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STUDENTS SHOULD GET SS CARDS FOR SUMMER WORK

Thousands of students across the country will go to work for the first time this summer. If you are one of them, you will need your social security number card, according to R. T. Tuley Jr., district manager in Abilene.

You must apply for a social security account number to get this card. The number on that card is used to keep your record throughout life. No two persons are given the same number.

Your employer will ask for your

number as soon as you begin work, and many companies will not hire you until you have a number. If you are a young man about to go into the military service, your records will all be recorded by use of your social security number.

To get a number or to replace a lost card, you must complete an Application for a Social Security Account Number and submit it to a social security office. The application form may be obtained at any social security office, or at the post office in your town.

Although a student is a long way from retirement age, other protection can begin in a very short time, Tuley said. For instance, if you were to become severely disabled while you are still young, you could receive disability benefits if you had worked as little as one and a half years. These benefits would continue for the rest of your life if you did not regain the ability to work.

If you are planning to work this summer, the most important numbers to you probably have dollar signs in front of them, however, your social security number is your key to a more secure future.

Young People Plan Service

The young people of the First United Methodist Church will conduct the Sunday morning worship service, according to pastor, the Rev. James Merrell. Program planning and presentation are under the direction of youth worker, Wally Knight.

Theme will be "Who Turns You On," and will include special music and speakers, with young people presenting a contemporary worship service as the "youth see and feel it."

Members and guests are urged to be in attendance at the morning service and listen to "what the young people are telling us," said Rev. Merrell.

Teen Center Open Saturday, 8 p.m.

Merkel High and Junior High School students are reminded that the Teen Center will be open this Saturday at 8 p.m. for the end of school activities. Randy Doan said there would be the "Father" band to play for the dance and that other games and activities would be available. Admission is \$1.50 per person and adult sponsors will be in attendance.

A business meeting for the purpose of election of officers will be held during the activity time, said Doan.

Trent Baptist VBS To Begin May 25

Vacation Bible School at Trent Baptist Church will begin May 25 and continue through 29, according to Mrs. G. Williams, VBS chairman.

Preparation day for the school will be Saturday, May 23 from 8:30 to 11 a.m. and workers are urged to attend."

YOU HAVE A GOODLY HERITAGE-- MERKEL HIGH SENIORS TOLD

"Seniors, you have a goodly heritage in your country -- you are afforded freedom and opportunity," said the Rev. Kenneth Jones, pastor of the First Baptist Church, "and in spite of civil laws, parental restraints, and a multiplicity of rules, yours is a heritage of freedom."

Rev. Jones spoke to the fifty graduating Merkel High School seniors and their families at baccalaureate services Sunday evening at the high school auditorium.

He took the text of his speech from the words of the Psalmist "The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places; yea, I have a goodly heritage."

"When the Psalmist speaks of

en custom of a father drawing out boundary lines which their father would give them," said Jones. "Here, the Psalmist is saying that the Heavenly Father has given him a lot in life within pleasant places -- all a result of the choice of his Father." This caused him to exclaim, "Yea, I have a goodly heritage."

"You also have a goodly heritage in your school," said Jones. "It would be interesting to know exactly how many school teachers and administrators have invested themselves in your lives. What you are tonight is a result of their interest, concern and investment of time, patience, and faith in you. Wherever you go, that which they have done will



CONGRATS, PAT! -- Terry Derington and Cathy Beard, left, congratulate Patricia Moore as Valedictorian for the class of '70. And congratulations are in order for Cathy as Salutatorian and Terry as high point boy. (Staff Photo)

SOUTH TO ADDRESS MERKEL GRADUATES

Fifty members of the Merkel High School graduating class will receive their diplomas during graduation exercises this evening at the school auditorium.

Olaf G. South, superintendent of the Sweetwater Public Schools will be the commencement speaker.

An eighteen-year veteran in the Sweetwater schools, South received his bachelor of science degree and master's degree from Hardin - Simmons University and has done graduate work at the University of Texas.

Also on the program will be the valedictory address by Patricia Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Laverne Moore; the salutatorian address by Cathy Beard, daughter

of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Beard, and the class president's address by Terry Wade, son of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Wade.

Presentation of Awards and Scholarships will be given by Edwin Read high school principal, and Mack Fisher, superintendent of schools, will present diplomas.

Asking the invocation will be the Rev. Kenneth Jones, pastor of the First Baptist Church, and Ben Robert Hicks, school board president, will give the benediction.

Congratulations to the 1970 graduating seniors are found on page six with seniors' pictures on pages four and five of this edition.

MERKEL RIDING CLUB WINNERS ARE NAMED

Activities are stepping up at the Merkel Riding Club Arena on Saturday evening, when participants vie for first places in barrels, flags, poles and roping.

First, second and third places winners are named below where there is more than one participant for each activity group.

Barrels
9 and under -- Cindy Boone

10 - 12 -- Bart Whisenhunt and Pat Boyd

13 - 15 -- Cindy Whisenhunt, Debbie Fincher and Kathy Carson

16 - 19 -- Diltzy Bland, Dayna McAninch and Pam Sandusky

Adults -- Barbara Whisenhunt, Jarrett Pinckley and Don Dudley

Flags

9 and under -- Jay Boyd, Doyle Russell and Dana Russell

10 - 12 -- Pat Boyd, Bart Whisenhunt and Gayla Tolver

13 - 15 -- Kathy Carson and Cindy Whisenhunt (tie for first) and Debbie Fincher

16 - 19 -- Dayna McAninch and Suzie Riney

Adults -- Randy Bond, Barbara Whisenhunt and Jarrett Pinckley.

Poles

9 and under -- Jay Boyd

10 - 12 -- Pat Boyd, Gayla Tolver and Kathryn Murrell

13 - 15 -- Cindy Whisenhunt, Cris Childers and Susan Reid

16 - 19 -- Suzie Riney

Adults -- Randy Bond, Robert Boyd and Walter Whisenhunt

In Roping, Terry Boaz was first, Don Dudley second, and Rex Bland third.

First place in Tie Down went to Bland, second to Ellery Frazier, and third to David Warren.

In Novice Class, Randy Bond was first, Suzan Reid second, and

Paynter Tells Lions To Become Educated

In speaking to members and guests of the Merkel Lions Club, District Attorney Ed Paynter stressed the importance of becoming involved concerning the increasing problem of narcotics.

"If law enforcement is to be effective, it must concern all of us," he said. "We cannot just sit idly by and let someone else worry about the alarming problem of narcotics in our country. We must be willing to be educated, to turn known information over to our law enforcement bodies, and to be willing to testify."

Paynter had complimentary words for the young people of Merkel who had excelled in the academic field and in sports.

"There are many fine young people in our area who excel each year," he said, "and too often we spend more time condemning those few who get in trouble, and not complimenting those who excel."

He explained that it "was not always the bell bottoms, long hair, mini skirts and those who ride motorcycles who become involved with drug abuse."

"Our problems often are the businessmen and the housewives, and the truck drivers. All who feel they need a 'pepperupper' to keep going. They are also the abusers of drugs."

Paynter pointed out that today 12 per cent of all cases filed in Taylor County evolve in and around narcotics.

He stressed the importance of informing young people of the results of becoming involved with drugs -- drug abuse can cost a minimum of life imprisonment and in many cases those who sell drugs, the electric chair.

He also pointed out that many professions, such as lawyers, doctors and dentists, were closed to those who had ever dealt in drug abuse and misuse.

