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CHRISTMAS IS HAPPINESS . . . Merkel 4-H Club Float

MOTHER ASKS FOR PRESENTS CHILDREN HAPPY

mas is unselfishness and along tions," said Mrs. William R. Cy- itt who is handling requests for families will have a happy Christ- rence Hewitt in this year's Good- letters are "arriving daily asking mas this year through the work fellows, "Even with a late start, for clothes, food and toys for of the Merkel Goodfellows.

So much of the spirit of Christ- with our Goodfellow contribu- However, Mrs. Lawrence Hewwith the spirit of sharing, many pert, co - chairman with Law- Goodfellows this year, says that we're already getting some good children.'

DEMOCRATS THERE 'FROM EVERYWHERE'

EDITOR'S NOTE - On Dec. 6, Chairman Democratic Precinct 24 Jce E. Lassiter took time off from a busy day to make the trip to Austin to attend the Dempcratic Dinner and gathering there. The following is a review of the evening's activities as seen and experienced by Lassiter.

On the afternoon of December 6, we (Lary Cunningham, Taylor County Democratic Chairman, and Joe E. LaLssiter, chairman Democratic Precinct 24) drove to Austin to attend the reception and dinner marking the gathering of Democrats from over the State and Nation,

Upon arriving at the Austin Municipal Auditorium, early 6 bill, every revenue raising measp.m.) we ran into Garth Jones, a news reporter who works out of the State Capitol Newsroom and were informed that Congressman Wilbur Mill of Arkansas was to hold a news conference at 6:15. We asked Garth about the possibility of a couple of "common in attendance at the dinner, Of country folks," going along and these six, five of them addressed listening in on the news briefing, the gathering: Cong. Jake Pickle, to which Garth consented, Larry Omar Burleson and Wilbur Mills and I hot - footed it along with and Senators Lloyd Bentsen and him to the conference room and Hubert Humphrey. We had the right about that time we saw opportunity to meet and talk with Congressman Omar Burleson es- all of these men to the extent carting Mills up the corridor right toward us,

For once, we were in the right place at the right time and were awarded with personal introductions by Mr. Burleson, and a short chat with Mr. Mills,

"Mr. Mills, what can be done in our West Texas Area to help you in your political bid for higher office," asked Larry.

"Get the people mctivated in the Precincts and interested in the Democratic Party," was Tills' answer.

Larry and I again met up with Mills at the reception and got to ask him about the defeat of the \$1,00 check off procampaigns.

This was a good time to talk with Mills about my idea of "Dollars for Democrats" that is, where the fund raising would begin at the Precinct level by asking every Democrat to give \$1.00 for the financing of his party's

Mills remarked that this could be done and that he was "going to incorporate it into his campaign slogan."

We found Mr. Mills a very congenial person and one very easy with which to talk. The great power that this man commands is awesome; when one realizes that every single tax ure introduced into the Congress must be passed first by the Committee of which he is Chairman - The Ways and Means

There were four Congressmen and two United States Senators

See Story ONE, Pg. 4

One mother writes:

"We have five children and my husband does seasonal work. He is not working right now and there will be no Christmas unless the Goodfellows help us. We need clothing and food and if there are any toys, our children's Christmas will be made much brighter. I need some diapers for the small baby (I only have

Another one writes that "all I want is some clothing and toys for my six children - nothing for my husband or me."

As of press time Wednesday merning a total of \$104.00 had been mailed in to the Goodfellows, along with the Merkel Community Fund Check of \$100,00.

"We appreciate every contribution," said Hewitt, "however, the more we get the more we will be able to help at this Christmas

Checks made payable to Merkel Goodfellows, may be mailed to Mrs. Cypert, Hewitt, to Farmers and Merchants National Bank or The Merkel Mail.

Contributions	
Fortnightly Study Club	\$10,00
The Dairy Bar	5,00
Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Hail	5.00
Dr. and Mrs. Jarrett	
Williams	50,00
Mrs. O. J. Reynolds	
and Bob	4.00
Vernon Mansfield	20.00
Merkel Community Fund	100.00
Christine Cellins	10.00

Total to date

Winter Concert

Presented By

Merkel High School Band

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19 2:30 p.m.

High School Auditorium

Directed By Glenn Reed THE PUBLIC IS INVITED

Booster Club To Sponsor Country-Western Musical

week for the Merkel Booster Club sponsored Tony Douglas Show to be held at the Merkel High School auditorium Monday, December 27. Time will be 8 p.m.

Advanced tickets will be \$1.50 for adults and \$1.00 for students. Tickets sold at the door will be \$2,00 and \$1,50.

Alvin Wozencraft, chairman of the Booster Club's finance committee said that tickets "would be available at several places in Merkel," including Barnett Barber Shop, Conley Barber Shop, KWFA Radio, The Merkel Mail, and that "members would be selling tickets.'

Planning the Country - Western Show that brings Douglas to Merkel for the third time in the past two years are Vincent Barnett, president of the Booster Club; Finley Barnett, John Brady, Lawrence Hewitt, Arthur Moore and Jo Dell Gregory and Larry White

Proceeds from the stage show will be used toward paying for the Universal Gym which the

Presbyterians Set Service

Grace Presbyterian Church will observe the birth of Christ in a Candlelight Worship Service on Christmas Eve, Friday, Dec. 24 at 7 p.m., according to pastor, the Rev. Billy P. Smith.

Judith Smith, daughter of the dent at Peabody Conservatory of Music in Baltimore, Md., will of School of Drama, Carneigie - sent out, Mellon, Pittsburgh, Pa., will present special readings from the

cial invitation to people in the and we are offering this Sautrday area to attend this Christmas ser- morning service." said Thomp-

Neighborhood Organizer in Abi-

lene and also director for the

Merkel Community Action Pro-

gram said that 'fifty families

signed up for the food commodi-

"We were well pleased with

Distribution of free groceries

to area participants will begin

at 9 a.m. today (Thursday, Dec. 16) and will continue until 4 p.m.,

The sub - station was approved

last month by Taylor County

Commissioners following a re-

quest by the Community Action

Program made by several Mer-

kel citizens that a sub - station

of the county's surplus commodities food program be located in

The program has been approv-

ed on a six - month trial basis

and storage facilities are located

110 families (representing a

total of 346 individuals) are ser-

viced by the commodity foods.

according to Isabel (Easy) Aruza, Program Administrator.

