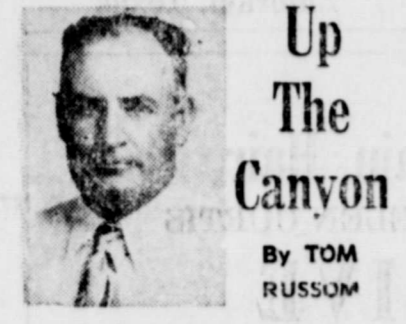


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Up  
The  
Canyon  
By TOM  
RUSSUM

A loving tribute begins our column this week, in memory of John Blackburn John, our hired hand, whom we lost last week from a heart attack, was raised here in the Canyon and it was home to him.

John seemed more like a member of our family than a hired worker. He was a hard worker, and honest, and we will miss him around here in the days to come.

People were so good to sit up at the funeral home and to contribute flowers and to furnish the dinner which was served at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ensminger.

John had two fine sons, Ernest of Greenfield Calif., and Lawrence of San Angelo.

As to our weather here in the Canyon, it has been "straw hat and short-sleeve shirt" weather, but no rain yet, and that is what everyone is concerned about.

It is amusing to see how the wheat is trying to grow, and of course, the Johnson Grass and winter weeds are coming already.

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## Merkel Chamber Banquet Friday Night

A large crowd is expected at Merkel's annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet this Friday night at 7:30 at the Merkel School Cafeteria.

Ticket chairman Herman Carson, says that response to tickets has been good.

An unusually large number of out of town guests have already called or written in for reservations, said C-C manager Johnny Cox.

Grant Jones, State Representative,

and a native of Abilene, will be the banquet's guests speaker.

Elected to the 60th Legislature, Jones is currently serving as vice chairman of Insurance Committee and as a member of the State Affairs, Banks and Banking, Privileges, Suffrage and Elections, and Examination of Comptroller's and Treasurer's Accounts Committees.

Jones received his bachelor of business administration degree from Southern Methodist University, and a master of business ad-

ministration from the graduate division of the Wharton School of Finance and Commerce at the University of Pennsylvania.

In civic affairs Jones has been on the board of Kiwanis Club of Abilene, the West Texas Fair Association, the United Fund, and president of the Community Welfare Council.

Lon McDonald, member of the C-C board of directors will be master of ceremonies for the occasion.

The Merkel High School Stage Band will present dinner music and a girls' quartet composed of Gloria Moore, Linda Doan, Liz Ragan and Sue Pinckley will sing. Ann Doan will be pianist or the singing group.

Max Murrell, retiring chamber president, will introduce the 1967-1968 officers and board of directors, and review the year's work.

Officers elected recently at a board meeting are Herman Carson president, Bill Button, vice

president, and Ray Wilson, secretary - treasurer.

Directors to be introduced will be Ben R. Hicks, Jack Boone, Lon McDonald, W. R. Cypert, Lawton Finch and Murrell.

Deadline for purchasing tickets to the banquet will be noon Friday, according to Carson. Tickets may be purchased at the C-C office, 114 Edwards Street Carson Super Market, Boney's Insurance Agency or the Merkel Mail.

### C-C Tickets

Tickets for the Merkel Chamber of Commerce Banquet may be purchased at the C-C office, Carson Super Market, Boney's Insurance or the Merkel Mail.

Deadline for reservations will be noon Friday March 17.

Call any of the above named businesses and make your reservations.

### Merkel School Faculty Given New Contracts

During recent school board meetings, the Merkel School Board awarded new three-year contracts to Superintendent Mack Fisher and principals Edwin Read and Leon Walker, according to board president, Odis Griffin.

In addition to the employment of the administrators, faculty members were also offered new contracts.

### BUYS ANGUS BULLS

V. P. Byron, Merkel, recently purchased two Aberdeen - Angus bulls from M. B. Wyatt of Anson.



### HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTEES

The National Honor Society of Merkel High School inducted six new members at their recent induction ceremony, held in the school auditorium. The new members are, from left, Robert Wilson, Brenda Morgan, Jo Ann Lassiter, Cathy Derrington, Mary Johnson, and Lupe Hernandez. New members and their parents were honored at a reception following the induction ceremony. (Staff Photo)

### BAPTIST MISSIONARY TO LEAD REVIVAL

"I went to Brazil with stars in my eyes and ideas of being able to do something really big to help change and save the masses," says the Rev. Billy R. Frazier, Southern Baptist missionary now in the States on furlough after one term of service overseas.

This Rev. Billy R. Frazier will lead Merkel First Baptist Church's Revival beginning Sunday, March 19.

Dalton Stewart, music and educational director of the Southwest Park Baptist Church of Abilene, will lead the revival singing.

In referring to his work in Brazil, the Rev. Frazier says that he "now realizes that his dreams are a hard day by day task, not too different from what I might be doing as a minister in the States, and that it is done by working along side Brazilian pastors."

Rev. Frazier is president of the executive committee of an association of 18 Baptist Churches in the industrial communities around the great city of Sao Paulo. He plans and directs the work of the association and helps start new churches.

A Texan, Rev. Frazier was born in O'Donnell and moved with his family to Austin when he was 15. He graduated from Hardin - Simmons University in Abilene, with the bachelor of arts degree and from Southwest Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, with the bachelor of divinity degree.

The Rev. and Mrs. Frazier have four children, and Mrs. Frazier is the daughter of a Texas Baptist pastor.

The revival services will be held each morning at 11 a.m. and the evening services will begin at 7:30 p.m.

First Baptist Church's pastor, the Rev. Bill Tanner, extends a "sincere invitation to all Merkel area people to attend any or all of the services."



