

Scoop

The Swimming Pool project is going along pretty good, but there is always need for more funds. If you haven't been contacted for the purchase of shares at \$7 each, contact one of the persons selling stock, or call Dr. Warren or the Merkel Mail, and someone will be around and call on you. Do not feel you would like to buy stock, you can still help the project by donating to the park fund, which will be used in connection with the swimming pool. This park is being cleaned up, and tables and other picnic needs will be built by the city park board.

Here's good news for the kids... The Abilene Shrine club is going to sponsor the annual Shrine Circus at the Blue Sox ball park September 27 and 28 when the Gil Gray Circus comes to Abilene. This is one of the finest circuses of its kind, and the funds from the circus will go into the crippled children's fund and the Abilene Shrine club fund which is used for charitable purposes.

If you think it doesn't take money to run for office, just look at some of the expenditures of the state candidates. The election derby is running down the stretch, and political dopesters are noting a few changes in strength. It is generally conceded that U. S. Price Daniel will be the man to beat, and most people think he'll probably lead the first primary, but there is a bitter fight on between several candidates to see who'll be in the runoff. No candidate is expected to get enough votes in the July 28 primary to get the nomination. According to dopesters Pappy O'Daniel's strength has been showing gains, and J. Evert Haley, of Canyon, once an unknown in the race, is reportedly making gains.

Daniel has listed his contributions at \$112,949 so far, with Senterfitt \$31,772, Yarborough \$23,855, and O'Daniel \$1,770. On the expenditure side of the ledger the leaders held the same positions, Daniel spending \$82,474, Senterfitt \$32,081, Yarborough \$25,826, and O'Daniel \$20,589.

The lieutenant governor's race also is expected to be a close one with the favorites being Sen. A. M. Aikin Jr., who was co-sponsor of the Wilmer-Aikin school. Ramsey, present and John Lee. There's sure to be a big boom in this race, and it'll money. Aikin has \$19,000, Senterfitt \$8,125 for Smith. Expenses Aikin \$12,244.82, Ramsey \$8,583.05.

The state park commission starts looking around at our neighbors, and maybe they'll wake up, and get Texas back on the main feet of park areas. There's excuse for our state parks to go more or less unattended, when it would be a big boon to the state to fix them up. I would say that with the park facilities we have, they could stand a little improvement, for there are not nearly enough cabins, camping areas, picnic grounds etc. for the people who would like to visit them. Let's let Rip Van Winkle wake up.

Crawford Attends Chamber Institute

Onis Crawford, manager of the Chamber of Commerce, will leave next week for the American Institute of Chamber of Commerce managers at the Adolphus hotel in Dallas. This is a meeting of all managers from southwestern states.

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Lee Sutton Seeking Office Of Attorney

Lee Sutton, county attorney, has authorized the Merkel Mail to announce his candidacy for the office of County Attorney, a position he now holds.

His official statement follows: TO THE CITIZENS OF MERKEL AND SURROUNDING TAYLOR COUNTY AREA:

As most of you are probably aware, I am seeking re-election to a second term as your County Attorney, subject to action of the Democratic Primary, July 28, 1956.

In making this announcement, I would first like to state that I feel that I would be violating the trust which you placed in me two years ago should I now neglect my duties in favor of a full-time campaign, in view of the amount of time that such a campaign would require me to be away from my office. For that reason, I am sure there are many of you whom I will not be able to personally contact and for whom I submit the following background, qualifications and experience.

I am 30 years of age and was born in Jacksonville, Cherokee County, Texas. I grew up and attended public schools in Jacksonville, and was graduated from high school there in 1942.

I am a veteran of both World War II and the Korean War. In World War II, I served from 1943-1946, 18 months of which was served overseas in the Pacific Theater. During the Korean War, I was on active duty from November, 1950 until December, 1951, at which time I was released to inactive duty in the United States Marine Corps Reserve, of which I am still a member.

I am married and have three children, with a fourth expected next month. I am a member of St. Paul Church in Abilene, Masonic Lodge, Abilene Kiwanis Club, Abilene Junior Chamber of Commerce, VFW, Abilene, State and American Bar Associations, and have been active in Boy Scout work in the Chisholm Trail Council.

In regard to my professional qualifications, I am a graduate of both Lon Morris College, a Methodist school located at Jacksonville, Texas, and the Baylor University School of Law. I am licensed to practice law in all courts of the State of Texas, and in the Federal District Court for the Northern District of Texas.

I was employed by the Hartford Accident & Indemnity Company until being appointed Assistant Taylor County Attorney in May, 1953; a position which I held for one year and until I was appointed Taylor County Attorney in June, 1954, to complete the last 6 months of an unexpired term created by vacancy in office. I was also elected in 1954 to my present 2 year term of office which is now expiring.