Mrs. Curtis also urged people,

"especially senior citizens," to

come by the Lions Club and sign

up for sewing and cooking class-

"Classes will be conducted at

the Lions Club building," said

Mrs. Curtis, "and we are eager

in the Merkel Lions Club,

the turnout," she said, "and had

two new families to sign up."

ty program on Thursday."

according to Mrs. Curtis.

Merkel.

FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Mrs. Willie Curtis, a Carver to involve as many persons as

possible."

BEGINS AT 9 A.M.



TONY DOUGLAS ... to be here Dec. 27

Booster Club has already ordered at a cost of approximately \$2,800.

"This is our first major fundvaising drive for this year, said Wozencraft," and we are hoping for a successful drive - one that will give the people of Merkel entertainment and will benefit the club's project."

Wozencraft said there would be other projects scheduled for the first of next year, not only to pay on the Universal Ciym, but

Post Office Open This Saturday

Truett Thompson, postmaster, Rev. and Mrs. Smith, and a stu-said that the post office would be open Saturday from 8:30 until 10:30 a.m. for people who need sing, and George Berry, student to get their Christmas mailing

"We realize ther eare many people in th earea who have been unable to get their mailing done The congregation extends a spe- because of late working hours,

She also invited pecpie who

to come by the center.

Tex., is well - known to the Big cordings being "There Stands

in the spring.

ent - Teacher Association and "Fastest Gun Alive."

to help defray expenses of the this past year a show for the All - Sports Banquet to be held Merkel Volunteer Firemen Association.

Douglas' latest hit is "Going Douglas, a native of Athens, Home," with other popular re-Country. In 1969 he presented a the Man," "His and Hers," "Did Stage Show for the Merkel Par- I Say Something Wrong?" and

MERCHANTS TO STAY OPEN LATE FRIDAY

Several merchants in downtown ter 'N Things Merkel met this week and made plans for "opening late" this the late shopping hours and many

of the Merkel Chamber of Commerce said that "several merfor the convenience of shoppers who worked during the day and needed to shop late."

Businesses that will open again Adcock's Clothiers and Kit's Plas- ment.

"Moonlight Sale" is theme of regular priced items (see Page David Gamble, chairman of the Seven, will be marked down for promotions and events committee this sale by merchants participating in the event.

J. V. Hester, owner of J.V.'s chants decided to open at 7 p.m. and Tesie's Snack Bar and Recreation, said that he "planned to stay open later for the coffee drinkers."

"Free coffee will be served at 7 p.m. include Merkel Drug. during the late shopping hours," West Texas Utilities, Crawford's, said Hester, "and the public is Bullock Hardware and Gifts, Wil- invited to come in and have cofson Jewelers, Ben Franklin Store, fee compliments of the etablih-

Merkelite Wins Speaking Contest

P. Mead Speaking Contest at Hardin - Simmons University were chosen at the final competition on Tuesday, Dec. 7. Three freshman students and three upperclassman students received scholarships for the 1971-72 school

Awarded first place in the freshman division and a \$50 scholarship was Judy Hester, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hester of 818 Rose Street. Miss Haston speke en "It's Christmas" and she explained the need to share as well as sacrifice for others at this time.

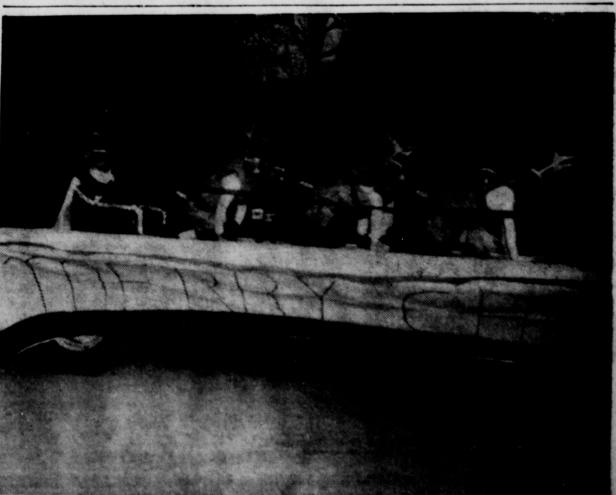
Second and third place winners were Lauretta Brock and Don Ashburn, both of Abilene.

In the upperclasman division, Jerry Howe, senior from Abilene won first place; Betty Ammons and Nancy Guy,, both of Abilene, were second and third place

The specehes were of a inspirational nature and not more than 5-7 minutes in length. No notes needed help in family planning were used and the audience acted as judges.

ABILENE - Winners of the E. Begun eighteen years ago, E. P. Mead, the late president of Mead Bakeries, Inc., showed an interest in traniing speakers for Christian leadership by contributing scholarship funds that are used for the contest. Following Mead's death in 1962, the contributions were continued by his son, Ed V. Mead.