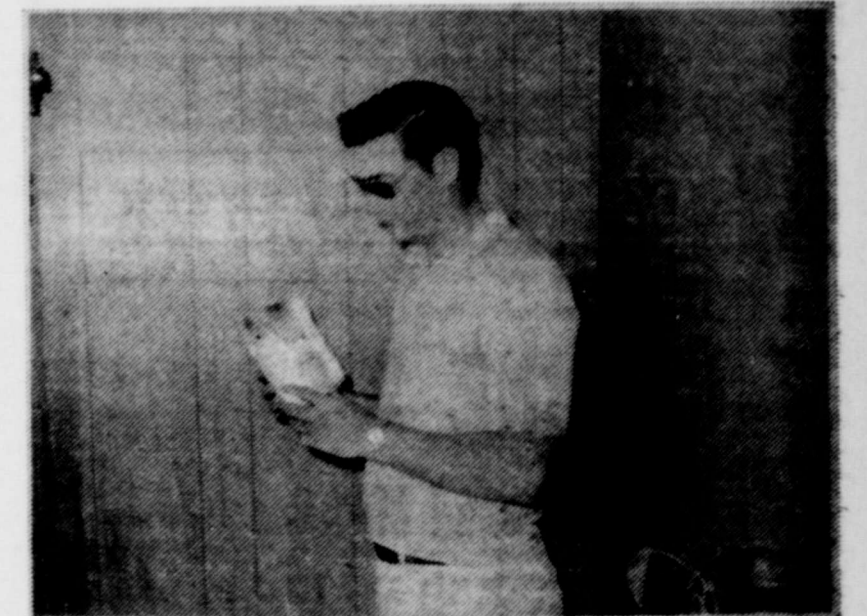
"It is our duty as adults to

try to teach our young people about the legal implications involved in the use of narcotics," he said. "And as adults we must learn as much as possible about these dangerous drugs."

There was a display of various drugs and Paynter named each, with a description of their potential, as well as answering questions from the audience.

Prior to the talk on drug abuse, Lion president, Don Warren reminded members of the Mop and Broom Sale to be held this Friday.

Lion Edwin Read introduced Paul Thames, Merkel High School junior who won first in District AA in the UIL spelling contest in Austin recently, and who was a guest of the Lions Club.



FOUND IN MERKEL -- Chief of Police Mike Briley, inspects a quart jar of dangerous drugs, confiscated within the city limits of Merkel. Contents are barbiturates and amphetamines and are valued in excess of \$1,000. (Photo by Adcock)

LIONS TO SELL MOPS AND BROOMS FRIDAY

Merkel Lion Clubbers will be on the streets, downtown and in the residential area, this Friday, selling mops and brooms. Proceeds from the sale go for Lions projects such as the Crippled Children's Camp at Kerrville and buying glasses for children of needy families.

Planning committee for the sale includes Bill Button, chairman, and Frank Breaux and the Rev. Jim Sinclair.

Headquarters for the sale will be in front of Hicks Auto Supply, where the van, containing supplies will be parked.

In a letter this week from the Caravan Sales for the Blind Association, Button was told that a "truck will be in Merkel at 9:30 a.m. and will leave merchandise with the club."

Button and Breaux will canvass the downtown area Friday morning and afternoon, and volunteer members of the Lions Club will work in teams after 4:30 p.m., canvassing the residential area.

"We will try to contact everyone within the city," said Button. "however, if we miss anyone, just give us a call and we'll be glad to deliver."

Button explained that the sale is for two worthwhile causes.

"First, your purchases help the Merkel Lions carry on their fine projects for needy families and second, you purchase helped the men and women who make these mops and brooms through the Lighthouse for the Blind Association," he said.



NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY -- Inducted into Merkel High School National Honor Society at an assembly program Friday are, seated left, Gail Gentry, Linda Sanford, Judy Hester and Vickie Robertson; standing from left, Paul Thames, Scotty Hester and Mike McAninch. (Staff Photo)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
THE STATE OF TEXAS
County of Taylor
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that by virtue of a certain Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County, of the 5th day of October 1966, by of said for the sum of One thousand Eight hundred ten dollars and fifty six cents (\$1,810-56) Dollars and costs of suit, under a judgment, in favor of The City of Abilene, Abilene Ind. School Dist., West Central Texas Water Dist., and styled The City of Abilene, Abilene Ind. Sch. Dist., West Central Texas Municipal Water District and intervenors vs. Fred Guitar Sr.; Will Guitar Jr. Don

Guitar, unknown Heirs of Miram Van Velser, placed in my hands for service, I George Maxwell as Sheriff of Taylor County, Texas, did, on the 1st day of May 1970, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Taylor County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: Being a part of Lot No. 1, Block 182, Original Town City of Abilene, Taylor County Texas, Beginning at SW corner of said lot and where Osage Street and North 5th Street intersect Thence North with the west line of said Lot 140 feet; Thence East parallel with North line of said lot 150 feet; Thence South parallel with West line of said lot 140 feet; Thence West with South line of said lot

to place of beginning corner is meant the SW corner of that portion of said lot described in Volume 47, Page 20, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas and levied upon as the property of Fred Guitar Sr.; Will Guitar Jr., Don Guitar, and that on the first Tuesday in June 1970, the same being the 2nd day of said month at the Court House door, of Taylor County, in the City of Abilene, Texas, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., by virtue of said levy and said George Maxwell I will sell said above described Real Estate at public vendue, for each, to the highest bidder, as the property of said Fred Guitar Sr.; Will Guitar Jr.; Don Guitar.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Merkel Mail, a newspaper published in Taylor County, Texas.

Witness my hand, this 1st day of May 1970.
GEORGE MAXWELL
Sheriff Taylor County, Texas
By R. P. Blackley Deputy

10 3tc

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

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

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: John Dee Pitner, 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 8 day of June A.D. 1970, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 2 day of March A.D. 1970, in this

cause, numbered 5360 on the docket of said court and styled Betty Louise Pitner, Plaintiff, vs. John Dee Pitner, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married July 26, 1968 and separated Aug. 16, 1969, Plaintiff prays for a divorce from Defendant. There are no children born and no community property accumulated as is more fully shown by

Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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

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

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 22 day of April A.D. 1970.
(Seal)

Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD

Clerk, Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas
By Marie Gill, Deputy.

