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Merkel Hospital Authority Board

Discuss Two Locations Offered

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Up The

By TOM RUSSOM

Hot dry weather still has its grip on the Canyon and the need for rain is badly felt. The last few days we have been over a wide area and most of it is much dryer than our area is.

We had a load of lambs down on the San Angelo market a few days ago and it was plenty dry in that area too, and the sheep market was everything but good. However, at this time a year ago the market was about like it is now. It began raining and the market improved a great deal.

Good stocker lambs were selling the day we were there at 18 cents per pound. Fat lambs were up to 21 cents and some good 3 and 4 year olds ewes sold for \$11.25

The opinion of the sheep owners is to hold the sheep a while

There were quite a few from the Canyon attended the McWilliam - Moore wedding in Trent last Friday. We had a little visit with Clyde Moore, uncle and aunt from Seymour. Clyde said the needing rain real bad. He said the mile was turning red and the cotton was in bloom.

Allen King has spent a few days in Hendrick Memoria Hospital for a check up. A few from the Can-

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Government" was top discussion

at the dinner meeting held in Abi-

lene Tuesday, July 19, at Cooper

High School Cafeteria concerning

West Texas to be eligible for

funds under the federal Economic

About 150 area officials includ-

Purpose of the meeting was to

invite representatives of cities

throughout the 17th Congressional

District and bordering counties to

goin in the prgoram to "seek funds

Cong. Omar Burleson of Anson

Astressed the necessity of such a

council. "It is necessary," he

said. "if the area is going to

develop along the lines of its

needs, and I will help you in

Members of the Merkel 4H Club

who represented Merkel in the

District 4H Horse Show at Junc-

tion Friday, July 15, were Kath-

my Criswell, Karlan Gamble and

Kathryn placed fourth in hal-

ter and third in pole bending;

Terry placed third in halter and

Horse Show at San Antonio will

be notified later," said Gail

"Members eligible for state 4H

Robert Boyd and Terry Wade.

Robert Boyd fifth in halter.

Boone, club reporter.

Members Place

In Horse Show

for the West Texas area."

ing Merkel's Mayor Johnny Cox,

Opportunity program.

were in attendance.

REPRESENTATIVES

FROM WEST TEXAS

Merkel and surrounding towns of heard. We must join together

DISCUSS GROWTH

Taylor Electric Sets Meeting At Canyon 8 o'Clock Tonight

Jim Morris of the Texas Electric Cooperative Assn., with headquarters in Austin, will discuss vital points of the new supplemental financing program, HB 14000 for cooperatives this evening at 8 o'clock. The bill is now before the House Agriculture Committee in

The meeting, sponsored by the Taylor Electric Coopertaive will be held in the auditorium of Merkel High School.

Morris will also conduct an open discussion, after vital points of the bill have been brought out.

Norman Winter, manager of Taylor Electric Copoerative invites "all members of the cooperative and others interested in the future operations and development of TEC to attend this

Pioneer Church To Begin Revival

Pioneer Memorial Methodist Church will conduct a Revival beginning July 24 with former pastors of the church as evangelists. Schedule of services and former pastors to speak are:

Sunday, July 24 - Regular services with church pastor, Rev. Charles Williams doing the preach-

Monday and Tuesday, July 25 and 26, Rev. E. H. Phillips will conduct the services.

Wednesday and Thursday, July County Reunion 27 and 28, the services will be conducted with the Rev. E. H. Marton speaking.

Sunday, July 31, Rev. Williams will close the Revival.

The Rev. Williams extends an invitation to everyone to attend

Taylor County Judge Roy

Skaggs told the grou p that there

is no substitute for organization if

we "want to make our voices

and study this program, so that

we don't miss out on some help-

Cox felt that the meeting was

"very informative and certainly

stressed the importance of organ-

"There are twenty - two met-

ropolitan areas in Texas," said

Cox, "and all these areas are

forming groups. This particular

area takes in thirty counties and

is much smaller than most of the

other areas in population, so it

is going to be necessary for all

the smaller towns to get together

and plan on a long range basis."

ing to be considerable help both

state and federal in developing

the country, not only in this area.

but all over the United States."

City Council meeting July 18,

Cox said, and "in the near future

we hope to appoint a group of

citizens in our city to work to-

geher and work out things that

we might be able to do here that

Area towns represented besides

Merkel and Abilene were Haskell,

Winters, Colorado City, Roches-

ter, Jayton, Throckmorton, Baird,

Clyde, Breckenridge, Santa Anna,

Coleman, Stamford, Coahoma,

Sweetwater Ranger, Cisco, Dub-

lin, Brownwood, Eastland, Big

Spring, Anson, Albany and Roby.

would be helpful."

A discussion was held at the

Cox explained that there's 'go-

izing in the Big Country.'

NOTICE

'basket lunches are to be grought.'

The Jones - Taylor County Re-

union will be held at Lubbock

Jones-Taylor

B. Sexton of Slaton.

Eleven calves will be auctioned off at public auction at the Brushstomper Arena Saturday evening, July 23.

PROGRAM OUTLINED

men of the West Texas Chamber Sunday, July 24, according to F. of Commerce held one of a serlies of "Action Forums" Thursday, The Reunion will be held at McKenzie Park in Lubbock, and

MERKEL HOSPITAL AUTHORITY BOARD - Meeting in their regu-

lar session Tuesday evening were boards members, from left, Mrs. John

Hardesty, secretary; Lawton Finch, director; Bill Wood, president; Da-

vid Gamble, Bill Button, Bill Brown and Herman Carson, directors. Two

board members who were out of town and unable to attend the meeting

were director Joe Cypert, and Max Murrell, vice president. (Staff Photo)

July 14 at the Merkel Restaurant. The meeting was for District 5 of the WTCC, headed by J. J. Crim of Abilene, a Lone Star Gas Company executive.

Representatives from 15 Abilene area towns attended the meetnig. with director Earl Hughes of Merkel as host.

The meeting opened with a wel-



TOP LIONS GET TOGETHER - Booth Warren, left, member of directors of Merkel Lions Club, and Lion president. Horace Hargrove greet District Governor Bill Longley at the recent Lions' Installation Banquet, held at the Merkel Resaurant. Longley was principal speaker at the Banquet. (Staff Photo)

the Asteroid Motel, and the Rev. Newton Daniel, pastor of the Merkel Methodist Church, asking the

Crim outlined the meeting purposes and introduced John Ben Shepperd of Odesa, WTCC presi-

Shepperd told the group that experts had brainstormed all the opportunities and potentials of the West Texas area "in the first effort in history to develop growth potentials for West Texas.