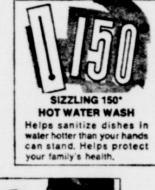
RUDOLPH, THE RED-NOSED REINDEER . . . Brownie Troop No. 308 Float

BY VIRTUE OF AN ORDER OF SALE DATED November 22,

judgment decree of the District Court of Taylor County, Texas by the Clerk of said Court on said date in a certain suit No. 10,474-B,



LEVEL SUPER-SURGE **WASHING ACTION**

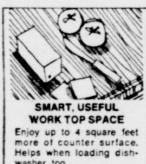












West Texas Utilities Company

P. O. BOX 428

and styled the State of Texas and Taylor County vs. Harvey C. Brown, et al and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said County, I have on November 22, 1971 Seized, levied upon, and will, on the first Tuesday in January 1972, the same being the 4th day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Abilene, Texas, between the hours of 10 o'clock A.M. and 4 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Taylor and State of Texas, to wit:

Lets 1, 2, 3, 4, Block D, Sheppard 2nd Addition; Lots 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, Block A. Lots 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, Block B, Lots 10, 11, 12, Block C, Lot 10 and S12 of Lot 11, Block H. South Park Addition: NW 75 x 140 of Lot 1. Block C. Lots 4, 5, Block F. Thornton Addition; City of Merkel, Lots 8, 9, Block 5, Lot 17. Block 7. Lot 6, Block 44, 92' x 170' of Lot 3, Block 52, Lot 7 and W1/2 of Lot 8, Block 60, Lot 1, Block 67, Lot 6, Block 71, Original Townsite, City of Ovalo. Lot 11, 12, 13, 14, Block A, N12 of Lot 1. Block B. Original Townsite, City of Shep. Lot 7, 8, 9, Block 2, Original Townsite, City of Trent. All of the above described property being located in Taylor County,

Texas. or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment, interest, penalties and costs; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having



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an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, at any time within two years from the date of sale in the manner provided by law, and anyone interested therein, may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest, penalties, and costs of suit, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, RAY TRAMMELL and the remainder, if any, to be

applied as the law directs. DATED AT Abilene, Texas, this the 26 day of Nov. 1971. RAY TRAMMELL

Sheriff, Taylor County, Texas by R. P. Blackley, Deputy.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALLE THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF TAYLOR

BY VIRTUE OF AN ORDER OF SALE DATED November 22, 1971 and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court of Taylor County, Texas by the Clerk of said Court on said date in a certain suit No. 10,479-B. and styled the State of Texas and Taylor County vs. C. T. Washington, et al and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said County, I have on November 22, 1971 Seized, levied upon, and will, on the first Tuesday in January 1972, the same being the 4th day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Abilene, Texas, between the hours of 10 o'clock A.M. and 4 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in hte County of Taylor and State of Texas, to wit:

Lot 10, Block T, J. S. Johnston Subdivision of Lot 1, Block 209, Original Townsite: Lot 4, Block 6. Campus Addition; Lots 1, 1A, 2 and 2A, Block 9, College Dr. Rep. Addition; Lots 15 and 16, Block J, Lots 18 and 19, Block K. W. B. Hale Addition; Lot 14, Block 9, Highland (John Sayles) Addition: N 55' of W 192' of Block Northington Addition: N 811/2 of E 140' of Lot 8, Block 16, North Park R/Sub Addition; S 100' of E 140' of W 300' of Lot 3, Block 3, Over Place Addition; Lot 9, Block 5, Over & Coil Addition: Lots 8, 9 and W 1/2 of Lot 10, Block 1, Lot 13. Block 2, R. L. Over Addition; Lot 12, Block 5, Lots 10, 11, Block 8, Scott Hwy. Place Addition; all of the above described property being located in the City of Abi-

lene, Taylor County, Texas. or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment, interest, penalties and costs; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, at any time within two years from the date of sale in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and fur-

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ther rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgsubject to any other and further ment rendered in the above styled rights to which the defendants or and numbered cause, together with interest, penalties, and costs of suit, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law

> DATED AT Abilene, Texas, this the 26 day of Nov. 1971.

Sheriff, Taylor County, Texas by R. P. Blackley, Deputy.

Fage Two Two children born to Plaintiff and Defendant, Jonathan Eugene Penn, a son, and Veta Holley Renay Penn, a daughter. No Community property has been accumulated, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this

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 di-

Thursday, December 16, 1971

THE MERKEL MAIL, MERKEL, TEXAS

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 17th day of November A.D., 1971.

> Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD Clerk, 104th District Court Taylor County, Texas By Faye Terry, Deputy.

39 44tc

LEGAL NOTICE

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

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

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Michael Duane Penn, De-

fendant, Greeting: YOU ARE HEREBY COM-MANDED to appear before the Honorable 104th District Court of Taylor County at the Courthhouse 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 3rd day of January A. D. 1972, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 24th day of September A.D. 1971, in this cause, numbered 11,935-B on the docket of said court and styled Mary Yvonne Penn, Plaintiff, vs. Michael Duane Penn, Defendant,

of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married on or about Ocother 21, 1968.

GET RESULTS

A brief statement of the nature **CLASSIFIEDS**

A Special Invitation GRACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH will celebrate

the BIRTH OF CHRIST in a brief Candellight Worship Service on Christmas Eve, Friday, December 24 at 7 p.m.

The Congregation extends an invitation to all of their friends to share in this Worship Experience. Judith Smith, student at Peabody Conservatory of Music, Baltimore, Maryland, will sing. George Berry, student of School of Drama, Carneigie - Mellon, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, will read from the Scrip-

Take thirty minutes to "Put Christ Back Into Christmas," and come worship with us.

GRACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MERKEL, TEXAS

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Miscellaneous -

FOR MONUMENTS and CEMETERY CURBING M. A. (Sarg) NOSTER 1404 Herring Dr. Merkel, Texas Phone 8-5565

MASONIC MEETING

Stated meeting of Merkel Lodge No. 710 on 2nd Saturday and 4:4h Thursday of each month # 7:30 p.m. Visitors welcome. fembers urged to attend.

CHARLES EAGER, W.M.

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CARD OF THANKS

WE ARE THANKFUL beyond measure for all of our good friends who were so thoughtful during my stay in the hospital at Flagsaff, Ariz, and after my arrival back home in Merkel, For all of your cards, flowers, food, visits and prayers, we say "Thank You." A special thanks is extended to all the wonderful people who sgined the "get well" card at the Merkel Drug, Great people make Merkel and Merkel

Betty and Barney Borwig

CARD OF THANKS

I WISH TO EXPRESS my thanks to all my frineds for the many cards, flowers, telephone calls and prayers during my recent stay in the hospital, Everyone was so thoughtful and it will always be remembered.

