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NEWS ABOUT TOWN

Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Winter of Liberal, Kans., have returned home after spending a vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Winter and two brothers, Winston and Mina Winter. They visited friends



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in Comanche county, accompanied by his parents. They also visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richey, in Abilene and did some fishing at Phantom Lake while in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Rutledge and Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Winter attended Stag Creek church in Comanche County Memorial Day, hearing a fine Memorial sermon, good singing and having a wonderful time meeting old timers and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Metz of San Antonio visited last week with Dan Reidenbaugh.

Mrs. J. D. Gentry and baby returned from Colorado City where she had been visiting for two weeks with her sister, Mrs. Charles Womack.

Mrs. Ross Ferrier, accompanied by Mrs. Jackie Speidel of Los Angeles who will be here on a visit returned Tuesday of last week. She was gone 30 days.

Mrs. J. D. Sheppard, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Reagan of Dallas were weekend visitors of Mrs. F. C. McFarland. Recent visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sheppard, Mrs. Urban Zee and children, Penny and Candy, of Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Cross of Hobbs, New Mexico, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Cross over the weekend.

Joe Brint and Felix Stalls, Jr., of Abilene spent the weekend with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stalls.

Mrs. N. D. Cobb went to Fort Worth last week and visited her daughter, Mrs. George Coker, and husband.

Billy Cobb of Oklahoma City, Okla., visited his mother, Mrs. N.

D. Cobb, over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wright and daughters of Lubbock spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Diltz.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Mosley and children spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Mosley, in Cisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Walker and family returned Saturday night from a weeks trip to Galveston.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Mewborn and family visited their daughter, Mrs. John Akin, and Mr. Akin in Odessa Sunday.

A/3C Raymond L. McMinn of Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, visited his grandmother, Mrs. J. O. McMinn, over the holidays. Other visitors were his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Juano McMinn, Barksdale Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Hunter of Lubbock were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Sublett.

Mrs. W. O. Boney spent last week in Roscoe with her sister, Mrs. Mary Harkins, and with her son, Harold Boney, and family of Colorado City and attended the graduation exercises of the Colorado City High School of which her granddaughter, Sylvia Ann Boney, was one of the graduates.

Mr. and Mrs. Forest Reynolds and daughter Jo Derris of Midland visited over the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Cramer Reynolds.

Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Palmer were in Dallas over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Gregory visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. McDaniel, in Gorman over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Odis Bagby and family had a picnic at Lake Phantom Monday. No fish caught. They were accompanied by Jimmy Doan,

Don Hewit, Patricia Fisher and Carol Lou Bockman.

Mr. and Mrs. John West visited Sunday and Monday with her sister, Mrs. J. C. Randall, and Mr. Randall in Vernon.

Mrs. Jack West and son Sidney Jack of Midland were here over the weekend, guests of Mayor and Mrs. Henry West.

Mrs. Harry Barnett, Mrs. Bob McDonald and Ronnie Barnett left Tuesday morning for Electra to visit their brother R. L. Vincent, and family.

Mrs. Vineant Barnett is visiting her mother, Mrs. Knox, in Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. Forest Glen Barnett of McCombs visited over the holiday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Barnett.

Sunday visitors of Mrs. J. M. Collins and Miss Mary Collins were Mr. and Mrs. Q. A. Collins and her mother, Mrs. J. F. Aycock of Lamesa.

Mr. and Mrs. Booth Russon and children of Odessa are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Russon and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Terry.

Mrs. Dent Gibson returned to Ft. Worth Monday with her husband and returned Wednesday.

Miss Dento Gibson was in Houston this week, visiting friends.

Mrs. C. K. Russell, Mrs. R. M. Ferguson and Mrs. Lizzie Latham left Wednesday for Dallas where they met Mrs. C. F. Knox and Kathie and went on a trip to Greensboro, Kans., to visit Mrs. L. R. Thompson.

Mrs. Paul Marr of Stephenville is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Bragg.



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Merkel Grace Presbyterian Church
 Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.
 Worship Service.....11 a. m.
 Evening Services.....8 p. m.

