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Up The Canyon

By TOM
RUSSOM



Light showers fell in our area the last few days. The moisture will be a big help to small grain. Wheat is growing real well.

We have a real good plowing season, but little farm work is going on.

We attended the 4-H and FFA livestock show in Trent last week. It is the very best little stock show in this part of West Texas. We can say somebody really works in putting on that show: where there is interest there will be work done.

Enjoyed lunch in their dining room, wris is the old Trent Depot. As we enjoyed lunch and were visiting someone said:

"Wonder what the people sitting around in here 50 years ago talked about?"

One man answered:
"I guess they were talking about when the train would be arriving."

Well, we got Christmas and New Years put behind and people are rolling up their shirt sleeves and getting ready to start the new year.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Pyle of Sweetwater visited in the home of her sister, Mrs. Sally Horton, and also in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dewell McLean. They also visited Mrs. Pyle's father, Mr. K. Blackburn, at the rest home in Merkel.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewell McLean had their Christmas dinner last week and their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Griff Barnett of Anson; and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Seymore and daughter of Merkel were in the home. One son, Hollis and family, in California, were unable to be home.

Some land sales have taken place recently in our area. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Starbuck of Merkel have bought 192 acres of land just over the highway north of the Tom Russom Ranch.

Mrs. Starbuck said they had never owned a farm before and we might even want to stay out here some.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Rusom and son, Don, spent New Year's day in Big Spring with Mrs. Russom's folks, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gray, and her father, J. B. Sloan. Mr. Sloan is the husband of the late Mrs. Abbie Butman Sloan and Mrs. Gray is the daughter. We saw the Rose Parade in color and the football game. Very fine.

Announcement

Members of the Merkel Band Parents Club will meet Monday at 7:30 p.m. at the High School for the regular monthly meeting.

The annual meeting of The Merkel Riding Club (The Brushstompers) will be held at the community center Friday, Jan. 8 at 8:00 p.m.

On the agenda there will be three directors elected. The outgoing directors are Earle Watts, president; Ralph Russell, vice president; and Jarrett Pinckley. These have served three years.

Nancy Watts has reigned as the 1964 club sweetheart. There will be a sweetheart elected for 1965.

All members are urged to attend.

Mrs. Pearl McCartney spent the Christmas holidays in Brady with the Tracy Beckham family and with her grandchildren in Menard.



TERRY FOY MAYHUGH
... Merkel's First Baby of 1965

MERKEL'S '65 BABY ARRIVES JANUARY 2

Little Mr. 1965 of Merkel has arrived. Terry Foy Mayhugh was born at 11:45 a.m. in Sadler Clinic - Hospital on Jan. 2 to Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Mayhugh of 1503 S. 2nd.

Terry weighed in at 6 lbs. 7 ozs., and is now at home with Mom, Dad, and three sisters, Cindy, Carla, and Pamela.

Noodle 4-H'ers Were Busy in Dec.

The Noodle Community 4 - H Club had a busy month closing out the year.

The "Busy Little Hands" unit met on Dec. 12 with their junior leader, Karen Sullivan. Lettie Griffith, Faye Cochran, Dianne Doan and Joyce Hogan took part in the program, which was making Carnival Crunch, Waldorf Salad and cooking a frozen vegetable.

The Jones County 4-H Christmas party was held in Anson on Dec. 10. Senior 4-H members Eddie Arms, Wilma Cox, Janice Hill, Karen Sullivan and Barry Olive assisted the county agents with the program and refreshments.

Others attending the party were Joyce Hogan, Barry Holder, Mrs. A. D. Hill and Mrs. Hubert Sullivan.

Twenty members and two adult leaders of the club met on Dec. 15 for a regular meeting, with Eddie Arms presiding. A report on the concession stand at the Homecoming was given by Karen Sullivan, treasurer.

The program on grooming livestock was given by Ernest Tate, adult leader. This film will aid members in getting their animals ready for the Jones County Livestock Show in January.

On Dec. 16, both Food Units met. The "Handy Helpers" met with junior leader, Janice Hill to make Christmas cookies and dainties.

Those present were Marilyn Maxwell, Martha Cochran, Sandra Mommack and Mrs. Bill Maxwell.

The "Busy Little Hands" met for a party. Mrs. Hubert Sullivan made taffy and pop corn balls, teaching the girls to use a candy thermometer and to test candy in cold water. Gifts were exchanged and refreshments were served to Dianne Doan, Joyce Hogan, Faye Cochran, Lettie Griffith, and guests, Dick Griffith, Steve Doan, Barry Holder, Mrs. J. A. Griffith, Tom Hogan, Jake Holder and Karen Sullivan.

Peace Corps Test To Be Given

A Peace Corps Placement Test will be given in room 5 of the Federal Building in Abilene on Saturday, Jan. 9.

There are two parts to the test: a general aptitude test and a modern language aptitude test — for which knowledge of a foreign language is not necessary. Applicants should figure on about one and a half hours at the testing center, unless they wish to take the Spanish or French achievement test. For this optional test, another hour should be added.

Peace Corps applicants must be American citizens at least 18 years old. Married couples are eligible if they have no dependents under 18. A college degree is not necessary, but is advantageous unless one has acquired a special skill. Many "blue collar" skills are now being requested by foreign countries.

wears leg stats

MERKEL

LOMPOC, Calif. (Special to the Merkel Mail) — When a Scout missile hurls a research satellite into orbit from a U. S. Air Force launch site, Airmen First Class Billy W. Sloan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Troy Sloan of Rt. 1, Merkel, Tex., is one of the men who help assure success of the shot.

