

THE MERKEL MAIL

Committees Completed For Girl Scout Work

Committee appointments were completed this week for the organization of Girl Scout work with the Merkel troop as follows: Mrs. Powell Miller, general chairman, Mrs. Hob Robertson, program, Mrs. Carroll Benson, camping, and Horace Boney, finance. Fred Starbuck is public relations representative.

Girl Scout Troop 2-2, with Mrs. Doyle Seiffred as leader and Mrs. Lester Dorton, assistant, meets at the cabin at 3:45 p. m. Monday. Members are Glenda Pangle, Elaine Whitaker, Geraldine Lindsey, Collette Springer, Clydene Eager, Jean Halbert, Jane Lindsey, Lajon Case, Barbara Jean Sylvester, Johnnie Reynolds, Paka Newby, Sue Case, Pat Palmer, Ester Lou Stutville, Conita Bagby, Tommie Maddox, Vernell McLean, Wanda Bradley, Kay Wylie, Carol Ann Deen and Jackie Hogan.

Brownie Troop 2-1, with Mrs. Bowman Barlow as leader and Mrs. Vernon Mansfield and Mrs. Tom Keenan as assistants, meets at 3:45 p. m. Wednesday at the cabin. Members are Annette Boney, Ann Benson, Sue Sylvester, Michael Miller, Pelly Pope, LaKay Whitaker, Kay Lynn Perry, Barbara Smith, Rita Patricia Eidsen, Romona Faye Brooks, Donnelle Keenan.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Cleburne Cochran and son, Gary, visited in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fayne Perry, of Aspermont. Also visiting in that home were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ransom. They attended a rodeo held at Aspermont on Armistice Day in which Mr. Perry won 3rd place in calf roping.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Vick of Clint were weekend visitors with his sisters, Mrs. Dub Derstine, and Mr. Derstine, and Mrs. Mack Tucker and Mr. Tucker.

Mrs. R. E. Neal arrived Tuesday afternoon from McKinney for a short visit with her aunts, Mrs. Adah Heeter and Miss Sadie Woodrum.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Murray and daughter, Mrs. James Benshoff, visited over the week-end with their son and brother, Dean Murray, and family at Midland. Mr. Murray remaining over to spend the week.

Here for a visit Sunday with his sister, Mrs. J. M. Spurgin, and Mr. Spurgin, was her brother, F. L. Moore, of Carbon, a former resident here about 30 years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger A. Burgess of Waco were visitors Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Patterson, as they were returning home from Lubbock.

Mrs. W. L. Whatley of Houston visited the past week with her brother, W. R. Cox, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Winter and family, since selling their home on Oak street, have removed to Abilene, where they are residing at 1149 N. 15th street. Their many Merkel friends regret to see them leave but are glad the move is no farther.

Both of their daughters are here visiting in the Dr. C. B. Gardner home. Mrs. L. M. Davis, of El Paso, was accompanied by her husband, who returned home Sunday, while she remained for a longer visit. The other daughter, Mrs. W. P. Ricamore, and her husband, are from New Brunswick, N. J.

Misses Ona and Pauline Johnson, of Grand Prairie, former residents here, visited Thursday and Friday of last week with Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Patterson and other friends.

Mrs. Ted Windham and Joan Brown accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Mondel Rogers and daughter, Gerry, of Sweetwater to Fort Worth Saturday. Gerry participated in a style show at Cox's Department store and won third place.

Oliver Webb Reported Improving at McKinney

Oliver Webb, who was rushed to the Veterans hospital in McKinney on Nov. 2 in serious condition, has reported to his wife that he is receiving the best of care and treatment and is hoping to be home for Christmas. He is most enthusiastic in his praise of the hospital and the staff of doctors and nurses, who have been attending him.

TEACHERS WILL ATTEND STATE CONVENTION

Several teachers from Merkel will attend the 70th annual convention of the Texas Teachers association at Dallas Nov. 25, 26 and 27, which is expected to set an all-time record for attendance.

The local schools will have a double holiday, Thursday and Friday, for Thanksgiving.

MERKEL COUPLE CELEBRATE 50TH WEDDING DATE

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Reynolds observe Golden Anniversary With Family Dinner at Home Sunday; Many Friends Call.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Reynolds, who have resided in Merkel since 1925, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a family dinner in their home Sunday.

John Wesley Reynolds and Georgia Sidney Brown were united in marriage in Hayes, Robertson county, Texas, on Nov. 17, 1898, and the observance of the anniversary was advanced to Sunday so that their children and families from out of town might be present.

They have seven living children, 22 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren. The children are: Mrs. John Weaver, Mrs. L. B. English, Mrs. Bill Peterson, all of Merkel, Mrs. Travis Callahan, of Delano, Calif., Mrs. J. V. Arnold, of Brownwood, O. J. Reynolds, of May, and Lee Mack Reynolds, of Pecos. One son, Pvt. Homer Reynolds, was killed in Italy during World War II.

A large tiered wedding cake, inscribed with the letters, "Happy Anniversary," centered the dining table where a sumptuous dinner was enjoyed. The couple was presented a lovely set of Wm. Rogers silverware by their children, and several other gifts were received from friends and other relatives.

Gathered at the table for the family dinner were the celebrants, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Reynolds, Mrs. L. B. English, John, George and Lucille, Gerrie Jinks, Mr. and Mrs. John Weaver and Helen, Mrs. Bill Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Dugan, of Ranger, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Reynolds, Bob, Bonnie and Maureen, of May, Mr. and Mrs. Pink Crossin, of Ranger, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Reynolds, Nancy and Robert, of Baird. One son, Lee Mack Reynolds, who returned to Pecos Saturday was unable to be present on account of his wife's illness. A number of friends called in the afternoon.

Party Celebrates Double Birthdays

Ida May King was complimented with a surprise party on her seventh birthday anniversary, and Allen D. King, Jr., on his fourteenth birthday anniversary by their mother, Mrs. Allen D. King, at their home after school on Nov. 3.

As the school bus drove up to the house, every one on the bus starting singing "Happy Birthday" to the honorees. Those who had arrived in cars came out of the house to join the other group. Pictures were taken and then an hour of games followed. The honorees opened their many gifts and then the two groups gathered around their tables with matching decorations and centered with tiered birthday cakes which were served with punch, candies and other cakes to the following: Kathleen Bryan, James Etheridge, J. B. Swinney, Jimmy Riggan, Venita Quattlebaum, Nova Sparks, Louise Royals, Oneta Price, Becky McLean, Fred Royals, Amelia Fay Martin, Bennie K. Whiteside, Jerrel Lee Butman, Letrache Davis, Calvin Lee Davis, John Otis Young, Sarah Davis, Betty Lou Riggan and Allen D. King, Jr.

John R. Weston of Augustine, N. M., Deloris Reese, Camille Johnson, Linda Sue McLean, Patricia Johnson, Nathan B. Moore, Nita Lee Moore, Byron Fellers, Syra Swinney, David Washburn, Georgie May Reed, Ida May King, Jimmy Moore, Buddy and Sue King.

Grown-ups present were: Mrs. Frank Demere, Mrs. O. W. Reed, Mr. and Mrs. John Coomer, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Moore, Jack Reed and the host and hostess.

Billy Tarpley Attends Convention in Kansas

Billy Tarpley, Merkel FFA boy, left Dallas Sunday morning on a special train with about 450 to 500 other Texas Future Farmers to attend the National Future Farmers convention in Kansas City, Mo. Billy won the expense paid trip by selling the highest number of subscriptions to the Southern Agriculturist magazine.

The 20th anniversary celebration of the Future Farmers of America extends from Nov. 15 to 19. While in Kansas City the boys will be entertained royally and taken on several educational excursions.

Receives Son's Pictures Displayed at Fair

From the public relations office of A. & M. college, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Bland have received reprints of the four large pictures of their son, Cpl. Bobby Bland, junior student at the college and member of the B-Flight Air Force, which were displayed at the State Fair of Texas this year and of which they have reason to be proud.

