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Hospital Notes.
Patients received for treatment at Sadler hospital during the week were: Mrs. Mamie Allen, Tony Barton, Aug. 12; Lillian Skiles, Mrs. W. P. Mashburn, Aug. 13; E. A. Black, Aug. 14; Donald Hendricks, Sandra Mobley, R. B. Johnson, Aug. 15; Cliffla Jean Estep, Mrs. John F. Warner of Amarillo, Tommy Sue Horton, Aug. 16; Mrs. W. A. Lynch, Lynda Sue Dudley, J. R. Baker, Aug. 17; Dale Mosier, Aug. 18. Delphine Cooper received a tonsillectomy Friday.

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In The Churches

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE
Attendance at the seven reporting Sunday Schools last Sunday was 705 as compared with 736 on the previous Sunday. The attendance on the same Sunday a year ago was 760.

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH.
Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Mid-week prayer meeting at 7:00 Wednesday evening.
A. T. Suskey, Pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
Sunday School at 10 a. m. At the time this notice is furnished the paper, no one is available to fill the pulpit Sunday.
Reporter.

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.

METHODIST CHURCH.
Church School 10 a. m. Morning worship 11. Youth Fellowship 7:00 p. m. Evening worship 7:30 WSCS Mondays, 2 p. m. Mid-week prayer Wednesdays, 7:00 p. m.
R. L. Butler, Pastor

ASSEMBLY OF GOD.
Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching services at 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Services Thursday 7:45 p. m.
H. S. Earp, Pastor.

NAZARENE CHURCH.
Sunday School 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Prayer meeting at 8 p. m. Wednesday.
R. T. Smith, Pastor.

CHURCH OF CHRIST.
Bible School 9:45 a. m. Sunday. Worship 10:50 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. Young People's meeting 7:15 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday, 8:00 p. m.
Troy M. Cummings, Minister.

NOTICE.
I am taking this method to notify the friends of Mr. and Mrs. I. V. Garrett, Jr., who have offered to help rebuild their home destroyed by fire recently, that Mr. Bow is here from California to start re-building this week and that any help at any time in the next few days will certainly be appreciated.
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LEGAL NOTICES

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: The Unknown heirs of James Murphy, deceased, 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 13th day of September, 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 30th day of July, 1948. The file number of said suit being No. 15,869-A.

The names of the parties in said suit are: J. E. Hill, Nim Hill and Miss Vernon Hill as Plaintiff, and the unknown heirs of James Murphy, deceased, as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Suit for the title and possession and to remove cloud from title, the suit being in the form of trespass to try title for the following described lands in Taylor County, Texas.

254 acres off the south end of Section 12, Block No. 18, T. and P. Ry. Co., land in Taylor County, Texas, described by metes and bounds as follows:

Beginning at a post, the southeast corner of said Section No. 12, on the WBL of Grimes County School Land;
Thence south 77 deg. west 1106 vrs. to original southwest corner of said section, from which a mes. 6 hrs. S. 86-3/4 E. 30 W .10 vrs;

Thence N. 13 W. 1534 hrs. to the center of the T. and P. RR track;

Thence S. 81 E. 1166 vrs. to a corner in center of said rail road track and on the WBL of Grimes County School Land;
Thence S. 14 1/2 E. 1099 vrs. to the place of beginning.

Plaintiffs further allege that said lands and premises were owned by Mrs. Mariah A. Murphy, former wife of James Murphy, as her separate property, and they claim title to same as the sole and only heirs of the said Mariah A. Murphy, deceased. Plaintiffs also claim title by virtue of the ten-year statute of limitation, which is specially plead, and by virtue of a parol gift of said lands and premises from James Murphy to plaintiffs, said gift accompanied by transfer of possession and followed by possession of the property by plaintiffs.

Plaintiffs pray for judgment for the title and possession of the above described premises.

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., 1948.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 30th day of July, A. D., 1948.)
(Seal) J. Neil Daniel, Clerk, District Court, Taylor County, Texas By Grace Jenkins, Deputy.

LEGAL NOTICE.
Notice to the Creditors of the Estate of H. C. Ely, deceased.
Notice is hereby given that original Letters of administration upon the

estate of H. C. Ely, Deceased, were granted to me, the undersigned, on the 20th day of July, 1948, by the County Court of Taylor County, Texas. All persons having claims against said estate are required to present these to me within the time prescribed by law.

