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WANTED—Middle-aged man or woman to handle Watkins Products in the city of Merkel. R. M. Barrington, Box 972, Abilene, Phone 9476.

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

In The Churches

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.
 Attendance at the seven reporting Sunday Schools last Sunday was 750 as compared with 717 on the previous Sunday and 783 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.
 Mrs. J. D. Roedler, Pastor.

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.
 Merle Weathers, Pastor.

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.
 Troy M. Cummings, Minister

METHODIST CHURCH
 Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. MYF and Juniors meet at 7 p. m.
 R. L. Butler, Pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
 Sunday School at 10 a. m. Morning sermon at 11. Christian Endeavor meets at 7 p. m. Rev. Ronald E. Hubbard, Kermit pastor, who is to hold a week's revival, will arrive and preach his first sermon Monday night.
 D. S. Neel, Pastor.

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.
 A. T. Suskey, Pastor.



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Hospital Notes

Patients received during the week at Sadler Clinic-Hospital were: for surgery, Mary Jo McConnell, O. E. McKee, July 31. Mrs. R. T. Kelly, Aug. 5. Billy Ray Perry, Aug. 4. Mrs. Alton Martin, Aug. 6; for treatment, Mrs. R. L. Owens, Mrs. C. E. Phillips, Aug. 1. O. N. Robinson, Aug. 2. Mrs. Delma Compton, Aug. 4. Mrs. W. P. Hood, Mrs. Cody Caldwell, Aug. 6. Receiving tonsillectomies were: the Simms child, Marie Higdon, Glen Powers, Mrs. Bob Hicks.

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ASSEMBLY OF GOD.
 Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching services at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Services every Thursday night.
 H. S. Earp, Pastor.

NEW LIVE OAK CHURCH.
 Sunday School 10:30 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. You are invited to attend these services.
 F. E. Healer, Assistant Pastor.

Outdoor Toilet Needed.
 The cemetery property needs an outdoor toilet. T. L. Geimes stated this week, and any school which has one for sale or will donate it to the cemetery, is asked to see him.

SEE Collins Variety store for floor sanding work.

Try a Classified Ad in The Mail.

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Certificates of awards in recognition of work done in soil conservation will go to six cooperators with the Middle Clear Fork Soil Conservation district in the Merkel area. The awards are being presented on behalf of the district supervisors and they were made possible through the Ft. Worth Press "Save the Soil and Save Texas" contest. These awards are presented to each Soil Conservation district cooperator who completes all planned conservation practices on his farm and is satisfactorily maintaining these conservation practices and is continuing the use of a coordinated soil conservation program on his farm. The six cooperators receiving awards this year are: E. B. Blackburn of the White Church Conservation group, H. A. Frost of the Sinclair group, J. L. Ford of the South Stith group, Neil Barkley and R. A. McCollum of the Comper Conservation group and Walter Cook of the North Stith group.

The Carpenter's Gap Conservation group has recently been organized and approved by the district supervisors. Buck Cook has been named group leader. Technicians for the Soil Conservation Service have been assisting in developing coordinated soil conservation plans for the individual members of this group during the past two weeks. The soil in this group is largely fine sandy loams and fine sands and a great interest

in winter cover crops of hairy vetch and winter peas is being manifested by members of this conservation group.

Lloyd Perry, cooperator in the IXL Conservation group, is well pleased with the results obtained from a hairy vetch planting he made last fall. Mr. Perry planted this 10-acre field of vetch in combination with wheat at the rate of 10 pounds of vetch and 30 pounds of wheat per acre. This was planted on the least productive land on the farm, being a shallow soil area at the foot of the mountain ridge. Mr. Perry reports this vetch field made an excellent winter and spring ground cover preventing wind erosion. He states the grazing produced to be of high quality, especially high in protein. One old ewe grazing this vetch field was successful in raising two lambs this spring. Mr. Perry reports that the cash per acre received from this vetch crop equals or exceeds proceeds from other crops. He produced 4500 pounds of vetch and wheat on the 10 acre prior to seed separation.