He said "Your regional chamber felt that we needed such a study; that we needed plans and an apraisal of where we thought we were headed; that we badly needed broad, big scale thinking."

A preliminary program of work was presented which went into great detail in all the committee work that the chamber does. Attendants were asked to go back to their hometowns and have meetings with their hometown WTCC members.

Towns represented other than Merkel were Abilene, Albany, Anson, Baird, Breckenrdige, Cisco, Clyde, Colorado City, Eastland, Hamlin, Roscoe, Rotan, Stamford and Sweetwater.

Hughes expressed appreciation to Finch, and Rev. Daniels for their part in the Merkel program.

Barnhart at Navy **Training Center**

SAN DIEGO, Calif. (FHTNC)-Seaman Recruit Douglas E. Barnhart, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Barnhart of Rt. 3, Merkel, is undergoing seven weeks of basic training at the Naval Training Center here.

Under the supervision of veteran Navy petty officers, he is receiving instructions in naval history and organization, customs and courtesies, ordinance and gunnery, seamanship, damage control, first aid, swimming -and survival, shipboard drills and sentry

CITY ENGINEER TO CHECK SITES

Board members of the Merkel Hespital Authority met Monday evening, July 18 at the Asteroid Restaurant in their regular session to discuss sites for the proposed hospital.

board president. "Ont of the sites is on the south side and the other site located on the north side. However, our city engineer will need to check out both sites before a decision can be made."

In discussing the progress made toward building a hospital in Merkel, board member Lawton Finch said that "progress has been slow but as with anything that is as imporant as this, every detail must be fully cleared. Two weeks ago the board met with Mr. C. M. Smith of the First Southwest Company in Abilene to act upon reports to the board from the market attorneys in Dallas in regard to the proposed revenue from the new hospital, as it relates to the yearly retirement of the bonds. The Market attorneys have been in touch with the Attorney General's office in Austin who will have to approve the revenue bonds for the construction of the

In discussing the proposed plans for the hospital, which has been basical'y approved by the board. Wood said that there were lots of avenues yet to be examined. "We're trying to get the quickest way and yet the soundest way financially."

The Merkel Hospital Authority which is city created, "was created under and by virtue of the provisions of the Hospital Authorities Act."

In a June 21 Memorandum to Mr. Smith of the First Southwest Co., provisions of the Merkel Authority were outlined as

1. "The Authority may issue revenue bonds to provide funds for any of its purposes. Such bonds shall be payable from and secured by a pledge of the net revenues to be derived from the operation of the hospital or hospitals and any other revenues resulting from the ownership of the hospital properties . .

2. "Apparently, the City of Merkel has no past history of a hospital operation, therefore, the revenue bonds must be sold and approved on projected net reve-

3. "The Housing Urban Development Agency have repeatedly "We have at the present time stressed the fact that they want two sites offered the Merkel Hos- to be assured of at least 11/2 times pital Authority," said Bill Wood, coverage on hospital authority revenue bonds where there is no past history of operation.

4. "Prior to approving the bonds, there would have to be furnished a reasonable projection by a reputable hospital consul-

Hospital consultant for the Merkel Hospital Authority is Char-Dunn of Dallas.

Brasher - Goyette and Rapier of Lubbock are architects for the

Noodle Church Of Christ Begins **Gospel Meeting**

A Gospel Meeting will begin at the Noodle Church of Christ Monday. July 25, with Rex Kyker, professor of speech at Abilene Christian College bringing the

The evening services will begin at 8 p.m. and will close with the Friday evening service.

Troy Sloan, member of the Noodle Church of Christ "invites everyone to come out and hear these messages."

'U' Turns To Become Illegal

At the July 5 City Council meeting a motion was carried that "no U turns at Edwards and North 3rd Streets in Merkel will be legal after the date of August

Alderman Horace Hargrove made the motion and it was seconded by alderman Weldon Mc-

"With the Post Ofice movngi to the new building on North 3rd and Edwards," said Mayor Johnny Cox, "there wil be no more traffice and making U turns could create a traffic hazard."

LITTLE LEAGUE

ALL-STARS TO PLAY HAMLIN JULY 22

Troyce Perry, president of the Merkel (Windmill) Little League, announced this week that at least two of the little League All-Sar Tournament games will be played at the Merkel Little League Park.

Beginning at 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 22, the Merkel All Stars will meet the Hamlin All Stars. At 7:30 p.m. Saturday, July 23, the winner of Friday's game will meet the winner from the Winters Ballinger, Colorado River area, who will have played their games on July 21 and 22.

Managers of the six major Merkel Little League teams have chosen the 1966 All Star Team which will "see first action against the Hamlin All Stars."

All Stars selected were Kerry Thames, Shelton Casady, Reuben de la Cruz, Jeff Whisenhunt, Daniel Moreno, Roy Lee Sharp, Billy Dilts, Monty Tittle, Larry Hewitt, Mike Allen, Dennis James, Larry Pack, Monty Heatley and Jerry

Alternate players will be Steve Teaff and Gary Tipton.

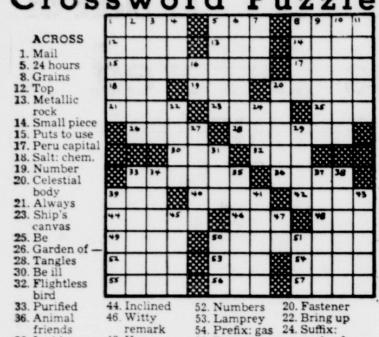
Managers for this year's team will be Riley Jack Seymore and George English.