My residence and Post Office address are Merkel, County of Taylor, State of Texas.

M. H. ELY,
Administrator of Estate of
H. C. Ely, Deceased.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: R. G. Huebner, and the unknown heirs of the said R. G. Huebner, who may be dead, 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 27th day of September, 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 11th day of August, 1948. The file number of said suit being No. 15,903-A.

The names of the parties in said suit are: Della Breckenridge, a widow, as Plaintiff, and R. G. Huebner and the unknown heirs of the said R. G. Huebner, who may be dead, as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Trespass to try title and for damages. The basis of the plaintiff's cause of action is predicated upon the title by limitation for a period of ten years. She and those under whom she holds, having held peaceable and continuous and adverse possession of said land, using and enjoying the same openly and notoriously, to-wit: Lots one, two, three and four in Block three, in the town of Merkel, in Taylor County, Texas.

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

Issued this the 12th day of August, A. D., 1948.


Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 12th day of August, A. D., 1948.

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

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Constitutional Amendments

H. J. R. No. 12
HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION
proposing an amendment to Section 15 of the Constitution of the State of Texas to add thereto a provision that the husband and wife from time to time may in writing partition between themselves in severalty or into undivided interests all or any part of their community property, whereupon without prejudice to the rights of existing creditors the husband or interest set aside to each spouse shall be and constitute a part of the separate property of such spouse; further providing that such Constitutional Amendment if adopted shall be self-operative and self-executing; providing for the submission of this Amendment to the voters of this State; prescribing the form of ballot; providing for the proclamation and publication thereof.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. That Section 15 of Article XVI of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended so as to read as follows:

"Section 15. All property, both real and personal, of the wife, owned or claimed by her before marriage, and that acquired afterward by gift, devise or descent, shall be her separate property of the wife, and laws shall be passed more clearly defining the rights of the wife, in relation as well to her separate property as that held in common with her husband; provided that husband and wife, without prejudice to pre-existing creditors, may from time to time by written instrument as if the wife were a feme sole partition between themselves in severalty or into undivided interests all or any part of their existing community property, or exchange between themselves the community interest of one spouse in any property for the community interest of the other spouse in other community property, whereupon the portion of each spouse set aside to each spouse shall be and constitute a part of the separate property of such spouse.

"This Amendment is self-operative, but laws may be passed prescribing requirements as to the form and manner of execution of such instruments, and providing for their recording, and for other reasonable requirements not inconsistent herewith as the Legislature may from time to time consider proper with relation to the execution of such instruments. Should the Legislature pass an Act dealing with the subject of this Amendment and prescribing requirements as to the form and manner of the execution of such instruments and providing for their recording and other reasonable requirements not inconsistent herewith, such Act shall not be invalid by reason of its anticipatory character and shall take effect just as though this Constitutional Amendment was in effect when the Act was passed.

Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of the State of Texas at an election to be held throughout the State on the second day of November, 1948, at which election all voters favoring said Amendment shall write or have printed on their ballots the words:

"FOR the Amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas providing that husband and wife from time to time may in writing partition between themselves in severalty or into undivided interests community property existing at the time of partition so as to convert same into separate property of the respective spouses without prejudice to the rights of pre-existing creditors."

Those opposing said proposed Amendment shall write or have printed on their ballots the words:

"AGAINST the Amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas providing that husband and wife from time to time may in writing partition between themselves in severalty or into undivided interests community property existing at the time of partition so as to convert same into separate property of the respective spouses without prejudice to the rights of pre-existing creditors."

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State of Texas is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for said election and have same published as required by the Constitution for amendments thereto.

