

Trent Relay Team Wins Third Place

The Trent mile relay team took third place in Class B in the State Relay meet at Austin.

MOTHER'S DAY

Editorial

Next Sunday is Mother's Day. This day is set apart—one day in the year—to pay our respect and to show our love for her.

Eddie Breaux Wins 7th Place in Mile Run at State Meet

Eddie Breaux won seventh place in the mile run in Class A at the state meet in Austin Saturday.

Mrs. Homer Hutto Seeks Election As County Clerk

Mrs. Homer Hutto, former Children's Librarian at Carnegie Public Library, Abilene, has authorized this newspaper to announce her candidacy for the office of county clerk.

"American Scene" Is Fortnightly Theme For a Year

The Fortnightly Study Club wound up the season's activity with a most interesting program at the meeting Tuesday at the Community Center.

CAN OF WORMS, GOOD TIME, PLENTY OF FISH

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Peterson were at the Clear Fork River Sunday afternoon and "the perch were really biting."

Cpl. H. L. McRee Wins Citations For Heroism

Cpl. H. L. McRee returned to his home at Trent, Friday night, May 2, after serving 10 months with the United States Infantry in Korea.

Ralph Russell Wins Roping Match Saturday

Ralph Russell of Merkel won the \$1,000 matched roping contest held Saturday and Sunday at the Russell Arena.



HORACE BONEY New Lions Head

Boney Takes Over As Lion President At Tuesday Meet

Horace Boney took over Tuesday as president of the Lions Club. The other officers who took over also were: Mack Fisher, first vice president; Isadore Mellinger, second vice president; E. L. Horton, Jr., third vice president; Leon Walker, secretary-treasurer; Ralph Brady, Lion tamer; Herman Carson, tail twister.

The timekeeper for both days was Rhet Eidson of Merkel. The Merkel winners on Saturday of the RCA professional roping: First go round—second place, J. D. Rodgers, 16 2-5 seconds. Second go round—second place, Ralph Russell, 13 2-5. On Sunday, Guy Weeks of Breckenridge was the field judge on Saturday.

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Big Huge Cake Marks 90th Year Of Mrs. Toombs

Mrs. T. J. Toombs was 90 years old Tuesday but the big birthday party to be held here on Sunday was cancelled.

Mothers Get Free Admission to Great Play Here

Cecil B. DeMille's great masterpiece, "Samsou and Delilah," comes to the Pioneer Theatre on Sunday and Monday.

Select Speakers For Closing Days At High School

Minister Paul Rogers of the Church of Christ will deliver the baccalaureate sermon at 8:15 p. m. Sunday, May 18, in the cafeteria auditorium building.

Democratic Convention Stirs Group To Walk Out on Saturday Meeting

Robert Hicks was elected at the county convention in Abilene Tuesday to be an unopposed delegate to the Democratic state convention in San Antonio.



ROBERT HICKS

The two precinct conventions held here Saturday stirred up hot discussions and a walk-out. The Republican group, meeting at the Darsey Furniture Store with O. J. Adcock, chairman, had 15 voters present.

as alternate to the county convention. The Democratic group met at the City Hall with Holland Teaff as chairman. There were 18 voters present. In the heat of the discussion the conservative group, who were for an unopposed delegation, won 11 to 7, and the loyal group in favor of an instructed delegation walked out and met later.

The conservative group elected as delegates: L. L. Murray, Ford Smith, Clesby Patterson, Robert Hicks, W. C. Lee and Bill Stockbridge. The loyal group elected the following delegates: F. T. Hogan, Sr., F. T. Hogan, Jr., Holland Teaff, Earl Lassiter, Keller Roberts and L. F. Bookman; alternates were H. C. West and W. W. Toombs.

Two delegations from Taylor County will seek to be seated at the State Democratic Convention in San Antonio May 27. In the hot debate in Abilene Tuesday The Abilene Reporter-News stated: "Clesby Patterson of Merkel declared: 'It looks like we could carry on this convention as convention and not like they do in some countries.'"

LOOK FOR THE BAND On the editorial page, page 4, the Merkel Mail has its say about our band and how it did at the contest held at Hardin-Simmons recently. Everyone no doubt will be interested.

Hopes In Oil Drilling Here

"I have shown my optimism by putting in my own money." That was the statement of Robert Mead of Dallas in his talk before the Lions Club Tuesday in regard to the drilling for oil within the town limits of the City of Merkel and the chances of finding oil.

Last year he became an independent operator. With him in the present leasing program here are R. O. Anderson and J. L. Massey. "I offered \$10 a lot to the city owners," continued Mr. Mead. "I offered a 1/32 override to the city of Merkel out of my share of the oil, as a community contribution which would bring in money in addition to present tax revenue, in case we strike oil."

"I have faith I can accomplish what I set out to do if I can get the cooperation of the lot owners," asserted Mr. Mead. Three objections that have been raised have been taken care of, he asserted. The lease can be put in escrow in the local bank, contingent on drilling of the well. Those who wish may specify that drilling not be done on their lots. Storage of oil will be outside the city limits. Pumps on producing wells will be equipped with practically silent electric motors to reduce noise.

Korean Veteran Receives Hearty Welcome at Trent

Cpl. H. L. McRee, returned Korean veteran, was guest of honor Sunday when his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hale McRee, and other relatives and friends, held a reunion in the McRee home, two miles northeast of Trent.

Merkel 20 Years Ago

TAKEN FROM THE 1932 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

WOMAN IS HONORED

Paying tribute to one of Merkel's most beloved women, Rev. W. M. Murrell in the Wednesday afternoon session of the Methodist District conference here presented, in a touching address, Mrs. W. D. Hutcheson as one of the greatest workers in the Merkel Methodist Church.

FINISH IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM

The Merkel Public Schools have just completed a program of immunization sponsored by the U. S. Public Health Service. For the last several weeks the local physicians have been giving of their time and labor freely to come to the schools and do this immunizing of the school children without any cost to the child except a small charge of 25 cents to cover cost of materials used.

MADE WTU LOCAL MANAGER

J. Olin Lusby has been made local manager for the WTU, succeeding W. S. Dickerson, resigned. The latter came here from Monday several months ago to replace Mat Dillingham.

SCHOOLS IN DANGER

Supt. Roger A. Burgess of the Merkel Public Schools in a public announcement warned of the need of reducing school expenses and the danger of affecting the efficiency of the system.

This Happened in Merkel Forty Years Ago

TAKEN FROM THE 1912 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

Misses Ora Long and Susie Penn were charming honorees at a pretty social function Saturday afternoon from 3 to 6 p. m. when Messdames B. H. Wheeler and J. P. Sutphen entertained with progressive "42" at the home of the latter.