'With our new concession stand, new team dug outs, and much improvement on the playing field, we consider our park to be in probably the best shape it has been in for many years," said Perry. "Anyone who was not contacted during our all city convass for donations to help defray the cost of building our new concession building, may still donate through any of the Little League officers or managers or Blan Hewitt, secretary treasurer of the

per head. A friend of mine said that the sheep runs had been real heavy. He said a very large area in the state was really dry. While we were at market a load of real fat cattle came in, and after inquiring around I learned they came from the Johnson grass and wheat fields in the Rock Springs area. longer, if we have the grazing to

THE MERKEL MAIL, MERKEL, TEXAS Page Two Thursday, July 21, 1966

Crossword Puzzle



Answer to Puzzle

39. Is able

Charter No. 7481

CALL NO. 458

40. Body part

DOWN 1. Hesitate 2. Series of eight Grinned 4. - Aviv 5. Snoozes 8. Norway

55. Boys

49. Ceremony 56. Some

42. Fools: slang 50. Wood sliver 57. Make beer 29. Regrets

6. Contest sites 39. Joyous song . Affirmative 41. Low, capital

watches

10. Stop 11. Flood 16. That thing

43. Asian goat 45. Fewer 47. Musical note 50. Ocean 51. Seize

Reserve District No. 11

made of

31. Sheltered

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bronze

- States

35. Make moist

37. Flavor tester 38. Ball

wheeled

platform

27. After sunset

side 33. Film formed

REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE

Farmers & Merchants National Bank

IN THE STATE OF TEXAS, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON JUNE 30th, 1966 PUBLISHED IN RESPONSE TO CALL MADE BY COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY, UNDER SECTION 5211, U. S. REVISED STATUTES.

ASSETS

Cash, balances with other banks, and cash items in precess of collection	\$1,291,239.83
2. United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	. 1,250,427.28
3. Obligation of States and political subdivisions	. 772,482.30
8. Loans and discounts	
9. Fixed assets	
12. Others assets Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	9,000.00
13. TOTAL ASSETS	.\$4,347,039.22

LIABILITIES 14. Demand deposits of individuals,

16. Deposits of United States Government

my knowledge and belief.

partnerships, and corporations\$3,752,975.93

17. Deposits of States and political subdivisions 26. Certified and officers' checks, etc. 21. TOTAL DEPOSITS \$3,920.804.06 (a) Total demand deposits 3,920,804.06		137,594.02 6,291.65
Zi. TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$3	,920,804.06
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS		
28. (c) Common stock—total par value \$50.00 No. shares authorized 3,000		
20. Surplus		150,000.00
30. Undivided profits		
32. TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	.\$	426,235.16
33. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS .	. \$3	,920,804.06
	\$4	,347,039.22

34. Average of total deposits for the 15 calendar days ending with call date \$3,817,263.36 35. Average of total loans for the 15 calendar days ending with call date I, Geo. T. Moore, Cashier, of the above-named bank do hereby de-

MEMORANDA

clare that this report of condition is true and correct to the best of

We, the undersigned directors attest the correctness of this report of condition and declare that it has been examined by us and to the best of our knowledge and belief is true and correct.

> DONALD W. WARREN, M.D. W. S. J. BROWN BOOTH WARREN DIRECTORS

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 eek for four consecutive weeks. the first publication to be at least twenty - eight days before the return day thereof, in a news-Texas, the accompanying citation, of which the herein below following is a true copy.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Benjamin F. Ramsey, Jr., Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COM-MANDED to appear before the Honorable Court of Domestic Relations of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written sanwer 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 isuance of this citation, same being the 25th day of July A.D. 1966, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 7th day of June A.D. 1966, in this cause, numbered 2647 on the docket of said court and styled Ann Ramsoy, Plaintiff, vs. Benjamin F. Ramsey, Jr., Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, towit: Plaintif and Defendant were married in May of 1965 and became permantently separated in May, 1966. Plaintiff sues for di-

vorce 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

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same paper printed in Taylor County, 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 21st day of June A.D. 1966.

Attest: R. H. ROSS Clerk, Domestic Relations Court Taylor County, Texas

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President born in the USA.

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State No. 1398

REPORT OF CONDITION OF

"HOME STATE BANK"

at the close of business June 30, 1966, a state banking institution organized and operating under the banking laws of this State and a member of the Federal Reserve System. Published in accordance with a call made by the State Banking Authorities and by the Federal Reserve Bank of this District.

ASSETS

1.	Cash, balances with other banks,	e100 047 E7
0	and cash items in process of collection	\$163,047.57
2.	United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	175,000.00
5.	Other securities (including \$3,000.00 corporate stocks)	3,000.00
7.	Other loans and discounts	348,903.17
3.	Bank premises, furniture and fixtures, and	
	other assets representing bank premises	2,605.00
11.	Other assets	18.75
12.	TOTAL ASSETS	\$692,574.49
	LIABILITIES	
13.	Demand deposits of individuals,	

LIABILITIES	
13. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$521,661.61
16. Deposits of States and political subdivisions	38,026.26
20. TOTAL DEPOSITS (items 13 to 19)\$559,687.87 (a) Total demand deposits	
25. TOTAL LIABILIT'ES	\$559,687.87
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
26. (c) Common stock — total par value	\$ 25,000.00
No. shares authorized 250 - No. shares outstanding 250	
27. Surplus	75,000.00
28. Undivided profits	32,886.62
30. TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$132,886.62
31. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$692,574.49
MEMORANDA	
1. Average of total deposits for the 15	
calendar days ending with call date	\$627,228.06
2. Average of total loans for the 15	
calendar days ending with call date	348,151.05
I, J. G. Wilks, President, of the above-named bank do here	
that this report of condition is true to the best of my know	ledge and
haliaf	reage and

J. G. WILKS

We, the undersigned directors, attest the correctness of this report of condition and declare that it has been examined by us and to the best of our knowledge and belief is true and correct.

> DOW WILLIAMSON J. C. CRAIN H. H. McLEOD DIRECTORS

(Seal)

State of Texas County of Taylor ss: Sworn to and subscribed before me this 12th day of July, 1966. BETTY FREEMAN Notary Public

Doyle L. Jones **Gets Promotion**

Doyle Jones of Sinton, and son of Mr. and Mrs. Oddie Jones of Merkel, has been recently promoted to area manager for Marathon Oil Company in the Sinton area.

Jones, a former Merkelite, has been a resident of Sinton for four years. He has been a Marathon employee for nine years and holds a bachelor of science degree from the University of Houston in petroleum engineering.

The Sinton area covers from Refugio and Aransas Counties to the Rio Grande.

Mrs. Jones is the former Clydene Eager of Merkel.

