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MERKEL, TEXAS, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1955

Merkel is undertaking a gigantic project in the promotion of the Golden Anniversary of the city next March. It will be a promotion that the citizens will long remember and appreciate. It will give everyone in Merkel (it takes 275 at least for the cast) a chance to participate in the Golden Jubilee celebration which will gain the city lots of publicity and recognition throughout the county.

The celebration will be based upon the time the city was incorporated, which was 50 years ago. The city was founded several years prior to that time. The pageant will be staged by a professional firm which has a wonderful reputation for staging successful events of this type. Abilene has hired the same firm to plot on their celebration. Merkel's pageant will come about three weeks before Abilene's.

A special corporation is being formed to handle the details. It will not be a chamber of commerce project, but an event everyone, regardless of what club they belong, can participate. In addition to a couple of parades, there will be special church services, and the Rogers company will bring all the robes, scenery and other things necessary to stage the event. The pageant will be the only event for which there will be a charge. All the men in town will be asked to grow a beard and the women will go without make-up — or face consequences. Special badges and buttons will be available.

A history of Merkel will be presented to the company and from information it gathers, it will write a pageant showing the history and growth of the city. Actual scenes will be brought to real life.

We would like to start gathering pictures of old-timers, and old-time scenes which will be used in stories from time to time. If you have a good yarn about the early days in Merkel, we'll be glad for you to tell us about it, or write it, along with a picture. Be sure to put your name on the back of the pictures because they can be returned.

It'll be football time again Friday night. Coach Carroll Benson takes his boys to Eastland for another game, and a chance to make it three in a row. Merkel is one of the few undefeated teams in these parts, and we believe they'll have a little tougher going this week, as Eastland has 11 lettermen back from last year, and will be playing on their home field.

A movement is on to get the city council to approve a plan whereby the city would float bonds in the sum of \$30,000 for the construction of a swimming pool. A petition is at the Merkel Drug Co. and those of you who would like to take part in the effort to get a swimming pool, park and other recreational features should drop by and sign your name. Of course, the whole thing would have to be voted upon at a time when the council call the election.

We feel that the construction of a pool in Merkel will go a long way in keeping the young people at home in the summer and would make this city a mecca for others to come to. Plans also are being developed for a golf course, park and picnic grounds. As many family reunions as are held in this area annually, those visitors alone would bring many people to Merkel.

Highways are becoming more dangerous every day, and we cannot stress safety too much. Here and elsewhere. Only last week four persons in this area have been victims of traffic accidents. You can't place blame on any of them, but no one purposely goes out and slaughters others on the highways. However, if everyone would be more careful, practice less speeding and watching intersections, we cannot cut down the death toll. A lot of people think safety practices are for others, but these factors are only brought to home when people that are known in the community are the victims.

Mrs. Bobby Tolliver left last week to be with her husband, Bobby Tolliver, who is in the Shannon Hospital, San Angelo, from injuries received while working in the oil field.

Rains Drop 3 to 5 Inches In Merkel Area

Weekend rains which flooded many parts of the state dropped three to five inches of moisture in the Merkel farming area, putting a halt to a cotton and feed harvest which was getting into full swing.

Although the cotton farmers and the farmers who were harvesting milo and maize were hampered, some late cotton will be aided by the rain, and the soil will be put in condition for planting of small grains such as wheat and oats for the first time in many years.

Last Friday about .40 of an inch was recorded, another .70 came Saturday morning and Saturday night a heavy downpour drenched the area with 3.20 inches of rain.

The rains brought to 21 the total number of inches of moisture which has fallen in this area during this year, the highest it has been in many years.

Winter pastures will be helped, and many farmers will be putting in winter peas and vetch.

The farming area around Stith had 5.50 inches of rain Saturday, and many of the farms were flooded, but damage was expected to be offset by the good rains did to help other crops.

Bill Teaff, north of Merkel, whose farm had been missed many times by rains others had received, said he measured 3.40 inches of moisture Saturday night, the largest amount his farm had received in a long time.

C. B. Rust, of Stith, said 5.50 inches of moisture was measured around Stith.

Cotton harvest which was being turned into full swing, will be delayed several days.

At Noodle, the Noodle Co-operative Gin had one run of 37 bales of cotton in one day before the rains hit, but since that time ginning has slowed up.

The two Merkel gins also had been busy ginning cotton up to that time.

Merkel Drug Holds Sale On Anniversary

David Gamble, manager of the Merkel Drug Co., announced today that the store would hold a 39th anniversary sale beginning Thursday morning and continuing through Saturday.

Many of the items on sale are listed in this issue of the Mail.

The store was bought by Lige Gamble in 1919, and later consolidations of several drug stores were made. Gamble bought the store from T. L. Grimes, who still lives in Merkel.

Pioneer Noodle Resident Dies

Services were held Friday for Augustus Neumann, 87, longtime resident of the Noodle community, who died last Thursday at the Sadler clinic in Merkel where he had been hospitalized for some time.

The Rev. Fred Levrets of the Noodle Baptist church officiated. He was born in Germany in January, 1868, and moved to San Antonio when he was 9 years old. He came to the Noodle community in 1882.

Mr. Neumann lived briefly in Arizona for a while after that but returned to Noodle in 1923 where he lived until his death.

Pallbearers were Hollis Irvin, Hubert Sullivan, Henry Eckert, Jack Benning Fields, Joe Gunn and L. A. Sargent.

STITH BROTHERS DIE IN WRECK



Kelso Brothers Die As Auto Crashes Truck

Double funeral services were held at Anson Saturday for two brothers of the Stith community, north of Merkel, who were killed early Friday morning when a car in which they were riding crashed into the rear of a tractor-trailer loaded with sand at U.S. 80 and Pioneer drive in Abilene.

Dead are: Kenneth Wayne Kelso, 23, and Kyle Morgan Kelso, 19.

The Kelso brothers were driving toward Merkel about 1:15 a.m. when their car collided with a truck owned by the K.T.O. trucking Co. and driven by Calvin Hardin Smith 34, who was uninjured. Only about \$100 damage was done to the truck.

Officers said both vehicles were traveling toward Merkel and Smith was making a left hand turn from U.S. 80 on to Pioneer Drive when the car, driven by Kyle Morgan Kelso, struck the left rear side of the truck.

Because turn signals of the truck were in operation, according to officers report, the investigating officers believed Kyle Kelso did not see the truck or was attempting to pass it. The pavement was wet at the time of the accident.

