. Hunter in memory of Jack Whisenhunt

H. M. Warren, Knox City.

PLANS SCHEDULED FOR GOODFELLOWS

A meeting of civic club representatives to discuss organizing a Goodfellow - type program for Merkel this year has been called at the chamber of commerce office Dec. 3 at 10 o'clock.

Decision to hold the organizational meeting for the Goodfellow program was reached at a meeting of the Lions Club Tuesday.

The motion was made for a meeting with other civic organizations to form the Christmas

charity program on a community - wide basis.

Goodfellow programs are a method by which people help others, especially children, to have a better Christmas.

The Goodfellow organizations in other cities collect cash, toys or foods and distribute these to those in misfortune at Christmas.

Lions Club representatives will be Johnny Cox, Herman Carson and Frank Brown.

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Postmaster General Only Ph. D. Ever In Cabinet

Postmaster General John Austin Gronouski, took office September 30, 1963. He is the only known member of a President's cabinet ever to hold an earned Ph. D.

The Nation's top postal executive has gained a reputation as a skilled administrator, educator, and economist. In conducting the farflung operations of the Post Office Department, he runs, in Navy parlance, a tight ship.

The postal budget he submitted to Congress in January of 1964 for fiscal 1965 was \$150 million under the estimate made 4 months earlier. This reduction was achieved without eliminating essential services, and within the framework of safeguarding the livelihood of career employees.

As major projects of his postal administration, Mr. Gronouski has taken action to speed up parcel post deliveries and to cut down delay and damage to the mails.

Under his leadership, strides have been made in implementing President Johnson's program barring discrimination and assuring equal job opportunities for the Department's 590,000 employees.

The productivity of clerical help was boosted 4.3 percent in fiscal 1964 over 1960, producing savings of \$69 million over that period.

The Postmaster General's human touch was characterized in a news story in the Schenectady (New York) Gazette during a visit to that city in May of 1964. The story described him as "the warmest man since Wallace Beery."

Wisconsin Born

Mr. Gronouski was born October 26, 1919, in Dunbar, Wis. He holds three degrees from the University of Wisconsin in the field of econom-

ics, with a major in public finance. He was awarded his Bachelor's Degree in 1942; his Master's Degree in 1947 and his Doctorate in 1955.



He entered the Army Air Corps in April, 1942 as a private and later served as a navigator with the rank of First Lieutenant. After 24 combat missions in the European Theatre of Operations, he was discharged in October of 1945.

Educator

Mr. Gronouski taught public finance, money and banking and related subjects at the University of Maine at Orono, Maine, and at Wayne State University, Detroit, Mich., and statistics at Roosevelt College Evening School, Chicago, Ill.

Taxation Commissioner

In February 1959 he became research Director for the Wisconsin Department of Taxation and in the following year was appointed State Commissioner of Taxation by then Governor Gaylord Nelson.

He is a Catholic and is the first American of Polish descent in history to achieve Cabinet ranking.

Stamp Bargain

The nickle newspaper, phone call, and subway ride are a thing of the past.

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HOLD your breath if you have to make a dash through smoke and flame!
REMEMBER, the air is usually better near the floor in a smoke-filled room!
CALL the fire department at once! They know how to fight fire. Don't waste your time or your life trying to fight a fire, unless it's so small you're sure you can control it with the right extinguisher.
DON'T ever go back to a burning building for any reason! Smoke and fire gases from even the smallest fire can be deadly.
GET medical treatment at once, if you're burned or exposed to fire and smoke! Seemingly minor burns or smoke inhalation can have fatal results.



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LEGAL NOTICE

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

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

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: Billy Mitchell M'Carver, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable Court of Domestic Relations of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 21st day of December A. D. 1964, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 6th day of November A. D. 1964, in this cause, numbered 1522 on the docket of said court and styled Ruth Lanelle M'Carver, Plaintiff, vs. Billy Mitchell M'Carver, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married December 28, 1944, and continued to live together as husband and wife until June, 1963; plaintiff's original petition shows that there are two children born of this marriage, they being Kathryn, born June 3, 1956, and Melvin, born August 20, 1946; Plaintiff and defendant acquired no community property; 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 6th day of November A. D. 1964.

Attest: R. H. ROSS Clerk,
Domestic Relations Court
Taylor County, Texas.
By Millie Scott, Deputy.

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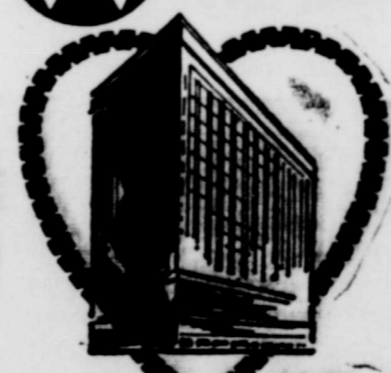
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U.S. Sees Mail Explosion

The U.S. Post Office is in the middle of a mail explosion. Six billion more pieces of mail will be delivered this year than were delivered only 3 years ago. That's enough mail to reach around the Equator 25 times.

Motorized equipment has helped keep postal employment relatively stable. As the mail explosion continues, the total number of postal employees is expected to rise very slowly in comparison with the soaring volume figures.

