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PERSONAL NEWS NOTES

Mrs. C. C. McFall and niece, Mrs. Clifford Steele, are visiting in the home of her brother, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Lee, for a couple of days.

Mrs. John Oliver and daughter, Patsy, accompanied Mrs. D. A. Kelly of Sweetwater to Elmo for several days visit with their father, J. H. Nelson. They also visited Mrs. Ross Oliver while there.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Fisher and family of Fresno, Calif., spent two days last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lige Harris. Mrs. Fisher is a niece of Mrs. Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Swafford and Bobby Joe of Abilene were visitors in Merkel Wednesday night with Mrs. Cynthia Hall and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Campbell.

Visitors in the N. C. Palmer home over the week-end were their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Fick and son, Michael, of Odessa; Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Smith and daughters, Juanda and Sandra, and Wayne Palmer, all of Abilene; Mrs. L. M. Smith, Byrdstown, Tenn.; A. L. Mullens, Lubbock; Charles Fikes and Mrs. Clona McClure, Merkel; Pfc. R. G. Palmer from Keesler Field, Miss., and Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Palmer and daughter, Mary June, of Hawley.

Visiting last week in the D. A. Lee home were Mrs. Mary Eubank, sister of Mrs. Lee, and Miss Eva Louise Fry, a niece, from San Angelo, and Mrs. R. C. Ivey, sister of Mrs. Lee, of El Paso. Mr. and Mrs. Cleston Jackson, of Fort Worth, a nephew, and Mr. and Mrs. George Falls of Ranger also visited in the Lee home last week.

Mrs. Elton Estes and children, Lee and Carolyn, of El Centro, Calif., who have been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Rogers of Trent the past two weeks, returned home Thursday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Lee and three boys, Truman, Allen and Charles, and daughter, Joyce, of Exeter, Calif., are visiting in the home of his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Lee. This was the first time Mr. Lee has seen his brother in 27 years and the first time he had ever seen his family.

Mrs. Ansil O'Neill and children, Billy and Bobby of Seagraves, are visiting in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Rogers of Trent.

Miss Janice Patterson is spending the week with relatives in Wichita Falls.

C. J. Glaver returned Sunday night from a visit with his sisters, Mrs. W. A. Little in Dallas and Mrs. Eva Prendergast in Austin, having also visited other relatives in Belton and Austin.

W. E. Stevens of Seymour visited the past two weeks with his brother, C. P. Stevens, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Pinky Cypert and daughter, Sharon, have returned from a round of visits, which took them first to Shreveport, La., where they visited her father, J. E. Humphrey. Returning via Houston, they visited a sister of Mrs. Cypert, Mrs. Clyde Cheatwood, and spent three days with Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Green, former residents of Merkel, now living in Driscoll, where Mr. Green is superintendent of the school system.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman T. Hodge, Robert Tom and Norma Jean, left Monday to spend a short vacation at their lodge in Ruidoso, N. M.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Latimer left Wednesday for Chowchilla, Calif., to visit a son, Odie Latimer, and family. They were accompanied as far as Douglas, Ariz., by Mrs. Johnny Latimer, who had been visiting here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Elliott spent the week-end with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Elliott, in Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Palmer will go to Fort Worth Friday to attend a showing at the Blackstone hotel of the 1948 Philco refrigerators and radios.

Visitors from Big Spring in the home of Mrs. Dewitt Landers of Trent this week were Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Harvell and son, N. R., Jr., Miss Diana Biggs, Mr. and Mrs. Gold Dickerson and son, Lloyd, also two aunts of Mrs. Harvell, Mrs. George Devany, of Dallas, and Mrs. John Maxwell, of Corsicana. The Harvels also visited with their father, Bill Harvell, before returning home Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Dunning of Fort Worth are guests this week in the Dunning McConnell home. Mrs. W. H. Dunning, who accompanied them from Fort Worth, went on Monday to visit in Lubbock.

SERVICES HELD SATURDAY FOR T. O. LACKEY

Death Due to Injuries Suffered in Auto Accident at 5 P. M. Thursday; Survived by One Daughter and Two Sons.

Funeral services for T. O. Lackey, 74, well known retired farmer and cattleman and resident of this section for nearly 50 years, were held at 10:30 a. m. Saturday from the First Baptist church, with the pastor, Rev. E. M. Weathers, officiating, assisted by Rev. H. J. West, Baptist pastor of Loreozo.

Burial was in Rose Hill cemetery under direction of Barrow-Sheppard funeral home.

Active pallbearers were Leon Scott, Leon Toombs, John Mansfield, Pete Rutledge, Homer Patterson and Irl Walker.

Named as honorary pallbearers were Carroll Walton, Watt Blair, Cramer Reynolds, Ab Tittle, John Meeks, Herman Doan and George Smith.

Mr. Lackey was fatally injured when the 1936 Ford coupe he was driving struck a concrete bridge abutment on Highway 80, just outside Abilene's west city limit at 5 p. m. Thursday. He died in Hendrick Memorial hospital, shortly after he was taken there. George Moore, 77, riding in the car with Mr. Lackey, was seriously injured, but reports Thursday indicated that he was doing as well as could be expected. He is in Hendrick Memorial hospital, Abilene.

T. O. Lackey was born Nov. 29, 1872, in Gonzales county and went to Kerr county with his parents when a child. He was married to Laura Cade in 1895. They moved to Taylor county shortly after their marriage, where he had resided until his death. His wife preceded him in death on Dec. 6, 1948. Mr. Lackey had been a member of the Baptist church for about 40 years.

He is survived by three children: two sons, Clarence, of Loreozo, and Irvin, of McAllen, and one daughter, Mrs. Oscar Pollard, of Lubbock; two sisters, Mrs. Iris Garland and Mrs. Lee Roy Fessenden, of Kerrville; nine grandchildren and three great-grandchildren, also a number of nieces and nephews.

Joyce Belt and Button Shop in New Home

The Joyce Belt and Button shop opened for business Monday in their new home on Kent street, just south of Eli Case and Son grocery.

The building, constructed of concrete tile, was erected by the Ernest Joyces on a lot which he purchased some time ago with the prospect of putting up a business building to house the Belt and Button shop operated by his wife.

Cyrus Pee, real estate agent, was moving his office Thursday to the portion of the O. B. Leach building, formerly occupied by the Joyce Belt and Button shop.

Truck Burns; 22 Head Cattle Rounded up

All 22 head of cattle, that were unloaded from a cattle truck that caught fire on Highway 80 about 4 blocks east of town shortly before 10 o'clock Monday night and wandered in different directions, were rounded up by late Wednesday afternoon by Gerald Derrick, employed by the trucking contractor, H. Posey, of Colorado City, who provided another truck to carry them on to Fort Worth.

Ted McQuire, 24, of Colorado City, driver of the truck, escaped injury except for a cut on the back of his neck, for which he was given first aid at Sadler Clinic.

The engine of the truck was badly damaged and the cab destroyed, but the trailer was not burned. McWilliams, Merkel fire truck driver, Jim McAninch and Clyde Wurst answered the call and succeeded in extinguishing the fire.

Church of Christ Bible School in Progress

The Vacation Bible school at the Church of Christ began Monday morning with an enrollment of 74; on Tuesday 86 were present and the number grew to 90 by Wednesday. It is reported by Minister Troy M. Cummings.

The school will continue through Wednesday, July 2.

HIGGINS WINNER OF MERKEL GOLF CLUB TOURNAMENT

Dean Higgins, medalist in the Merkel Golf Club tournament play, continued true to form to cop the championship flight, when he bested Carroll Benson, 3-2, in the final match. Benson was one up winner over Chester Collinsworth in the semi-finals.

Frank Breaux defeated Clyde Eager in the lower bracket semi-finals of the first flight, and will meet the winner of the H. O. Boney-Geo. T. Moore match, yet to be played.

Second flight winner was Andy Shouse, with 2 up over H. C. Reynolds. In the semi-finals Shouse had bested Clarence Collins, 1 up.

Consolation matches in the championship and first flights are incomplete, but W. O. Boney captured the honor in the second flight.