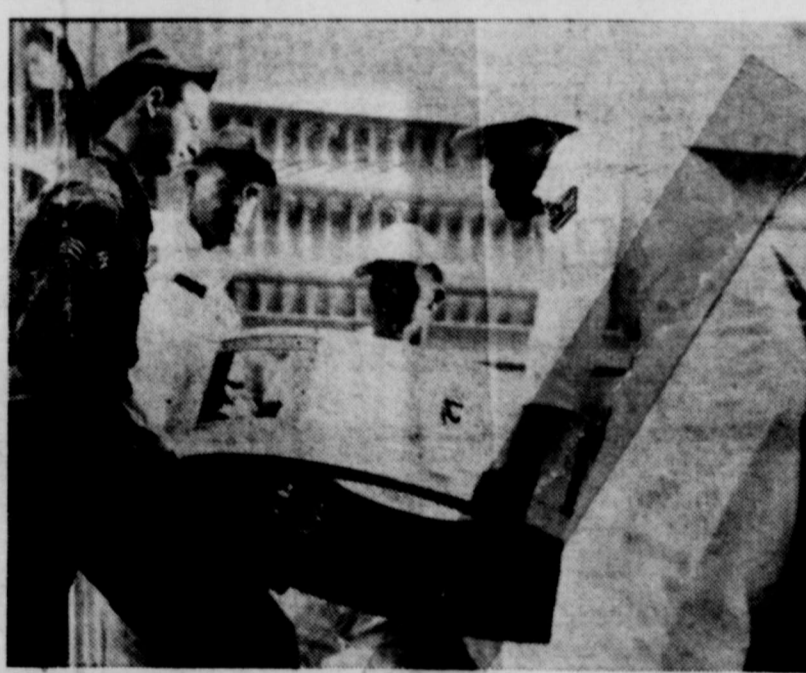
Airman Sloan has the exacting job of helping assemble the Scout one of the most economical and reliable launch vehicles in the nation's space program.

The airman, whose wife, Barbara, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Gregory of 305 Marion, Merkel, is a member of an all-Air Force team which assembles the Standard Launch Vehicle-1 (SLV-1), a 4 stage, 70-foot missile.

A graduate of Noodle High School, Airman Sloan works in the isolated Scout Ordnance Assembly Building (OAB), remote from Vandenberg AFB, Calif. The work - day that he and his teammates know as "routine," runs to the almost fantastic for the average citizen. As they do their space - age jobs, things go like this:

A garter - like rubber band itches your calf. A wire sags sadly from the band and snakes in to your shoe to the strap around your instep. You must wear these "leg stats" to preclude the discharge of static electricity which could possible ignite one of the

MERKEL AIRMAN HAS EXACTING DUTIES



LONG WAY FROM TEXAS — Airman First Class Billy W. Sloan (left) of Merkel helps hoist the link between the first and second stages of a Scout missile into place. (U. S. Air Force Photo)

motors cradled in nearby steel racks.

White metal casings of the motors reflect the fluorescent lighting, giving an appearance of sewer pipes about three feet in diameter. Packed within the motors, a carefully developed solid rocket propellant awaits its cue to release 110,000 pounds of thrust in less than a minute. The motor is ready to blast a 20 - ton Scout to a speed of more than 2,500

miles an hour. Technicians in white coveralls work at various jobs about the building. Electricians install wiring in a motor chassis; others strain to hoist a heavy metal ring into position and join two of the motors together. Two crewmen, wearing thin, white linen gloves, crouch behind a metal shield. A metal shield open to allow the completed Scout to be towed away.

Livestock Show Opens January 12

The Merkel Livestock Show will start Tuesday morning, Jan. 12, with club members of the FFA and 4-H participating. The show will be held at the Merkel V. A. Barn.

The approximate number of

livestock to be shown will be: 25-30 head of swine; 30-35 head of lambs; 10-15 steers; two pens of poultry.

Judging will begin at 1:30 p.m. by Fred Stuart, who has judged this show for the past two years.

This promises to be a real fine show again this year, said Chester Collingsworth, so try to find time to take it in. The boys and girls will certainly appreciate your time and interest in their efforts, said Collingsworth.

W. Y. Wade Rites Held

Funeral for Willis Youell Wade, 61, relative of many Abilene and area residents. Was held Thursday in North Memorial Chapel. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery. Dr. Ronald Prince, pastor of University Baptist Church, officiated.

Mr. Wade died at his home, 2102 Texas St., at 11:55 p.m. Tuesday.

Born Nov. 27, 1903, in Comanche County, he was a farmer. He married Flora Mize in Jones County in 1921. She died in 1957.

Survivors include five sons, Dryle, Cloyce, Doyce, Dewayne and Travis, all of Abilene; two daughters, Mrs. Jimmie Hulsey of Vivvotia and Mrs. Eugene Smith of Abilene; six brothers, Loyd of Abilene, Jim and O. B. of Merkel; L. C. of Anson, Willard of Seminole and B. M. of Lubbock; two sisters, Mrs. Dave Johnson of Abilene and Mrs. Elwood Gregg of Clyde; and 14 grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Alford Wade, James Wade, Carl Hampton Jr., Bobby DuBose, Alva Wade Goree and Douglas Goree.

Mrs. C. Stevens has returned to her home after a two weeks visit in San Antonio with her son and family, Silas Stevens. She also visited her nephew, David Reidenbach and Mr. and Mrs. Gaylon Metz of Vanarmour. In New Braunfels to visit with the Truett Meeks family.

REA Sets Rate Drop

A new farm and home electric rate is in effect for Taylor Electric Cooperative Inc. customers, according to Norman Winter of Merkel, general manager.

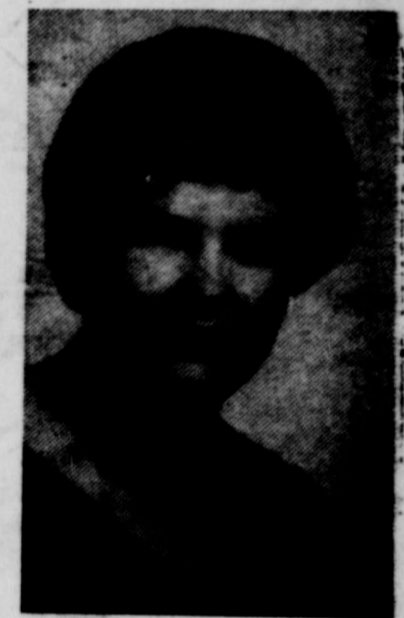
Put into effect Friday, the minimum charge on farm and home rates was decreased from \$2.45 to \$2. Also, all consumption over 200 kilowatt hours decreased from one and three - quarter cents to one and one - half cents per kwh. This new rate reduction will affect all farm and home consumers and is calculated to give less cost per kwh for more usage, Winter said. The new rates will be noticed on Jan. 31 bills.