Merkel First Baptist Church
 Sunday School.....9:45 a. m.
 Morning Worship.....11:00 a. m.
 Training Union.....6:30 p. m.
 Evening Worship.....8 p. m.
 Wednesday Prayer Service 7:30 p. m.

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 Morning Worship.....11:00 a. m.
 Training Union.....7:00 p. m.
 Evening Services.....8 p. m.
 Wednesday:
 Prayer Service.....7:30 p. m.

Tye Baptist Church
 Sunday:
 Sunday School.....9:45 a. m.
 Morning Worship.....11:00 a. m.
 Training Union.....6:45 p. m.
 Evening Services.....8 p. m.

Merkel Church of Christ
 Sunday:
 Bible Study.....9:45 a. m.
 Morning Service.....11:00 a. m.
 Young People's Bible Class 6:30 p. m.
 Evening Services.....8 p. m.

Merkel Assembly of God
 Sunday school.....10 a. m.
 Morning Service.....11 a. m.
 C. A.'s (Young People).....7 p. m.
 Evening Worship.....8 p. m.
 Tuesday W. M. C.....2 p. m.
 Wed. Prayer Service 7:30 p. m.

Tye Methodist Church
 Sunday:
 Sunday School.....10 a. m.
 M. Y. F.7:00 p. m.
 Prayer Meeting.....3 p. m.
 Morning Service.....11:00 a. m.

Noodle Church of Christ
 Sunday:
 Bible Class.....10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship Service 11:00
 Young People's Service 6:30
 Evening Worship.....8 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.....8 p. m.

Trent Church of Christ
 Sunday:
 Sunday School.....11:00 o'clock
 Bible Class.....10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship.....11:00 a. m.
 Evening Services.....8:00 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 Service.....8:00 p. m.

Trent Methodist Church
 Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.
 Evening Worship.....8:00 p. m.
 Morning Services.....11:00 a. m.
 M. Y. F. Services.....6:30 p. m.
 Wednesday:
 Prayer Services.....7:30 p. m.

Hebron Baptist Church
 Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship.....11:00 a. m.
 Training Union.....7:00 p. m.
 Evening Worship.....8:00 p. m.
 Wednesday:
 Evening Prayer Services.....7:30 p. m.

Pioneer Memorial Chapel
 Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.
 Morning Service.....11:00 a. m.
 Evening Services.....8:00 p. m.
 Wednesday:
 Evening Prayer Service.....7:30

New Live Oak Baptist Church
 Sunday:
 Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship.....11 a. m.
 Training Union.....6:45 p. m.
 Evening Worship.....8 p. m.

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REV. R. L. GRIFFIN MARRIES MRS. MAY CRAINE MONDAY

Rev. R. L. Griffin of Merkel and Mrs. May Craine of Abilene were married at the Presbyterian Manse by Rev. J. N. Russell Monday, June 1, at 9 p. m. They will make their home in Merkel.

personals

Mr. and Mrs. Quannah Dudley and family went fishing over the holidays at Concho River, near Paint Rock. No fish. The big ones were just not biting.

Mrs. Steward Dean and son Larry of Corpus Christi are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dee Grimes.

D. C. Johnson visited his mother, Mrs. J. T. Johnson, and aunt, Miss Delia Kuykendall, Tuesday and Wednesday of last week.

Mrs. Myrtle Wozencraft visited

in Fort Worth from Sunday to Wednesday with relatives.

Debra Dismuke is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob McDonald.

LOUISE WADE MARRIES BOBBY DUBOSE ON MAY 28

Louise Wade, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Wade, and Airman 1/c Bobby DuBose, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. B. DuBose, were married Thursday, May 28, at 8 p. m. in the Methodist parsonage at Tye. Rev. Lynnward Harrison read the double ring ceremony.

The bride wore a street length dress of white nylon lace, styled with fitted bodice, a Peter Pan collar and a full skirt. She carried a white Bible topped with red roses.

Her bridesmaid was Charlene Mashburn and her dress was pale blue embroidered organza with fitted bodice, puffed sleeves, full skirt and a corsage of pink carnations.