Family Reunion in the W. J. Bicknell Home

Present for the Bicknell reunion on Sunday, June 15, (Father's Day), in the W. J. Bicknell home were Mrs. W. H. Herring and sons, Ewell and Wendell, from Three Rivers, and daughters, Mrs. Elton Lockwood and Mrs. Whit Nanney, of Bishop; Otto Bicknell, Corpus Christi; Mrs. D. L. Nicholson, Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Bicknell and children, Tiedie Joe, Mattie Lou and Tommie, Seagraves; Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Bicknell and daughter, Pamela, Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Spurgin, Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. N. O. Bicknell and children, Glen and Sue, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Odell Eoff and children, Naylor Harold, Ella Dora, Noodle, and Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Shouse and daughter, Iris Ann, Anson; Lester Lee Hopper, Merkel; Maxine Justice, Noodle; Foy Steadman, Trent; Kirby Steadman, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Spurgin, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Justice, Mr. and Mrs. V. R. Justice, Noodle, Mr. and Mrs. Vertis Eller, and Billie Jones, Merkel.

Lunch was served buffet-style and in the afternoon music was furnished by Billie Jones, N. O. Bicknell, A. O. Bicknell and Kirby Steadman. Also sacred songs were sung by the entire group.

Mrs. Turner to Resume Operation of Ed's Cafe

Mrs. Ed Turner, who last June leased her cafe for twelve months to Mrs. J. L. Fisher and Mrs. G. R. Smith, will resume operation of this long-established cafe on July Fourth, she announced Thursday morning.

The lease to Mesdames Fisher and Smith expired Thursday, but the lessees closed the cafe to the public Wednesday night in order to complete transfer to the owner, who is returning to active management of the cafe.

During the past year, Mesdames Fisher and Smith have courteously and efficiently catered to the needs and desires of a large number of patrons and very effectively sustained the splendid reputation of Ed's Cafe.

Pumping Unit Only Slightly Damaged

Only slight damage resulted when the pumping unit of the Daniel-Holder company on the Morgan lease caught fire Sunday at 10:30 a. m., it is reported by Horace Armstrong, employed as pumper. The fire was evidently caused when the intake fired back through the exhaust, he said.

With the help of Don Vardaman, pumper for Eain-McGaha, Bill Hayes, pumper for the Texas company, and Fred Perry, he reported the fire was out two or three times before finally extinguished.

MHS Homemakers Elect New Officers

The Homemaking girls of Merkel High school elected officers June 9 for the following year. Those elected were:

President, Sandra Sadler; vice-president, Peggy Humphreys; secretary, Jean Kemper; treasurer, Wanda Daniel; reporter, Sue Mayfield; parliamentarian, Betty James; song leader, Wilda Bowles.

Refreshments were then served to Sandra Sadler, Sue Mayfield, Wanda Daniel, Wanda Horton, Pauline Camp, Peggy Humphreys, Jean Kemper, Louise Wade, Lillian Russell, Ida Dokey, Betty Davis, Edwina Camp, Polly Pope, Mary Betn Richards, Morelle McCoy and the teacher, Mrs. Virginia Pope.

MERKEL BADGERS LOSE TO TRENT GORILLAS, 4-2

Three Trent Runners Cross Pay Dirt in Shaky First Inning; Badgers Load Bases in 7th But Fail to Deliver Hit.

Last Friday afternoon, on the local diamond, the Trent Gorillas and the Merkel Badgers staged a real baseball scrap with the Trent nine coming out on top 4-2.

A shaky 1st inning start that saw three Trent runners cross the plate cost the local nine the game. None of the three runs was earned and not a Trent batter got a hit in that inning. Three errors proved very costly.

The Badgers scored once in the third and once in the fifth to make the score stand 3-2. In the 7th inning the Badgers loaded the bases with one out but couldn't hit when hits meant runs.

Even though Pitcher Leon Floyd lost the game he had the satisfaction of knowing he outpitched the winning pitcher, Beasley. Pitcher Floyd pitched hitless ball until the 8th when a Trent batter got a single. In the 9th Pitcher Beasley drew a walk, stole second and came home on a Trent single, the only two that Trent got.

J. R. Dye was the hitting star for the local nine. He got two doubles and a single in four times at bat. J. R. has a very unusual record for this season in that he has not been struck out in any game this year.

Tuesday the Badgers were to play Colorado City at Colorado but Coach Benson received word that the Colorado team had disbanded for the season. If the Badgers get into the play-off more news will follow in the Merkel Mail.

Coach Benson is well pleased with the Badgers' showing for this, their first season in baseball. A good foundation was laid for a better team next year.

Is Honorary Member Merkel Fire-Fighters

J. Parker Sharp, who has been active in affairs of the Merkel Volunteer Fire department during the past 34 years, retired from the service at the regular monthly meeting of the department held Monday night, June 16, and becomes an honorary member.

More recently he has been president of the department; so upon his retirement and resignation, Clyde Wurst, vice-president of the association, was advanced to the presidency.

At the spring meeting of the Mid-West Texas firemen's association, he was honored by election as secretary of that organization.

Unswerving loyalty to duty and marked efficiency in handling all the responsibilities imposed on him are terms that can be attributed to Parker Sharp without fear of contradiction.

Mrs. Mary Outlaw Re-opens Hy-Way Cafe

The Hy-Way cafe, located next door to Ferrier's Service station, was re-opened Wednesday under the management of Mrs. Mary Outlaw, who bought the business from R. L. Denson.

Several months ago, Mrs. Outlaw entered the cafe business when she re-opened the Midget cafe, a block farther west on Front street, where she served an ever-growing number of pleased patrons. She will be much better prepared in the new location to care for the food-seeking public.

23 Children Attend Well Child Clinic

June meeting of the Well Child conference, sponsored by the Merkel Parent-Teacher association, was attended by 23 children, and Gerald West took some pictures during the conference.

Mrs. Rhett Eidson, Jr., has been added to the health committee, of which Mrs. Bud Toombs is chairman.

Next meeting will be July 18—for infants and pre-school children.

Mexican Colony Gives \$35 to Cemetery Fund

Donations amounting to \$35.00 have been received from the Mexican colony for the 1947 cemetery maintenance fund. Chairman T. L. Grimes has advised The Mail.

MONDAY RAINFALL ADDS INCH AND HALF MOISTURE

Monday afternoon's rainfall, which came in sheets and continued for more than an hour, amounted to 1.3 inches, according to the gauge of Volunteer Weather Observer J. L. Ford, to bring the total for June to 43.8 inches, and for the year, 19 and 7-8 inches.

Moisture received in May amounted to 4 1/2 inches, but the first four months of the year had yielded only two inches of rainfall.

Sandlin Reunion First Time in 27 Years

On Sunday, June 15, the Sandlin sisters and brother had a family reunion in the home of a nephew, G. A. Green, and eldest sister, Mrs. Emma Green, South 10th street in Abilene—the first time in 27 years they had all been together.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Sandlin, Burbank, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Smith, Austin; Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Harris, Terrell; Mrs. Royell Moss, Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Emma Green, Abilene, and Mrs. Winnie Cypert, Merkel; also the following nieces and nephews, Frank Moss, Downey, Calif.; Mrs. Gussie Duncan, Lynwood, Colo.; Mrs. Pansy Moss, South Gate, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. Rex Fritts, San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. Billie Joe White, Merkel.

Others present were Mrs. S. G. Russell, Sr., Merkel, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wheeler, Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Harris returned home on Monday but the rest went out to Coca Cola cottage at Fort Phantom Lake for a two-days' outing, where they were joined by the Roy Green family and their children from Ballinger. Pictures were made and lots of good food and cold drinks enjoyed.

All of them also visited in the home here of Mrs. Cypert.

New Worker Added to Child Welfare Unit

Miss Emaline Bryant, of Belton, Bell county, has been added to the Child Welfare Unit of Taylor county, and will begin work in the Abilene office, July 1. Miss Bryant is a native Texan, a graduate of Arkansas university, and has also done graduate work in the University of Chicago.

During the war she was connected with the American Red Cross and worked with that organization both at Fort Worth and Camp Hood. Her office will be in the Taylor county court house, Abilene.

