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PERSONALS

Jack Patterson was here last week-end for a short visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Patterson. Mrs. John Meeks spent last Wednesday and Thursday at Big Spring visiting in the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Meeks.

T. H. Spears, accompanied by his brother-in-law, W. Z. Littleton, of Blountsville, Ala., left Thursday for Lubbock to visit Mr. Spears' children. Mr. Littleton, who is making his 17th visit here since Mr. Spears moved to Texas, plans to spend about a month.

Terry Harkrider of Big Spring is visiting with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Largent. Gerry, the other twin, is visiting another aunt, Mrs. F. W. Firstbrook, and Mr. Firstbrook, in Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Matthews and Pearl, of Trent, visited last week-end with their sons, Odger and Lloyd Matthews, and families, and Mrs. Matthews' brother, the C. I. Dowdy family, in Fort Worth. Dinner guests Wednesday evening of the Matthews were Mrs. Twyman Collins and Mrs. Floy Massey and daughter, Alma Joyce, of Denton.

Visiting recently in the J. B. Griffin, Sr., home have been their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Griffin, Jr., of Oklahoma City, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Boyd of Leuders, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Bullock and son of Sweetwater, and Mrs. Griffin's mother, Mrs. Viola Bullock, of Houston, who is spending the summer here. Betty Jane Griffin accompanied the Boyds back to Leuders where she spent two weeks with them.

Mrs. Quintin Martin returned Sunday to her home in Kingsville after a visit with her mother, Mrs. A. J. Graham, and family.

MOVIE CALENDAR

QUEEN

Friday - Saturday — Double feature program: Allan "Rocky" Lane, Jack Holt in "The Wild Frontier" and Ida Lupino, Dane Clark, Wayne Morris in "Deep Valley;" color cartoon and "Mysterious Mr. M" serial.

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday — Gregory Peck, Dorothy McGuire, John Garfield in "Gentleman's Agreement;" color cartoon and latest World News.

Wednesday - Thursday — Eddie Cantor, Joan Davis, Bobby Driscoll in "If You Knew Susie;" sports reel and March of Time "Life With Junior."

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A. C. KYLE

[Exact Copy of Letter]

Dear Sir:

I have your letter making inquiry as to the record of Hon. A. C. Kyle. In my opinion, Mr. Kyle was a VERY VALUABLE MEMBER OF THE LEGISLATURE. He was always on the job and very faithful in attending, not only the sessions of the legislature, but the committee meetings as well.

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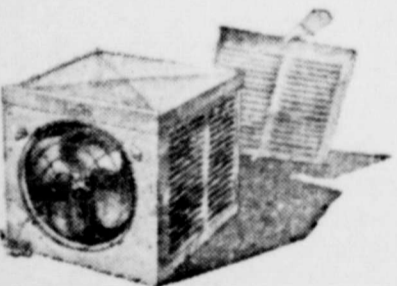
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"Trouble-Shooters" of WTUC in District to Get Orders by Radio

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The work of linemen, installation servicemen, emergency repairmen, power dispatchers and substation operators is directed by two-way radio. According to an announcement by H. D. Austin, district manager, the WTUCo. received authority from the Federal Communications Commission covering the operation of a two-way, high frequency, FM radio system. The FCC license was issued on the basis of "public welfare." "The new system will materially help the WTUCo. in its efforts

to maintain and provide uninterrupted electric service," said Mr. Austin. At present, the system consists of a 250 watt central station, and seven 60 watt mobile units.

The 250 watt central station is located in a masonry structure at the foot of the antenna tower of station KWKC at Twenty-fifth and Butter-nut streets. The antenna extends 14.8 feet above the 269 foot antenna tower of station KWKC; total height being 283.8 feet.

This central station, which has been assigned call letters KHIQ and which according to FCC regulations, operates on assigned frequency of 37,700 kc with a maximum variance of .01% from assigned frequency allowed, cannot be heard on standard radio receivers. Only receivers designed to use this frequency will be able to pick up signals from this station.

A dispatcher located in the WTUCo.'s district distribution office at Fourth and Plum operates the central station by remote control. This dispatcher maintains two-way communications with the operators of seven mobile units which are installed in service and line trucks operating in the district. These mobile units have a range from thirty to sixty miles, depending upon the surrounding terrain. They can communicate with each other as well as with the central station.

In case of disaster, public need, national emergency, or in instances when existing means of communication fail, these mobile units and this fixed station can, by relaying from station to mobile unit to other mobile units, provide emergency communications with all communities of the surrounding area.

March 17th is the anniversary of the death, not the birth, of St. Patrick.

Bowers Family Hold Reunion 12th Year

J. E. Bowers and C. T. Bowers, brothers from Abilene, and 53 other relatives, all descendants of the late Mr. and Mrs. Adam Bowers, held their annual reunion last week at Buffalo Gap.

