

Missing Girl Found Safe After Statewide Search

A 16-year-old girl who disappeared last month while en route from Texas City to a reunion here has been found safe in Houston by juvenile authorities.

Finding of the girl, Mrs. Billie Jean Haney, wife of a Marine in Korea, ended a statewide search, started July 2 when her mother, Mrs. L. B. Clark of Burlington, Vt., expressed fear of foul play over her disappearance.

Mrs. Haney had started aboard a bus for a reunion of the J. C. Cox family, Mr. and Mrs. Cox are her grandparents.

According to details received here, Mrs. Haney changed her mind about attending the reunion for fear her mother would take her back to Vermont to live. The girl stayed in Houston so she could be near her husband's family with whom she has been making her home in Texas City since her husband went overseas.

Her husband, PFC. A. E. Haney, is now on a second tour of duty in Korea with the First Marine Division.

IST BAND PRACTICE

The first High School Band rehearsal will be held Monday, July 27, at 7:30 p. m. at the Band Building. All band members and others who plan to be in high school are urged to come said Bandmaster W. G. Reed.

TO RETURN FROM KOREA

S/Sgt. Barry H. McLean leaves Korea July 29 for the states. He will arrive August 20. He left the states Sept. 6 and has been stationed at the Seoul Air Force Base in Korea since that time. He has not been in combat but has served there as a plumbing instructor.

His wife has been employed by the Sadler Hospital during his absence. His enlistment expires Dec. 20, 1954.

BABY WEIGHS OVER 9 POUNDS

A baby boy weighing 9 pounds 11 ounces was born to Mr. and Mrs. Othell O'Kelly at the Sadler Hospital July 19.

FALLS FROM HORSE

Jean Malone was admitted to the Sadler Hospital July 16, suffering from a fractured pelvis. She fell from a horse.



ALLEN D. KING, JR.

Allen D. King, Jr. Wins Scholarship At Texas Tech

Allen D. King, Jr. of Merkel has been selected as one of a group of high school graduates to receive a freshman scholarship in the agriculture division of Texas Technological College for the 1953-54 school year.

Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen D. King, graduated from Trent High School in May as valedictorian of his class. He was president of the senior class and president of the FFA chapter, an office he also held during his sophomore and junior years.

Leadership is based on scholarship, selection character, interest in agriculture and determination to finish college.

Allen who is now a student at Texas Tech for the summer semester, also was active in the Area IV Future Farmers of America serving as president in 1952 and secretary in 1951. He was elected a Lone Star Farmer and received a degree at the state convention in Dallas during his junior year.

"Witnessing the home talent play, 'Second Story Peggy,' in which the son, Mordeil, was one of the principals. Origin of the fire is undetermined. Insurance on the house was \$800 and on the furniture and contents \$700.

RECORD BIRTHS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ben Reynolds, twins, girl and boy, July 22. Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Duncan of White Flat, a boy, July 25; Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Wilson, residing in the oil field, a girl, July 25; Mr. and Mrs. Otis Hudson a boy July 26; Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Henslee a boy July 27.

REVIVAL SPIRIT SHOWN

A genuine revival spirit has marked the Baptist revival that started last Sunday and will continue for two weeks. Rev. C. R. Joyner, the pastor, is doing the preaching in most effective and soul-stirring force with Tom and Douglas of Sweetwater leading the song service.

TO VOTE ON BEER

An election to determine whether or not 3.2 beer may be sold in Taylor County, in event sale is legalized in the state, is to be held August 26. Formal order for the election will be entered at the next meeting of the commissioners court, August 14.

TO HOST SINGING MEET

The Taylor County Fifth Sunday Singing Convention is to be held at the tabernacle of the North Side Baptist Church here, beginning at 10 o'clock next Sunday. Tom Spears, who is president of the convention, has invited all singers to come and bring their latest books.

Merkel 20 Years Ago

PUPIL COST DOWN Not only has the total operating cost for the Merkel Public Schools decreased from \$32,105.69 in 1930-31 to \$23,385.00 in 1932-33 but cost per pupil has greatly decreased. In 1930-31 the cost per month per pupil was \$5.53 in 1932-33 it was \$3.63, a decrease of about 34 per cent.

PLOW-UP BEGINS

Actual plow-up of cotton acreage began in this county Tuesday after the receipt by County Agent Heald at 400 emergency permits were issued in Taylor County, while in the Merkel area, handled by the community committee head by Dave Shelton, 75 emergency permits were issued.

VISIT ABILENE LODGE

For the visit of Wilbur Keith of Dallas, executive secretary of Masonic Education and Service, and Hiram S. Lively, also of Dallas, past grand master, to the Abilene Masonic Lodge on Monday night several members of the Merkel Lodge drove over for the special meeting. They were Wrenn Durham, Raymond Neal, Tom Allday, John Childress, Bob Fowler, Buck Leach, E. O. Carson and Harry Wood.

GIVES WARNING

Mayor W. M. Elliott has issued a statement with reference to interference of vehicles at fires and also to the driving over fire hose.

FIRE DESTROYS HOME

About 9:30 Friday night fire almost completely destroyed the four-room home of Clarence Shouse in South Merkel. The family were all at the Cozy Theatre

This Happened in Merkel Forty Years Ago

Friday night was the scene of one of the largest gatherings ever held at this place under the auspices of the local lodge of Woodmen. During the evening Steward Rogers and his assistants served over 300 people with good edibles and then by serving a course of cream. Then Mr. Groene of the Airdome tendered the visitors a free show.

The new brick building to be occupied by the Anchor Hardware Company is nearing completion and the owners hope to be comfortably installed in their new home by the 15th of next month.

President Jessie P. Sewel of the Abilene Christian College will preach at the North Side Christian

Church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and on Sunday night. The public is cordially invited.

Prof. M. D. Ussery, the well known instructor of song service for religious work, is conducting a class at the North Side Christian Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Edwards and Misses Mary and Jackie Jennings returned this week from an extended fishing trip and outing in the Pecos River country.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Boyd are at home from a visit to the Cotton Carnival at Galveston.

Misses Lizzie Calvert, May Dersine and Lizzie Mae Freeman are in Galveston this week.

JAMBOREE NEWS

July 13 —Card

Arrived here at 7 o. m. Monday. Merkel boys are all O. K. and doing fine. Had rain on us all last night. Quite a hole in the ground here.

Cal Farley

July 16

Dear Mr. White:

This fabulous Jamboree "city" was built to stay us "just one week," but it's got everything a city has except brick and steel.

They're gonna roll in 90 freight cars loaded with food and stuff, then another ten carloads of charcoal for cooking. Just think we're gonna eat 1224 steers! And when it comes to passing the fried chicken, nobody gets the wrong end. We're eating 50,000 chicken legs — no wings, no giblets, and no neck!