To Hold Services at Assembly of God Church

Rev. J. D. Jackson, of Midland will be at the Assembly of God church for four night services beginning on Thursday, July 3, and continuing through Sunday, July 6.

Night services will begin at 8 p. m. Sunday morning, Sunday School begins at 10 a. m., followed by a morning service at 11. Every one is welcome.

MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

(From Files of The Merkel Mail, July 1, 1927.)

CITY GRANTS GAS FRANCHISE TO THE COMMUNITY CO.

At a meeting of the city council this week a franchise was granted to the Community Natural Gas company of Dallas, granting them the privilege of bringing to our city natural gas for domestic and commercial use. According to the franchise granted, said company agrees to commence construction of gas distribution in the city of Merkel not later than December 21, 1927, and rush same to completion as fast as possible.

WORK TO START SOON ON PAVING STREETS.

On Monday of this week the Pan-handle Construction company of Lubbock unloaded a car of equipment to be used here in the work of constructing the ten blocks of paving in the business section as well as making an extension of the city's water system. It is expected that the work will continue right on now until the entire contract has been completed, which will likely be early fall.

Fine water, lights, sewer, natural gas, paved streets and a beautiful

NEW SERVICE STATION TO BE ERECTED HERE

Nolan Palmer Lets Contract to J. L. White for Modern Post-War Station to Be Located on Highway and El Paso Streets.

Plans have already been drawn and work is to start once on the new service station to be erected by Nolan Palmer at the corner of El Paso street and Highway 80, on four lots bought by him from Doshier and Dorbandt, of Sweetwater, former site of the Frank Hamm gin. The lots front a total of 100 feet on the highway, with a depth of 75 feet.

Contract has been let to J. L. White, building contractor, and the plans provide for a modern post-war station as the new home of the Magnolia Service station, to be built according to standard plans of the Magnolia Petroleum company.

"Appreciation Day" Held Each Wednesday

With Parker Sharp as the announcer, the "Appreciation Day" program was supervised Wednesday by Earl Hughes, D. C. Doan and Vincent Barnett, representing, respectively, the West Texas Utilities company, Doan Feed store and Cosden Service station.

"Appreciation Day" is held each Wednesday, sponsored by a group of Merkel merchants, with the big event scheduled at 4 p. m.

Total of 96 Cars Wheat Billed Out

Up to Thursday morning, a total of 96 cars of wheat had been billed out by the local freight office of the Texas and Pacific railway, according to A. J. Graham, agent.

The Kimbell Milling company reported that approximately five more carloads were in storage.

A conservative estimate allows for shipment of from 20 to 25 more cars from here this season.

First car of new crop oats was shipped Wednesday.

Center Closed Until New Building Ready

The Youth Center will not open again until it is moved into the new building, it is announced by Mrs. Earl Hughes, chairman of the Youth Project committee.

Jaycees to Play Trent Sunday in League Game

The Merkel Jaycees will go to Trent Sunday for their next Cotton Belt League game. On the following Sunday, July 6, they will play Loreaine here.

The Merkel nine had had good last Sunday against Ryan's Rangers, who shut them out, 12-0, but in an exhibition game played here Wednesday bested the Noodle team, 13-1.

In The Churches

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

Attendance at the seven reporting Sunday Schools last Sunday was 747 as compared with 667 on the previous Sunday and 747 on the same Sunday a year ago.

NAZARENE CHURCH

Sunday School 10:00 a. m. Preaching at 11. NYPS at 7:45 p. m. Preaching at 8:15. Prayer meeting at 8:15 p. m. Wednesday.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday: Bible School at 9:45 a. m.; preaching 10:50 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. Young Folks class and personal work at 3 p. m. Wednesday prayer meeting at 8:00 p. m.

METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. MYF and juniors meet at 7 p. m.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD.

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching services at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Services every Thursday night.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Morning sermon at 11. Children meet at 7 p. m. No evening service. Mid-week prayer meeting at 8 p. m. Wednesday.

FUNDAMENTALIST BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. Mid-week prayer meeting at 8:00 Wednesday evening.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Morning sermon at 11. Training Union at 7:00 p. m. Evening sermon at 8:00. Prayer meeting at 8:00 Wednesday evening.

CLASSIFIED ADS

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—White chenille bedspread, trimmed in blue; blew off pickup. Please notify Mrs. Kenneth Ray, Route 4, Merkel.

LOST—Heavy round crowbar, flat at one end; \$2.00 reward for return. F. A. Sanders.

FOUND—Bolt cutter. Owner can get same by claiming and paying for this ad. Inquire at Merkel Mail office.

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—Two 2-room furnished apartments and one large cool bedroom. Mrs. A. H. Thornton, Phone 76.

FOR RENT—3-room furnished apartment; private bath. See Bert Melton, office on Kent street.

FOR RENT—Furnished apartment on Oak street. Inquire at Merkel Mail office.

MOVE TO CLYDE, leading West Texas fruit, vegetable and road-building center; nice 3-room furnished apartments, all utilities, within block of post office, depot, stores, show, bus lines, cafes, \$30.00; children welcome. Shanks Apts., Clyde Texas, Phone 74.

FLOOR WAXING machine for rent. Collins Variety Store.

WANTED

WANTED—100 people that wish to be made happy with a Butane system. Phone 169. Watts Butane.

WANT TO RENT 3 or 4 room apartment, or 4 or 5 room house, furnished or unfurnished; permanent resident. Call Merkel Motor company.

WATER WELL DRILLING — I have 2 machines; all work guaranteed. B. T. Sublett, Box 206 Merkel.

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SEE Lendon A. Coats for water well drilling. Phone 281W.

CLEAN COTTON RAGS wanted: will pay 10 cents per pound. Badger Chevrolet company.

MISCELLANEOUS

SEE Collins Variety store for floor sanding work.

TIN SHOP — Our shop is equipped with large and small tools, for any sheet metal job; metal still hard to buy.

THE SWAP SHOP Warren and Woody.

BERT MELTON, agent for Abilene Reporter-News and Dallas Morning News; office on Kent street. Phone 282.

Paul Fulks, President Texas Press Ass'n

Amarillo, June 26.—Paul W. Fulks of the Wolfe City Sun was elected president of the Texas Press association and M. M. Donosky of the Dallas News was named president of the Texas Newspaper Publishers association at final sessions of the two organizations Saturday.

The Joe Taylor Award for the best editorial was given to the Dalhart Texan with the Mission Times being judged the best all-around weekly and with the Star-Telegram award for agriculture news and promotion going to the Paris Daily News (daily class) and the Memphis Democrat (weekly).

Robert Matherne of the Goose Creek Sun was elected vice-president of the Texas Press association with Deskin Wells of the Wellington Leader being re-elected secretary-treasurer.

Millard Cope of the Marshall News-Messenger was elected vice-president of the Texas Newspaper Publishers association and A. E. Clarkson of the Houston Post was re-elected treasurer.

W. R. Beaumier, publisher of the Lufkin News, invited the two organizations to meet in Lufkin next year. Action will be taken later by the board of directors.

Walter Humphrey of the Fort Worth Press announced a new prize of \$100 for the best editorial in support of soil conservation work.

Hospital Notes

Bonnie Church underwent surgery Tuesday at Sadler Clinic. Patients admitted during the week for treatment were: Austin Robertson, June 20; Harvey Jones, June 21; Mrs. Jack Smith, June 24; Mrs. Clyde Irvin, June 25.

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That call is to you personally to cooperate as a citizen of the United States in helping reduce highway accidents. It is a shameful record when in one year 33,500 lives are sacrificed; 1,150,000 persons are injured and \$750,000,000 in property destroyed, resulting in an economic cost to the nation of \$2,000,000,000 because of careless, reckless driving.

It is a national problem, but essentially the solution is in your hands. Drive safely — live and let live!

This advertisement is presented in the public interest by the President's Highway Safety Conference and the daily and weekly newspapers of the nation through their Press and Publisher Associations.

RURAL SOCIETY

MASHBURN-YOUNG.
Delores Young, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Young of Stith, and Ray Mashburn, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Willie Mashburn of Hodges were united in marriage June 7 at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Edwin Hall of Hawley.