H. J. R. No. 2
HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION
proposing an amendment to Section 28 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas, so as to provide for a board for apportioning the state into senatorial districts; in the event the Legislature fails to make such apportionment; providing for the issuance of the necessary proclamation by the Governor; and making an appropriation.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. That Section 28 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 28. The Legislature shall, at its first regular session following the publication of the United States decennial census, apportion the state into senatorial and representative districts, agreeable to the provisions of Sections 25, 26, and 26a of this Article. In the event the Legislature shall at any such first regular session following the publication of a United States decennial census, fail to make such apportionment, same shall be done by the Legislative Redistricting Board of Texas, which is hereby created, and shall be composed of five (5) members, as follows: The Lieutenant Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Attorney General, the Comptroller of Public Accounts and the Commissioner of the General Land Office, a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum. Said Board shall assemble in the City of Austin within ninety (90) days after the final adjournment of such regular session. The Board shall, within sixty (60) days of its assembling, apportion the state into senatorial and representative districts, as the failure of action by the Legislature may make necessary. Such apportionment shall be in writing and signed by three (3) or more of the members of the Board duly acknowledged as the act and deed of such Board, and when so executed and filed with the Secretary of State, shall have force and effect of law. Such apportionment shall become effective at the next succeeding state wide general election. The Supreme Court of Texas shall have jurisdiction to compel such Commission to perform its duties in accordance with the provisions of this section by writ of mandamus or other extraordinary writ conformable to the usages of law. The Legislature shall provide necessary funds for clerical and technical aid and for other expenses incidental to the work of the Board, and the Lieutenant Governor and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall be entitled to receive per diem and travel expense during the Board's session in the same manner and amount as they would receive while attending a special session of the Legislature. This amendment shall become effective January 1, 1951.

Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this state at an election to be held throughout the state on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, A. D. 1948, at which all ballots shall have printed thereon:

"FOR the amendment to Section 28, Article III of the Constitution of Texas providing for a Board for apportionment of the state into senatorial districts and representative districts in the event the Legislature fails to make such apportionment."

"AGAINST the amendment to Section 28, Article III of the Constitution of Texas providing for a Board for apportionment of the state into senatorial districts and representative districts in the event the Legislature fails to make such apportionment."

Each voter at such election shall mark out one of such clauses on the ballot, leaving a clause expressing his vote on the proposed amendment.

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State of Texas shall issue the necessary proclamation for said election, and shall have the same published as required by the Constitution and laws of this state.

Sec. 4. The sum of Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the treasury of this state not otherwise appropriated, to pay the expenses of such publication and election.

H. J. R. No. 7
HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION
proposing an Amendment to Article IV of the Constitution of the State of Texas, by adding a new Section to be known as Section 3a, so as to provide for succession to the office of Governor in the event the Governor-elect dies, or becomes disabled, or fails to qualify, before taking his oath of office as Governor; and providing for the issuance of the necessary proclamation and publication by the Governor.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. That Article IV of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be and the same is hereby amended, by adding another Section to follow Section 3, and be designated Section 3a, to read as follows:

Section 3a. If, at the time the Legislature shall canvass the election returns for the office of Governor and Lieutenant Governor, the person receiving the highest number of votes for the office of Governor, as declared by the Speaker, has died, then the person having the highest number of votes for the office of Lieutenant Governor shall act as Governor until after the next general election. It is further provided that in the event the person receiving the highest number of votes for the office of Governor, as declared by the Speaker, shall become disabled, or fail to qualify, then the Lieutenant Governor shall act as Governor until a person has qualified for the office of Governor, or until after the next general election. Any succession to the Governorship, not otherwise provided for in this Constitution, may be provided for by law, provided, however, that any person succeeding to the office of Governor shall be qualified as otherwise provided in this Constitution, and shall, during the entire term to which he may succeed, be under all the restrictions and prohibitions imposed in this Constitution on the Governor.

Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified voters of this State at a General Election to be held throughout this State on the date provided by law in the month of November, A. D. 1948, at which election all ballots shall have printed thereon:

"FOR the Constitutional Amendment providing for gubernatorial succession in the event the Governor-elect dies, or becomes disabled, before qualifying and for such succession in other contingencies."

"AGAINST the Constitutional Amendment providing for gubernatorial succession in the event the Governor-elect dies, or becomes disabled, before qualifying and for such succession in other contingencies."

Each voter at such election shall mark out one of such clauses on the ballot, leaving a clause expressing his vote on the proposed amendment.

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State of Texas shall issue the necessary proclamation for said election and shall have the same published as required by the Constitution and Laws of this State.

MOVIE CALENDAR

--- QUEEN ---

Friday - Saturday - Double feature program: Allan "Rocky" Lane, Roy Barcroft in "The Bold Frontiersman" and George Brent, Ann Dvorak, Carole Landis, Virginia Mayo, Turhan Bey in "Out of the Blue;" color cartoon and "Mysterious Mr. M" serial.

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday - Esther Williams, Peter Lawford, Xavier Cugat and his Orchestra in "On An Island With You;" color cartoon and Latest News events.