The Rev. Jesse Windel, pastor of the Stith Baptist church, officiated at the rites Saturday. He was assisted by the Rev. W. T. Hamor of Abilene, retired Baptist minister. Burial was in the Stith cemetery.

The Kelso brothers were well-known around Merkel, having attended school in this area. They attended schools at Trent and Hawley.

The two deaths brought to four the number of persons killed in traffic accidents in Abilene in 1955. The Friday morning wreck ended 54 consecutive deathless days on the city's traffic score.

Kenneth Wayne Kelso, a driller for Payne Drilling Co., was born Sept. 19, 1931, at Hawley. He was in the Army two years, serving 16 months in Korea. He was discharged from the service Oct. 15, 1954.

Kyle Morgan Kelso, also an employee of the Payne Drilling Co., was born Jan. 6, 1936, in the Stith community.

Their survivors include their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Horace M. Kelso of the Stith community; two sisters, Mary Frances Kelso, 1729 S. 13th St., an employe in the advertising department of the Reporter-News, and Mrs. Simmie Allred, Donald Ray and Jerry Mack Kelso, both of the home.

Father of Mrs. Ollie Fox Dies

Raven Fox, father of Mrs. Ollie Fox, of Merkel, died in Lubbock Wednesday.

Funeral will be held at the First Baptist church in Merkel Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Burial will be in the Shiloh cemetery. The body will be brought to Merkel Friday.



SCENES AT FATAL CRASH — Upper photo shows how a car looks after a collision in Abilene which took the lives of two Stith boys, Kenneth Wayne Kelso and Kyle Kelso. The car crashed into the rear of a truck-trailer. Lower photo shows part of the sedan lodged between the wheels of the trailer.

RANCHER KILLED IN CRASH

Roy Durrell Hunter, 55, prominent Merkel rancher, died Wednesday afternoon of injuries sustained in a traffic accident west of Tye at 9:30 a.m.

Hunter was brought to the Sadler Clinic where he died later in the afternoon. He was traveling west on U. S. 80 when his car struck the rear of a truck parked on the highway loaded with oil pipe.

Funeral will be Thursday afternoon at 3 p.m. at the First Methodist church in Merkel with the Rev. Sam Tullock, pastor of the First Baptist church, and the

Mrs. L. R. Stanley Dies; Funeral Held Saturday

Funeral for Mrs. L. R. Stanley, 65, who had lived in Taylor county for 55 years, were held at the First Baptist church in Merkel Saturday with the Rev. Ted Cotton of San Angelo officiating.

The Rev. Sam Tullock of Merkel and the Rev. Fred Levret of Noodle assisted.

Mrs. Stanley had been in failing health for a year and had been seriously ill for five weeks. She was born in Dallas County Oct. 30, 1889 and came to Taylor County with her parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Coates, in 1900. Mrs. Stanley married L. R. Stanley in Merkel, Sept. 6, 1908. The couple resided in Taylor and Jones Counties since then.

Mrs. Stanley is survived by her husband; two sons, Howard L. of Midland and Vernon of Merkel; two daughters, Mrs. Sherwood Tucker of Abilene and Mrs. Melvin Evans of San Antonio; six grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Ted Targament and Minnie Lee Coates, both of Merkel; three brothers, Sidney and Ansel of Worth, and Vernon of Houston.

Rev. Cloy Lyles, pastor of the Methodist church, officiating. Starbuck funeral home will be in charge.

Mr. Hunter is survived by his wife, one son, R. D. Hunter, of Merkel, 2 grandchildren, Sara and Sandra Hunter of Merkel, and two brothers, George Hunter, of Lubbock and John Hunter, of Amburst, Texas; three sisters, Mrs. Hattie Cox of Lubbock, Mrs. Dora Clark, Fort Worth, and Mrs. Louella Atwood, of Lubbock.

He was born July 24, 1900, at Mulberry Canyon, and was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hunter, prominent ranchers in that area. He married Ina Mae Chambliss, of Merkel, August 16, 1919.

Junior 4-H Holds Election

Farris Neill was elected president of the elementary 4-H club Tuesday. Joe Hersey met with the club members.

Others elected were Tim Morton, vice president; Tommy McAninch, secretary; David Scott, reporter. The next meeting will be the second Friday in October.

Presbyterians To Have Communion

The Rev. Frank Travis, pastor of the Central Presbyterian Church of Abilene, will fill the pulpit at the Merkel Presbyterian church at 9 a.m. Sunday when Communion services will be held.

This will provide an opportunity for those who desire to join the church or receive the Holy baptism, the service was changed from 11 a.m. to 9 a.m. in order to obtain Mr. Travis.



'MAIN ENTRANCE' — Spectators oh and ah, but this lion just yawns when Capt. Joe Horwath puts his head in—and out—of its cavernous tooth-filled "main entrance" in one of the 46 acts of the Gil G. Gray Shrine circus coming to Abilene Thursday, Sept. 29 for a three-day stand of afternoon and night performances at Blue Sox Ball park.

Band Students To Sell Candy

The Merkel band students will start selling candy for the purpose of raising funds for purchase of music and other supplies.

Students will start selling the candy Friday, and will sell candy for a week.

Merkel Will Celebrate 50th Year In 1956

A gigantic 5-day celebration beginning with a church program on Sunday will commemorate Merkel's Golden Anniversary, it was announced this week following a meeting with the John B. Rogers productions which will stage a huge spectacle designed to attract 75,000 people to Merkel.

The affair will be put on by the Golden Jubilee of Merkel, Inc., an organization formed especially to stage this pageant which has been so successful in cities from small villages to metropolitan areas.

The Rogers Company also will stage a production in commemoration of the anniversary of Abilene in April, 1956. Dates for the Merkel jubilee have been set for March 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15, 1956.

Onis Crawford, manager of the Chamber of Commerce, will be named general manager of the Jubilee Celebration, and more than 275 Merkel folks will take part in the pageant which will depict the life of Merkel 50 years ago down to actual scenes of saw-logs, building the railroads, highways, churches, old stores and other historical values.

John R. Ward, representing the Rogers Company, said the firm had never had a failure in such a promotion in the 23 years it has been putting on such shows. Revenue from the production will come from sale of novelties and tickets.

Many towns have come out with \$2,000 to \$5,000 in the clear after such a production.