Marvin DuBose, brother of the groom, was best man.

The bride is a 1950 graduate of Merkel High School.

The groom is a 1949 graduate of Merkel High School and attended Cisco Junior and McMurry College before entering the service in January of 1951. He has just returned from a 16-month service in England.

The couple flew to New York last Friday and went on to Shafsbury, England, Monday where they will make their home for the next 18 months.

FORTNIGHTLY STUDY CLUB INSTALLS NEW OFFICERS

Mrs. Powell Miller installed the new officers of the Fortnightly Study Club at the Community Center Tuesday of last. They are:

President, Mrs. Andy Shouse; vice president, Mrs. Ray Wilson; recording secretary, Mrs. Murry Toombs; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Paul Honeycutt; treasurer, Mrs. Tommy Ellis; parliamentarian, Mrs. W. T. Sadler; clerk, Mrs. Mack Fisher; historian, Mrs. Judd McReynolds; press reporter, Mrs. Wm. Cypert; federation counselor, Mrs. Powell Miller.

A summer menu was served at 12:30 noon.

"Destination Gobi" Is Thrilling Show At Queen Theatre

Through the eerie singing sands and strange magnetic lights of Asia's Gobi desert, through restless nomadic Mongol encampments Chinese caravans and Japanese cavalry, Twentieth Century-Fox has charted an adventure that will have audiences literally gripping their seats with excitement. "Destination Gobi," which plays Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at the Queen Theatre, starring Richard Widmark and Don Taylor, is the spectacular account of a small detachment of the U. S. Navy in the last war, assigned to a Gobi Desert outpost to report weather conditions from behind enemy lines.

A sudden Jap air attack sends the small band of seven war-toughened men on a desperate dash to the sea across a no-man's land of sand and storm to a final showdown in an ancient seaport town in a wild and strange story, abounding with excitement from beginning to end.

"The Silver Whip" Packs Thrills At Queen Theatre

"The Silver Whip" is top western entertainment, with all kinds of "plus" values. In place of the usual single western hero, the new Twentieth Century-Fox outdoor epic which bows in at the Queen Theatre Sunday and Monday boasts no less than three in the hot trio comprising Dale Robertson, Rory Calhoun and Robert Wagner. Where the routine western settles for action, this one matches its rugged pace with dramatic power.

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Indian Warfare Is Stirring Epic At Pioneer Theatre

A stirring epic of the Army's Indian warfare in the Southwest some 80 years ago, "Fort Apache" opens Friday and Saturday at the Pioneer Theatre with John Wayne, Henry Fonda, Shirley Temple and Pedro Armendariz in the stellar roles.

Told with clarity and realism, the new film directed by Ford, revolves about the dominant personality of an embittered cavalry colonel sent out to take charge of a lonely outpost on the Arizona des-

ert. Unversed in the ways of handling Indians, the colonel ignores the advice of his more experienced subordinates, and in the thrill-packed climax endeavors to make a name for himself by tricking and capturing Cochise's elusive band of Apache warriors.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF TAYLOR

Notice is hereby given that the general partnership heretofore subsisting between Clarence R. Collins and Miles M. Fox, both of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, under the firm name of Fox-Collins Realty and Insurance Agency, with home offices in Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, was dissolved by mutual consent on the first day of May, A. D. 1953.

All debts owing to the said partnership are to be received by the said Clarence R. Collins, who is now the sole owner of said business, and all demands on said partnership are to be presented to the said Clarence R. Collins, for payment, and the said Miles M. Fox has no connection whatsoever with said business, and that the said Clarence R. Collins, will hereafter operate under the same name, Fox-Collins Realty and Insurance Agency.

WITNESS OUR signatures this 7th day of May, A. D. 1953.

Clarence R. Collins
Miles M. Fox

Adv. — May 15, 22, 29, June 5.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To any Sheriff or any Constable within the State of Texas — Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for four consecutive weeks, the first publication to be at least twenty-eight days before the return day thereof, in a newspaper printed in Taylor County, Texas, the accompanying citation, of which the herein below following is a true copy.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: Jack Moody, Defendant.