We had a terrific show here the first night. Must've been twice as many visitors as Scouts, but they got a big outdoor arena which holds 150,000 people without much trouble. They put on a spectacular "Pageant of the West" with honest-to-goodness covered wagons, raiding Indians and everything. You'd never believe what they put on the stage here — complete western town, railroad trains and a powerful lot of ecteters, Hollywood could, and probably did learn something.

There's lots of strange-looking gadgets and stuff being swapped here. Lots of fellas are talking about how some sharp traders palmed off pine cones at the Jamboree in 1950 as "genuine Alabama porcupine eggs." No telling what the joker will be at this Jamboree, but there's bound to be at least one. The other day a fella from Texas said he was having a few dinosaurs shipped in for swapping. Perfectly straight faced too.

They got an awful lot of ocean here and an awful lot of California touching the ocean. A beach a full mile long and been reserved just for us, and when nearly 25,000 yelling Scouts hit the surf it looks like the tide's coming in twice as fast.

Well guess that's about all there's room for except to tell you we're eating good, sleeping good, and having a wonderful time.

Yours Cal Farley, Don Wilson and Merkel Scouts.

July 17 — Card

We are doing fine. We got a lot of fun going the Yankees. I don't know much to tell you now.

The Jamboree doesn't start until day after tomorrow. Your Correspondent, Don Wilson.

Fern. Moreno Thrills Crowd In No-Hit Game

A no-hit game thrilled the fans at the Little League games Thursday of last week.

Little Fernando Moreno, pitcher, led the Hodge-Palmer team, did the trick. Don Dudely is manager of the team.

In the first contest the Bankers were pitted against the Star-bucks-Patterson group and the game was called on account of the time limit at the end of the eighth inning with the score being 8 to 8.

The score stood 5 to 5 at the end of the fifth inning. The Bankers went to bat and rushed in three runs. Then the Star-Pats followed and ran in three more runs, making the score even.

Betty Jane Tittle is manager of the Bankers and Truett Perry is manager of the Star-bucks-Patterson team.

Batteries: For the Bankers — pitchers, Manley Denton, Phil Seymour, Manley Denton, David Pursley; for the Star-Pats — pitcher, Firmin Hernandez; catcher, Urban Bright.

Manley smacked out a homer for the Bankers. In the second contest Hodge-Palmer beat the Willie Wired Hands 2 to 0. The game was called on account of rain though it had gone into the middle of the fifth inning. The score went back to the end of the fourth inning as the official record.

Fernando, in making his record of a no-hit game, walked one man and hit one. The previous week he hurled a one-hitter.

Walter Whisenhunt is manager of the Willies.

Batteries: For the Hodge-Palmer — pitcher, Fernando Moreno; — catcher, Lester Dorton, Jr.; for the Willies — pitcher, Joe Neill, catcher, Bennie Melton. Umpires: Balls, Bob Hook; bases, Bill Forrester, Joe Higgins, Sammy Scoggins.

TO PLAY SUNDAY

The Merkel Lobos will play Rotan at 2:30 p. m. Sunday here at Lobo Field.

Merkel Gets Rain That Measures 1.80 Inches Total

PRAYER OF THANKS

We prayed for rain which was badly needed. In your wisdom, O Lord, you sent us rain. We are most grateful. To You we give the thanks. Praised be the Name of the Lord.

DOWN 20 INCHES!

At 10 p. m. last Monday afternoon it was found that the moisture had penetrated 20 inches from recent rain. This was on dark nightland.

Along with other areas in this western territory the Merkel was blessed with rain the last week. The rain was greatly needed for survival.

It was a good rain, measuring in all 1.80 inches. It began Thursday at 10 p. m. last week by Friday morning it measured 1 inch, reported Weatherman J. L. Ford.

At noon Saturday it rained another .3 inch. Sunday it rained another .5 inch, making a total of 1.80 inches said Mr. Ford.

Sunday's rain, six miles south of town measured 1.3 inches, 2 1/2 miles northeast .9, 12 1/2 miles north .5.

Its first rain week got 2 1/2 inches in its first rain. At Louis Cook's farm, at the Divide the total rainfall was only .25.

Six miles northwest of town it rained a total of 2 inches.

At the A. D. Scott farm, 12 miles from here, in the Mulberry Canyon, the rainfall was 2 inches in all. Four miles west of there it rained only 1 inch. At Blair the total rain was 1 inch.

The over-all picture is spotty. Some sections around here are still very dry, especially west and southwest. Noodle, Stith and Hodges got good rains, Hodges 3 inches and more.

Where there was enough rain to do any good and where sufficient cotton had not died to ruin the stand, the rain will be very helpful. It will also be good for the late feed where there has been enough rain.

It is speculative and a matter of opinion but many of the farmers will plant combine milo, begari

Dollar Day Brings Large Crowd Here For Big Bargains

The Dollar Day bargains last Tuesday drew the usual large crowds to Merkel.

Early Tuesday morning the streets were lined with cars of folks who had to take advantage of the Dollar Day bargains.

The dry goods values drew the largest crowds and next were the grocery bargains. The stores were well crowded and the early bargain hunters got the best values. Everyone was happy and took advantage of the Merkel merchants' way of saying "Thank You" to everyone.

18 Additions To Pioneer Church During Revival

There were 18 additions to the Pioneer Memorial Methodist Church as a result of the revival just completed, said the pastor, Rev. E. H. Phillips. Rev. Berry Baker of Quitaque was the evangelist.

Sunday morning two members were sprinkled and at 3:30 p. m. at the Tom Russon tank 12 were baptized by Rev. Phillips.

OIL NEWS

Sunday a slush pit was started on Huston Robertson farm, 3 1/2 miles north of town, to go 5,999 feet.

Monday a slush pit was started on the C. K. Russell farm, 2 miles northwest of town.

and cane, assuming in the event they did mature they would make plenty of field pasture and grazing. Whether or not they mature will depend upon whether the

killling frost is earlier or later than usual, around Nov. 11 to 15.

Guar can also be planted up to August 1, according to S. C. S. statement.

Cancer Drive Begins This Week Says Chairman W. D. Gamble



W. D. GAMBLE

leads cancer drive The Cancer Crusade of the American Cancer Society has begun

"Pray, Give Me" Is Wrong Way Says Evangelist

"We pray, 'Give me, give me, give me.' But the Lord says give Me first."

That was the statement hurled by the evangelist, Mrs. J. D. Jolly, of Dallas at the beginning of the revival being held at the Assembly of God Church Sunday. The church was filled. Rev. H. S. Earp is the local pastor.

The revival will last two weeks or longer. Services start at 8 p. m. daily. There will be congregational and special singing. Mrs. Jolly's husband, Rev. Jolly, will sing. Throughout the Sunday morning service there was a spirit of thanks for the rain.

Dr. James H. Chaney led the singing while Mrs. Chaney played the piano and Rev. Jolly the guitar accompaniment.