He is planning on securing a volunteer crop on this field next year and retained 400 pounds of seed to plant 15 to 20 acres additional this year. He had 4100 pounds of seed separated and produced 1200 pounds of hairy vetch and 2900 pounds of wheat. The big value of this crop will be determined by future crops on this area. Hairy vetch is a soil improver in addition to values received from grazing, winter cover and seed production.



Some amazing things come out of the magic bag, but nine-year-old Nancy Scott of Alvord, and Sammy Owens, 10, Lamasa, both polio patients at the Scottish Rite Hospital for Crippled Children in Dallas, want Bob White to tell them "how." Mr. White, a Shriner and amateur magician, entertained the children at a lawn party sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary of the Scottish Rite recently.

REUNION OF H. R. HORTON CHILDREN HELD

Descendants of the late Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Horton met in the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Lucas of Lockney on July 27 for a family reunion. Attending were Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Horton, Arlington; Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Horton, Yvonne and Tommie Sue, Mr. and Mrs. J. Pierce Horton, J. P. and Eva Fae, Merkel; Mr. and Mrs. Dee Perry, Munday; Mrs. J. T. Bell and J. T., Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Boggs, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Arnold and Glenda, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Arnold and daughter, all of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Horton, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Horton, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Autrey and Norma Jean, Mr. and Mrs. Oze Arnold and son, Plainview; Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Lucas and Linda, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Lucas, Lockney.

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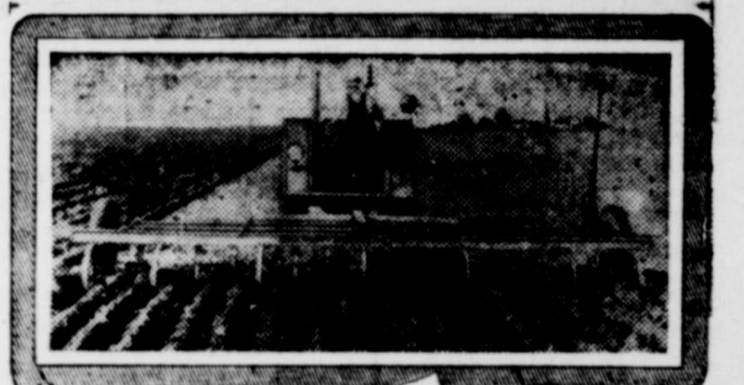
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Texas RLCA Auxiliary To Buy Book Projector

On Monday, July 21, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Nalley, in company with Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Fletcher and family, W. L. Jr., and daughter, Marilyn, of Hamlin, left for Mineral Wells where they attended the three-day state convention of the Texas Rural Letter Carriers association and its Auxiliary.

The Auxiliary to the Texas R. L. C. A., among other things, sponsors the buying of a U. S. saving bond a month, supports the Cancer program, the giving of books to Veterans' hospitals, the purchasing of book projectors for these hospitals and better legislation.

Through their national vice-president, Mrs. George Harries, San Antonio, the Auxiliary learned that so far as she knew the Texas Auxiliary was the only unit in the organization in the nation that had to date purchased a projector, and Mrs. Harries had just finished a tour of the Northwestern states. Of course, this part of the program is in its infancy.

The projector is simply this: In our Veterans' hospitals where our boys lie flat on their backs unable to turn the pages of a book to read, this projector does the work for them, throwing the story onto the ceiling so that each may read and help pass the hours away.

Aside from the funds for the projector, money was raised for several films, all of which will be sent to the Veterans' hospital at Kerrville.

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF PARTNERSHIP THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF TAYLOR

We, the undersigned subscribers hereto, have entered into a limited partnership, agreeable to the provisions of the revised statutes related to limited partnerships and do hereby certify that the name of the firm under which said partnership is to be conducted is "Abilene Nursery and Home Planning Service Retail Store"

That said business is to be operated from the first day of August, 1947, to and including the 31st day of July, 1952, unless previously terminated as provided by the partnership agreements.