Vows were exchanged before a candle-lighted altar, and the single ring ceremony was read by Rev. Mr. Hall.

Attending the couple were the bride's cousin, Billie Hubbard of Hamlin, and Bobby Mashburn, brother of the groom. The bride was wearing a blue linen suit with white accessories. For something borrowed she wore a ruby cross belonging to Mrs. Edwin Hall. For something old she carried a handkerchief belonging to the groom's grandmother.

Both the bride and groom attended school at Merkel. The couple will live on a farm near Hodges, where the groom is engaged in farming.

Others present for the ceremony were Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Cooley of Hodges, Mr. and Mrs. Wendalls of Abilene and Rev. and Mrs. Edwin Hall of Hawley.

DEUTSCHMAN-HIBBERTS.

Miss Evelyn Hibberts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Hibberts of Cisco, was married to Staff Sgt. Fred E. Deutschman, son of Mrs. J. M. Carr of Merkel, on Wednesday evening, June 18, by Rev. Mardell Lynch at his home.

The bride wore an aqua blue frock with black accessories and a corsage of white gardenias.

Those attending the ceremony were Mr. and Mrs. Homer Grimes of Sweetwater and son, Eugene Steiner, of Merkel.

Staff Sgt. Deutschman will return Tuesday to Elgin Field, Fla., where he is stationed, while his bride will remain in Sweetwater for a few weeks. They plan to make their home in Florida.

UNION RIDGE CLUB.

The Union Ridge Home Demonstration club met on June 6 in the home of Mrs. L. S. Tipton, Sr., with the

Uncle Sam Says

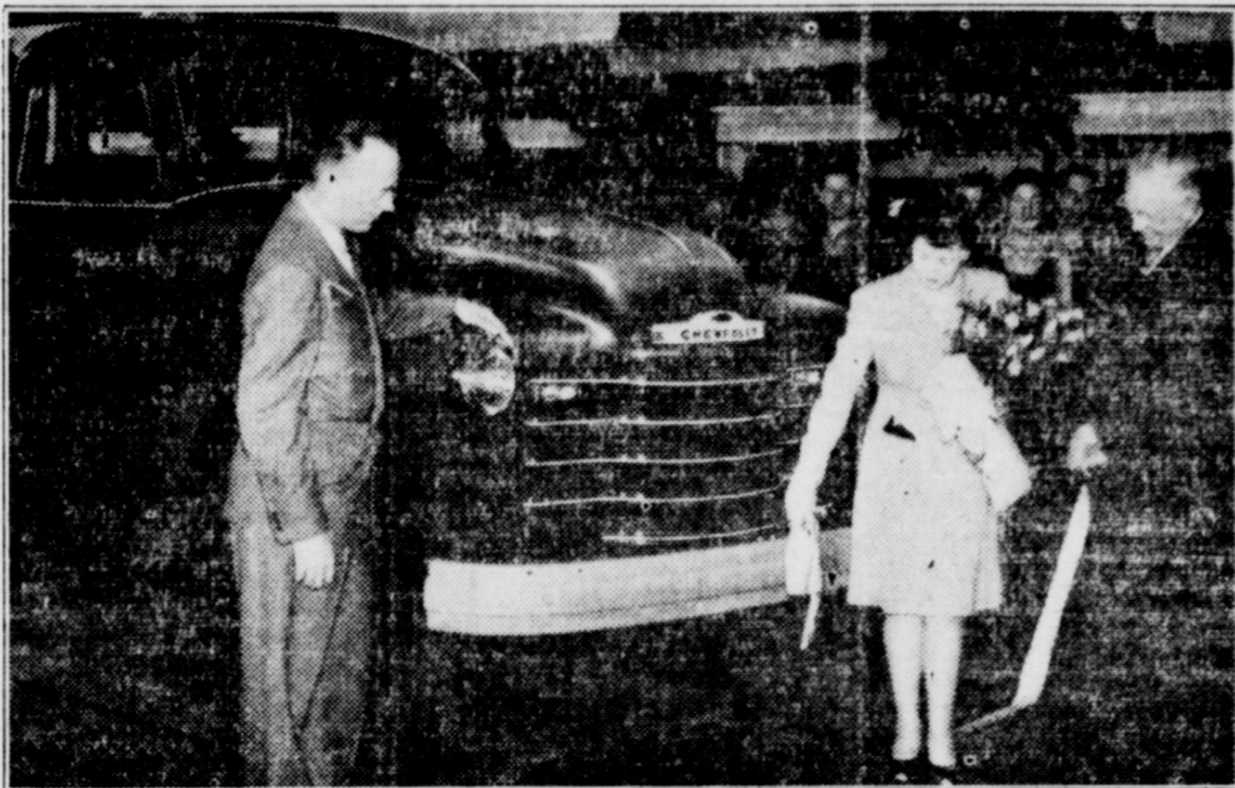
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rugged and durable than ever before. First units were built in Chevrolet's Janesville (Wis.) assembly plant, and were appropriately hailed. Here the "Queen of America's Dairyland," Miss Betty Gene Gardner, Ridgeville, Wis., christens the new vehicle as Gov. Oscar Rennebohm, Wisconsin's chief executive (right), and R. W. Podlesak, Janesville plant manager, look on.

club president, Mrs. O. E. Harwell, in charge.

The meeting was opened with a piano number by Miss Wanda Jean Tipton. Miss Mabel McRee gave a demonstration on "Window Trimming," assisted by Mrs. Harwell. Mrs. Denzel Cox discussed "Outdoor Cooking," and "Have Good Times at Home" was given by Mrs. J. E. Jaynes.

Delicious refreshments consisting of sandwiches, "cakes," cookies and olives were passed to seven visitors: Mrs. Wayne Tipton, Misses Charlotte Harwell, Wanda Jean Tipton, Frances Harwell and Patricia Douglas and Mrs. L. S. Tipton, Jr., and little Miss Ann, and the following club members: Mesdames George Crow, Denzel Cox, O. R. Douglas, Kenneth Poe, M. L. Douglas, J. E. Jaynes, O. E. Harwell, Miss Mabel McRee and the hostess.

The Union Ridge club met June 17 in the home of Mrs. O. R. Douglas, at which time members completed plans for a get-together on July 4 on the lawn of Mrs. Denzel Cox's home, when the club quilt will be given away. It is not necessary to be present to receive this quilt.

The club selected a delegate to go to council at Abilene. Mrs. W. C. Lee held a parliamentary drill. A program on "Comforts for the Sick" was given by Mrs. George Crow. Mrs. L. S. Tipton talked on "Infantile Paralysis."

Refreshments were served to four visitors, Mrs. W. C. Lee, Mrs. L. S. Tipton, Jr., Miss Frances Harwell

and Patricia Douglas, and the following members: Mesdames J. H. Clark, M. L. Douglas, L. S. Tipton, Sr., George Crow, Sr., Beauford Buntin, O. E. Harwell, Denzel Cox and O. R. Douglas and Miss Mabel McRee.

BIRTHDAY PARTY.

Jerry Bryan Washburn entertained a group of his little friends on his seventh birthday Monday afternoon, June 9, in his home. Gifts were opened and several games played.

Cake and ice cream comes with balloons for plate favors were served to Connie Cade, Frances and Alton Ray Washburn, Jr., Ronnie Dell Freeman, Larry Barnhill, Charles and Ervin Bright, Glenwood and Jerry Don Jackson, Carvel and Mary

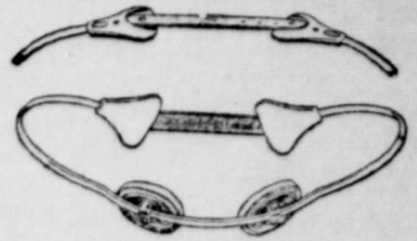
Alice Logan, John Wayne and Nella Boyd, Lavaughn, Barbara Ann and Jimmy Lynn Freeman, Jerry Bryan Washburn and Grandmother, W. O. Washburn and G. M. Freeman.

