

## Bloodmobile Unit Here February 26

A definite date for the Bloodmobile in Merkel has been set for Tuesday, Feb. 26, at the Community Center between the hours of 1 to 7 p. m. It is hoped and expected that at least 150 to 200 pints of blood can be furnished by the people of Merkel and surrounding communities while the Bloodmobile is here.

A meeting of the blood recruitment committee has been called for 1 p. m. Tuesday Jan. 15, by Lester Dorton, chairman of the Merkel blood program, to make plans for the visit of the Bloodmobile here.

Dorton has asked that any persons wishing to donate blood or help with the Bloodmobile's visit contact him or Mrs. Elma McFarland, Red Cross home service worker.

A special meeting of the recruitment committee was held last Saturday, which was called by Bob Springer of Abilene, county blood chairman. Those attending this meeting included Jack Boles of Abilene, Springer, Dorton, Mrs. Elma Farland, Mrs. Mattie Belle Newberry, Mrs. W. T. Sadler, Mrs. E. L. Horton, Jr., Mrs. Ben Hicks, Mrs. Nolan Palmer, and Mrs. John S. Hughes.

## Championship Ball Game Here Tuesday Night

The basketball district leadership will be at stake Tuesday night, January 15, in the local gym when the Badgers take on the ancient rivals, the Roscoe plowboys.

Merkel will be handicapped by the loss of two boys who have been regulars for the last two years, Bob Johnson and Arlan Harris. Bob lost part of his right thumb in an accident during the Christmas holidays and Arlan injured his ankle last week-end when his horse fell on him. The local lads have won four games while losing three in games through Tuesday. The wins have been from Ballinger, Clyde, Hamlin, and Roby while the losses were to Avoca, Clyde, and Sweetwater. Boys composing the "A" team are Billy Harris, Boyd Moore, Kelton Williamson, Merkel McCoy, Bobby Dye, Connie Mac Seymore, Eugene Dye, Eddie Breaux, Sammy Scroggins, and Doyle Black.

## Singing Sunday At Pioneer Memorial

Singers from all surrounding towns and communities and a special quartet from Littlefield are expected at Pioneer Memorial church next Sunday afternoon. The singing convention, beginning at 2 o'clock, is expected to be one of the largest attended of any yet held there.

The public is most cordially invited to come and hear the splendid music sure to be furnished.

## School Favorites Elected at Assembly

At an assembly meeting at the high school Tuesday the school favorites were elected.

Gaylon Johnson was voted best all around boy and Martha Beene best all around girl. Billy Harris was elected most popular boy and Maxine Kerns most popular girl.

Other favorites are Beth Thomas, football sweetheart; Boyd Moore, pep squad sweetheart; Peggy Scott, shop sweetheart; Mary Criswell, band sweetheart; Barbara McLeod, F. F. A. sweetheart, and senior class favorites are Joy Johnson and Joe Frank Warren.

## RECORD OF BIRTHS

Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Gilmore, January 7, 1952.



**CONSUMER ADVISORY COMMITTEE**—The Consumer's point of view was under discussion at a recent meeting of the National Consumer Advisory Committee with Office of Price Stabilization officials in Washington. A portion of the committee is shown here with Mrs. Chase Going Woodhouse (center), Special Assistant to Price Stabilization Director Michael V. Disalle who serves as chairman. Members and the organizations nominating them are from left to right: Dr. Hazel Kyrk, American Home Economics Association; Samuel Jacobs, Congress of Industrial Organizations; Mrs. Gilbert F. Loeb, General Federation of Women's Clubs; Thomas X. Glancy, American Legion; Mrs. Woodhouse; Mrs. member, National Association of Consumers; Wallace J. Campbell, League of the United States; Dr. Dorothy B. Ferebee, Negro Women; Dr. Persia Campbell, National Board; Sherrard, American Association of University Women.

## Funeral Tuesday For Mrs. Barnes, Who Died Sunday

Mrs. A. H. Barnes, long-time resident of Merkel, died Sunday in Oklahoma City where she had been visiting a daughter, Mrs. Cleo Burges.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 p. m. Tuesday at the First Baptist Church with Rev. Joe S. Allen of Kermit, former pastor here, officiating. Starbuck Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Born in 1872, she married A. H. Barnes Dec. 20, 1891. The couple moved to Merkel in 1900 and she has lived here until three months ago when she went to Oklahoma City to visit her daughter.

Survivors include her daughter; one son, E. B. Barnes of Merkel; two brothers, Charlie Martin of Greenfield, Texas, and Escondido Martin of California; two sisters, Lucie Minter of Greenville, and Lizzie Richie of Oklahoma City; six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

## Lions Club To Hold First 1952 Meeting

The regular meeting of the Merkel Lions club will be next Tuesday January 15 at the Community Center.

This will be the first meeting of the Lions in the new year and the first since the December 18 meeting. There will likely be much of interest to come before the meeting and it is hoped all members can be present.

## HOSPITAL NOTES

Admissions to the Sadler hospital the past week were reported as follows:

As medical patients—Wright Dischman, Mrs. A. W. Cook, January 4; Mrs. Elmer Patterson, January 5; Patsy Swann, (transferred from Albany hospital), Mrs. W. P. Mashburn, Mrs. W. A. Henger, January 6.

For surgery—Herman Carson, Mrs. F. E. Roberson, January 7.

## HIGGINS REUNION

A family reunion of the Jesse Higgins family was held during the holidays. All their children and grandchildren were present for the occasion which was most pleasant for all of them.

## HELP HER WALK AGAIN:



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## NEWS ABOUT TOWN

Mrs. T. J. McAden of Big Lake is the house guest of her son, L. H. McAden and Mrs. McAden.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Swofford and sons, Jimmy and Larry visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Reece during the holidays.

Mrs. Guy P. Darsey of Austin is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Hamm, while Mr. Darsey is attending a Furniture Market in Chicago.

Pfc. Ernest R. Reynolds, who is stationed at March Air Base spent a 15-day furlough visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Reynolds and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn White and Larry of Jacksboro were here last week assisting in taking inventory of their local store and making preparations for spring business.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Farmer and Dale, accompanied by Mrs. J. O. Armstrong, visited the latter's brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Smith and son of Granburg the past week-end.

Pvt. Zedic Glenn Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Zedic L. Johnson has returned to Ft. Leonardwood, Mo. to continue his study of leadership school after spending the holidays with his parents.

Mrs. Winnie Cyfert received word Tuesday that her sister, Mrs. Rozell Moss, 78, of Southgate, Calif. was in a hospital there after receiving 2nd and 3rd degree burns from a fire in her apartment.

Guest in the Twyman and John Collins homes over the week-end were V. D. Jones of Bagwell and Ed Jones of Clarksville. Mrs. Collins' nephew, Hoyt Starr of Denver.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Henderson and son, Bob of Dallas were last week-end guests of Mr. Henderson's brothers and sisters, The Henderson Brothers, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Eoff of Hamlin.

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While making this announcement for reelection to the office of county commissioner for precinct 4, Jones County, I wish also to express my deep appreciation for the loyal support and for your helpfulness to me in the performance of my duties. It has been a real pleasure to serve the people of this precinct.

I have made every effort to serve you to the best of my ability and I pledge that I shall continue to do so if reelected. The responsibilities and duties of a county commissioner requires much time, effort and experience to be efficiently performed, and I have put my best efforts into performing said duties.

This is to earnestly solicit your support and influence in the coming election, and it is my promise that if reelected, I shall do my very best to serve honestly and fairly to all.

Sincerely,  
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Pfc. Clyde Wurst, Jr. left for Scott Field, Ill. Tuesday morning where he is attending Radio school, after spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Wurst, Sr.

Pfc. Bobby Gilbert returned Monday to Tyndall Air Force after a 15-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Grover Gilbert. He will report January 16 to Columbus, Miss. for Aviation Cadet training.

Dr. and Mrs. E. R. Barker, Healdton, Okla., visited in the home of his sister, Mrs. Jesse Higgins, on Route 3. Dr. and Mrs. Barker had been to Calif. visiting their children and stopped here enroute home.