Attending the organizational meeting were David Gamble, president of the Chamber of Commerce; Howard Carson, Herman Carson, Ray Wilson, Horace Boney, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bartlett, Mrs. Markaret Hunter, Onis Crawford, Lester Dorton and Bill Frye.

The celebration will require the help of more than 300 persons in Merkel, including every woman's club and every person who can help. The Merkel Golden Jubilee Celebration will be incorporated so that no one individual will be responsible for debts or other liabilities.

A charter should be obtained within the next few days.

The pageant will be staged at the football field, and the props, scenery and other equipment will be furnished by the Rogers company. Committees which will function in a management capacity will be appointed as soon as the charter is obtained.

Homecoming For Merkel Planned

If there is enough interest in a Homecoming for former students of Merkel high school, a homecoming celebration will be held here during the day of the Haskell-Merkel football game November 4.

The Civic Committee of the Chamber of Commerce, is making a survey of Merkel citizens to determine if there is enough interest in such an event, and if there is other plans will be made to hold the reunion.

C of C officers are asking for volunteers to work on committees such as invitations, arrangements, program and food.

If you are interested, contact the Chamber of Commerce officers.

Construction Of Houses To Start

Construction of five houses in the Merkel Development Co. housing program will likely start within two or three weeks, Herman Carson, president, announced today.

Carson said contracts for the construction of the houses were let last week on a tentative basis, and final details should be completed within a few days.

The homes will be located in the area just back of the Church of Christ, four on the south side of the street and one on the north side.

Jimmy Hendrix of Houston visited over the weekend with his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Joyen.

ANNIVERSARY Celebration Days

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23c

REG. \$2.50 ST. REGIS POCKET WATCH
\$1.79
Plus 18c Fed. Tax

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LUCIEN LELONG SOLID COLOGNE - reg. \$2.00 - **\$1.00**
TUSSY DEODORANT Cream, reg. \$1 size **50c**
\$1.00 SIZE JERGENS LOTION - - - - - **69c**
HELEN CURTIS SPRAY NET - Giant Size - - - **\$1.19**
PAQUINS HAND CREAM - \$1.00 size - - - - - **69c**
LUCIEN LELONG - \$1.50 Size INDISCREET COL. - - - - - **\$1.95**
LUSTRE CREME Lotion Shampoo - \$1.00 size - - **69c**
Toiletries Items - plus 10% tax

ELECTRIC FRY SKILLET
\$12.95

ST. REGIS ELECTRIC HEATING PAD
\$3.49

INGRAHAM - BEACON ALARM CLOCK
\$1.29
Plus 13c Fed. Tax

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MARTIN'S - REG. \$6.75 GAL. STOCK - TOX - - - - - **\$4.49**
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ASSORTED
59c

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\$1.98

KNICKERBOCKER BATHSPRAY
69c

HOLLYWOOD COMBS
ALL SIZES 3 FOR
10c

NYLON HAIR BRUSHES
69c

LETTER SIZE ENVELOPES
100 COUNT
29c
PKG.

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REMINGTON - \$29.50 - - - **\$19.95**
SUNBEAM - \$29.50 - - - **\$19.95**
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100 TABLET - 75c SIZE BAYER ASPIRIN - - - - - **51c**
75c SIZE TEEK Cough Remedy - - - - **49c**
\$1.00 SIZE PRIVINE NOSE DROPS - - - **79c**
JOHNSON'S 50c SIZE BABY TALC - - - - - **34c**
1000 SHEET - 79c SIZE DOESKIN TISSUES - - - - - **63c**
63c SIZE - COLGATE CHLOROPHYLL TOOTH PASTE - **39c**
59c SIZE PEPTO-BISMOL - - - - - **43c**
DOESKIN TOILET TISSUE - 4 Rolls - - - **49c**
55c SIZE PALMOLIVE SHAVE LOTION - - - - - **39c**
98c SIZE - 20s GILLETTE BLUE BLADES - - - **74c**
90c SIZE VICKS VAPORUB - - - - - **63c**
\$1.20 SIZE CARDUI - - - - - **79c**

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- Red Seal POTTED MEAT - 3 cans 25c
- OUR VALUE PORK & BEANS - - 3 cans 25c
- LIBBY'S FRUIT COCKTAIL 303 can 2 for 45c
- LIBBY'S PEARS - - - - - 303 can 25c
- LIBBY'S TOMATO JUICE - 46-oz. can 29c
- SUNSHINE CRACKERS - - - 1 lb. box 25c
- SUN SPUN CHEESE - - - - 2 lb. box 69c
- Wolf CHILI - - - No. 2 can 45c

KUNER'S
CATSUP
14-oz. Bottle
2 for
39c

Kraft's
Miracle Whip
SALAD DRESSING
Pint - 29c

Gebhardt
TAMALES
No. 300 Can
2 for
35c

FRUITS & VEGETABLES
Frozen Fresh

- FLORIDA GOLD ORANGE JUICE 2 cans 35c
- WALDORFF BLACK EYE PEAS pkg. 21c
- STOKELY'S CHICKEN POT PIE ea. 27c
- STOKELY'S CHOPPED TURNIP GREENS pkg. 19c
- PATIO "COMPLETE" MEX DINNER each --- 63c

FRUITS and VEGETABLES

- TOKAY GRAPES - - - - lb. 10c
- YELLOW ONIONS - - - - lb. 7c
- HARD GREEN CABBAGE - - - - lb. 5c
- JONATHAN APPLES - - - - lb. 15c
- BELL PEPPER - - - - lb. 15c

MEATS

- Sliced BACON - - - - lb. 45c
- CHOICE PORK CHOPS - - - - lb. 59c
- Longhorn CHEESE - - - lb. 49c
- CHOICE CHUCK ROAST - - - - lb. 39c
- DENISON FRYERS - - - - lb. 49c

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Marsman, Great Chief Justice, Honored on 200th Anniversary

John Marshall, "The Great Chief Justice," whose bicentennial is being celebrated throughout the United States this month, is generally credited with having made a greater contribution to the foundations of this country as a great Nation than many a better-known personage of his time or since.

Born September 24, 1755, in a frontier farm log cabin in what is now Fauquier County in Virginia, the eldest of fifteen children, Marshall had little if any formal education, yet after his service as an officer in the Revolution became one of Virginia's most successful lawyers and then, as Chief Justice, was the Nation's first powerful expositor of the principles of American Constitutional Government.