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A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married on the 22nd day of May, 1964, and separated on the 30th day of June, 1964; Plaintiff's Original petition states that there were no children born of this marriage; petition further states that there is no community or personal property accumulated during the marriage; plaintiff sues on grounds of harsh, cruel and unusual treatment as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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(Seal)

Attest: R. H. ROSS Clerk,
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By Millie Scott, Deputy.

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Project Agriculture ZIP Coded Mailings Move With Frost Line

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The old saw that "Everyone talks about the weather, but nobody does anything about it," no longer applies to the Post Office Department.

It's ZIP Coding the Frost Line!

In doing something about the weather, the Department is offering a boon to farmers, nurserymen, truckers and businessmen whose margin of profit depends, to a great degree, on beating Jack Frost to the market.

Dubbed PROJECT A—for Agriculture—the new program consists of speeding delivery of mail order seeds, plants, and food products by ZIP Coding parcels according to the movement of the Frost Line.

Here's how Project A works: A farm or a nursery ships its perishable products—flowers, shrubberries, trees, vegetables, seeds, etc.—by parcel post, ZIP Coded according to the frost lines announced annually by the Weather Bureau.

In filling orders from customers, the mailer breaks down these weather zones into ZIP Code sectional centers, to which delivery is made directly from his local post office.

The result? Plants are received days earlier.

Does it work? The Jackson and Perkins Nurseries, of Newark, N.J.—the world's largest nursery and the largest rose growers in the United States—are sold on the program.

They have found—in shipping nearly a million parcels of perishable plants—that an estimated three handlings are eliminated between the point of mailing and the point of receipt, when the parcels are ZIP Coded according to the Frost Line.

And the Jackson and Perkins parcels were received "in almost record time and in excellent condition."

Study Group

Developed by a Parcel Post Study group established by Postmaster General John A. Gronouski to revitalize parcel post services, Project A will also provide special Post Office Department labels, free of charge, which identify ZIP Coded parcels as agricultural or botanical products, subject to spoilage or damage.

Pool Cases

The Parcel Post Study Group has also devised a new program for extensive use of

"pool cases"—large cardboard boxes in which smaller parcels destined for the same sectional center are pooled for mailing—to further reduce parcel post damage.

Upon its arrival, the pool case would be immediately opened, and the contents delivered quickly to the addresses in nearby communities.

This method saves time enroute, by reducing the number of necessary post office handlings, and greatly reduces the likelihood of damage—which traditionally has increased with each handling.

President Johnson has called for the best possible postal service at the lowest possible cost. Project Agriculture and pool casing are just two new programs recently initiated by the Post Office Department.

Scheduled Parcel Post

At Lansing, Mich., Mr. Frederick Beien, Deputy Postmaster General, recently supervised the start of a new program for shipment of automotive parts using ZIP Code and pool cases.

In many areas of the country parcel post shipments are being scheduled so that mailers can be told when they can expect their packages to be delivered. In many instances next day delivery is being accomplished.

On Sept. 9 at Annapolis, Md., Mr. Gronouski announced an experiment for "scheduled" delivery over about 16,000 square miles in the mid-Atlantic area for parcel post, providing guaranteed delivery within specified times between 656 post offices. This is the first of many such programs being developed.

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ROY MASHBURN, Sec'y.

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PERSONALS

Missie Spurgin from Midland visited in the home of her mother, Mrs. J. M. Spurgin.
Mrs. W. A. McCandless spent Thanksgiving at the home of her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Beswell and son Billy.

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Shirley Lee Williams, Defendant, Greeting:

YOUR ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable Court of Domestic Relations of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty - two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 11th day of January A. D. 1965, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 8th day of November A. D. 1963, in this cause, numbered 657 on the docket of said court and styled Wynona Williams, Plaintiff, vs. Shirley Lee Williams, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and defendant were married 10th day of August, 1962 and became permanently separated on or about 16th day of August, 1963.

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 24th day of November A.D. 1964.

(Seal)
Attest: R. H. ROSS Clerk,
Domestic Court
Taylor County, Texas
By Irene Crawford, Deputy.
38 ttc

LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa,
My name is Ricky. I am 6 years old. I have been a good boy.

THE SUNNY SIDE

- By JON -

Well here it is Christmas season again. Streets are decorated, windows ready with Christmas displays and everyone in the midst of Christmas shopping.

Christmas shopping is a treat this year in Merkel. You can find a large variety of gift selections for family and friends.

Let me tell you about a few of the places I've shopped in this week.

Wilson's Jeweler features items that will fit into the budget of any family. They have a fabulous array of decorator clocks which would be a great gift for mother, sister, grandmother or aunt. This is a big gift for the low price of \$19.95.

They have a large variety of radios, small and large; transistors and electric. This is a gift that any friend or family member would be proud of.

Another gift that is an all time favorite is the watch. At Wilson's Jeweler you can find a beautiful watch with a price made especially for your budget.

Mrs. Grimes at Bragg's Department Store has a Bobbie Brooks sale going. And just in time for Christmas!

Bragg's features a large variety of corduroy and wool tapers and tops matching sets.

The Bobbie Brooks line includes suede colts suits, sweaters, skirts and the dyed to match sets. All of these are reduced for Bragg's "Holiday of Fashion Sale."