9 4tc

LITTLE LEAGUE SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, MAY 22
Willies vs. Bankers
Kilowatts vs. Supers
TUESDAY, May 26
Supers vs. Braves
Willies vs. Vets

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Preserves Krafts 18 Oz. Peach Jar **39¢**
JELLO Reg. Size ... 3 for **35¢**

COMSTOCK NO. 2 CAN
PIE APPLES ... 2 for **49¢**
BEANS Ranch Style 16 Oz. Can 2 for **29¢**

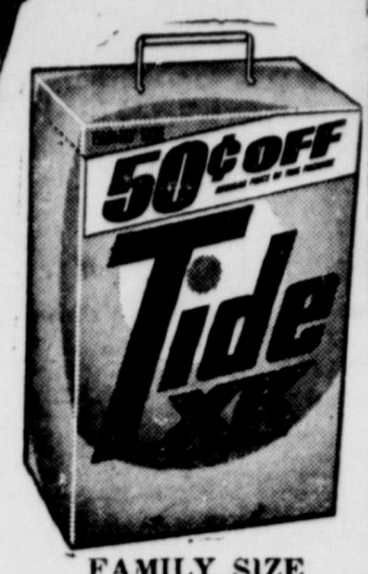
Wesson Oil 24 Oz. Bottle **49¢**
PREM Swifts 12 Oz. Can **49¢**
FLOUR Light Crust 5 Lb. Bag **49¢**



Values on FRESH MEATS
BEEF GROUND Lb. **39¢**
FRYERS WHOLE ONLY Lb. **29¢**
ROAST PORK Lb. **55¢**

BACON Armour Star Lb. **79¢**
STEAK Choice Beef Round Lb. **99¢**
BOLOGNA All Meat Lb. **59¢**

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PARF **DOG FOOD** 16 OZ. CAN 3 for **39¢**

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SUNSHINE YUM-YUM **COOKIES** 10 OZ. PKG. **39¢**

LIPTONS **INSTANT TEA** 4 OZ. JAR **1.29**

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JEFF CRUNCHY **PEANUT BUTTER** 18 OZ. JAR **49¢**

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 DONALD DUCK **Orange JUICE** 12 Oz. Can **39¢**



WINESAP **APPLES** 3 Lb. Bag **59¢**
 YELLOW **SQUASH** Lb. **19¢**
CARROTS Bag **12¢**
 FLORIDA YELLOW **CORN** 3 for **25¢**
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WANT ADS

Miscellaneous

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MASONIC MEETING
Stated meeting of Merkel Lodge No. 710 on 2nd Saturday and 4th Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Visitors welcome. Members urged to attend.
WILEY NOAH W.M.
ROY MASHBURN, Sec'y.

MAY WE SUGGEST that you see our Wedding Invitations — Good selections of styles and type, reasonable too. Merkel Mail & Printing, 928-5712.

WANTED — Cooks, waitresses, and dishwashers. Merkel Restaurant, 928-4923. 8 tlc

FOR COMPLETE BEAUTY CARE
Free facial and a complete line of cosmetics. Call Emma Shugart 928-5027 after 5:30 p.m. and all day Saturday. 38 1tp

SOUPS ON — the rug that is, so clean the spot with BLUE LUSTRE. Rent an electric shampooer \$1. Bullock Hardware and Gifts. 35 tlc

WEDDING INVITATIONS, INFORMALS, ANNIVERSARY INVITATIONS — All may be seen at the Merkel Mail and Printing, 928-5712.

WANTED — High school boy to work after school and three afternoons during summer to do backshop work at Merkel Mail and to run press. Must be 16 years of age or older. Call 928-5712 for appointment. 3 tlc

CHISELING, sub - soiling, one-way (with offset plow). Jerry Miller, 928-4968 or Abilene 672-7466, collect. 8 tlc

FLEA MARKET — 1 mile East of Merkel. Set up booths free first time. \$1 after. EVERY SATURDAY. 10 tlc

If you are not being served with FASHION TWO - TWENTY cosmetics, Please call or come by for an appointment, 928-5504, 911 Oak St. 7 2tp

TAKE PRIDE IN YOUR WEDDING INVITATIONS — See our excellent selection. Merkel Mail & Printing, 928-5712.

WANT TO BUY — Old trunks, chums, crocks and wash stands. Mrs. Robert Higgins, call 928-5098. 12 tlc

LOST — Aluminum extension ladder from back of pickup on FM 126. Would the person who picked up ladder please call 928-4736 or return ladder to Max Murrell Chevrolet, Merkel, Tex. 12 tlc

FREE! FREE — 2 female puppies 9 weeks old. 1407 Herring Dr. after 7 p.m. Call 928-5017. 12 tlc

WE NEED ODD JOBS — Please help us make money for cheerleaders' school. Call 846-4155 or 928-5883. 8 tlc

SOMEONE to stay in home and care for elderly lady. Call 846-4165. 12 tlc

NEED BEAUTICIAN at Edna's Beauty Shop. Good business and nice working conditions. Contact Mrs. Bobby Toliver, 928-5913 or after 6 p.m. 928-5566. 12 2tp

WOULD LIKE TO SELL 6 choice lots at Rose Hill Cemetery, all curbed. Contact I. A. Roach, 1101 Peach, Abilene, 672-1825. 12 2tp

STRAYED from Daniel Ranch, south of Trent, 10 steer calves, mixed breeds, branded with circle on left hip. Call Abilene, 672-3591, collect, or contact Merkel Mail. 9 tlc

PLACE YOUR ORDER NOW FOR SPECIAL OCCASION CAKES — Mrs. Barry Scott 846-4196 free deliver with \$5.00 or more order. 11 4tc

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FOR RENT — 2 nice clean furnished 2 bedroom apartments. Also 1 unfurnished bedroom house on paved street. Phone 928-5669. 11 4tc

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FOR SALE — 2 Khroeler metal bedsteads. 403 Rannels St. 928-5940. Mrs. A. A. Riggan after 5:30 p.m. and on Saturdays. 11 2tc

FOR SALE — Old house, would make a good hay barn. Contact Oscar McLean. 11 2tc

FOR SALE — White Toy Poodles registered, males, call 846-4137 or 928-5701. 12 1tp

FOR SALE on large corner lot 3 bedroom house with large den and kitchen including central heat, new carpet, 10x12' covered patio, and 2 car garage with store room. Fenced yard with good water well. \$10,500. R. W. Shields, 800 Locust, 928-5538. 5 tlc

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GOLDEN-THOMPSON VOWS ARE READ

Rosalind Ray Golden and Truett Wayne Thompson exchanged wedding vows Saturday, May 16 in the home of Mrs. Ray Brubaker in Abilene, aunt of the bride.

The Rev. Kenneth Jones, pastor of the Merkel Baptist Church, read vows; Mrs. J. H. Clark Jr., was pianist.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Wayne J. Golden of Abilene and Mrs. and Mrs. Truett Thompson.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride's gown was nylon dotted swiss, over satin, with scooped neck and bishop sleeves. A headpiece of white daisies held her veil. She carried a bouquet of white daisies over a white Bible.

Maid of honor, Vicki Sullivan of Abilene, wore a pale green swiss floor length dress, with a headpiece of yellow and white daisies. Her flowers were white daisies.

FOR SALE — Air conditioner pads, pumps, floats, tubing. Also trash barrels, tops out and delivered. Mansfield Farm and Ranch Service. 12 tlc

FOR SALE — 4500 CFM air conditioner, \$40; 3 pc. bedroom suite, \$50. 4 815x15 tires, \$1 each; irrigation sprinklers and miscellaneous. 1511 Heath, 928-5416. 12 tlc

CARD OF THANKS

OUR SINCERE APPRECIATION for all the prayers, flowers and visits from all our friends and church members while our mother was ill at Hendrick Hospital. Especially our thanks to Drs. Tom Burdett and Harwick. We extend a special thanks to all the wonderful nurses at the hospital and to those who brought food to the home since she has been back home. Doing nicely.
The Cecil Cochran Family

Political Announcements

Subject to the actions of the Republican Primaries May 2 and June 6, 1970:

For State Representative, District 62, Place 2
MARVIN W. SAPAUGH

ASTEROID RESTAURANT

TUESDAY is half price day. First meal regular price, Second meal, like item. 1/2 price. WEDNESDAY is Chicken Day. All you can eat \$1.00 Names of winners of Free Meals will be posted each week in the restaurant.
928-4756

WANT ADS GET RESULTS!