Marshall served as Chief Justice under six presidents from 1801 to his death in 1835. He is universally recognized as our greatest Chief Justice and for having enunciated and firmly established the doctrine of Federal supremacy over State authority under the Constitution, the doctrine of "implied powers" by which the Supreme Court ruled that the Government has powers in addition to those specifically named in the Constitution, and the authority of the Court to invalidate these acts of the Congress and the Executive which it deems to be in conflict with the Constitution.

In the leadership that he provided the country and in the more than 500 decisions which he personally wrote, Marshall is credited with laying the foundation of much of modern Government and with establishing the Supreme Court, in early days regarded as a relatively minor branch of Government, as in fact coequal with the Executive and Legislatures and the greatest appellate tribunal in history.

As Chief Justice Warren said of him, "Stone by stone he built the foundation of our constitutional structure, and he constructed it sufficiently strong to support everything we have since built upon it."

Of his appointment of Marshall as Chief Justice, ex-president John Adams, a quarter-century later, wrote, "My gift of John Marshall to the people of the United States was the proudest act of my life."

Speaking in Philadelphia, President Eisenhower said, "John Marshall was a soldier in the War for Independence, a Congressman, a diplomat of outstanding ability, a Secretary of State. But his reputation for greatness most firmly rests on his services as Chief Justice of the United States. . . . He made of the Constitution a vital, dynamic, deathless charter for free and orderly living in the United States."

A Presidential proclamation issued in July of this year cited Marshall as a "soldier, diplomat, legislator, and Fourth Chief Justice of the United States" who played "a vital role in the strengthening of our constitutional form of government and said his long and distinguished term of office as Chief Justice, from 1801 to 1835, was marked by precedent-setting decisions which have been important factors in developing and maintaining the historic liberties of the people of the United States."

The Congress designated this September as "John Marshall Bicentennial Month, in recognition of the vital part which he played in the development of our Nation."

All over the country, schools, libraries, colleges, and national organizations are participating this month in Marshall programs. Inaugurating the general public observance of the Marshall Bicentennial were the ceremonies jointly sponsored by the U. S. John Marshall Bicentennial Commission and the American Bar Association on August 24th at Independence Square in Philadelphia, where President Eisenhower made the principal address and the response was made by Chief Justice Warren.

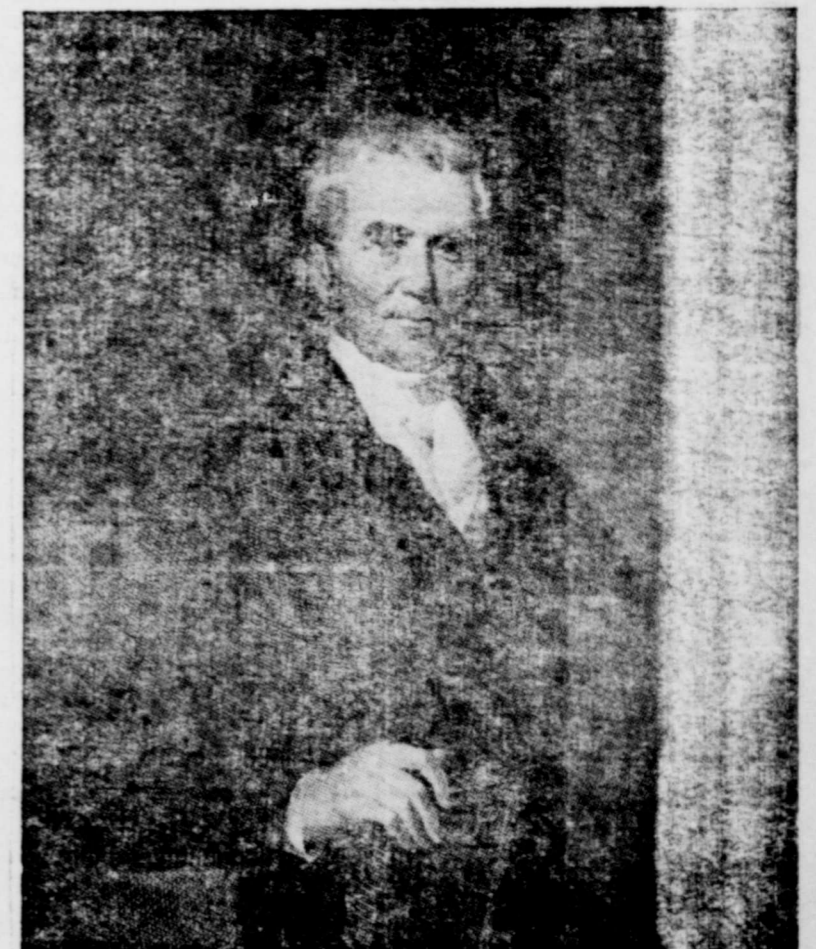
Commemorative programs and special events honoring John Marshall are being held in Washington, Chicago, Boston, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Richmond, Williamsburg, Va., Philadelphia, and in other leading cities and towns in most of the states across the nation.

The Library of Congress in Washington is devoting the month of September to an exhibit of the writings of Marshall and books and articles about him. John S. Richards, President of the American Library Association, has requested all of the country's libraries to arrange similar exhibits.

"Decision for Justice," a half-hour television dramatization of the famous case of "Marbury vs. Madison," and of John Marshall's decision on the case when he was Chief Justice, will be presented on the "Du Pont Cavalcade Theater" on September 20th on a nationwide broadcast. A limited number of film prints of this drama have been made available for screening for local groups, through the auspices of local branches of the American Bar Association.

The U. S. John Marshall Commission is publishing an illustrated brochure on John Marshall with a text written by Edward S. Corwin, Professor Emeritus of Jurisprudence, of Princeton University. Copies will be on sale by the Superintendent of Documents in Washington. The United States Post Office Department is issuing a 4-cent John Marshall stamp. This stamp, the ninth of the new regular series to be released, will first be placed on sale in Richmond, Va., on September 20th.

JOHN MARSHALL BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION, September, 1955



John Marshall
Chief Justice, 1801-1834

"Stone by stone, he built the foundation of our Constitutional structure, and he constructed it sufficiently strong to support everything we have since built upon it."
—Chief Justice Earl Warren, 1955

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Services Held For Mrs. Beene, Wreck Victim

Funeral for Mrs. W. E. Beene, 83, former Merkel resident, who died Sunday from injuries suffered in a traffic accident, were held Tuesday morning in Merkel.

Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Ely, of Avoca, were also hospitalized. Mrs. Ely is Mrs. Beene's daughter.