Greeting: YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE HONOR-

able 104th Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 6th day of July A. D. 1953, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 18th day of May A. D. 1953, in this cause, numbered 7243-B on the docket of said court and styled Mamie Betty Moody, Plaintiff, vs. Jack Moody, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married on or about August 5, 1950 and lived together until on or about Jan. 1, 1952. Plaintiff shows there is no community property to be adjudicated and no children born of said marriage. Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of Cruel treatment and asks that her maiden name of Mamie Betty Musick be restored to her, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

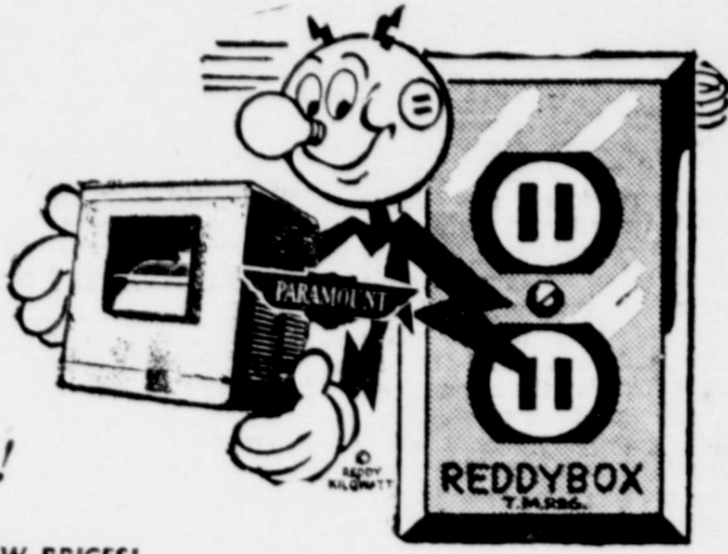
Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this 23rd day of May A. D. 1953.

Attest: J. Neil Daniel, Clerk.
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Adv. May 29, June 5, 12, 19.

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LAW OF LIFE

"Response is the law of life." Thus spoke Carl M. Anderson...

That is true. In fact, response is life. A body that does not have response dies or is already dead.

It might be added that there are gradations of response. Some folks respond very slowly...

But the larger life is dependent on how one responds to things and folks about him.

We are reminded of a story our professor of psychology once told in a college classroom.

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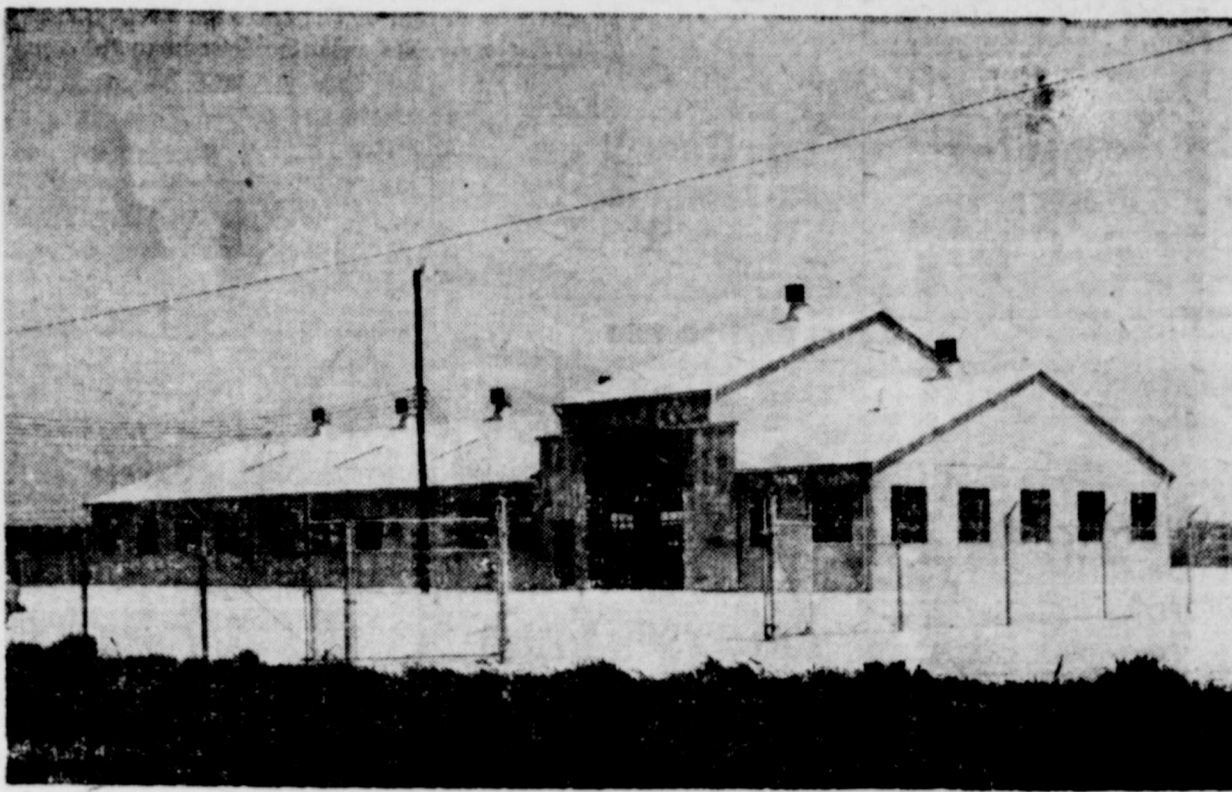
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By VERN SANFORD Texas Press Association