Also featured are 100 per cent wool trimmed Fashionbilt coats. These are regular priced from \$59. The sale price on these are greatly reduced.

Bragg's has conveniently assembled a display table of gift suggestions for Christmas giving.

Crawford's Men's Wear features for the Christmas gift is a smart Style Mart Suit or Sport coat. These come in a variety of solids and plaids and for the "young at heart" he features some gay plaids. The suits are priced from \$49 thru \$69.95.

The sport coats can be purchased as low as \$29.

Any man or boy would love a gift from Crawford's.

Also featured is a variety of Jayson shirts and English leather Daniel Green houseshoes.

And it's so easy to buy at Crawford's. He has provided a layaway plan, a time payment plan or a charge account is available. You can purchase at your own terms, just select any of the convenient payment plans.

Bullock Hardware has gift selections for everyone.

For instance for the lady of the house you may select a gift from a line of India brass or wood. This is a new line and features a variety of items that can be purchased from \$1.25 thru \$15.

She has also stocked electrical appliances for those special Christmas gifts. One of the known brand names she features is Sunbeam. You can purchase skillets, hand mixers, large mixers and many other electrical appliances at a variety of prices.

For the children, Bullock's has stocked a good line of toys and games. These are priced from \$1.25.

Mellinger's Department Store has a host of wonderful gifts from which to choose.

Christmas' most practical gift to any boy or man is the long sleeve sport shirt.

They feature three known brands and prices begin at \$2.98.

For the ladies and girls Mellinger's displays a beautiful line of robes and lingerie.

They feature the matching sets of panties, slips and half slips in a choice of colors.

Robes come in a variety of materials and are priced from \$6.95. Cotton dusters can be purchased for the low price of \$3.95.

Mellinger's feature houseshoes for both men and women. In the men's shoe they show 3 types, priced \$1.98, \$2.98 and up.

The ladies shoes are fur lined in 4 colors, quilted, leather slide, gold slide or short boot.

The ladies shoes are priced from \$2.49.

This is just a few of the many gift selections featured at each of the mentioned stores.

Students Present Program to Club

The Fortnightly Study Club met in the school cafeteria with Mrs. Don Dudley hostesses.

A Thanksgiving program was presented by the third and fourth grade students of Mrs. Comer Haynes and Mrs. Bryan Dunagin. Special guests were parents of the students.

A business meeting under the direction of Mrs. J. Lynn Knight followed the program.

The club voted to sponsor an entry in the Christmas parade.

Special guests of Mrs. Dudley was Mrs. Maurine Walker from McMurry College.

WSCS Meets In Williams Home

The Womans Society of Christian Service met in the home of Mrs. Jarrett Williams with Mrs. Vernon Hudson, president in charge of the business meeting and social program.

The devotion, "Things to be Thankful For" was presented by Mrs. Jessye Shannon.

Life Membership Pin was presented to Mrs. J. S. Pinckley.

Poem and prayer was led by Mrs. Williams.

Refreshments were served to 20 members and 3 guests.

Boys Cooking Class Meets

Members of the boys Mulberry Canyon 4-H Club met Monday for their cooking class.

They prepared quick muffins and fruit salad.

Attending were Michael Ray, Leonard Schooler, Mark Dudley, Robert Clemmer, Mark Clemmer, and Donald Russom.

Adult leader is Mrs. R. E. Clemmer with Myrtle Davis and Mary Johnson, junior leaders.



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For the first time in history the Peace Corps is giving its nationwide Placement Test on a week day — Monday, Dec. 7. The usual second Saturday in the month isn't possible because of the Christmas rush at the post offices where most Peace Corps tests are held.

In this area the Peace Corps Test will be given in Room 5 of the Federal Building in Abilene. It will begin at 3 p.m.

The non-competitive aptitude test will take about one and a half hours. (You should bring a completed Peace Corps Questionnaire along if you haven't yet filed one). The General Aptitude Test is timed for exactly half an hour. The same time is spent on the "Modern Language Aptitude Test." The latter gives the Peace Corps an idea of your aptitude to learn a new language. (For this you needn't know a word of a foreign language.) If you claim a knowledge of French or Spanish, you will be asked to stay another hour for a language achievement test.

You can't fail the Test. The Peace Corps evaluates your test scores, your Questionnaire and your character references all together. If the result qualifies you to complete the intensive training program and to be an effective

Volunteer overseas, you will be invited.

The next cycle of Peace Corps training starts in February — and there is still time if you take the Dec. 7 test. The major training for 1965 will take place in the summer. Questionnaires are available at most post offices and college placement offices, or by writing the Peace Corps, Washington, D.C., 20525.

If you are an American citizen the test. If you are married, your over 18, you are eligible to take spouse must also apply, but you may have no dependents under 18. A college degree is not required.

Stith HDC Plans Christmas Party

The Jones County Home Demonstration Club will hold its county-wide Christmas party Dec. 3 at the Lions Club Hall in Anson.

Plans for the party were announced after a meeting of the Stith HDC regular meeting at the Community Center Nov. 25.

Plans also were announced for the Stith HDC Christmas party to be held Dec. 12. Club members will meet December 9, the time of their regular meeting, to decorate the tree.