Increase in consumption of electricity by rural member-consumers brought about the lower rates under the approval of the board of directors, Winter said.

A new residential heating service was announced and is available to residential consumers who install built-in electric space heating equipment which is not supplemental by any other method of heating. The rate and terms under which consumers are receiving service for other purposes shall apply, except during the months of November through March, inclusive, Winter said. All kwh used in excess of 800 kwh per month shall be at the rate of

one and one - quarter cents per kwh.

Winter said prior approval of the heating service by the cooperative is required in each instance as to the consumer's location with respect to distribution facilities and resulting voltage regulation. Also, the entire installation including insulation of the house must meet the requirements and specifications of the cooperative.



FLOYDEL ROSS
... honored senior

Trent Senior Of the Week

For the next few weeks there will be a write up on a senior representing the Trent Senior Class.

Floydel Ross, 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Ross Jr. of Trent.

Floydel has been enrolled in Trent Schools for 12 years. She is very active in basketball, volleyball, tennis, FHA, Pep Club, Annual Staff, Class offices, and has been in the band for six years. She represented the Trent FHA in the area meeting in Stephenville, and the state convention in Austin in 1964.

Floydel has entered articles in the West Texas Fair for the past five years, and said last year was her best. She received 15 ribbons, and \$22.50 in prize money.

Floydel received fifth place in the Miss Wool Contest in Abilene in 1964.

She has received a Junior and Chapter degree in her FHA work, and is now working on a State degree.

Each year the Trent High School classes write a conservation theme, and in three years, Floydel has placed third twice, and second once.

Floydel was also a reporter for the Merkel Mail from Trent School.

Besides her school life, Floydel is a member of the Trent Baptist Church, where she is very active.

Floydel plans to enter Midlury College in Abilene next fall.

SOCIETY

By MRS. T. J. AMASON
Correspondent

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Ryals of Dallas were visitors in the home of their daughter and son in law, Mr. and Mrs. David Gamble, for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Petrie and family from Dallas and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Johnson and family of Winters and Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Daniel and family from Lubbock were visitors in the home of

their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Coop.

E. L. Turner and son, Jimmy of Fort Worth, were visitors in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Watson.

Mrs. Alice Toombs visited in the home of her daughter and son in law, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stomore and family of Route 3 of Merkel.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Watson and daughter, Kim, went to Cross Plains to spend Christmas in the home of her folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Skippy Hicks of Fort Stockton were visitors in the home of his mother, Mrs. Ethel Hicks recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Farr of Midland and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Farr and daughters, Lisa and Lori of Abilene, and Mr. and Mrs. Dudley and sons, Rickey and David of Brownfield, and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Carson and family were dinner guests in the home of their mother, Mrs. H. K. Farr, through the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Doan and son, Mark, of Lubbock were visitors in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Doan and family and Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Jacobs for the New Year holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cox and daughter of Arlington visited his brother and sister in law, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Cox through the Yule holidays.

Mrs. Monroe Harris and daughter, Leona and son William, and Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hendrick and son, Billie Joe of Arlington, spent

How It All Began *By Dan Evans*

THE ORIGIN OF DUNGAREES

IN THE LITTLE SEAFARING TOWN OF DHUNGAREE, INDIA A COARSE COTTON FABRIC WAS WOVEN AND USED FOR TENTS AND SAILS. SAILORS SOON MADE WORK TROUSERS FROM THE MATERIAL AND CALLED THE TROUSERS DUNGAREES.

MILLIONS OF AMERICANS, AS MEMBERS OF THE U.S. NAVY, COAST GUARD AND MERCHANT MARINE HAVE BEEN WEARING DUNGAREES AS A STANDARD WORK UNIFORM. THESE DUNGAREES PROVED SO COMFORTABLE AND DURABLE IN THE SERVICE, THAT THEY NOW ARE WORN BY MILLIONS OF CIVILIANS FOR WORK AND PLAY.

the holidays with her mother, Mrs. John Thomas.

Mrs. Guy Dorsey of Austin and Mr. and Mrs. John Hill and sons, Gary and Bruce of Grand Prairie, and Mr. and Mrs. Sie Hamm of Colorado City and other relatives were visitors in the home of their mother, Mrs. Frank Hamm.

O. C. Blair of Levelland, H. Blair, also of Levelland, Major R. F. Blair of Georgia and Mrs. R. H. Matthews of Abilene were visitors in the home of Grover Blair through the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Collins of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Otha Castle and Judy of Perryton, the Rev. and Mrs. Ray Patterson and granddaughters, Tonya and Tella Patterson of Pampa, Mrs. Fay Reeve and Floyd, Sharon, David and Carol Reeve also Mrs. Bettye Drake of Friona, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Morgan, Philip and Neal of Perrytown and Mrs. J. S. Pinkley had Christmas dinner with the Jarrett Pinkleys.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Green and daughter, Libby, of Dallas and Mr. and Mrs. Ward Berryman of Abilene were visitors in the home of their mother, Mrs. Belle Berryman through the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Dye and Mrs. Byron Paterson of Greenville and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Baker of Slaton, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd McCoy of Anson and Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Baker of Hamlin, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Patterson of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Terrell Mashburn, Mrs. Rider and Mrs. Callie Mashburn from Fort Worth were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Brooks Patterson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Warren and sons, Bill, Richard and Robert of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Turner and children of Fort Worth were visitors in the home of their

mother through the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Forst Harper were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Miller and Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Robertson during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Miller visited relatives during the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lyle of Amarillo visited in the home of her aunt, Mrs. Sam Swann over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Swann visited her sister, Mrs. M. C. Clayton in Tulia this week.