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## Fisher Again Heads Merkel School; New Officers Are Chosen

The Merkel School Board met in regular session last Tuesday evening and after accepting the resignations of President Dewel McLean and Secretary Louie Herring, reorganized and elected M. H. Ely president, and Ray Wilson secretary.

The reorganized board then proceeded to grant a new 3-year contract to Mack Fisher, superintendent of schools; Carroll Benson, head coach, and Chester Collinsworth, vocational agriculture teacher.

Principals Edwin Read and C. A. Farley have contracts already in effect.

The election of other faculty members and school employees will be considered in the near future.

Members of the school board, and in fact the entire citizenship, regret the loss of Messrs. McLean and Herring. Both men have played

an important part in the advancement of the Merkel schools and they will be missed.

In discussing the action of the school board in offering him another 3-year contract Mr. Fisher expressed his appreciation for the cooperation received from the board members, faculty, students, patrons, and those interested in the schools. "It has been a pleasure to work in Merkel, and I am looking forward to continued improvement in the school system so that we can better meet the needs of the boys and girls in our school," he added.

"During the past three years many improvements have been made in the school plants such as new buildings, side walks, equipment in classrooms, and repairs to buildings. In service training has been held in both high school and grade school. Evaluation by an outside committee was made from the first through the twelfth grade and a high rating was received by each.

"In December the school was given membership in the Southern Association of Secondary

Schools and again the rating was high. To be a member of this organization is the highest rating a school can have."

It is of this latter Mr. Fisher is justly proud and under his supervision we can expect the Merkel schools to go still further in his efforts to achieve perfection.

## Bank Officials Remain Same

At a meeting Tuesday night of the board of directors of the Merkel F. & M. National Bank the same officers were chosen to guide the institution for the next year. They are Booth Warren, president; H. C. West, vice-president; W. S. J. Brown, vice-president; Geo. T. Moore, cashier; Mary Collins, C. E. Tipton and Mildred Hamm, assistant cashiers.

There was no change in any of the directors who remained Sam Butman, Sr., H. C. West, W. S. J. Brown, W. T. Sadler and Booth Warren.

## Ready To Pay Poll Tax? Collector To Be Here Next Week

You will have an opportunity to pay your poll tax next week without the necessity of going to the county court house to do it.

Assessor-Collector Pretree will have one of his collectors in Merkel next Tuesday and Wednesday for the purpose of collecting your taxes before the January 31 deadline.

On Friday of this week the collector will be in Trent for the day to collect taxes from all in that area.

Office space for the collector here will be provided at the Merkel city hall.

## Pfc. Kinsey Moved To Hospital In Japan

Pfc. Gilford Jerome Kinsey, who was wounded in Korea December 18, has written his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Kinsey, that he has been transferred to an army hospital in Tokio, Japan. The doctors are making further x-rays and reports are he is making satisfactory progress.

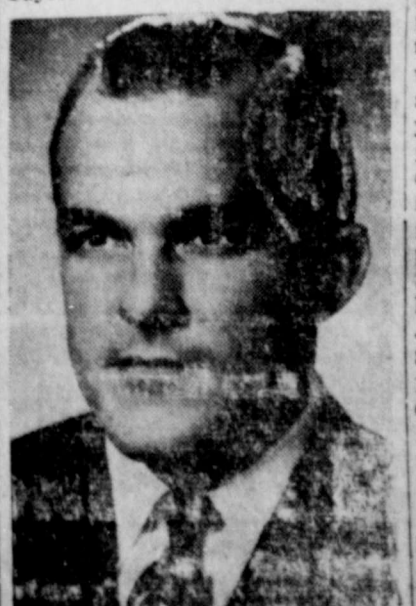
## Jack Cox To Seek 17th District Seat In Congress Race

State Rep. Jack Cox of Breckenridge has announced his candidacy for Congress from the 12-county 17th Congressional District.

"Many important and vital issues face the people of our district and our nation," Cox said in his announcement. "It is my intention to take a positive stand on all such issues, whether domestic, national or international, believing that our people deserve and need public servants who are not afraid to take a stand.

"I earnestly solicit the support and the votes of the people of this district, and pledge a vigorous and active campaign. I will carry this campaign to every voter so that all may know me and the things I stand for."

Counties in the 17th Congressional District are Callahan, Comanche, Eastland, Erath, Fisher, Hamilton, Jones, Nolan, Palo Pinto, Shackelford, Stephens and Taylor.



JACK COX  
Candidate For Congress

## Merkel 20 Years Ago

TAKEN FROM THE 1931 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

### HEAVY RAINFALL

A heavy downpour of rain greeted Merkel and vicinity Monday morning, accompanied by thunder, lightning and a strong wind. Precipitation amounted to one inch.

### BANK CLOSING

Beginning this week all area banks will close at 5 p. m. instead of at 6 as was done all last year. Opening hour will remain at 8 a. m.

### FACULTY ENTERTAINED

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Williamson entertained at their home last Friday night honoring the faculty of the Trent school. Games of "42" were enjoyed after which refreshments of banana fluff, cake and coffee were served.

### CATTLE SHIPMENTS

Monday of this week Fred Baker shipped a carload of mixed cattle to the Fort Worth market and on Wednesday Collins Bros. made a shipment of a car of calves to the same market. Arriving here on the same day were twelve carloads from Rankin for pasturage on the wheat land of Pierce Horton north of town.

### NEW YEAR PARTY

A new year welcoming party was given by Mr. and Mrs. Earl Teague at their Oak street home last Thursday evening. Games of bridge were played until the midnight hour brought the New Year and good wishes to all.

### GO TO FAMILY REUNION

Mrs. J. T. Keifer and little daughter, Betty Jane, and Ocie Burns are in Hico attending a family reunion held at the home of their sister, Mrs. R. C. Hampton.

## This Happened in Merkel Forty Years Ago

TAKEN FROM THE 1911 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

The outstanding social event of the new year was the leap year party given Monday evening by the bachelor girls of Merkel to their boy friends. The young men were escorted to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Courtney Hunt by the young women for an evening of games and refreshments. The honored boys were Choc Jones, Buford and Carl Evans, Jesse Ferguson, Frank Ferrier, Bill Shepard, Lester Ellis, Lewie Barnett, Sam Swann, Luther Grimes, Parker, Oly and Roscoe Sharp, John West, Lytton Howard, Tyre Sublett and Taylor Jennings. The young ladies who were their escorts were Mattie Paylor, Fannie Burrough, Eunice Nesbitt, Elma Sheppard, Virginia and Verona Hamblett, Ezma Allday, Winnie Warren, Pauline Johnson, Winnie Barnett, Ruth Mims, Maude Martin, Mary and Floy Gunn and Maggie Roberts.

### TEACHERS TO MEET

Plans have been completed for the meeting of the Taylor County Teachers Association on January 16 at Abilene. H. O. Harris of Bradshaw is president of the association and R. A. Burgess of Merkel is director general in charge of arrangements.

### HERE FROM A. & M.

Sgt. and Mrs. Frank H. Mathews of A. & M. college spent the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Mathews here. Sgt. Mathews is an instructor at A. & M.

### HOLIDAY VISITORS

Miss Avis Weir of Georgetown and Miss Mary Hall of Austin, teachers in the school at Wink, were holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Haynes.

### OLD-TIME REVIVAL

An old-time revival meeting is being held every night at the Fundamental Baptist church. The public is urged to come hear the heaven-sent, spirit-filled, John-the-Baptist type of sermons delivered by Ernest C. Dowell, the evangelist.

### STITH H. D. CLUB MEETS

The Stith H. D. Club met last Friday in the home of Mrs. Bill Dunagin. Roll call was answered by members telling "What I Can Do In January to Make My Home More Cozy." Some very interesting hints were given by the 23 members present.

### SINGING CONVENTION

Tom Spears is urging all singers of surrounding communities to meet at Blair next Sunday for a real good singing at the convention starting there at 2 o'clock.