Mrs. Fletcher Jones was in charge of entertainment for the Nov. 25 meeting. Mrs. Paul Bradley gave the Council report and the hostess gift went to Mrs. Pick Payne.

Refreshments were served to eight members and three children by Mrs. Jerry Boyd.

Mrs. Bealah Harrison from Durant, Okla., visited in the home of her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Clack during the Thanksgiving holidays.

Larry Howard, from Texas Tech in Lubbock, visited in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Howard.

UP THE CANYON

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had good beef steak. Well, I can say whatever we've had to eat sure has produced some intelligent children and we are very proud of them.

We regret to report that Mrs. O. W. Reed, mother of Mrs. Allen King, has recently suffered a heart attack.

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MISS CHRISTMAS NOMINEES—Pictured are nominees for Miss Christmas to be crowned at the Christmas parade. From left they are, (top row) Jeanie Anderson, Myrtie Davis and Linda Doan; (middle row) Barbara Headrick, Mamie Patterson and Pat Tate; (bottom row) Linda Kaye Boden, Janice Shugart and Gloria Moore. Other nominees will be pictured later.

CHRISTMAS

Continued from Page One

ter of Mr. and Mrs. Len Boden is a senior at Merkel High School.

She has attended Hilcrest High School and Baptist College in Springfield, Mo. She is a member of Calvary Baptist Church and active in her youth group.

She is a member of FHA and has special interests including cooking, sewing and school sports.

Honey Steck, 16, is a junior student at Merkel High School. She is a member of FHA and plays drums in the high school band. She is school reporter for the Merkel Mail.

Miss Steck is the daughter of Mrs. Mamie Steck.

Pat Tate, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Tate, is a senior student. She is a cheerleader and captain of the basketball team.

Miss Tate was a recipient of the Optimist Club Award this year.

Bronwyn Gamble, sophomore, is a member of the high school band, F.T.A., F.H.A., the annual staff and Red Cross.

She represented the local chamber of commerce at the Fort Worth Livestock Exposition this year in Fort Worth.

Miss Gamble is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Gamble.

Barbara Headrick, 17, is a senior student. She is a member of FHA and served as the club photographer her junior year and reporter this year.

She is also a member of F.T.A., Library Club, and the basketball and volleyball teams.

She is the sister of Mr. and Mrs. Done E. Frazier.

Linda Doan, sophomore, has been a band member for the past six years. She plays the tenor saxophone and is a member of the band council.

She is also a member of FHA, forward on the basketball team and parliamentarian of her sophomore class.

She served as president of her freshman class.

Miss Doan is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sandusky.

Myrtie Davis, sophomore, is secretary of the Mulberry Canyon 4-H Club and junior leader of the 4-H Club.

She is active in showing cattle and sheep at state wide livestock shows, junior director of the West Texas Barrel Racing As-

sociation and a member of the American Junior Rodeo Association. She is also a member of the local Brushstombers.

She is a member of the band, FHA and was named FFA Sweetheart this year.

Miss Davis is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Davis.

Jeanie Anderson, 15, is a sophomore student.

She is a member of the FHA, and her hobbies are cooking and sewing.

She is the daughter of Mrs. Margaret Anderson.

Jeanie Hook, 17, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hook.

She has participated in band and homemaking, a member of the tennis and volleyball teams.

A senior student, she has previously participated in two beauty contests.

Janice Shugart is a junior student. She is a cheerleader and was football sweetheart in 1963-64. She is also a member of FHA.

Miss Shugart is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. O. Shugart.

Gloria Moore, junior student, has been in the local band for the past seven years, playing the clarinet 6 years and the saxophone 1 year.

She is a member of FHA, and Red Cross.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Laverne Moore.

Mamie Patterson is a sophomore student at Merkel High School. She is a member of band, F.T.A., F.H.A., Red Cross and the annual staff.

Miss Patterson is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Patterson.

VISITORS IN EOFF HOME

Visiting in the home of Mrs. Modell Eoff and Naylor during the Noodle Homecoming last weekend were Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Eoff, Bakerfield, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Henniger, McCarney; Mrs. Elna Nickolson, Lubbock; D. L. Nickelson and children, Hobbs, N.M.; Mrs. Zelma Herring, Bishop; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Spurgin, Dallas; and Mrs. W. J. Bicknell.

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STITH NEWS

By MRS. FRITZ HALE

The annual Community Thanksgiving dinner was held at the Stith Community Center Sunday, Nov. 22.

There was a good attendance. Visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Bradley, Breckenridge; Mrs. Bud Lilly, Abilene; Jana and Dale Farmer, Merkel; Mrs. Odell Newton, Monahans; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Simmons and Mr. and Mrs. Buford Welch and children of Sweetwater.

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Hale attended the funeral of her brother, J. F. Hill at the Bethel Baptist Church near Anson.

Mrs. Odell Newton of Monahans and James Hale of Midland attended the funeral.

Mrs. Newton spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hale. Mr. and Mrs. James Hale, Shirley and Mike and Mile Kimbrow were Sunday visitors.

Several of the community attended the funeral of Mike Dedmon held at Elliott Funeral Home in Abilene.