Shown with him in one of the pictures is President F. C. Bolton, of A. & M. college. Another picture shows him leaning on a tractor wheel and looking at a college folder.

While in Dallas with the call corps for the SMU-A&M game, Bobby with other members of the meat judging team went to Fort Worth and graded and classified meat all morning at the Swift & Co., packing plant. "That is a big outfit over there," he wrote his parents. "I saw several trainloads of beef. Swift's set us up to a dinner in their cafeteria."

Bobby, who is majoring in animal husbandry, is rated by school authorities as one of the college's outstanding students.

Last Rites Held for Miss Frances Castles

Miss Frances Castles, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Castles, died at 6:30 a. m. Saturday at the family home following a year's illness.

Funeral services were held at 4 p. m. Sunday from the First Baptist church, with the pastor, Dr. Arthur Travis, of Hardin-Simmons university, Abilene, officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill cemetery, under direction of the Barrow-Sheppard Funeral home.

Palbearers were Earl Baze, Comer Haynes, Clyde Bartlett, Dean Biggins, Howard Carson and Horace Boney.

Graveside services were in charge of the Merkel Eastern Star chapter, of which she was a member.

Miss Castles was born June 30, 1910, at Newark, Wise county. She moved with her family to Abilene in 1925 and was graduated from the Abilene high school in 1926. She received her bachelor of arts degree, magna cum laude, from Hardin-Simmons university in 1930 at the age of 19.

She taught in the Abilene schools several years and in the Arizona schools for 12 years, seven at Casa Grande and five at Phoenix. She was state secretary of Delta Kappa Gamma in Arizona for three years. She had been a member of the Baptist church since a young girl.

Surviving are her parents; three brothers, V. C. Castles of Fort Worth, J. E. of Lubbock and C. C. Castles of Houston, and two nieces, Ann and Sue Castles of Fort Worth.

Among out-of-town relatives and friends here to attend the funeral were: Mrs. Anna McCright, of Fort Worth; Mrs. Nannie Portwood, of Birdville, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Walker, of Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. Benton Poe, of Winters, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Copeland, of Blackwell, Mrs. Drew Arrington and daughter, Betty, of Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hollis of Fort Worth, Orville and Vernon Walker, of Fort Worth, Mrs. E. E. Reeves, Mabel Reeves, Mrs. Emma Hill, Ruth Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Ellis, Mrs. J. F. Cook, Dr. and Mrs. Arnett, Mrs. Arthur Travis, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Webb, Mrs. Emma Gerhardt and Mrs. W. E. Fairless.

Air Force Enlistees Given Farewell Supper

The young people of the Calvary Baptist church under the leadership of Miss Edith Thompson enjoyed a supper at her home given in honor of Lawrence Hewitt and Billy Walker who were going into the Air Corps Monday, Nov. 15. Present were Lawrence Hewitt, Billy Walker, Anna Marie Hewitt, Kenneth and Floyd Handley, Bethlee Thompson, Edith Thompson and visiting from Sweetwater, Miss Lucille Smith.

Wins Award for Flower Arrangement

In the Junior Women's Garden Club fall flower show, recently held in Fort Worth, Mrs. Ross Ferrier, Jr., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bryan of this city, won the outstanding arrangement award.

She displayed an arrangement of dried material and succulents. A picture of Mrs. Ferrier with her arrangement display was carried in the Star-Telegram.

SERVICES HELD FOR PIONEER TRENT WOMAN

Mrs. Eliza Bell Vessels, 75, Passes Away Shortly After Noon Saturday; Six Sons and Three Daughters Survive.

Trent, Nov. 18.—Mrs. Eliza Bell Vessels, 75, resident of Trent for nearly 40 years, died at 12:40 p. m. Saturday at her home. She had been in ill health for the past three years and had been bedfast three months.

Funeral services were held at 4 p. m. Sunday from the Trent Baptist church, with the pastor, Rev. B. L. Higdon, officiating, assisted by Rev. J. W. Fielder, Methodist pastor. Burial was in the Trent cemetery by the side of her husband, who died Dec. 20, 1930. Barrow-Sheppard Funeral home was in charge.

Palbearers were Leonard Quattlebaum, Othell O'Kelly, Milton Patton, Arnold Armstrong, H. A. Purser and James Earl Stevens, Jr. Flower girls were Mesdames Wayne Boyd, Carrie Mae McElroy, Elmer Freeman, Alton Martin and Ora Taylor.

Mrs. Vessels was born Eliza Bell Ivy on May 15, 1873, in Gray Chapel, Ala., and came to Texas with her parents at the age of 16. On Jan. 22, 1893, she was married to J. T. Vessels at Crandall, Kaufman county. The couple moved to Trent in 1909. Mrs. Vessels had joined the Baptist church at the age of 16 and when the family moved to Trent she placed her membership in the church here.

Surviving are six sons, W. A. of Monahan, Dex of Los Animos, N. M., V. E. of Eastland, B. T. of Royalty, H. H. of San Angelo and R. P. of Houston; three daughters, Mrs. Ora Harris of Merkel, Mrs. Clea Hot of Gainesville and Mrs. Frances Sparks of Trent; 22 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren; one brother, J. H. Ivy of Dallas, and one sister, Mrs. M. J. Usleton of Denton.

Six Area Boys Enlist in Army Air Forces

Pvt. Bobby Joe Harris, who volunteered Nov. 8 for three years' service in the Air Forces, returned on Tuesday to his base at Sheppard Field after attending the funeral of his grandmother, Mrs. J. T. Vessels, in Trent Sunday afternoon.

Other boys from this area who also volunteered for three years in the Air Forces were: Orville Brown, Sherwood McWilliams and Lawrence Hewitt. Billy Reynolds of Trent left at the same time for one year's service and Billy Walker left Monday of this week for one year's duty. All were assigned to Sheppard Field, Wichita Falls.

Annual John Deere Day Held Wednesday

More than one hundred farmers were guests of the Bullock Hardware for the Annual John Deere day Wednesday. Chili and beans, with cookies and coffee were served at the lunch hour and in the afternoon they were treated to a special showing of "The Sugar Plum Tree," with added educational pictures at the Queen theatre.

In serving the noon meal, Mrs. Harry Bullock was assisted by Mesdames Nim Teaff, Jarrett Pinckley, Austin Petty and Stanley B. King.

Reece Barone, of Stamford, representing the John Deere company, was among the out-of-town visitors.

Boy Scout Court of Honor Friday Night

A court of honor for Merkel Troop 20 of the Boy Scouts of America will be held Friday night at the Grammar School auditorium, beginning at 7:30 o'clock. It is announced by Scoutmaster James H. Chaney.

Badges and awards are to be presented by the troop committee, Johnny Hammond, D. B. Bowen and Jay Greenfield.

Announces Purchase of Butane Gas Business

Mina Winter announces the recent purchase of the Butane gas business of Earle Watts, which he will continue in the same efficient manner. In making the sale, Earle Watts retained the sale of Butane systems and appliances and will continue in business at the same location on North Second street.

Badgers Upset Wolves 33-21 in Last Game

The 1800 fans who braved the cold weather here last Friday night really "got their money's worth" as they saw the Merkel Badgers turn in a magnificent performance to upset the Colorado City Wolves, 33-21, in the last game of the season for both clubs.

This upsetting of the dope bucket left the Badgers and Colorado City tied for second place in the final standing of the 6A West race.

It was one of those games in which neither team had much respect for the other's defense and scored whenever they got hold of the pigskin.

The entire local team played heads-up all the way to chalk up their fourth win of the season. The home town boys scored in the middle of the opening period, Wayne McLean going over left tackle from the four yard line, after Donald Douglas had recovered a Colorado fumble on the Wolves' 33. The extra point kick by McLean was good.

On the very next play from scrimmage W. H. Barker raced 55 yards for the visitors' first T. D. The kick by Conway was good, knotting the count at 7-7.