They went to the Martin lake to skate on the ice, as the prevailing cold weather had completely frozen it over. C. C. Franklin was perhaps too venturesome, skated too far out, the ice gave way and he was given a cold ducking he will long remember.

Pate and Rose are advertising their new barber fixtures and the fact they are now prepared to supply hot or cold baths to their patrons.

Ernest Costephens has returned to Abilene where he is attending a business college after having spent the past two weeks in Merkel enjoying the Christmas and New Year festivities.

It's reported that John Sears has just closed the deal for the purchase of another half section of improved land in the Merkel area to add to his already extensive holdings.



# SOCIETY

## ENTERTAINS WITH HOLIDAY DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. John Horton entertained friends and relatives with a dinner during the holidays. The group enjoyed playing games and singing a number of songs.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Absure Hartsfield and son, Oakfield, Calif.; Paul Light, Valley Home, Calif.; Alvin Skurlock and Ines, Hobbs, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Tulghan and children, Maryzeal and Waddy Horton, Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Westbrook and sons, Roscoe; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Kenner and E. M. Westbrook, Tuscola; Wilmer Westbrook, Mrs. Winter, Mr. and Mrs. Odis Westbrook and family, Lenda and Dan Royals, Garden and Lela Alexander and daughter, Ora Lee Durial, Mr. and Mrs. Arrell Westbrook, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Light and family, Mary John Carr, Mr. and Mrs. John Horton and family, Noodle; Edna Horton and children, Mrs. Kinsey, Merkel.

## KINGS DAUGHTERS CLASS

The Kings Daughters Sunday school class met Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Gertrude Pee with twelve members and one visitor present. Assisting the hostess were: Mesdames Deniz Cox, Ida Armstrong and David Cox.

The opening song was led by Mrs. C. K. Russell, the devotional by Mrs. Jenia Graham and the opening prayer was by Mrs. R. B. Johnson.

Scripture quotations were given as the roll call was made.

Plans for a valentine luncheon were made and a committee was appointed to make the necessary arrangements.

All the members joined in a short program of reading, and the closing prayer was by Mrs. L. A. Watts.

Present were one visitor, Mrs. J. M. Spurgeon, and the following members: Mesdames T. G. Bragg, V. W. Beene, A. B. Patterson, R. B. Johnson, T. J. King, C. K. Russell, Annie Berry, M. Armstrong, Jenia Graham, Bettie Sue Berryman, L. A. Watts and J. S. Pinkley.

## HONOR SISTER WITH DINNER

Mrs. Bill Jackson of Paltas, New Mexico was honored with a dinner in the home of her sister, Mrs. J. C. Riggan last Sunday. The afternoon was spent in playing games and talking of old times.

Friends and relatives present were: Mrs. Kate Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Swinney and children, Mrs. Howard Brown, Mrs. Hernan Wade and Jackie Mr. and Mrs. William Brown and Glenn, Mr. and Mrs. Murrel Riggan and child.



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en, Mrs. Clayton Doan and children, Mr. and Mrs. Dillard Snow and son, Mrs. Buddy Windham and children, Jerry Don and David Wayne Melton, Kent Satterwhite, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Riggan, Lola Mae, Betty Lu and Jimmy.

## FORTNIGHTLY STUDY CLUB

Choosing as their theme "Women of Achievement" the members of the Merkel Fortnightly Study club Tuesday brought one of their most interesting programs of the year. The meeting was in the home of Mrs. Weston West with the president, Mrs. H. C. West, presiding.

Mrs. Judd McReynolds, program chairman, opening the meeting with a quotation from Shakespeare, "Women are the books, the arts, the academies, that show, contain and nourish all the world." With these inspiring words as an incentive the members on the program brought out the points of "women of achievement" they had chosen to represent.

Mrs. Tommy Ellis gave excerpts from the life of "Grandma Moses." Mrs. Geo. T. Moore brought out the highlights in the life of Pearl Buck.

Mrs. David Gamble told of the struggles and achievement of Ethel Waters who has reached national fame.

Mrs. Judd McReynolds, substituting for Mrs. Mack Fisher who was ill, read several of the best known poems of Grace Noel Crowell.

Mrs. Norman Winter had chosen as her "woman of achievement" Carrie Jacob Bond. With Mrs. Winter accompanying Mrs. Vincent Barnett sang the immortal "End of a Perfect Day."

A letter from the president of the Texas Bar Association was read by the president in which was stated the need for women to pay their poll tax, to vote and continue to take an active part in the selection of our public officials. In this manner we can all become "women of achievement."

The Bar Association president brought out the fact that January is "citizenship month" in Texas and offered to designate a speaker from his association to address any federated club meeting. It was voted to accept this offer and to invite a speaker to come to Merkel and make a talk before an open meeting of the club, to which will be invited all women of the town and community to hear his "citizenship" talk and the need for a poll tax receipt to be a citizen. The Merkel Lions club and school officials will be asked to cooperate with the club in bringing a speaker here.

## SURPRISE BIRTHDAY DINNER

Mrs. Frank Golladay honored her husband with a surprise birthday dinner last Sunday night in their home.

Present for the occasion were Ruby Johnson, Mrs. J. H. Farmer, Danny and Randy, Douglas Riddle and Joy, Mrs. Howard Green, Kay and Jonny, all of Abilene, and Mrs. Robert Malone, Jo Ann and Bobby.

## MERKEL GARDEN CLUB

Mrs. John Hughes opened her home to the members of the local garden club on Thursday afternoon of last week and also served as chairman for the following program: Mrs. Carroll Benson presented an informative paper on the culture of geraniums and excerpts from the garden calendar for January and February was given by Mrs. T. E. Collins. A green arrangement was made by Mrs. Shannon and admired by all present.

Answering roll call were Mes-

dames W. S. J. Brown, Wade Ensminger, Herbert Patterson, C. L. Sherrell, Mack Fisher, Tye Sublett, John Hughes, John Shannon, Carroll Benson, T. E. Collins and Miss Christine Collins.

## HAYES-THOMPSON

Marriage vows were exchanged New Year's Day by Miss Oliveyn Thompson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Thompson, Lamesa, and David Crockett Hayes of Merkel, in the home of the bride's parents, at 10 a. m. Rev. Cloy Lysle of Park St. Church, Big Spring, read the double ring ceremony.

Floral decorations included a background of white gladioluses and woodwardia fern.

Musical selections for the occasion were "O Promise Me" and "I Love You Truly," sung by Miss Peggy Campbell, and accompanied by Miss Betty Campbell.

Attendant to the bride was Mrs. Cleo Green, sister of the bridegroom, Houston. Truett Thompson of Merkel, uncle of the bride, was best man.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was attired in a taupe brown suit with matching accessories. She carried a white Bible topped with a nosegay of white carnations.

A reception was held immediately following the ceremony. Mrs. Truett Thompson of Merkel served the two-tiered wedding cake and Mrs. Elvin L. Bearden of Big Spring ladled punch from a lace-laid table centered with an arrangement of white gladioluses. Miss Wanda Thompson of Abilene registered guests.

The bride is a graduate of Lamesa High school. The bridegroom graduated from Merkel High school and is now employed with Rumbaugh Contractors in Snyder.

The couple will reside in Snyder, following a wedding trip to Galveston and Port Arthur.

Guests attending the wedding from Merkel were Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Truett Thompson and son and Mrs. Omer Bishop.

Mr. Hayes is a nephew of B. T. Sublett of Merkel.

## UNION RIDGE HD CLUB

The Union Ridge Home Demonstration club met Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the home of Mrs. Gordon Pursley.

Mrs. Houston Clark led the opening prayer and Mrs. O. E. Harwell gave a preview of the new yearbook. Mrs. Don Riney presided over the business meeting and the installation of officers.

New officers installed were: Mrs. Gordon Pursley, president; Mrs. Houston Clark, secretary; Mrs. Kenneth Peck, treasurer; Miss Mabel McRee, council delegate, and Mrs. Denzel Cox, reporter.

Two new members were welcomed into the club. They were Mrs. W. C. Lee and Mrs. Wyonna Scroggins.

Refreshments were served to one visitor, Mrs. Morris Ashmore, and 13 members. Ten children were present.