"The days of miracles are not over," began Mrs. Jolly "God wants to bless us more than we want to be blessed. I don't believe in hocus-pocus in dealing with God. We must have faith. If you have faith God will answer your prayer."

Evangelist Jolly is an earnest, enthusiastic preacher.

"We need to get in touch with God," she continued. "He can change our spirit. We need a face-lifting. The men of God asked of God and He led them. The Lord will lead us if we ask of Him. God won't fail you if you place your need before Him. Do what God wants you to do.

"We need a belief in God today. If we praise God for what He does for us He will do more."

At the end of the sermon the evangelist requested the congregation to come up to the pulpit and pray. Half of the congregation answered the invitation and knelt down in front of the pulpit and bowed their heads and prayed individually in devout and audible manner.

Rev. John Russell Fills Pulpit and Preaches Sunday

Rev. John R. Russell filled his pulpit and preached Sunday morning at the Presbyterian Church. This is the first time in months that he has been well enough to do this.

MAY MAIL DONATIONS

In beginning the cancer crusade drive Chairman W. D. Gamble stated, "Many in and around Merkel will not be reached by solicitors and they are asked to mail contributions to me. The gift you make may save your own life. Mail contributions to W. D. Gamble, Merkel, Tex."

in Merkel and the surrounding area. W. D. Gamble is chairman of the local drive.

According to Wally Akin of Abilene, layman leader of the Taylor County Unit, American Cancer Society, the goal here is \$350.

In addition to raising the financial goal, Mr. Gamble will contact local people with information about the seven danger signals of cancer and the nature of cancer and how it may be cured.

"Cancer is no respecter of persons, young or old, rich or poor," stated Mr. Gamble. "It may strike anyone. In giving to the cancer crusade, we are protecting ourselves. It is a fight to protect everyone of us."

"Good Insurance," Not Charity," Says W. D. Gamble

"It's good insurance, not charity."

That was the way Chairman W. D. Gamble explained the Cancer Crusade to the Lions Club Tuesday. Prof. Mack Fisher, president, presided at the meeting.

The Firemen's Auxiliary served a delicious dinner of fried chicken, green string beans, potato salad, corn, fresh tomatoes, hot rolls, led tea and cherry pie a la mode.

"Cancer strikes 1 in 5 of our population," said Chairman Gamble. "Of every dollar contributed 9c goes for administration, 12c for cancer crusade, 16c for administration, 12c for cancer crusade, 16c for service, 26c for research and 37c for education. Cancer is a killer and this crusade will help to stamp out this killer. The money you give is good insurance, not charity."

Mr. Gamble called for volunteers. Those who volunteered to help him on the drive were Rev. Sam Tullock, Leon Walker and Wayne Adcock.

How Officers Were Killed Told In Magazine Story

In the January, 1953, issue of the "Best Western" appeared an article entitled, "Texas Last Great Manhunt," written by Will C. Brown. The article relates in full the death of Deputy George L. Reeves of Merkel and Sheriff Satterwhite of Big Spring. Both men were killed by a Mexican killer while they were trying to arrest him in March, 1925.

The magazine was handed to Deputy Reeves' grandson, G. M. Reeves, Jr., who is a member of the Abilene Fire Department. G. M.'s father was killed in a car wreck a short time after the death of Deputy Reeves.

Mrs. Irl Walker is a daughter of Deputy Reeves and Mrs. Harrison Malone is a granddaughter.

LOTS OF FISH

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Stockbridge were in Aransas 12 days. They returned last Friday. "Fishing was good," said Mr. Stockbridge. "Lots of fish."

NEWS ABOUT TOWN

Mr. and Mrs. John West left early Sunday for Johnston, Penn., to visit their daughter, Mrs. W. R. Nichols and family. They will be gone three weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hammond and family were in Port Aransas over the weekend fishing. No luck.

Murray Spiegel of Los Angeles, California, arrived Friday. His wife has been here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bryan.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cross and

daughter Kaylene of Abilene visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Cross, Sunday.

A/C Jimmy Harris was here recently visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Harris. He was accompanied by Peter Lovering of Manchester, N. H. They both returned to Lackland, A. E. F. for cadet training.

Mrs. Ellis Harris and Danny accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Miller, Jr., and daughter Steph-

anie spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Jaynes in Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Derwood McWilliams of Big Spring were here last week, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McWilliams, and also to attend the old settlers reunion at Buffalo Gap.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Clampit and baby daughter Paula of Fort Worth spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. McAninch.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Carson and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Curley Carey in Post while on

their vacation last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Leete Jackson, Sr., of Lubbock visited her brother, Jim Kuykendall and wife Sunday and Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Glenn Barnett and children were here over the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Barnett.

Mrs. Oscar Morris of Wichita Falls spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Boden, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Hill of Dickinson are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hill, at Golan.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Green were in Wichita Falls Wednesday of

last week on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Collinsworth and son returned Saturday from a trip to El Paso and New Mexico. He was gone 10 days. He visited his brothers, Kenneth and Arl, in El Paso. Arl returned with Parker, to visit his mother, Mrs. J. P. Sharp, and other relatives.

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Mr. and Mrs. Brandon Wade of Wichita Falls returned home Monday after visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hughes.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Baze took charcoal steak supper Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Darley in Sweetwater.

Mrs. C. L. Deutchman and daughter, Mrs. Ben Allen, and her three sons of Abilene visited Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Elliott last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Chadwick and son of Los Angeles, Calif., and Mr. and Mrs. Claude Chadwick of Amason were visitors of their niece, Mrs. Waymon Adcock last Tuesday.

Mrs. Jimmy Walker and son Mike of Pecos have been visiting her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Irl Walker. Her husband is in Augsburg, Germany. Mrs. Walker is employed in the county clerk's office at Pecos.

ed her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Boden, Sunday afternoon, six miles south of town in the Mt. Pleasant community.

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FANCY FRESH PEACHES lb. 25c	WISCONSIN LONGHORN CHEESE lb. 49c
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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: Charles Janes, Defendant. Greeting: YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County at the Court-house 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 17 day of August A.D. 1953, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 30 day of June A. D. 1953, in this cause, numbered 19,132-A on the docket of said court and styled Mattie Janes, Plaintiff, vs. Charles Janes, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married on or about March 11, 1925 and continued to live together until on or about May 3, 1952 at which time they became permanently separated. Plaintiff and Defendant have accumulated no community property. Three children were born to Plaintiff and Defendant, they being, Raymond a boy (26) twenty-six years of age, Louise a girl twenty-four (24) twenty-two (22) years of age. Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of cruel treatment, 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 the 24th day of June A. D. 1953.

Attest: J. Neil Daniel Clerk, 42nd District Court, Taylor County, Texas.
By Irene Crawford, Deputy. Adv. July 3, 10, 17, 24

parated about November 1, 1952. Plaintiff further shows that there are no property right to be adjudicated and there were no children born to the marriage.