Will Johnson of Lubbock visited his sister, Mrs. Eunice Weatherly in Starr Rest Home this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hartley and daughter, Beverly, and Dennis Hartley of Plainview spent the New Year week end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hartley. Other recent visitors were Mrs. Fannie Lee Boone of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Drake of Lnoqvew.

Out of town visitors in the home of the Cramer Reynolds during the holidays were their son and daughter in law, Mr. and Mrs.

Onis Reynolds, Mack, Becky and Peggy, of Vernon; also Mr. and Mrs. Russell T. Blair and daughter, Brenda, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Seet and children, Enterprise, Ala., Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Blair and Hayden Blair of Levelland, Mr. and Mrs. Roy H. Matthews of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Dillon Caddell and children of Guthrie, Okla., John Ford of Oklahoma, also Mrs. Lucy Ford, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Wozencraft and children, Jeannette Tanner, Bill and Alyce Whisenhunt all of Merkel.

their families together in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Clyburn in Abilene Christmas day. Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Clyburn and children of Stith also attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Abb Evans attended the basketball games in Hawley, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hub Evans of Abilene visited Mrs. A. M. Evans and Mrs. Mike Dedmon Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Malone returned to their home in Taylor after spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Malone of Merkel and Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hale of Stith.

Margaret Craig of Graham visited Mr. and Mrs. Fred Perry last week.

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

The Perrys' visited in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Odell Campbell in Merkel and in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Perry at Tye during the Christmas holidays. Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Hinson of Orange were visitors in the W. O. Perry home.

Mr. and Mrs. Abb Evans visit-

ed her uncle, Ed McCasky in a Sweetwater hospital Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Schwarz of Abilene, and Mr. and Mrs. Austin Schwarz and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Dock Schwarz and family were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ab Evans and Nancy one day last week.

Sam Burns and Sammy of Abilene visited Mr. and Mrs. Jim Burns Sunday.

The Women's Missionary Union met at the Stith Baptist Church Tuesday at 2 p. m. A Royal Services Program was presented. Mrs. Pick Payne presided.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Rneau of Munday visited Mr. J. E. Swindell and the Rev. and Mrs. Jesse Swindell Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Blondy Hanson and Carolyn, and Mrs. J. E. Swindell were supper guests Friday night of Rev. and Mrs. Jesse Swindell.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Pick Payne Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dean of Anson, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Kelso of Hodges, the Rev. James Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley, and Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Ward Sr., and J. T. Ward Jr.

STITH NEWS
By MRS. FRITZ HALE

Stith Community received 1.2 inches of rain Saturday. It will certainly be a help to grain.

Mrs. M. F. Conley and Beatrice of Kilgore visited Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Jones of Fort Worth spent Wednesday and Thursday with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dean of Anson visited Mr. and Mrs. Pick Payne last week.

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. West have announced the arrival of a great grand daughter. The parents are Mr. and Mrs. Manley Denton of Garland.

The baby was born Dec. 29 in Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Wiggins of San Antonio spent Monday night with Mr. and Mrs. Nora McDonald.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Bauchhoffer, Jo Ann and Susie of Denton visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Perry during the holidays.

Mrs. Babe Tarpley returned home Saturday from Big Spring where she spent two weeks with her father, Gastor Gregory. Mr. Gregory suffered a heart attack Monday of last week, but is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Clyburn and children of Stith, Mr. and of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Mrs. Omar Bishop and children Barker and children of Calton, Calif. spent Dec. 24 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Truett Thompson of Merkel.

Mrs. Ella Clyburn of Abilene had all of her seven children and

LOOKING AHEAD

Behind us we leave the excitement of an election year . . . triumphs and defeats, elation and disappointment, all fading into a fog of political oratory.

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ROY MASHBURN, Sec'y.

ATTENTION MOTHERS — A day nursery is now open. Let us keep your child while you shop, work or attend special events. For further information contact Mrs. Thelma Wade, 207 Orange. Phone 8-6904. 26 tfc

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LEGAL NOTICE to All Persons having Claims against the Estate of Joe D. Pride, Deceased.

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ssDOROTHY E. PRIDE
Dorothy E. Pride, Independent Executrix of Estate of Joe D. Pride, Deceased;
No. 7946 in the County Court of Taylor County, Texas. 44 1tc

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FOR RENT — Rooms and furnished apartments. Bills paid. MERKEL HOTEL. Phone 8-7671. 46 tc

FOR RENT — House at 804 Locust St. Phone Vivian Davis, 928-6622 or 928-5851. 22 tfc

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FOR RENT — Furnished apartment Jan. 1, 1965. 3 rooms and bath, 411 Ash St. Phone 928-6628 or 928-5746. Mary Collins. 42 tfc

FOR RENT — Furnished four room house, bills paid. \$45 per month, 305 Kent. Phone 928-5959. 43 2tp

FOR RENT — Five room and bath, furnished. Inquire at 511 Oak or phone 8-5273. Troy Dickerson. 43 2tp

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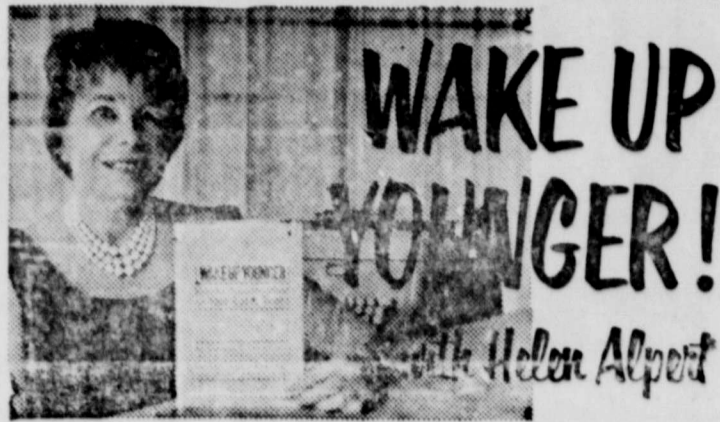
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DO YOU AGREE?