Betty Jane Tittle

Scout News

By LESA HART

Junior Girl Scout Troop Number 313 met Thursday, December 9, with Mrs. Melba Glasscock, troop leader, in charge.

The girls continued to work on projects for the girl scout sale, Gifts were also completed for the mothers and fathers. Scout meeting this week will

be a Christmas party with each girl bringing an inexpensive gift to be exchanged

Janet Wade served refreshments at the end of the meeting.

Study Club Meets

Novmeber 23 was guest day for members of the Fortnightly Study Club's meeting held at the Merkel School Cafeteria, with theme being "Food for Ameri-

Members and guests were served from a tea table prior to the demonstration on "Holiday Foods." presented by Miss Martha Chism, food economist for Lone Star Gas Comparit.

Mrs. Comer Haynes was hostess for the Nov. 9 meeting, with president, Mrs. S. C. Dixon, presiding during the business meeting. Mrs. David Gamble presented a book review of the historical novel, "The Sea of Grass" by Conrad Richter. The novel depicted a cole ful and romantic era during which western lands and cattle industry were involved in a struggle with the homesteading nesters.

(Continued from Page 1)

that it was impressed on them that at this event there were voters in attendance from the rural areas of our state and that we desired to be heard!

Among others we were able to visit with were Barefoot Sanders, an announced candidate for U.S. Senator; Sens. Doc Blanchand of Lubbock, Ted C. Connell, a 1939 graduate of Merkel High School and now of Killeen; two ef my former employes, Mr. Robert S. Calvert, State Comptoller and Mr. Jesse James, S'ate Treasurer; Gov. Preston Smith, Sen. Bentsen and Sen. and Mrs. Humphrey.

Among those attending the dinrer from Taylor County included French Robertson, Fred Proctor and Rep. Grant Jones.

We also saw the Homer Newbys from Elgin and they asked about a lot of people in Merkel,

DEATHS & FUNERALS

ident of Jones County, died at 11 died at Cox Memorial Hospital a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 14 at the in Abilene Saturday, Dec. 11 afresidence of his brother, J. R. Cook, following a short illness,

Funeral services were held Wednesday in Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel with Rex Kyker, Abilene Christian College professor, and Bill Patton, minister of Merkel Church of Christ, officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill

Born Feb. 18, 1889, in Jones County, Mr. Cock was a veteran of World War I and a member of the Merkel - Trent Barracks of WWI veterans.

He had lived in the Noodle community all his life and had recently moved northeast of Noodle. He was a member of

the Nood'e Church of Christ. Survivors include two brothers, Pete and J. R., both of Anson; one sister, Mrs. Gusty Foster of Merkel: and several nieces and

Nephews were pallbearers.

Roy L. Griffin

Funeral services for Roy L. Griffin, 77, were held Saturday. Dec. 11, in Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Kenneth Jones, pastor of the First Baptist Church officiating.

Mr. Griffin died Thursday, Dec. 9 in Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene after a three - day

Burial was in Rose Hill Ceme-

Born Aug. 8, 1894, he had operated a mattress factory here for many years, and retired in

Survivors include one son, Randolph Griffin of Lincoln, Ark.; one daughter, Mrs. John T. Kaplan of Midland; and three grandchildren.

Mrs. Bullock Host To Beta Sigma

The Lambda Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met Dec. 7 in the home of Mrs. Almeda Bullock. Guest speaker was Mrs. Mack Baggett of Abilene who spoke on "Our Crowning Glory."

Members present were Mmes. John Brady, Bullock, Bobby Du-Bose, Robert Harris, Jimmy Leverich, Billy Lucas and Darla Mawson

Also Mmes. Billy Neff, Phil Seymore, Mamie Steck, Larry White, Bill Whisenhunt, Finley Barnett, George Watson and Jewell Cotten.

Guests were Mrs. James Allday and Mrs. Barbara Whitt.

By CHRISTI BRADY

Brownie Troop 103 met Dec. 7 at the Scout Hut. The group finished work on Christmas gifts and made plans for the Christmas Party to be held at the next

Sheila Adair and Christi Brady served refreshments.

Mrs. Hatfield

Mrs. Mossie Sears Hatfield, 85, ter a long illness.

Funeral services were held Sunday at the Merkel Methodist Church with Dr. George Steinman of Abilene conducting services. He was assisted by the Rev. N. S. Daniel, Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery under direction of Starbuck Funeral Home.

Mrs. Hatfield was born Mossie Sears on Aug. 15, 1886, in Rockwall, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sears, early pioneers of West Texas, who settled in Anson and the Truby communities in 1889. Since 1907 the Sears family had been residents of Merkel.

In Aug 1942 she married J. N. Hatfield, who died seven years later. Mrs. Hatfield was a member of the Merkel Methodist Church

Survivors include four sisters, Eula Sears of Abilene, Mrs. Delia Campbell of Texarkana, Mrs. Odie Matthews of Phoenix, Ariz., and Mrs. Lila M. Touchstone of Abilene: a number of nieces and

nephews. Preceding her in death besides her parents and husband were four brothers, Athur, Alex, Clyde and C. F. who were longtime ranchers in the West Texas

Harris Infant

Robert Martin Harris, infant son of Maj. and Mrs. James I. Harris of Austin, formerly of Merkel, died Saturday, Dec. 11 in Lackland AFB Hospital.