REV. BILLY R. FRAZIER  
... evangelist

### Merkel Development Fund To Be Explained at Meet

#### Aim to Promote Merkel's Growth

Questions will be asked and answers attempted at the Merkel Development Fund Breakfast scheduled this morning at the Merkel Restaurant. Herman Carson, Development Fund chairman, will explain the purpose of the meeting and outline plans for its growth.

In an earlier interview with Carson he said that the primary purpose of the meeting will be to discuss ways and means of "assisting the growth and development of business concerns, including small business concerns and to promote and assist the growth and development of public hospitals and similar institutions in the area."

Carson said that the setting up of two funds are to be explained at the meeting. "The Operating Fund will be used to pay small bills, such as phone calls, postage and other incidental expenses incurred by the Board of Trustees in their search for and investigation of prospective industry."

The Contingency Fund, Carson explained, will be used only to fulfill a definite promise we have made with a definite establishment after they have accepted our offer. No more than 20 per cent of the total pledge may be called on in any one year.

The foundation's board of trustees are Carson, Donald Warren, M.D., W. B. Toombs, William H. Button, Lawton E. Finch, Max Murrell, Mack Fisher, Johnny Cox, and Jarrett Williams, M.D.



J. ALLEN DUPREE  
... Post Office Department Regional Official  
**POSTAL OFFICIAL TO BE AT DEDICATION**

J. Allen Dupree, assistant to the Regional Director of the Post Office Department will be on hand for Merkel Post Office's dedication Saturday, March 25, at 1 p.m.

Dedication ceremonies will be by Congressman Omar Burleson, who will be honored with a luncheon at the Merkel Restaurant prior to the services.

Dupree, a career postal employee, was born in Beaumont, and moved to Houston when he was very young. He graduated from Jefferson Davis High School in Houston, and attended Texas A&M University for three years.

Dupree, a career postal employee entered the government service with the Houston Post Office in 1936 as a temporary substitute letter carrier. He was progressively promoted to regular letter carrier, rural carrier, route examiner, Asst. Station Superintendent, Station Superintendent, and Asst. Superintendent Delivery and Collection, the position he held just prior to his appointment as Assistant to the regional Director in December 1961.

Postmasters from other cities have accepted invitations to the dedication ceremonies, according to Postmaster Wrenn Durham.

"The slate of out of town guests is quite large," said Durham.

### COTTON FARMERS TOLD "TO PROMOTE THEIR PRODUCT"

Cotton's future depends upon the farmers' ability to sell his cotton said Charles Stenholm to the approximately fifty members and guests of the Taylor County Farmers Union meeting at the Taylor Electric Cooperative building Tuesday night, March 14.

Stenholm, vice president of the Rolling Plains Cotton Growers Association with headquarters in Stamford, explained that "this can be brought about by cotton farmers organizing to promote and sell their product, by a more modern method of classing cotton, of taking cotton samples, and wrapping the bale for shipment."

In instance," he said, "a farmer should wrap his bale in a cotton bagging instead of a burlap bagging. Farmers can defeat themselves when they don't use their own product."

Members and guests also heard Donald Saverance, manager of Taylor County ASCS office in Abilene, explain the new method of measuring crop lands (farm certification).

Joe McDuff, president of the

TC Farmers Union reported on a informal meeting held in Austin recently with Texas Legislators discussing farmers' problems. With McDuff at the meeting were Farmers Union members Willie B. Toombs and Morris Smith. Tony De Chante, national president, and Jay Naman, state president were also present at the informal meeting.

The next scheduled meeting for the Taylor County Farmers Union will be Tuesday, April 4, and will be held at the Taylor Electric Cooperative building.

### Singing Meeting Set Friday Night

The third Friday Night Singing will be held March 17 at 7 p.m., according to the Rev. W. G. Richardson, pastor of the Victory Baptist Church.

The singing will be held at the Victory Baptist Church, at 307 E. Pase Street and "everyone is invited to attend."

The District Tennis Meet will be held in Fair Park in Abilene, April 4, beginning at 8 p.m. Neil Wright, superintendent of Rotan Public Schools will be chairman of this activity.

April 6 will feature two events — the Golf Meet at Sweetwater, to begin at 8 a.m. and the Interscholastic League Plays, to be held at Merkel and to begin at 7 p.m.

Bob Byerly, Merkel coach, will be chairman of the Golf Meet, and John R. McKay, superintendent of Roscoe Public Schools will head the League Plays.

District 6-A Schools to participate in all events besides Merkel and Aspermont are Coahoma, Roscoe, Roby, Rotan, Wylie and Jim Ned.

W. C. Robinson, superintendent of Aspermont Public Schools, will be director and general overall chairman of the spring meets.

### MERKEL SCHOOLS TO PARTICIPATE IN LEAGUE MEET

A busy schedule is outlined for students in the Merkel Public Schools for the next three weeks, according to superintendent of schools, Mack Fisher.

The schedule concerns the Interscholastic District 6-A League Meets, and begins with the Volleyball Meet at Wylie March 30-31. Under the chairmanship of Vernon Leverett, superintendent of Wylie Schools the meet will be held there beginning at 7:30 p.m.

On April 1 the Literary Contest will be held at Aspermont, with Jim Spradley, principal of the Aspermont Elementary School, chairman.

The Literary Contest will include all literary events: Spelling, and Plain Writing, Ready Writing, Boys' Oral Reading, Girls' Oral Reading, Number Sense, Picture Memory and Story Telling.

"All Elementary and Junior High Events will be held in the

old high school building," said Spradley.