Wherefore, plaintiff prays for divorce on grounds of harsh and cruel treatment, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 24th day of June A. D. 1953.

Attest: J. Neil Daniel Clerk, 42nd District Court, Taylor County, Texas.
By Irene Crawford, Deputy. Adv. July 3, 10, 17, 24

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO INCORPORATE A FIRM WITHOUT CHANGE OF NAME

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Notice is given that K. W. Scott, John A. Wright, T. S. Armstrong, Elbert E. Hall, J. D. Perry, Jr., Jack Hughes, E. L. Thornton and Frank E. Smith, partners composing the firm of "Southwestern Peanut Company" intend to incorporate said firm without a change of name after the expiration of thirty days from July 16, 1953.

SOUTHWESTERN PEANUT COMPANY
By K. W. Scott
John A. Wright
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Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 30th day of June A. D. 1953.

Attest: J. Neil Daniel Clerk, 42nd District Court, Taylor County, Texas.
By C. Bower, Deputy. Adv. July 10, 17, 24, 31

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To any Sheriff or any Constable within the State of Texas - GREETING:

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: JOHN A. JOYCE, Defendant. Greeting: YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 104th District Court of Taylor County at the Court-house 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 10th day of August A. D. 1953, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 24th day of June A. D. 1953, in this cause, numbered 19,123-A on the docket of said court and styled FRANCES MAYFIELD JOYCE, Plaintiff, vs. JOHN A. JOYCE, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and defendant were married about January 1, 1948 and se-

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SOCIETY

LESLIE PALMER MARRIES JUNELL WILLIAMS

Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Palmer and daughter Patricia attended the wedding of his brother Leslie at 7 p. m. Saturday in Austin at the University Methodist Church. He married Junell Williams of Abilene.

LOLA MAE HIGGINS MARRIES ROY GREGORY JULY 19

Lola Mae Higgins Griffith of Dallas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jess E. Higgins, and Roy Gregory, son of Mrs. Mary L. Thompson of San Angelo and Lubbock were married Sunday evening, July 19, at the Methodist parsonage with Rev. Aubrey F. White officiating. The bride wore a pale pink sheer fine pleated nylon dress with a large pink nylon net hat to match, pink accessories and small red sweetheart roses.

After a wedding trip to Florida Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gregory will reside at 500 Orient St. Fort Worth.

SHIRLEY JUNE HUCKABY WEDS W. J. BOCKMAN

In a twilight ceremony Shirley June Huckaby of Abilene became the bride of A. J. Wendall J. Bockman at 6 p. m. Monday, July 6, in the home of the bridegroom's parents.

Rev. A. A. Watson, pastor of the Ash St. Baptist Church of Abilene, read the double ring ceremony.

Billy Beard was best man. Gloria Black was bridesmaid. The bride wore a dress of white with brown accessories.

Parents of the bride are Clem Huckaby of Brownfield and Mrs. Ross Woolsey of Roby. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Bockman of Noodle.

The bride will continue to live in Abilene where she is employed by Hendricks Memorial Hospital. The groom will return to Wichita Falls where he is stationed at Sheppard Air Force Base.

LOCAL FOLKS ATTEND DISTRICT METHODIST MEET

The Methodist Youth Fellowship attended the district meeting held at State Park Tuesday.

There were recreation games, such as swimming and volley ball. Everyone carried his own picnic lunch and after the meal there was a short business meeting and the group joined in singing songs.

MRS. W. S. J. BROWN TELLS OF TRIP TO JAPAN

The Wesleyan Service Guild met in the home of Mrs. M. Armstrong Monday, July 15. Mrs. W. S. J. Brown gave a most interesting and inspirational report on her trip to Japan. Mrs. A. White led in prayer.

The hostesses, Mary Collins, Mrs. R. M. Ferguson and Mrs. Johnny

Cox, served a tea plate to 17 members, including a few visitors.

Mrs. John Shannon will be hostess to the Wesleyan Service Guild on July 27 at 8 o'clock.

FIRE DEPARTMENT ENJOYS WATERMELON PARTY MON.

The Fire Department played host to their wives and families at a watermelon party Monday night at the fire station. About 35 were present. Games of 42 and canasta were enjoyed.

Those present with their families were: Messrs. and Mesdames John Mansfield, E. B. Wallace, Homer Newby, Ollie Fox, Pat Cyfert, Clyde Wurst, Waymon Adcock, Chester McWilliams, Hy White and Mr. Roy Buchanan.

MERKEL FOLKS ATTEND SUBLETT FAMILY REUNION

The Sublett family reunion, held at the State Park Friday, Saturday and Sunday, was attended by Mr. and Mrs. Irl Walker and family, Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Sublett, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Sublett and family and the sons with their families of the E. J. Orsburns. There were 112 persons present.

The Sublett family migrated to Texas soon after the Civil War.

Mrs. Minnie Hicks, 81, oldest known member of the family, was unable to attend this year. The reunion has been held over 30 years. B. T. Sublett is president of the group and his wife is secretary.

SARAH HARRIS HAS BIRTHDAY PARTY TUESDAY

Sarah Harris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Harris, celebrated her seventh birthday July 21. Games were played after which the many nice gifts received were opened. After singing "Happy Birthday" and blowing out the candles, refreshments of cake, ice cream, candy and lemonade, and bubble gum were served to the following: Sandra Harris of Sundown, Linda, Vicki Clark, Bobby, Caroline Clark, Danny Cyfert, Ann Owens, Suzanne, Larry Howard, Carole McAninch, Minejon Beard, Beth, Jean Patton, Lynn Russell, Sue, Carolyn Bond, Rita Eidson, Robert, Sarah Harris.

HERRON REUNION IS HELD AT STATE PARK

Descendants of the late R. E. and Mary Herron, held their annual reunion at the State Park Saturday and Sunday.

The R. F. Herrons came from Collins county to settle three miles north of Wingate in 1899. Three children of the pioneer couple were among those present. They were Mrs. Jay Self of Wingate, A. F. Herron of Aquilla and R. F. Herron of Lovington, New Mexico.

There were about 150 members of the family present. They came from Aquilla, Fort Worth, Dallas, Lubbock, Littlefield, Brownfield, Abilene, Merkel, Odessa, Wingate, Sweetwater, Sylvester, El Paso Lawn, Lovington, and Carlsbad, N. M.

There were six generations present. Barbecue was prepared by Robert Denson. The reunion will be held at the same place and the same time next year.

NEWS ABOUT TOWN

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Berry have returned to their home in Houston after visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Cooper, their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ted McAninch, also a sister, Mrs. Bill Caldwell at Snyder, and other relatives at Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Satterwhite accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Roy Satterwhite to Mt. Vernon for a week's vacation.

Mrs. Billie Flint has returned to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Bockman, after visiting in Baird a week. Billie is in the Service.

Mrs. Sam Allen has been on the sick list for several days. Her mother, brother and wife have been visiting the Allen home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Clemit and two little sons, Maurice and Jackie, visited in the home of her grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Cooper, last weekend.