The accident occurred 6.8 miles east of Stamford on US 380.

All three were occupants of a 1949 model pickup which was in collision with a 1951 model car driven by Donald Allen Dixon, 18 of Hale Center.

Dixon had been visiting his parents in Avoca and was headed west on U.S. 380. Highway Patrolman Arthur Dyson of Stamford said that Dixon's car hit the rear of the pickup.

The car skidded 132 feet and stopped facing north. The pickup skidded 48 feet on the pavement and came to a stop about 57 feet off the highway in three feet of water.

Dixon received a minor head injury, but was not hospitalized.

Mrs. Ely received a broken nose and cuts and bruises about her face. Her husband, 65, was cut on the hand.

Services were held Tuesday in the Merkel Methodist church for Mrs. Beene, with the Rev. Cloy Lyles, pastor, officiating, assisted by the Rev. R. H. Mixer, Methodist minister from Avoca. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Mrs. Beene was born in Coryell City and married the late W. U. Beene in 1891. They lived in the Noodle community from 1902 to 1926, then moved to the Salt Branch community where Mr. Beene died in 1946.

She had been living in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ely since 1946.

Mrs. Beene was a member of the Merkel Methodist church. Survivors include one sister, Mrs. J. M. Beene, of Gatesville; Mrs. Ely, and four grandchildren.

Construction on Building Starts

The B. F. Horn Co. of Abilene started work this week on the construction of the new high school gymnasium.

The gym will be located behind the present high school which was remodeled during the summer. A huge fence has been erected around the construction area to keep intruders out.

It is expected the building will be completed by the opening of the second semester.

Badgers Play Eastland Friday

The Merkel Badgers play the Eastland high football team Friday in a non-conference game.

The Badgers will be after their third victory of the season in a game that Eastland wants to win in order to make it two in a row. Last week Eastland won 25-13.

The Merkel B team defeated Clyde 14-0 last week.

The B. team plays Hamlin Thursday night.

Hospital Notes

The following persons have been admitted or dismissed from the Sadler Clinic hospital during the week:

- Mrs. H. R. McKeever, Merkel.
- Mrs. A. H. Hennington, Merkel.
- M. J. Conlin, Abilene, injury.
- T. H. Bragg, Merkel.
- Mrs. Howard Laney.
- Venita Quattlebaum.
- Mrs. Leo Harris.
- C. E. Daniel.
- Otis Young.
- Mrs. Amos Pierce.
- Mrs. Ira Marshall.
- E. R. Clack.
- Mrs. Mabel Dorton.
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- Joan Bennett.

The Purple Plain To Be At Queen

H. E. Bates, internationally famous author whose best-seller, "The Purple Plain," opens on Oct. 6 at the Queen Theatre through United Artists release, is that rare bird, an author who thinks that the movies have done right by his brain-child. Says Bates of the Technicolor film-version of "The Purple Plain," starring Gregory Peck, "I would say that the book has been reproduced with utter faithfulness."



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Elks to Honor Home Papers

The Abilene Elks lodge will observe National Newspaper week, October 1 to 8, with a special program of events to focus attention on the role of the hometown newspaper in defending American freedoms. William T. Callaway, exalted ruler of the lodge, announced today.

Slogan for the 1955 National Newspaper Week is "Your Newspaper Fights for Your Right to Know," and Callaway said the Elks observance would be built around that thought. Planning the salute to the press is a special committee composed of J. P. Tompkins, Dr. J. C. Shipman and Kenye Manuel.

National Newspaper Week is sponsored annually by newspapers Association Managers, Inc., and for several years the B.P.O.E. throughout the country has joined in honoring the press during its "week."

Billy Toombs Is 4-H Club Prexy

Billy Bob Toombs was elected president of the Merkel Senior 4-H club this week.

Other officers are Tokyo Moreno, vice president; Gary Rust, secretary; Jack Riney, reporter, and Walker Harris, song leader.

FAMILY GET-TOGETHER HELD AT OLIVER HOME

There was a family get-together in the John Oliver home in Mulberry Canyon over the weekend where Mrs. Oliver's father J. H. Nelson of Terrell was visiting.

Others to come see their father were Mr. and Mrs. J. J. (Blacky) Nelson and children, Homer, Jamie Gaye, and Carolyn of Snyder, Buck Nelson of Abilene, also Mr. Nelson's grandson John D. Oliver and family of Midland. A granddaughter, Mrs. Jack Whisenhunt and family.

Four generations were represented. Mr. Nelson, and his oldest daughter Mrs. John Oliver, his oldest granddaughter, Mrs. Jack Whisenhunt and his oldest great-granddaughter, Patricia Ann Whisenhunt.

Mrs. Whisenhunt and daughter Patricia Ann are Mrs. Oliver's daughter and granddaughter.

MRS. DAN RAY HONORED AT PARTY

Mrs. Dan Ray was honored with a neighborhood coffee last Wednesday in the home of Mrs. James Limer.

Coffee and cake were served to Mrs. Gene Springer Jr., of Anson, Mrs. Earl Watts, Mrs. Jack Smith, Mrs. Truett Perry, Mrs. Ethel Hicks, Mrs. Eldon Hicks, Mrs. Bob Deen and the hostess.

The Rays recently moved to Merkel from Anson. They live at 1205 S. Tenth.

UNION RIDGE TO ELECT NEW OFFICERS

The Union Ridge home demonstration club will elect officers for the coming year at the next meeting October 7, in the home of Mrs. Carroll Best.

The last meeting was held in the home of Mrs. Beauford Buntin with Miss Mabel McRee, president in charge. Miss Loreta Allen opened the meeting with a prayer.

Roll call was "My First Day in School."

Miss Allen gave a demonstration on making a meat casserole. Each member will bring a covered dish at the next meeting, and the group will spend the day quilting.

Visitors were Miss Allen and Mrs. Bennie Hobb.

NOODLE 4-H CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS

Sandra Vance has been elected president of the Noodle 4-H club. Other officers are Sandra Good, vice president; Paula Skidmore, secretary-treasurer; Ruby Caldwell, reporter; Nelda Herron, council delegate, Jo Grissom, council delegate. Miss Jimmie Lee Wainscott gave a demonstration on how to make chocolate fudge. The food junior leaders are Margaret Hunter and Linda Dean.

Dora Henningher who had surgery at Hendrix Memorial hospital last week will spend the next two weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Odell Eoff at Noodle.

WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD HOLDS MEETING

The Wesleyan Service Guild of the Methodist church met at the church Monday with 11 members and one guest present.

Mrs. Johnny Cox was the leader of the program with Mrs. Halie Bowden, Mrs. Raymond Ferguson, and Mrs. Don Dudley giving different parts. The book "Within Two Worlds" — the Indian American study — was the subject of the evening, and will be for the next four meetings.

All the talks were very interesting and started each member wondering what we might do to improve living conditions of our Indians.

After the program the sample fruit cake from Corsicana was opened and admired by everyone. The guild is going to sell these cakes again this year.

Mrs. Ferguson then served apple pie and coffee which was enjoyed by everyone present.

Anyone interested in attending the guild meetings are urged to do so. It meets the second and fourth Mondays of each month.

MERKEL GARDEN CLUB HEARS ONIS CRAWFORD

Onis Crawford, manager of the Merkel Chamber of Commerce, spoke to the Merkel Garden Club at its last meeting on what the club can do for Merkel.

Crawford suggested the club select one particular plant, tree or shrub to be planted throughout Merkel, in order to make the town more attractive to tourists.

Three new members present were Mrs. A. H. McMurray, Mrs. W. T. Sadler and Mrs. Clyde Bartlett.

COMPERE CLUB MEETS IN RAMSEY HOME

The Compere Home Demonstration Club met September 22, in the home of Mrs. W. D. Ramsey, for their regular meeting. Mrs. Ab Hunter presided for the business meeting. Mrs. Jake Bockman led the group in singing "Battle Hymn of the Republic". Mrs. I. B. Ray led the prayer.

Roll call was answered with a verse from the Bible. Mrs. H. R. Chancey read the minutes in the absence of the secretary, Mrs. Vernon Stanley.

Mrs. I. B. Ray gave the council report. Club members selected a program from a list to be presented at Council.

The demonstration on "Preparation of Meats" was given by the food leaders, Mrs. Ray and Mrs. Hunter. A delicious roast was cooked in advance and a second roast prepared for cooking in the demonstration. The roast was served in sandwiches with cake and bottle drinks for refreshments to Mrs. I. B. Ray, Mrs. Ab Hunter, Mrs. C. S. Childers, Mrs. Jake Bockman, Mrs. H. R. Chancey, Mrs. W. D. Ramsey, and one new member, Mrs. Wendell Bockman.

Club adjourned, to meet with Mrs. C. S. Childers October 13. The hostess gift was received by Mrs. Ray.

JANICE RUTLEDGE IS V. I. C. SWEETHEART

The Merkel V. I. C. met Friday, September 23, the officers for the following year were elected. President, Jerry Russell; vice-president, Charley Martin; Secretary, Fredlyn Farmer; sergeant-at-arms, Ned Watts; reporter, Jerry Patterson.

At the close of the meeting, Janice Rutledge was elected as sweetheart.

ALETA SCOTT HAS NINTH BIRTHDAY

Aleta Scott was honored with a birthday party in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Scott.

The birthday cake was encircled with lovely little ladies carrying umbrellas. These were attached to streamers coming from a pole in the center of the cake.

Each lady bore the name of a guest.

The guests were Malinee Seymore, Karen Ann Ray, Steve and Beverly, Butman, Jane Largent, Sue King, Janice Shugart and Aleta Scott, Mrs. Largent, Mrs. Louis Butman and Mrs. King.

Mr. and Mrs. Irl Walker drove to Mason Sunday to visit their son, Coach and Mrs. Jimmy Walker, who became the parents of a daughter, Francis Lynn, who was born Saturday. Coach Walker's team has won three games this season. Last year his team went to the semi-finals, but they were mostly seniors.

Mrs. Ray Spurgeon of Dallas is visiting relatives in Trent, Merkel and Noodle this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Collinsworth and Chester Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Wendon McAninch and Jimmy, and Mr. and Mrs. Lise Gamble were among the Merkelites who witnessed the Texas Tech-Texas Christian football game at Lubbock Saturday.

CARD OF THANKS

Thanks for your cooperation with the Cemetery work at Shiloh. By the first of the year we hope to have a pastor, we will soon organize our singings. If you wish to see about the church or cemetery work, see

M. E. Winter, route 2.
Bill James, Trent, Rt. 2.

Week-end guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Boney were her mother, Mrs. R. T. Gray of Winters, a brother Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Gray and daughter, Dinah of Abilene, a sister, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Sears and daughter, Carolyn of Wingate, Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Hamilton and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Edd Hamilton and sons, of Mexia.

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STITH

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Rogers and Mr. and Mrs. F. J. McDonald, Jr. attended the funeral of Mr. Rogers' aunt, Mrs. Frank Rogers in Floydada last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hinson of Orange visited Mr. and Mrs. Fred Perry.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones, Mrs. Paul Bradley and Mrs. M. E. West attended the Baptist Association held at Hawley.

Mrs. Billy Dunagin and Mrs. A. M. Evans visited Mrs. R. Bonds and baby last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones received five inches of rain. The F. J. McDonalds, Jr. received

three inches and W. M. Loflins received 4 1/2 inches of rain this week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. James Mankins are on vacation and visited in Lamesa, where they saw lots of high water.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Savell spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Childress.

Miss Gayle Harris spent the day with Joan Boyd Sunday. Miss Lola Loflin visited Miss Pat McDonald.

NOODLE

Mrs. Alex Carter and children visited in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Huber Sunday at Anson.

Waldo Cox and his brother, Roy, who met him at Cisco, spent the weekend visiting their mother who is ill at McKinney.

Mr. and Mrs. George Cooper spent Sunday afternoon in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Dooley. The river had backed up almost to the Doaleys house, and the water had caught some of their chickens before they knew what was happening, and they were still in trees. The highway department stopped all cars from going across the river about 4 o'clock.

Rev. and Mrs. Fred Levert and children, and James Bronson, song leader, were dinner guests in the home of Mrs. Margie Ross Sunday.

We are sorry to lose two of our good friends and neighbors, Mrs. Lee Stanley and Augustus

Neumann. The families have the sympathy of the entire community.

Mrs. Joe Northcutt of Anson is visiting in the home of Mrs. Lum Gilbreath and family this week.

Mrs. Dock Lucas left by train Sunday for Shreveport to visit her daughter Mr. and Mrs. Forest Worren and meet her new little granddaughter for the first time.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dock Caloway Sunday were Minister and Mrs. Willard May and family of Abilene.