Miss Tanner Honored at Tea

Miss Penny Tanner, bride elect of Paul Carson, was honored with a gift tea Saturday, in the home of Mrs. Onis Crawford.

Assisting in the house party were Misses Patricia McDuff, Kay Conley, Jeannette Turner of Stratford, Mignon Crawford and Mmes. Kenneth W. Purser, Abilene, Danny Kiser, Lubbock, David McNary and Bruce Henager.

Receiving with the honoree was her mother, Mrs. W. D. Tanner and Mrs. Herman Carson, mother of the bridegroom - elect.

Out of town guests included Mrs. Raymond Sorawls of Cisco, maternal grandmother of Miss Tanner, and Mrs. Clarence Tucker, aunt of Mr. Carson.

Several co-hosted the party with Mrs. Crawford.



LINDA ANN ACUNA



VICKI BIERA



ELIZABETH ASENSIO



GARY LYNN BIGBEE

'Teeth Talk' Topic For May 22 Meet

'Teeth Talk,' a program concerning the practice of nutrition in prevention and control of dental caries, will be presented Friday, May 22 at 10 a.m. in the First State Bank Gold Room.

The program is the last in a series of five meetings being sponsored by the Taylor County Family Living Committee.

The program will be presented by Roberta Watters, Taylor County Home Demonstration Agent.

LEGAL NOTICE

A notice is hereby given that the following is a summary of an ordinance adopted by the City Council of Lawn, Taylor County, Texas on the 3rd day of April, 1970, and is effective on the date of this publication.

That the speed limit for all motor vehicles on U.S. 84 through the City of Lawn, Texas, shall be as follows:

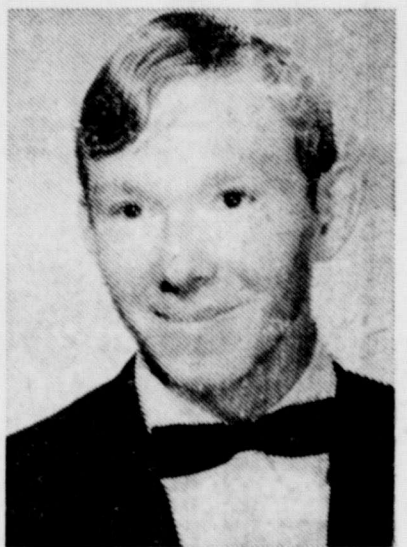
From the North City Limits to Station 343 plus 65 60 mph
From Station 343 plus 65 to 355 plus 12 45 mph
From Station 355 plus 12 to South City Limits 60 mph

It shall be unlawful for any person to drive a motor vehicle through the City of Lawn at a speed greater than the limits set forth above, and there will be a penalty assessed to any violators of this ordinance.

SHIRLEY J. HUDSON
City Secretary. 12 tlc



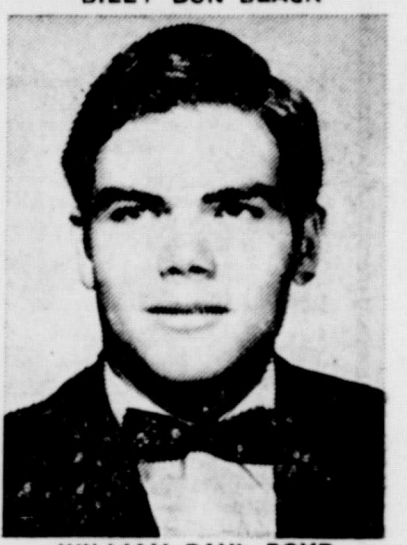
CATHY FERN BEARD



BILLY DON BLACK



ROGER ALLEN BEARD



WILLIAM PAUL BOYD

Best man was Mike Walla. Reception was held in the backyard of the aunt's home. Wayne Hall of San Antonio, and cousin of the bride, arranged the reception.

A 1969 graduate of Cooper High School, the bride is assistant manager of Austin Shoe Store in Abilene. She was active in Future Homemakers of America while in high school.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Merkel High School, attended Texas Tech and Hardin - Simmons University. He is presently with the U.S. Air Force, stationed in Thailand.

Tommy Reynolds Home on Leave

Pfc. Tommy W. Reynolds, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cramer Reynolds, is home on a thirty day leave. Pfc. Reynolds is stationed at Ft. Richardson, Alaska, with Co. B, 5th Bn. of the 23rd Infantry.

Other visitors in the Reynolds home recently were Messrs. and Mmes. Roy H. Mathews, Abilene, Hayden Blair, O. C. Blair, and Mrs. Shirley Burlsmith and Shanna, all of Levelland; Mrs. Petty Pitzner, Timmie and Traci of Huntington Beach, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Price, Big Spring, and Mr. and Mrs. Russell T. Blair, Dallas.

Also the Walter Whisenunts and Cindy, the Dink Whisenunts, Wendi and Dusti, the Dale Hammonds and Clay, Mrs. Tommy Neill, Mr. and Mrs. Jacky Reynolds, Patty Wood and Jan Beck.

MHS Senior Girls Honored at Tea

Merkel High School senior girls and their mothers were honored May 12 at the Young Homemakers' Tea, held in the home of Mrs. Jarrett Williams.

Senior colors of blue and white were used in table decorations and class flower — white roses — were used in room arrangements.

Background music was played by Mrs. Bruce Henager at the organ.

Mrs. Charles Jacobs is Young Homemaker president.

West Reunion

The second annual W. P. West reunion was held May 17 at the American Legion building in Rotan. A buffet dinner was served to the thirty - eight relatives.

Relatives attending were from Albany, Anson, Benjamin, San Antonio, Lamesa, Abilene, McCaulley, Rotan and Merkel.

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SMALL DENTS — BIG DISCOUNTS

Yes, we had light hail — The Insurance Company has paid us, so we are passing the savings on to you. Some damage so small we will point it out to you.