The Badgers forged ahead again early in the second frame when Donald Douglas rammed his way over from the three-yard stripe, after Wayman Hicks had recovered another CC fumble on the Merkel 49. McLean's kick was no good this time. The gold shirted locals went further ahead after Brandon Wade had re-

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Three Parties of Deer Hunters Return

In one party of deer hunters that returned the latter part of last week, all four brought back bucks: Harold Wilson, a 9-pointer, J. L. Fisher, a 9-pointer, Ray Wilson, 8-points, and Joe Cypert, 7 points.

Joe C. Higgins topped another group with a 9-pointer, and Paxton Hays, Houston Robertson and Ellis Harris each got a buck. V. Garner and Jimmy Harris were other members of this group.

Nolan Palmer, N. T. Hodge and C. O. Patterson of Lawn, who were joined by Dr. L. C. Zee, at Midland, were unsuccessful.

Return from Trip to Northern New Mexico

Dr. and Mrs. James H. Chaney and Richard Doyle returned Sunday from an eight day trip to northern New Mexico. They visited Dr. Chaney's uncle, Rev. D. B. Chaney, who is pastor of the Assembly of God church in Gran Quivira, N. M., and were members of a party of fourteen who hunted deer in the mountains at an altitude of 8,000 to 9,000 feet.

Bake Sale.

The Youth Division of the Methodist church will hold a very fine bake sale in front of the Bragg store, Saturday, Nov. 20, beginning at 1:30 p. m. Delicious pies, cakes and other sweets are to be sold. The proceeds will go to relief of churches in distress overseas.

MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

(From Files of The Merkel Mail, November 16, 1928.)

GROWN-AT-HOME FURS MAY ADORN MERKEL WOMEN.

Skins of bob-cats, wolves and coons are adding to the wealth of this section of West Texas, according to reports of the number of these animals captured by trappers in the territory south of Merkel in the vicinity of the White, Mungler and Chaney ranches.

Reports from this section state that twenty bob-cats, a number of wolves and a few coons have been caught in the past few days. Trappers are in that territory, under employment to "run down" the wild animals who prey upon the sheep and goats in that section. It is understood that two-thirds of their salary is paid by the state and one-third by the sheep and goat owners. Skins of the animals are valuable and who knows but the Merkel women will next year be wearing furs "grown at home."

TRIPLET CALVES ON CHARLES ORR RANCH AT NUBIA

Charles Orr, living south of Nubia, believes he has the "wonder cow" of this section. This cow, although

BADGERS CLOSE OUT SEASON IN TIE FOR SECOND

With Record of Three Games Won and Two Lost, Merkel Squad Moved Up in Standing to Tie The Colorado Wolves.

In the 6A West football conference race which ended last week the Merkel Badgers surprised most everyone, including "Skipper" Benson himself, by winding up in a tie with Colorado City for second place.

Before the head-knocking got underway last fall it was thought by most fans that Merkel and Snyder would have a private scrap for the cellar position in the loop.

Considering the experience and quantity of the material at hand, Coach Benson's lads did quite well in the tough 6A circuit. They won three games and lost two. Victories were won over Hamlin, Snyder and Colorado City. Losses were to Rotan and Roscoe.

The west half crown was won by Rotan and the east half by Anson. These two clubs will meet at Stamford on Friday to decide the full 6A championship and the right to meet Monahan in the bi-district battle.

The final 6A West standings:

Town	Won	Lost	Tied
Rotan	5	0	0
Merkel	3	2	0
Colorado City	3	2	0
Roscoe	2	2	1
Hamlin	1	3	1
Snyder	0	5	0

Merkel Club to Hold Achievement Day

Members of the Union Ridge and Bluebonnet Home Demonstration clubs will meet with the Merkel club for its Achievement Day to be held at the Community Center Friday, Nov. 19, from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m., and any other ladies interested are invited to come. Mrs. Rhett Eidsen, Jr., club president, announces.

A covered dish lunch will be served at noon.

Woody's Cafe Installs Gas Air Conditioner

Complete year-round air conditioning is provided in the Servel All-Year Gas Air conditioner, recently installed at Woody's cafe here, producing winter heating and summer cooling for just the right degree of comfort.

In making announcement of the installation, the Lone Star Gas company, a Texas corporation, uses a four-column display advertisement in this issue of The Mail, in which are featured the many advantages of the Servel all-year Gas Air conditioner.

A DAY EARLIER

On account of the Thanksgiving holiday, The Mail will go to press Wednesday next week, instead of Thursday and those having news items are asked to furnish them to the paper Tuesday.

DILTZ AND DERRICK BRING BACK PROOF OF VERY SUCCESSFUL HUNT.

W. L. Diltz, Jr., and C. T. Derrick returned Wednesday from an eight day hunt on the Mexican border and as evidence of their success they produced proof of having killed three deer, 75 ducks and three geese on Matagorda Bay.

The Merkelites were joined at Gonzales by C. E. Dilworth and J. M. Davis, who continued with them on the hunt to Matagorda.

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In The Churches

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE
Attendance at the seven reporting Sunday Schools last Sunday was 816 as compared with 729 on the previous Sunday. The attendance on the same Sunday a year ago was 766.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.
Rev. Joe Allen, pastor of the Baptist church at Moran, will fill the pulpit at both services Sunday, 11 a. m. 7:30 p. m. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Training Union at 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting at 7:30 Wednesday evening.

METHODIST CHURCH.
Church School 10 a. m. Morning worship 11. Youth Fellowship 6:30 p. m. Evening worship 7:00. WSCS Mondays, 3 p. m. Mid-week prayer Wednesdays, 7:00 p. m.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
Sunday School at 10 a. m. Morning sermon at 11 o'clock. Evening preaching services at 7 o'clock.

CHURCH OF CHRIST.
Bible School 9:45 a. m. Sunday. Worship 10:50 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Young People's meeting 6:00 p. m. Midweek service Wednesday 7:00 p. m.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD.
Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Services Thursday 7:30 p. m.

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH.
Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Mid-week prayer meeting at 7:30 Wednesday evening.

NAZARENE CHURCH.
Sunday School 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Prayer meeting at 8 p. m. Wednesday

J. L. (Buster) HESTER, agent for Abilene Reporter-News and Dallas Morning News; office with Watt's Butane.

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Hospital Notes.

(Mrs. J. A. Patterson was re-admitted Saturday to Sadler hospital for treatment of burns. Other patients received during the week for treatment were: Mrs. C. C. Browning, Nov. 10; Ida Pearl Lilly, C. E. Curry, Nov. 11; Mrs. W. E. Byrom, Jack Boone, Nov. 12; Marie Turner, Karl Irvin, Mrs. John Boyd, Nov. 14; Donald Ray Harris, Nov. 15; J. D. Boyett of Tye, Harvey Jones, Nov. 16; S. D. Gamble, Mrs. Lon Stevens, Sammy Tipton, Nov. 17.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to the many friends for their kind words and deeds during the illness and death of our dear mother. Especially do we thank and love those who visited her so faithfully through her long months of suffering. We will always remember the beautiful floral offerings and our special thanks go to the ones who prepared food. The Vessels Children.

Record of Births.

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Harlon Winter, Wednesday, November 17, 1948.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

Subscribers to The Mail are requested to notify the publisher of any change in their address promptly. If notice is sent by the post office department of a change in address, newspapers and periodicals must pay postage due on each notice. Besides there is always the possibility that you will miss a copy as second class mail is not forwarded. Best plan is to send the change of address in advance.



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Legal Notices

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS.
TO: Henry Kelly, Jr., 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 December, 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 8th day of Nov., 1948.
The file number of said suit being No. 16,022-A.

The names of the parties in said suit are: Zeola Kelly as Plaintiff, and Henry Kelly, Jr., as Defendant. The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Plaintiff and defendant were legally married in the year 1952 and were separated in the year 1934. There were no children born to said marriage and there is no community property to be adjudicated. Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of cruel treatment.