Miss Joan Maxwell left Saturday for Dallas for a week's vacation.

Evelyn Stevens, son Jimmy, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. McCormick, Abilene, formerly of Merkel, and Mrs. Sue Roberts and daughter Deborah returned from their vacation in Arkansas and Tennessee. The children were excited over seeing the Mississippi River.

Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Palmer and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley King went on a week's trip to Clarksdale, Miss., and visited Mr. King's plantation.

Mrs. Allie Lippard who has been in Alamogordo, New Mexico, for the last three months, visiting her son, S. S. Lippard, and family has returned to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Gus Glenewinkel, in Tye.

Mr. and Mrs. Houston Robertson had as their guest last week the latter's sister, Miss Lucille Hogz, of Bay City. Together they visited a sister, Mrs. D. J. Hartley, in Plainview.

Mr. and Mrs. V. B. Sublett of Corpus Christi are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Sublett.

Dale Wurst Attends Firemen's School At A. & M. College

Dale Wurst is attending the Firemen's School at College Station. He left Sunday and will return today.

Jimmy Leverich In H-S University For Summer Session

Jimmy Leverich has enrolled in the summer session at Hardin-Simmons University and will continue in the fall term.

Badger Chevrolet Has Employed T-V Technician

Alton D. Doan is now associated with the Badger Chevrolet Company as chief radio and television technician. For the last two years he has been employed as technician by a large radio and television store in Abilene.

"Mr. Doan comes here highly recommended and assures Merkel and area of reliable, technical service," said Jack Miller, co-owner of the Badger Company.

IT'S PLAYTIME!



It's playtime, and these beauties are enjoying the sunshine in matching play outfits by Cole of California. They are all made in a striking rayon cotton with a jack design. The outfit at left actually is a one-piece swimsuit topped with a dirndl skirt. The center suit is a two-piece striped back style, piped and paneled in white pique. At right, the two-piece swimsuit has little boy shorts and pique-cuffed bra top.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Admissions to the Sadler Hospital the past week were:

As medical patients — Mrs. J. B. Jones, Mrs. Henry King, George Anderson, Frank Carr, Elmer Patterson, Willis C. Knight, Mrs. Sam Allen, Mrs. W. P. Derrington, Mrs. W. T. Demon, Everett Williams, injured in auto wreck in Sweetwater, Mrs. Isabell Oran, Lonnie Denman, Mrs. Fred Johnson, Mrs. Ralph Tarpley, Royce Dowdy.

Danger Lurks Now! Be Careful When Using Insecticide

Because most insecticide sprays are poisonous and some are inflammable, special precautions noted on the labels should be observed, says Dr. Geo. W. Cox, state health officer.

Common sense safety rules include protection of food, dishes, silverware and cooking utensils from moth, mosquito or fly sprays. If you spill concentrated insecticide solutions on yourself, wash off immediately with soap and water.

Don't expose yourself or members of your family unnecessarily to insecticide dust or spray mists. Provide extra ventilation by opening doors and windows when extensive jobs are being done.

Care should be taken not to spray liquid insecticides into electrical outlets or on exposed electrical connections because of danger of short circuits. Don't apply oil-base sprays near fire, flame or sparks and don't smoke while applying them.

Special precautions should be taken to store insecticides where children will not be able to reach them. Never put into a kitchen cupboard where they might be mistaken for food.

FOR DANCING EVENINGS



A glamorous dress for a summer evening's dancing is designed by Rappi in lustrous Bates cotton printed with white flower sprays against a grey-blue background. A fashion "must" for summer evenings is a matching cotton stole, National Cotton Council fashion experts report.

STRAWBERRIES IN BLOOM



Strawberries are in bloom. This charming frock in Reeves "crispette" cotton, treated with an Everglaze finish so it will resist rumpling, is printed with a strawberry print on white background. Designed by Minx Modes, the dress has a tiny tucked, rhinestone-sprinkled bodice.

Former Merkelite Claimed by Death At Age of 81

Mrs. Sallie Louise Vick, 81, died Saturday in the Winters Municipal Hospital. She was born Sallie Louise Morton, at one time she and her husband lived here.

Clyde Bartlett Family Attend Funeral of Nephew

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bartlett and Ralph were in Eastland to attend the funeral of his nephew, E. O. Everett, Sunday. He was 44 years old.

CAUSE OF FARM ACCIDENTS

Most farm and home accidents just don't happen... there is a cause for each. Carelessness is a major contributor.

A. J. WRIGHT REUNION

There will be a reunion of the A. J. Wright family and kindreds at Cobb Park in Abilene July 26. There will be worship and preaching, beginning at 10:30 a. m. A. J. Wright will do the preaching. Folks are requested to bring full baskets.

BLUE BONNETS TO MEET

The Blue Bonnet Home Demonstration Club will meet in the home of Mrs. Tom Russom at 2 p. m. Tuesday, July 28. Visitors are welcome.

IS IMPROVING

Carrel Spurgeon who is a polio patient in the Hendricks Memorial Hospital is improving.

Mrs. Ross Ferrier's Brother Succumbs Monday Morning

James O'Bryant, 51, brother of Mrs. Ross Ferrier died Monday morning and was buried Wednesday morning. He lived at Felton, Calif., and had been ill since last fall. Mrs. Ferrier had recently visited him.



LARGE CASTERS give mobility to this combination snack wagon and step table. As a step table, it is properly sealed for chairside use. Flip-top opens to provide ample serving area for informal entertaining. Doubly important for homes where space is at a premium, the table is made of mahogany with a mahogany finish. (Imperial Furniture Company.)

L. S. Tipton, Sr. Is Improving After Operation

L. S. Tipton, Jr., returned Saturday from Temple where he saw his father, L. S. Tipton, Sr., and reported that he is doing nicely. He was operated on last week on Monday.

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DOMINO		10 pounds	89c		
SUGAR					
LIPTON'S Frostee 2 pkgs. 29c		CARNATION MILK			
DESSERT IDEAS		2 tall cans 27c			
Jello 2 pkgs. 15c		4 Small Cans 28c			
BAKERITE SHORTENING		3 pound can 69c			
CUT RITE WAX PAPER	box 27c	REGULAR TIDE	box 29c		
FRESH COUNTRY EGGS	dozen 43c	CHURCH'S Grape Apple Juice	29c		
LIPTON'S TEA	1/4 lb. 29c	DIAMOND YELLOW HOMINY	No. 2 can 10c	BORDEN'S STARLAC	39c
SUN SPUN — APRICOT — PEACH — PLUM PRESERVES		2 Pound Jar 39c			
CARTON Tomatoes 18c		Meats & Poultry			
KENTUCKY WONDER BEANS	lb. 17c	ROUND STEAK	lb. 55c		
SUNKIST LEMONS	lb. 15c	LOIN or T-BONE STEAK	lb. 49c		
WHITE ONIONS	lb. 7c	CHUCK ROAST	lb. 39c		
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Middle Clear Fork Soil Conservation News



DUDLEY WOODWARD, JR.