Dear Helen, I see you disagreed with another columnist on a problem about a mother. Enclosed is a clipping from our newspaper. It says that a well-placed compliment puts spring in a man's step. The compliment should preferably come from the boss. My boss is a sour-puss. His office is loaded with brickbats, not bouquets. Everybody knows that a compliment is swell to get, so why a whole column about it?

No Name, Just Maine

So who knows? Actually, the essence of living is to love and be loved. One measure for our own self-esteem is how much esteem we get from others. This is really why compliments are important. They fortify us. They bring to us a very precious word. The word is recognition! Once upon a time — this is a true story — a man was pitching horseshoes. Expertly. Never missed. After a while he walked abjectly away because there was nobody around to praise him! How long has it been since you tossed a bouquet to your boss? He sounds as if he's the fellow who most needs it!

LET'S GET ACTION!

Dear Madam, I am a permanent total disabled man, 56. I got my neck broken in a car accident, had to have spinal operation. I have tried to draw Social Security under the disability law, but they say I have to wait until I am 62. They claim I only had 19 quarters in the last 10 years of my working. Law requires 20 quarters. I would like to see Social Security liberalized for the permanent disabled like me and a lot of people in mental hospitals, to help the ones who need help. Our senator is 100% for it and says it was discussed in Congress. I want to write the President and all our Congressmen, but do not know the right address.

TANNERS VISIT IN LORENZO

The Rev. and Mrs. W. D. Tanner and children were recent visitors in the home of Rev. Tanner's parents in Lorenzo.

CARD OF THANKS

Our heartfelt thanks to all who extended comforting sympathy and help in our recent sorrow. For the beautiful service, food, floral offerings, and other kindnesses, we are deeply grateful.
Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Lauw
Edmond Lauw
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lauw
Mr. and Mrs. M. L. McDonald
44 1tp

CARD OF THANKS

I want to thank everyone who was so nice to me while I was in the hospital and since I have been home. A special thanks to George English and J. C. Carson for the blood they gave me. Also a special thanks to Dr. Sadler, Dr. Warren and nurses for being so good to me. May God bless each.
Mrs. T. G. Hull and family.
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Sue Christmas, M. D. Walker Exchange Vows

Sue Christmas and Pvt. Mitchell Dale Walker, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Fox of Merkel, were married Dec. 24 at the Holiston Ave. Methodist Church in Lubbock.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Christmas of Pasadena, Calif.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Walker of Lubbock.

The bride went to Pasadena High School and attended Pasadena College.

The bridegroom attended Monterey High School at Lubbock. Pvt. Walker will be stationed at Fort Gordon, Ga., for additional training.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Fox visited with Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Walker and family in Lubbock, and spent part of the holidays in Corpus Christi with J. D. Fox and family.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Williams of Merkel attended the funeral of Mrs. Vindie Cunningham in Hamlin Dec. 31. Mrs. Cunningham was Mrs. Williams' aunt.

Mrs. Walter Frazier had a house full of guests for the Christmas holidays. Mr. and Mrs. George Frazier and son, David, and Lonnie Baugh of Aspermont were here, also Mr. and Mrs. Gene Frazier from Cleburne and the Donald Frazier family of Merkel.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Horace Hargrove and Larry are Jimmy Dee and Troy Lee Hargrove of Hurst. They are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Hargrove.

House guests of Mrs. Wynonia Scoggins were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Alsop of Houston, Mr. and Mrs. Buster Molder of Littlefield, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Scoggins, Stewart and Stephanie of Westbrook, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Starzac of Merkel, Mrs. Ruby Burleson and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Burleson and David of Coleman, and Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Patton of Irving.

Merkel Acquires Defense Hospital

A pre-positioned emergency Civil Defense Hospital will be brought to Merkel Tuesday, Jan. 12. The hospital and equipment will be stored at the Merkel Public Schools. In the event of an emergency the hospital will be set up in the school, with 200 beds, and is capable of operation for 30 days.

The hospital has been stored in Breckenridge. The City of Merkel, Taylor Telephone, and Taylor Electric will furnish the labor to unload and store the equipment, Dr. Warren stated.

The City of Merkel purchased a walk-in refrigerator to store medicines for the emergency hospital.

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L. P. Liles Dies at 69

L. P. Liles, 69, longtime resident of this area, died last Wednesday in Sadler Clinic - Hospital after a critical illness of one week. Funeral was held Thursday in First Methodist Church with the Rev. Howard Marcom, pastor, officiating. Burial was held in Rose Hill Cemetery under the direction of Starbuck Funeral Home.

Born March 13, 1895 in Mangum, Mr. Liles was a World War I veteran. He moved to the Merkel area in 1924 and married Milba Suber in 1928. She died in 1931.

He married Mary L. Patterson May 3, 1934. She died in 1961.

Mr. Liles worked for the county for 20 years and retired in 1960. Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Carl Giles of Merkel and Miss Meldene Liles of the home; one sister, Mrs. B. H. Boggs of Cisco; one brother, Monroe Jones of De Leon and two grandchildren.

Palbearers were Joe Cypert, Ray Wilson, Johnny Zitterkoph, John Brady, Franklin Myrick and Bob Hudson.

Tax Agent To Be In Merkel

A representative of County Tax Collector Burl King will be in Merkel Tuesday, Jan. 12.

As a courtesy to Merkel citizens county and state taxes may be paid, along with poll taxes, at that time.

Hours will be from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. The representative will be at the Chamber of Commerce office.

ANDY SHOUSE
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NOTARY

U.S. Infant Death Rate Too High, March of Dimes Physician Says

By VIRGINIA APGAR, M.D.