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

Issued this the 8th day of November, A. D., 1948.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 8th day of November, 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: J. L. Woodall, 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 December, 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 26th day of October, 1948.
The file number of said suit being No. 5914-B.

The names of the parties in said suit are: Geneva Woodall as Plaintiff, and J. L. Woodall as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Plaintiff and defendant were lawfully married on or about the 12th day of August, 1947, and they separated on or about February 16th, 1948.

No children were born to this union and there is no community

property to be divided.

Plaintiff sues for divorce on the grounds of cruel treatment.

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

Issued this the 27th day of October, A. D., 1948.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 27th day of October, A. D., 1948.

(Seal) J. Neil Daniel, Clerk, 104th District Court, Taylor County, Texas.

By Dorothy Smith, Deputy.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF TAYLOR

Notice is Hereby Given That by virtue of a certain Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County, of the 26th day of October, 1948, by J. Neil Daniel, Clerk of said 42nd District Court, for the sum of Thirty-Three Hundred Fifteen and 50/100 (\$3,315.50) Dollars and costs of suit, under a judgment of foreclosure, in favor of Roy R. Jones, in a certain cause in said Court, No. 15,975-A, and styled Roy R. Jones vs. Jimmie B. Hayes and wife, Mildred E. Hayes, placed in my hands for service, I, H. T. Fleming, as Sheriff of Taylor County, Texas, did on the 28th day of October, 1948, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Taylor County, Texas, described as follows, to wit:

Being a part of Block No. 1, Central Park Addition to the City of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, and being the North 75 feet of the following described tract of land:

Beginning at the North East corner of a tract of land out of the East half of Block No. 1, Central Park Addition to the City of Abilene, conveyed by M. A. Youngblood and wife, Dora May Youngblood by deed recorded in Volume 287, page 314, of the Deed records of Taylor County, Texas, to Lynn Ray;

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Thence North with the East line of a 2.55 acre tract conveyed to M. A. Youngblood by deed recorded in Volume 247, page 386, of the County Deed Records, 150 feet to corner;
Thence West parallel with the South line of said 2.55 acre tract to the West line thereof;
Thence in a Southerly direction with the West line of said 2.55 acre tract to the North West corner of the Lynn Ray tract;
Thence East with the North line of the Lynn Ray tract to the place of beginning,

and levied upon as the property of Jimmie B. Hayes and Mildred E. Hayes and that on the first Tuesday in December, 1948, the same being the 7th day of said month at the Court House door, of Taylor County, in the City of Abilene, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said Order of Sale I will sell said above described Real Estate at public vendue, for each, to the highest bidder, as the property of said Jimmie B. Hayes and wife, Mildred E. Hayes.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for

three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale in the Merkel Mail, a newspaper published in Taylor County.

Witness my hand, this 28th day of October, 1948.

H. T. FLEMING,
Sheriff, Taylor County, Texas.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: John N. Fisher, 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 6th day of December, 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 14th day of October, 1948.
The file number of said suit being No. 5892-B.

The names of the parties in said suit are Wanda June Fisher as Plaintiff, and John N. Fisher as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Plaintiff and defendant were married on or about July 1, 1946, and lived together until on or about April, 1947. No children were born of said union and no community property was accumulated.

Plaintiff sues for divorce on the grounds of cruel treatment and asks that her former name be restored.

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

Issued this the 21st day of October, A. D., 1948.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 21st day of October, A. D., 1948.

(Seal) J. NEIL DANIEL, Clerk, 104th District Court,

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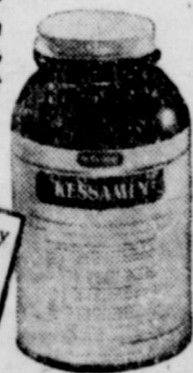
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Total of 263 Parents Visit Grammar School

A total of 263 parents visited the local Grammar School during American Education Week, Nov. 7-13, it was reported early this week by Principal C. A. Farley.

Mrs. Bob Owens' sixth grade room won the \$5.00 prize for having the greatest percentage of parents visit with a mark of 43.6 per cent. Mrs. Johnny Cox's seventh grade room won second place with 40 per cent of the parents visiting.

Throughout the entire grade school, grades 1-8, about 26 per cent of all the parents, both mothers and fathers, visited sometime during the week. There were 25 fathers in attendance.

As has been the custom for the past several years the local Parent-Teacher association sponsored the observance of American Education Week in the local schools.

Principal Farley stated: "Parents are not only welcome during Education Week, but they are urged to visit the classrooms at any time they care to. They are always welcome."

Proclaims Nov. 25 as Thanksgiving Day

Washington, Nov. 18.— President Truman Saturday proclaimed Thursday, Nov. 25, as Thanksgiving Day. He urged citizens to "render generous assistance to the hungry and homeless in other lands, thus renewing our devotion to the cause of goodwill among men."

The President asked divine guidance in helping to safeguard the "right to live in freedom and peace."

The text of the proclamation: "As the traditional day of Thanksgiving approaches, our thoughts incline, as in previous years, to the richness of our blessings. The spiritual endowments of our country are undiminished; we may, as always, walk as free men unafraid. Our harvests have been bountiful, our production of goods abundant. Our resources have permitted us to aid the needy and helpless of other lands.

"We are privileged to participate in international efforts to advance human welfare. We are profoundly grateful for the existence of an international forum where differences among nations may be submitted to world opinion with a view of harmonious adjustment.

"We pray this year not only in the spirit of thanksgiving but also as supplicants for wisdom in our approach to the problems confronting this nation. Believing in the dignity of man and his right to live in freedom and peace, we ask divine guidance in helping to safeguard these gifts for ourselves and other peoples of the earth.

"Now, therefore, I, Harry S. Truman, president of the United States of America, in consonance with the joint resolution of Congress approved Dec. 26, 1941, designating the fourth Thursday of November in each year as Thanksgiving Day, do hereby proclaim Thursday, Nov. 25, 1948, as a day of national thanksgiving; and I call upon our citizens to observe that day by giving thanks to almighty God for the bounties which have been bestowed upon our nation and by resolving to render generous assistance to the hungry and homeless in other lands, thus renewing our devotion to the cause of goodwill among men."

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**Enroll 100 Per Cent in
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This is one of the best records of professional interest among schools of Taylor county.

Gen. John J. Pershing's first assignment after graduation from West Point was to be military instructor at the University of Nebraska.

See J. W. HAMMOND at the Ben Franklin store, if you are in the market for lumber.

**Bluebonnet HD Club
In Achievement Day**

The Bluebonnet Home Demonstration club met in the home of Mrs. Leroy Riney, the clothing demonstrator, for Club Achievement Day, with Mrs. E. J. Patterson, the president, presiding.

Mrs. Riney showed clothing such as dresses, coats and underwear she had made for her family, stating that it cost her about one-third of what it would have cost her had she bought them ready-made. Mrs. Riney also demonstrated the use of a buttonhole attachment she used on her machine, and the use of elastic thread for gathering material.

Mrs. J. K. Whiteside demonstrated the "dot snapper" on western shirts she had made. Mrs. Bill Wallace, Mrs. E. J. Patterson, Mrs. A. R. Toombs and Mrs. Wade Ensminger showed lovely articles of crochet and embroidery. A lovely quilt top made of silk blocks was shown by Mrs. Ford Butman, who also showed purses made in Cairo, Egypt, made and tooled from camel skin, and a dainty handkerchief crocheted out of fine silk thread from Cuba. Mrs. Tom Russom showed canned food.

Miss Anna Lucy Lane, HD agent, gave some council reports and Mrs. Wade Ensminger made a report on the THDA convention in Temple. The club voted to have the Christmas party on Dec. 14 in the home of Mrs. Adrain Farmer at 2 p. m.

Delicious cake and coffee were served to Mesdames A. R. Toombs, Bill Wallace, J. K. Whiteside, E. J. Patterson, Ford Butman, Wade Ensminger and Leroy Riney and Misses Anna Lucy Lane and Betty Jo Seymour.