HODGES

Mrs. NORMAN SLOAN

Jashue' Carillo of San Pedro, Mexico was guest speaker at the Hope Church of Christ on Sunday morning. He couldn't speak English, and Haven Miller a Spanish teacher at ACC acted as his interpreter. He compared conditions there to conditions here, and should make us appreciate more our freedom to worship here as we see fit. We also have more of the good things of life than they have there. If people look around a little, they will find we always

have something to be thankful for.

Those visiting the Leonard McCoys on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Raven Miller and children of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Vantrees, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Jones and Billy, Mrs. Ina Kelso, Mr. and Mrs. Durwood McCoy and Lu Ann and Jashue Carillo of San Pedro, Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Reed and boys of Midland were visitors in the Maurice Cox home over the weekend.

Miss Willie Cox of Abilene spent Sunday in the home of her sister and family the Roy Kelso's.

Mr. and Mrs. Roosevelt Blanton of Loco Hills, New Mexico have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Vantrees.

The Hawley PTA met on Monday night for the first time this year. There was a good attendance. Program was a film about America the Beautiful which was very pretty as well as interesting.

Visiting recently in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Durwood McCoy were her mother, Mrs. C. L. Danglell of Lubbock.

Bogart Stars In New Film

Buddy Adler, the film producer for Twentieth Century-Fox, is on a seemingly non-stop Oriental kick. After touching home base on "Violent Saturday," he went on an Eastern tour which this far has divulged "House of Bamboo," filmed in Tokyo; "Soldier of Fortune" and "Love Is A Many Splendored Thing," both made in Hong Kong, and now "The Left Hand of God," which is laid in China, but unlike the others, wasn't filmed on-the-spot. Even Buddy Adler couldn't penetrate the "bamboo curtain," so "Hand," coming to the Queen Theatre, was shot on a home-grown China. But the atmosphere is steeped in authentic locale.

Night Club Star In Vegas Drama

Marjorie Garretson, prominent in the field of intimate night club entertainment as a singing comedienne, appears in a featured number in "Las Vegas Shakedown," starring Dennis O'Keefe, Coleen Gray, Charles Winninger and Thomas Gomez. It is at the Queen Theatre Friday and Saturday.

Down Three Dark Streets Comes To Queen

Brod Crawford, rugged hero of "Down Three Dark Streets," opening on Tuesday at the Queen Theatre through United Artists release, has had his beak busted five separate times. The first two times his mother actress Helen Broderick, had the fractured process repaired. "After that," says Brod, "she saw that shelling out each time I broke my nose was a losing proposition, and she quit cold. She was right." Ruth Roman co-stars with Brod in "Down Three Dark Streets," a suspense thriller with an FBI background.

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CARD OF THANKS

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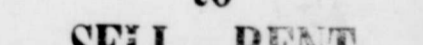
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UP THE CANYON

By TOM RUSSOM

We have sure been enjoying some fine rain. It fell so slow that it all went in the ground with wheat and oats seeding time here. The folks around here will be getting the small grain sown soon. Perhaps there will be a lot of winter peas and vetch sown for winter cover crop.

We have several machines to seed winter peas and other crops of winter legumes. The Middle Clear Fork District has bought a new chisel type plow and planter attachment. The same type planter that Clint Harper, Central Texas farmer, uses on his farm. If you think we need another one like it, contact Tom Russom or W. D. Ramsey of Stith. We have \$15,000 state appropriated

money to buy equipment for farmers and ranchmen.

The Taft boys of Salt branch community have seeded 50 acres of winter peas, and with the rains the peas should get a good start.

Livestock trading has been slow in this area. However, the Rhoads Ranch has sold their lambs to Vester Parrish of Wingate. The lambs averaged 78 pounds which was very good.

Tom Russom has bought a small bunch of light leight lambs from Ford Butman. He paid 15 cents a pound.

We would like to recognize a ranch family who have not been in the Canyon very long. They are Mr. and Mrs. Horace Miles who took a five-year lease on the G. H. Johnson ranch, better known as the Costephens place. G. H. Johnson's daughter, Mrs. Bill Cole, now owns the place. She has made extensive improvements. I hope that if

Mr. and Mrs. Miles don't already take the Merkel Mail that they'll subscribe right away.

F. R. Demere who ranches in the west end of the Canyon has shipped a truck load of shorn goats. No prices was reported. Demere who has run goats for years knows the business well. He has a brother, Raymond Demere, who runs several thousand goats in the Cross Plains area.

From the reports on the rain up the Canyon, most of the area got a good soaking, ranging from 3 to 3 1/2 inches. Some bundle feed that was not shocked up sure got wet.

Sam Butman Sr., pioneer rancher of the area, has been taken to Hendrix hospital for treatment. Mr. Butman soon will be 93 years old, and is still in fair health.

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OVERSEEDING LAWNS WITH RYEGRASS

Ryegrass is sometimes overseeded on Bermuda to give a rich green color to our lawn during the winter. This can be detrimental to lawns unless you really know what you're doing.

Ryegrass is usually growing in the spring when Bermuda should start. Unless it is kept closely clipped, it will compete with the Bermuda for light, moisture and plant food.

If ryegrass is seeded on a Bermuda lawn, Italian or annual ryegrass should be used, because these plants die in the spring. Perennial ryegrass will live through the summer in higher, cooler parts of Texas.

One last caution, if you plan to overseed with ryegrass, restrict planting to Bermuda lawns.

For further information on lawns and lawn care, come by my office and ask for B-203, "The Home Lawn."

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Cross of Hobbs, New Mexico, were guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Cross over the week-end.

LEE COX FAMILY HOLDS CELEBRATION

The Lee Cox family celebrated his 73rd birthday and also the 35th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Sandusky with a lawn party at the Cox home.

Those attending were the children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served after which gifts were opened and pictures shown.

Billy Lee Farmer of El Paso is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Farmer

Warrant Officer and Mrs. R. M. Barrington of Waukegan, Ill. are spending several weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Anderson, before leaving October 15, for Casa Blanca, North Africa, where he will be stationed for two years.

Albert English of Haskell is visiting his daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Woody Wilson.

Mrs. Etta Tucker spent last Wednesday in Stanton as the guest of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Jessie Clinton.

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 Training Union... 6:30 p. m.
 Evening Worship... 7:30 p. m.
 Wednesday Prayer Service 7:30 p. m.
W. M. U. Mon.... 9:30 a. m.
Merkel Church of Christ
 Bible Study... 9:45 a. m.
 Morning Service... 10:45 a. m.
 Young People's Bible Class 6:30 p. m.
 Evening Services... 7:30 p. m.