That the location of the partnership in its place of business is 1017 Butternut Street, Abilene, Taylor County, Texas.

That the nature of the partnership is in general, a retail business of buying and selling of plants, seeds, nursery stock, tools and equipment used in connection with the planting of seeds and the transplanting of plants.

The name of the general partner is Cleo V. Johnson, and the name of the special partner is Morgan R. Estes, both of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas. The general partner has placed in the partnership, \$2,000.00 in cash and the special partner has placed in the partnership \$2,000.00 in plants, seeds, and saleable merchandise, which \$2,000.00 in value is the true wholesale value as of this date and is so accepted by Cleo V. Johnson, who certifies herein that the value is a true cash value as of this date of said merchandise.

That additional sum or sums may be, at any time, added thereto by either or both of the partners with and in the agreement and consent of the other partners.

Witness our hands at Abilene, Texas, this the 26th day of July, A. D. 1947.

Morgan R. Estes, Cleo V. Johnson.

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF TAYLOR

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public, in and for said County and State, this day personally ap-

peared Morgan R. Estes and Cleo V. Johnson, known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that each executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

Given under my hand and Seal of office, this 26th day of July, A. D. 1947.

E. S. Cummings, Notary Public, Taylor County, Texas

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Royce E. Barfoot, 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 15th day of September, A. D. 1947, at or before the 15th day of 1947, at or before 10 o'clock A. M. before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County, at the Court House in Abilene, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 30 day of July, 1947.

The file number of said suit being No. 15,402-A.

The names of the parties in said suit are: Faye Barfoot as Plaintiff, and Royce E. Barfoot as Defendant. The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were legally married June 22, 1924, and lived together until about April, 1944. There is no community estate belonging to the parties hereto. Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of abandonment, and prays for custody and support of children.

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

Issued this the 30th day of July, A. D. 1947.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 30th day of July, A. D. 1947.

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

With less than seven per cent of the world's population, the United States has 81 per cent of the world's passenger automobiles and 57 per cent of all trucks.



Everett Colborn and Gene Autry, above, have announced that the eighth annual Dublin World's Championship Rodeo will be held Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, September 4, 5, 6 and 7. Gene Autry will give a performance at each of the night shows, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The personnel of the Madison Square Garden Rodeo will assemble at Dublin to take part in the rodeo there before leaving for New York.

The top as a toy is mentioned by Aristotle and Homer. Apple growing has become an intensive and specialized industry, and one-third of the U. S. crop each year is canned, frozen, dried, made into apple butter and other products. The spinning wheel was invented in India and is still widely used there.

QUEEN THEATRE CALENDAR

Friday - Saturday - Double feature program: Charles Starrett, and Smiley Burnette in "West of Dodge City" and Paul Kelly, Osa Massen in "Strange Journey;" color cartoon and serial.

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday - James Stewart, Donna Reed, Lionel Barrymore in "It's a Wonderful Life;" color cartoon and latest News.

Wednesday - Thursday - Clark Gable, Claudette Colbert, Hedy Lamarr, Spencer Tracy in "Boon Town" plus Selected Shorts.