Before leaving Austin, the legislators said to each other, "Good-bye, see you at the special session."

It is expected that Governor Shivers will call them back when the courts make a final decision on the natural gas tax.

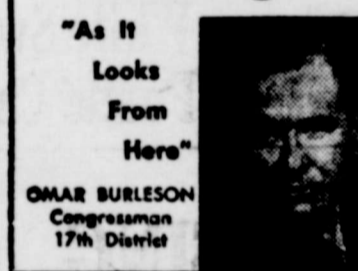
If the tax is upheld, the state will have available the money that has been piling up since the tax was passed by the previous legislature...

Governor Shivers has predicted that the court test will come to an end in the fall.

As to legislation passed, the governor thought these measure were good:

Authorizing new tuberculosis hospitals at San Antonio and Harlingen; setting up a stronger water conservation program...

Washington



At this time and for the next several months, hundreds of thousands of people will visit Washington. There are many, many interesting places and the Capitol, of course, is the center point.

To know the history of the Capitol gives inspiration, and there is much to be learned about it. For instance, few of us realize that in the War of 1812 the British occupied the City of Washington...

President Jackson barely escaped assassination in the Rotunda of the Capitol in 1835 as he headed a funeral procession from the House Chamber.

It is said that "Old Hickory" would have knocked his assailant down with his cane, but a young Naval Lieutenant beat him to it.

On the ground floor of the Capitol is a tomb that was built for George Washington, but his family decided not to use it for his resting place.

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In addition to the proposed constitutional amendments listed above, these additional ones were passed by the Legislature...

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Farmers get better prices for their cotton when they know three things before going to market, according to H. J. Matejowsky of the Abilene Classing Office, U. S. Department of Agriculture. He named grade, staple length, and knowledge of local price quotations.

There's a simple way for farmers to get this information, he pointed out, and at no cost. They can sign up with a Cotton Improvement Group under the Smith-Doxey program. To do this, a farmer must contact his County agent, the Cotton Classing Office, or his local gin.

Matejowsky reminded interested

farmers to sign up before the deadline date to insure their place in 1953 program.

J. B. Griffin at Uncles' Funeral Last Week

J. B. Griffin was in Hughes Springs

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Monday of last week where he attended the funeral of his uncle, A. J. Griffin, 71.

Marie Russell Admitted May 27 To Hospital

Marie Russell, 8-year-old daughter

of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Russell, was admitted May 27 to the Scottish Rite Hospital for Crippled Children in Dallas.

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