Monday afternoon many of the Merkel ladies met at the Baptist Church and organized a local Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Miss Henderson and Mrs. Green organized the work. Officers elected were: Mrs. Marvin Armstrong, president; Miss Mae Valentine, recording secretary, and Mrs.



MRS. HOMER HUTTO

CARSONS HAVE BABY BOY

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Herman Carson a baby boy on Friday, May 2, at the Sadler Hospital, named Tommy Herman.

MOTHERS ARE INVITED TO SUNDAY SINGING

The second Sunday singing will be Sunday, May 11, Mother's Day at the Pioneer Memorial Church. The public is invited to come and bring mothers at 2:30 p. m.

# SOCIETY

## VAN KATHERINE HERRON MARRIES DANIEL WEEKS

Van Katherine Herron, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. V. D. Herron of Noodle, and Daniel Loyd Weeks, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Weeks of Noodle, were married Tuesday, April 29, at 8 P. M. in the home of the bride's parents. The Rev. Tho-

mas Lawrence, pastor of the Noodle Baptist Church, read the single ring ceremony.

Larue Weeks, sister of the groom, served as her high school classmate's bridesmaid; Maurice Tarver, brother-in-law of the groom, served as best man.

Miss Weeks was dressed in a grey nylon crepe street-length dress. She wore navy blue accessories and a white carnation corsage.

The bride wore a navy blue Dupont nylon net over taffeta dress. The net over the bodice was trimmed with tiny rhinestones. The skirt was a circular. She wore white accessories and a white carnation corsage.

The groom was dressed in military uniform.

Mrs. Herron was dressed in black crepe and wore black accessories.

Mrs. Weeks was dressed in brown crepe and wore black accessories.

After the ceremony a reception was held in the bride's parents' home. Serving at the bride's table were Larue Weeks and Dolores Herron, sister of the bride.

After a brief wedding trip the groom will report to Fort Stone-

man and the bride will remain in the Noodle Community where she will graduate from the high school May 15.

ANNOUNCE ENGAGEMENT OF CAMPBELL McDONALD

Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Campbell announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Vada, to Lon McDonald, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob McDonald of Merkel.

The wedding date has been set for June 1 and will be in the home of the bride-elect's sister, Mrs. W. B. Toombs.

ANNOUNCE ENGAGEMENT OF RENN - SIMPSON

Mr. and Mrs. James Marshall RENN, of Hopewell, Va., announce the engagement of their daughter, Doris Anne, to Lieutenant Francis M. Simpson, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Simpson, of Merkel.

Miss RENN is attending Mary Washington College of the University of Virginia, at Fredericksburg, Va. Lt. Simpson, presently stationed with the Quartermaster Board at Fort Lee, Va., is a graduate of Texas Technical College and did graduate work in chemistry at Texas A. & M.

No date for the wedding has been set.

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## MAXINE BUCHANAN TO BE MARRIED TO PAUL BACCUS

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Buchanan announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Loretta Maxine, to Paul Baccus, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Baccus of Merkel.

The double ring wedding vows will be said at 7:30 p. m. Saturday, May 24, in the First Methodist Church, with the Rev. Hugh H. Hunt, pastor, officiating.

The couple plan to reside in Big Spring where the bridegroom is employed by Cosden Petroleum Corporation.

## TEACHERS HONORED AT BRUNCH IN BENSON HOME

Mesdames Carrol Benson and Mack Fisher shared hostess duties in entertaining the lady faculty members of the Merkel Public School and school board members' wives with a Saturday brunch in the Benson home.

Spring flowers were used through out the entertaining rooms. The polished table was appointed with milk glass and centered with lilies. Mesdames Johnny Cox, Paul Arnsborn and Spencer Bird assisted in the dining room.

Guests included Mesdames Ray Wilson, Matt Ely, David Gamble, Comer Haynes, Chester Collinsworth, Norman Winter, Vincent Barnett, Andy Shouse, Johnny Cox, Paul Arnsborn, Spencer Bird, Ted Pargament, Harold Reynolds, John West, Bryan Dunagin, H. C. Reed, Elsie Nash, and Misses Norah Foster, Viola Alfred and Alzada Pogue.

## MRS. VINCENT BARNETT HEADS BETA SIGMA PHI

The formal installation of the new members and the officers for next year of Beta Sigma Phi was held May 6 in the home of Mrs. Elma McFarland.

Those installed as new members were Mrs. Weldon McAninch, Mrs. Loyd Robertson, Mrs. Robert Malone and Miss Pat Dunagin.

Those installed as officers for next year were: Mrs. Vincent Barnett, president; Mrs. Forrest Hill, vice president; Mrs. Loyd Robertson, secretary; Mrs. Weldon McAninch, treasurer; Miss Pat Dunagin, reporter; and Mrs. Elma McFarland, sponsor.

Others present were Mrs. Ralph Russell, Mrs. Grit Barnett, Mrs. R. L. Elliott, Jr., and Miss Viola Alfred.

## T. E. L. CLASS MEETS WITH MRS. W. J. LARGENT

The T. E. L. Class met with Mrs. W. J. Largent with Mrs. Hester as co-hostess on Thursday afternoon of last week.

Mrs. Finch brought the devotional, using as her subject, "Seeing Jesus Better." After a short business meeting the hostess served a refreshment plate to Mesdames Austin Robertson, Sam Swann, Aline Ulmer, A. R. Booth, Earl Lassiter, Fulton, Booth Warren and Finch.

Recent visitors of their relatives in Merkel were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Howell, who are moving to Kermit. Charles is employed with the Shell Oil Refinery.

Pfc. De Witt H. Isom of Ft. Riley, Kan., spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Isom of Tye.

Leroy Smith of Crane is spending the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Smith.



MRS. ELBERT S. LASSETTER

## MRS. LASSETTER TO SPEAK HERE TO BIBLE CLASS WED.

Mrs. E. S. Lassetter of Abilene will speak at the Wednesday morning Bible Class at 9:30 o'clock at the Community Center with a social hour following.

Mrs. W. S. J. Brown, Mrs. W. T. Sadler, Mrs. John Shannon and Mrs. Sam Swann are the hosts for the social hour.

Mrs. Lassetter is the Bible teacher for the Wednesday Bible Club No. 24 in Abilene. She is also teacher of the Ruth Class of the First Baptist Church. For six years she taught Bible in South Junior High School in Abilene.

One of her big interests now is encouraging the memorizing of Bible verses. She has been doing this for the past five years.

The Wednesday Bible Class of Merkel has been organized since September 1949. Mrs. Keller Roberts is class teacher and Mrs. W. S. J. Brown is president.

Members of the Bible Class have the privilege of bringing as many guests as they choose.

James D. Dennison of Houston arrived here Saturday and returned home Sunday with his wife, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Toombs.