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GRAND PRIX — BONNEVILLE — EXECUTIVE — CATALINA
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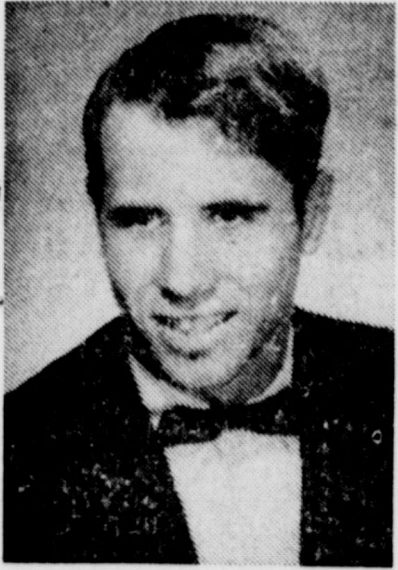
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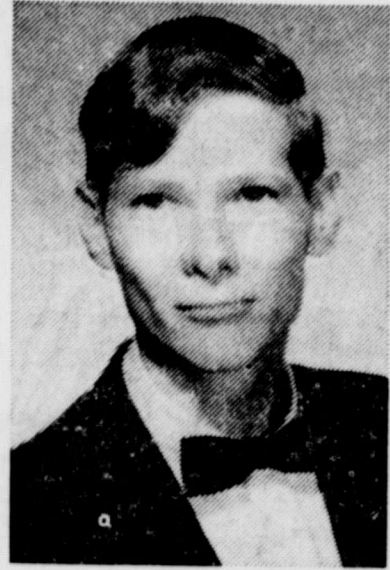
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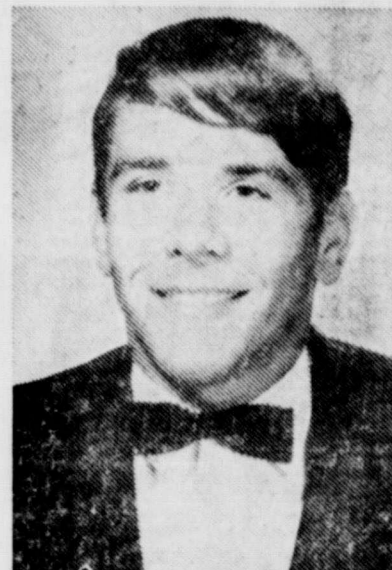
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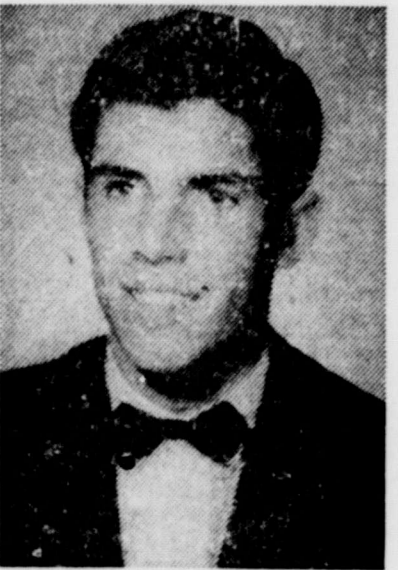
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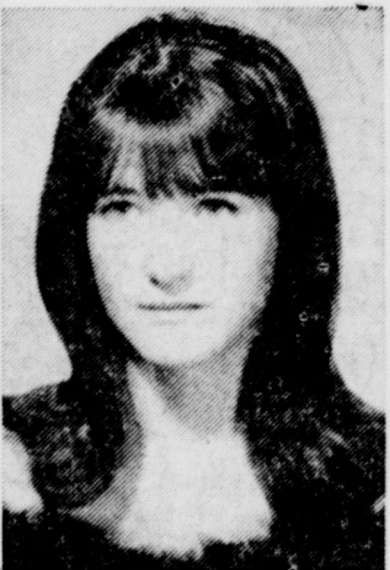
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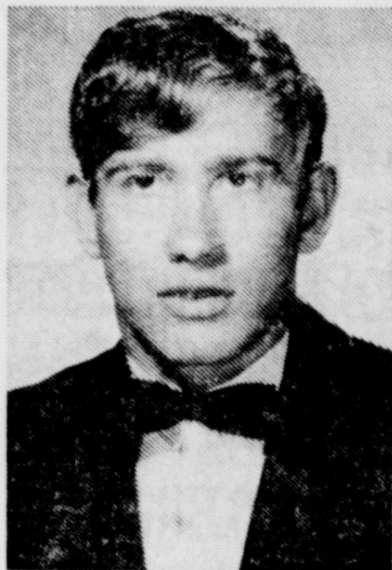
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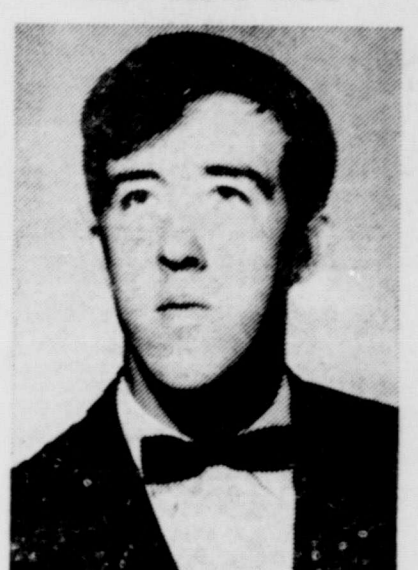
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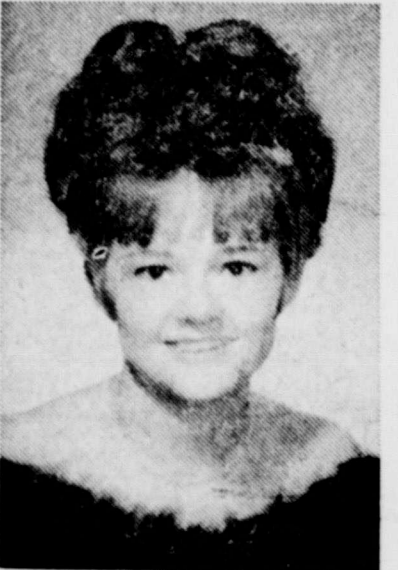
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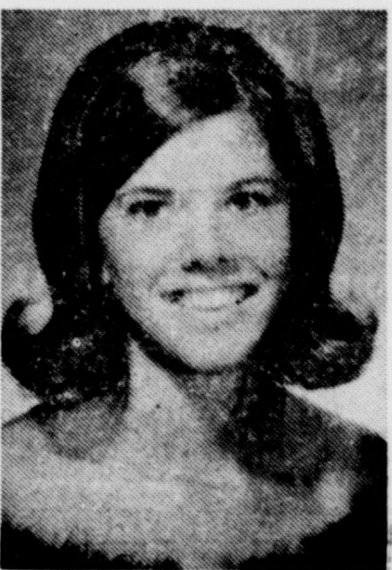
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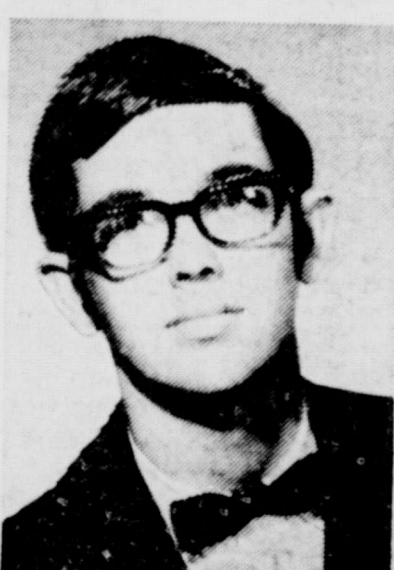