It is not too late to plant guar. Although May and June are the ideal months for seeding this popular soil building legume, it can be planted until August.

Supervisors of the Middle Clear Fork Soil Conservation District are recommending guar as the most drought resistant and prolific summer legume yet grown in this area.

W. D. Ramsey, supervisor living near Comper, planted twenty acres of guar this week on wheat stubble land. He would have planted earlier but did not have moisture.

Several farmers in the Noodle and Stith areas are planting guar following rains up to three inches total, which have given fair soil moisture.

A number of May and June plantings are making good showings. District cooperators in several instances report heavy crops of beans on rapidly growing stalks.

Ernest M. Creight, four miles of Noodle, has 14 acres of good looking guar up to about 24 inches high and heavily loaded with beans.

A. D. Scott, one mile south of Nubia, has 30 acres of guar making good growth and producing a good crop of beans.

C. R. Rogers, Jr., three miles northeast of Stith, has 30 acres of guar from 24 to 30 inches high and heavily loaded with beans.

Reports from producers indicate that cotton and feed following guar will show a 25 to 30 per cent increase in production. District supervisors suggest that farmers who have open land and adequate moisture might well afford to plant guar to improve production in next year's crops of cotton, feed or grass.

Production benefits are reported to be greatest the first year following guar, gradually diminishing over a period of four years.

Glenn Westenhover Is In Hospital At Lackland A.F.B.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Westenhover were in San Antonio over the weekend, visiting their son, Glenn and family. Glenn is in the hospital at Lackland, A. F. B.

How to Prevent Heat Cramp Told By State Official

If your work is such that it causes excessive perspiration, add a pinch of ordinary table salt to each drink of water you take to help prevent heat cramps. This is advised by Dr. Geo. W. Cox, state health officer, to prevent a possible increase in the number of heat victims as the Texas thermometer hits 95 degrees and above.

Laborers, mechanics, farmers and white collar workers whose work causes them to sweat profusely, are in danger of having their body salt content become deficient with resulting heat cramps or heat fag. Salt is a prominent constituent of sweat: the body may lose as high as 40 to 50 grams of salt during hot days.

Salt deficiency may be prevented by taking salt in various ways. Where prepared tablets are not available, table salt may be added to each drink of water. Milk is a source of salt and will help to make up for the deficiency caused by sweating. Alcoholic drinks should be avoided.

Heat cramp is characterized by pains (cramps) in the abdominal region, headaches, and in severe cases, by nausea and vomiting. The body temperature remains about normal, likewise the pulse rate. Body salt losses occur without the knowledge of the individual until there is a deficiency; then the abdominal muscles begin to cramp.

THE TITLE
A confirmed bachelor and an elderly spinster found themselves seated side by side at a concert. The selections were apparently unfamiliar to the man. But when Mendelssohn's "Wedding March" was played he picked up his ears. "That sounds familiar," he exclaimed. "I'm not very strong on classical pieces, but that is very good. What is it?" The spinster cast down her eyes. "That," she replied demurely, "is the 'Maiden's Prayer'."

Indians in Canada are legally classed as minors.



CAMERAMAN'S HELPERS?—Three tiny patients at the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Crippled Children offer plenty of good-natured advice to cameraman Bob Alcott shooting a motion picture at the hospital in Dallas. Looking through the viewfinder of the Jamieson Film Company employe's camera is six-year-old Donald Ray Matthews of Lamesa. Chipping in with grins and comments are "Assistant Directors" (left) Linda Kay Morehead, five, of Italy, Texas, and four-year-old Deborah Jester of Dallas. These children and other patients at the Scottish Rite Hospital supported by generous Texans participated in a newly-completed film showing life at the big institution. Deborah is a cerebral palsy victim. The other children are recovering from polio.

CEMETERY FUND

Since the last report the following have donated to the Cemetery Maintenance Fund:

- J. T. Warren Estate \$25.00
- Zoe West Warren 10.00
- R. A. McCollum, Abilene 10.00
- Mrs. R. H. Hobbs, Austin 5.00
- Miss Lucile Hogg, Bay City 5.00
- Mrs. Bessie Derstine, Austin 5.00
- W. A. Barker, Wichita Falls 5.00
- Mrs. Minnie Forrester, Lubbock 5.00
- Paul Orsborn 5.00

Anyone wishing to contribute to this fund may leave checks or donations at the teller's windows of the Farmers and Merchants National Bank, at Bragg's or at the Merkel Mail Office.

Jerry Gibson Enters Texas Tech For Summer Courses

Jerry Gibson entered Texas Tech at Lubbock last week for the summer session.

Two Merkelites Are Taking Part In Band School

Two young musicians from Merkel are among the more than 200 participants in the fifth annual Vacation Band School being held July 19 through August 1 at McMurry College. The Merkel students are Beck Ray, who is studying twirling; and Ronald White, studying trombone.

Legal Notices

THE STATE OF TEXAS

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

To R. A. Shelton, if living, and if dead, then his heirs, unknown heirs and legal representatives, if any. Also any unknown persons, if any, if living, and if dead, such unknown persons' heir, or heirs, that claim or have claimed any interest in the hereinafter described land, Defendants, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District 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 31st day of August A. D., 1953, to Plaintiff's petition filed in said court, on the 16th day of July A. D., 1953, in this cause, numbered 19,162-A on the docket of said court and styled Lucille Hill and husband, Paul C. Hill, Plaintiffs, vs. R. A. Shelton, if living, and if dead, then his heirs, unknown heirs and legal representatives, if any, and any unknown person or persons who claim or have claimed any interest in the hereinafter described land, Defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiffs sue in trespass to try title, for title and possession of Lot No. Three (3) in Block No. One (1) of the Stinchcomb Addition to the City of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, being a Subdivision of 5.17 acres of land out of the Northwest corner of Lot No. Four (4) of the Subdivision of B. Austin Survey No. 92, in Taylor County, Texas, and being further and more fully described in Volume 172, Page 180, of the Deed Records of Taylor County, Texas, 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 17th day of July A. D., 1953.

(SEAL)
Attest: J. Neil Daniel Clerk, 42nd District Court, Taylor County, Texas
By C. Bower, Deputy.
Adv. July 24, 31, Aug. 7, 14.

CLASSIFIED AD SECTION

LODGE CALLS

NOTICE MASONS
Stated meeting of Merkel lodge No. 710, A. F. & A. M., Saturday, July 25, at 8 p. m. All members are urged to attend. Visiting brethren cordially invited.
A. B. Parham, W. M.
C. B. Rust, Sec'y

NOTICE MERKEL CHAPTER

No. 212 O. E. S.
Regular meeting of Merkel Chapter Tuesday, July 28, 8 p. m. A program honoring all past matrons and patrons of Merkel Chapter. All past matrons and patrons of Merkel Chapter are cordially invited.
INEZ PRATT, W. M.
FERN WINDHAM, Sec'y.