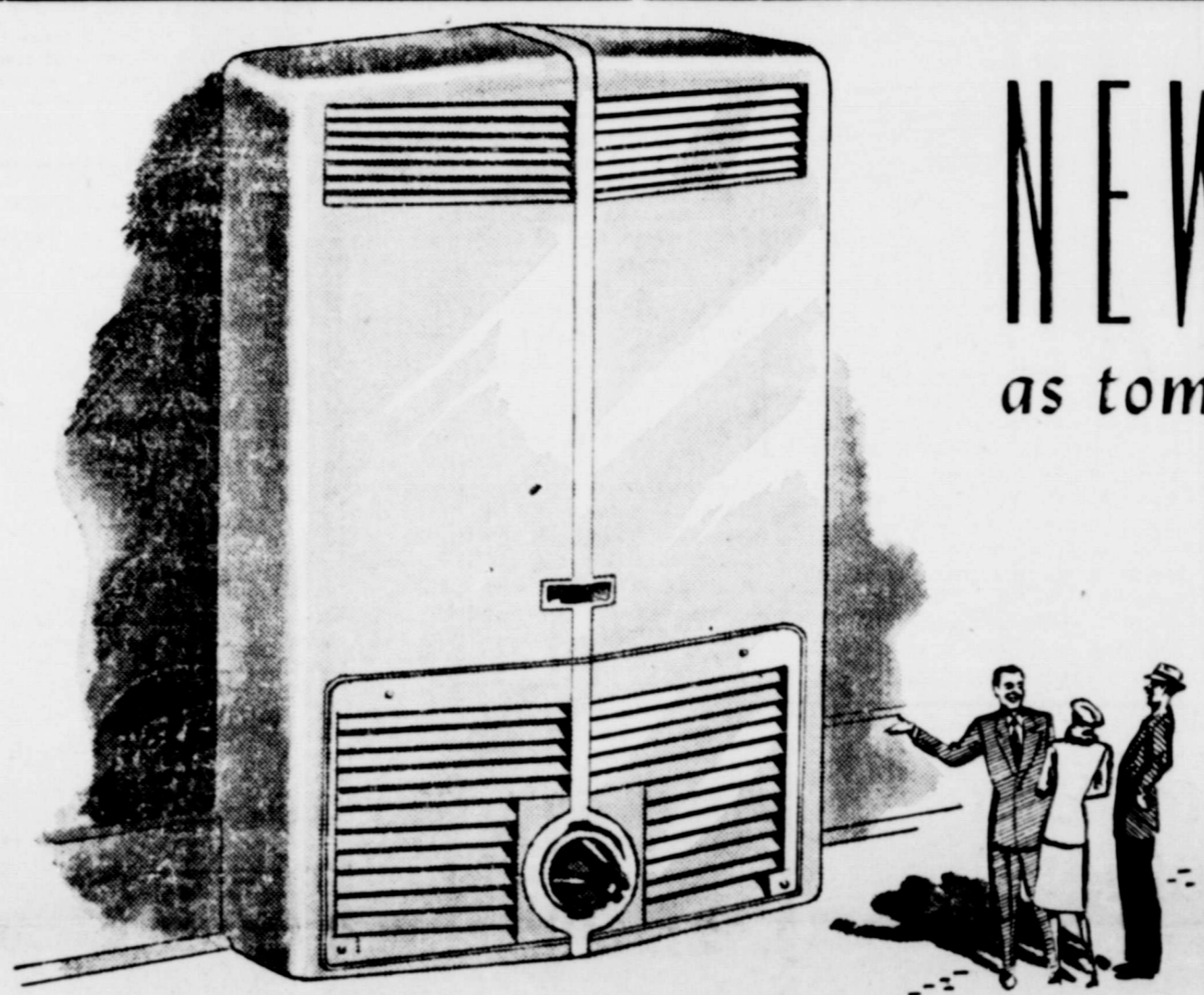
"IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE"

Hailed as Frank Capra's greatest triumph, Liberty Film's new comedy-drama, "It's a Wonderful Life," brings James Stewart back to the screen in a diverting story of life's ups and downs in a small town in upstate New York. Donna Reed is co-starred in this RKO Radio release. The story revolves around the career of George Bailey. George's main ambition is to get away from small

town life and see the world, but he never accomplishes it. His chief obstacle is the building and loan company founded by his father with the humanitarian object of providing decent homes for townfolk.