Funeral services were held Monday in Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Russell McAnaly, pastor of First United Methodist Church officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery

Survivors include his parents; two brothers. Phillip and Charles, both of the home; two sisters, Rebecca and Margaret, both of the home; his paternal grandmother, Mrs. Ellis Harris of Merkel: his maternal grandmother, Mrs. Kollner of West Berlin, married Dec. 25, 1921 at the Germany

HOMEMAKERS

Christmas **Party Held**

The Taylor County Homemakers held their annual Christmas Party in Fellowship Hall of First United Methodist Church Dec. 10. A buffet meal was served to members and their husbands from a table decorated with candles, ivy and angels,

Members and their husbands attending were Messrs, and Mmes, Hugh Baker, Billy Bob Toombs, Roland Pack, Gregory and Jim Allday,

Also Messrs, and Mmes, Bob Benson, Mack Seymore, Butch Caton, Jimmy Jacobs, Jerry Miller and Freden Toombs.

Special thank yous were extended to those who helped with decorations and preparnig the

LEGAL NOTICE

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: R. G. (Bud) Farmer, Defendant, 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 17 day of Jan. A.D. 1972, to Plaintiff's First Amended Petition filed in said court, on the 16 day of July AD., 1971, in this cause numbered 6360 on the docket of

said court and styled Lynda Gayle Farmer, Plaintiff, vs. R. G. (Bud) Farmer, Defendant,

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: The parties were married on or about Sept. 3, 1961 and ceased to live together on or about June 1, 1970. Petitioner sues for divorce and requests that she be given custod, and support of the minor children. There is 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 return-

ed unserved. The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law. and the mandates hereof, and make due reutrn as the law di-

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 6 day of Dec. A.D. 1971.

Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD Clerk, Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas By Marie Gill, Deputy

Some Berlin 'Shops' Never Close



Visitors to West Berlin like the convenience of the block-long arcades of automatic machines from which to make purchases 24 hours a day: aside from dispensing the usual cold drinks, candy and cigarettes, these coin-operated units sell almost anything, including groceries and canned goods, or cold snacks complete with cutlery and a napkin! And what's more, you can even fill up with gas from coin-operated pumps at hundreds of locations all over

One major reason for vending machines for all types of merchandise is Berlin's booming economy, resulting in full employment that causes a shortage of labor, including sales personnel. Another factor is the early closing hours for retail establishments, and the compulsory and strictly observed lunch and dinner closings.

Aside from the items stocked, there are few basic differences between German and American vending machines; but most of those in Berlin are located in the open air rather than on enclosed premises, and therefore must be equipped with more effective safeguards against trick thefts of the merchandise or outright burglary.

But the fully automatic gas vending machines are a real innovation: they deliver any desired combination of up to \$9 worth of five different grades of gasoline. They also print a receipt showing the location, amount spent, month and year; and stop the flow when your tank is filled, returning any unspent portion of your deposit. You get your money back also if the pump was empty to start with.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Shouse Sr., of Abilene, will honor their parents at a reception on their Golden Wedding Anniversary Sunday, December 19 in the Gold Room of the Merkel Restaurant

Calling hours will be from two until five p.m.

Children hosting the event are C. Shouse Jr., of Abilene; Aubrey L. Shouse, Odessa, and Mrs. Charles (Ima Ruth) Vinson of Monahans.

Mr. and Mrs. Shouse were home of the bride's parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Decker

They lived in Taylor and Jones years before moving to Pyote,

years, before retiring and moving to Abilene

The couple has eight grandchildren and three great - grand-

Friends and relatives are invited to the reception.

Gambles Are Host At Annual Dinner

Mr and Mrs David Gamble were hosts for the Annual Thanksgiving Dinner for members and guests of the Lydia Homemakers Sunday School Class of First

Baptist Church held Nov. 22. Present were the Rev. and counties and in Merkel for many Mrs. Kenneth Jones and Messrs. and Mmes. Joe McDuff, Glenn While in Merkel Mr. Shouse man- Teaff, Vaughn Doan, John Young, aged a service station. In Pyote Ted McAninch, Jerry Gibson and he was a fireman for several the Gambles.

Understanding and Preventing Juvenile Delinquency

(No. 2) Why do some children become delinquents and others do not?

Children who face these situations have great diffi-

culty adjusting to the realities of life:

1 Several different fathers. 2 Those who live with their mothers in a "home" that is female-centered due to a broken home that

may never have had a resident father. 3 A father often drunk or in jail or gone unjustifiably. One the child may never have known well enough to identify with.

A lack of proper control. A child who's control and discipline has been inconsistent and unpredictable. An inconsistent mixture of permissiveness and strictness has been found in the background of many delinquents. Strictness is not objectionable in itself, when it is seen as fairminded and well meant. But where strictness amounts simply to control by force, the child harbors resentment until the day when he can successfully assert physical mastery himself. Rather than discipline being a matter of learning and a shaping process, it becomes a matter of muscle.

5 Dispair.

6 Children and youth who do not see or understand by example or teaching HOW TO LIVE BOTH HONORABLY AND SUCCESSFULLY. In other words a lack of SPIRITUUAL TRAINING, real, not pretense.

7 LABELING a child as a TROUBLEMAKER. The affixing of that label can be a momentous occurrence in a youngster's life. He has a reputation to live up to. When you repeatedly tell a child what they act like and what they are ("you're just spoiled rotten" etc.) they find it necessary to

continue that "being." 8 A child pushed out and neglected. PLEASE READ: Ephesians 6:4 and Titus 2:4, 5.

BILLY PATTON

CHURCH OF CHRIST

"COME VISIT WITH US"

TELESERVICE AIDS ANSWERING QUESTION

social security was almost as dramatic as the "horseless carriage" was to the "horse and buggy days" commented Don Minyard, social security operations supervisor in Abilene.

Like the arrival of the first automobile, some people just couldn't accept the revolutionary idea of using the telephone for social security business instead of wearing out shoe leather to go down to the social security office, especail'ii in the less populated

rapid, because it solved the parking problem and waiting their (915) 677-5262,

turn to see a representative.

tablished procedure in all effices. small and large. It is particularly advantageous to disabled persens who can file a claim by telephone while remaining in the comfort of their homes. The busy working person who has social security business to conduct can save the time of a visit to the office with a telephone call.

cerning social security he should not "teleneighbor" - he should People in large cities adopted use "teleservice." He should telethe teleservice procedure rather phone the nearest social security office. The Abilene number is

ANSON RESIDENT RECEIVES

(CEC) Donald Weldon Putman, son of O. D. Putman, Rt. 3, Anson, has been awarded the Army Commendation Medal for meriterious service at the U.S. Army Engineer Power Group at Fort Belvoir. He was cited for his service as Instructor and Chief of the Electrical Training Sectien, Training Division, during the period from December 1969 to November 1971.