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### BURLESON LUNCHEON SET

A luncheon honoring Congressman Omar Burleson is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. Saturday, March 25, just prior to the 1 p.m. dedication of Merkel's new post office.

J. Allen Dupree, assistant to the Regional Director of the Post Office Department, will also be in attendance at the luncheon.

Reservations for the 11:30 a.m. luncheon may be made by calling the Chamber of Commerce office, 928-6943 on or before Friday, March 24.



# LEGAL NOTICE

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**GREETING:**

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

**CITATION BY PUBLICATION**  
THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Leon Doggett White Jr., Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable Domestic Relations Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 17th day of April A.D. 1967, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 31st day of March A.D. 1966, in this cause, numbered 2516 on the docket of said court and styled Dolores A. White, Plaintiff, vs.

Leon Doggett White, Jr., Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and defendant were married on or about May 17, 1963 and became permanently separated Jan. 1 1964.

Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of harsh and cruel treatment and for custody of the minor children and that Defendant pay child support as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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

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

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas this 1st day of March A.D. 1967.

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

## Conservationists Added to Staff

Two soil conservationists have been added to the Soil Conservation Service staff in Abilene, according to Arneal Scott, SCS work unit conservationist.

They are George W. Love and Edward G. Phillips.

Love reported to work for the SCS in Abilene on Feb. 13, and his job with the service will consist of giving land owners and operators in the Middle Clear Fork and Central Colorado Soil Conservation districts technical and planning assistance.

He is a graduate of Weatherford High School and received his BS degree in Agriculture from Sul Ross State College at Alpine.

Phillips, who "came from the teaching profession," will help farmers with their range programs or just work wherever he is needed, said Scott.

Phillips a graduate of Munday High School, received his BS degree in Agriculture from Sam Houston State College. He has taught in Channelview, Ackerly, and for the past three years in Garden City. He has attended science institutes at East Texas in Commerce and Texas A&I in Kingsville.

## Crossword Puzzle

**ACROSS**

- Kind of shoe
- Nearly
- Originate
- Seal hunter
- Craft
- Old-violin
- Silkworm
- French "the"
- Exclamation of disgust
- Soldier police: abbr.
- Greek letter
- Odor
- Pigeon's cry
- Plays a guitar
- Teem
- Before
- Go astray
- Prohibited
- Says
- Poem
- Backs
- Sun rabbit\*
- Exist
- Deceit
- Musical note
- Safe
- Despot
- Mohammedan prince
- Aids
- Remedies
- Vase
- Food bit
- Wood slabs
- Esteeem
- Corrupt
- Pressing mammals
- Decayed
- Most cunning
- Prefix: gas
- M.D.
- That lady
- Chinese sauce
- Nation: abbr.
- Greek letter
- Iridium: chem.

**DOWN**

- Head parts
- Halt
- Mesh fabric
- City official: abbr.
- Sweetsop
- Small
- Respiratory illness
- Hawaiian wreath
- College degree
- Suffix: oil
- Religious discourse
- Camera stand
- Gone by
- Miss Dunne

**Answer to Puzzle**

1. Sneakers 2. Almost 3. Origin 4. Seal 5. Craft 6. Old-violin 7. Silkworm 8. French "the" 9. Exclamation of disgust 10. Soldier police: abbr. 11. Greek letter 12. Odor 13. Pigeon's cry 14. Plays a guitar 15. Teem 16. Before 17. Go astray 18. Prohibited 19. Says 20. Poem 21. Backs 22. Sun rabbit\* 23. Exist 24. Deceit 25. Musical note 26. Safe 27. Despot 28. Mohammedan prince 29. Aids 30. Remedies 31. Vase 32. Food bit 33. Wood slabs 34. Esteeem 35. Corrupt 36. Pressing mammals 37. Decayed 38. Most cunning 39. Prefix: gas 40. M.D. 41. That lady 42. Chinese sauce 43. Nation: abbr. 44. Greek letter 45. Iridium: chem.

## Entertains Guests

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Reidenbach of Merkel entertained their children and friends with a Sunday dinner Sunday, March 12, with twenty-five present.

Present were the Reichenbach's two daughters and their families, Mr. and Mrs. Galen Metz of Van Armoury, Tex., and Mrs. J. A. (Lola Mae) Smith of San Antonio.

Other relatives attending were Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Gilmore, Carolyn and Becky; Mrs. Beulah Gilmore, Mr. and Mrs. Ennis Reidenbach, Mrs. Mary Click, Mrs. C. P. Stevens, and Mrs. MESSIE Brown, all of Merkel.

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## Services Held For W. E. Miller

Funeral services for W. E. (Uncle Bill) Miller, 95, were held Sunday March 12 in the Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Bill Tanner, pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

A longtime resident of Mulberry Canyon, Mr. Miller died Friday in Starr Nursing Home, after a long illness.