Also present were Mesdames Alton Ray Washburn, Sr., Henry Logan, John Boyd, Wayne Boyd, Elmer Freeman, Odell Freeman, Jackson and J. C. Washburn.

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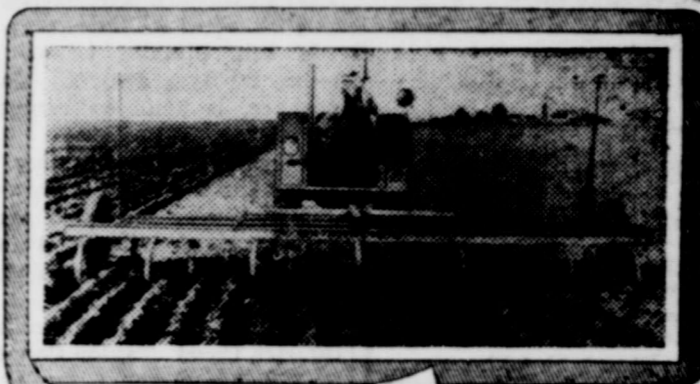


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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF THE ESTATE OF M. F. SHOFFNER, DECEASED:

Notice is hereby given that original letters of administration upon the estate of M. F. Shoffner, deceased, were granted to me, the undersigned, on the 4th day of June 1947, by the County Court of Taylor County, Texas.

All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same to me within the time prescribed by law.

My residence and post office address are 1109 Meander Street, in Abilene, Taylor County, Texas.

Robert White, Executor, of the estate of M. F. Shoffner, deceased.

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TO: Bristol Barnett, Greeting: You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 28th day of July, A. D., 1947, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable 104th District Court of Taylor County, at the Court House in Abilene, Texas. Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 7th day of May, 1947.

The file number of said suit being No. 5552-B.

The names of the parties in said suit are: Bertha Lee Barrett as Plaintiff, and Bristol Barrett as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married on or about April 23, 1947, and separated about April 25, 1947.

Plaintiff and Defendant own no community property and no children were born of said marriage.

Plaintiff sues for divorce on the grounds of cruel treatment.

If this Citation is not delivered within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned un-served.

Issued this the 9th day of June, A. D., 1947.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 9th day of June, A. D., 1947.

(Seal) J. Neil Daniel, Clerk, District Court, Taylor County, Texas
By Thelma Graham, Deputy.



QUEEN THEATRE CALENDAR

Friday - Saturday — Double feature program: Red Ryder, Little Beaver in "Vigilantes of Boomtown" and Robert Lowery, Ann Savage in "Jungle Flight;" final chapter "Chick Carter" and cartoon.

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday — Joseph Cotten, Loretta Young, Ethel Barrymore in "The Farmer's Daughter;" Donald Duck cartoon and latest News reel.

Wednesday - Thursday — Danny Kaye, Virginia Mayo, The Goldwyn Girls in "The Kid From Brooklyn;" Selected Short Subjects.

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A Junior MYF was organized Sunday night, June 15, at the Hawley Methodist church, with the following officers: Wanda Cooley, president; Don Maeburn, vice-president; Mildred Akens, secretary-treasurer; Mildred Vaughn, reporter. Helpers are Deverl Harp and Peggy Cooley; sponsors, Mrs. Hay and Miss May Warren. The pastor, Rev. Edwin L. Hall assisted in the organization meeting.

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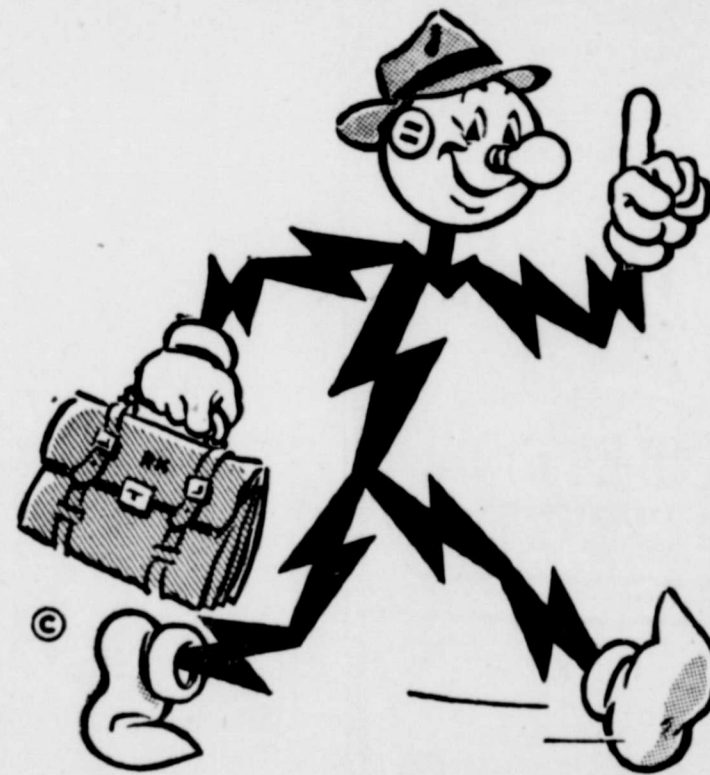
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tenth steps, and do an important job. They are the foremen, superintendents, department heads, buyers. Some still keep going. The most farsighted and imaginative climb to the top.

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Legal Notices

AN ORDINANCE fixing rentals to be paid by the Lone Star Gas Co., for the privilege of using with their poles, wires, conduits, pipes, and fixtures the streets, easements, and alleys and other public ways within the city of Merkel, Texas, and providing penalties for violation, and providing emergency.

when it may see fit have the books and records of the persons, associations, organizations, or corporations rendering the statement required in Section I of this Ordinance examined by a representative of the city to ascertain whether such statement is accurate, but nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed to prevent the city from ascertaining the facts by any other method.

BE IT ORDAINED by the city council of the City of Merkel, Texas: Section 1. That all persons, associations, organizations, and corporations using or maintaining any gas pipe lines, pipes and other fixtures in any of the streets, highways, easements, park or other places within the corporate limits of the City of Merkel, Texas, shall on the first day of Feb. of each and every year file with the City Secretary a sworn report showing gross receipts from the business conducted by such persons, associations, organizations and corporations within the corporate limits of the city for the preceding year ending the 31st day of Dec.

Section 3. That upon the first day of Feb. of each and every year every person, association, organization, or corporation occupying or using the streets, highways, easements, alleys, parks, or other public places in the City of Merkel, Texas, with poles, pipes, and for other fixtures shall as a condition to such further occupancy pay to the city annually for such privileges a rental equal to two (2%) per cent of the gross receipts received by such person, association, organization, or corporation from its business conducted in the corporate limits of the City of Merkel, Texas, for the preceding year which sums shall be paid to the City of Merkel,

Texas. Section 4. That upon receipt of the above rental by the city, the City Secretary shall deliver to the person, association, organization, or corporation paying the same a receipt for such rental, which said receipt shall authorize such person, association, organization, or corporation to use and occupy the streets, highways, easements, alleys, parks and other public ways of the city in carrying on its business for twelve (12) months from January first of such year.

Section 5. That the rentals for the privilege of using the streets, alleys, highways, easements and public places of the City of Merkel, Texas, provided for in this ordinance is not charged as a tax but is made for the privilege now enjoyed by such persons, associations, organizations, and corporations of using the streets, easements, alleys, and other public ways of the city in the conduct of their respective businesses; and such charges are additional to all ad valorem and franchise taxes and to all taxes of every nature whatsoever against the persons, associations, organizations or corporations mentioned herein.

Section 6. That nothing herein is intended to relieve any person, association, organization, or corporation of any condition, restriction or requirement imposed by any law or ordinance of the said City of Merkel, Texas.

Section 7. That this ordinance does

not grant a franchise to any utility or person, association, organization or corporation to use the streets, easements, alleys and other public ways and shall be so construed by the courts or otherwise, and the City reserves the right to cancel the privileges granted hereunder and refund the unearned rentals paid to the city.