The next meeting will be held January 18 in the home of Mrs. Houston Clark.

## GAME CLUB ENTERTAINED

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Shouse entertained members of their game club on Saturday evening of last week. Games of 84 progressed until the refreshment hour when delicious cart wheel sandwiches, rum cake and glazed pickles were served with coffee to Messrs and Mesdames Bob Hicks, John Hughes, F. Y. Gaither, Johnny Cox, Andy Shouse, Raymond Ferguson, Herbert Patterson, Mrs. Spencer Bird, Mrs. Louie McRee of Trent and Miss Christine Collins.

## ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Mrs. Helen Thomas Bennett, Yuma, Arizona, announces the engagement of her daughter, Lou Helen, to Rev. George H. Walker, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Walker of Waxahachie.

Lou Helen was graduated from YUHS in 1946. She obtained her AB degree from Stanford University in 1950, and will receive her Master's degree in Christian education from San Francisco Theological Seminary, San Anselmo, Calif., May 15, 1952.

Rev. Walker was graduated from Trinity University, San Antonio. In the spring of 1951, he received his Bachelor of Divinity degree from San Francisco Theological Seminary. He is now pastor of Grace Presbyterian Church here. The wedding will take place in Yuma, Ariz. the latter part of May.

Safety tips: Bad driving, not bad luck, causes accidents.

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## Marriage of Janice Patterson, Ralph Russell Solemnized Sunday at Methodist Church



JANICE PATTERSON in her wedding gown

Miss Janice Merle Patterson and Ralph Lynn Russell were united in marriage at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon in the First Methodist church. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clesby Patterson and the bridegroom is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Russell.

The Rev. Hugh H. Hunt, pastor of the church, read the double ring ceremony. Vows were said before an archway of white carnations and greenery.

The candlelight church was decorated with plumosa, white pompon chrysanthemums and gladioluses. Pews were marked with white satin and tapers burned in branched candelabras.

Mrs. Robert Malone, organist, accompanied Mrs. Homer Patterson who sang "Because," "I Love Thee" and "The Lord's Prayer."

The bride, given in marriage by her father, was attired in an imported gown of Chantilly lace, fashioned with scalloped illusion yoke and fitted bodice. The skirt of French slip length was flared and at the hemline accented by pleated nylon net. Her fingertip veil of French illusion fell from a satin tiarra, dotted with seed pearls. For something old she wore a ring which had belonged to her great-grandmother, and for something borrowed she wore a pearl necklace belonging to Mrs. W. P. Ricamore, which was sent to her by her husband from Japan. She carried a white Bible topped with a bouquet of white orchids and bridal wreath.

Attendants were Betty Jane Tittle, maid of honor; Sandra Sadler, student at Texas Tech, Lubbock, and Mrs. Sammy Doan, bridesmaids. Best man was Edgar Tipton, Weldon McAninch and Mack Knight, Jr. of Denton served as ushers.

Miss Tittle wore a gown of gold taffeta with matching halo of poms and lace. She carried a colonial muff designed with pompons.

The bridesmaids wore forest green taffeta dresses, and matching halos. They carried forest green muffs fashioned with nosegays of gold chrysanthemums.

Viola Allred and Helen Plumlee were candlelighters. They wore burgundy taffeta dresses with matching halos and mitts.

Both the bride and groom are graduates of Merkel High school and the bride attended Texas Technological college at Lubbock. She is a member of Beta Sigma Phi and Mr. Russell served in the China-India-Burma theatre during World War II.

Wedding guests attended from Annapolis, Maryland, Hobbs, N. M., Wichita Falls, Denton, Brown-

wood, Big Spring, Abilene, Sweetwater, Lawn, Hamlin, and Lubbock.

For traveling the bride wore a Swansdown wool tweed navy and white suit. Her white cloche was velvet and her corsage a white orchid.

After a wedding trip to New Orleans the couple will make their home in Merkel.

## RECEPTION

Immediately following the ceremony the couple was honored with a reception at the home of the bride's parents. Guests calling were greeted by Mrs. Patterson, mother of the bride with members of the bridal party in the receiving line.

Forest green and gold, colors chosen by the bride, were features in the decorations used throughout the reception rooms.

Mrs. Homer Patterson presided at the register where 172 guests registered.

The three-tiered wedding cake decorated with white confection and topped with a miniature bride and groom centered the refreshment table which was laid with a madeira cut-work cloth. Mrs. Weldon McAninch served the cake and Mrs. James Pomeroy of Abilene ladled punch.

## Rehearsal Dinner

The bride's parents honored the wedding party with a rehearsal dinner which was held Saturday evening at Woody's Cafe before rehearsal for the wedding. Here, too, forest green and gold found emphasis in the artistic table decorations.

The betrothed couple exchanged wedding gifts and presented remembrances of the occasion to their attendants.

## Delores Clemmer, Doyle C. Conley Marry Saturday

The marriage of Delores Jeanette Clemmer and Doyle Curtis Conley was solemnized Saturday afternoon in the home of the bride's parents. Vows were exchanged in the presence of members of the two families.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Clemmer and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Conley.

Paul Rogers, Minister of the Merkel Church of Christ, read the double ring ceremony at 2 o'clock. The Clemmer home was decorated with baskets of pink and white carnations against greenery.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was lovely in an iridescent high-styled taffeta street-length dress, fashioned with a boat neckline, gored tucked skirt and shirred sleeves, with pink and navy accessories. She carried a white Bible topped with an orchid.

Helen Conley, sister of the bridegroom, was maid of honor. She wore a dusty rose nylon shantung dress with pink accessories and gardenia corsage. Harroll Clemmer of Monahans and brother of the bride, served as best man. The bride is a senior student

Charter No. 7481 Reserve District 11  
REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE  
**Farmers & Merchants National Bank**  
of Merkel, in the State of Texas, at the close of business on Dec. 31, 1951 published in response to call made by Comptroller of the Currency, under section 3211, U. S. Revised Statutes.

**ASSETS**

- Cash, balance with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection \$ 1,343,554.79
- United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed 1,747,186.00
- Obligations of States and political subdivisions 21,633.21
- Other bonds, notes, and debentures NONE
- Corporate stocks (including \$4,500.00 stock of Federal Reserve bank) 4,500.00
- Loans and discounts (including \$7,350.92 overdrafts) 588,731.79
- Furniture and fixtures 2,500.00

12. **TOTAL ASSETS** 3,708,105.79

**LIABILITIES**

- Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships and corporations 3,368,394.51
- Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings) 13,696.70
- Deposits of States and political subdivisions 113,805.40
- Other deposits (certified and cashier's checks, etc.) 471.77

19. **TOTAL DEPOSITS** \$3,506,368.38

24. **TOTAL LIABILITIES** 3,506,368.38

**CAPITAL ACCOUNTS**

- Capital Stock: (e) Common stock total par 75,000.00
- Surplus 75,000.00
- Undivided profits 51,737.41

29. **TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS** 201,737.41

30. **TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS** 3,708,105.79

**MEMORANDA**

- Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and for other purposes 129,000.00

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF TAYLOR, ss:  
I, GEO. T. MOORE, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
GEO. T. MOORE, Cashier

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 9th day of Jan. 1952.  
(SEAL) HORACE O. BONEY, Notary Public  
CORRECT—ATTEST:  
H. C. West  
W. S. J. Brown  
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Directors

in Merkel High school. The bridegroom is a graduate of Merkel High school and is now employed as electrician with the Humble Oil Company in Stanton.

A reception was held following the ceremony when a two-tiered wedding cake was served from a lace-laid table, centered with an arrangement of pink Azalas. Mrs. Harroll Clemmer and Mrs. E. A. Conley served the cake and frosted punch to members of the bridal party and wedding guests.

**COMPLIMENTED WITH TEA**  
The lovely home of Mrs. John Shannon was the sitting for a gift tea Friday night complimenting Miss Janice Patterson, before her marriage on Sunday to Ralph Russell. Approximately three hundred invitations were extended with calling hours from 6 til 8 p. m.