It was the 12th year that the family has held reunions at Buffalo Gap, centrally located for the group meetings.

Adams Bowers, native of Franklin County, Tenn., settled in Hood county, near Tulia, Texas, in 1875 when Comanche Indians still were terrorizing the settlers. He was married to Mrs. Elizabeth Weir, a young widow from Jacksonville, Fla. The couple had 12 children.

Attending the reunion this week were eight of their children. Nine are living. The eight were the two brothers from Abilene, Mrs. Cora Sanford of Lamesa, Mrs. Jeff Musick of Tulia, Mrs. Elmer Tinnon of Pampa, Mrs. W. F. Perkins of Waxahachie, Jim Bowers of Dallas and Rev. Harvey Bowers of Wichita, Kans.

The children's wives and husbands also attended the reunion.

Other relatives include Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bowers and their children of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Joe Bowers of Pyote, Mrs. Mary Joe Craig and her son of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Curry and their daughter of Abilene, the Jeff Musick's two grandchildren, Mrs. Pat Patterson and her son, Pampa, Lt. Col. W. F. Perkins of San Antonio and his son, Mr. and Mrs. Metzgar Bowers, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Frazier and two children, Mrs. Rubin Knoblett of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Weir and their son of San Antonio, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bowers of Lorenzo, Sam Bowers of Idalou, Bob Bowers of Brownfield, Mrs. Effie Bell, Caroline Bell and Mrs. Gordon Bell and her son of Crowell and Mrs. Bonnie Lee Davis of Paducah.

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Legal Notices

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: Aaron J. Bondurant,
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 2nd day of August, A. D., 1948, 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 15th day of June, 1948.

The file number of said suit being No. 15,808-A.

The names of the parties in said suit are: Mable Jewell Bondurant as Plaintiff, and Aaron J. Bondurant as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were legally married on January 21, 1939, and lived together until May 4, 1946.

Two children were born to said marriage, namely, Bertha Louise and Elvin Louise.

Plaintiff sues for divorce on the grounds of cruel treatment. Plaintiff also sues for custody and control of the minor children and for the restoration of her maiden name.

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

Issued this the 15th day of June, A. D., 1948.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 15th day of June, A. D., 1948.

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

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: F. A. Helton, 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 19th day of July, A. D., 1948, 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 11th day of May, 1948.

The file number of said suit being No. 5791-B.

The names of the parties in said suit are: Beatrice R. Helton as Plaintiff, and F. A. Helton as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Plaintiff and defendant were legally married on or about the 8th day of March, 1945, and lived together until on or about the 12th day of April, 1947.

There were no children born to the marriage of plaintiff and defendant and they acquired no community property.

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

Net Gain of Over \$2,000 in Athletic Fund in Past Year

A net gain of \$2,167.94 was shown in the Merkel High School Athletic fund from Sept. 1, 1947, to June 15, 1948, according to the financial statement released this week by Supt. R. A. McCollum. The balance on hand as of June 15, 1948, was \$5,004.78.

«The purchase price of the ground for the athletic field and the cost of erecting the stadium were paid out of Merkel Public school funds.»

The financial statement follows:

| Receipts: | |
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| Bal. brought forward | \$ 836.84 |
| Football shoes sold | 2.50 |
| Shoulder pads sold | 20.00 |
| Football for bi-district game | 12.75 |
| Baseball glove sold | 14.62 |
| T-shirts sold | 2.60 |
| Receipts from cold drinks | 21.00 |
| Receipts from district track meet | 100.90 |
| Football gate receipts | 10,446.25 |
| Basketball gate receipts | 1,035.66 |
| Baseball gate receipts | 87.21 |
| Total | \$12,579.73 |
| Disbursements: | |
| Freight on athletic equipment | \$ 27.68 |
| Labor football games and track meet | 82.00 |
| Paid for cold drinks | 17.10 |
| Admission tax to Collector of Internal Revenue | 1,248.25 |
| Eats and lodging for teams State, District, Regional and U. L. L. fees | 24.75 |
| Labor and material baseball backstop | 578.09 |
| Labor and material press box and broadcasting booth | 445.03 |
| Focusing and setting lights on baseball field | 97.01 |
| Athletic playing equipment | 2,550.57 |
| Football programs | 10.82 |
| Referees and officials | 488.76 |
| 50% local gate receipts paid to visiting sch. | 3,160.51 |
| Drayage and hauling | 86.00 |
| Scouting for football games | 9.00 |
| Dental bill for broken tooth in football | 40.00 |
| Advertising | 15.00 |
| Tickets | 38.67 |
| Traveling expense for athletic teams | 109.58 |
| Laundry and dry cleaning | 167.91 |
| Total disbursements | \$9,574.95 |
| Bal. on hand June 15, 1948 | 3,004.78 |
| Total | \$12,579.73 |

Attached to the financial report is the following statement, signed by Supt. R. A. McCollum of the Merkel Public schools:

"To the best of my knowledge and belief the above is a true and correct statement of the Merkel High School Athletic Fund as of June 15, 1948."