Section 8. That the City of Merkel hereby reserves the right to put into effect at any time other restrictions and regulations as to the erection and maintenance of poles, wires, pipes and other appurtenances in the streets, easements, alleys and other public ways of the said city and from time to time to require such poles, pipes, wires and other property equipment and fixtures as it may deem proper to be removed and to require wires to be run in conduits on such terms as the city may deem proper.

Section 9. That every person, association, organization and corporation who shall operate any business without the payment of the rentals provided for herein shall be subject to a penalty of One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars for each and every day that such persons, associations, organizations, or corporations shall conduct such business using and occupying the streets, easements, alleys, or other public ways of the City of Merkel without the payment of the rental which said sum may be recovered by the City of Merkel in a court of competent jurisdiction by a suit filed therein.

Section 10. That every person, association, organization or corporation failing or refusing to make the report required by Section 1 of this Ordinance, or failing or refusing to allow the examination provided for in Section 2 herein shall upon conviction in the Corporation Court of the City of Merkel, Texas, be fined in a sum not to exceed One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars and every day's failure or refusal, as mentioned in this Section, shall be deemed a separate offense.

Section 11. The city fire marshal, building inspector, electrical inspector, city's police officers, and such other persons designated by the city, shall have power and it shall be their duty to examine and inspect from time to time all telegraph, telephone, electric lights or other poles, pipes and other fixtures in the public places within the city for the purpose of seeing that all of same are in safe and suitable condition, and whenever any such item is found to be unsafe or unsuitable for the purpose for which it is used, the person using, possessing or maintaining same shall be notified and required to place same in safe and suitable condition.

Section 12. If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, or phrase, or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or held unconstitutional, the same shall not affect the validity of this ordinance as a whole or any part or provisions thereof other than the part so decided to be invalid or unconstitutional.

Lone Star Gas Company have been occupying and using the streets, easements, alleys and other public ways of the City of Merkel, Texas, for many years without the payment of rent for such use creates an emergency, and this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage, approval and publication as required by law.

Passed and approved this 2nd day of June, A. D., 1947.

A. J. Canon, Mayor

ATTEST— W. M. Elliott, City Secretary.

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For Year beginning May 1, 1946, and ending Apr. 30, 1947.

GENERAL FUND	
Balance on hand May 1, 1946	\$ 14,030.37
Current and Delinquent Taxes	\$ 10,715.15
Water and Sewer Dept. Receipts	13,147.42
Franchise and Occupation Tax	165.00
2% of Gross Earnings of Utilities	990.18
Miscellaneous, Fines, Gas Tax Refund, etc.	992.16
Sale of Lots	250.00
Total Receipts	26,238.91
Total	\$40,269.28
DISBURSEMENTS	
Administrative	\$ 2,645.05
Water and Sewer Department	13,076.62
Sanitary and Streets	5,953.03
Fire Department	1,378.03
Police Department	3,351.86
Lights, Street Lights and Signal Lights	2,391.02
Relief Office Expense	880.15
Miscellaneous, Park, Meter Refunds, etc.	533.30
On City Hall Contract	4,000.00
Total Disbursements	33,309.06
Balance Working Fund, on hand 4-30-47	\$ 6,960.22
A Decrease in General Fund for the Year	\$7,070.15
OUTSTANDING AGAINST THE WORKING FUND	
Estimate due on City Hall contract	\$ 4,500.00
Outstanding accounts	2,294.00
Meter Deposits	1,550.00
Total Outstanding Accounts	\$ 8,344.00
Working Fund in the Red	\$ 1,383.78
STATEMENT OF THE REFUNDING BONDS	
Cash on hand, May 1, 1946	\$ 7,396.86
Tax Collection and Interest on U. S. Bonds	10,581.31
Total	\$ 17,978.25
Disbursements	
Bonds and Interest	7,069.66
Balance Cash on Hand, 4-30-1947	\$ 10,908.59
Outstanding on Bond Issue	\$118,000.00
As per Audit by the O. S. Burkett Auditing Co. A. J. CANON, Mayor.	

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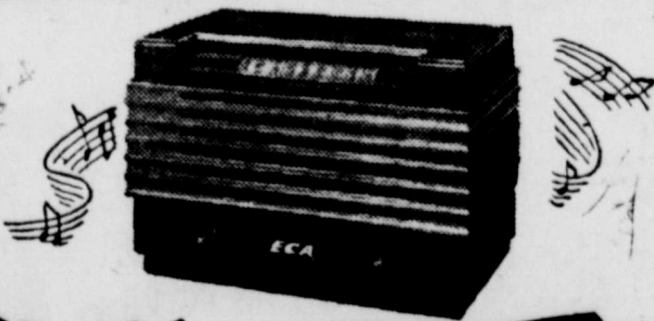
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Family Get together Held in Abilene Home

A family get-together was greatly enjoyed Sunday, June 15, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elery Smith, Sr., in Abilene. Those enjoying the occasion were:

Mrs. J. W. Craig, Morristown, Ariz.; Mr. and Mrs. Conway Craig, Miss Patricia Craig, Corpus Christi; Mrs. Lou Smith, Miss Rose Morris, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Churchill, Sweetwater; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hinson, Miss Estelle Hinson, Lawton, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Hamner, Ranger; Mrs. E. Henderson, Miss Viola Smith, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Baucher, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Griffith, Patricia Ann Griffith, Mr. and Mrs. Elery Smith, Jr., Dwanna Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Elery Smith, Sr., Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Royce Dowdy, Merkel; Mrs. H. B. Griffith, San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. J. Cal Hamner, Trent.

Attend OES School of Instruction Monday

Driving over to Sweetwater Monday of last week for the school of instruction of the Order of the Eastern Star were Mesdames W. L. Johnson, D. S. Neel, Sallie Gant, Ernest Joyce, Bryan Dunagin, Bill Dunagin, C. W. Seago, H. G. Smith, Dan Rutler, Melvin Loader, J. F. Patterson, E. S. Dwiggins, A. G. Bailey, C. B. Edington, R. J. Miller, Ralph Tarnley, Ernest Teaff; Messrs. H. G. Smith and Dan Butler, also Mrs. Fred Price of Notrees, who came down for the installation of officers Saturday night and remained over for the school.

An enjoyable day, as well as a profitable one, was had by all, and this group brought back to Merkel Chapter No. 212, 16 B certificates and two A certificates.

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Normal Values Object Abilene Attorney to Of Appraisal Company Head Bell Ex-Residents

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The block books and maps will show the normal values established, from which the city and school board can determine the per cent of value to be used in fixing the tax rate.

For land values in the city, a per front foot basis will be used. Mr. Whitney, head of the firm, stated, the unit value to be placed from a field inspection, but, first, sales will be analyzed and tabulated to lots to which they belong. Before the value is calculated, the council and school board are to appoint a committee of local men to examine the land unit value.

Valuations of business buildings and residences will be based on type of building, kind of construction and building cost, based on 1942 standards, and a building appraiser will then determine the normal cost of business buildings and residences.

Buildings on farms will be checked by the same method, the land to be classified, depending on type of land, productivity, location with reference to nearness to good road, school bus route, mail route, etc., but values arrived at will be based on normal values rather than the present inflated values.

E. T. Brooks, Abilene attorney, was elected president of the Bell County Ex-Residents reunion at the annual meeting held at Buffalo Gap Sunday, June 15, which was attended by more than 200 former residents of that county. He succeeds Joe E. Childers, another Abilene attorney.

Tom J. Ramsey of Winters was elected vice-president, and Mrs. Florence Clifton of Abilene was re-elected secretary-treasurer.

Judge E. I. Hill of Tahlequah was the principal speaker, but many interesting sidelights were given by individuals as each introduced himself and told of his Bell county connection.