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To Linda Ruth McCandless, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District 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 7th day of September A. D. 1953, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 21st day of July A. D. 1953, in this cause, numbered 19,172-A on the docket of said court and styled John McCandless, Plaintiff, vs. Linda Ruth McCandless, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married in Sweetwater, Texas, on Sept. 28, 1951 and lived together until the 15th day of May 1953, when they became permanently separated. No children have been born of this marital union, and no community property has been accumulated by the parties hereto. Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of harsh and cruel treatment, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this 21st day of July A. D. 1953.

(SEAL)
Attest: J. Neil Daniel Clerk, 42nd District Court, Taylor County, Texas
By Irene Crawford, Deputy.
Adv. — July 24, 31, Aug. 7, 14.

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FOR RENT

FOR RENT—4-room modern house with bath, at 1008 Locust, Call 73W or see C. C. Conley. 3t18p.

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FOR SALE—All types of Real Estate for sale in Ruidoso, New Mexico. 360-acre Valley stock farm; 105 acres under ditch irrigation 4 days each week, year round. Large modern home and nice modern tenant house, large new barn and sheep shed. This year's harvest will show the income that can be made on this farm. Will take Ruidoso property in on this farm. Exclusive, Paul H. Douglas, Ruidoso, New Mex.

FOR SALE—One good windmill and tower. Also tank and tower. Fred O'dell, 1424 North First St., Merkel. 2t19p.

FOR SALE—F20 Farmall Tractor and Equipment. All in good condition. See O. E. Harwell, Route 2, Merkel. 3t19p.

FOR SALE—A1 Used Doors, 2'6"x6'8", and windows. See Building Committee of Church of Christ. 4t19c.

FOR SALE—Reposessed G. E. Food Freezer, worth the money. Palmer Motor Co. 4t18c.

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Primitive Baptist Church
 Saturday Night Service
 Sunday Service... 11 a. m.

Merkel First Methodist Church
 Sunday:
 Sunday School... 9:50 a. m.
 Morning Worship... 10:50 a. m.
 M. Y. F. ... 6:30 p. m.
 Evening Worship... 8 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 Calvary Baptist Church
 Sunday School... 9:45 a. m.
 Morning Service... 11:00 a. m.
 Evening Bible Class... 6:30 p. m.
 Evening Worship... 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
 m.
 W. M. U. Mon. ... 9:30 a. m.

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 Services at the Merkel Church
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 Sunday School... 10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship... 11:00
 Training Union... 7:00 p. m.
 Evening Services... 8 p. m.
 Wednesday:
 Prayer Service... 7:30 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.
 Tuesday:
 U. M. U. ... 9:30 a. m.
 Wednesday:
 G. A. 's and R. A. 's... 6:40 p. m.
 Prayer Services... 7:30 p. m.
 Brotherhood, 1st Thursday of
 month, "You are a stranger here
 but once."

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.

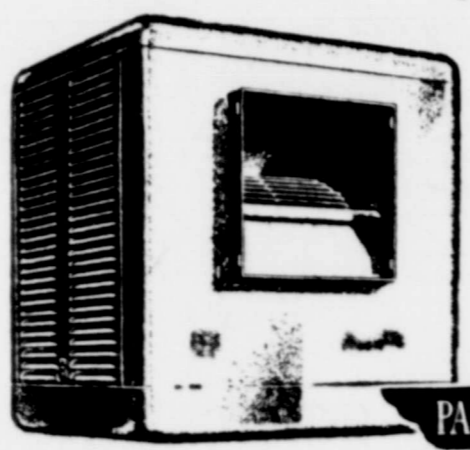
VISIT IN OLD MEXICO
 Mr. and Mrs. Craig Humphreys and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Maltzberger of San Antonio spent their vacation in Mexico City, Monterey and Valles, Mexico, returning to their homes Friday. Mrs. Humphreys stated that they had a most interesting trip. The weather was cool and the mountain scenery was very beautiful, also Mexico City itself is a very beautiful place.

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 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... 8 p. m.

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.

Tye Methodist Church
 Sunday:
 Sunday School... 10 a. m.
 M. Y. F. ... 7:00 p. m.
 Prayer Meeting... 8 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.

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 Morning Service—11:15 a. m.
 Sunday School—10:30 a. m.
 Evening Bible Class 6:30 p. m.
 Evening Services... 8 p. m.

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 Sunday... 11:00 o'clock
 Bible Class... 10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship... 11:00 a. m.
 Evening Services... 8:00 p. m.
 Thursday:
 Ladies Bible Class... 4:00 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
 Merkel Catholic Church
 Sunday Mass... 10:30 a. m.

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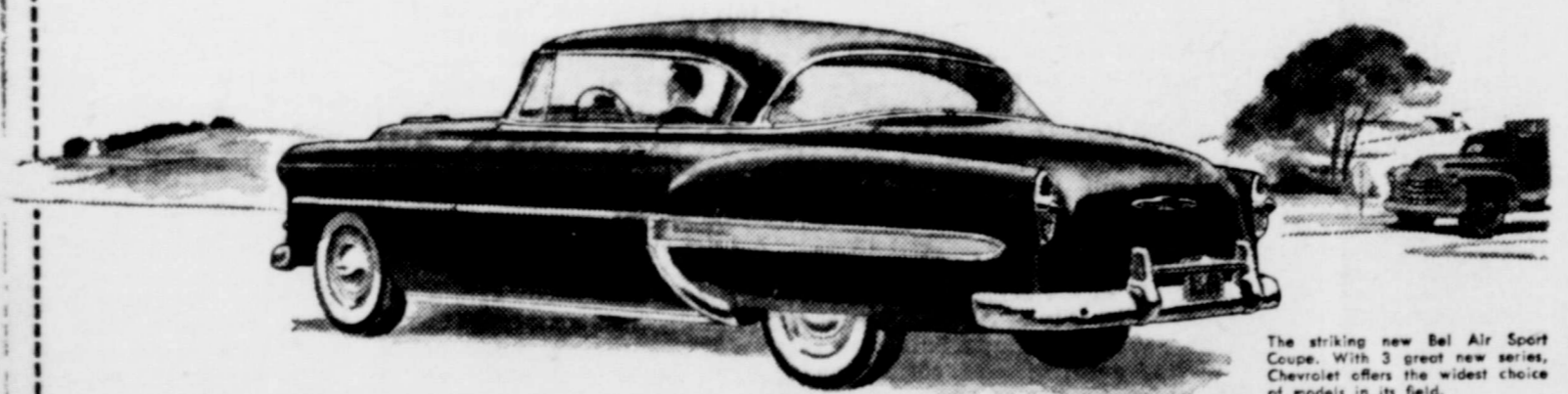
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EDITORIAL

WATERMELON EATERS

That story of the 43 Little League
 users eating watermelon until they
 were filled up at the Clesby Pat-
 terson feast did not answer the
 questions that were asked in the

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first two sentences. The ques-
 tions were:

How much watermelon can one
 boy eat?