The hostess group was composed of Mesdames Grif Barnett, Vincent Barnett, Forrest Hill, Ben Robert Hicks, Weldon McAninch, Joe Risinger, Irvin Thompson, John Shannon, Hollis McLean, Walter Henslee, Morris Smith, E. A. Conley, Sammy Doan, Robert Malone, F. T. Hogan, and Misses Viola Allred, Helen Plumlee, Betty Tittle, Annette Newton and Ruby Dick.

Mrs. Shannon headed the receiving line and presented the honoree, her mother, Mrs. Clesby Patterson and the bridegroom-elect's sister, Mrs. Leo Hraris. Miss Betty Jane Tittle presided at the register.

The entertaining rooms were made especially attractive with floral arrangements of gold mums, bronze pompons, gold pompons and yellow daffodils.

The lace-laid tea table was centered with an arrangement of gold mums and bronze pompons which spilled gold lace streamers with Janice and Ralph inscribed on them.

Mrs. Weldon McAninch and Mrs. Mrs. Proctor, sister-in-law of the bridegroom, was the bride's only attendant and Bruce Proctor was his brother's best man.

The lace-laid reception table was centered with an arrangement of white chrysanthemums. The two-tiered wedding cake was heart-shaped, topped with a miniature bride and groom. Serving were Grace Buchanan, Gladys Buchanan, Margaret Williams and Vada McAdams.

The bride is a graduate of Merkel High school and attended Draughon's Business College. She is employed by the Abilene Printing and Stationery Co. The bridegroom, a graduate of Abilene Christian High school, entered the Army in February, 1951, and also attended Abilene Christian College.

Grif Barnett helped to serve frosted punch, pin wheel sandwiches, filled sandtrays and assorted nuts. Mrs. Forrest Hill and Helen Plumlee presided in the gift room over a beautiful array of china, crystal, silver, pottery and linens.

**PROCTOR-BOND**  
Betty Joyce Bond, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Bond, Abilene and Pvt. Billy Ray Proctor, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Proctor, Abilene, were married December 27 at the Proctor home.

The double ring services was read by the bridegroom's father. The home was decorated with gladioluses, chrysanthemums and greenery.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, chose a navy suit with white accessories. She carried a white Bible topped with carnations and white satin streamers.

Mrs. Proctor, sister-in-law of the bridegroom, was the bride's only attendant and Bruce Proctor was his brother's best man.

The lace-laid reception table was centered with an arrangement of white chrysanthemums. The two-tiered wedding cake was heart-shaped, topped with a miniature bride and groom. Serving were Grace Buchanan, Gladys Buchanan, Margaret Williams and Vada McAdams.

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### Biologists Study Texas Crop Pests

Two field biologists of the Du Pont Company have just been given full-time assignments to test the effects of recently developed agricultural chemicals under Texas conditions.

The men are C. S. Gould and D. M. Tingdale.

Mr. Gould will concentrate on testing chemicals for the control of weeds and brush, chemical defoliation of crops such as cotton, and related problems.

Mr. Tingdale will devote his attention to experimental control of insects attacking cotton and to testing chemicals against insects and plant diseases affecting vegetable and other crops.

The assignment of these agricultural productive development representatives in Texas is another step in the Du Pont agricultural program, aimed at measuring the effectiveness of various chemicals in solving problems in major crop areas throughout the country.



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### 1952 Chevrolets To Go On Display Saturday, Jan. 19

New model Chevrolet passenger cars and trucks will go on display at dealer showrooms nationally, Saturday, January 19.

The disclosure by W. E. Fish, general sales manager, accompanied an announcement that in 1951 Chevrolet led all other automotive manufacturers in retail sales for the twelfth consecutive peacetime year.

"Last year's new car deliveries," said Fish, "brought the number of Chevrolets in service to over 12,000,000. No other make in automotive history ever accumulated so imposing a total."

The 1952 models, said Fish, will be new mechanically and in appearance, "fulfilling in every respect the quality and beauty that the public has come to expect from Chevrolet."

### Musical Film Shows At Queen Tuesday

A highly entertaining, all-color musical, Columbia Pictures' "Sunny Side of the Street," will open Tuesday at the Queen Theatre. Advertising for the film uses the line, "Just direct your feet to the 'Sunny Side of the Street,'" valid advice, indeed! The new Columbia picture in Super-cinemas is a tune-filled treat, comedy-crammed and romance-loaded pleasantries. The film features eight of the greatest stars of stage, screen, radio and television: Frankie Laine, Billy Daniels, Terry Moore, Jerome Courtland and Toni Arden.

Nine great songs, from the all-time parade of song hits, are brilliantly sung by Frankie Laine, Billy Daniels, Jerome Courtland and Toni Arden.

### Must Win Tideland Fight, Says Texan Directing Battle



GUY C. JACKSON, JR.  
Heads Tideland Fight

February will be "Tidelands Defense Month" in Texas, the Statewide Tidelands Committee has announced through its Chairman, Guy C. Jackson, Jr., of Anahuac.

Attention of Texans will be called to the tidelands issue by means of newspaper advertisements and stories, radio broadcasts, magazines and other means, the Chairman said.

Funds will be sought to carry on a national campaign for Congressional action quit-claiming the tidelands to the states.

"We are faced with a determined fight in Congress this next session," Jackson said. "We must carry the facts of the tidelands case to the people of every state in the nation. We must finance the cost of sending nationally-known Texans into every state to carry the facts to the people. Then we are confident Congress will act favorably on legislation which will nullify the effects of the Supreme Court decisions."

### Deeper and Longer Than any Subway

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### New Pontiacs Well Received By Public Says Merkel Dealer

"Public reaction to new '52 Pontiac models has never been better than that evidenced at the initial showing early in December," Nolan Palmer, Merkel Pontiac dealer, said today.

"Our showroom was crowded on the first day of showing and enthusiastic people keep coming in. The new cars are receiving as thorough an inspection as I can recall over many years of new model introductions," Mr. Palmer said.

"The average American seems never to lose interest in automobiles and what the automobile industry is doing to provide improved personal transportation for him."

The Pontiac is especially a focal point this year because of new engineering developments, "dual-range" driving through the use of higher compression engines, new dual-range hydra-matic transmissions and an economy rear axle gear ratio. He explained that these elements comprise an entirely new power train which permits maximum flexibility and economy in performance from congested city traffic to open country driving.

"Demand for new Pontiacs is exceptionally high and a strong future demand is indicated," Palmer added. "For the present we expect to maintain a good schedule of deliveries to new car customers with minimum waiting."

You can't believe all you hear when money talks.

### Protests Increase Trucks Hauling High Explosives

The Interstate Commerce Commission, besieged by upwards of 60 trucking companies for permanent authority to haul dangerous explosives over the nation's highways, has resumed hearings on the applications in Washington.

Mounting public resentment against the hazards of trucking

large quantities of explosives and ammunition over the highways have prolonged the hearings, which began September 17, in Chicago. The hearings originally were expected to have been completed in five or six weeks. It is now anticipated they will continue for several more weeks.

Protesting witnesses from coast-to-coast and from the gulf to Canada—from all parts of the nation—have testified that truck loads of explosive on the highways constitute an unnecessary hazard.

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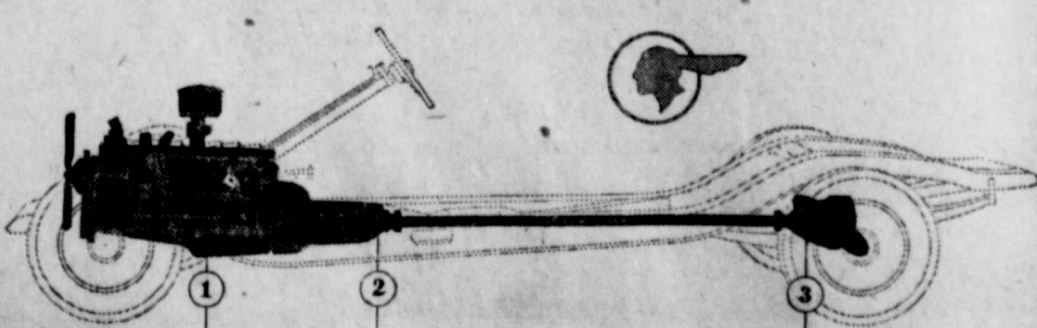
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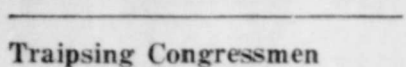
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#### Traipsing Congressmen Will Be Experting Soon

With the Return of More than 100 of our globe-girdling congressmen, many from junkets at the taxpayers' expense, we shall soon hear the report of these 30-day "experts" on foreign affairs. If the past is any criterion, the net results of their reports will be the prevalence of waste and the recommendation of more economic assistance to these "foreign constituents" at the continued expense of the American taxpayer.