LEGAL NOTICE

ADOPTION OF MERKEL SCHOOL BUDGET

FOR 1966-67 Along with other items of business scheduled for the July 25. 1966 meeting of the Merkel School Board will be a hearing of the proposed school budget for the school year 1966-67. Any party in-

ested in the budget is invited to be present at the meeting, 7:30 20 1tc

Horace Bow Dies at 60

Mrs. John Oliver received word this week that her cousin, Horace Bow, of Sunnymeade, Calif., died of an apparent heart attack Wednesday. July 13 at his home in Sunnymeade.

Services were held for Mr. Bow, 60, Sunday, July 17.

Mr. Bow's father, Charlie Ed Bow, died June 23 at Starr Nursing home and his mother died in May of this year.

Mr. and Mrs. George Clevenger, Darlene and Debra of Wichita Falls were weekend visitors in the home of Mrs. Clevenger's aunts, Mrs. Ada Mae Johnson, Mrs. Dela Kuykendall, nad Mrs. Mattie Billingsley.

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Quarterly Report of Taylor County

ON JULY 11, 1966, THE COMMISSIONER'S COURT, MET IN REGULAR SESSION COMPARED AND EXAMINED THE REPORT OF MRS. BOB HAILE, COUNTY TREASURER, FOR THE QUARTER END-ING ON JUNE 30, 1966, AND FOUND SAME TO BE CORRECT AND THE RESPECTIVE AMOUNTS RECEIVED AND PAID OUT, TO BE CORRECT SINCE THE PRECEDING REPORT.

Funds	Balance Last Qtr.	Received This Qtr.	Paid This Qtr.	Balance This Qtr.
Jury Fund	\$ 48,590.93	\$ 2,230.37	\$ 6,511.65	\$ 44,309.65
Precinct No. 1 Fund	66,560.48	1,322.18	21,843.75	46,038.91
Precinct No. 2 Fund	103,408.66	2,493.49	26,406.62	79,495.53
Precinct No. 3 Fund	75 215.81	746.74	17,213.12	58,849.43
Precinct No. 4 Fund	82.207.34	1,432.17	24,824.53	58,814.98
General Fund	224,637.43	25,817.39	132,230.78	118,224.04
Pauper Fund	4,016.88	36,528.52	34,559.08	5,986.32
Road Dist. No. 1 Fund	230.00	.00.	.00	230.00
Officers Salary Fund	20,779.63	119,367.69	109,649.14	30,489.18
Payroll Account	1,050.00	154,947.04	154,947.04	1,050.00
Perm. Imp. Fund	171.24	7,718.15	7,634.91	254.48
Spec. R. & B. Fund	1,286.00	.00	.00	1,286.00
Expidenture Fund	.00	127,788.98	127,788.98	.00
Rd. Dist. No. 1 Skg. Fd., 47-53	16,760.09	1,506.75	.00	18,266.84
Perm. School Fund	1,882.77	74.50	262.50	1,694.77
Lateral Road Fund	36,603./5	168.75	.00	36,172.50
Road Bond Series 1953	24,576.40	.00	.00	24,576.40
F.I.C.A. Tax Fund	17,606.89	12,700.00	12,637.14	17,669.75
Library Fund	8,577.00	1,791.00	8,325.80	2,042.20
Perm. Imp. Skg.Fd.S. 1954	5,839.49	2,381.07	.00	8,220.56
Rd. Dist. No. 1 B.Fd.S. 1955	686.40	.00	.00	686.40
Rd. Dist. No. 1 Skg.Fd. S. 1955	19,161.44	1,354.25	.00	20.515.69
Ref'd. B. Skg. Fd.S. 1957	1,589.31	1,140.16	.44	2,729.47
Road & Bridge R.O.W. Fd	84,946.65	961.40	11,000.50	74,907.55
Withholding Tax Fund	5,453.58	13,278.06	18,731.64	.00
Del. Tax. Col. Fee	.00	3,943.10	3,943.10	.00
	\$851,329.17	\$519,691.76	\$718,510.28	\$652,510.65

	\$851,329.17	\$519,691.76	\$718,510.28	\$652,510.65
BANK BALANCES				
First National Bank	\$232,978.34 —Total	Deposits		\$652,510.65
Citizens National	190,382.86 — Total	Time Depos	its	319,500.00
First State, Abilene	90,573.64			
First State, Tuscola	138,575.81 —Total	Checking A	Accounts	\$333,310.65
	\$652,510.65			

Securities	Owned	Ву	Taylor	County -Owned by Perm. School Fund	
Jury Fund Go	. Bonds .			\$10,000.00 —Gov. Bonds\$	3,000.00
Rd. Dist. No.	1 Skg. Fe	d. 47-53		. 13,492.30 - Everman Ind. School Bds	8,000.00
Rd. Dist. No.	1 Skg. Fd.	47-53 .		. 3,200.00—San Saba Road Bonds	1,009.00
					4,700.00
				\$26,692.30 — Federal Land Bonds	1,636.30
					18,336.30

Securities Owned By Refunding Bond Sinking Fun Series 1957. Taylor County Permanent Imp. Bonds Series 1954 . . \$5,000.00 Government Bonds Series J. Bonds 1,368 00 (Red. Value \$1,900)

\$6,368.00

BOND AND WARRANT INDEBTEDNESS

Issues Original Issues	Bonds Redeemed	Bonds Outstanding
Bond Series 1953\$ 350,000.00	\$ 195,000.00	\$ 155,000.00
Bond Series 1954 850,000.00	441,000.00	409,000.00
Bond Series 1955 350,000.00	260,000.00	90,000.00
Ref'd. Bond S. 1957 397,000.00	318,000.00	79,000.00
\$1,947,000.00	\$1,214,000.00	\$ 733,000.00

The Requirements of Art. No. 401 P.C. have been complied with, and a tabular statement has been filed as required.

GROVER NELSON

Commissioner Precinct No. 1

FLOYD TATE Commissioner Precinct No. 3

County Judge, Taylor County

(Seal) Commissioners Court, Taylor County, Texas

ROY SKAGGS

J. T. McMILLON

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THE KINDNESS AND SYM-PATHY of neighbors and friends in our recent sorrow will always remain with us as a precious memory. Our sincere thanks and gratitude for all those comforting acts.