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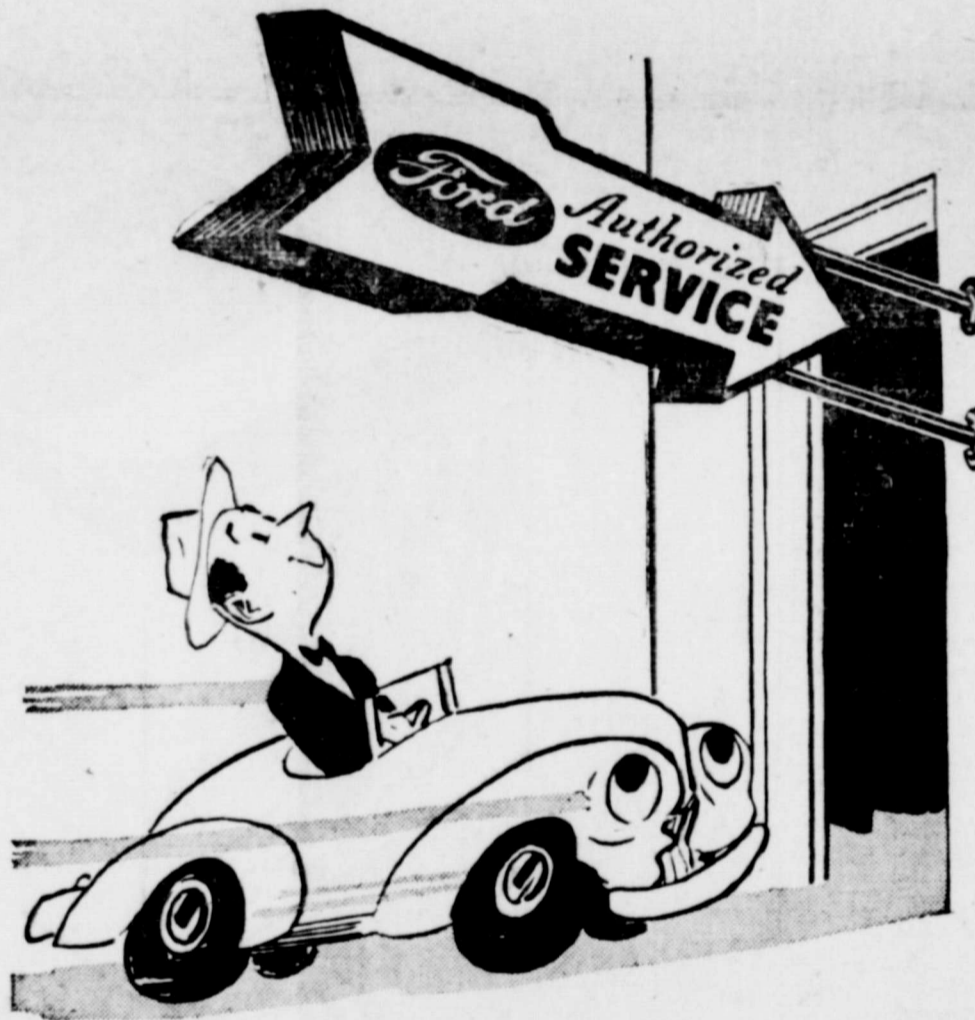
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Trent Social Notes.

BIRTHDAY PARTY.
Willie Jean O'Rear gave a birthday party on June 20 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert O'Rear. The following guests were present: Mac Springer and Duane Shugart, Merkel; Betty Neill, Sweetwater; Tilda Steen, Robert Falkner, Wanda Kegans, Mary Sue Howell, Glenna Scott, W. E. O'Kelly, Harold Lowery, Elsie Heatley, Jean Estep, Weldon Steen, Andy Beasley, Doyle Howell, Harold Falkner, Martha Winn, Mark Holt, James Utley, Bobby Owens, Jean Redding, Rojean Freeman, Lyndell Quattlebaum, H. L. McRee, Charles Washburn, Fletcher Hopper and Willie Jean O'Rear, all of Trent.
Mrs. O'Rear and Mrs. W. B. Neill served cake and punch to the guests.



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Occasional chair, walnut and off-white leatherette, nice, \$17.50.
2-pc. living room suite, very strong, and what a bargain, \$19.50.
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FOR SALE—2 lots, corner S. 7th and Locust; 2 large trees, water well, shrubs, sidewalks and utility lines already in. L. C. Zee, D. D. S.

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FOR SALE—Sudan seed, tested and tagged at \$9.25 per cwt.; Martin Combine Maize tested and tagged at \$4.25 per cwt.; few hundred bu. Red Oats; second-year Cotton seed; Toombs and Moore Grain Company.

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LODGE CALLS

NOTICE MASONS

Stated meeting of Merkel lodge No. 710, A. F. and A. M., Saturday, June 28, at 7:30 p. m. All members are urged to be present. Visiting brethren cordially invited. Installation of officers. O. B. Leach, W. M. Andy Shouse, Sec'y.

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Oranges, sack	47c	48's Lettuce, head	10c
360 Lemons, doz.	35c	Texas Carrots, bunch	6c
Celery, lb.	20c	Fresh Corn, 4 ears	19c

Red and White FLOUR	10 pound sack	79c
	25 pound sack	\$1.89

RED and WHITE—Shortening, 1 lb.	39c	KELLOGG'S—All Bran, 16 oz.	19c
GRATED—Flake Tuna, 1/2's	43c	KELLOGG'S—Corn Soya, 8 oz.	13c
BLACK HAWK—Breakfast Sausage, 8 oz.	33c	ADMIRATION—Tea, 1/4 pound	23c
OUR VALUE—Peanut Butter, pt.	29c	HERSHEY'S PREMIUM—Chocolate, 1/2 lb.	23c
THRIFT—Tamales, No. 1 1/2	25c	RED and WHITE—Stuffed Olives, No. 5 1/2	33c
HOME MADE—Peach Preserves, 2 lbs.	48c	RED and WHITE—Coffee, 1 pound	42c
STALEY'S—Golden Syrup, No. 5	49c	Pint Fruit Jars, doz.	60c
		Quart Fruit Jars, doz.	79c

CASE LOT SUMMER FOOD SALE

No. 2 can Alma Green Beans, can	16c	6 for	89c
No. 2 can Red and White Beans, can	23c	4 for	89c
No. 2 can Rio Star Blackeyes, can	16c	6 for	89c
No. 2 can Kurer Sliced Beets, can	16c	3 for	43c
No. 2 can Pictsweet Corn, can	19c	6 for	\$1.09
No. 2 can Pictsweet Peas, can	23c	4 for	89c

MEAT MARKET DEPARTMENT

Melrose Franks, lb.	35c	Dry Salt, Square Cut, lb.	33c
Beef Chuck Roast, lb.	43c	Star Bologna, lb.	39c
Pork Chops, lb.	65c	Longhorn Cheese, lb.	45c

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SOUTHWAY

FLOWER ARRANGEMENT FEATURED AT CLUB MEETING

The Merkel Garden club held its last meeting until September in the home of Mrs. Bob Dennis on Thursday afternoon of last week.

Mrs. Cleby Patterson was in charge of flower arrangement for a bridge luncheon table. The table was laid with a white embroidered linen cloth, hand-made in the Orient. Arrangements were in hobnail crystal and the centerpiece was a low bowl arrangement of blue delphinium, gold calendula and orange lanterns. Other arrangements by Mrs. Patterson were gladioluses in a crystal vase and sweet peas in the low white bowl.

Arrangements brought in for the occasion by other members were as follows:

Mrs. Carroll Benson, sunflowers in a brown bean pot, gladioluses in a low green container, which was very beautiful; Mrs. W. S. J. Brown, yellow day lilies in a yellow pitcher; Mrs. R. M. Ferguson, zinnias in a sewing basket, a combination of daisies and gladioluses in a pottery vase; Mrs. Jack Miller, zinnias in a white pottery container, combination of zinnias and horsemint in an orange and white bowl; Mrs. John Shannon, pink and white carnations in a low white bowl, zinnias in a pastel green vase; Mrs. Bob Dennis, Shasta daisies and zinnias arranged in a crystal bowl that is over 100 years old, Shasta daisies in a black vase.

All of these beautiful flowers were grown by members of the Merkel Garden club.

The Garden Club cook book will be off the press soon and ready for sale. The money from the sales will go for the beautification of the grounds of the Community Center.

FORMER MERKEL GIRL WEDS IN ABILENE

(Abilene Reporter-News.)