**To Exhibit Show Herd
Chicago, Nov. 27-Dec. 4**

Roy Largent and Son's will exhibit their show herd of Herefords at the International Live Stock Exposition and Horse show in Chicago, Nov. 27-Dec. 4. They will show breeding cattle and the steer that was reserve champion at the R. J. Royal Hereford show at Kansas City, Mo.

**Badgers
(Continued from Page One)**

covered another CC fumble on the Merkel 37 and the Badgers marched 63 yards to pay dirt. Billy Harris circling left end from the four. The feature of this drive was a sensational 20-yard pass play. Douglas to Roger Bailey, which carried to the CC 19. Score at the half: 19-7.

In the second half it appeared that the Badgers were never going to get their hands on the ball. The Wolves took the second half kickoff on their own 18 and drove straight for a touchdown without giving up the ball, Barker crashing over from the one-yard line. Conway kicked the extra point to make the count 19-14.

Merkel fumbled on the next play after the ensuing kickoff and the Wolves recovered on the Merkel 30. A few plays later Barker tallied from the 15. Conway's kick was good and put the invaders ahead for the first time, 21-19.

The enterprising local lads were not through for the night, however, as they took the next kickoff and marched 73 yards to the "promised land." Douglas made the last two yards. Douglas passed to Dudley Farr for the extra point, which put Merkel ahead once more, 26-21. The best play of this sustained drive was another beautiful pass to Roger Bailey, this one good for 30 yards and carried to the CC 30.

Benson's boys added insult to injury when a few plays later Wayne McLean intercepted a Colorado pass on the 50 and raced it back to the 20 in one of the most exciting plays

of the contest. Five plays later Douglas scored from the four-yard line. Sidney Williams caught a pass for the last point of the game.

Full credit should go the Merkel forward wall which played a bang up good ball game on the defense, doing a good job in holding W. H. Barker in check.

Statistics: First downs: Merkel 17, Colorado City 15; net yards rushing: Merkel 203, CC 242; passing, Merkel 3 of 5 for 86 yards; CC 3 of 7 for 42 yards; punts, Merkel 1 for 25 yards; CC none; penalties, Merkel 3 for 25, CC 3 for 25.

Individual yardage: McLean 94 yards in 11 carries; Harris 28 yards in 7 tries; Douglas 30 yards in 10 attempts; Wade 51 yards in 5 carries.


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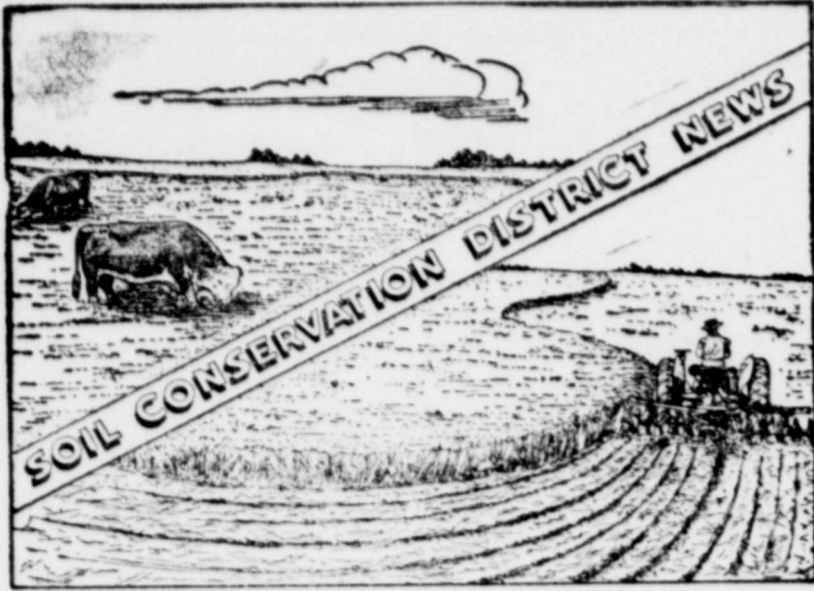
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Leslie Cory, who operates the D. L. Bristow farm and who is cooperating with the district in the Boyd Chapel group, has recently planted 30 acres to winter peas in combination with abruzzil rye on deep sandy land for wind protection, winter cover, and for grazing. These crops were planted at the usual planting rate with a grain drill and 175 pounds of super phosphate was applied per acre. Mr. Cory planted this crop in sudan grass stubble to prevent blowing and to afford protection to the young plants.

C. W. Jones, of the Carpenter's Gap Conservation group, has planted 40 acres to winter cover crops this fall on his sandy land farm. Mr. Jones applied 175 pounds of super phosphate per acre to his plantings. He has planted 10 acres to hairy vetch and rye, and 30 acres to winter peas. These were planted with a combination grain and fertilizer drill at these planting rates: vetch 10 pounds and rye 20 pounds per acre and winter peas 20 pounds per acre. These crops were planted for wind protection, for winter cover, grazing, and possibly for a seed or hay crop.

E. L. Eason, of the Shiloh group, has planted his 3-acre sudan patch to Madrid sweet clover. Mr. Eason planted a few sweet clover seed in a flower bed last year and the re-

sults of this trial convinced him of the merits of this crop. This was planted at the rate of 3 pounds seed per acre, in 3 feet rows and by use of small seed planting attachments. Mr. Eason is hopeful this crop will improve the soil tilth, break up the hard pan, and furnish some early spring grazing.

These district cooperators have recently constructed new terraces; C. T. Derrick and Bill Spurgin of the North West Noodle group completed 2 and 2.5 miles, respectively; Troy Sloan 1 mile, R. L. Stephenson 1 mile and Carl Baccus 5 miles, all of the N E Noodle group; O. T. Eason, 3 miles, Clyde Allred 2 miles, and Mel Barkley 3 miles, all of the Comperre group. A number of other jobs are in the process of construction.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express our appreciation to those whose thoughtful deeds and tender words of sympathy brought comfort to our hearts in the loss of our loved one.

May God's richest blessings be upon you.

The Castles Family.

Teachers Visit School At Abilene, Sweetwater

Starting this week, arrangements have been made whereby each Wednesday one of the teachers in the local grammar school will be given the day off to go to Abilene or Sweetwater and observe some outstanding teacher at work in the classroom.

This arrangement was made as an aid to the teachers who recognize the need for self-improvement. It is hoped that the local teachers will be able to get some new and different ideas from observing other teachers at work and as a result do a better job of teaching the Merkel boys and girls.

Oddly enough, many of the local elementary teachers have never seen another teacher in action except during their observation and practice teaching at college.

Arrangements are being made, too, for some of the Abilene teachers to come to Merkel to observe some of the local teachers at work.

Mr. H. A. Newsom, director of elementary education at Abilene, has stated that the Merkel Grammar School is from three to five years ahead of most of the grade schools in Abilene now.

LEGAL NOTICES

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Mrs. M. E. Bales, T. E. Bales, R. D. Miller, Guy Yantis, R. C. Young, M. Allard, J. P. Simons, J. R. Brownfield, Mrs. Lizzie Parker, T. W. Peal, E. L. Mercer, George B. Brown, Lela Collins, A. Freeman and R. E. Montgomery, and if any of the named defendants herein be dead the names or name of the heirs of such defendant who may be dead or unknown to plaintiff insofar as the named defendant may be an heir or other defendants 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 29th day of November, 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 12th day of Oct., 1948.

The file number of said suit being No. 5888-B.