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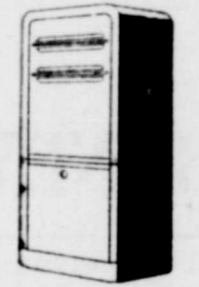


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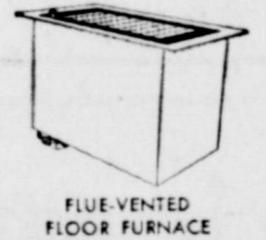
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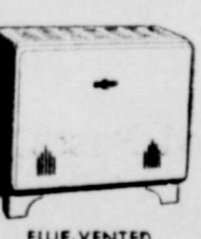
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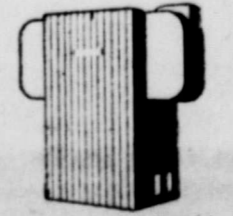
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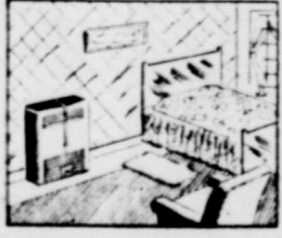
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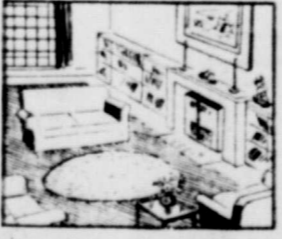
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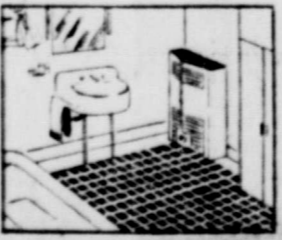
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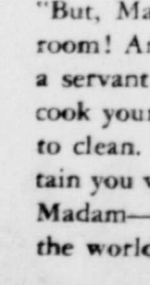
Tell your fortune?



"Such a lucky lady—with a pretty house, nice husband and children—lots and lots of servants!"



"You're wrong about the servants. I live in a 6-room house, and balance a budget!"



"But, Madam, you have servants to help you in every room! And you pay them very little, indeed. You have a servant to assist with your laundry. Another to help cook your meals. A third to protect your food. A fourth to clean. More to heat and light your home, and entertain you when you're bored. You have electrical servants, Madam—the most willing and dependable servants in the world!"



"Of course, I have electricity, but I never thought—"

"This army of domestic help costs you less than a bottle of milk a day! So you see electric service is not only high in efficiency, it's low in cost! Twenty years ago the average family got only half as much electric service for the money as it gets today. And think how many more jobs electricity does around the house in 1947! Yes, Madam, yours is a very good fortune, indeed!"

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FOR SALE—'54 Ford pick-up; see it at Merkel Radiator shop.
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AVAILABLE NOW—Rubber puncture-sealed tubes, in all popular sizes. Magnolia Service Station.
FOR SALE—Three and one-half room house, with bath and porch; to be moved. J. W. Teaff, Jr., on Route 3, Merkel.
FOR SALE—4-room house, 3rd and West streets. See George Woods.
FOR SALE—McCormick-Deering row binder, \$50.00. A. L. Cade, Sylvester.
FOR SALE—New 4 1/2-room and bath with garage; hardwood floors; beautiful kitchen cabinet. Brown and Walker, corner South 10th and Yuca.

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SOUTH SIDE PROPERTY—3 blks. from town, 14-room Venetian blind home; at present is made into three apartments, with private entrances and kitchens; lately been canvassed and papered, woodwork and floors refinished, new floor covering; lately improved outside; abundant own water supply, also cistern; nice lawn and shrubbery; clear title up to date; priced to sell; shown by appointment or at any time by owner. Zedic Johnson, Box 644, Merkel.

BOY'S GOOD bicycle for sale; \$15.00. Johnny Wayne Hammond, Phone 101.
FOR SALE—One 8-ft. steel self-oiling Monitor windmill. R. J. Miller.

FOR SALE—One dusting machine, Jake Massey.

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BRIDE-TO-BE FROM MERKEL IS HONORED.

Mary Rebecca Gardner of Merkel was complimented Saturday with a luncheon of colorful bridal motif given by Mrs. T. Wade Hedrick, who entertained at the Abilene Woman's club.