Director, Division of Congenital Malformations, The National Foundation-March of Dimes

Did you know that 10 nations have a lower infant mortality rate than the United States? That every year we lose about 105,000 babies aged one year or less?

That this tragic and discreditable situation exists despite the fact we have the best trained physicians, the most medical schools, more hospital beds than any other nation, and probably more prenatal clinics than any other country?

How, if at all, can our infant mortality rate be lowered? In the course of my work with the program of The National Foundation-March of Dimes to eliminate birth defects as a leading cause of infant mortality and disability, I have talked to scores of obstetricians and pediatricians, leaders in public health and other experts to seek answers to the problem of the infant mortality rate in our country. All feel that better prenatal care would help.

Everyone agreed that probably the most blameworthy culprit is a young woman we might call Sally B. She is 20, reasonably pretty, a high school dropout after a year, and she is married to a laborer whose education ceased at age 12. She has had one baby stillborn and two miscarriages, and more such shattering experiences are probably in store for her.

Intimately acquainted with this prototype is Vera R. Keane, now research director at Yale University School of Nursing, New Haven, Conn., and formerly director of parent education, New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center. She has had long experience as a public health nurse, and to me she describes the group to which Sally B. belongs in these terms:

"At any given time in the United States, we estimate that there are some two million women pregnant. Of these, about 500,000 belong to that hard-core, lower socio-economic group who turn a deaf ear to prenatal advice and refuse to attend prenatal clinics because, they say, they don't consider pregnancy as being 'sick.'"

"When you ask these women and girls why they won't go to prenatal clinics in communities where these facilities exist, they say they don't need any advice or, if they do, they can get it from a girl friend or

INFANT MORTALITY RATES

REPORTING COUNTRIES, 1950-1962 OR LATEST YEAR
(Rates are deaths under 1 year per 1,000 live births)

COUNTRY	1962		1950		Percent Decrease Since '50
	RANK	RATE	RANK	RATE	
NETHERLANDS	1	15.3	3	25.2	39.3
SWEDEN	2	15.3	1	21.0	27.2
NORWAY	3	18.9*	5	28.2	33.0
FINLAND	4	19.2	11	43.5	55.9
AUSTRALIA	5	19.5**	2	24.5	20.4
DENMARK	6	20.1	7	30.7	34.5
NEW ZEALAND	7	20.3	4	27.6	26.5
SWITZERLAND	8	21.0**	8	31.2	32.7
UNITED KINGDOM	9	22.1	9	31.4	29.6
IRELAND	10	24.2	13	46.2	47.6
UNITED STATES	11	25.3	6	29.2	13.4
LUXEMBOURG	12	26.2**	12	45.7	42.7
CANADA	13	27.2**	10	41.5	34.5
JAPAN	14	28.6**	15	60.1	52.4
REPUBLIC OF GERMANY	15	29.2	14	55.6	47.5

* 1960 ** 1961
Sources of Data: United Nations, Statistical Office, and U.S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, National Vital Statistics Division.

neighbor; or they don't have the time; or they don't have the money for transportation to the clinic and for a babysitter while they're away from home; or even if they are pregnant they're much more concerned about their husband being out of work, or worried about where they are going to get next month's rent, or the money for this week's food. They just poohpooh the whole idea of the protective and preventive health service. That's your typical Sally B."

But let me say to women in early pregnancy that even if they do feel some reluctance about making their first visit to a prenatal clinic we usually find that only about one in five

will need to return frequently. Those who are requested to return at close intervals are the high-risk cases where we find such disorders as diabetes, high blood pressure, anemia and obesity. I hasten to add that in these cases there are remedial measures that can be taken.

If our infant mortality rate remains shocking and frightening, that tragedy is no justification for doing nothing to improve it. The time is long overdue for us to roll up our sleeves and get to work. We most certainly can make our prenatal clinics more inviting and less wearing on those expectant mothers who should use them.

ter spent the holidays with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Putman.

Mrs. Leta Barbee of Abilene spent last Tuesday afternoon with her brother, D. E. Callaway.

The following enjoyed a new Years party in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Karl Bonneaux: Mr. and Mrs. V. R. Justice, Mrs. Troy Sloan, Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Best, Mr. and Mrs. Dock Callaway and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pryor.

Mrs. Phillip Pursley, Brad and Bart, visited Mrs. D. L. Bower Thursday afternoon.

Visitors in the Earl Palmer home during the Christmas and New Year holidays were their two sons, Edward and family from Eunice, N.M., and Charles, from Sul Ross College in Alpine, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Owens and uncle, Richard Melton, and Earl's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Palmer of Merkel. A niece from Denton also visited.

H. J. Hamilton Dies at 79

Henry J. Hamilton, 79, died at 1 p.m. Tuesday in Sadler Clinic - Hospital after an illness of one week.

Funeral is set for Thursday morning at Starbuck Funeral Home.

Born Feb. 14, 1885 in Dublin, Mr. Hamilton moved to Merkel about 40 years ago.

Survivors are one daughter, Mrs. C. C. Cummings of Corpus Christi; one brother, Treat of Big Spring; one sister, Mrs. Sudie Holt of Big Spring.

Visiting in the Sam Swann home during the holidays were Mrs. Henry Jones, Tulsa; Mr. O. R. Dennis, Advance, N.C.; Irene Swann, Roswell, N.M.; Mr. and Mrs. Carson Miles, San Angelo; Bradley Miles, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Adkins and children, Steve and Judy, Snyder; Mrs. F. G. Sears and daughter, Carolyn, of Denver, Colo.

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Religious Review

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Preaching Service 11:00

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
Howard Marcom, pastor
SUNDAY
Sunday School 9:45
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
WEDNESDAY
Evening Worship 6:45
Bible Classes 8:00

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
Marvin H. Clark, pastor
SUNDAY MORNING
Broadcast 9:00

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

ASSEMBLY OF GOD
John Curtis, pastor
SUNDAY
Sunday School 9:45
Preaching 10:55
Youth Meeting 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.