The names of the parties in said suit are: Elma McFarland, a Widow, as Plaintiff, and James Doan, Mrs. M. E. Bales, T. E. Bales, Ben T. Meyers and wife, Mrs. Ben T. Meyers, R. D. Miller, J. P. Simons, Loyd Thomas, J. R. Brownfield, R. C. Young, J. M. Wagstaff, Mrs. Annie L. Stevens, Mrs. Willie Allen, Will Watson, Mrs. Lizzie Parker, T. W. Peal, Harvey C. Brown, E. L. Mercer, Guy Yantis, L. S. Munger, Geo. B. Brown, Mrs. S. T. Dowda, Lela Collins, L. A. Freeman, M. Allard and R. E. Montgomery as Defendants.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Tresspass to try title and title by adverse possession of 10 years limitation on the part of plaintiff against the defendants to Lots 1 to 7, and Lot 14, Blk. "A" and all of Block "B" of Miller's Subd. of Block 20, and all of Block "A" of Freeman's Subd. of Block 21, College Addition to Merkel,

Taylor County, Texas, and to quiet plaintiff's title and for all legal and equitable relief to which the plaintiff may be entitled to and for cost of suit, for all of which the plaintiff prays.

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 October, A. D., 1948.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 15th day of October; 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: Elmon Lewis, 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 December, 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 27th day of October, 1948.

The file number of said suit being No. 15,924-A.

The names of the parties in said suit are: Lizzie Lewis as Plaintiff, and Elmon Lewis as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Plaintiff and defendant were legally married on or about October 16, 1940, and they separated on or about August 2, 1948.

There were no children born to this marriage union and their property consists of household goods of little value and an automobile which belongs to plaintiff; said automobile being a 1941 Ford Sedan.

Plaintiff sues for divorce on the

Continental and Auto-Lite Batteries
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grounds of cruel treatment and desertion.

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(Seal) J. Neil Daniel, Clerk, 42nd District Court, Taylor County, Texas. By Dorothy Smith, Deputy.

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CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE

1942 Ford sedan for sale or trade, terms if desired; may see car Sunday, Oscar McLean, Merkel, Texas.

FOR SALE — Butane plant, up-ground 250-gal., good as new, worth the money. Lee Ward, 4 mi. north of town.

1938 Ford tudor, new paint. Badger Chevrolet Company.

FOR SALE—Oliver "70" tractor tool bar, blank row equipment, 5 and 6 gears, good rubber, good motor, also 1933 Chevrolet in good shape. Vayden Horton, 1507 Second St.

1934 Ford coach; a bargain. Palmer Motor Company.

5-pc. extension table, 4 chairs, maple finish, sturdy built; bargain at \$35.00. The Swap Shop.

FOR SALE—Regular Farmall tractor, fair condition; also six disc Oliver oneway, completely rebuilt at Bradley's shop; both for \$500. Lee Ward, 4 mi. north of town.

Gas heater, \$4.00 to \$7.00.
5-pc. unfinished suite, \$20.00.
Corner cabinets, \$15.00.
Fiber bottom chairs, \$2.50.
RCA electric radio, \$12.50.
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1932 Ford coupe. Badger Chevrolet Company.

FOR SALE—1947 "B" Farmall tractor, with tool bar, planter and 2-row cultivator; one 5-disc oneway and seeder that sets on tool bar; also a 6-foot John Deere oneway. R. G. Stout, 2-3, Merkel.

NICE, SMALL 2-room house and lot for sale at a bargain. Cyrus Pee, Agent.

DRIVE-IN CAFE for sale or trade at Trent, Texas. See Lee Roy Martin.

1947 Pontiac sedan coupe, perfect, all the extras. Palmer Motor Co.

LIVING ROOM SUITE, gas cook stove; 1940 Chevrolet coach. Special Deluxe, \$875.00, cash or terms. See at Nazarene parsonage. R. T. Smith.

PIGS FOR SALE, six-weeks-old; also shoats for sale. See Green Preslar, 8 miles Southwest Merkel.

FOR SALE or trade furnished triplex, North 3rd, Abilene, 3 separate units, income around \$150 month, for property in or near Merkel. Ford Smith, Jr., Route 4, Merkel.

1937 TUDOR Plymouth; new overhaul on engine and four good tires, radio and heater. See Pat Cypert.

1937 Chevrolet tudor. Badger Chevrolet Company.

TABLE TOP gas cook oven control, bell type, very nice, \$74.50. The Swap Shop.

2-pc. living room suite, like new, \$87.50. The Swap Shop.

FOR SALE—3-4 bedstead, springs and mattress; all in good condition. T. L. Grimes.

1942 Mercury, top condition; radio, heater and seat covers. Badger Chevrolet Company.

FOR SALE — 5-ft. Frigidaire. J. J. White.

BRICK BUILDING for sale. Mrs. A. J. Graham.

New 5-radiant gas heaters, butane or natural, \$13.50. The Swap Shop.

1946 Chrysler Windsor 4-door sedan, all the extras. Palmer Motor Co.

FOR SALE — International truck chassis. See Supt. R. A. McCollum of the Merkel Public schools.

1937 Pontiac coupe. Palmer Motor Company.

1947 Chevrolet 5-passenger coupe; cleanest car in town. Badger Chevrolet Company.

FOR SALE — Brand new .22 rifle, \$25.00. Tommy Webb.

FOR SALE — Good bundled cane, with heads, 10 cents per bundle; also bundled kaffir corn, 12 cents per bundle. Sam Martin, Route 1, Snyder, 17 miles southwest of Snyder.

30-50 Winchester rifle, been fired only 15 times.

.38 S. & W. long barrel revolver, perfect condition, Cleveland trumpet, good student instrument. JAMES H. CHANEY.

FOR SALE—640 gal. round, galvanized water tank, in good condition. See L. B. Whitaker.

FOR SALE—One Farmall "20" and other farm implements. J. T. Williamson, Route 2, Merkel; two miles east of Noodle.

We have a dandy Help-Yourself laundry, doing a good business; building and equipment; priced to sell. 5 rooms and bath, south side; a good buy, \$3,250.00. House to be moved; a bargain. 6-rooms and bath, on 2-corner lots; it is very nice, and well located. We have several buyers for good farms. If you care to sell, come in to see us. DOWDY AND TOOMBS

FOR SALE—1941 Plymouth 4-door, in excellent mechanical condition; new paint job. Sam Butman.

1941 Ford tudor; good condition. at Badger Chevrolet Co.

1938 Plymouth; good car, new paint, radio and heater. Badger Chevrolet Co.

FOR SALE — 1941 Plymouth 4-door, in excellent mechanical condition; new paint job. Sam Butman.

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Merkel, Texas.

SEED WHEAT for sale. J. E. Touchstone, 12 miles north of Merkel.

LODGE CALLS

Stated meeting of Merkel Chapter 212, Order of Eastern Star, will be held, Tuesday, Nov. 23, at 7:30 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, Nov. 25, at 7:30 p. m. All members are urged to attend. Visiting brethren cordially invited.

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Let's Weigh the Evidence

Your scales can be a valuable ally to your judging eye! For years livestock breeders have kept weight and performance records, as well as pedigrees. Now many commercial producers are taking a tip from them. Recording birth weights and weaning weights of calves, pigs and lambs. Using their records to help cull, to select their likeliest breeding stock.

There is lots of evidence of the value of your scales in helping your eye. Here are just a few examples:

1) At Purdue University they weighed 7,554 pigs from 784 litters. Here's what they found. Pigs that weighed THREE pounds at birth averaged 28 pounds at weaning. But pigs that weighed TWO pounds at birth weighed only 21 pounds at weaning. Of the heavy pigs, 77% lived to weaning age, against only 49% of the light pigs. And right up to market weight, the heavier pigs had a higher rate of gain.

2) The U. S. D. A. has kept a 14-year record on beef calves. Birth weights vary from 40 to 109 pounds. Their finding: heavier-than-average calves reach a 500-pound weaning weight and 900-pound marketing weight faster than lighter-than-average calves. You know what that means! Less feed. More and quicker profit.

3) Sheep Experiment Station men at Dubois, Idaho, find they can use the scales to select breeding stock for greater production in the future. Their ewe lambs, which are heavier than average at weaning time, prove to be the best producers in total lamb weight and fleece weights.