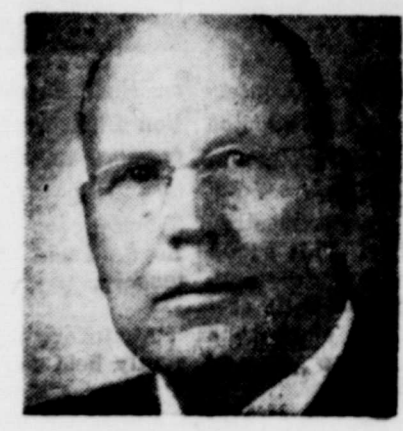
Wednesday - Thursday - Wallace Beery, Tom Drake in "Alias A Gentleman;" selected short subjects.

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H. J. R. No. 24
HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION
proposing an Amendment to Section 1a of Article VIII of the Constitution of Texas to provide that no ad valorem tax shall be levied for State general revenue purposes after January 1, 1951, and authorizing the several counties to levy additional ad valorem taxes for certain purposes, providing for a Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000) residential homestead exemption; and providing for tax levies in counties having tax donations; providing for submission to the qualified electors and for the necessary proclamation by the Governor.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. That Section 1a of Article VIII of the Constitution be amended so as to be and read as follows:

Section 1a. From and after January 1, 1951, no State ad valorem tax shall be levied upon any property within this State for general revenue purposes. From and after January 1, 1951, the several counties of the State are authorized to levy ad valorem taxes upon all property within their respective boundaries for county purposes, except the first Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000) value of residential homesteads, not to exceed thirty cents (30c) on each One Hundred Dollars (\$100) valuation, in addition to all other ad valorem taxes authorized by the Constitution of this State, provided the revenue derived therefrom shall be used for construction and maintenance of Farm to Market Roads or for Flood Control, except as herein otherwise provided.

Provided that in those counties or subdivisions or areas of the State from which tax donations have heretofore been granted, the State Automatic Tax Board shall continue to levy the full amount of the State ad valorem tax for the duration of such donation, or until all legal obligations heretofore authorized by the law granting such donation or donations shall have been fully discharged, whichever shall first occur; provided that if such donation to any such county or political subdivision is for less than the full amount of State ad valorem taxes so levied, the portion of such taxes remaining over and above such donation shall be retained by said county or subdivision.

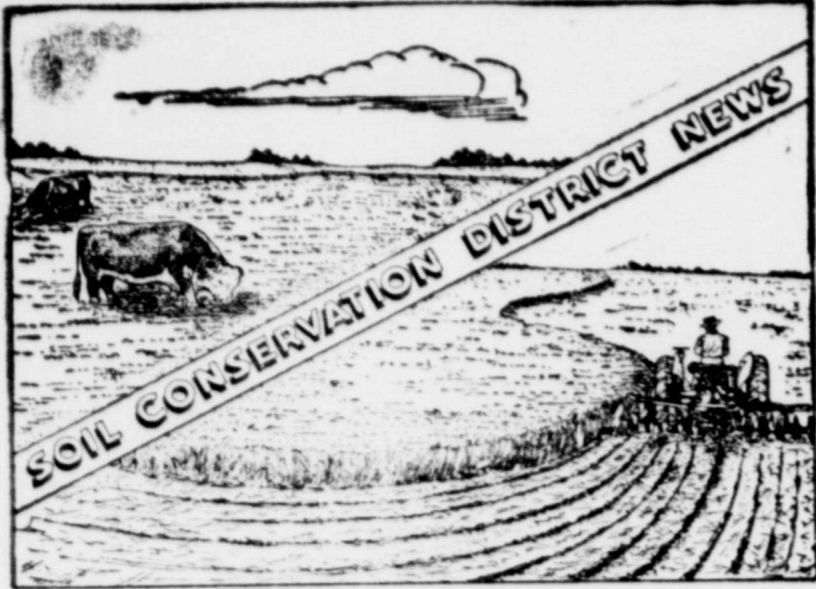
Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this State at an election to be held on the date fixed by law for the General Election in November, A. D. 1948, at which all ballots shall have printed thereon "FOR the Constitutional Amendment of Section 1a of Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of Texas to provide that no ad valorem tax shall be levied for State general revenue purposes after January 1, 1951, and authorizing the several counties to levy additional ad valorem taxes, providing for a Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000) residential homestead exemption, and providing for tax levies in counties having tax donations," and "AGAINST the Constitutional Amendment of Section 1a of Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of Texas to provide that no ad valorem tax shall be levied for State general revenue purposes after January 1, 1951, and authorizing the several counties to levy additional ad valorem taxes, providing for a Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000) residential homestead exemption, and providing for tax levies in counties having tax donations." Each voter shall scratch out one of said clauses on the ballot, leaving the one expressing his vote on the proposed Amendment. In counties or other subdivisions using voting machines, the above provision for voting for and against this Constitutional Amendment shall be placed on said machine in such a manner that each voter shall vote on such machine for or against the Constitutional Amendment.