A native of Texas, Chief Putman entered on active Navit duty in 1954. He has served aboard aircraft carriers with mehile construction battalions and with the Public Works Department in Alaska. He completed the nuclear power operator's course at the USAEPG in 1966 and also has two years of college work at Angelo State College, San Angelo,

The USAEPG, where Chief Putman has been serving with the Navy Nuclear Power Unit, operates the SM-1 Nuclear Power Plant and trains Army Navy and Air Force personnel in the operation and maintenance of such plants.

In addition to the Army Commendation Medal, Chief Putmen also holds the Air Force

Stith News By MRS. FRITZ HALE



Cotton harvesting is at a stand still due to the wet weather. Just a few bales have been ginned so

Those from the Stith Home Demonstration Club attending the Jones County H.D. Club par , at Anson Thursday were Mrs. Paul Pred'ey, Mrs. W. O. Dickerson and Mrs. Vada Hudson,

Mrs. Ollie Fowler and Bobby of Califorian have returned to their home in California after a week's visit with Mrs. John Hobbs and the Benny Hobbs families. Others visiting the Hobbs home ouring the week were Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Hobbs of Grand Prairie, Johnny Hobbs, Irving, and Mr. and Mrs. C'eo Chancey and Sandra of Richardson,

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Clyburn and children attended the Christmas program at the Merkel First Baptist Church Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John Browning were supper guests in the home of their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ray Browning and children in Tuscola Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alanzo Peterson and Mrs. Judy Pates and children of Merkel visited Mr. and Mrs.

Paul Bradley Sunday afternoon, The Stith H.D. Club held their Christmas party at the Stith Community Center Saturday right. Supper was served, the program was presented by the children and gifts were handed out from the Christmas tree.

Sam Mashburn is doing very well after having surgery in Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene last week.

Lonnie Beaird, Merkel, visited Mr. and Mrs. Jim Burns and Mamie Hardin Friday, Sam Burns of Abilene was a visitor

The Rev. James Williams visited Mrs. Ira Stanley and Mr, and his part in the vessel's proficien-Mrs, Clearly Sunday afternoon,

Teleservice is now a well es-

If anyone has a question con-

Construction Electrical Chief Outstanding Unit Award, China Service Medal, Navy Meritorous Unit Commendation, Navy Good Conduct, and the Navy Antarctic

Service Medal with Winter - Over-

Clasp, and the National Defense Service Medal. During his assignments with the USAFPG. Chief Putman has been residing with his wife, the former Miss Ethel Ford of Merkel and also with sons, Hobbs Ford and Corbet Austin, at Alexandria, Va.

New Traffic Regulations

EDITOR'S NOTE - During the next few weeks the Merkel Mail will run information on new traffic laws passed by the last session of the State Legislature. These laws take effect Jan. 1. Information is furnished by the Texas Department of Public

REMOVAL OF MOTOR VEHICLE INSPECTION CERTIFICATE

If a motor vehicle, trailer, semi - trailer, pole trailer or mobile home registered in this State is damaged in a motor vehicle accident to the apparent extent that it would require repair before passing state inspection, the investigating officer shall remove the inspection certificate from the vehicle windshield and shall give the operator of the vehicle a dated receipt. Within thir; (30) days of the date indicated on the receipt the vehicle shall be reinspected. The vehicle may be driven during this thirty day peroid with the receipt.

RIDING IN HOUSE TRAILERS No person or persons shall occupy a house trailer while it is being moved upon a public high-

Crawford Eligible For BS Degree

STEPHENVILLE (Spl.) - Robert Morris Crawford of Merkel is a candidate for the Bachelor of Science degree in Physical Education at Tarleton State College. Commencement exercises will be held in the main auditorium on the TSC campus Sun-

day, December 19 at 3 p.m. TSC registrar John Whiting has announced that 140 students will be candidates for graduation to conclude the fall semester at

Receives Award

USS CAMDEN - Navy Chief Warrant Officer Haller L. Simpson, son of Mr. and Mrs. E'hel M. Simpson of Rt. 1, Trent, Tex., was awarded the Meritorious Unit Commendation Ribbon during ccremonies aboard the fast combat support ship USS Camden, homeported at Long Beach, Calif. His ship has been precented the Meritorious Unit Commendation by the Secretary of the Navy for its outstanding performance of duties when it was operating off the Vietnam coast eartier this year, thus qualifying Simpson for the ribbon for

CEMETERY FUND

The following made recent donations to the Merkel Cemetery mory of Chester Cox

Dr. and Mrs. W. T. Sadler in ory of Mrs. Clarence Newton memory of Bill Cox

Mrs. Clyde Bartlett in memory of Cora Scott W. W. Toombs Estate

C. A Gardner Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Barron in

memory of W. R. Cox Pierce Horton Gertrude Dowdy

Doris Dowdy R. J. Compton

W. A. or Vivian Wilson in memory of Allison Kay Zitterkopf-Diane Zitterkopf

Mrs. Lucille Eddins H. F. Jeffrey in memory of A. J. Hill

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Mitchell in memory of C. A. Cox Mr. and Mrs. Pat Cypert in memory of C. A. Cox

Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Pee in memory of C. A. Cox Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Brown in memory of Chester Cox Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Benson

in memory of Mrs. C. P. Suber

Scout Bake Sale

Members of the Merkel Junior Girl Scouts will have a Bake and Crafts Sale Saturday, Dec. 18 in front of the Mellinger building.