Lt. Frank M. Simpson, Jr., stationed with the Quartermaster Board at Fort Lee, Va., is visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Simpson, for a few days.

## BILL HUFFMAN INJURED IN FALL LAST SATURDAY

Bill Huffman suffered a broken leg when a temporary post gave way and tile fell on him Saturday as he dropped from the roof to the floor of the new office building being constructed by Higginbotham-Bartlett Lumber Company. F. W. Pippin, who was working below Bill, got away uninjured.

Bill was taken to the Sadler Hospital by Starbuck Funeral Home ambulance. He is getting along all right.

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## personals

Postmaster and Mrs. N. W. Durham visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Clements, in Brownwood Sunday. Mr. Clements is getting along nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Grimes visited recently in Austin, Georgetown and San Saba with relatives.

Mrs. Loreane Daniels visited her mother; Mrs. Tom Payne, of Blackwell Sunday.

Mrs. R. E. Freeman of Los Angeles, Calif., left Thursday of last week, after an extensive visit with her mother, Mrs. Lorinda Campbell.

J. T. Darsey visited Sunday in Abilene with his daughter, Mrs. Chester Hutcheson.

Capt. and Charles Newman and family of Denver, Colo., visited Friday with her brother, Quannah Dudley and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Sears, Jr., and daughter, Carolyn of Wingate visited Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Horace Boney and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Smith have returned from a three weeks visit with their children. They spent one week in Lubbock with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hargrove, and 2 weeks in Ft. Worth with their sons and families. They also visited Mrs. Smith's two brothers, Joe and Everett Batey, and a sister, Mrs. Katie Keith, and family.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. D. McConnell Sunday were: Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Chinn and Mike of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dunning, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Goode, Miss Mary Jo McConnell, all of Ft. Worth. Sgt. Robert Reed, of Carriswell Base, Ft. Worth.

H. K. Bailiff and son James, of Rule, came in Wednesday to see his father, A. C. Bailiff, who is ill.

### A Tribute to Mother

It is fitting, of course, that one day out of the year be set aside in tribute to Mother . . . it's appropriate to give her a gift, send flowers, or mail a greeting card or letter. But we don't think that is quite enough. Mother's Day is her day — a day you can dedicate to her to repay in part the thousands of days she has dedicated to you. If you are fortunate enough to have your Mother near, give her a little more of YOU, a little extra attention, a little extra affection . . . that's what she would like from you on Mother's Day . . . and every day.

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**NEWS ABOUT TOWN**

Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Wood spent Sunday in Ralls visiting their son, Don.

Mr. and Mrs. Bird Toombs and family were in Winters where they visited relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Hill and sons of San Angelo visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hill in Cross Plains Sunday.

Mrs. J. R. Stratton of Lubbock has been here with her daughter, Mrs. Ben Hicks, since the latter's operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Isom of Lorraine visited Sunday with Mrs. Ruby Jenkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Watkins of Graver were here over the weekend, guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Vaughn.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Brown and daughter, Gail of Garden City were recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Dean of Abilene, and relatives at Merkel.

Cpl. and Mrs. Weldon Washburn of Amarillo were here Thursday through Sunday, visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Harris and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Washburn.

Sgt. Van H. McSpadden of the Ellington Air Base at Houston was here last week visiting his brother, Lynn, and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Stockridge were in Breckenridge Sunday and returned with her mother, Mrs. Nannie Glenn, for a month's visit.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Denson and grandson, Ronnie Ogles, were in Odessa Sunday, visited his son,

Melvin E., and family, also met there Mr. and Mrs. Don Barbee and daughter, Alleene of Carlsbad, New Mexico and had a big dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Elliott of Baird visited Monday with Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Elliott.

Mrs. W. C. Hunter was in Snyder last week and saw her new born granddaughter. The child's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Deverle Hunter. She was born May 1st.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Shouse and son, Charles visited Mr. and Mrs. Mardell Shouse and sons in Midland over the weekend.

Mrs. Ross Ferrier, Jr., came from Fort Worth Friday afternoon and returned home Tuesday with her son, George Ronald, who had been visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Ferrier, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Stalls and son, Mark of Dallas visited Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stalls. Mrs. Marshall Stalls and son remained for the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Felex Stalls and son, Joe Brandt and Felex, Jr., of Abilene spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stalls.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Russon returned from Fort Worth Tuesday where they visited their daughter, Mary Lois McLeod who is in the St. Joseph Hospital at Ft. Worth. She is getting along nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Merritt and son of So. San Francisco, Calif., are here for two weeks and are visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. George Woodrum visited their sons, Billy and Bobby Woodrum and families of Midland over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt Chandler of Carter, Okla., and Mrs. Lee Davis of Elk City, Okla., visited their sister, Mrs. F. Y. Gaither and husband.

Sgt. and Mrs. L. C. Whisehunt of Tucson, Ariz., spent 10 days with their parents, Messrs. and Mesdames Tommie Smith and Charlie Whisehunt.

Mrs. F. Y. Gaither visited her daughter, Miss Becky Gaither in Austin last week.

Mrs. Martha C. Richie has returned from a visit to Roswell, N. Mexico.

D. C. Johnson of Texarkana spent Friday and Saturday with his mother, J. T. Johnson.

Staff Sgt. and Mrs. T. C. Melton of Weatherford visited Sunday, Monday and Tuesday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Price Melton and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Teaff.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Frazier and daughter, Linda visited over the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank McHaney at Snyder.

Miss Betty Jane Tittle is spending part of her vacation in Eagle Pass with her brother, Cullen, and family.

Major Frank Quillan of Pantex and son, Bill spent the weekend with his mother-in-law, Mrs. J. C. Walton and husband.

**Legal Notice**

THE STATE OF TEXAS TO ANY SHERIFF OR CONSTABLE OF ANY COUNTY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, GREETING:

WHEREAS, on the 24th day of March, A. D. 1952, in the 42nd District Court, Taylor County, Texas, in Cause No. 17,941-A, City of Merkel vs. Fannie K. Rister, et al the following named Plaintiff and, Impleaded Party Defendants, to-wit: City of Merkel, Merkel Independent School District, and Taylor County, Texas and State of Texas

recovered a judgment against the following Defendants, to-wit:

GROUP A: Fannie K. Rister, whose address is unknown; J. D. Gaither, whose address is unknown; L. D. Gaither, whose address is unknown; and, Hogue Hamilton Company, whose residence is unknown;

Group B: The unknown heirs, assigns, devisees, and legal representatives of each of the defendants included above in Group A, who is deceased;

Group C: The unknown spouses of each of the defendants included above in Group A;

Group D: The unknown heirs, devisees, and legal representatives of each of the defendant's spouses included in Group C above who is deceased;

Group E: The unknown stockholders of each of the defendant corporations included above in Group A;

Group F: The unknown owner, or owners, of the hereinafter described lands involved in this suit or any interest therein;

Group G: Any and all other persons, including adverse claimants, owning, having or claiming any legal or equitable interest or lien in or on said land;

for taxes, penalty, interest and court cost for the years hereinafter shown upon the following property:

Lot Number One (1), Block "J" of R. E. Edminson's Subdivision of all of Blocks Three (3) and Five (5), Sheppard's Addition to Merkel and that portion of Blocks Four (4) and Six (6) of Sheppard's Addition to Merkel lying West of Oak Street, as extended, and being situated in Taylor County, Texas.