Mrs. Dedmon, the former Thelma Evans, is the daughter of Mrs. A. M. Evans and sister of Abb Evans of Stith.

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Mashburn and Samatha Jean of Carlsbad, N.M. spent several days last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs.

Roy Mashburn and Rodney. Others visiting in the Mashburn home were Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Horton of Lawn; Mrs. John Shaw, Mrs. Wade Shaw of Hawley; Mrs. Warren Shaw and Sue of Abilene and Sam Mashburn of Stith.

Homer D. Payne of Lubbock spent the Thanksgiving holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pick Payne.

The Rev. and Mrs. Jesse Swindell and Mrs. J. E. Swindell visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Strong and Melinda in Odessa.

Martha Perry of Irving spent the Thanksgiving holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Perry.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Perry of Tye and Jana and Dale Farmer of Merkel were dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Perry.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Berry were dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Lilly in Abilene.

Louise, Bob and Hollis Hudson, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hudson and Mr. and Mrs. Rex Hudson visited Thanksgiving day on the Hudson farm near Cross Plains.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Hancock celebrated their 24th wedding anniversary Thanksgiving with all their children in their home.

Visiting in the home were Mr. and Mrs. Raylon Shugart and Pat of Merkel; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hancock and baby of Sweetwater; and Mr. and Mrs. Luther Kinsey.

Kenneth Hancock received back injuries while working on an oil rig near Colorado City Friday night. He entered Sadler Clinic Hospital Saturday.

The Rev. and Mrs. Jesse Swindell visited Mr. and Mrs. Malone Wednesday in the Hale home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Malone of Taylor spent the Thanksgiving

holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Malone and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Hale.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. McDonald and David Clyburn visited Pat McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Harris, Kathy and Mamie Hardin in Midland Tuesday.

Sam Mashburn was a visitor in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Murry Toombs and Tommy.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Harris, Kathy and Mamie Hardin of Midland spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. F. J. McDonald and George and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Burns. Mrs. T. Burns and Martha of Abilene visited Sunday.

The Rev. James Williams was a dinner guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones.

Thanksgiving visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Browning were Mildred Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Harris, Mr. and Ms. Jack Bedford and children, of Tuscola and the Rev. O. B. Tatum of Merkel.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Stanley, Mr. and Mrs. Pick Payne, Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones, Mr. and Mrs. John Browning and the Rev. James Williams attended a singing at the Hodges Baptist Church Sunday afternoon.

Mildred Harris and Glendell Williams attended services at the Stith Baptist Church Sunday morning.

They were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Browning. Leon Kelso returned to Carlsbad, N.M. after visiting in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kelso.

The Stith Community will hold their annual meeting Saturday night, Dec. 5.

New officers will be elected. Following the business session games will be played and refreshments will be served.



CHARLES C. HENDRICKS
... senior student

Guest Pastor To Speak Sunday

Charles Collins Hendricks, senior student at Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, will be guest pastor at the Merkel Presbyterian Church on Sunday, December 6.

Hendricks spent the past year on ministerial internship in Dunblane, Scotland, where he was student assistant minister of the Dunblane Cathedral.

He received his bachelor of arts degree from Austin College in Sherman, where he was a member of the Student Senate, the A-Capella Choir, and Eta Sigma Phi classical languages honor fraternity.

During the summer of 1961, he was assistant pastor at the Farmington Presbyterian Church in New Mexico. He has his church membership in the First Presbyterian Church of Fort Worth.

LITTLE BADGER TRACKS

BASKETBALL — The Junior Badgerettes continue to roll on to a good season. On Nov. 19 the junior girls defeated the Anson Cubettes by the score of 26 to 13. Pat Bunch garnered high point honors with 13 followed by Ann Walker with 10. The Badgerette guards did an outstanding job of holding the Anson girls to 13 points.

The Junior Badgers opened their basketball season with the Anson Cubs on Nov. 19th. The Anson boys won the ball game 37 to 21. Bob Tate was high point man for the Merkel boys with 15 points followed by Johnny Perry with 3.

On the same evening the Junior Badger 7th grade boys played their first game and were defeated by 22 to 5.

Terry Wade pushed in 4 of the points. On Monday night, Nov. 23rd, the Junior Badgerettes defeated the Trent Junior girls 30 to 11. Valorie Buntin was high point maker with 11 points followed closely by Pat Bunch with 5.

The Junior Badgers looked much improved in their second outing as they defeated the Trent Junior Gorillas 34 to 20. Bob Tate

hit 16 points to lead the way followed by Rayford Pack with 8 points.

Both the Junior Badgers and Badgerettes will journey to Divide on Thursday, Dec. 3rd, to contest the junior boys and girls from the Divide School. They will participate in the Baird Junior Invitational Tournament on Dec. 10th, 11th and 12th to complete their schedule before the Christmas holidays.

ASSEMBLY — The students of Merkel Elementary School enjoyed an interesting description of Scuba diving. Mrs. Jean Kauanui of Hawaii was the guest speaker. The next assembly program for the elementary school will be held at 9:30 a.m. Jan. 27. The subject will be Science. Patrons and friends are invited to attend.