The sale will include baked items and crafts that Scouts have made during the year. Leaders are Mrs. Den Glasscock and Mrs. Boyd Baker, Assicting with the Saturday sale will be Mrs. Glenn Bicknell and Mrs. Bobby Owen.

CLASSIFIEDS ARE YOUR BEST BUY

Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Fox in me-Mrs. Pet Touchstone in mem-

Trent Graduate At Fort Ord

FT. ORD. Calif - Army Private Timoth, W. Riggan, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie M. Riggan, Rt 2, Merkel, Tex., is assigned to Ft. Crd, Calif., where he is training under the Modern Volunteer Army Field Experi-

The new concept, called Volar, combines basic and advanced individual training into a single 16 - week program. Decentralized instruction at the unit level and a reduction of formations and inspections gives the soldiers more time to train and increaed off - duty time. Fewer restrictions on off - duty travel and improved living facilities are other benefits of the volar concept.

Pvt. Riggan is scheduled to complete the first phase in late January.

The soldier was graduated in 1969 from Trent High School, and attended Cisco Junoi: College and Angelo State University.

USE

Have you counted your diet pills lately?

Amphetamine diet pills are often abused. Amphetamines are discussed on pages 17 through 19 of the Federal source book: "Answers to the most frequently asked questions about drug abuse." For your free copy send in the

Drug Abuse Questions and Answers

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OUT OF DARKNESS INTO OBLIVION It is night and the road is clear; you are pouring on the speed. You overdrive your headlights. Suddenly your head-lights pick up the side of a train going over a crossing. You can't stop when you see the train. Consider the horror. The horrible pain of fear for the seconds it takes you to slide from the darkness

THE MERKEL MAIL, MERKEL, TEXAS Page Five Thursday, December 16, 1971

The Merkel Mail staff was recipient of a "real honest - togoodness" rabbit foot this week, a gift from the Big Country's he was determined to get you a well - known OCIE HUNT of real good - luck charm.

And along with the gift came a "Merry Christmas and a Ho!

Says Ocie:

"The enclosed rabbit's foot is a heck of a Christmas present. I must admit.

"But it carries with it the same spirit and message of Christmas that a more expensive gift could possibly carry. "The story of Uncle Remus

gave me the idea that a rabbit's foot carried with you every day will bring good luck to you and this throughout Nineteen-Seventy Two. However, there are a few qualifications that he said must be made.

"To get a real, honest - togoodness, rabbit's foot that will actually bring good luck, it must be the left - hind foot of a rabbit killed in a grave - yard at midnight.

"When I ordered my Christmas presents. I emphasized this requirement to the supply man, and he wrote me right back that we could be sure of the "real McCey;" that he personal'y killed every rabbit, at the exact hour of midnight, in a church grave - yard where the church had been abandoned many years ago and all premises neglected and going to wrack; that a great big owl was standing on a tall tembstone, hooting, 'Whoo! Who!

Who are you!' and a coyote nearby was howling the most weird howl you ever heard But

"Please be on the alert. When bad luck or misfortune is coming your way, this rabbit foot will tear loose to kicking like the dickens.

"So long and - adios, Ocie Hunt.'

Thanks a lot for the good luck charm - and especially sent at this time of the year when you're "up to your neck" in politics -Ocie is chairman of the Nolan County Democratic Executive Committee, and a busy one too. Merkel Mail readers will remember Mr. Hunt's contribution on the Prairie Dog Communities in the Big Country.

MRS. LOTTIE EVERETT'S weekend guests at her Ranch Place (called the Lo Camp) were Mr. and Mrs. Terry Cartwright and daughter, Cassanna of Austin.

Says Lattie, "It's great to feel great, yet when it comes to being 'great - great,' that is really something to be proud of,"

This all comes by Mrs. Terry Cartwright being the former Phylis Newby, daughter of the Homer Newbys of Elgin and Mrs. H. Newby being a niece of Lottie's. Makes Phylis a great niece and her daughter, Cassanna is the "great - great" niece. (Lottie also has other great - great nieces



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Timex Electric Watches

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SUN MARK PORTABLE REG. \$39.95

OLD SPICE REG. \$2.00

REG. \$26.95

Color Slide Projector

FOR YOUR SHOPPING CONVENIENCE MERKEL MERCHANTS ANNOUNCE A

"SHOP LATE" Moonlight Sale for Friday, December 17

SHOPPING TIME BEGINS AT 7 P.M.

Take Advantage of the Many Christmas Gift Suggestions on this Page (And More in the Stores) of Merchants Who Will Be Open at 7 P.M.

NOTICE ALL WESTERN PANTS **50%** OFF

HURRY ON DOWN TO ADCOCK'S AND TAKE ADVANTAGE OF PRE-CHRISTMAS SALE STILL IN PROGRESS! Hundreds of Items at Outstanding

> ADCOCK'S CLOTHIERS

and Economical Way — At Wilson's Jeweler

WILSON JEWELER

SAVE MANY STORE WIDE **CHRISTMAS SPECIALS** DURING THE BULLOCK'S HARDWARE AND GIFTS

Buy Christmas Gifts the Easy

STOREWIDE SAVINGS ON

Carinval Ware (Made in Original Molds) -Watches - For Every Member of the Family Maple Decorator Pieces - to fit any Decor Candles - All sizes, scents and shapes

FOR YOUR



WE WILL BE OPEN FRIDAY, DEC. 17. CHECK OUR STORE FOR OUTSTANDING SAVINGS DURING THIS MOONLIGHT SALE - MANY ITEMS REGULAR PRICED WILL BE MARKED DOWN DURING THIS SALE.