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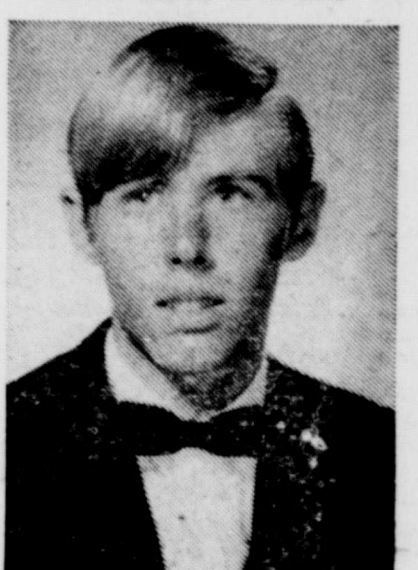
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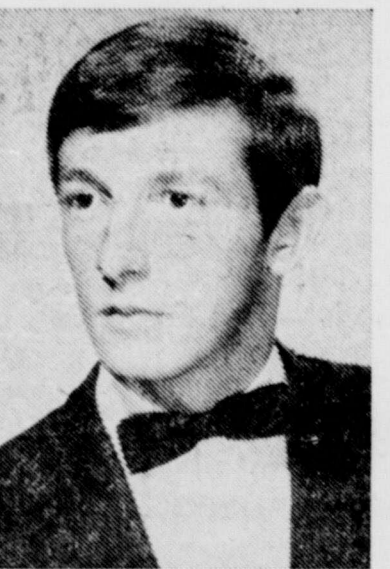
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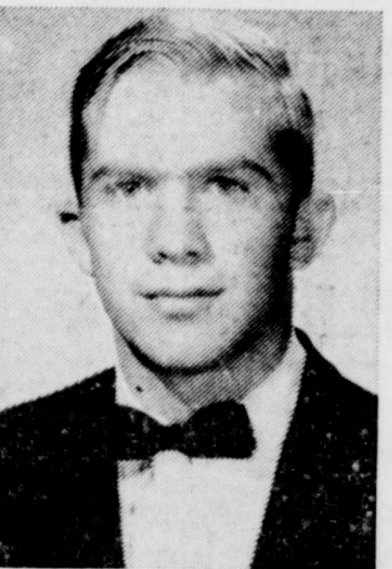
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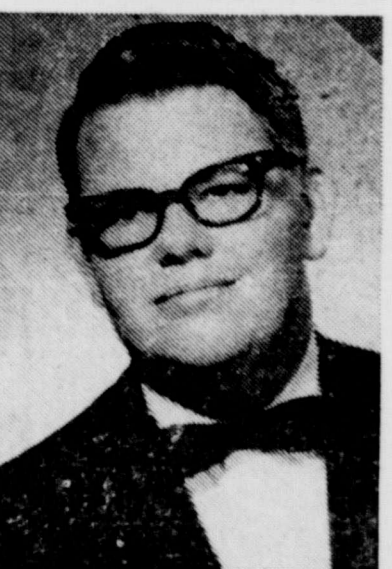
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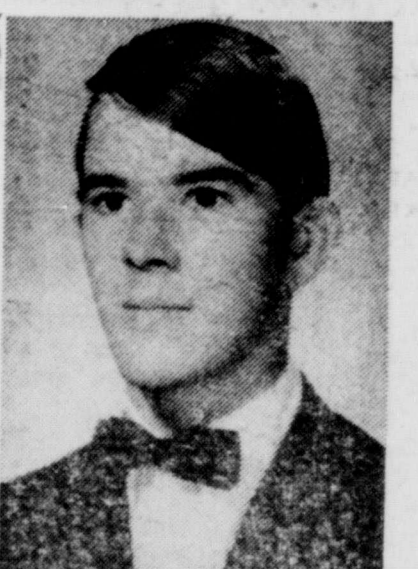
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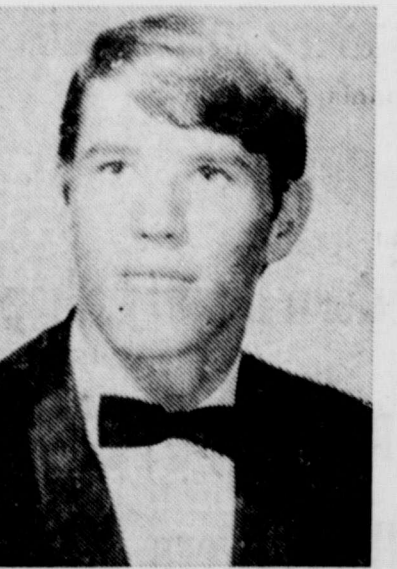
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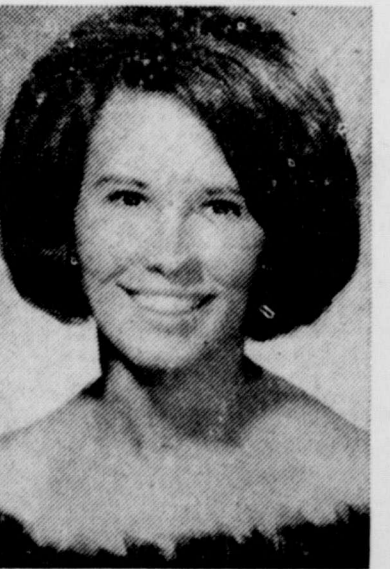
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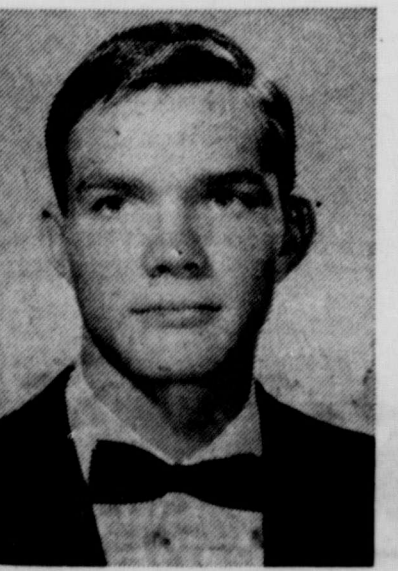
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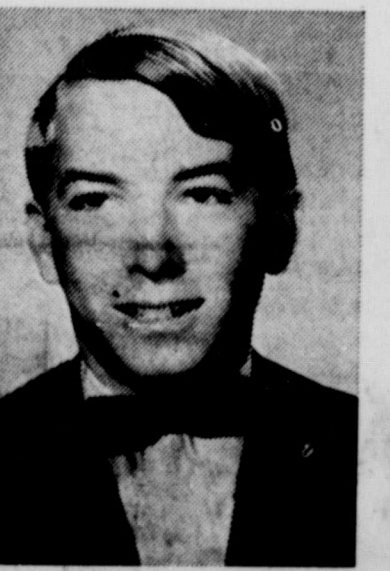
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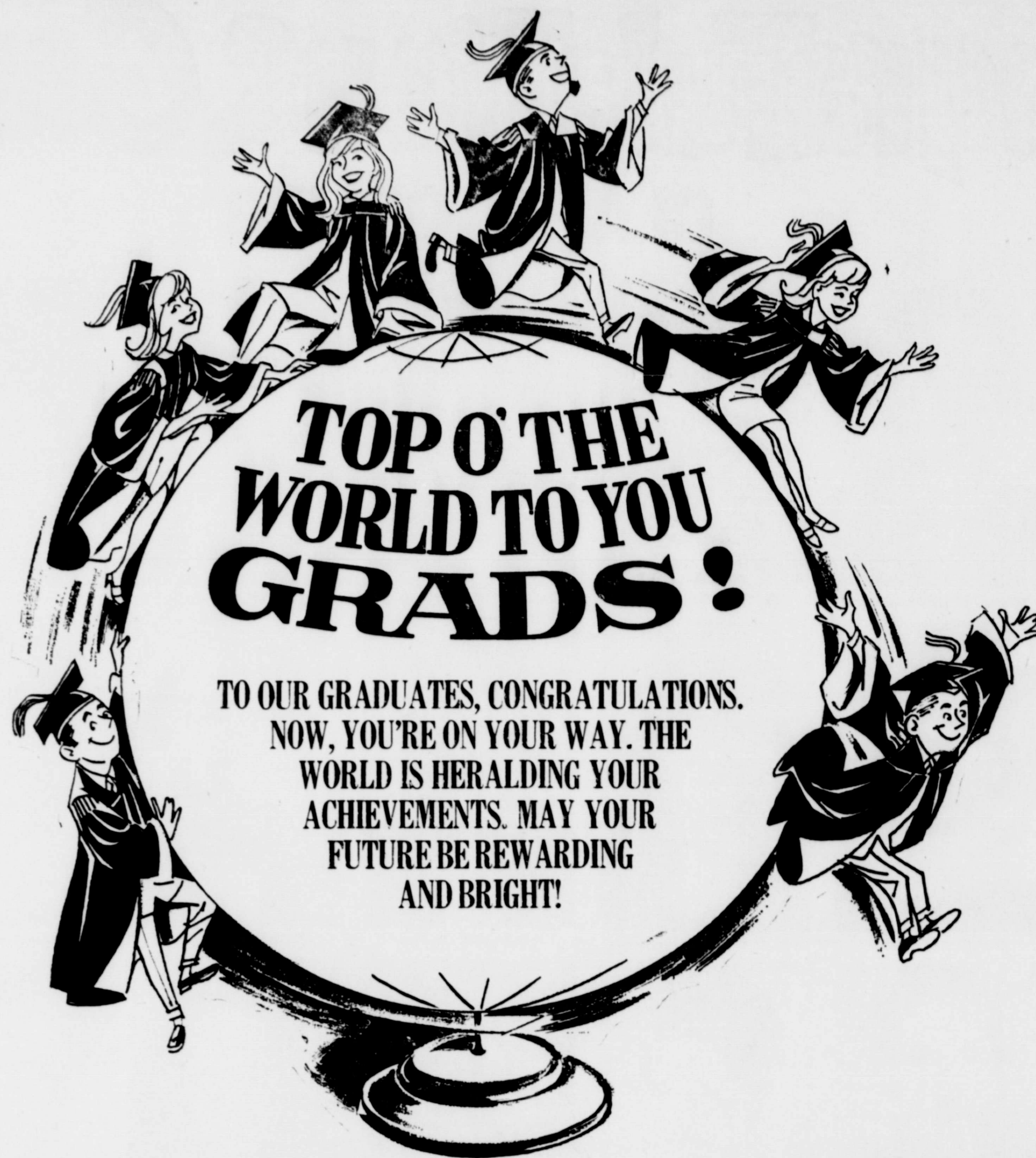
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TOP O' THE WORLD TO YOU GRADS!