Sec. 3. The Governor shall issue the necessary proclamation for said election and have the same published as required by Constitution and Laws of this State.

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The "Four County Soil Conservation Group" is the name adopted for a new conservation group of farmers living 2 to 3 miles north west of Trent, at a recent meeting held at the Trent school. This group selected Mark Williamson as group leader and decided to hold their second meeting at the first slack time of the farmers. This group is made up of eight adjoining farmers, all living on a single water shed, who have joined in a cooperative effort to control soil erosion and to follow good conservation farming practices

on their farms. Two soil conservation films were shown this group of farmers at their first meeting by technicians of the Soil Conservation Service cooperating with Mr. O. I. Boyd, Trent vocational agriculture teacher.

An informational meeting was recently held for the farmers of the Comere Conservation group at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Ramsey. Mr. Ramsey served as group leader for the group. Two films stressing the importance of soil conservation

practices were shown to about 20 persons by technicians from the Soil Conservation Service. The second meeting for this group will be held in the early fall to complete organization and make plans for application of several conservation practices.

Continued dry weather has no doubt prompted the interest in installing irrigation systems on several farms cooperating with the district.

Carl Jackson, in the Southwest Noodle group, has had 2 wells drilled for irrigation purposes but to date the quantity and quality of the water is unknown. This will be determined and if suitable an irrigation system will be installed on a portion of his farm.

Edgar Boaz, in the Carpenter's Gap group, has a level 60-acre bottom land field which he plans to irrigate this fall.

Alec Carter, in the Northwest Noodle group, plans to drill a well and irrigate some alfalfa this fall.

Technicians of the Soil Conservation Service who are assisting the Soil Conservation district in carrying out the district conservation program are working closely with these district cooperators in installing these irrigation systems.

These district cooperators have recently constructed new terraces: Spencer Bird, 1/2 mile; Bob Riney, 1 mile; W. C. Lee, 1/2 mile; Booth Warren, 2 miles; W. T. Curb, 2 1/2 miles; W. F. Bumpass, 3 miles; J. D. Sandusky, 3 1/2 miles; Loyd Perry, 3 miles, and Ray Osborn, 3 miles.

4-H Girls from Eight Clubs Attend Camp

Fifty 4-H Girls from eight of the nine clubs in Jones county met at the Swede park for a camp July 2-28, with Miss Loreta Allen as sponsor.

As the girls registered, they were given white and green ribbons, dividing them into two groups for contests. The night program consisted of group singing, games and stunts. For their stunt, the Noodle club had to perform an operation on one of their club members.

An interesting feature was a jour-

ney to the Bethel Lutheran church, about a half mile down the paved road. Many comments were made on how beautiful this church is.

Those attending from Noodle were: Dannette Perrin, Bessie Jean Herring, Ruth Nell Herring, Carol Corder, Gwendolyn Moore, Ella Dera

Eoff, Nellie Flint, Von Katherine Herron, Delores Herron; Mrs. Lewis Corder and Mrs. Story, sponsors.

CARD OF THANKS.
We wish to take this opportunity to thank each individual who in any way offered and rendered their serv-

ices during the illness and death of our darling baby, Vicky Jan.

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POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

[Subject to action of the Democratic Primary in August.]

For Commissioner, Precinct 2, Taylor County:

IRVEN THOMPSON, RUFÉ TITTLE.

For Commissioner, Precinct 4, Jones County:

W. O. RAINWATER.

For Associate Justice, 11th Court of Civil Appeals:

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1944 Chevrolet 1 1/2 ton truck, excellent condition. Badger Chevrolet Company.