SHOES

Values to \$6.99

Ladies \$4.99 Girls only \$2.99

Blouses, Blouses

Choose from Many Styles - Colors -Materials Great Christmas Gifts Sizes 30 to 44

\$4.99 up

TEXSHEEN Briefs \$1.00 NYLON

6.00Gowns Pajamas ... 8.00

GRANNY Gowns 6.00

DOUBLE KNIT

Ladies Slacks Sizes 8 to 20

\$8.99

CLOSE OUT ON **Ladies Coats**

LADIES Pant Suits \$13.99

> DEARFOAM **Scuffs** \$3.00

S COMP Your Gift will be Beautifully Wrapped for CHRISTMAS

Mens Pajamas \$4.99

> Master Charge 30-Day Account Lay-Away

Boys Jeans \$1.99

May We Suggest DOUBLE KNIT Socks .. pr. \$1.00

DOUBLE KNIT Slacks 20.00

Ready Tied -Four in Hand 2.50 Ties **Sweaters** .. 12.99

PERMANENT PRESS Wranglers \$5.99

Bath Set WITH COVER Reg. 6.99 **5.99**

WASH CLOTHS

FLORAL PRINT PERMANENT PRESS SHEETS

Mens Shoes

Values to \$12.99

\$6.99

Fully Fitted 3.99 81x104 3.99

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Reg. \$2.99 BATH 20x26 Reg. \$1.99 HAND TOWEL Reg. 79c 59¢

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MERKEL DRUG CO.

Your Health (R) Service Store

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Thursday, December 16, 1971

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF TAYLOR OF SALE DATED November 22. 1971 and issued pursuant to a and styled the State of Texas and Taylor County vs. Annie L. Steand delivered as Sheriff of said door of said County, in the City of Abilene. Texas, between the hours of 10 o'clock A.M. and 4 terest of the defendants in such Taylor County, Texas, suit in and to the following de- or upon the written request of scribed real estate levied upon said defendants or their attorney,

ed in the County of Taylor and State of Texas, to wit

Lots 10, 11, 12, Block 6, Lot 10, BY VIRTUE OF AN ORDER Block 24, Lots 1 thru 5, 16, 18, 19, 20, 21, Block 30, Lot 12, Block 51, Original Townsite: Lot 26, Block judgment decree of the District 11, North Trent Addition: City of Court of Taylor County, Texas by Trent, Lots 6 thru 9, Block 3, Grathe Clerk of said Court on said ham Addition; City of Tuscola, E date in a certain suit No. 10,478-B, 2/3 of Lot 1, Block C. P. M. Morgan Addition: City of Tye. Lot 8, Block 3, Lot 1, Block 86, Original vens, et al and to me directed Townsite; City of View Lot 7. Block 157: Lot 15, B. Hughes Sub-County, I have on November 22, division of Lot 4. Block 186; Lot 1971 Seized, levied upon, and will, 18 Block 5. Blackburn Subdivision on the first Tuesday in January of Lot 1, Block 201; N12 of W12 of 1972, the same being the 4th day Lot 59, W12 of Lo 60, Watson & of said month at the Courthouse Russell Subdivision of Lot 1, Block 208; Original Townsite, City of Abilene. Lot 25, (100' x 140'), Lot 26, (50' x 145'), out of Abstract 73 of o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed the Grimes Co. School Land Surto sell for cash to the highest bid- vey No. 147. All of the above deder all of the right, title, and in- scribed property being located in

as the property of said defendants, a sufficient portion thereof to satthe same lying and being situat- isfy said judgment, interest, pen-

to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, at any time within two years from the date of sale in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law, Said sale to be made by me by R. P. Blackley Deputy.

to satisfy the judgment rendered

alties and costs; subject, however, in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest, penalties, and costs of suit, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

> DATED AT Abilene, Texas, this the 26 day of Nov. 1971.

RAY TRAMMELL

Sheriff, Taylor County, Texas

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THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF TAYLOR

BY VIRTUE OF AN ORDER OF SALE DATED November 22. 1971 and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court of Taylor County, Texas by the Clerk of said Court on said date in a certain suit No. 10 477-B. and styled the State of Texas and Taylor County vs. Otto Galle, et al and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said County, I have on November 22, 1971 Seized, levied upon, and will, on the first Tuesday in January 1972, the same being the 4th day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Abilene, Texas, between the hours of 10 o'clock A.M. and 4 o'clock P. M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Taylor and State of

Lots 11, 12, Block 9, Original Townsite, City of Blair, Lots 10, 11, 18, Block 25, Original Townsite, City of Buffalo Gap. Lot 6, Block 1, Lots 4, 5, 6, 7, Block 13, Original Townsite, Halltown (Blair). Lot 3, Block 16, Lots 16, 17, Block 17, Original Townsite, City of Lawn, Lots 11, 12, Block 1, Lots 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, Block 2, Lots 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, Block 6, Lot 17, Block 21, Lots 10, 11, 12, Block 27 Lots 5, 6, Block 45, Lot 12, Block 46, Original Townsite; East 65' of Lot 1, M. D. Angus Addition; Lots 1, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, Block G, The officer executing this writ Bettes Heights Addition: City of County Texas

or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment, interest, penalties and costs; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, at any time within two years from the date of sale in 40 4tc the manner provided by law, and

4 LOCATIONS:

4th & Oak - River Oaks

Merchant Park Commerce Square, Brownwood

Store Hours 'Til Christmas Mon.-Fri. - 9:30-9:00

Saturday 8-9

subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest, penalties, and costs of suit, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be ap-

DATED AT Abilene, Texas, this

by R. P. Blackley, Deputy,





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TO: Jack Allen Gee, Defendant,

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day of Jan. A.D. 1972, to Plaintiff's Petitoin filed in said court, rects. on the 9 day of Nov. A.D. 1971, in this cause, numbered 6727 on the docket of said court and styled In Re: Wanda Diane Gee.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: In Re: Adoption is is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit

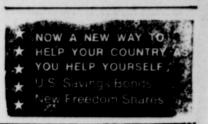
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Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD Clerk, Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas By Marie Gill, Deputy.



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TO: Ruby Ross, Defendant,

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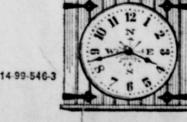
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