New Meeting Time For Pioneer WSCS

Ladies of the Pioneer Memorial Church have voted to change the time of the Women's Society of Christian Service to the afternoon of the second Wednesday in each month.

p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 13, when Mrs. Tom Russom will begin a study of "Genesis."

The first meeting will be at 2 Mrs. Ford Butman is president and Mrs. Dewell McLean is vice president of the Pioneer WSCS.

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NOODLE NEWS

By SIMMONS CALLAWAY

A few more pretty days of sunshine and the cotton will all be out and ginned.

The little showers that fell last Saturday will be a boost to the winter grazing.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pryor of Odessa spent Thursday night of last week with her aunt, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Callaway. On Friday Mrs. Callaway's daughter and son in law, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Dixon and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Tarpley, all of Abilene, visited their mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Womack and children visited his mother and brother after church Sunday. His mother is Mrs. Clara Womack, and brother is Joe Womack, all of Hawley.

The Rev. and Mrs. Norman Hogan and Ann are back after being gone to Tennessee since the 13th of December. They were dinner guests of the Boyce Vanclis Sunday.

Karen Sue Putman of Sweetwa-

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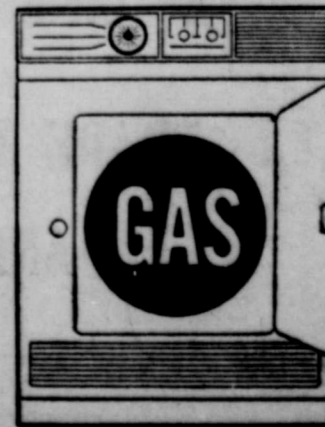
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CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Eugene Wood, and wife, if
any; J. S. Rice and wife, if any;
and W. H. Monk and wife, if any,
and if said persons or any of
them be dead, the legal represen-
tatives of each of said named de-
pendant, and the unknown heirs
of each of said named Defend-

ants, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COM-
MANDED to appear before the
Honorable 42nd District Court of
Taylor County at the Courthouse
thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by
filing a written answer at or be-
fore 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 25th day of Jan-
uary, A. D. 1965, to Plaintiff's Pe-
tition filed in said court, on the
11th day of December A.D. 1964,
in this cause, numbered 29,388-A
on the docket of said court and
styled Freda West Jones, a wid-
ow, W. B. Jones, Jr., Trustee

George David Jones, Trustee and
John Paul Jones, Plaintiffs, vs.
Eugene Wood and wife, if any;
J. S. Rice and wife, if any; and
W. H. Monk and wife, if any, De-
fendants.

A brief statement of the nature
of this suit is as follows, to-wit:
Suit for title and possession on
the property described in Taylor
County, State of Texas, to-wit:

Being Lot. No. Thirteen (13),
Eugene Wood's Subdivision of the
South ½ of Lot 1, Block No. 177,
City of Abilene, Taylor County,
Texas, SAVE AND EXCEPT the
East 10 feet of said Lot. 13, as
is more fully shown by Plaintiff's
Petition on file in this suit.

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and the mandates hereof, and
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rects.

Issued and given under my hand
and the seal of said court at Abi-
lene, Texas, this the 11th day of
December A.D. 1964.

Attest: R. H. ROSS Clerk
42nd District Court
Taylor County, Texas.
By Janie Brock, Deputy.

41 4tc

MULBERRY CANYON 4-H MEMBERS PLAN MEETING

The Mulberry Canyon 4-H Club
members will meet Monday at 7
p.m. on Jan. 11.

Assistant Agent Larry Osbourn
will present a program on show-
manship.

The Rev. James Williams had
dinner Sunday with Mr. and Mrs.
Fred Perry.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Largent
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Mrs. Chester Imes and daughter,
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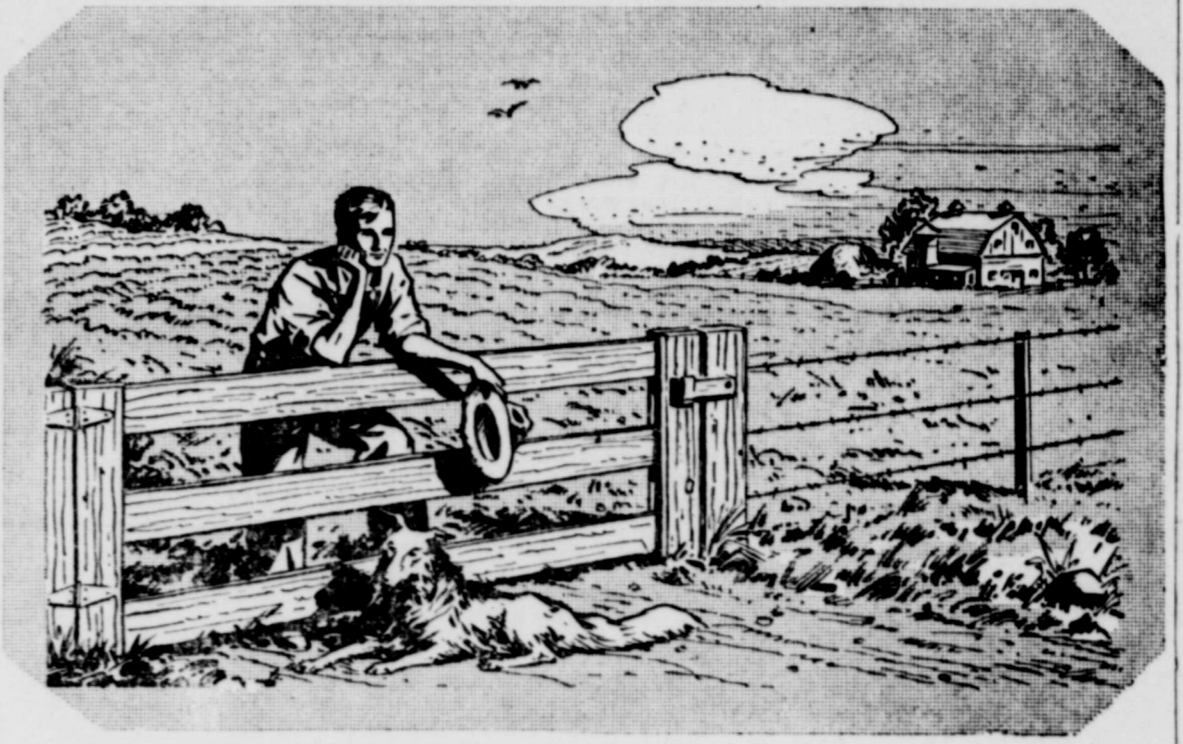
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F A B
Giant Box **59¢**