CANDY SALE — Miss Norcross' room held a candy sale in their room on November 24th. Proceeds from the sale helped their class meet their United Fund quota.

CLASS OFFICERS — The new officers for Mrs. Orsborn's sixth grade are Randy Smith, president; Larry Ramirez, vice president; Tim Tanner, secretary; and Suzie Wilson, reporter. The class is proud of having won third place with their window display for the month of November.

DISPLAY HONORS — Mr. Davis' 7th grade again took first place honors with their November display. Their theme was a comparison of Thanksgiving then and now. Mrs. Benson's 5th grade took second place honors and Mrs. Orsborn's sixth grade placed third with their display.

The December displays are to depict a Christmas theme.

THANKSGIVING TREAT — Thanksgiving holidays for grades one through six were inaugurated Wednesday afternoon, Nov. 25th, with an assembly program presented by a group of third and fourth grade pupils.

"At Thanksgiving" was the title of the musical play which featured pupils in Mrs. Dunagin's and Mrs. Haynes' rooms. The colorful story of America was effectively told, beginning with Columbus and ending with today's children in the park with the ice-cream man.

Songs were dedicated to Mr. Fisher and to Mr. Walker, who introduced the program. Songs were also dedicated to the parents and to the teachers.

Mr. and Mrs. James Strong and Melinda of Odessa spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. J. E. Swindell and Rev. and Mrs. Jesse Swindell.

Mr. and Mrs. James Shaver and sons, Jimmy and Eddie of Fort Worth visited Mrs. Shaver's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Shannon.

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SOCIETY

By MRS. T. J. AMASON
Correspondent

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stamford and son Phil of Odessa were visitors in the home of his mother, Mrs. Earl Stamford the past week end.

Mrs. Billy Campbell of Fort Worth visited in the home of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Patterson over the week end.

The Rev. and Mrs. W. D. Tanner and children spent the Thanksgiving holidays visiting his parents in Lorenzo and her parents in Scranton.

Mrs. Mary Carey visited in the home of her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Walters and Bryan in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer McLeod and daughter, Mrs. Bill Cardwell were dinner guests in the home of his mother, Mrs. N. L. McLeod.

Ike Turner of Roswell, N.M., was a visitor in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Walton.

Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Dalziel of Rockford, Ill., are visiting in the home of their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dalziel, Danny and Larry.

Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Winters of Perryton visited his mother, Mrs. M. E. Winters.

Grover Blair spent the week end in Abilene visiting his daughters, Clarice McCall and Hazel East.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Doan and son, Mark, of Lubbock, visited in the homes of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Doan and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Jacobs Thanksgiving day.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Toliver Thanksgiving were their children, Mr. and Mrs. Bobbie Toliver and children, Larry and Gayla Sue from Rotan, and Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Toliver.

Brenda and David from Breckenridge.

Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Toliver were visitors in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Turnbow in Haskell.

Mr. and Mrs. Delmer Fry and son, Randy of Brownwood were visitors in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Fry.

Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Blair of Lubbock are visiting in the home of their brother, Grover Blair.

Visiting M. Blair last week were M. and Mrs. John Blair of Aransas Pass.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Toliver and children, Larry and Gaia Sue, were visitors in the home of their mother, Mrs. Edna Horton.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Amason visited in the home of his son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Amason at Noodle Thanksgiving day.

Mr. and Mrs. Fran Walker Grimmett of San Antonio were visitors in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Breau.

Bob Benson of Texas A&M College was a week end visitor in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Benson.

Week end guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Warren were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Warren, Mike, Cindy and Randy of Haskell; Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Warren, Pam, Wayne and Connie of Abilene; and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Warren and Nelda of Tye.

Holiday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Farmer were Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Farmer, Billy and Ralph of El Paso; Major and Mrs. Edward Farmer, Brenda and Melinda of San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. Travis Farmer of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Farmer, Vickie, Gina and Kevin; Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hewitt, Larry and Susan and Fredlyn Farmer, all of Merkel.

Also Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Farmer and Patricia of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Farmer, Danny and Randy of Kermit; Mr. and Mrs. Whit Farmer of Snyder and Mrs. Faye Doan of Merkel.

Mrs. Lige Harris returned home Tuesday after visiting in Monahans, Midland and Coahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Toliver Thanksgiving were their children, Mr. and Mrs. Bobbie Toliver and children, Larry and Gayla Sue from Rotan, and Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Toliver.

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GRACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY
Sunday School 10:00
Preaching Service 11:00

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

Howard Marcom, pastor
SUNDAY
Sunday School 9:45
Preaching 10:55
Youth Meeting 6:00
Evening Worship 7:00
WEDNESDAY
Choir Practice 8:00

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Dwight Holland, pastor
SUNDAY
Bible School 9:45
Morning Worship 10:55
Evening Classes 6:00
Evening Worship 6:45
WEDNESDAY
Bible Classes 8:00

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Marvin M. Clark, pastor
SUNDAY MORNING
Broadcast 9:00
Sunday School 10:00
Worship Service 11:00

SUNDAY EVENING

Training Union 6:45
Worship Service 7:30
WEDNESDAY
Evening Service 8:00

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

John Curtis, pastor
SUNDAY
Sunday School 9:45
Preaching 11:00
Evening Preaching 7:00
WEDNESDAY
Mid-Week Evangelistic Service 7:30

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

SUNDAY
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Radio Broadcast 10:15 a.m.
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 ... 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Women's Missionary Society 9:30 a.m.
Sunbeam Band 3:15 p.m.
Junior GA's 3:45 p.m.
Intermediate Royal Ambassadors 6:30 p.m.
Mid-Week Service 7:30 p.m.
Choir Practice 8:30 p.m.