It is noteworthy how much misinformation usually can be gathered by these "visiting firemen" who chance to spend a day or two in a foreign land seeing "conditions at first hand" under the direction of some slick-tongued "guide."

"Economic assistance" is more palatable to the American taxpayer than "financial aid," although it means the granting of more billions of dollars to those countries enjoying the "Marshall plan" of recovery at our expense.

These traipsing statesmen appear to think that their "all-expenses paid vacations" to foreign fields qualify them to be "experts" on foreign affairs. That some of these affairs are "foreign" to them is not to be doubted.

A mere glance at the headlines of the daily papers suggests that the brains of these "foreign-minded" congressmen should be devoted to the solution of some of our more pressing domestic problems. They have been entrusted with the management of the country for some years now, with somewhat doubtful results.

No one denies, or even questions the necessity of a strong and definite foreign policy for the nation, but it cannot be obtained and maintained on a purchase-money basis. No greater misconception of a nation's responsibility could be adopted. It ultimately will lead to disaster. There is no substitute for honesty and clarity in any field, including government.

Some of our "congressional globe-girdlers" ought to be able now to come up with the answer. If they do not, then the American people ought to come up with some new congressmen. — San Angelo Standard.

#### DON'T BE AN EASY MARK

We are living in an age when the fine art of trying to get something for nothing is being practiced by nations, states, cities, and on down to the lowliest pick pocket and professional writers of bad checks.

Fred Johnson, vice president of the American Stores of Philadelphia, has compiled information on the growth of the bad check racket. It reads like a fast moving story. For example, he points out that in the trading area of the American Stores a certain group of banks formerly turned back from three to five worthless checks a day. Now they turn back eighty each day. The recent crime investigations have caused certain lawless elements to switch their activities into other types of swindling, particularly the pushing of bad checks among merchants, with shoplifting, and counterfeit money as side lines.

After listing scores of examples of the way merchants and individuals are imposed on and bilked by the bad check artists, Mr. Johnson gives some sound advice: "Checks should never be cashed on the basis of casual acquaintance, sympathy, hard luck tales, distress telegrams, vague answers, alerted credentials, haste, bluff and bluster, offended dignity, personal resentment, or alleged friendship with an official of the company. Phoned instructions to cash checks, regardless of the source, should be disregarded."

There is one safe rule to follow as any banker will tell you: Don't cash a check for anyone whom you don't know or who cannot furnish you with absolutely satisfactory credentials.

#### DIFFERENT NOW

The day is past when the farmer grew most of the things he and his family needed. Now he must buy many things—lumber, machinery, nails, fencing, roofing, barn equipment, fertilizer and

### Uncle Sam Says



It's just ten years ago since we began to remember Pearl Harbor. Plenty has happened since then, but didn't the time go fast? Another ten years will go by just as quickly. Are you preparing to be better off than you are now? One way is to invest part of your earnings now in U. S. Defense Bonds. Purchase them regularly through the Payroll Savings Plan where you work, or the Bond-A-Month Plan where you bank. In 20 years, they will return you 77 per cent more than your original investment.

U. S. Treasury Department

#### Game Shortages Due To Drouth, Says Commissioner

Those Texas sportsmen discouraged by the 1951 hunting seasons were consoled by the executive secretary of the Game and Fish Commission.

He said that while "the luck of many hunters was very bad because of a game shortage, conditions are not so dark that they cannot be improved by two or three good years of weather."

"The ravages of the drought have been particularly severe for the deer and turkey," said the executive secretary. He pointed out that the deer toll from the drought will be accentuated by many more winter deaths from starvation.

"One bright spot on the hunting horizon this year," he said, "was the extraordinarily good quail hunting in the Panhandle. And this fine crop of birds will serve to stand as hope for the hunters since the Panhandle situation shows the difference provided by favorable weather conditions."

"While most of the state has been blighted by the dry weather, the Panhandle has had more normal moisture. This is reflected in the splendid quail crop."

In the case of wild turkey which have deteriorated badly in the state, the Executive Director said a change to more favorable weather "should find the turkeys rebounding quickly."

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### Farmers Facing Challenge From Drouth and Shortages

Farmers and farm families are faced with a challenge for the coming year that can best be met through planning and more efficient production. The level of farm prices is edging downward; but the prices of materials, equipment, labor and other things that farmers buy are edging upward. At the same time, more and more agricultural production is needed to take care of a growing population at home and to meet foreign demands.

This situation, says C. H. Bates, farm management specialist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, calls for careful planning if the present farm living standards are to be maintained. Crop yields must be increased and every job on the farm should be studied for the purpose of cutting down on expenses and labor requirements, adds Bates.

When the farm plans are made, the specialist suggests that they include the use of the highest yielding adaptable crop varieties. Research workers of our experiment stations are continually introducing new and improved varieties of crops and as these are tested and planting seed becomes available, Bates says, substitute them for the varieties now grown. The new corn hybrids and grain sorghums are examples.

He says the most productive part of the farm should be planted to cash crops. If you are in an area of the state where commercial fertilizers can be successfully used, get your fertilizers early and apply them generously. To help make their use even more profitable, he suggests that before the planting season rolls around that soil samples be submitted to the state laboratory for analysis. Local county Extension agents have detailed information on how to take and mail the samples to the laboratory.

Don't forget to include in your production plans, provisions for taking care of the insect enemies. Book orders now for enough insecticides to take care of your

minimum needs. Planting seed should be treated to control seed borne diseases and then follow through with a good insect control program for better yields and quality in the crops, says Bates. Another mighty important item is timing. Plan your production program for the farm so that peak labor loads can be avoided and so every piece of machinery and equipment can be used to the best advantage.

Finally, the specialist urges the use of good business methods in managing the farm. Farm records are a must. And Bates points out that detailed records should be the basis for making major changes in farm operations or practices. Complete records are also mighty useful about this time of the year for income tax figuring purposes, he adds.

#### Invent New Method For Spot Welding

University of Texas engineers have perfected spot welding procedures for titanium. The wonder metal is almost as strong as steel, yet weighs only half as much and is as corrosion-resistant as platinum. The University researchers' data will be used in production of both military and civilian goods containing titanium.

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**IN THE OPEN** Drop to ground or face in arms. Obey Warden. Go to nearest OK building or shelter.  
**VEHICLES** Drop to floor. Bury face in arms. Get wet. Go to nearest fire building or shelter.

#### Precious Metal Has Optical Illusion

Palladium, one of the precious platinum metals, is the newest of the rare metals used in jewelry today. The majority of the engagement rings sold last year contained diamonds weighing between one-sixth and one-third of a carat. Buyers of these diamonds frequently prefer to have them set in special settings that make the gems appear larger. It is important that these special settings be made of a white precious metal. Palladium is preferred because the diamond is held securely by this white metal of high strength.

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**To Show Teachers How School Finance Wheels Are Turned**

An expanded program to emphasize economic education will be put over the State this year at the University of Texas. The Texas economic education council, which has headquarters at the university, plans three workshops in June, when national economists from Washington and New York will join as leaders in telling school teachers and administrators how financial wheels turn. The meeting will be held at the

University of Texas, which any 4-Hist University.

First Texas workshop in economic education was held at the university of Texas this year, under the supervision of Dr. V. A. King, said Council executive. A hundred of the Texas school superintendents will attend the Jan. 10-11-12 workshops, which are expected to use the experience to help and appreciation education in the Martin Family.