The respective amount of the taxes, penalty, and interest recovered by each of said parties with interest thereon from the date of said judgment, against each of said tracts and the respective amount of court costs recovered by each of said parties against each of said tracts is as follows:

City of Merkel, years 1920 thru 1951 except year 1944. Taxes, Penalty, and Interest, \$141.69. Pro rata of Court Costs, \$30.00.

1951 except year 1944. Taxes, Penalty, and Interest, \$107.70. Pro rata of Court Costs \$30.00.

State and County, years, 1919 thru 1951 except year 1923. Taxes, Penalty, and Interest \$167.53. Pro rata of Court Cost, \$30.00.

TOTAL Taxes, Penalty, and Interest, \$416.92.

TOTAL Pro rata of Court Costs, \$90.00

AND, WHEREAS, said judgment directs the foreclosure of the liens created, established and continued on and against each of the above tracts by reason of the levying and assessment of taxes on and against the same and the delinquency thereof, and said taxes remaining unpaid and due to the parties named in this suit as said liens now existing and at any time heretofore existing by reason of such levying, assessment, and delinquency, for and on the dates and for the years above shown, all of which is of record and fully shown by said judgment on file in said cause.

NOW, THEREFORE, YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to seize, levy upon and advertise the sale as under execution each of said above described tract or tracts and sell each of same to the highest bidder for cash for each as under execution, provided, however, that none of said tracts shall be sold to the owner of said tract directly or indirectly or to anyone having an interest therein or to any party other than a taxing unit which is a party to this suit for less than the amount of the adjudged value of said tract or the aggregate amount of the judgments against said tract in said cause, whichever is lower; the said adjudged value or reasonable fair value of each of said tracts as set by this Court in accordance with the provisions of law is as follows: Taxes, Penalty and Interest, \$416.92; Pro rata of Cost, \$90.00

If the Defendants or their Attorney shall at any time before the sale file with the Sheriff, or other officer in whose hands this Order of Sale shall be placed, a written request that the property described therein shall be divided and sold in less tracts than the whole, together with a description of said subdivisions, then such officer shall sell the land in such subdivisions as the Defendants may request, and in such case shall only sell as many subdivisions as near as may be to satisfy this judgment, interest and costs; and it is further ordered by the Court that the net proceeds of any sale of such property made hereunder to any party other than a taxing unit who is a party to this suit shall belong to and be distributed to all such taxing units which have been found to have tax liens against such property, pro rata and in proportion to the amounts of their respective tax liens as hereinbefore established, but any excess in the proceeds of

sale over and above the amount necessary to pay the taxes due, defray the costs of suit and sale and other expenses chargeable against said property, shall be paid to the parties legally entitled to such excess.

And it is further Ordered, Adjudged, and Decreed that the owner of such property, or anyone having an interest therein, or their heirs, assigns, or legal representatives, may, within two (2) years from the date of the filing for record of the purchaser's deed and not thereafter, have the right to redeem said property as provided for by law.

The officer executing this Order of Sale shall make proper conveyance to the purchaser of said land, under and by virtue of said sale, upon compliance with the terms of said sale within the time and in the manner provided for by law, and shall execute this writ according to its terms and the requirements of law.

HEREIN FAIL NOT, under penalty of law, and due return make of this writ, within sixty days from date hereof, with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in the County of Taylor this 30th day of April, A. D. 1952.

J. NEIL DANIEL, Clerk District Court, Taylor County, Texas

By J. Neil Daniel Adv. May 9, 16, 23.

**Fighting Editor In "Deadline U.S.A." At Queen Theatre**

"Deadline —U. S. A." which plays at the Queen Theatre Thursday and Friday exposes big city corruption. Actual events have sadly taught us the hard truth that a rackets machine often involves politicians who control a community's destiny. It's a lesson "Deadline U. S. A." impresses on an audience, and the picture adds to its substance by pointing out that an antidote to crime in government may well be a free and fighting press.

Humphrey Bogart scores decisively as the crusading editor.

**PEGGY THORNTON WINS 4 CALF ROPING MATCH**

Peggy Thornton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Murl Thornton, won a four calf match Sunday against Wilma Standard, one of the top money winners in Girl's Rodeo Association. The match was held at Ft. Stockton Sunday afternoon. Peggy's best time was 18.4 seconds.

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### Next Saturday Is Forget-Me-Not Day

Members of Taylor County Chapter No. 36, Disabled American Veterans, will sell Forget-Me-Not in Merkel Saturday afternoon. These are the little blue flowers of remembrance sold by the D. A. V. to help out in their program of service to the Nation's disabled veterans, in obtaining adequate compensation, hospitalization and employment.

Buford Knight, Commander of Chapter No. 36, located in Abilene, will head the delegation of Taylor county disabled veterans who will be selling the flowers. County Judge Reed Inglesbe, who is a disabled veteran, is chairman of the drive.

### Isadore Mellinger Attends Shrine Meet In San Angelo

Isadore Mellinger attended the Shrine ceremonial in San Angelo Friday and Saturday.

### G. M. Reeves To Get Navy Discharge At San Diego Base

G. M. Reeves, damage controlman third class, USN, son of Mrs. E. H. Martin of Rt. 4, Merkel, and husband of Mrs. Jo Marvaryn Reeves of same address, has been transferred from the destroyer tender USS Piedmont, commanded by Captain Charles F. Hooper, USN, to the San Diego Naval Receiving Station for discharge.

Reeves completes six and a half years of Naval Service upon discharge May 12, with four and a half of those years on the big tender Piedmont. During his cruise with "Doc" Piedmont, the versatile auxiliary vessel has played an important role in the logistical support of the United Nations activities in the Far East.

Reeves enlisted on November 7, 1945, and after recruit training was assigned duty aboard the light cruiser USS Wilkes Barre (CL-103). Before boarding the Piedmont, he also served at the U. S. Navy yard in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

### MRS. O. W. REED IMPROVED

Mrs. O. W. Reed, who is in the Sadler Hospital, was visited by her children during the weekend: Mr. and Mrs. Athol Holder, Jerry and Raymond of Tulsa, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. Jack Reed and Johnny, Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Reed and Jay, a Van Horn, Harden Reed, Roy and Beverly of Levelland, Mr. Mrs. Allen D. King, Allen, Jr., May Buddy and Sue, Frank Reed and Georgie May.