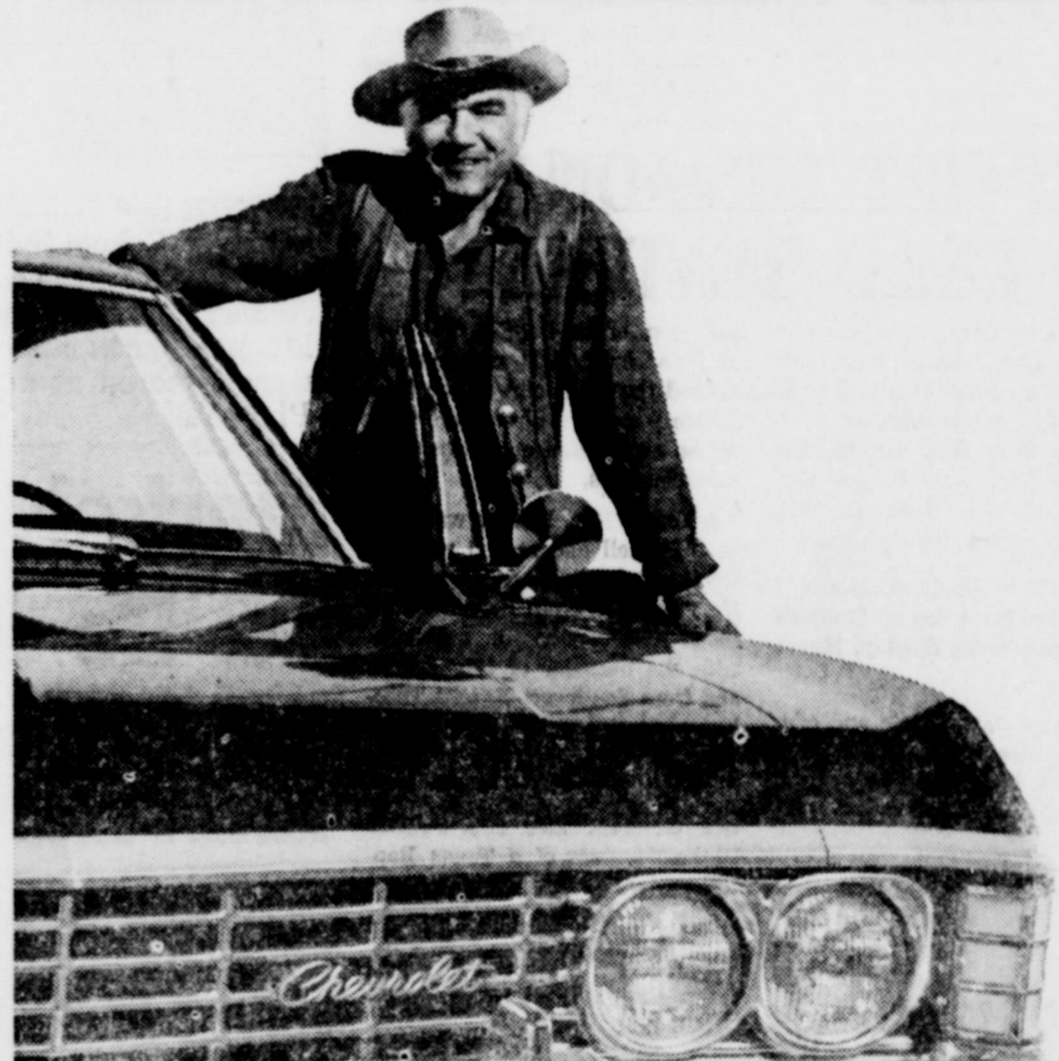
Mr. Miller was born Dec. 26, 1871, in Minden, La. He moved to Mulberry Canyon in 1891 and married Stella Reid in 1892 in Merkel. Mrs. Miller died in 1962.

Survivors include three sons, Tracy and Troy, both of the home, and Ralph of Merkel; two daughters, Mrs. Mae Nunley and Mrs. Fay Brune, both of Denver, Colo.; five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were John Comer, John Crain, T. J. Neil, Ed Sanchusky, D. C. Doan and Clarence Melton.

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**OUR HEARTFELT THANKS** for many acts of kindness during the illness and death of our father, Albert Booth:

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Mrs. Franklin Mashburn



### MRS. LEE SCOTT ... formerly Mary Ileen McLean McLean - Scott Exchange Vows

Mary Ileen McLean of Abilene became the bride of Lee Scott in a March 10 ceremony in Corinth Baptist Church in Abilene. The Rev. Elbert Peak officiated. Parent of the bride is E. R. Willingham of Abilene. The bride wore a blue cotton suit, complimented with white accessories and carried a bouquet of white carnations. A graduate of Abilene High School, the bride is employed at McKesson and Robbins in Abilene. The bridegroom graduated from Abilene High School and attended Abilene Christian College. He is owner of Scott Photo Service at 802 Brickhaven in Merkel.

### O. B. Boden Dies at Age 97

Oliver Bloomfield Boden, 97, died in Hendrick Memorial Hospital Monday, March 13, following a three week illness. Services were scheduled for Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Merkel, under direction of Starbuck Funeral Home. The Rev. Joe Allen, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Childress and the Rev. Bill Tanner, pastor of Merkel's First Baptist Church, and John Toombs of Abilene, will officiate. Burial was to be in Rose Hill Cemetery. Born Nov. 20, 1869, in Paris, Tenn., Mr. Boden came to Merkel at the age of 21. He was a retired stock farmer. He was a member of the Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Althea Morris of Wichita Falls and Mrs. Ruth Boze of Merkel; one brother, Hurley Boden of Blackwell; five grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. Pallbearers were Carlton McCloud, Clyde Bartlett, George T. Moore, Eck Curtis, L. T. Toombs, Price Melton and Tommy Jones.

### Trent HS Grad In Theater Role

LUBBOCK — Texas Tech student Elizabeth McAninch of Trent has been chosen to play the role of Delphium in Tech's University Theater production of "The Haunted House," scheduled for performances March 17 through 20.

Roman playwright Plautus' robust comedy - farce about youthful extravagance and parental discipline is being directed by Speech Prof. Dr. Clifford Ashby, who also adapted and designed the production for the current stage.

Chincaney, pungent wit and some unexpected turns of fortune characterize the plot as timely today as when it was written more than 2,000 years ago, Dr. Ashby commented.