How many watermelons can 43
 boys eat?

As the speaker would say, let us
 take one question at a time and
 see where it leads us.

And as the lady would say, "How
 much watermelon one boy can eat
 depends." On what? Well, on his
 size, his appetite, how he is feel-
 ing and so forth.

Which reminds us of a colored
 boy who made a wager that he
 could eat a whole watermelon. But
 before he would put up his money
 he asked that he be excused for a
 few minutes while he went away.

He did go, stayed away a short
 while and then returned. Then he
 made his bet, picked up the water-
 melon, broke it open and soon had
 eaten up the whole piece. He won
 his bet.

As the man was giving the boy
 his money, he said, "I'm curious.
 You wouldn't make the bet until
 you went away and then came
 back. What did you do while you
 were away?"

"Well, it's this way," said the
 colored boy. "I wasn't going to bet
 my money unless I was sure of
 what I was betting on. While I
 was away I ate a whole water-
 melon to make sure I could eat
 one. That was why I was willing
 to make my bet. I knew I could
 win."

And those boys at the Patterson
 feast were not taking any chances.
 They knew they could win. They
 ate not only one piece but two
 pieces and some of them ate more.

From our close observation we
 would say that a boy, any boy, es-
 pecially a Little League can eat
 as much watermelon as his little
 stomach can hold . . . and that is no
 little "much."

Now, for that second question.
 How many watermelons can 43
 boys eat?

When Clesby and his co-workers
 started bringing in the watermel-
 ons into the Community Center for
 the feast we figured that he
 was bringing in too many. And
 when Clesby began to carve the
 watermelons up into big, healthy,
 boy-size pieces we thought that he
 brought in far too many.

But watching those boyish
 mouths working their sweet tooth
 one was amazed at the speed with
 which those "lots" of watermelons
 began to diminish. But Clesby
 knew his "stuff." He kept telling
 the boys to come back for more.

And pretty soon about all those
 vast number of watermelons began
 to disappear and there were only a
 few left. Then Clesby ordered his
 co-workers to "cease firing," not
 to bring in any more.

The way Clesby figured out how
 many watermelons the boys would
 eat is a miracle to us. He must
 have had some premonition of the
 total number and he seemed to
 "hit" the count almost on the
 head.

Now if we had to figure it out
 beforehand we would have used
 mathematics. We would have said
 that if one boy can eat a half a wa-
 termelon, 43 boys can eat 21 and
 a half melons. But that would not
 have been allowing for the differ-
 ence in size of the watermelons
 and the boys. We would then have
 resorted to algebra. "A" would
 equal one boy. "B" would equal
 one watermelon. And then . . . oh,
 well, to be frank we have forgotten
 all our algebra and so we would
 have had to leave it to the boys.
 And that we guess, is what Clesby
 did!

"WHITE-ICISM"
 That's ALL — and the Sage of
 Figfield adds that when you sat-
 isfy the appetite you satisfy the
 boy . . . and the man too.

Washington
 "As It
 Looks
 From
 Here"

 OMAR BURLESON
 Congressman
 17th District

The Secretary of Agriculture has
 clarified instructions to the State
 PMA Director regarding livestock
 feed for drought disaster areas.

The County Committees will op-
 erate under these advices, and it
 is left up to them to apply the
 rules to each individual case. To
 become eligible to buy feed, the
 purchaser must be a bona fide
 farmer or stockman. He must show
 that he does not have the finances
 to purchase feed at prevailing
 market prices, to maintain a basic
 foundation herd and remain in the
 livestock business with reasonable
 chances for successful operation.

The basic foundation herd is de-
 fined as consisting of cows, bulls,
 nursing calves, and heifers needed
 to replace over-age and other un-
 desirable cattle culled from herds.

Specifically, to be eligible for
 feed at reduced prices, a farmer or
 stockman must, first, have less
 than a 30-day supply of feed to
 supplement roughage to maintain
 his foundation herd. The feed,
 however, may be fed to cattle other
 than those in the foundation herd,
 if they are to be marketed not
 later than Sept. 30, 1953, and pro-
 vided they are not feeders in feed
 lots.

Second, farmers and stockmen
 must not have the financial ability
 to remain in business and satisfac-
 torily maintain their herds unless
 they can purchase feed at prices
 substantially below the prevailing
 market price.

The Secretary of Agriculture
 emphasizes that the purpose of the
 Drought Feed Program is to main-
 tain basic foundation herds. The
 Secretary states that to avoid un-
 due hardships, county committees
 should use reasonable discretion in
 carrying out their instructions.

Many of my friends have been
 interested in H. R. 4353, which
 reorganizes the Farm Credit Ad-
 ministration. It gives more author-
 ity in policy-making to farmers,
 who own the Farm Credit, and
 takes away the direct influence of
 the Department of Agriculture.

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 At Queen Theatre**

"Francis Covers The Big Town,"
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 and romance to make it top-grade
 all-around movie fare for every
 member of the family.

**Last Great Fight
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With Donald O'Connor and Francis, the talking mule

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"Water for Texas" Theme to Show At State Fair

A model ranch home will be featured in the Edwards Plateau region's colorful "Agriculturama" exhibit at the 1953 State Fair of Texas, Oct. 10-25.

The Edwards Plateau is included in the Texas A & M College System Extension District 7, in which is Taylor county.

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The "Water for Texas" theme

of the Agriculture Show will explain the water resources problems of farmers and ranchers in different parts of the state.

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FRESH Ground Beef Lb. 29c	TALL-KORN BACON Lb. 69c
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SWIFT FRYERS lb. 49c

WILSON'S 4-6 AVERAGE PICNIC lb. 45c

WILSON'S POTTED MEAT can 5c

WILSON'S Vienna Sausage 2 cans 25c

DOMINO BROWN or Powdered SUGAR 2 lbs. 25c

CORONATION Chocolate Drop COOKIES

BAG ----- 33c

JOY— DRETT'S or CHEER TIDE 2 boxes 55c

WILSON'S OLEO lb. 19c

KOOL AID 3 pkgs. 10c

PACO-SKIMMED MILK 2 cans 19c

GARDEN FRESH VEGETABLES

FRESH SWEET WATERMELONS lb. 2 1/2c

FRESH KENTUCKY Green Beans Lb. 19c	FRESH CARROTS Cello 10c
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FRESH TOMATOES lb. 19c

FRESH Cucumbers Lb. 12c	FRESH SQUASH Lb. 12c
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FRESH CANTALOUPEs lb. 5c

WHITE ROSE MESH BAG SPUDS 10 lbs. 39c

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