The family of Laura Davis

CARD OF THANKS

I want to express my thanks at this time for the flowers, cards and visits while I was in the hospital at Gorman, Texas, And especially, do I want to thank my staff, including Wallace Doan, who was administrator while I was away, the nurses and their aids and the cooks, laundry help and housekeeper, Joyce Dees, my daughter, Ruth Pangle, who kept my books. You did a marvelous job and I appreciate it and especially Dr. Sadler and Vivian Davis who took care of my pa-

tients while I was away. Sincerely, Mary Outlaw

Frank Rivera Dies at 76

Frank Rivera, 76, died Saturday, July 16, at his home after a

short illness. Services were held Monday at Mother of Mercy Church in Merkel with burial in Rose Hill Cem-

Mr. Rivera was born May 11, 1890 in Matamoros, Mex., and came to Merkel when a young child. He married Gregoria Lbar-

Survivors are his wife; two

ra Feb. 7, 1932 in Merkel.

sons, Lupe of Merkel and Narcisso of San Diego; two daughters, Mrs. Ramon Ortez of El Paso and Mrs. Fidurcio Rancon of Mineral Wells; two stepsons, Dela Ramirez and Maximiano Ramirez, both of Mineral Wells; and 29 grandchildren.

Services Held For Mrs. Davis Funeral services for Laura Bell

Davis, 84, were held Sunday, July 17, in Calvary Baptist Church with the Rev. David Hahn, pastor, officiating. Burial was in City Cemetery in Sweetwater. Mrs. Davis died Friday at her

home in Merkel after a long ill-

Born Laura Bell Thomas Oct. 29, 1881, in Leon County, she married W. C. Sapp in 1897, He died in 1933. She then married John Davis in 1943 and he died in 1951.

Survivors are three daughters, Lola Williams of Pecos. Ila Mae DeWitt of San Angelo, Nellie Fay Clay of Merkel; 11 grandchildren; \$6 great grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Horton of View visited Mrs. Horton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mashburn Sunday.

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Star Nursing Home News

BY MARY OUTLAW

It has been such a long time since I have had any time for news, but now that I'm 'grounded' I will try to "catch you up" on news around here.

We have had a lot of senior citizens who have passed away in our home. Ada Higgins had been with us several months, but the Good Lord saw fit to take her home. She was such a sweet patient, and we miss her very much.

Mrs. Pearl Jones passed away June 17. We had not had her very long, but we had learned to love her as our very own.

Charlie, Bow pased away the 23rd of June. He had been a patient here for several years and we do miss him so much.

Mrs. Ella Hubbard from Hamlin, who passed away recently. had been a patient here for almost

To those dear people of the deceased, we extend our sympathy. Mrs. Laura Turner recently was on a two weeks vacation, visiting

her daughter on the Plains. Focter Watts has had lots of visitors lately, whiche he appreciates. He is much improved at

time of this writing. My thanks are extended to M. L. Jones, one of my patients, for the beautiful orchid mums that he sent during my stay in the Gor-

man Hospital. We have another one of Mrs. Chancey's sisters besides Mrs. Maggie Whitescarver. She is Mrs. Jewel Hart. Mrs . Hart is such a nice lady, come by and visit

with her. My thanks also goes to Jim Mc-Antioch for the nice birthday card of his that he sent our patients.

We appreciated it so much. We have a new patient from Hamlin - she is Mrs. Carrie Wad-

Mrs. Maggie Higgins is getting along fine, but she misses her roommate - Mrs. Ada Higgins. Mrs. Ash is doing better. Floy comes and gets her for lunch and

takes her for a ride. It helps so much to be remembered. Mr. Tatum is still with us and invites his friends to come by and inspect his new hearing aid that

he invented.

Haskell recently, but he is back water is our old "stand by." She visits each patient each day and

cheers them in any way she can. Wish we had more "Mrs. Da-Dovie Stephens is fine at this time and would enjoy your visits. Joe Smith who has been bed-

fast for several weeks is up and able to be in his wheel chair. Mrs. Sudie Ward had visitors recently from Buffalo Gap.

the residents of Starr Nursing home next week



JIM RUSSELL . . . asistant manager

Former Merkelite Gets Promotion

New-Mac Electric Cooperative, Neosho, Mo., has announced that Jim Russell, Power Use Advisor for the cooperative will be moved to assistant manager effective

Russell, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Russell of Merkel, is a graduate of Merkel High School and attended Texas Technological College and the University of Arizona. He has been with the cooperative for seven years. While on the staff he has served as a member of the 4H Committee at the University of Missouri and the vice president of the State Power Use Executive Commit-

The cooperative serves 6,450 members in Southwest Missouri., extends to the Arkansas, Oklaho-

Continued from Page One

yon were up visiting him. He is expected to be back home in a few days. Also C. Riggan of

Merkel were among the visitors. Pioneer Church is planning a 10 day Revival meeting to start July 24. Our pastor, Charles Williams will begin the revival and former pastors of the church will preach during the week. We are looking forward to having a fine

meeting.

Speaking of things to come in our community, one is the Annual Second Sunday All Day Singing Mr. Love visited his son in and "dinner on the ground." Everyone is to bring a basket dinner Mrs. Caroline Davies of Sweet- Little of San Angelo is president of the association, and he said he was contacting the Campbell Quartet of Levelland. We are also looking for the Eastland County Quartet to be here at the singing. Pete Tyrone, formerly of Nolan, is a member of the group. Also the Loraine Quartet is to be here. If anyone knows where we can

locate some old time air cool ceiling fans that could be put in our Community Center, we would We will have more news of appreciate knowing about it. Just call or write Tom Russom, Rt. 2,

TIME TO BE GIVEN MERKEL READERS

MORE 'BROWSING'

Bookmobile service to Merkel residents is being extended from three to five hours. The bookmobile will arrive at 10 a.m., July 23, Aug. 6 and 20 to give readers 24 at Tye from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. more browsing time and a longer and Sept. 7 at Trent from 3:00 to period to conveniently visit the 4:30 p.m. library on wheels.

New books are being added to the collection each call the bookmobile makes. "Requests made to Abilene Public Library prior to the date of the stop will be delivered when the bookmobile makes its next stop," said Thelma Andrews, head librarian.

the entire family - children, teenagers and parents. Choice may range from spy stories, westerns and best sellers to boating, fishing, baseball and other outdoor activities to do it your self for model cars, furniture, flower arrangement, dressmaking, current affairs - Viet Nam to France and history, especially U.S. and Southwest are always favorites.