Mrs. Reed is much improved.

### Vacation Church School Starts May 19 At Methodist Church

The vacation church school at the Methodist church will be in session May 19. The school hours will be 4 to 6 p. m. Mrs. Virgil Patters will be dean of the school.

"Stories about Jesus" is the text to be used in the kindergarten class. The primary children will learn about Jesus and the land where He lived as they study "Occurrences in Palestine." "Learning to Know the Bible" will be an interesting study for junior boys and girls, while the intermediate boys and girls will become more familiar with our Bible as they explore "Our Living Book."

Parents are urged to help the children remember to attend the school at this new hour.

### 130 Air Reservists Report at College For Personal Talk

About a 130 area Air Force Reservists had personal interviews with the team from Third Air Reserve Headquarters, McMurry College, Abilene, Monday and Tuesday.

All reservists living in the 26 counties covered by the survey are requested to report to the survey headquarters in Abilene as soon as possible.

Prompt reporting of the reservists in this area will decrease the cost of the survey—which will be a benefit to taxpayers, he said.

### Plan Farm, Ranch Operations Early For Labor Efficiency

Farm and ranch operations should be planned well in advance of actual work in order to make the most efficient use of farm labor.

### Local Folks Attend District Meeting Of V. F. W. at Snyder

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Pursler and Mr. and Mrs. Robert I. Gilmore attended the V. F. W. district convention in Snyder Saturday and Sunday.

### ATTEND ALL-NIGHT OUTING AT FANNIN LAKE

Those who were at an all-night outing at Fannin Lake Saturday and Sunday were: Messrs. and Mesdames O. D. Thompson and son, Don of Spur, Mitchell Walker and children, Dale and Betsy of Lubbock, F. W. Wallis and children of Lubbock, and son, Bobby of the Air Corps at Wichita Falls, J. D. Fox and twins, Jerry and Terry of Abilene and O. F. Fox of Merkel.

### AND THE FACE OF EDITOR WHITE IS BRILLIANT

A stranger from a nearby town on the east (not mentioned here) got into a discussion with Editor Hy White as to the name of the proposed air base. The stranger remarked it should be called Abilene Air Base while the editor insisted it should be called Tye Air Base or Merkel Air Base.

"Why, Merkel is just a suburb of Abilene," said the stranger.

"No," insisted the editor, "you've got it wrong. Abilene is a suburb of Merkel."

"Aw," spoke up the stranger, "you're jealous of Abilene."

"No," returned the editor, his face glowing smartly, "no, I'm not. I'm just proud of Merkel."

### UNION RIDGE H. D. CLUB HEARS ABOUT GARDENING

The Union Ridge Home Demonstration Club met Friday, May 2, in the home of Mrs. O. E. Harwell with the president, Mrs. Wyona Scroggins, in charge.

Roll call was answered with a "Tip on Gardening," a song led by Mrs. Don Riney. Miss Mable McRee gave the council report and highlights on the tea given by the council in Abilene May 1. Mrs. Denzel Cox read a story, "Spring Memories."

Refreshments were served to Mrs. Clyde Newton, George Crow, Don Riney, W. C. Lee, Denzel Cox,

### M. L. Douglas, J. H. Clark, Wyona Scroggins, Miss Mabel McRee and the hostess.

The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. W. C. Newton.

### Silage Is Cheap Source of Feed For the Dairy Cow

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### Airman B. Graham Spent a Few Days With Trent Friends

Airman, third class, Bobby J. Graham spent a three-day pass with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Graham, and other relatives and friends at Trent. ATC Graham is assigned to duty with the First Target Tow Squadron at Biggs Air Force Base, El Paso.

### Jimmy R. Walker Will Receive B. A. Degree From T.W.C. on June 1

Jimmy R. Walker son of Mr. and Mrs. Irl Walker, is a candidate for a Bachelor of Arts degree from Texas Western College of the University of Texas in El Paso at commencement exercises June 1. Jimmy, a graduate of Merkel High School, is majoring in education and minoring in physical education and English.



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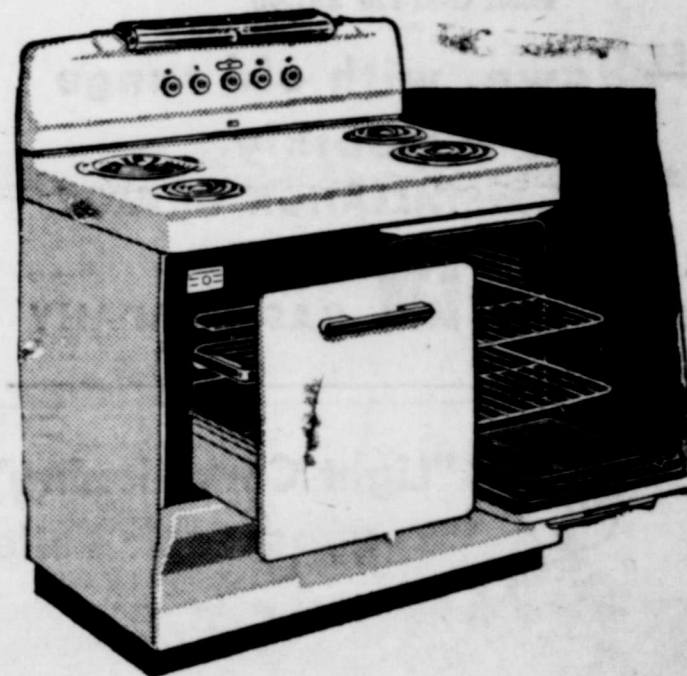
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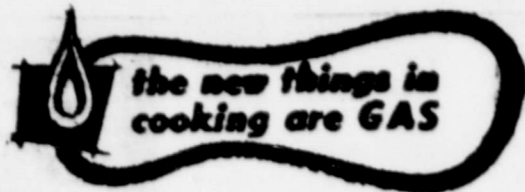
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You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 16th day of June A. D. 1952, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable 104th Dist. Court of Taylor County, at the Court House in Abilene, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 2nd day of May, 1952. The file number of said suit being No. 6907-B.

The names of the parties in said suit are:  
Henry H. Tyler et al. as Plaintiff, and Gennie Tyler et al. as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to-wit:  
For cause of action Plaintiff represents to the court that the Plaintiff and defendants are the joint owners in fee simple of the following described land and premises situated in Taylor County, Texas, to-wit:

A tract of land 100 feet North and South by 130 feet East and West out of the Northwest corner of Lot 1, Blk. 177, City of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, save and except the East 10 feet of of the East side heretofore conveyed to the State of Texas for road purposes by deed recorded in Volume 356 Page 518, Deed Records of Taylor County, Texas.