**Keep In Proper Tone, Make Life A Song By Eating Essential Foods**

The chances are that those resolutions you are trying so hard to carry out were all aimed at making your life and the lives of those around you a bit more pleasant during the coming year. You may have resolved not to worry so much, not to yell at the children, to really stay within a budget, to try to find more things to laugh at, to do little helpful things for people—in some way or other your resolutions are designed to make life a song instead of an offkey existence.

A song is made up of seven tones, those old familiar do, re, mi, fa, sol, la, ti's. Whatever key you live in, you still use those do-re-mi's for your living. And one of the best ways to keep in key, in proper tone, to make your life a song, is the eating of the essential foods.

It seems a far cry from food to resolutions but without the proper instruments you can't have any kind of a song. You know that if you don't eat enough food, you get dizzy, weak, and your thoughts get rather flighty. You know that when you eat too much food, you get headache, stuffy, heavy, and your poor old mind seems not to function too well.

Eating improper foods does not create as obvious symptoms as under-eating or over-eating but sooner or later the effects will show up some place in your system. You yell at the kids, you get highly nervous and worry about yourself and world situations, you take a dim view of things,

you don't feel good enough to want to help yourself or others—in fact, you make resolutions with the turn of the year to try to overcome your shortcomings.

A proper diet is not a cure-all. It is the first essential in helping you to help yourself, however, mentally and physically. And the first resolution you should go to work on this year is the establishment of a proper diet: your other resolutions might fall into place automatically if you're fed—enabling your body to tune up in key.

Those seven basic foods fit right into those seven basic tones that make up music. Anything else you add to your diet may offer variation in your song of life, but you have to start with the basic seven.

First you have "do," the musical equivalent of bread and cereals which are the first requirement in a diet. You need dough, whole grain cereals, in some quantity every day, no matter whether you're drastically overweight or not. If for some reason of health these "do" ingredients must be eliminated from your diet, your doctor will substitute a food which contains the same substances in a manner in which your body can use properly.

The next note of the scale is "re," which might be translated into food as fruits, tomatoes or raw cabbage that belong in your daily diet. All fruits are included in this bracket and since there is always some fruit on the market, it shouldn't be a hard spot to fill. When you get tired of fruits, you can always switch to tomatoes or an occasional serving of cole slaw or some other raw cabbage dish; but you need some of this "re" group everyday, and it wouldn't hurt to include two servings of "re."

Milk could be the "mi" in the musical scale of living and potatoes might fit into "fa." You have meat as "sol," leafy green and yellow vegetables as "la" and fats as "si." All of these notes have to be sung daily, just like a singer will run through the scale to exercise her voice before she starts into her song. These seven basic foods start your body functioning properly, exercising all the parts of your body, and you can then go into your song and dance with the additions of other foods which you may cherish.

It's not too late to make a resolution to eat a portion of each of these foods every day. It's a safe bet that they will make you feel better, act better, and look better as you go about trying to fulfill those resolutions you have made.

The most productive parts of the farm should be planted to cash crops. The use of fertilizers and effective insect control measures will help increase the yield per acre.

**Conservation Need Graphically Told**

How Sul Ross State College at Alpine, located in the heart of the wide open spaces, is finding the ranching answers is described in the January issue of Texas Game and Fish magazine.

"All the questions out there date from the soil—or lack of it," states the article.

"Out there, the folks may look in any direction and see Nature's scars from misuse—from overgrazing, from erosion.

"No region provides a more vivid example of the wrongs of the past as do some ranges. No region provides a more sensitive attitude toward its current challenge.

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Traffic safety exponents are convinced that death and injury on streets and highways can be lowered greatly if motorists practice the "common courtesy of applying the hand signals." That's why January has been designated as "hand signal month" in the Lone Star State.

"Participation in this traffic safety educational program requires only minimum effort on the part of drivers," said A. W. Breeland of Dallas, President of the Texas Safety Association, Inc., which is sponsoring the campaign. "All a driver needs to do is learn, then apply the signals. It is easy if you remember the slogan: Right turn—hand up. Left turn—hand out. Slow or stop—hand down. A hand signal could be the means of averting a death dealing accident."

Breeland stated that need for courtesy in driving is accentuated by the fact that the traffic death list for Texas in 1951 will show in excess of 2,500 persons. "That's an unprecedented highway death rate for our state," he said. "Traffic safety education is a fine thing, but we must have the cooperation of motorists if needless slaughter is to be averted. More drivers must practice the precepts of traffic safety education. Applying hand signals lend that opportunity. We remind drivers that failure to give hand signals is a violation of law. By obeying the law you might save a life—and that life could be your own."

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Morning Service.....11:00 a. m.  
Young People's Bible Class 6:30 p. m.  
Evening Services.....7:00 p. m.

**Merkel Assembly of God Church**  
Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.  
Morning Service.....11:00 a. m.  
C. A.'s.....6:30 p. m.  
Evening Worship.....7:00 p. m.  
Wednesday: Women's Missionary Council.....2:00 p. m.  
Wednesday:  
Prayer Service.....7:15 p. m.

**Hebron Baptist Church**  
Sunday:  
Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.  
Morning Worship.....11:00 a. m.  
Training Union.....7:00 p. m.  
Evening Worship.....7:00 p. m.  
Wednesday:  
Evening Prayer Services.....7:00 o'clock

**Tye Methodist Church**  
Sunday:  
Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.  
M. Y. F.....6:30 p. m.  
Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p. m.  
Morning Service.....11:00 a. m.

**Trent Church of Christ**  
Bible Class.....10:00 a. m.  
Morning Worship.....11:00 a. m.  
Evening Services.....7:00 p. m.

**Trent First Baptist Church**  
Sunday:  
Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.  
Morning Worship.....11:00 a. m.  
Training Union.....6:45 p. m.  
Evening Services.....7:00 p. m.

**W. M. U.**.....9:30 a. m.  
Wednesday:  
G. A.'s and R. A.'s.....6:30 p. m.  
Prayer Services.....7:00 p. m.  
Brotherhood, 1st Thursday of month, "You are a stranger here but once."

**Noodle Church of Christ**  
Sunday:  
Bible Class.....10:00 a. m.  
Morning Worship Service 11:00  
Young People's Service 6:30  
Evening Worship.....7:00 p. m.  
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Morning Worship.....10:50 a. m.  
M. Y. F.....6:30 p. m.  
Evening Worship.....7:00 p. m.

**Noodle Baptist Church**  
Sunday:  
Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.  
Morning Worship.....11:00 a. m.  
Young People's Class 6:30 p. m.  
Evening Services.....7:00 p. m.

**Merkel Calvary Baptist Church**  
Sunday School.....9:45 a. m.  
Morning Service.....11:00 a. m.  
Evening Bible Class 6:30 p. m.  
Evening Worship.....7:00 p. m.

**Trent Methodist Church**  
Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.  
Evening Worship.....7:00 p. m.  
Morning Services.....11:00 a. m.  
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Tuesday: WSCS.....3:00 p. m.  
Wednesday:  
Prayer Services.....7:30 p. m.

**Merkel First Baptist Church**  
Sunday:  
Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.  
Morning Worship.....11:00 a. m.  
Training Union.....6:30 p. m.  
Evening Worship.....7:00 p. m.

**Church of the Nazarene**  
Services at the Merkel Church of the Nazarene are as follows:  
Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.  
Morning Worship.....11:00 a. m.  
Young People's Service.....6:30 p. m.  
Evening Services.....7:00 p. m.  
Wednesday Prayer Service 7:00 p. m.  
W. F. M. S. meets at 2:30 p. m. each first and third Thursday.