Miss McAninch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cal McAninch of Trent is a junior majoring in dramatic art and English. Her experience at Tech includes the part of Queen Anne in "Richard III," Elmire in "Tartuffe," Dolly in "Three Penny Opera," and the part of a cow in the play "Noah."

### CARD OF THANKS

**MAY WE TAKE THIS MERE-OD** of thanking the Starr Nursing Home staff for their care of our uncle, Joe E. Smith.  
Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Smith

## BADGER TALES

By DEBI CORDER



to keep that schedule.

Liz Ragan certainly does have a red arm. The odd thing about it though, it covers just a certain spot on her arm. Several kids look rather blistered after the track meet held at Cooper High School track field last Saturday.

Mamie Patterson and Brownyn Gamble will believe almost anything. They practically have their bags packed and ready to go to Mars this weekend after they heard about the woman who predicted that "all teenage girls in Texas will go this weekend."

Jo Ann Lassiter finally got rid of that fabulous "blue goose." Now she owns a "light green phantom."

The band didn't win any trophies last Saturday at Lamesa, but they did fairly well.

Interscholastic League Contest is coming up soon so we will have to really get with it.

Mrs. Dadler is frantically working on the Interscholastic (League play) trying to get it under way. Tryouts were last Monday and Tuesday and this weekend they are scheduled to present the play in Lubbock. They will really have to work hard and memorize fast

### Emmett Ayers Dies at 69

Emmett Ayers, 69, longtime Merkel grocer, died Tuesday morning, March 14, in Simmons Memorial Hospital in Sweetwater after a lengthy illness.

Funeral services were set at 1 p.m. Wednesday at the Merkel Methodist Church with the Rev. Newton Daniel, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery with Starbuck Funeral Home in charge.

He was born July 23, 1897 in Capps and moved to Merkel in 1935. He married Gladys Hampton Dec. 31, 1929 in Merkel. He had lived in this area since that time.

Survivors include his wife; five daughters, Mrs. Eddie Gooch of Fort Worth, Mrs. W. C. McMillan of Lubbock, Mrs. Floyd Stamps of St. Louis, Mo., Mrs. Marvin DuBose of Merkel and Mrs. Wayne Tipton of Cisco; one brother, Robert of Abilene; three sisters, Mrs. Baylor Amason of Graham, Mrs. Sula Stimpson of Long Beach, Calif., and Mrs. Charles Ellis of Odessa; 10 grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Pallbearers were to be Ray Reynolds, Leon Toombs, Maurice Johnson, Cramer Reynolds, Stanley Toombs and Willie B. Toombs.



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## MERKEL YOUTHS TO PARTICIPATE IN REVIVALS

Two Merkel youths will be part of the fifty students from Hardin-Simmons University who will travel to Indiana March 17-23 to participate in the student-led revivals in sixteen Southern Baptist Convention related churches.

They are Jackie Reynolds and J. M. Van Gauthe III. Jackie Reynolds, son of Mr. and

Mrs. Cramer Reynolds will be the evangelist for Rolling Fields Baptist Church of Jeffersonville, Ind. He is a Merkel High School graduate.

Van Gauthe III, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Van Gauthe Jr., and also a Merkel High School graduate, will be the evangelist for the Westside Baptist Chapel in Salem, Ind.

### Presto, A Parfait



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1 tablespoon sugar  
In small electric mixer bowl, beat sour cream at high speed for 2 minutes, or until creamy-smooth throughout. Add sugar; beat 1 minute longer, or until well blended. Stir in cherry pie-filling; blend well. Spoon mixture into 6 parfait glasses. Place in freezer. Freeze 2 hours, or until firm. Remove from freezer 1/2 hour before serving. Refrigerate until serving time. If desired, top each parfait with whipped cream.



**TEXANS IN "OLD" BRAUNFELS** — Shops closed, dignitaries spoke and school children sang when Texas Farm Bureau's 1966 Market-Builder Tour visited Braunfels, Germany. Texas' New Braunfels was settled by immigrants from the old German town. Another group, Sept. 12-26, 1967 will again stop at Braunfels while touring six European countries to study possible markets for Texas products, see the sights and promote good will for the Lone Star State. Countries on the 1967 Tour itinerary are France, Switzerland, Germany, Belgium, Holland and England. TFB's Market Tour is unique in that members pay their own way while developing foreign markets for their own products.

### Up The Canyon

Continued from Page One  
But, we think the rain will be coming soon.

Vance McLean, a former Canyon resident, and a brother of Dewell McLean, has been visiting here with Dewell and family, and with a sister, Mrs. Clyde Latimer in Abilene. Vance said "there's not anyone living here any more. Everybody is gone. There's too many vacant houses over the country."

We regret very much to lose

Mr. and Mrs. Riley Jack Seymour and family from our church and community. They are moving to Wichita Falls.

These who love real good singing, be sure and come to the Victory Baptist Church (the former New Live Oak Baptist Church).

The Rev. Richardson, pastor of the church, says we are looking for a fine crowd, "so bring your song books and we will all have a fine singing this Friday night."

We lost one of our old timers of the Canyon a few days ago. He was Uncle Bill Miller and was 95 years old.

We want to send our "hellos"

to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Nally and family this week, hoping that they will soon be back home.

Mrs. Lottie Everett of Merkel, and Mrs. Greta Williamson of Trent, have just returned after a three week vacation in Florida. They report dry weather all the way, but a fine trip.

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## MERKEL WINS THIRD IN TRACK MEET

Rotan took top place in six of the 14 events in the Merkel Invitational Track Meet held at the Cooper High School track Saturday March 11. Rotan scored 123 points and a 20-point advantage over the nearest competitor, Wylie, to win the meet.