Other pre-nuptial events are planned both here and in Merkel to compliment Miss Gardner, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Chester Benton Gardner of Merkel, before her marriage on August 14 to Lawrence Milton Davis. The wedding is to take place at 7:30 in the evening, in the Merkel Methodist church.

Pastel colors, to be featured by Miss Gardner in the wedding, were given emphasis in luncheon table decorations. Garden flowers were fashioned into a centerpiece and the flower tones were repeated in the menu including a frozen cocktail and wedding slipper dessert.

The hostess presented Miss Gardner a gift of silver.

Other guests were Mrs. Gardner, Mrs. David Largent, Mrs. Jerry Warren, Mrs. Ben R. Hicks, all of Merkel; Mrs. Robert White of El Paso, Ione Tillett, Mrs. Dick Musser, Margie Sears, Mrs. Kenneth Kerfoot and Alice Williams.

MR. AND MRS. HERBERT PATTERSON HOSTS FOR PICNIC SUPPER FOR CLUB.

Members of the Jolly Neighbors club were most graciously entertained on last Friday evening by Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Patterson. A lake-side cabin belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Deffenbach of Snyder was used on Lake Sweetwater for the occasion, where guests drove out early in the afternoon to enjoy the water.

A most sumptuous cold summer menu, from fried chicken to homemade ice cream, was served in the open. Those enjoying Mr. and Mrs. Patterson's hospitality were Messrs. Robert Hicks, Johnny Cox, Spencer Bird, Earl Hughes, Forrest Gaither, Christine Collins and C. J. Glover.

MARRIAGE DATE SET.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Allred are announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Vera Lou, to W. B. McSpadden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Winslow McSpadden of Rotan.

The wedding ceremony will be read Aug. 24, in the home of the parents of the bride-elect.

Both the bride-elect and the bridegroom-elect are 1947 graduates of McMurtry college, Abilene.

MARY JENE HORTON, ARTHUR L. TARVIN ARE WED AT BARNHART.

In a ceremony performed in the Methodist church at Barnhart at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon, Miss Mary Jene Horton became the bride of Arthur L. Tarvin. The double ring ceremony was read by the pastor, Rev. Roy B. Shilling.

Mary Jene is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Horton of Blevins, Ark., and has been employed at the Texas Textile Mills at Waco for the past 2 years. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Tarvin, Jr., of Barnhart, formerly of Merkel, and is home on a 40-day leave from the U. S. Navy.

For her wedding the bride wore a blue, tailored dress, in new fall crepe. Her accessories were in brown

and white, with a corsage of white carnations.

Miss Beth Combest was bridesmaid, with Clinton Tarvin, brother of the groom, acting as best man.

Only other attendants were the groom's parents and Howard Tarvin of Ozona, and Mrs. Roy Shilling of Mertzon.

Mr. Tarvin is to report back to San Francisco, Sept. 3, for further assignment, and Mrs. Tarvin will resume her work in Waco, until he is discharged, when they will make their home in Barnhart.

MERKEL HP CLUB.

The Merkel Home Demonstration club will meet in the home of Mrs. H. C. Reid on Friday, Aug. 8, with Mrs. J. Ben Campbell as hostess.

RURAL SOCIETY

HOUSEWARMING AT NEW WILL BUTMAN HOME.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Butman were pleasantly surprised Friday night, July 25, when a large crowd of good friends gathered in for a housewarming and showered them with many lovely and useful gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Butman have just moved into their new home—a ranch-style rock house made partly of Clyde rock and partly of native rock from the Butman ranch.

Music and games of "42" furnished diversion for the evening and at the close of the games, refreshments were served by the hostesses, Mrs. Doyle Moore, Mrs. Mildred Lawson and Mrs. C. P. Perry.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Cook, Mrs. Mildred Lawson, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Moore and son, Mrs. L. J. Renfro, Mutt Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Swinney and Nancy, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Butman, Jr., Tommie Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brnovak, Mrs. Fannie Perry, Sam Butman, Sr., and Miss Lottie Butman, Mrs. D. W. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Moore, Rev. and Mrs. Earl G. Harper, Mrs. J. B. Whisenhunt, Mr. and Mrs. John D. Jones, Mrs. Carl Moore and children, Mr. and Mrs. Carvel Clark and children, Mrs. Velma Scott, Helen Scott, Jimmy Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Dewel McLean, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Russon, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cook, G. L. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Perry, Mr. and Mrs. A. D.