Grandchildren **Visit Thaxtons**

Leslie and Tonia Thaxton, children of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Thaxton of Dumas have returned home after a three week visit with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Thaxton, Merkel. The children's father and two sisters, Rodena and Kay, came after them this weekend.

Also visiting the Thaxtons were Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Daniels of Corpus Christi.

Don't miss the next call of your library on wheels July 23.

New schedule at Tye and Trent are July 27, Aug. 10 and

4-H Club Member **Gold Star Girl**

Marilyn Maxwell, Junior 4H Leader of Noodle, was chosen as the 1966 Jones County 4H Gold Summer reading from bookmo- Star Girl, according to Mrs Mary bile shelves offers pleasure to Y. Newberry, Jones County Home Demonstration Agent.

> The selection was made by a committee composed of the 1965 Gold Star Girl, Karen Sullivan, Noodle, and the Jones County Home Demonstration Council Three Committee. The Council Three Committee is composed of Mrs. Elmer Joiner, Friendship Club; Mrs. Maxey Harvey, Willow Creek; Mrs. Frank Carter, Goodman, and Mrs. Noble Greer, Friendship. The girls were judged according to their demonstrations. 4H leadership, and personal de-

> welopment. Mari'yn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Maxwell of Noodle, demonstrated to the committee her improvements in the home. food preparation, food preservation and clothing. She is also active in Entomology and Money

> Management demonstrations. The Gold Star Award is the highest award any 4Her can receive on a county basis, and the recepient must be active in 4H work for at least three years.

COTTON PRODUCERS

A meeting for all county cotton they might thoroughly understand producers is scheduled Thursday, July 21 in the Coca-Cola building in Abilene, beginning at 8 p.m., according to Wilbur Gruben, field advisor. The Coca - Cola building is located at 2074 North 1st St. The meeting, sponsored by the

Rolling Plains Cotton Growers is ings which will be held throughout the Rolling Plains for the "purpose of organizing local ecunty cotton improvement asseciations to begin to combat the problems of cotton in an organized effort."

Among other topics to be discussed will be the Cotton Research and Promotion Act," which has passed Congress and will be presented for a vote in referendum to all farmers in the near to attend this meeting "which offuture." The RPCC is attempting fers a positive approach to the to provide information on the Act cotton situation in the Rolling to all Rolling Plains farmers, so Plains area."

its contents," Gruben said. H. C. Stanley, Taylor County Agriculture Agent, will bring a report of the latest insect situa-

tion as determined by the insect

survey teams working under his

supervision. Directors from Callahan County will be elected at the meeting. John McIntyre and R. E. Edington are currently serving as directors, with Edington's term expiring this year.

Morris Smith and Billy Standard are the Taylor County directors, with neither term expiring.

Charles Stenholm, executive vice president of RPCG, joins the directors in urging all cotton producers and interested businessmen

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MCWILLIAMS - MOORE

Kaye Arlene McWilliams, daughter of Mrs. Lena McWilliams, of Trent, and Roger Todd Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Moore rf Merkel, were married Friday. Uuly 15 in the Trent Church of

Ed Enzor, minister, officiated. Wedding music was presented by Don Wilks.

Mrs. Frank Upp of San Angelo, sister of the bride, was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Diana Lewis, and Sue Dickerson, both of Trent, and Mrs. George Hughes of Sweetwater.

Candle lighters were Kayla Canady and Pam McElmurray. Jerry Don McWilliams of Merkel was best man, and groomsmen were Clark Odom of Cisco, Wayne Mitchell of Dallas, and Charles Lyn Russel of Merkel.

Mack Mansfield of Merkel and Richard McElmurray seated guests.

Given in marriage by her brother, Jerry McWilliams of Haskell, the bride wore a satin gown accented with lace. Her veil was caught to a crown of seed pearls.

Attendants were dresses of white bonded lace with A line skirts in the chapel of First Methodist and bell sleeves. Each carried a Church in Merkel.

Mrs. O. W. Graham.

The bride is a graduate of Trent High School and attended Cisco Junior College where she was a member of Student National Education Assn., and secretary treasurer of the freshman class.

A graduate of Merkel High School, the bridegroom attended Cisco Junior College and will be senior at McMurry College. He is employed by Taylor Telephone

Following a trip to Dallas, the couple are at home at 1950 Estes,

Parents of the bridegroom hosted the rehearsal dinner.

Wedding Plans

BOYD-CAROTHERS

Mr. and Mrs. John Boyd of Merkel Rt. 2, announce the engagement of their daughter, Jenny Kay, to Robert Vernon Carothers of Breckenridge. He is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Carothers of Abilene.

Wedding vows are to be read August 26 in the First Baptist Church in Merkel.

The bride-elect is a 1963 graduate of Wilcox High School, Wilcox, Ariz, and is a senior at Mc-Murry College.

The bridegroom - elect is a 1957 graduate of Abilene High School and a 1962 graduate of Baylor University. He is employed with Wichita Falls Production Credit Association of Breckenridge.

lene, and Debbie Dickson of Tus-

The event will be held Friday,

The luau and sweeming party

is set for Friday. July 22 at the

Var Smith's home on 749 E N.

#0th in Abilene; Contestant's Tea

will be held in the Gold Room of

the First State Bank Sunday, July

24 and a dinner is scheduled for

the senior contestants at the

Each of the 21 girls will receive

a gift from the Taylor County

Farm Bureau. The senior queen

will represent the county in the

District 7 queen contest to be

held in Brownwood. The district

winner will compete in the state

contest in Corpus Christi in No-

Mrs. Henry Speck of Abilene

"Television appearances are

scheduled for Tuesday, July 26 on

KRBC, and Wednesday on KTXS,"

Trent FHA Meets

At the social a telegram was

sent to the FFA members com-

peting in a talent contest.

will be mistress of ceremonies

for the contest.

said Mrs. Vinson.

July 29, in the Merkel High School

auditorium at 7:30 p.m.

Downtowner in Abilene.

TWENTY-ONE GIRLS

have entered the annual Farm Bureau queen's contest, according to Mrs. Billy Vinson, publicity chairman for the event. Entries include nine seniors and twelve juniors.