4) At the University of Wyoming they divided dairy heifers into light and heavy weight groups. The "heavies" weighed 24 pounds more at birth. But at six months they averaged 43 pounds more per animal.

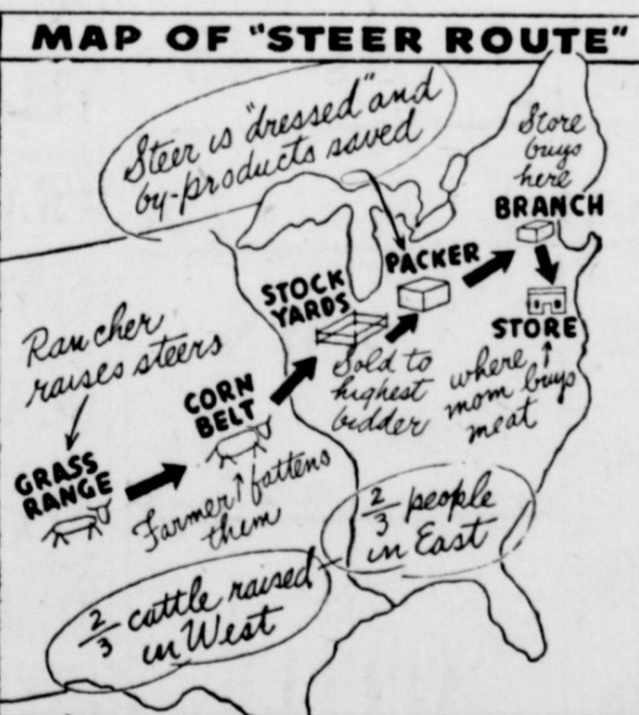
You need a good "judging eye" to tell you whether an animal has good conformation, is true to type, etc. But the evidence of recorded weights does point strongly to a general rule which can help your eye:

Keep or buy animals heaviest at birth or weaning!



Soda Bill Sez:

It pays to say good of folks. A feller will nigh "bust" himself trying to be as good as he thinks you think he is.



From grass range to gas range, in our big nation most of the livestock is raised far from where it is eaten—an average of more than 1,000 miles. Swift & Company helps bridge this gap and balance the supply in one area with the demand in another. Efficient processing and distribution keep the meat moving to markets all over the country. For these services Swift earns a profit of a fraction of a cent a pound. This has no noticeable effect on either meat or livestock prices. It's the demand for the available supply in the nation-wide markets which governs the price of meat and thus the price of livestock. For the price we pay for animals must be based on what the meat and by-products will bring.

OUR CITY COUSIN

Cries City Cousin, the silly child, "Look! Jack-o'-lanterns growing wild!"



Early Fall Roundup

Rams equipped with a web harness for holding colored chalk, help "write" their own breeding records. This device is being used in the breeding flocks of many large Wyoming ranchers. It helps owners keep their records. They know when ewes will lamb... which lambs are from which sire.

Many feeder cattle are prone to contract shipping fever. This disease is a type of pneumonia. It may be brought on by fatigue, irregular feeding and exposure. Vaccination, two weeks before shipping, helps reduce the danger, reports the University of Illinois. Cattle arriving in the feed lot should be protected from cold winds and rain. Light, bulky feeds like whole oats and roughage should be fed. Sick animals should be isolated promptly and a veterinary called.

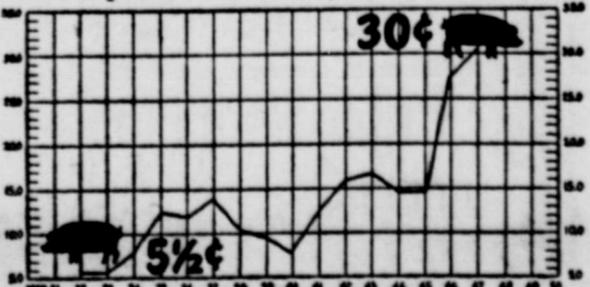
Control swine parasites—make more profit, suggests the University of Minnesota. Even fall pigs may be infested with internal parasites. Strict sanitation is the key to control. Clean and scrub farrowing pens with boiling lye water. Wash the sides and udders of sows with soapy water before farrowing. After farrowing keep the pigs on clean pasture until bad fall weather sets in.

Prices of Hogs May Rise or Fall But Competition Sets Them All



I have been with Swift & Company for 46 years. Most of my work has had to do with the buying of hogs and selling of pork and pork products. I would like to make a point that I believe should be of interest to you, as producers.

Do you remember when the top price for hogs in Chicago was 5 1/2 cents a pound? Some sold for as low as 3 1/2 per pound. That was in December, 1932. This year hogs hit an all-time high of more than 30 cents a pound. No meat packing company can



control either livestock or meat prices. More than 3,500 competing meat packers and 22,500 other commercial slaughterers see to that. So do 35,000-000 meat-eating families. No packer's buyer can hold down the price of livestock. No packing company could boost up the price of meat.

Now, here's the point I want to get across to you. Those prices, both lowest and highest, were set by (1) the supply of hogs, and (2) the demand for pork.

Steward

Mr. Lund, guest editor this month, is Vice-President of Swift & Company in charge of hog buying, processing and distribution of pork products.

Conserving Grass Is Profitable

by B. W. Allred
Soil Conservation Service
Fort Worth, Texas



The safest way to maintain a thriving livestock industry is to keep the ranges well stocked with vigorous, productive grasses—and covered with a protective shield of left-over grass. In animal production, sound grazing management is as important as breeding.

Grassland vigor and durability depend upon correct cropping. Lenient use and alternate rests help the plants to reproduce from seed, tillers, rootstalks and surface runners. When grasses flourish, greater animal gains are made.

Observations of bluestem show that when about half the top growth is grazed (on the average), livestock gains may be 25% higher than when 75% is eaten. One bluestem meadow mowed repeatedly 4 to 6 inches high yielded nearly 30% more hay than a similar area cut 2 inches high.

When left-over grass breaks the force of beating rain, moisture penetrates six or seven times deeper than when the ground is bare. Springs are sustained in even flow on leafy grasslands. Litter shades and cools the ground, cuts down evaporation. It finally decays and unites with the soil to form porous mould in which teeming millions of beneficial organisms process soil nutrients that plants must have.

That portion of grass consumed each year provides profit. The portion left maintains plant vigor, protects soil and insures continued production.

Martha Logan's Recipe for INDIVIDUAL PORK ROASTS

4 1-inch-thick shoulder pork chops 1/2 tablespoon chopped onion
1 teaspoon prepared mustard 1/2 teaspoon sage
2 cups bread crumbs 1 teaspoon salt

Spread chops with mustard. Make a dressing of bread, onions and seasonings with just enough water to moisten. Brown chops in a heavy skillet. When well browned, top chops with dressing pressed firm. Bake covered in a moderate oven (350° F.) for 20 minutes. Uncover and bake 15 to 20 minutes until dressing is crisp and brown. (Yield: 4 servings.)



The Red Wagon

No doubt you've seen the food trucks, so gaily painted red, that travel 'round the country, helping keep our people fed? The story of these trucks is a story you should know—it started in New England, some ninety years ago. There a boy, Gustavus Swift, who later won renown, bought a heifer, butchered it, then sold it 'round the town. Stave made a little profit—two dollars, it is said. It wasn't much to start on, but it helped him get ahead. His wagon—yes, you've guessed it—from which he sold his meat, was a vivid red in color, to be noticed on the street. Stave moved on to Boston where his trade began to grow, then headed for Chicago, where he started Swift & Co. Now the Swift trucks deliver meat and butter by the ton, and they're counted by the thousands instead of only one. To this day Swift trucks are red, that all the world may know this trademark of the business Swift started years ago... and on each load delivered, Swift earns a service fee—a fraction of a cent a pound, saved by efficiency.



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:- Society :-

MISS DORIS COOPER BECOMES BRIDE OF W. H. WILLIAMSON IN CHURCH CEREMONY.