Scott and children, William Albert Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Newby and Paka, Mrs. E. P. Perry, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wallis, Mrs. Clyde Magee, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Cook and Lewis and Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Whitaker.

BRIDAL SHOWER.

Honoring Mrs. Everett Powell, the former Edith Butman, and her husband a shower was given at the M. E. church at Nubia on July 17. The hostesses were Mrs. Dewel McLean, Mrs. Charles Butman, Mrs. Clarence Hester and Mrs. F. E. Healer.

To open the occasion Mrs. Hester presided at the bride's book and the other hostesses arranged the many gifts on a three-tiered decorated stand, carrying out the color theme of green and yellow. Miss Hammonds and Miss Newby, small girls of 6 and 8, entertained with piano selections. Mrs. Clarence Hester played the number "Always" and Mrs. F. E. Healer read an original story, having the guests to fill in with nouns, verbs and adjectives, as they registered. After reading their part in the story, Mrs. Healer then presented the honorees with their many lovely gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Powell cut the three-tiered wedding cake while Mrs. C. B. Gardner played a number of beautiful selections. The cake was served by Mrs. Dewel McLean and Mrs. F. E. Healer ladled punch. A sandwich plate was passed, the napkins being imprinted with "Edith and Everett."

and plate favors of mint candy with a "thank you" written on it and a suitcase of green or yellow with "Just Married" written on it.

Those present were: Mesdames J. W. Mayfield, C. B. Gardner, Lucy Scott, E. W. Turner, Hershel Hammonds, R. L. McLean, Sam Butman, Jr., Allen King, L. B. Hester, Adrian Farmer, Walter Hunter, E. H. Cor-

dill, Frazee Demere, John Coomer, Homer Newby, T. J. Neill, R. L. Russell, A. M. Jackson, Tom Russon, Frank Brnovak, Jack Bagby, Clyde Searcy, Harry Riney, Byrd Hughes; Misses Rozanna Gardner, Lottie Butman, Naomi Hester, Tommy Whisenhunt and several little children. A number sent gifts from Big Spring, Ardmore, Okla., and other

places in and around Merkel.

UNION RIDGE CLUB.

The Union Ridge Home Demonstration club will meet on Friday, Aug. 15, in the home of Mrs. Selma Russell, with Mrs. Leo Harris as hostess, it is announced by Mrs. O. E. Harwell, club president.

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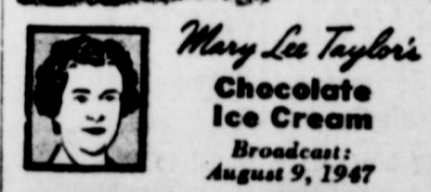
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1 teaspoon unflavored gelatin
 4 teaspoons cold water
 1/2 cup sugar
 3 tablespoons cocoa
 few grains salt

3 tablespoons Fat Milk
 diluted with 3 tablespoons water
 1/2 teaspoon vanilla
 1/2 cup chilled Fat Milk

Soften gelatin in water. Mix together sugar, cocoa and salt. Stir in diluted milk. Stir and cook over boiling water 5 minutes. Stir in softened gelatin. Remove from heat; add vanilla. Chill until syrupy, stirring occasionally. Whip chilled milk with cold rotary beater until stiff. Fold into gelatin mixture. Freeze, without stirring, in automatic refrigerator tray at coldest temperature, or in a mold buried in a mixture of 3 parts crushed ice to 1 part ice cream salt. Makes 4 servings.

PET MILK, can 7c
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 Vanilla, bottle 15c
 Unflavored—KNOX—
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