Eunice Richards, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Richards, pioneer residents, became the bride of Bennie M. Daugherty in a double ring ceremony, read by the Rev. Marvin Boyd, pastor of the First Methodist church, Abilene, in his home.

The bridegroom is the son of Mrs. M. C. Daugherty of Houston.

The bride was married in a sky blue crepe dress with white and navy blue accessories, and wore a gardenia corsage. She is a graduate of Merkel High school and Parsie's Beauty school and has worked in Merkel and Abilene beauty shops.

Mrs. Daugherty served three years in the Army Medical corps. He is now associated in the building contracting business with his brother.

The couple will live in Houston, and are now on a trip covering various points in South Texas.

REAGAN-SMITH

Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Smith of Abilene announce the marriage of their daughter, Janet, to J. T. Reagan, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Reagan, of Merkel.

The marriage vows were taken Sunday morning, June 22, at nine o'clock, in the home of Minister Roy Cummings.

The bride wore a white sheer eyelet dress and white hat, trimmed with black ribbon insertion. Her corsage was of pink gladioluses.

Members of the immediate families attended the wedding. Mrs. J. W. Stroup, grandmother of the bride, came from Dayton, Ohio, to be present at the wedding.

The bride is a graduate of Abilene high school and is a student in Abilene Christian college.

The groom graduated from Merkel High school with the class of '46, and is a veteran of 21 months service in the Navy. He is now a student in Abilene Christian college.

The couple is at home in Abilene.

HIGGINS-WILSON

Miss Clea Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Wilson of Millersview, became the bride of Deverle Higgins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Higgins, in a ceremony performed by Rev. J. D. Alexander in his home in Abilene on June 15.

Attendants for the couple were Miss Frona Harris and George Wharton, brother-in-law of the bridegroom.

The bride wore a street dress of white crepe with yoke of white lace, and black accessories. She carried a white Bible topped with white carnations. Miss Harris wore a dress of gray crepe with red accessories and a corsage of red roses.

The bride is a graduate of Millersview high school and attended Draughon's Business college. She has been employed at the Taylor county AAA office for the past year.

Deverle is a graduate of Merkel High school and served 21 months in the Army. He is now farming and the couple will live here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Higgins, parents of the bridegroom, were hosts for a wedding dinner, following the ceremony, and the newlyweds left for a wedding trip to Kansas City, where they will visit with a sister of the bridegroom, Mrs. Roy Lanham and Mr. Lanham.

T. E. L. CLASS

Mrs. T. T. Earthman, assisted by Mrs. Roy Miller, was hostess to the T. E. L. class of the First Baptist church in the Earthman home on Tuesday afternoon of last week.

Following the business meeting, a prayer was led by Mrs. A. R. Booth and Mrs. Earthman rendered several piano selections.

Delicious refreshments of banana-nut cake and cold drinks were served to ten members: Mesdames A. R. Booth, Earl Lassiter, Claude Warren, Earl Baze, T. J. Bird, W. J. Largent, E. R. Clack, Lake Renfro, Roy Miller and T. T. Earthman.

Y. W. A.

On Monday night, June 23, the Young Women's Auxiliary of the First Baptist church met in the home of Mrs. Hugh Campbell with Otilla Doan as hostess. Lucille English, president, called the meeting to order and Otilla Doan gave the opening prayer. Secretary Gerrie Jinkens read minutes of the last meeting after which Mrs. G. D. McConnell gave the devotional on "Phillip and the Conversion of the Eunuch" from Acts 8, and a discussion of famous negro celebrities such as Paul Robeson, Marion Anderson, George Washington Carver and others, was held. The meeting was dismissed with sentence prayers by all.

Delicious refreshments of ice cream and brownies were served to Gerrie Jinkens, Lucille English, Maxine Doan, Bina Brown, one visitor, Mrs. Bill Dunning from Fort Worth, Mrs. Hugh Campbell, Mrs. G. D. McConnell and the hostess.

The next meeting is to be held Monday, July 14, in the home of Mrs. McConnell. Every one is urged to attend.

Couple to Conduct Revival Here July 3-13



Rev. and Mrs. J. W. South of Centralia, Ill., pictured above with their daughter, Kaye Ann, will conduct a revival at the Church of the Nazarene July 3-13.

Special features of this revival will be: Old fashioned gospel preaching, piano and accordion duets, vocal solos and duets.

"You will want to hear these

special workers," Mrs. J. D. Reedler, the pastor, said in making the announcement. "Please consider this as your personal invitation to attend."

Merkel Group Attends Presbyterian Camp

Rev. D. S. Neel, pastor of Grace Presbyterian church, who spent last week at Buffalo Gap as one of the teachers in the Presbyterian Intermediate Encampment, was accompanied by eight intermediates and two others: Misses Vera Lou Allred and Viola Allred, as teachers. In the group of intermediates were

David Tarpley, Jackie McAninch, Sammy Derstine, Yvonne Horton, Mikey Spurgin, Alice Spurgin and Charles and Joe Neel.

Fifth Sunday Singing At Truby Next Sunday

"All singers are cordially invited to be at Truby, on old Anson-Abilene highway, 4 miles north of Hodges, for Fifth Sunday singing."

Tom Spears, president of the association, announces.

"We want singing to begin at 10:30 a. m.," he said, "and we'll sing to 4 p. m. Luncheon for visiting singers. Please meet with us. We will need your help."

Record of Births

Boy to Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Pursler, Monday, June 23, 1947.

Use The Mail Want Ads.

PERSONALS

Clyde Bartlett and two sons, Jimmy and Ralph, were accompanied by his older son, Clyde Bartlett, Jr., on their return from a two weeks vacation spent at Baton Rouge, where Clyde, Jr., is attending LSU, and in New Orleans, La. Ralph stopped over at Santa Anna to visit with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bartlett.

Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Adeock returned Thursday of last week from a visit with their son, Oscar Adeock, and family in Fort Worth. They were accompanied home by a cousin, Mrs. Jeffie Rice, who is a guest in the Adeock home.

Miss Lois McCullough, Mrs. Lee's cousin, from Sharon, Pa., and Miss Mary Jane Elder from Slippery Rock, Pa., spent Tuesday night in the W. C. Lee home.

Mr. and Mrs. Dent Gibson and the twins, Denta Marie and Jerry, returned Tuesday from a visit with friends in Houston and La Porte. On their way down, they also visited in Fort Worth.

Guests in the George Woodrum and Joe Cypert homes are Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Cypert, of Huntington, Calif. Another brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Cypert, of Fort Arthur, also visited the past week in these homes.

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Mary Lee Taylor's Picnic Sandwiches
Broadcast: June 26, 1947

- 1. Peanut Relish Sandwiches**
1/2 cup peanut butter 1/4 cup drained pickle relish
1/4 cup Pet Milk 1/2 teaspoon salt

Mix together thoroughly peanut butter, milk and salt. Stir in pickle relish. Makes sufficient for 4 large, double sandwiches.
*Finely cut sweet pickles can also be used.

- 2. Combination Sandwiches**
1/2 cup diced American cheese 1/2 teaspoon paprika (can omit)
1/4 cup Pet Milk 1/2 cup ground lunch meat
1/2 teaspoon dry mustard

Mix together cheese, milk, mustard and paprika. Cook and stir over boiling water until smooth. Cover and cool. Stir in lunch meat. Makes sufficient for 4 large, double sandwiches.
*Frankfurters, wieners, bologna or left-over cooked meat can be used.

You Will Need:

PET MILK, can 7c
American Cheese, lb. 49c
Lunch Meat, lb. 39c
Pickle Radish, jar 25c

SHILLING'S TEA

1/4 pound box 19c
1/2 pound box 37c

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3 pound can \$1.29

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Tomato Juice, 46 oz. can 19c
HEART'S DELIGHT—
Spinach, No. 2 1/2 can 17c
Adam's—ORANGE AND
Grapefruit Juice, 46 oz. 23c
KIMBELL'S—NO. 2 CAN—
Beans and Potatoes, 12c
AMERICAN—IN OIL
Sardines, can 9c
WHOLE—(In Heavy Syrup)
Apricots, No. 2 1/2 can 19c

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