TO OUR GRADUATES, CONGRATULATIONS.
NOW, YOU'RE ON YOUR WAY. THE
WORLD IS HERALDING YOUR
ACHIEVEMENTS. MAY YOUR
FUTURE BE REWARDING
AND BRIGHT!

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DuBose Texaco Service

Windham Fina Station

Adcock Cleaners

Malone Implement

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Bullock Hardware & Gifts

Edgar Davis Grain Company

Higginbotham-Bartlett

Bragg's

Mack's Cleaners

Merritt Plumbing

Fox Repair Shop

Fisher Fina &
Merkel Auto Parts

Wilson Food Store

Merkel Drug Company

Hicks Auto Supply

Carson Super Market

H. W. Lemens, Inc.

Stacy Bird B&D Garage

Conley Barber Shop

Palmer Motor Company

Merkel Restaurant & Motel

Johnson's Grocery & Cafe

Mina Winter Butane

Ann's Beauty Shop

Ben Franklin Store

Irven Thompson &
Texaco Consignee

Barnett Barber Shop

The Merkel Mail

Crawford's

The Glamour Bar

Ed's Feed and Seed

Edna's Beauty Shop

Seymore Insurance

Starbuck's

Modern Beauty Shop

Cypert Tax Service

Bill's Flowers

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Mansfield Farm &
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LEGAL NOTICE

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

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

ing is a true copy.
CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: ZERAL RAY BARBER, De-
fendant, Greeting:
YOU ARE HEREBY COM-
MANDED 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 22nd
day of June A.D. 1970, to Plain-
tiff's Petition filed in said court,
on the 7th day of May A.D. 1970,
in this cause, numbered 32,702-A
on the docket of said court and
styled In the Matter of the Mar-
riage of Alice June Barber and
Zera Ray Barber.

A brief statement of the nature
of this suit is as follows, to-wit:
Divorce 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 return-
ed unserved.

The officer executing this writ
shall promptly serve the same
according to requirements of law,
and the mandates heretofore, and
make due return as the law di-
rects.

Issued and given under my hand
and the seal of said court at Abi-
lene, Texas, this the 7th day of
May A.D. 1970.

Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD
Clerk, Domestic Relations
Court, Taylor County, Texas.
By Rilla Mahoney Deputy.

11 4tc

HAIL DESTROYS INCOME

...But Farmers Union
crop hail insurance
replaces hail-
destroyed income.
Insure today, before
it's too late!



See
MACK SEYMORE
102 Edwards
928-5379
Merkel, Texas

Completes Tour

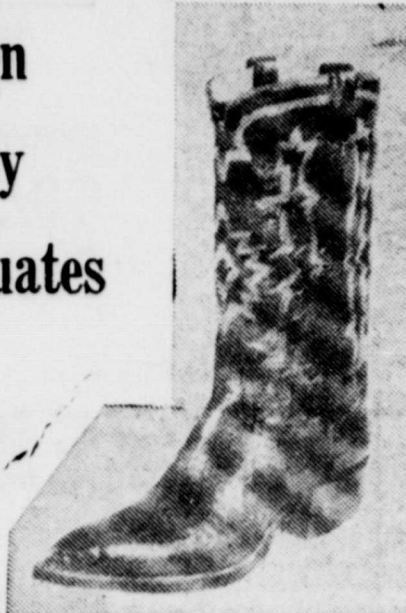
USS HENDERSON, May 8 —
Navy Seaman William D. White,
son of Mr. and Mrs. Billy J.
White of 911 Oak, Merkel, Tex.

has returned to Long Beach,
Calif., following a six-month
deployment aboard the destroyer
USS Henderson with the Seventh
Fleet in the Western Pacific.
The Henderson is a veteran of
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COME IN AND SEE
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Merkel, Texas

PUBLIC SALE STARTS FRIDAY 9 A.M.

NO REASONABLE OFFER REFUSED
ON ANY FIXTURES

ALL REMAINING
SIMPLICITY
PATTERNS **12c**

ENTIRE STOCK
TALON, COATS & CLARK
ZIPPERS **19c**

25c MAGIC TABLE

• Infants Wear
• Ladies Gloves
• Bras
• Purses
• Other Items
• Values to \$1.95
YOUR CHOICE 25c

ENTIRE REMAINING STOCK
FAMOUS BRAND
TOWELS **1/2** Original Price

ALL REMAINING BETTER
PIECE
GOODS **1/2** Original Price Per Yard

GRAB RACK

• 200 LADIES AND GIRLS
• DRESSES • ROBES • BLOUSES
Any 3 for **\$1**

ENTIRE REMAINING STOCK
• BRAS • GIRDLES **60%**
• PAJAMAS • ROBES OFF
• SLIPS • GOWNS
• FAMOUS BRANDS

PUBLIC NOTICE!

Dealer Came But Could Not
Come Up With the Money! **We Are Stuck!**
Entire Stock is yours at a fraction of the cost! Prices so
low on Brand Name clothing and shoes you will buy it
by the armful! We must and will sell all on a first come
first served basis. Never again will you buy so cheap!
BUY FOR NOW AND LATER AT PRICES YOU CAN
AFFORD! Remember, this is a sale you cannot afford to
miss! Greatest sale ever in these parts! Our loss is your
gain! Wall to wall sell-out. Read below a few items taken
at random and then hurry down! Hundreds of other items
cut to the bone! Come! Seeing is believing!