V E L
Liquid Giant **53¢**

PINE - SOL
28-Oz. Bottle **69¢**

V E L BEAUTY BAR
3 DEAL BAR **43¢**

OUR DARLING — 303 Can White
CORN 2 for **33¢**

DEL MONTE — 303 Can
SPINACH 2 for **29¢**

DEL MONTE CUT — 303 Can
GREEN BEANS .. 2 for **43¢**

DEL MONTE — 303 Can
GARDEN PEAS .. 2 for **39¢**

HUNT'S — No. 300
TOMATOES 2 for **33¢**

DEL MONTE — 303 Can
FRUIT C. T. 2 for **39¢**

DEL MONTE — Pineapple-Grapefruit
DRINK 29-oz. can **23¢**

LIBBY'S FRUIT — 46-OZ.
PUNCH 46-oz. can **23¢**

LIBBY'S Barbecue Beef or Pork
SLOPPY JOE 300 can **49¢**

CRISCO PEACHES FOLGER'S TUNA CATSUP

Van Camp's
Flat Can 3 for **49¢**

Creamy (One Limit) 3-lb. can **69¢**

Libby's 2½ can 2 for **49¢**

Coffee (One Limit) 1-lb. can **69¢**

Hunt's New Hickory Flavor 2 for **35¢**

KRAFT
SALAD BOWL
QUART

39¢

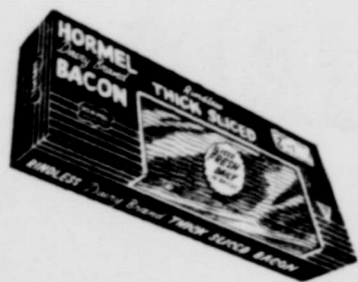
FRITO
CHILI
NO. 2 CAN

49¢

JOLLY TIME
POP CORN
20-OZ. CAN

29¢

Finest Quality **MEATS**



HORMEL RANGE RAN
BACON
2-lb. pkg. **79¢**

HORMEL RE-SEAL LUNCHEON
MEATS Cooked Ham pkg. 53¢
Breast of Turkey pkg. 49¢

HORMEL BONELESS COOKED
HAM 3-lb. can **2.29**
Cooked

GOOCH'S OLD VIRGINIA
SAUSAGE 2 lb **1.05**

FRESH
PORK LIVER lb. **19¢**

FRESH
Ground **BEEF** 3 lbs. **89¢**

CHOICE BEEF — RUMP — ENGLISH-
PIKES PEAK or ARM **ROAST** **59¢**
lb.

WISCONSIN CHEDDAR
CHEESE lb. **59¢**

PET'S SEGO
DIET FOOD
2 TALL CANS **43¢**

KRAFT
GRAPE JELLY
2 18-oz. glasses **59¢**

FROZEN FOODS
HANDY PAC — CRINKLE CUT
POTATOES
2-lb. Bag **33¢**

PATIO MEXICAN
DINNER each **39¢**

KEITH 6-OZ.
LEMONADE can **10¢**

DONALD DUCK 6-OZ. ORANGE
ORANGE JUICE 2 for **49¢**

DOUBLE STAMPS
GIFT BOND

Window Specials Too
EACH WEDNESDAY ON \$2.50 PURCHASE

ZEE
TOWELS
JUNBO ROLL **23¢**

SWIFT
PREM
12-OZ. CAN **39¢**

SWIFT
VIENNA SAUSAGE
3 CANS FOR **49¢**

Garden-Fresh
VEGETABLES

TEXAS JUICY
ORANGES
5-lb. bog **39¢**

TEXAS RIPE — 5-LB. BAG
GRAPEFRUIT 5-lb. bag **39¢**

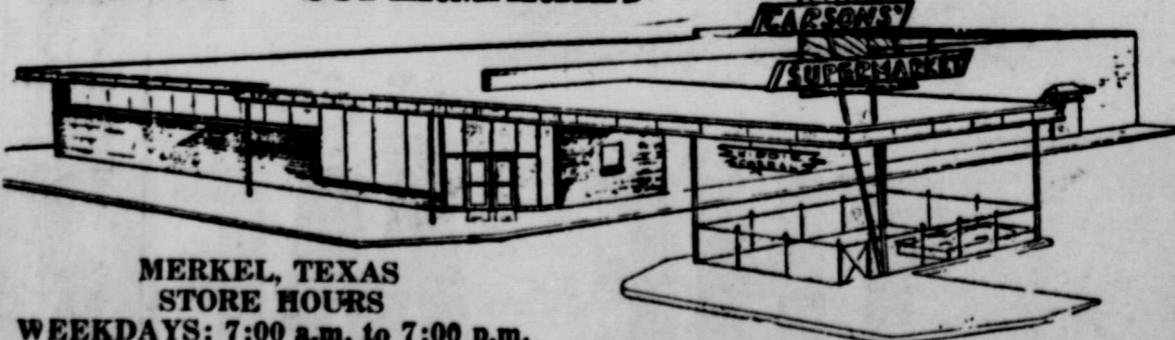
FRESH
CABBAGE lb. **5¢**

BANANA SQUASH lb. **15¢**

FRESH
K. Y. GREEN BEANS lb. **15¢**

FRESH
LETTUCE lb. **10¢**

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