Wylie was second with 105, while Merkel, Roscoe and Trent, held the next three places with 59 1/2, 58 and 57 points respectively.

Bronte was sixth with 23 1/2 points, and Abilene Christian High School, seventh with 23 1/4 points. Aspermont was eighth with 21 1/4 points, Blackwell ninth with 20 and Jim Ned in the last place with five points.

Merkel too first place in the mile relay with 3:36.9, and Felix Castille, first in the mile run with 4:4.5.

### Services Held For Miss Giles

Miss Naoma Giles, 55, daughter of a former Grays County school superintendent, and niece of Mrs. T. T. Earthman of Merkel, died Saturday, March 12 in Burnet, Tex., after a lengthy illness.

Funeral services were held Sunday in the Edgar Funeral Home Chapel in Burnet.

Miss Giles was born June 6, 1910 at Bells, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Albert Giles. She graduated from Denison High School and received degrees from Austin College and the University of Texas.

A teacher for a number of years at Collinsville and San Angelo, she also served as a supervisor in the Galveston County schools. Miss Giles also taught at Marble Falls and O'Donnell before returning to San Angelo to teach in a school for exceptional children.

Survivors besides Mrs. Earthman are a half sister, two uncles and two aunts.

### TAX MAN SAM SEZ:

The good tax folks tell us that there are many retired taxpayers who failed to claim the retirement income credit to which they are entitled on their income tax return. If you are retired or if you are receiving retirement income, it's sure to read the instructions carefully to make sure that you don't pay tax dollars that you don't owe.

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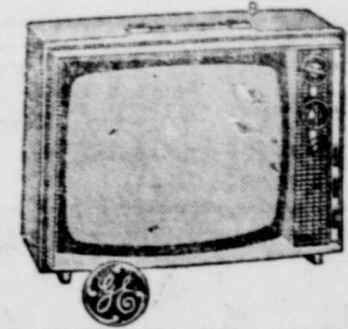
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CITATION BY PUBLICATION  
THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Dewayne Curren, Defendant.

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable Domestic Relations Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 24th day of April A.D. 1967, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 17th day of January A.D. 1967, in this cause, numbered 3115

on the docket of said court and styled Geneva Curren, Plaintiff, vs. Dewayne Curren, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and defendant were married on the 15th day of November, 1961, and became permanently separated on or about the 21st day of August, 1966.

Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of harsh and cruel treatment, and for custody of their minor child as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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

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

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this 7th day of March A.D. 1967.

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



### Stith News

By MRS. FRITZ HALE

The weather is beautiful. I think the farmers would prefer most any kind mixed with moisture. A little plowing is going on. Some listing. One farmer is so optimistic he's fixing up his wheat truck — now that's faith.

The sick of our community include Barney Berry, ill of pneumonia in the Anson Hospital. Also Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hale and Mrs. Ernest Smith are in Hendrick Hospital for tests. We hope they will all soon be back among us. Mr. Elva Berry also has been sick this week. The Rev. James Williams visited him Sunday.

Enjoying a barbecue supper in the J. D. Bradley home on Saturday night were their daughter and family of Abilene, the Beauford Welchs', also Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. McDonald visited their daughter and family of Midland this weekend.

Visitors in the Charles Fikes home were Mr. and Mrs. Odie Clark of Merkel, her parents and Mrs. George Peachy and children and the Lloyd Hindmans, Louise, Hollis and Bob Hudson visited in the afternoon.

Mrs. Sonny Harden and son of Lawn visited Monday with her parents. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mashburn.

Mr. and Mrs. Benny Hobbs and Mrs. J. H. Hobbs enjoyed an outing at the Sweetwater Lake Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mashburn attended the Booth funeral in Merkel Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Fikes and family of Odessa spent the weekend with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Fikes. Harvey Fikes also spent the weekend with his grandparents.

The Rev. James Williams was a Sunday night supper guest of the Paul Bradleys.

The ladies of the community are to meet at the Community Center at 9:00 o'clock on Thursday morning to have an all day quilting. Everyone interested come on out. It's for a good cause — the cemetery fence.

### J. H. Blackburn Dies at Age 64

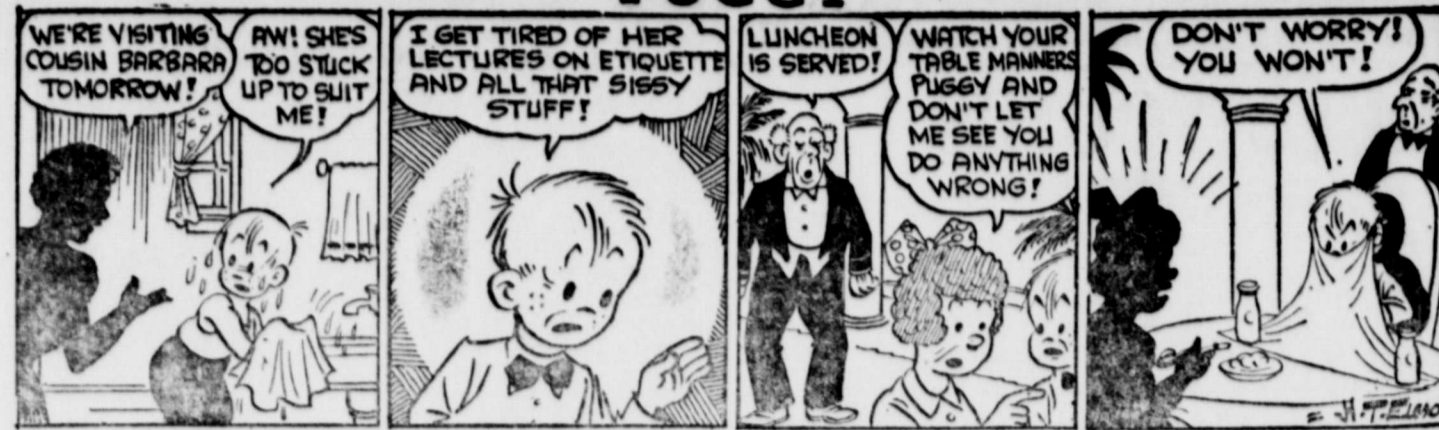
Funeral services for John H. Blackburn, 64, were held Thursday, March 9 in the Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel with Dwight Holland, minister of the Merkel Church of Christ officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Mr. Blackburn, a lifelong resident of Mulberry Canyon, was found Dead Tuesday afternoon, March 7 on the Tom Russon farm. A justice of the peace ruled his death was from natural causes.