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FOR RENT—2-room apartment: Phone 9047. If no answer, please call 163W.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Small coin purse, containing some money. Please return to Swap Shop.

LODGE CALLS

Stated meeting of Merkel Chapter 212, Order of Eastern Star, will be held, Tuesday, August 24, at 8 p. m. All members are urged to attend. Visiting members cordially invited.

Mrs. Bryan Dunagin, W. M.
Mrs. Howard Carson, Sec'y.

NOTICE MASONS

Stated meeting of Merkel Lodge No. 710, A. F. and A. M., Thursday, August 26, at 8:00 p. m. All members are urged to attend. Visiting brethren cordially invited.

Carl B. Edington, W. M.
W. R. Cypert, Sec'y.

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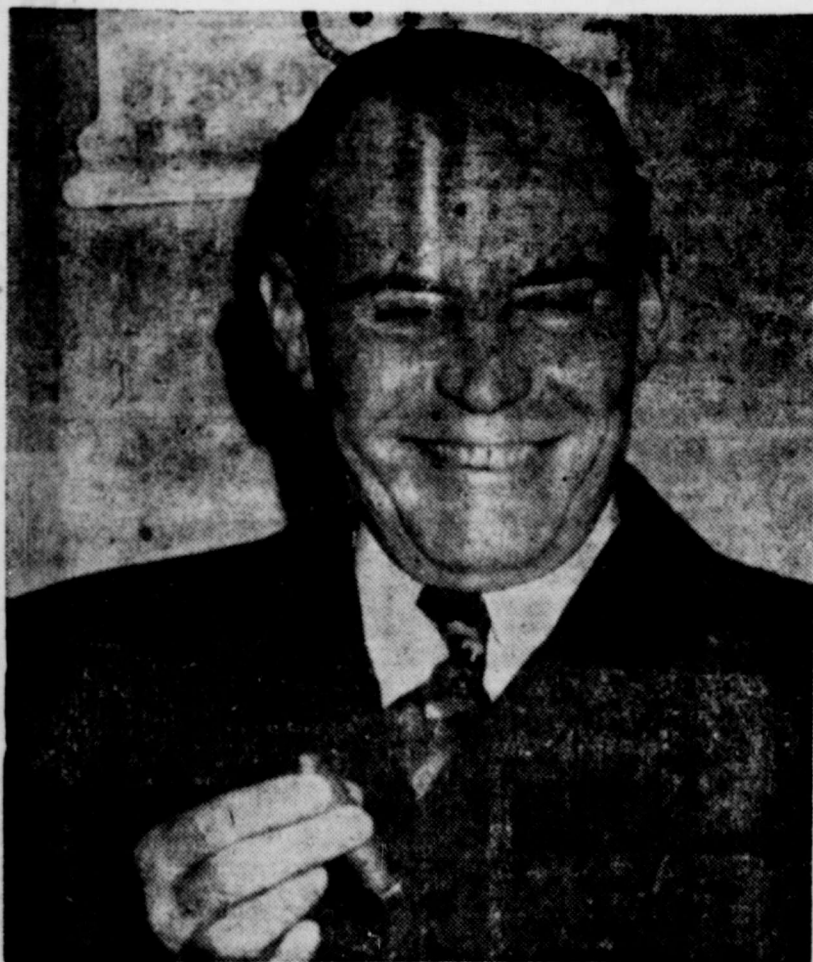
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Red and White—HALVES Peaches, tall can	22c
Sea Ranger Pink Salmon, flat can	35c
Mid Georgia Peeled Pimientos, 7 oz. glass	23c
Kremel Shampoo, 60c size	39c
Crystal Pack Spinach, No. 2 can	14c
Red and White—No. 3 Sieve Peas, No. 2 can	22c

Goblin No. 300 cans Pork & Beans, 2 for	25c
Kuners Cream Style Corn, No. 303 can	19c
Tenderleaf Tea, 1/2 lb. pkg.	53c
Kuner's Tomato Juice, 13 1/2 oz.	10c
R&W—Pure Vegetable SHORTENING 3 lb ca n	\$1.09
Assorted Cereals Post-tens, crt.	33c
Shredded-Durkee's Coconut, 4 oz. pkg.	17c
Household Cleanser Babo, can	11c
New Post-War Oxydol, large box	33c

Log Cabin MAPLE SYRUP 12 oz. tin cabin **27c**

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