Compre Baptist Church
 Sunday School... 10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship, 2nd and 4th Sunday... 11 a. m.
Merkel Grace Presbyterian Church
 Sunday School... 10:00 a. m.
 Worship Service... 11 a. m.
Merkel Assembly of God
 Sunday school... 10 a. m.
 Morning Service... 11 a. m.
 T. A.'s (Young People)... 7 p. m.
 Evening Worship... 7:30 p. m.
 Tuesday W. M. C... 2 p. m.
 Wed. Prayer Service... 7:30 p. m.
Merkel Calvary Baptist Church
 Sunday School... 9:45 a. m.
 Morning Service... 11:00 a. m.
 Evening Bible Class... 6:30 p. m.
 Evening Worship... 7:00 p. m.
Merkel Catholic Church
 Sunday Mass... 10:30 a. m.
Primitive Baptist Church
 Meeting time first Sunday in each month... 11 a. m.
 Saturday preceding... 8 p. m.
Trent Methodist Church
 Sunday School... 10:00 a. m.

Evening Worship... 7:30 p. m.
 Morning Services... 11:00 a. m.
 M. Y. F. Services... 6:30 p. m.
 Wednesday: Prayer Services... 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... 7:45 p. m.
 Tuesday:
 W. M. U. 2:15 p. m., Intermedi-ate G. A.'s Jr. G. A.'s 3:45 p. m.
 Prayer Services... 7:30 p. m.
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Pioneer Memorial Chapel
 Sunday School... 10:00 a. m.
 Morning Service... 11:00 a. m.
 Evening Services... 7:30 p. m.
 Wednesday: Evening Prayer Service... 7:30
Noodle Baptist Church
 Sunday:
 Sunday School... 10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship... 11:00 a. m.
 Young People's Class 6:30 p. m.
 Evening Services... 7:30 p. m.

Law Student



VIVIANNE POTTER, of Reno, "Miss Nevada, 1955," poses with her law books on the steps of the U. S. Supreme Court Building in Washington. She is a student at the American University School of Law in the nation's capital. She is believed to be the first law student to enter the Miss America contest. (International)

Wins Diaper Derby



CAROL GRONWALD, ten months old, of Hoboken, N. J., sips from her bottle after winning the 17th annual baby-crawling derby at Palisades Park, N. J. She covered the 60-foot straightaway course in 26.6 seconds, which is six seconds better than last year's winner. (International)

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BLUEBONNET H.D.C. HOLDS MEETING

The Bluebonnet home demonstration club met at the Pioneer Community Center for their regular meeting.
 The roll call was answered with "How Parents Can Help Teachers." Mrs. Frank Brnovak led the prayer.
 Mrs. Evel Ray gave an interesting report on her trip to Fort Worth as a delegate to the State T.H.A.D.A. convention.
 Mrs. N. I. Davis, was elected president for the coming year. Other officers elected were Mrs. Brnovak, vice president; Mrs. Dewell McLain, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. R. E. Clemmer, council delegate; Mrs. John Oliver, reporter.
 Mrs. Arthur Moore will be hostess at the next meeting on October 3.
 A group of ladies visited the ward of the State Hospital and entertained them with a birthday party for one of the women. They served cookies and soft drinks to all the 37 women of that ward.

NOODLE SENIOR 4-H ELECTS OFFICERS

Officers for the Noodle Senior 4-H Club for the year 1955-56, have been elected. They are: president, Ann Patterson; vice-president, Karen Irvin; secretary-treasurer, Nancy Hunter; reporter, Velma Flowers; council delegate, Dolores Hunter; song leader, Sandra Spraberry; food demonstrators, Dolores Hunter and Ann Patterson; clothing demonstrators, Nancy Hunter and Karen Irvin.
 We will meet the second and fourth Monday of each month at 8:00 a. m. in the Library room.
 At the meeting September 26, the Home Demonstration Agent, Miss Jimmie Lou Wainscott gave a demonstration on how to make uncooked chocolate fudge. Recipes were given to each girl, then the girls sampled the finished fudge, which was very good.

WILLING WORKERS MEET IN WEST HOME

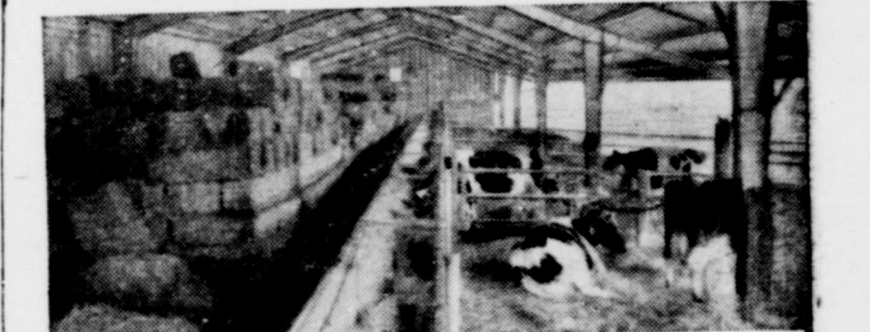
The Willing Workers class of the Presbyterian church met in regular session last Tuesday in the home of Mrs. James West.
 The nine members present were presented with a nice spiritual program.
 Plans were made for packing

the annual Thanksgiving boxes for the orphans home. Refreshments were served to Mrs. W. M. Elliott, Mrs. Jim Spurgeon, Mrs. J. R. Walling, Mrs. J. H. Witcher, Mrs. Etta Tucker, Mrs. L. L. Murray, Mrs. Johnny Warren and the hostess, Mrs. West.
 Mrs. Ha Leeton, returning to her home in Odessa from Laurel, Mississippi, spent the week-end with her sisters, Mrs. Myrtle Wozencraft, Mrs. Belle Kimbrough, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Woods and her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Bob McDonald.
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 Morning Worship... 11:00 a. m.
 Evening Services... 7:30 p. m.
 Ladies Bible Class... 4:00 p. m.
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Men's Downtown Bible Class
 Sunday... 8:44 a. 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... 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... 7:30 p. m.

Tye Methodist Church
 Sunday:
 Sunday School... 10 a. m.
 M. Y. F. ... 7:00 p. m.
 Prayer Meeting... 7:30 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... 7:30 p. m.

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