MISSION BAPTISTA BETHEL

SUNDAY
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Training Union 6 p.m.
Evening worship 7 p.m.

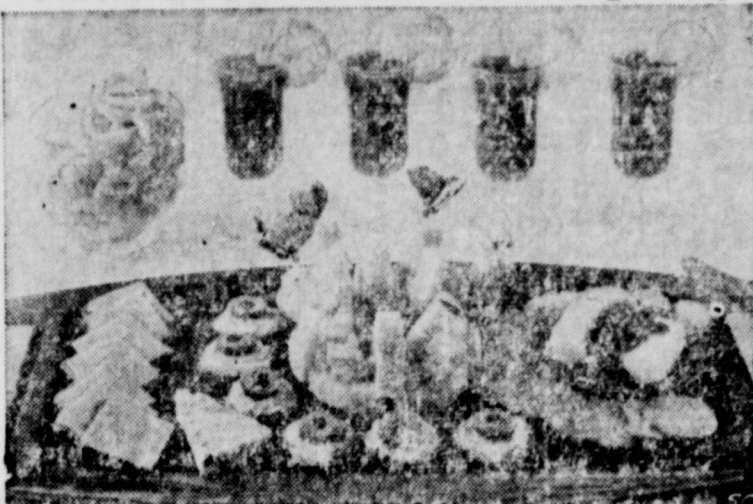
WEDNESDAY

Prayer Meeting 7 p.m.

NEW LIVE OAK BAPTIST CHURCH

3rd and El Paso Streets
Bill Williams, pastor
SUNDAY
Sunday School 10:00
Preaching Service 11:00
Training Union 6:00
Preaching Service 7:00

Cheese Snacks For Instant Hospitality



One of the most welcome, and the easiest of dishes to serve is a cheese assortment, according to the Borden Kitchen. Simple everyday cheese varieties like slices, Gruyere wedges, cream or Neufchatel cheese and Roquefort triangles are good for a start. Add melba toast rounds or rectangles and you have instant hospitality.

A wooden tray is fine for arranging cheese, but any tray will do. Turn the Gruyere wedges from their plastic container; un-wrap and arrange the wedges in a slightly separated circle in the center of the tray. Turn a few wedges on the side and place these so as to straddle the spaces. Spread melba rounds with process cheese spread varieties—the kind which are packed in 6- and 8-ounce glasses of the reusable type. Top each with an olive slice. Place on the tray in a semi-circle around the Gruyere wedges. Un-wrap a 3- or 8-ounce package of cream or Neufchatel cheese—place on a small plate—pour over it plenty of A-1 or chili sauce—add a small cheese spreader and surround with crackers or melba rounds. Let guests spread their own. Process cheese slices—American or Pimento variety—such as are packaged in the 6-, 12-, 16- or 24-ounce sizes can easily be cut to fit the toast rectangles. Just cut a cheese slice in half and place atop the toast. Quick cheese cubes can easily be cut by slicing down through the 6-ounce 8-slice package. Arrange the cubes on a fancy pick—it's fun to peel off each thin slice.

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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.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: Marshall Smith, Defendant,

GREETING:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable Court of Domestic Relations of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty - two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 14th day of December, A. D. 1964, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 14th day of October A. D. 1964, in this cause, numbered 587 on the docket of said court and styled Dorothy Smith, Plaintiff, vs. Marshall Smith, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and defendant were married on the 1st day of July, 1963 and became separated on the 1st day of September, 1963.

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.

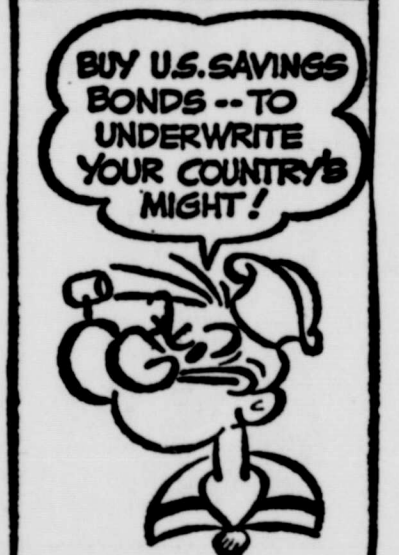
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The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 9th day of November A. D. 1964.

Attest: R. H. ROSS Clerk, Domestic Court Taylor County, Texas
Bl Irene Crawford, Deputy.
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TO: A. C. Bennett, Defendant,

GREETING:

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: Shirley Lee Williams, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable Court of Domestic Relations of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty - two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 11th day of January A. D. 1964, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 8th day of November A. D. 1963, in this cause, numbered 657 on the docket of said court and styled Wynona Williams, Plaintiff, vs. Shirley Lee Williams, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and defendant were married 10th day of August, 1962 and became permanently separated on or about 16th day of August, 1963.