That the Plaintiffs are the owners of fifteen-sixteenths (15/16) undivided interest in said land, and the defendant, Gennie Tyler, is the owner of the one-thirtieth (1/32) undivided interest, and the Defendant, Betty Lou Tyler, is the owner of one-thirtieth (1/32) undivided interest in said land and premises.

That the plaintiffs and defendants are the sole owners of said lands and premises. Estimated value is \$7500.00.

Plaintiff prays the Court that defendant be cited to appear and answer this petition. That they have judgment for partition and division of said land and premises.

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

Issued this the 2nd day of May A. D. 1952.  
Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 2nd day of May A. D., 1952.

J. NEIL DANIEL, Clerk  
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9:00-9:45, Children arrive and have outside play.  
9:45-10:00, drink, bathroom and juice.  
10:00-10:15, rest.  
10:15-10:30, music.  
10:30-11:00, inside play.  
11:00-11:30, inside activities, as stories, painting, coloring, etc.  
11:30, go home as their parents arrive for them.  
Reports will be sent to each parent at the end of the school, giving the observation report of the FHA student as to the response of the child to the program.  
Parents interested will please register their children between 12:45 and 1:30 P. M. in the Home-making Department any school day next week.

### Offer College Men Chance to Earn Marine Commissions

T/Sgt. Wims of the local Marine Recruiting Station at Abilene announced that Merkel area male college graduates and seniors will have an opportunity to earn commissions in the Marine Corps this summer.

Sgt. Wims said that the necessary application forms are available at the recruiting station.

It was also announced that members of organized or volunteer Marine Corps Reserve units may apply if they meet the requirements.

### Relative Is Killed By Lightning During Morton Thunderstorm

Scott Hawkins of Morton was killed by lightning during a thunderstorm in Morton. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Pee and Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Toombs attended his funeral and burial in Lubbock Friday. Mrs. Scott Hawkins was the former Armie Love Toombs, niece of Mrs. Sallie Gant and Mrs. Kenneth Pee.

### Intercollegiate Meet Will Be Held In Abilene June 6 and 7

Abilene is the site, June 6-7, of the first National Intercollegiate Track, Golf and Tennis meet.

The meet, sponsored by the National Association of Intercollegiate Basketball, which for 15 years has successfully produced the big Kansas City cage tourney, will draw colleges from every corner of the United States.

14—Norman . . . . . Norman Windham, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Windham, is a candidate for a Bachelor of Arts degree from Texas Western College of the University of Texas at El Paso at commencement exercises June 1.

Norman, a graduate of Merkel High School, is a physical education major and a history minor.

### Mrs. Cora Bailiff Is Critically Ill

Mrs. Cora Bailiff, who has been in the hospital in Fort Worth, is now in the hospital at Haskell. She is in a critical condition. Her husband, A. C. Bailiff, and son G. D. and family saw her Sunday.

### Tomatoes Furnish Vitamin, Helping Make Sound Teeth

Home gardeners are reminded that tomatoes furnish vitamin C which helps to make sound teeth, firm gums and strong blood vessel walls. When supplies of tomatoes become plentiful, don't waste them but can for later use.

### WILD ANTELOPES VISIT CITY YARDS

Reports from drought-nicked West Texas include some strange reaction of wild antelope to the withered range. The Executive Secretary of the Game & Fish Commission said the ordinarily shy animals have invaded towns in search of food. At Alpine, Game Warden Supervisor A. R. Williams said for the first time in his memory antelope have even visited city yards to nip shrubbery.

### Mrs. Ben Hicks Improving Nicely After Surgery

Mrs. Ben Hicks is improving nicely at the Sadler Hospital. Mrs. Hicks had surgery last week.

### Lt. Holmes Awarded Bronze Star Medal

First Lt. Roy J. Holmes, whose wife, Joyce, lives at 1403D Boyd Street, Borger, recently was awarded the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in Korea. Lieutenant Holmes, ambulance officer in Medical Company, 7th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Division, was cited for the period of Nov. 23-24, 1951.

He was graduated from Texas Technological College in 1950. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy L. Holmes, reside at 21 Ryan St., Phillips.

Lt. Holmes is the nephew of Mrs. Florence Berry and is well known here.

### Rains Should Boost Mesquite Control With Chemicals

The recent general rains should boom the practice of controlling mesquite with chemicals. Adequate soil moisture is a factor that materially effects the final result of such a program. Airplanes will be widely used for applying the chemical spray.

### Urge Farm Families To Take Caution

More rain means more work on the farm and this increased tempo of work can set the stage for many farm accidents. Members of the Texas Farm and Ranch Safety Committee urge farm families not to become careless and try short cuts that may end in disaster.

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### KING'S DAUGHTERS CLASS MEETS TUESDAY AFTERNOON

The King's Daughters Sunday School Class of the Methodist Church met in regular social session at the church Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Brooks Patterson, the president, was in charge. After a song, Mrs. Jenia Graham led the prayer. Mrs. Campbell read the second chapter of John as a devotional.

A short business session was followed by the social hour.

Mrs. Patterson and Mrs. R. B. Johnson served refreshments to one visitor, Mrs. Lizzie Latham, and the following members: Mesdames Tom Coats, T. G. Bragg, J. M. Collins, W. D. Hutcheson, C. K. Russell, J. R. Pee, Bettie Sue Berryman, Lorinda Campbell, Effie Martin and J. S. Pinckley.

### Mrs. J. B. Jones Moves To Son's Home After Being in Hospital

Mrs. J. B. Jones after spending several days last week at a hospital in Abilene for examination and treatment has been moved to the home of her son, Emory Jones, of 837 Jeanette, Abilene. She is resting more comfortably and hopes to return home soon.

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#### OUR BAND

The fine ratings the High School Band got at the Interscholastic League Contest at Behrens Chapel Auditorium at Hardin-Simmons University do not tell the whole story of the excellent organization that we have in Merkel.

Don't misunderstand, please. The ratings that we did get are something to be proud of. We got a third division rating in concert. That is considered a good performance.

In sight reading the local band got a first division rating. That of course speaks for itself. It means that it gave the best performance possible.

Look at the competition that the youngsters went up against. They were playing in the Class A group, schools that have an enrollment from 200 to 500 pupils. Merkel has only 170 in high school this year, though last year's enrollment was 202, on which classes were based.

This was tough competition but Director Ralph Brady's performers were not afraid of the competition. They did their best and came off well.

To get more personal, let us add something more. We were present when the Merkel band played. It was among the first to perform, which meant that the judges had a good chance to forget what the players did by the time the day was over. But in spite of this, the Merkel Band was outstanding.