Mr. Blackburn had worked on the Russon place for the last 30 years.

Survivors are two sons, Earnest of California and Lawrence of San Angelo.

Pallbearers were Elmer Patterson, Leon Toombs, Leroy Riney, E. Sandusky, Wade Ensminger and A. D. Scott.



### NOODLE NEWS

By MRS. CLAYTON DILLARD

Mrs. V. D. Herron, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Benningfield and Mr. and Mrs. Ted Kelso of Abilene visited Sunday afternoon in Hamlin with Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Gregory.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Tony have a new baby. She arrived Saturday night at Hendricks Hospital in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Morris of Cross Plains visited their niece Mrs. S. G. Flowers Saturday.

We welcome Mr. and Mrs. Doug Griffith back to make their home in the Noodle community. They had dinner with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Griffith Sunday.

Visiting Mrs. Clayton Dillard Saturday were Jack Lanier and daughter Lesia of Abilene. They also visited his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wells of Brickhaven of Merkel.

Every Tuesday night the Noodle Gym is open to outsiders old or young if you can stand up to play volleyball.

Dwayne Sloan, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Troy Sloan, spent several days this past week visiting with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Burt Hayes had as visitors in their home this past week Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lucas of Grapevine, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Allred of Comper and Mr. and Mrs. Hix Gooch of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Trice of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Anderson had dinner with their cousin, Mrs. Dick Maberry in Hamlin.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Dillard and Mrs. Charlie (Tudy) Huff visited at Nolan Sunday. They visited Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Cook and girls. They also went down to the old Cook home which is still furnished as it was when Uncle Allen was living. They enjoyed the

old rock fence and seeing the Cooks with a nice new home.

Mr. and Mrs. Vessie Justice and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Justice had dinner Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Rodden of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Swartz and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Montgomery had dinner Sunday honoring their father's birthday, Mr. and Mrs. Rik/Sraberrey.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Eoff visited her brothers, Tommy and Otwell Henderson Thursday night. They had just returned from Scott and White Clinic of Temple where Clifford had a health check up. His report was good. They visited Joe Nalley who is ill while in Temple.

Next Tuesday, March, 21, is the first day of spring, looks like winter just did not get here. No rain or snow, just winds and sunshine.

### Gleaners SS Class In Luncheon Meet

The Gleaners Sunday School Church Class of the First Methodist School met Wednesday, March 8 in the Fellowship Hall for a luncheon.

A devotional "Know Thyself" was given by Mrs. Minnie Howard with prayer by Mrs. John Shannon, and singing led by Mrs. T. K. Anderson. The Rev. Newton Daniel, church pastor, asked the invocation.

Members attending the luncheon were Meses. Minnie Howard, Edna Brown, John Shannon, Dee Moore and Mary Grimes.

Also Meses. Roy Baccus, Ross Ferrier, E. L. Howell, M. L. Douglas, Leon Toombs, Lon McElmurray and Mary Clark.

Also Meses. W. W. Toombs, T. K. Anderson, B. H. Jones, Sallie Moore, Lee Tipton and Miss Mabel McRee.

### THE JOHN CURBS TO BE HONORED

Mr. and Mrs. John Curb of Abilene and formerly of Merkel will be honored Sunday, March 26, with an open house reception in the Gold Room of the Merkel Restaurant to celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Hosting the reception from 2:30 until 5:30 p.m. will be their children. They are Mrs. V. J. (Peggy) Walz of San Jose, Calif.; Mrs. N. B. (Jean) Wilkinson of Amarillo and Mrs. F. A. (Bettejane) DeVasto of Abilene.

Also Royce Curb of Fresno, Calif.; Loyce of Vallejo, Calif.; Jerry of San Jose, Calif.; and Dwight of Abilene.

Also in the houseparty will be their granddaughter, Vicki DeVasto and grandsons Larry DeVasto and Rex Wilkinson.

The couple married March 25, 1917 in Merkel with the Rev. A. A. Baker officiating. Mrs. Curb was the former Roxie Waltrip.

The Curbs farmed at Merkel until moving to Abilene in 1942. They now reside at 3150 South 5th in Abilene.

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## Longtime Merkel Resident Dies At Age 87

Albert Richard Booth, 87, an early-day grocer and longtime resident of Merkel, died Thursday, March 9 at the Starr Nursing Home after a lengthy illness.

Funeral services for Mr. Booth were held Friday in the Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel, with the Rev. Bill Tanner, pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Mr. Booth was born July 29, 1879 in White County, Ark. He married Willie Lee Ross Dec. 27,

1903 in El Paso, Ark. They moved to the Hawley community in Jones County in 1907, where he operated a grocery store. They moved to Merkel in 1918, where he also operated a grocery store, retiring in 1926. His wife died Feb. 20, 1963.