**Pioneer Memorial Chapel**  
Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.  
Morning Service.....11:00 a. m.  
Evening Services.....7:00 p. m.  
Wednesday:  
Evening Prayer Service 7:00

**Legal Notices**  
THE STATE OF TEXAS  
TO: Austin Kershner

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J. Neil Daniel Clerk  
42nd District Court  
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TO: GEORGE H. STAHL

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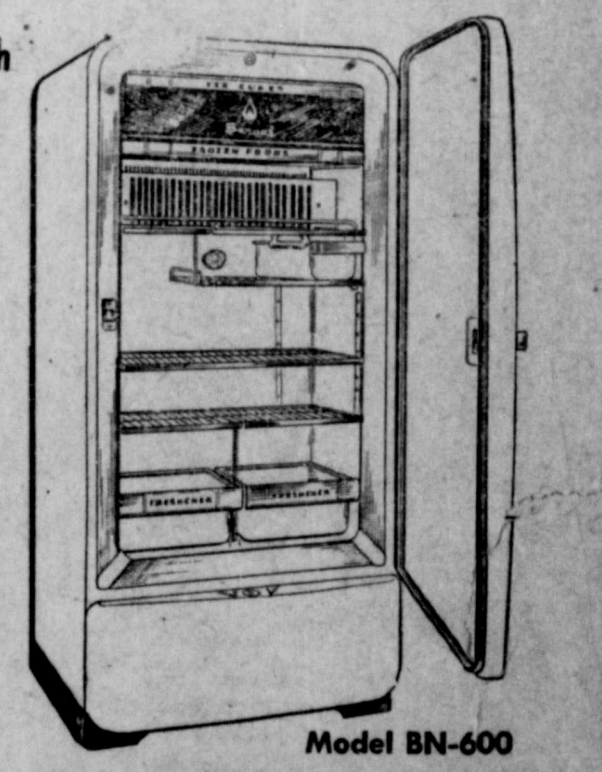
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University of Texas, University of Houston and Southern Methodist University. First Texas workshop in economic education was held last June at the university of Texas under supervision of Dr. Thelma Bollman, university associate professor of curriculum and instruction and Council executive director. Letters are being sent to all Texas school superintendents regarding scholarships for the three workshops, which will be limited to 65 participants each. Teachers and administrators who enroll are expected to use their workshop experience to improve economic education in their schools and



SAFE DRIVING LESSONS for 45,000 teen-agers in 508 high schools last year have brought national recognition to Texas. Here Gov. Allan Shivers receives the Meritorious Award of the Association of Casualty and Surety Companies from Travis D. Bailey, right, president of the Texas Association of Insurance Agents. More than 120,000 high school students have been taught to drive safely. Texas started the educational program in 1946.

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In all Mr. and Mrs. Martin had fifty-three of their children and grandchildren with them for this very pleasant day.

**CARD OF THANKS**

Mrs. Nannie Simpson wishes to take this opportunity to express her heartfelt thanks and appreciation to those that were so wonderfully kind during her long illness. Especially does she wish to thank Dr. Sadler, Dr. Ramsey and the hospital staff. Also the many friends and relatives who sent or brought the beautiful flowers. May God bless each and every one of you in His own wonderful way. Mrs. Nannie Simpson

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WILL HAVE four room unfurnished house for rent January 1st. Butane gas. See Mrs. John C. Thompson.

FOR RENT—Apartment in the Oasis apartments.

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**FOR SALE**

FOR SALE—Butane tank, 250 gallons. 901 Oak St. 1tp

FOR SALE—Dining room suite. See Mrs. Robert Malone, 102 Ash. Phone 26. 1tc

FOR SALE—Nice 4-room house on three lots. Extra good well water, garage and chicken house. Jake Massey.

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**FOR SALE**

FOR SALE—House to be moved with bath room fixtures. Also six month old pigs for sale, fine shape. 306 Orange. 1tc

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- ARMOUR'S STAR Dressed FRYERS lb. 59c
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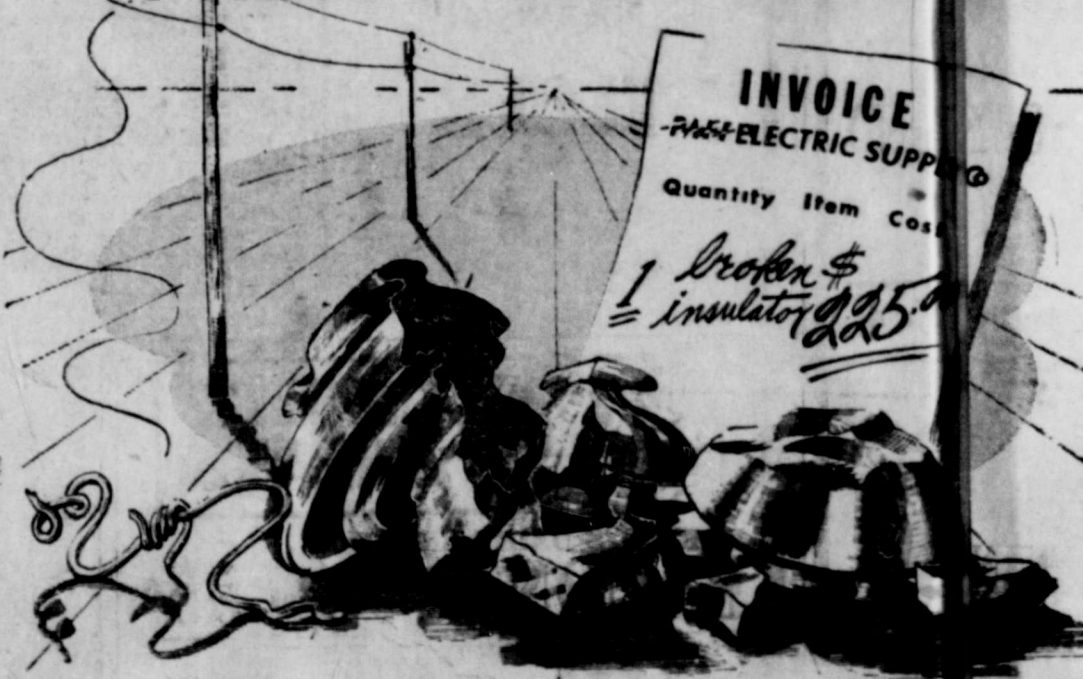
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Actually, the stellar trio of the new offering, showing at the Queen Theatre Sunday, might be termed a "quartette," since Mr. Keel is employed in a dual role. He is seen first as "Smoky" Callaway, a ham Western movie actor

of the "he went thataway" school, who for some years has disappeared from the Hollywood scene and is now a broken-down alcoholic barroom crooner in a South American banana republic. Keel

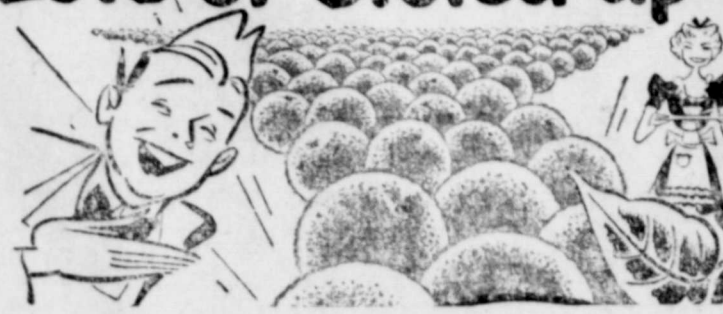
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### YOUR STORE NAME RECIPE OF THE WEEK

By Mary Lee Taylor

#### Meat Balls with Noodles

1/2 lb. ground lean beef  
1/2 cup Pet Milk  
1/2 cup dry-aid  
bread crumbs  
2 tablespoons finely cut onion  
1 teaspoon salt  
1 1/2 tablespoons flour  
1 1/2 tablespoons hot la  
1 can condensed vegetable soup  
3/4 cup water  
3 cups hot cooked noodles

Mix meat, milk, crumbs, onion and salt thoroughly. Dip hands in water, then shape mixture into 12 small balls. Roll meat balls in flour. Brown in skillet in hot fat on all sides. Drain off any fat left in skillet, then add mixture of soup and water. Cover and cook over low heat 15 minutes. Put noodles on platter. Cover with meat balls and sauce. Makes 4 servings.

You Will Need:  
Pet Milk, Ground Beef, Noodles, Bread, Onion, Vegetable Soup.

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