We listened with great satisfaction while the local group played

for the concert contest. The whole band played as if one person was playing instead of a large group. The masterly touch of Director Brady received instantaneous and correct response from the players. Slow or fast, loud or soft, the youngsters changed quickly as the director gave the indication. And as Mr. Brady began to sway a little they picked up a swinging theme. Everything was done with precision and quickly and sweetly.

The Merkel Band is a well trained group.

The sight reading contest can be a nervous experience, testing the character of the director and the players as well as their musicianship. Director Brady led the pattern to be followed by the band. He was calm, relaxed, and he calmed and relaxed the youngsters.

The director studied the numbers to be followed by the band. He did this in a leisurely manner, as if it were an ordinary experience. Then he explained to the group the theme of the number, its timing and its key. All this was done in an unhurried, collected manner.

The director stood erect, he lifted his hands and the playing began. The youngsters responded like seasoned players to his every touch and suggestion. It was like a great artist playing upon a fine instrument, an instrument that gave forth wonderful, sweet music.

And how those youngsters played! They knew what the director wanted and they did it. It was a great performance, a grand performance!

Director Brady gave his directions to the band in an easy manner, confidently and even at times with humor and a quick smile. No wonder the kids played as they did, giving him everything they had and loving him for it.

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### Billy Gene Decker Visits Trent Friends While Off Air Duty

Airman, third class, Billy Gene Decker of Hensley Field, Dallas, recently visited friends in Trent. ATC Decker is assigned to air patrol duty in Dallas. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Decker, Goree, but formerly of Trent. Decker graduated from Trent High School in 1931 and entered the Air Force in June of that year.

### Dave Carson On Way Home From Korea, Will Arrive June 1

Word has been received here that Dave Carson of the Marine Corps will leave Korea on May 5 and arrive in the United States on June 1 and come home on leave of absence.

### Legal Notices

**THE STATE OF TEXAS**  
 To George Hogue Greeting:  
 You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiffs 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 16th day of June A. D. 1952, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable 42nd Court of Taylor County at the Court House in Abilene, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 28 day of April, 1952.

The file number of said suit being No. 18,214-A.

The names of the parties in said suit are:  
 Virginia Hogue as Plaintiff, and George Hogue as Defendant.

The nature of said suit, being substantially as follows, to wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married on or about Sept. 22, 1951. No Children have been born to said marriage. Community property consists of a Buick Automobile and a house trailer. By agreement between parties the plaintiff asks for all title rights to the trailer house with the Defendant to have all title rights to the Buick automobile. Plaintiff sues for divorce on ground 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 29th day of April A. D. 1952.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 29th day of April, A. D. 1952.

J. NEIL DANIEL, Clerk  
 42nd Court Taylor County, Texas  
 By Dorothy Dickerson, Deputy  
 Adv. May 2, 9, 16, 23.

### "No Highway in Sky" Charged With Danger At Queen Theatre

Highly charged with suspense and crammed with action, "No Highway in the Sky," which opens at the Queen Theatre Tuesday and Wednesday is the story of a scientific investigation upon which the fate of a great airliner holds in the balance.

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the Sky" enlists ingenious terms to resolve an outstanding drama of intrigue and danger.

**BROTHER IS VERY ILL**  
 Mr. and Mrs. Ward Berryman of

Big Spring came Sunday and accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Pete Rutledge to the Stanford Hospital where they visited their brother, Allen Bakerm, who has been very ill. He is improving slowly.

**MRS. L. A. WATTS' BROTHER IS INJURED**  
 Mrs. L. A. Watts left Tuesday for Farwell to visit this week with her injured brother, J. F. Foster, 83. He fell and broke his hip.

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<b>FRESH CUCUMBERS</b> lb. 15c	<b>CHUCK ROAST</b> lb. 69c
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**Advises Dairy Men To Plant Silage**

Dairy producers should plant enough hay and silage crops to store at least one ton of hay and three tons of silage for each cow in the herd, suggested the Texas A. & M. Extension Service

**Middle Clear Fork Soil Conservation District News**

**By P. C. WYLIE**  
Work Unit Conservationist  
About 70 farmers cooperating with the Middle Clear Fork soil conservation district have constructed about 200 miles of new terraces on their farms and ranches this past winter in the Merkel-Trent area of the district. Most of this work was performed with county maintainers and belt type terracers. This will add another 8,000 to 10,000 acres of level contour farming to the already some 80 to 90 thousand acres farmed on the contour in this area.  
W. S. J. Brown, cooperater with the district in the South Noodle area, has recently seeded about 20

acres to a grass mixture consisting of blue panic, weeping lovegrass, side oats grama, and KR bluestem grass. This was seeded on some pasture terraces which had not grassed over. He used the district grass drill and seeded this broadcast. Mr. Brown sold his cattle last winter and he is giving his entire ranch a complete deferment this year. This rest should do much to improve the grass vigor, cover, and seed crop.

R. O. Anderson, cooperater with the district on his farm in the South Noodle area, has recently constructed a new farm pond and a short diversion terrace to assist in filling the pond.

Garnett Wilks, cooperater with the district on his farm East of Trent, has recently seeded about four acres of Madrid Clover for grazing. This was sown broadcast and then harrowed lightly for covering. Mr. Wilks is in the process of installing a small irrigation system on a five acre tract. He will use flood water from Noodle Creek and irrigate KR bluestem grass.

Billy Foy, cooperater with the district in the Union conservation group, has recently seeded 80 acres of cropland to weeping lovegrass. This was seeded broadcast at the rate of two and one-half pounds of seed per acre with the district grass drill. Mr. Foy seeded about 50 acres of grass last year and he is in the process of establishing several permanent pastures for grazing. This will be good conservation treatment for the land and should prove profitable to him in his livestock enterprise.

Sam Swann, cooperater with the district on his ranch north of Trent, has recently seeded 190 acres of weeping lovegrass on cultivated fields. This was seeded in 20 inch rows at the rate of two and

one half pounds of seed per acre. Mr. Swann has 110 acres of 2-year-old weeping grass which he has been well pleased with the results obtained from it. He plans to seed all his cropland on the ranch to grass in time and rotate grazing of these improved pastures with his native pastures.

E. M. McCright, cooperater with the district in the Goodman area, has recently planted 20 acres of cropland to weeping lovegrass. This planting was made for revegetation and grazing purposes. It was seeded broadcast at the rate of two and one half pounds of seed per acre with the district grass drill. Mr. McCright has a two acre patch of weeping lovegrass planted in 1950 which has furnished lots of grazing and has helped to hold the soil in place to control blowing. This grass has had some green leaves all winter in spite of the continued drought.