He was a member of the Baptist Church since early childhood. Survivors include four daughters, Mrs. W. T. Sadler, Mrs. Helen Mayfield, both of Merkel, Mrs. J. E. Boaz of Anson, and Mrs. Franklin Mashburn of Big Spring; one sister, Mrs. H. D. Russell of Conway, Ark.; six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Pallbearers were Ed Sandsuky, Houston Robertson, W. S. J. Brown, Comer Haynes, Leon Scott and Alvin Wozencraft.

## MERKEL 4-H CLUB NEWS

By ROBERT BOYD

So many of the Merkel 4H Club members are showing Hereford steers, our space this week will be given to information on the Hereford Breed.

### Origin

The native home of the Hereford breed of cattle is the county of Herefordshire, located in England. The county spreads over gentle rolling hills and superior grazing prevails.

Earliest records on the origin of the breed goes back to 1742 in Herefordshire, when Benjamin Tompkins received a dark red cow, with a mottled face, named Silver. His breeding started later with two cows and a bull, descendants of the Old Silver Cow.

to weigh 2,000 pounds in good breeding conditions and a mature one to weigh 1,400 pounds on pasture.

### Conformation

The body conformation of the Hereford represents superior beef type. The body is wide, deep, compact and blocky, with well-sprung ribs, broad loin, and wide hips without prominent hip bones. The hind quarter is round, thick, and blends well with the shoulders. Great width, depth and length of the chest and fullness of the crops give the Hereford breed the rugged constitution which breeders have been careful to preserve.

### Longevity

The prolificacy of longevity of the Hereford breed is unequaled. There are many cases on record of Hereford cows living to extreme old age. Most cows will continue to breed and raise good calves until they are twelve to fourteen years old.

### Distribution

The number of Herefords in the United States, both registered and commercial greatly outnumber all the other breeds of beef cattle. According to the American Hereford Association, over 500,000 Hereford calves were registered annually in recent years.

## LITTLE BADGER TRACKS

By MES REPORTERS

It's looking kind of "Springy" now, and it's fun to get outside and enjoy it. All sorts of things are going on at school.

A track meet will be held Tuesday, March 21, at Rotan. We're all wishing our track teams luck.

A volleyball tournament will be held Thursday, March 16, at Wylie. All teams will participate.

The girls volleyball teams scrimmaged Tuesday with Tye. The results of that game were not known at news time.

Some of the teachers are busy getting their top students ready for the Interscholastic League contests to be held April 1 at Aspermont. Most school finalists have already been chosen.

The school showcases will be judged Friday, March 17. Most showcases indicate that Spring is here. Results will be in next week's news.

Stripes have been painted at the bus stops in front of the schools, and school signs have been put up for the safety of the students. We appreciate this greatly.

### RECENT VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Squires and daughter of Conroe were recent guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Squires of Dyess Air Force Base, Abilene.

They also visited Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Jones of Merkel.

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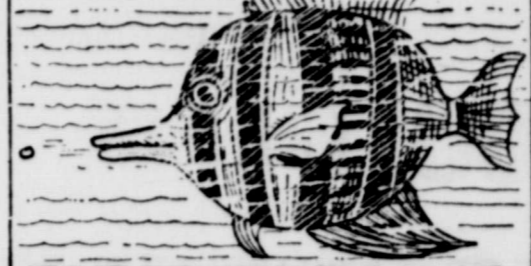
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AT SERINGPATAN, INDIA! THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTE REPORT FOR 1870 STATED THAT THESE HAILSTONES WERE THE SIZE OF ELEPHANTS!

## Wm. C. Matthews Trent JP, Dies

William C. Matthews, 83, Taylor County official and longtime resident of Trent, died Friday, March 10, in St. Ann Hospital in Abilene after a three week illness.

Funeral services were held Saturday, March 11 in the Trent Baptist Church with the Rev. Bill Irwin, pastor, and the Rev. Jim Sharp, pastor of the Trent Methodist Church, officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery under

direction of Starbuck Funeral Home.

Born Dec. 23, 1883, in Kingston, Tex., he married Eula Pearl Dowdy in 1907 in Taylor County. He had lived in the Mulberry Canyon and Trent areas since his marriage.

At the time of his death, Mr. Matthews was serving as justice of the peace and tax assessor-collector for the City of Trent and the Trent Independent School District. He was a member and deacon of the Trent Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his wife March 3, 1953. Survivors include one son, Lloyd Matthews of Fort Worth, one

daughter, Mrs. James V. Ross of Trent; five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Henry Lee Tittle, Ronnie Freman, Sherman Driggers Sr., O'Dell Freeman, H. H. McLeod, Orvin Robinson.

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Music and Educational Director of Southwest Park Baptist Church in Abilene. Mr. Stewart is an outstanding singer. He will work with the choirs and also present special music.

### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Morning Services 11:00 a.m. Prayer Services 7:00 p.m.  
Evening Services 7:30 p.m. Choir Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Regular Sunday Services

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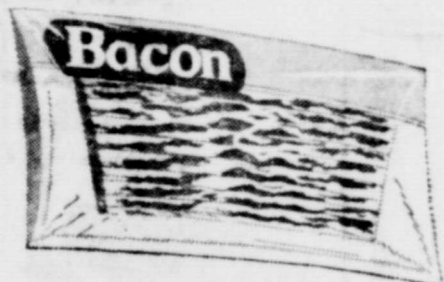
OLEO SOFT - LB. **39¢**

CHICKEN OF SEA TUNA 2 FLAT CANS **59¢**

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