Senior contestants are Wanda Mae Coker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Coker, Abilene, Judy Agnew, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Agnew, Rt. 2, Merkel; Pam Antilley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Antilley, Elmdale; Shraon Atwood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Atwood, Tuscola; Bonnie Blessing, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Blessing, Rt. 1, Haw-

Also Ellen Kay Cochran, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Cochran, Ovalo; Myrtie Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Davis, Merkel; Alice Sue King, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen King, Merkel; and Carolyn Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Moore Jr., Abilene.

Junior contestants are Betsy Orr, Abilene, Ghronda Tarpley, Merkel, Beth Edmondson, Abilene, Meline Rucker, Abilene, Jan and Ann Bradshaw, Debbie Bishop, Hawley, Carolyn and Belinda Knight of Lawn; Judy Brown of

The Trent FHA met July 11 at Tuscola, Willi Jean Moore, Abithe Trent High School to discuss plans for the coming school year. MCANINCH-WILSON An ice cream supper was held July 14 with fourteen members attending.

Wedding vows for Minta Sue McAninch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis McAninch of Merkel, and Thomas O. (Dugan) Wilson Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Wislon Sr., of Balko, Okla., were read Saturday afternoon, July 16

The Rev. Lynward Harrison of

MRS. THOMAS O. WILSON JR. formerly Minta Sue McAninch

Coahoma was officiating clergyman. Organist was Mrs. Annette

Given in marriage by her father .the bride's dress was a chantilly lace covered bodice, with empire gown of peau de soie and lace motifs trimming detachable train complementing the A line skirt.

A crown of pearls held her veil. She carried white orchids and stephanotis on a Bible.

Mrs. Sam Smith, sister of the bride, was matron of honor. Her dress was red silk shantung with empire bodice and A line skirt. A Dior bow of matching fabric held her veil. She carried red antherium.

Dwight Inman of Kilgore was best man.

Recepton was hosted by the bride's parents at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Weldon McAninch.

The bride is a graduate of Merkel High School, and of West Texas State University. At WTSU she was named to Who's Who and a member of Alpha Chi. She has been doing graduate study at Sam Huston State College. She is a teacher in Perryton Public School.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Balko High School, and is employed by Natural Gas Pipeline Co. of Gray, Okla.

Following a wedding trip to Ruidosc, N. M., the couple will live in Perryton.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Douglas of Merkel had as out of town guests this past wekend Mr. and Mrs. Ben Douglas, Tucumcari, N. M., Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Larson, Sayre, Okla., and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Douglas of Borger.

A new "prospective Jaycee" made his arrival in Merkel recently. He is Mark Kevin, baby son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Giles. Born July 13, Mark Kevin weighed out at 6 pounds, 10 ounces.

Fifty Guests Attend Tea

A pre-nuptial tea was given Saturday, July 9, honoring Miss Kay Williams, who was married to Roger Todd Moore, Friday evening, July 15 in the Trent Church of Christ.

The tea, held in the home of Mrs. Onis W. Graham of Trent. registered approximately guests.

The hostess gift was stainless steel cookwear.

Serving table was laid with red nylon chiffon, trimmed in se-

quence. White mums decorated the serving table, with milk glass and sterling silver appointments.

Hostess were Mmes. J. G. Wilks, Carlton McLeod, Clovis McElmurray, Odell Dickerson, James Canady, Sonny Rudd, Frank Allyn, Lola Lee O'Kelly and Thelma Hel-

Also Mmes. L. W. Ross, A. C. Heatly, Robert Schott Jr., Albert Mayberry. Henry Lee Tittle, O. V. Barnhill, Billy Wayne Hamner and Graham

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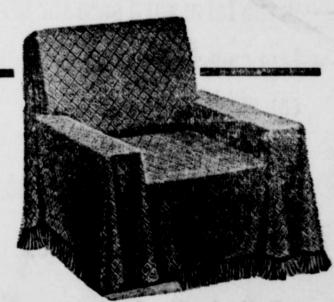


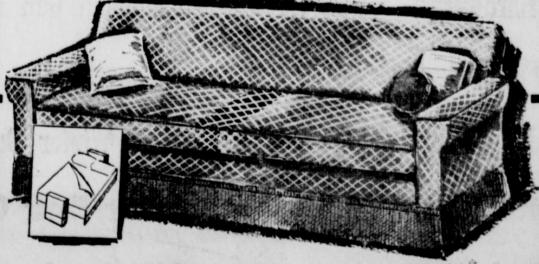
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RINEY REUNION HELD JULY 10

J. Riney met Sunday, July 10, at Abilene State Park for their an- J. B. Riney of Hale Center; Mr.

guests enjoyed dinner, visiting, Mrs. Paul Riney and Paula, Laand swimming.

Those relatives attending were Mr. and Mrs. Morris Smith, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Conley and Ricky, Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Smith, Mr. F. T. Hogan, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hogan and Joyce, Mr. and Mrs. June Hogan, Sandy and Wendy, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hogan, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hogan, and Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Riney and Suzie.

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Also Mr. and Mrs. Lanny Perry, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Orr, Miss Janis Bush, Mr. Melvin Arrington, Brenda and Cathy, and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Riney and Melinda, all of Abilene.

Guests attending were Steve Shugart, Melba Seymore, Debbie Bowen and Billy Black, all of Merkel, and Mrs. Curtis Curry of

Douglas Reunion Held July 17

Approximately eight; two relative and guests attended the Douglas Reunion held Sunday, July 17 at Abilene State Park.

Visitors attended from Abilene. Amarillo, Arlington, Borger, El Pasc, Fort Worth, Houston, Hamlin, Hawley, Haslet, Leuders, Sweetwater, Monahans, Trent, Sayre, Okla., Tucumcari, N.M. and

The first subway opened in Boston in 1897.

Stith News By MRS. FRITZ HALE

We are having some real summer weather now. The farmers are real busy clearing out their

The Rev. and Mrs. James Wil-Eams attended the funeral of Rev. Williams' cousin, Don Williams at the Neinder Baptist Church Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Berry and Nancy of Philadelphia, Pa., visited recently with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Vantresse, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Berry and Barney Berry. We welcome Mr. and Mrs. Ross Lambert to the Stith Community.

Mrs. John Browning is slowly improving at her home. Visiting her last week were O. B. Tatum, from the Starr Nursing Home in Merkel, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ray Browning and children of Tuscola, and Oma Pence, Abilene.

TELL ME

HOW MANY VOLUMES DID THE CHINESE

ENCYCLOPEDIA PRINTED IN 1726 ... HAVE ?