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 the 24th day of November A. D. 1964.

Attest: R. H. ROSS Clerk, Domestic Court Taylor County, Texas
By Irene Crawford, Deputy.
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YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable Domestic Relations Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 14 day of December A. D. 1964, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 29 day of September A. D. 1964, in this cause, numbered 1432 on the docket of said court and styled Audrey Irene Bennett, Plaintiff, vs. A. C. Bennett, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married May 6, 1960 and separated August 19, 1961.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

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Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 2nd day of November A. D. 1964.

Attest: R. H. ROSS Clerk Domestic Relations Court Taylor County, Texas.
By Marie Gill, Deputy.

Simpson On USS Gridley

Halley L. Simpson, machinist's mate first class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eithel M. Simpson of Rt. 1 Trent, is serving aboard the guided missile frigate USS Gridley, operating out of Long Beach, Calif.

Gridley, presently deployed with the U. S. Seventh Fleet in the Far East, recently patrolled the Gulf of Tonkin after the PT boat attacks by the North Vietnamese.

MARTINS VISIT IN NEW MEXICO

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Martin spent last week end in Eunice, N.M., in the home of their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Malone, Miles and Skipper. While there they attended the Class B State Football playoff game between Eunice and Central of Kirtland, N.M. Skipper plays end for the Eunice Cardinals and was the teams second highest scorer of the year.

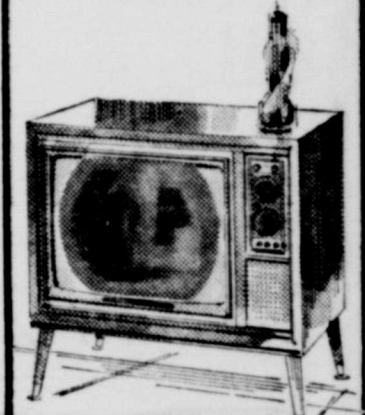
Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Outlaw returned to their home in Stephenville after visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Outlaw.

Mr. and Mrs. John Constable and children visited in the home of his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Constable in Abilene.

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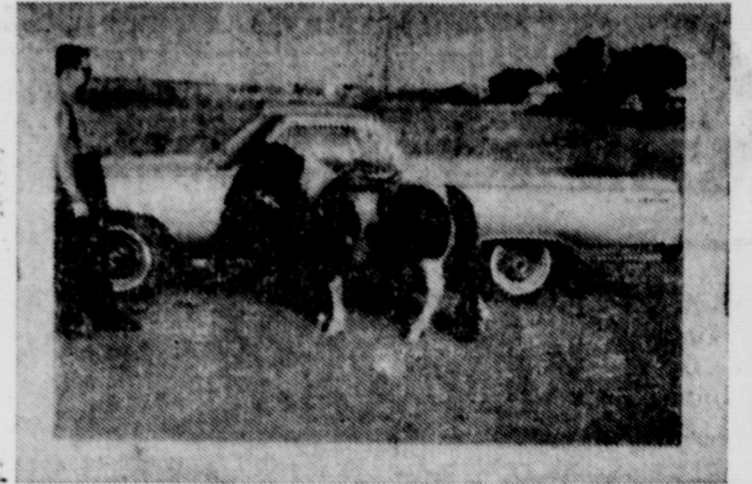


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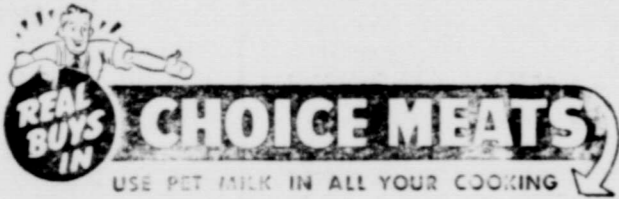


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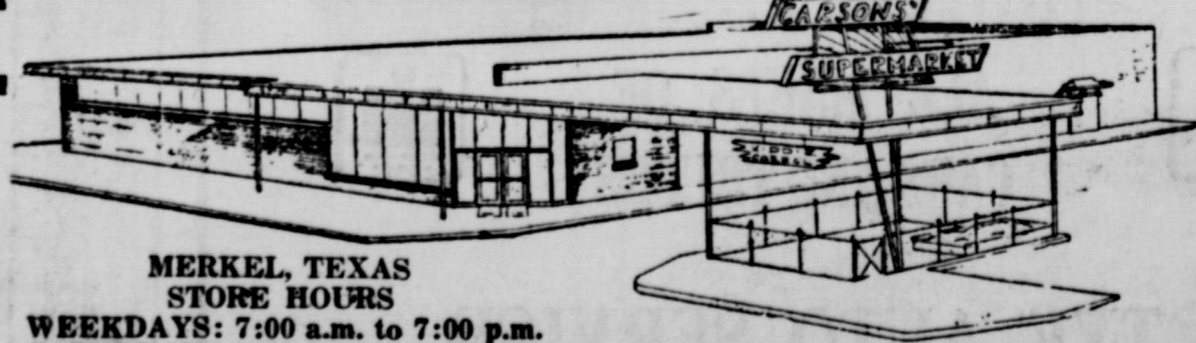
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