BUY AT DEALERS PRICES AND LESS!

SAVE 50% TO 90%

ENTIRE STOCK
MENS FAMOUS BRAND
Dress Shirts
• Long and Short Sleeve **1/2**
• Arrow
• Campus
• Others
NOW Original Price

ALL BETTER
Dresses
• Values to \$39.95
NOW GOING AT
\$5 - \$7.50 - \$10
NONE HIGHER

MISSES, CHILDRENS
SOX **10c pair**

LADIES — MENS
House Shoes
Were \$2.98 to \$4.98
Now **\$1.75 to \$3**

READ THIS TWICE! IT IS NOT A MISPRINT!

LADIES AND GIRLS FAMOUS BRAND
1,000 Pair SHOES for Every Occasion
Get any 3 PAIR for the Price of 1

EXAMPLE: Select any 3 pair of Ladies and Girls Shoes!
Pay only for the highest original priced pair! Hurry!

200 PAIR MENS
Dress Pants
• Haggar **1/2**
• Farah
• Other
• Famous
Brands Original Price

100 MENS BETTER
SUITS
• All Wool • Blends
• For Summer and Fall
• Values to \$59.95
Now **\$12 to \$20**

ENTIRE STOCK GOES!
MENS AND BOYS
• Famous Brands
Shoes
• Cowboy **1/2**
• Wellington
• Dress Shoes
• Hush Puppies
• Tennis and
• Canvas Original Price
• Work Shoes

PUBLIC SALE STARTS FRIDAY 9 A.M.

WE ARE STUCK! THIS IS YOUR
GOOD LUCK! HURRY!

200 Pair Men's Khakis
FAMOUS DICKIE BRAND
Were from **\$2 to \$3**
\$3.98 to \$5.99
WHILE THEY LAST — None Higher

ENTIRE REMAINING STOCK
FAMOUS BRAND
OVERALLS **2.75**
BIG BOYS now \$1.50

ONE GROUP MENS AND BOYS
Underwear
While They Last **22c** 5 for **\$1**

ONE GROUP VALUES \$12.98
MENS AND BOYS
PANTS - SHIRTS **\$1**

While They Last Men's Arrow
and Other
Shirts **50c** | While They Last
Mens
Sox **10c**

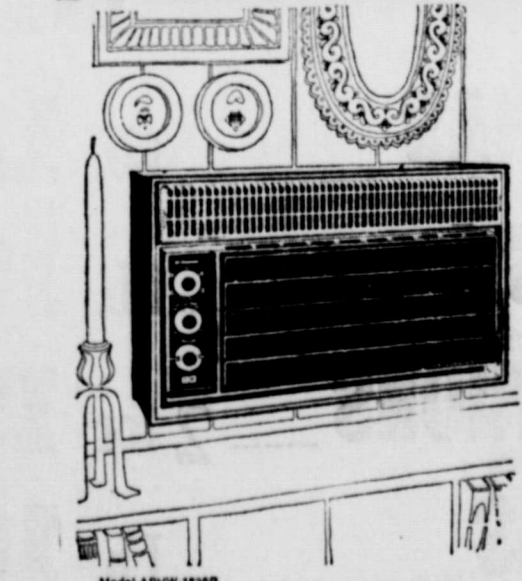
MENS AND BOYS
Felt & Straw Hats **\$1**
• Dress and Some Western Styles

ENTIRE REMAINING STOCK
STETSON HATS
• Dress and
Western
Styles **60% OFF**

Genuine
Levis **\$3** | Mens \$1 to \$2
25-26-27
Was \$5
Only **\$3** | Ties
22c 5 for \$1

BOYS VALUES TO \$3.98
Dress - Sport Shirts
• Swim Trunks **\$1 TO 1.77**
• Were from
\$1.98 to \$3.98

DON'T
sizzle
through
another Summer!
cool it!
FRIGIDAIRE



Dreading the return of summer? Thinking of those long
nights when you couldn't sleep for the heat? Well . . . don't
sizzle through another summer! Select an easy-to-install
room cooler now, put it in your bedroom window and sleep
in cool comfort all summer. Choose from many models of
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LARGEST

MERKEL

DAY-LIGHTFUL SAVINGS

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PRICES GOOD THURSDAY, FRI. & SAT. MAY 21-22-23

DEL MONTE — 300 CAN TOMATO WITH ONIONS SAUCE 2 for **39¢**

DEL MONTE 303 CUT Green BEANS 2 for **43¢**

DEL MONTE 302 Garden PEAS 2 for **39¢**

DEL MONTE 303 C. S. Golden CORN 2 for **39¢**

DEL MONTE 303 Sour KRAUT 2 for **39¢**

DEL MONTE 303 SPINACH 2 for **39¢**

DEL MONTE 46 OZ. TOMATO Juice Can **29¢**

CARSON SUPER Save 30c When You Buy a 10 Oz. Jar of INSTANT FOLGER'S COFFEE CRYSTALS SPECIAL PRICE WITH THIS COUPON **\$1.29** without coupon \$1.59 Good Thru May 28

KEEBLER HONEY GRAHAMS Lb. **35¢**

TEA BAGS LIPTON FAMILY 12 PACK BOX **39¢**

SODA POP 7-UP KING SIZE 6 Bot. CTN. Plus Dep. **39¢**

DEL MONTE 303 TOMATO WEDGES 2 CANS FOR **43¢**

SWIFT VIENNA SAUSAGE 3 4 OZ. CANS **65¢**

SCOPE MOUTH WASH REG. \$1.49 Family Size **79¢**

SECRET REG. \$1.39 5 Oz. Can Only **79¢**

NABISCO CRACKERS PREMIUM Lb. BOX **35¢**

PATIO TAMALES 300 CAN 2 for **39¢**



KRAFTS Salad-N-SANDWICH Pt. **29¢**

DONUTS Glazed-Yeast Dozen **59¢**

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PARKAY Krafts OLEO 2 Lbs. **49¢**

Homo 2 MILK Borden's 1/2 Gal. 2 for **99¢**

SHASTA SODA POP COKE — ROOT BEER — ORANGE CANNED 6 Pack Ctn. **59¢**

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ARMOUR STAR CANNED HAM a Truly Great Buy for Grand Eating Zip Top 3 Lb. Can **2.98** FULLY COOKED SHANKLESS — TENDER

BORDENS HOME TREAT MELLORINE 1/2 Gal. Ctn. **33¢**

BORDENS 1/2 GAL. BUTTER MILK 2 for **95¢**

AC'NT JEMIMA COMPLETE PANCAK Mix 2 Lb. Box **43¢**

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FRANKS ARMOUR STAR 12 Oz. Pkg. **47¢**

PICNICS DECKERS WHOLE ONLY Lb. **39¢**

STEAK CHOICE BEEF Sirloin Lb. **\$1.09**

ROAST CHOICE BEEF Arm or English Lb. **79¢**

FRESH PORK STEAK Lb. **69¢** FRESH CALF LIVER Lb. **59¢**

DUZ-BOLD-BONUS Giant Box **69¢**

LIQUID IVORY King Size **69¢**

SMALL OXYDOL Box **10¢**

PETITE BANANAS Lb. **12¢**

BANANA SQUASH Lb. **19¢**

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WHITE ONIONS Lb. **10¢**

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