5020 VOLUMES! LAID END TO END,

THE WORLD 34 TIMES !

35 PENICILLIN DERIVED FROM ANIMAL

VEGETABLE OR MINERAL MATTER?

FROM A MOLD ... AND MOLDS

ORIGINATE FROM VEGETABLES!

Mrs. Don Wallace of Abilene had supper Thursday with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher

Mr. and Mrs. Doug Stephenson moved last week to Midland. Mrs. Stephenson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. McDonald visited them over the weekend.

The Rev. and Mrs. Herbert Row and children of Edmonson, spent soveral days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Harris, Kathy, Mrs. Mamie Hardin of Midland and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Baird of Odessa visited recently with Mr. and Mrs. F. J. McDonald and George, and also Mr. and Mrs. Jim Burns.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Hobbs of Grand Prairie brought Mrs. John Hobbs home after a two week visit. She also visited Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Chancy, Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Hobbs and Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Hobbs.

Mrs. James Strong and Melinda of Odessa, visited her mother, Mrs. J. E. Swindell Thursday. Melinda remained for a ten day visit with her grandmother while her parents are on vacation in Mexico City, Mexico.

Mrs. A. M. Evans is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Thelma Dedmon in Abilene this week.

Party Honors Mrs. Phillip

A "surprise" birthday party, honoring Mrs. Howard Phillip on her eighty second birthday, was given July 14 by her three daugh-

Daughters hosting the party were Mrs. L. A. Cox, Slayton: Mrs. D. W. McLeod, Lubbock, and Mrs. Walter Pearl Scott, Tahoka.

Aassisting Mrs. Phillip's daughters were Mmes. W. E. Coop, Fern Windham and Sam Swann. Guests were registered from Lubbock, Slayton, Big Spring, Abilene, Noodle, Trent, Goodman and Merkel

ISN ELECTRONIC INSTRUMENTS, WIRE SO FINE IS USED THAT WITH 6 COATS OF INSULATION IT IS STILL NO LARGER THAN A STRAND OF SPIDER WEB! WHICH OF OUR GAME BIRDS HEAR THE BEST ?

HOW THIN CAN WIRE BE MADE?



NOODLE NEWS By SIMMONS CALLAWAY

David Hancii has rseigned as superintendent of the Noodle Schools, and will be moving soon to another school near Childress. Mr. and Mrs. Will Hendon have sold their home to a Mr. Teney, who will be moving here with his family the first of August.

Mrs. Aneida Sevey drove up from San Angelo Saturday to visit her mother and father, the Callaways. They all drove over to Fort Phantom Lake and had supper with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Tarpley and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Dixon.

Mrs. Alice Cooper received a call Sunday morning that her sister, Mrs. Della Robinson of Pine Bluff ,Ark. had passed away.

Petty Officer 1st Class, USN, D. W. Putman, wife and son are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Putman. Putman has finished Army Nuclear Power plant operations course in Ft. Belvoir, Va. He is on transfer to 731st Radar Squadron, Sundance Air Force Station, Sundance, Wyo. His wife is the former Ethel Ford of Mer-

Officers Elected For Senior MYF

The Senior High MYF of the First Methodist Church elected officers Sunday, July 17, for the 1966-67 year.

Officers elected are Robert Wilson, president, Wally Knight, vice president; Bob Hammond, secretary: Katherine Patterson, treasurer; Mamie Patterson, publicity, and Diane Knight, evangelism.

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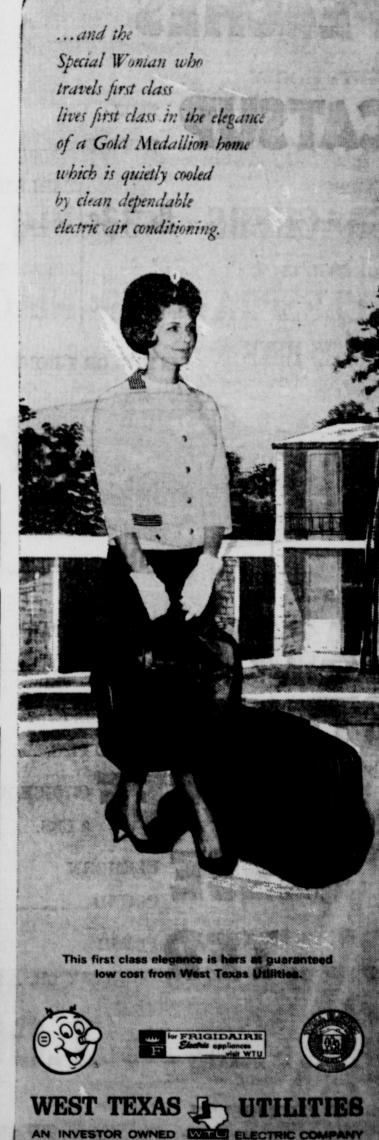
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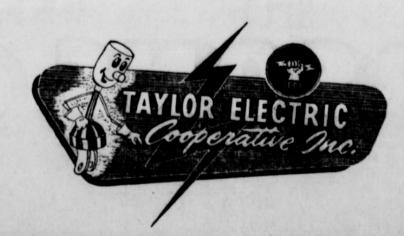
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- 2. Fewer Injuries
- 3. Less Grief and Suffering
- 4. Less Expense
- 5. Less Worry
- 6. Less Property Damage
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GRAPE JAM ... glass 29c

ALLSWEET

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W. K. CORN _____ 2 for 35c

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GRAPEFRUIT DRINK can 25c

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HUNT'S FAMILY

FOLGERS

SPRAY STARCH

12-oz.

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TEA

LIPTON

FROZEN FOODS

CRACKERS b. 33c VIM giant box 59c

AEROSOL 12-OZ. GULF SPRAY can 79c NIAGARA .. 22-oz. 49c

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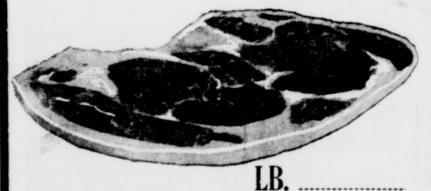
SIRLOIN OR T-BONE

STEAK

1/4-lb.

BIRDSEYE

AWAKA 9-oz. can 29c MORTON'S POT PIES .. 2 for 35c



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