The First Baptist church was the scene of a pretty informal wedding Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock when Miss Doris Cooper became the bride of W. H. Williamson before an audience of fifty relatives and close friends of the couple. The vows were read before an altar decorated with white mums, by Rev. B. L. Higdon, pastor of the Baptist church at Trent. Wedding music was played by Miss Sandra Sadler who also played accompaniment for Miss Jane Hughes to sing "Oh, Promise Me" and "Because."

Attendants for the wedding were Miss Wanda Daniel as maid of honor, Lester Lee Hopper of Noodle as best man, and ushers were Naylor Eoff of Noodle and Don Kelly of Roscoe.

The bride is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Cooper. She was a popular member of last year's graduation class and has since been serving as nurse's aide at the Sadler Clinic, in which capacity she will continue to work. She was very beautiful for her wedding in a suit of blue wool with corsage of white carnations. For something old she carried a silk handkerchief belonging to her great-grandmother; for something new, she wore a bracelet, a gift from an uncle, and for something borrowed, a locket belonging to her aunt. Miss Daniel's suit was of pink wool and she wore a corsage of white carnations.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Williamson of Noodle. He graduated from the Noodle school in 1946 and has been engaged in farming until recently he is employed at the Gypsum plant in Sweetwater. After a short wedding trip, the couple is at home in an apartment on Edwards street.

Reception at West Home.

Members of the wedding party and relatives were entertained with a pretty reception following the Williamson-Cooper wedding, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul West on Oak street Sunday afternoon. Green and white, nuptial colors, were again used as house decorations where approximately thirty-five guests assembled. The table was centered with a tiered cake surrounded by white mums and satin streamers. Miss Jane Hughes served frosted mint punch and Miss Sue Mayfield served the wedding cake after it had first been cut by the new bride and groom.

ABILENE GIRL AND MERKEL MAN ARE WED.

The marriage of LaNelle Witcher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Witcher, 941 Victoria, Abilene, and Marvin Leroy Perkins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mac Perkins of this city, was solemnized Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the home of the bride's parents.

Hollis Swafford, Church of Christ minister, read the ceremony before a mantel decorated with white gladioluses and a garland of fern tied with white satin bows.

Gene Bagley, pianist, played "I Love You Truly" and "Because" and traditional wedding music.

The bride, who was given in mar-

riage by her father, wore a white crepe dress styled with cap sleeves, low tight-fitting waist and gathered skirt. She wore a white feather hat. Her only ornament was a string of pearls belonging to her mother. She carried a white Bible topped with white carnations and streamers. A favorite Scripture was marked with a blue satin ribbon.

Joye Witcher, sister of the bride, as maid of honor, wore a blue crepe dress designed with draped folds forming two bows at the back. She wore a pink feather hat and carried a nosegay of pink asters. Linda Joyce England, niece of the bride, was flower girl.

Virgil Lee Perkins of Big Spring was his brother's best man.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held.

Mrs. Perkins, graduate of Abilene high school, is employed by the West Texas Utilities company. A graduate of Merkel High school, Mr. Perkins served five years in the Army during the war, part of the time in Japan and the Philippines. He is employed by the Hicks Auto Supply. On their return from a brief honeymoon, the couple will be at home in Abilene.

FORTNIGHTLY STUDY CLUB.

Members of the Fortnightly Study club met Tuesday afternoon at the Community Center, with Mrs. Wrean Durham as hostess.

Mrs. Powell Miller reviewed in highly interesting manner Frank T. Kane's "Bride of Fortune."

The following members answered roll with "Unusual Professions for Women": Miss Christine Collins, Mesdames Edwin Read, Earl Lasseter, Elma McFarland, Grif Barnett, Vincent Barnett, Hoyt Byrd, Johnny Cox, David Gamble, S. D. Gamble, Comer Haynes, Ben Hicks, Bowman Barlow, Earl Hughes, Powell Miller, Geo. T. Moore, Weldon McAninch, W. T. Sadler, H. C. West, Paul West, Weston West, P. C. Wylie and Azy Shouse.

GIFT TEA COMPLIMENTS MRS. WILLARD PAINE.

The lovely, spacious home of Mrs. Joe Douglas was the setting for the pretty gift tea Friday evening of last week, naming Mrs. Willard Paine, nee Billie Joe West of Galveston, honoree. Assisting Mrs. Douglas were Mesdames O. L. Justice, D. A. Lee, Leroy Eason, Etsel Hunter, George Woodrum, Joe Nalley, Henry Curington, A. R. Sharp, B. T. Sublett, R. A. McCollum, R. N. Campbell, Troy Cummings, L. S. Kingsbury, P. C. Wylie, Clyde Eager, C. W. Tipton, Grover Gilbert and Misses Margaret Sharp, Norah Foster and Vada Campbell.

Mrs. Leroy Eason greeted the guests and presented the honoree and Mrs. O. W. Paine, mother of the bridegroom. Yvonne Perkins, cousin of the bridegroom, presided at the registry, while Wilma Paine, sister of the bridegroom, invited guests to the dining room where refreshments of coffee and pie were served by Mrs. Etsel Hunter, Miss Vada Campbell and Mrs. Ben Sublett. Miniature footballs and dainty tea napkins, with "Billie and Willard" printed in silver, completed the refreshment

plate. Large purple and white mums were used throughout the house and white tapers lighted the dining room. Misses Margaret Sharp, Billie Gregory and Dorothy Perkins presided in the gift room where a lovely array of gifts was shown. Invitations were extended to approximately 140 guests.

Among those present from out-of-town were Lila McNabb, Sue Baucum, Irene Phillips, Jean Roberts, La Jauna Payne, Louise Adams and Bobby Holden, co-members with Mrs. Paine in the Gata club at Abilene Christian college, and Beverly Hale.

MERKEL HD CLUB.

Plans for the Christmas party were made when the Merkel Home Demonstration club met Friday afternoon of last week in the home of Mrs. Bob Fowler. The Christmas party will be held in the home of Miss Lottie Butman on Dec. 10.

For the club's Achievement Day—Friday, Nov. 19—members of the Union Ridge and Bluebonnet clubs will be guests. It will be an all-day affair, with a covered dish lunch.

Mrs. Denzel Cox and Mrs. Wade Ensminger gave interesting reports of the THDA convention recently

held in Temple.

Members present were Mesdames W. C. Lee, J. Ben Campbell, Bill Henager, Bob Fowler, Edwin Orr, Don Riney, Quincy Garner, S. G. Russell, Jr., Bill Mason, J. W. Bryan, Rhet Edson, Jr., Odis Bagby, Sella Cutler, Harry Barnett, L. P. Isles, Denzel Cox, Gordon Pursley and Miss Lottie Butman.

DINNER PARTY HONORS VISITORS.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Largent extended gracious hospitality on last Friday evening, entertaining with a dinner for Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Ricamore and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Davis, house guests of Dr. and Mrs. C. B. Gardner. Beautiful fall flowers decorated the home and the table was centered with white chrysanthemums. A delectable menu was served with barbecued chicken as piece-de-resistance. Mr. and Mrs. Chester Innes of Abilene were present, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Ricamore, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Davis, Dr. and Mrs. C. B. Gardner and Mr. and Mrs. Largent.

"MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR"

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Sublett entertained their neighbors with a "Meet Your Neighbor" 42 party, Monday

MOVIE CALENDAR

:- QUEEN :-

Friday - Saturday — Double feature program: Tim Holt, Nan Leslie in "Wild Horse Mesa" and Dorothy Lamour, George Montgomery in "Lulu Belle;" Popeye cartoon and serial.

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday — Edward G. Robinson, Lauren Bacall, Humphrey Bogart, Lionel Barrymore, Claire Trevor in "Key Largo;" color cartoon and latest News.

Wednesday - Thursday — John Lund, Wanda Hendrix, Barry Fitzgerald, Monte Woolley in "Miss Tatlock's Millions;" color cartoon and sport.

night, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Abbott and Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Wallace assisted as co-hosts.

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