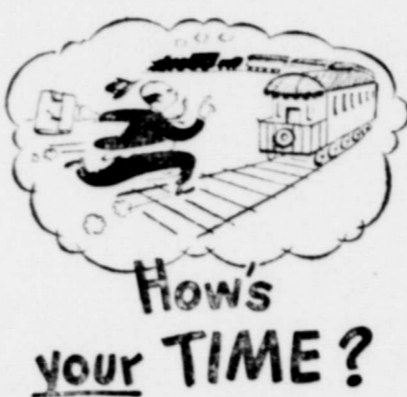
Merkel Man Heads Bell County Exes

New officers of the Ex-Bell County Residents association, elected at the annual reunion of the organization held at Buffalo Gap Sunday, are: C. J. Glover of Merkel, president; Charley Bartlett of Anson, vice-president; Mrs. Florence Clifton, of Abilene, secretary-treasurer, and Mrs. T. L. Hiner, Abilene, assistant secretary - treasurer. Mrs. Clifton has been secretary-treasurer of the association since its organization in 1940.

Judge E. T. Brooks of Abilene, the retiring president, was in charge of proceedings at the reunion of some 150 exes, representing 29 West Texas towns. Following a basket lunch, "Bell County Today" was pictured in speeches by Marvin Fergus of Killeen and Frank Sparks, Eastland attorney. A. J. Miller, of Abilene, also spoke.

Tentative date for next year's reunion, also to be held at Buffalo Gap, will be the third Sunday in May.

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Sixteen from Merkel Enroll for Summer School at H-SU

Abilene, June 24.—Sixteen persons from Merkel are among the 1,105 students attending the first six-weeks term of the 1948 summer sessions at Hardin-Simmons university. Alton B. Lee, registrar, has revealed.

They are Leon Walker, Robert E. Lee, Myrle Byrd, Thelma A. Jones, Frances Perkins, Lawrence Hughes, Jr., Patsy Lou Dunagin, Lena S. Dunagin, Mrs. Eloise Cook Reynolds, Peggy Goode, Joe F. Tarpley, Ray D. Satterwhite, Mrs. I. B. Ray, G. C. Wright, Jackie W. Brown and Charles R. Williams.

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RUFÉ TITTLE.

For Commissioner, Precinct 4, Jones County:

C. H. (Connie) OTTO.
W. O. RAINWATER.
A. J. BARBEE, JR.

For Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 5:

MRS. N. D. COBB.

[Re-Election.]

For County Clerk:

MRS. CHESTER HUTCHESON.

[Re-Election.]

For Sheriff, Taylor County:

H. T. (Flem) FLEMING.

(Re-Election.)

For County Judge:

THEO ASH.

(Re-Election.)

For County Attorney:

GUY W. (Pete) SHAW.

For State Senator, 24th District:

HARLEY SADLER.

PAT BULLOCK.

(Re-Election.)

For County Treasurer:

J. R. CLARK.

(Re-Election.)

For State Representative, 116th District:

A. C. KYLE.

WM. K. (Bill) TIPPEN.

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| R&W—Cider— (Refrigerator Jar) Vinegar, each | 49c | Gold Bar Fruit Cocktail No. 2 1/2 jar | 41c |
| Honor Brand Catsup, 14 oz. bottle | 19c | Collins— PURE APPLE Jelly, 12 oz. jar | 17c |
| Mid Georgia Peeled Pimientos, 7 oz. glass | 23c | Red and White Vienna Sausage, 4 oz. can | 18c |
| Red and White—RIPE Olives, 16 oz. jar | 19c | Red and White Potted Meat, 2 cans | 17c |

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| Red and White—Fancy GRAPEFRUIT JUICE 46 ounce can | 17c |
| 2 No. 2 cans | 15c |

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| Red and White Grape Juice, pt. bottle | 27c | Pict Sweet Cream Style Corn, No. 303 can, each | 19c |
| Apricot & Orange— Blended Juice, No. 2 can | 10c | Karo Maple Syrup, pt. bottle | 23c |
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| Seal Pac Baked Beans, 18 oz. jar | 23c | Sweetheart Soap, 3 bars | 32c |
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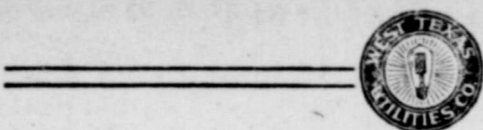
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