**MRS. N. C. BUSH GIVEN SURPRISE BIRTHDAY DINNER**

A surprise birthday dinner was given Mrs. N. C. Bush by her daughter last Sunday. Those attending were Mrs. Eva Fay Denton, Britta Kaye, Monley and Dent Denton, Messrs. and Mesdames Loyd Perry and son Lanny, Charles Orr, Melvin Arrington and Clifford Orr of Abilene.

**Mrs. Cora Curb Falls in Bedroom And Fractures Leg**

Mrs. Cora Curb fell in her bedroom on North First Street on Saturday and suffered a severe fracture of her leg. She was taken to the Sadler Hospital. She is 77 years old.

**Jessie Walla Has Appendectomy Last Saturday**

Jessie Walla had an emergency appendectomy at the Sadler Hospital Saturday and is getting along all right.

**HOSPITAL NOTES**

Admissions to the Sadler Hospital the past week were:  
As medical patients — Mrs. C. A. Cox, Mrs. George W. Jackson, R. R. Bennett, Terry Baird, M. J. Mayfield and Mrs. Henry King.

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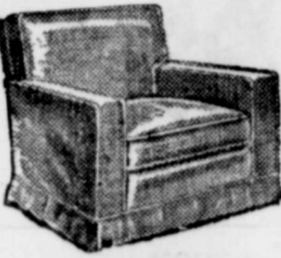
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The family of Mrs. J. M. Cook.

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Zed H. Bright, W. M.  
C. B. Rust, Sec'y.

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**NEW ADMISSION PRICES**

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ADMISSION 12c, Tax 2c Total 14c

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LAST TIMES FRIDAY

ABBOTT and COSELLO in

**"JACK AND THE BEANSTALK"**

SATURDAY, (ONLY), MAY 10

2—BIG FEATURES—2

The West Its Wildest — and Wooliest!  
George O'Brien And The Three Stooges

**"GOLD RAIDERS"**

—PLUS—

One way road to the chair for todays greatest menace!

Lawrence "Dillinger" Tierney in

**"THE HOODLUM"**

Also Color Cartoon and Serial

**SUNDAY & MONDAY, MAY 11-12**

Features — Sunday 2:40 — 4:40

Features — Monday — 8:00 — 10:00

Glamorous Las Vegas — Where they play the Oldest Game on Earth — with a new exciting twist!

JANE RUSSELL — VICTOR MATURE

**"THE LAS VEGAS STORY"**

with Vincent Price — Hoagy Carmichael  
Added Color Cartoon and Sports

**TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY, MAY 13-14**

Features — 8:00 — 10:10

Nevil Shute's Powerful Drama of Suspense Roars Across the Sky! A Midnight — To Dawn Adventure That Would Prove One Man Wrong —or Destroy Them All!

JAMES STEWART — MARLENE DIETRICH  
**"NO HIGHWAY IN THE SKY"**

Our Gang Comedy and Cartoon

**THURSDAY & FRIDAY, MAY 15-16**

FEATURES — 8:00 — 9:55

U. S. A. Brings You Two 1951 Academy Award Winners

FRANK SINATRA — KATHARINE HUNTER

**"DEADLINE—U. S. A."**

Starring ETHEL BARRYMORE

with News and Color Cartoon

### Farmers Coop Gin Of Stith to Meet At 1 o'clock Today

The Farmers Coop Gin of Stith, Merkel Route 1, will hold its annual meeting today, May 9, at 1 o'clock for the purpose of discussing business and electing two directors.

The auditor for the cooperative, Henry Todd, will be at the meeting to discuss the year's operation and other important matters. All members are urged to attend and also those who are interested.

The president is Wilmer Creswell and the secretary-treasurer is R. E. Harris.

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### EVERY DAY LOW PRICES WEEKDAY WINDOW SPECIALS

VELVEETA CHEESE	2lb. box 89c
IMPERIAL SUGAR	10 lb. 89c
PUREASNOW —PRINT FLOUR	25 lb. \$2.09
TEXO PURPLE PLUMS	gal 59c
LIBBY'S FRUIT COCKTAIL	No. 2 1/2 33c
DEL MONTE PINEAPPLE JUICE	46 oz. 29c
PET MILK	2 Tall 27c
BLUE BONNET With 10c Coupon	OLEO Lb. 25c

### Here's OUR Happy Surprises for Mother's Day



BETTY CROCKER  
1/2 PRICE SALE  
Party & Devil Food  
CAKE MIX  
Both 53c

JELL-O  
Box 5c

**COFFEE**  
**BAKERITE**

### SPECIALS FRIDAY and SATURDAY MAY 9th. and 10th.

ELFOOD APPLE BUTTER	28 oz. 22c
KOOL-AID	5 pkgs. 19c
OUR DARLING CORN	2 cans 38c
MISSION PEAS	2 cans 29c
LIBBY'S WHOLE GREEN BEANS	2 cans 49c
KLEENEX	2-200 BOXES 29c   2-300 BOXES 43c
MARYLAND CLUB	Pound Can 83c
SHORTENING	3 Lb. Can 69c



### CHOICE MEATS

NICE LEAN PORK ROAST	lb. 49c
ASSORTED LUNCH LOAVES	lb. 49c
CHOICE BEEF CHUCK ROAST	lb. 69c
FRESH FRYERS	lb. 45c
GOOCHES RODEO WEINERS	lb. 39c
FRESH GROUND BEEF	lb. 63c
WILSON'S CORN KING BACON	5 or 3 lbs \$1.00
PIMIEN TO CHEESE CHICKEN	HAM SALAD

### RECIPE OF THE WEEK

By Mary Lee Taylor  
**Easy Apple Cobbler**  
No. 303 can sweetened applesauce  
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon  
1 cup biscuit mix  
1 Tablespoon sugar  
1/4 cup raisins  
1/2 cup Pet Milk  
4 teaspoons brown sugar  
4 teaspoons butter  
Mix applesauce and cinnamon into 8-inch square pan. Heat in hot oven (450). Put biscuit mix in bowl. Stir in sugar, raisins and milk. Remove hot applesauce from oven. Drop dough from spoon in 4 equal portions onto hot applesauce. Press a hollow in each and fill with equal parts of brown sugar and butter. Bake on center rack of oven 15 min., or until light brown. Serve warm.

WHITE HOUSE APPLES  
2 for 39c  
Betty Crocker  
Crustquick  
2 Boxes 37c

### GARDEN FRESH VEGETABLES

FRESH TOMATOES	lb. 19c
GOLDEN BANANAS	2 lbs. 25c
FRESH CARROTS	Bag 12c
FRESH GREEN ONIONS	bunch 5c
FRESH Cucumbers	Lb 15c
JUMBO LETTUCE	Head 12c
FRESH RADISHES	bunch 5c
FRESH CRISP CELERY	stalk 19c

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