Although my policy has been, and if re-elected will continue to be, to carry out the enforcement duties of my office toward the ends of justice as distinguished from a blind obedience of the law, Taylor County is now, and has been for three years that I have been in this office, a clean place in which to live and maintain a home and family; despite the fact of the tremendous economic and population growth which always attracts more than the usual share of undesirables. In this connection, I feel that I have made a genuine contribution to the maintenance of law and order in our county while at the same time respecting the Constitutional rights and being fair with those whom I have had to deal.

The experience I have gained in these past three years, I believe, will make me more qualified to judiciously perform the duties of this office as our country continues to grow.

I am sincerely grateful of the honor of having served you for the past two years, and should

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MERKEL SWIMMING POOL TO OPEN SOON, THURSDAY TO BE ANOTHER WORK DAY

The Merkel Swimming Pool Association has reached its first plateau, and the Shannon swimming pool will be reopened to the public within two weeks, Dr. Don Warren, president of the association, announced today.

Dr. Warren said the association had accounted for \$3,570 in pledges, of stock up to Tuesday night, but a drive will continue to raise \$7,000 necessary for improvements after the pool is opened.

Several large stock buyers helped reach the goal, which was enough to assure the association it could go ahead and let the contract for sand-blast, paint and fill the pool. Effort will be made to go ahead and raise the entire \$7,000, as that is part of the overall program necessary to

give the pool a bathing house, diving boards, ladders and other equipment.

A work day was held last Friday, and cleaning up operations at the park are under way.

Another work day will be held Thursday, and Dr. Warren asked that all interested persons appear at the pool

with their tools and ready to work.

"We believe we can get the park in shape with a little additional work, so that the big machinery can get in and go to work," Dr. Warren said.

Dr. Warren again asked that persons not contacted for the purchase of shares in the swimming pool to buy

their shares from some business firm down town, the chamber of commerce or one of the individuals out contacting the people.

"We want this to be a project for the entire community, and we feel that if everyone who wants a swimming pool will put forth a little effort, we will easily

reach our goal," Dr. Warren said.

"Let's not drag our feet... let's invest in the future for our youth of the city, and give them a place to swim, as well as facilities for picnics, family reunions and other out-of-doors gatherings."

Work on cleaning up the swimming pool will start as soon as the swimming pool association is assured of enough funds to finish the operation.

"We are not going in debt to open the pool," Dr. Warren stated. "It is our desire to have enough money on hand to pay for the cleaning operations and open the pool before we contract for any of the work."

Curb Retiring, Ford Smith Jr. Gulf Distributor

Charles F. Curb, Gulf consignee here for the past 20 years, is retiring from active business.

Curb, who has been active in civic affairs and a Merkel booster, said that he was turning the reins of the Gulf distributorship over to younger blood.

Ford Smith Jr., Merkel farmer, is taking over the consignee's job, and will handle Gulf products in the Merkel trade territory.

"I wish to thank the people of this area for the fine patronage they have given me in the past," Curb said. "I regret that I must retire, but I know you will be better served under the management of Ford Smith Jr., who is well known here, and a progressive farmer and business man."

Curb began with the Gulf Oil Co. in 1937 as manager; for the consignee, and the following year he took over the distributorship himself. He has been active in the Lions club of which he is a charter member, and has long been active in the welfare of Merkel.

Smith said that he would offer the best service possible to Curb's old customers, and promised that he would do everything possible to satisfy the people who use oil products, both on the farm and in their cars and trucks.

"I will appreciate your patronage and suggestions," Smith said. "I will do everything possible to further the progress of this area."

Smith has been one of the outstanding young farmers of Taylor county for several years, and now actively handles several hundred acres of land.

Little League All-Stars Will Play at Abilene

The Merkel Little League All-Stars, selected last week, will play in the District tournament at Abilene later this month, Wayne McLean, league president, said today.

The players are Johnny Heatley, Don Wilks, Johnny Swinney, Larry Windham, Billy Higgins, Jimmy Sledge, David Scott, Danny Doan, Tommy McAninch, Kent Denton, Robert Higgins, Jerry Barnes, Brown Higgins, and Farris Neil.

Alternates are Kenny Duncan, Coy Minatra, Jeff Smith and Larry Lucas.

Mrs. C. R. Peterson of Abilene spent last week visiting in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Woodrow Patton.

HODGE-PALMER HOLDS Light Showers LITTLE LOOP LEAD

The Hodge-Palmer club maintained lead in the Little League this week with a 12-1 standing, while the Willies were close behind with a 10-2 record.

The league will continue play for five more games, ending July 27, and there was every indication that there would be a fast finish.

Here are the standings: W L Hodge-Palmer 12 1 Willies 10 2 Starpats 5 7 Bankers 5 8 Kilowats 4 8 Cardinals 1 11

Here are the top batters: Billy Higgins, Willies .570 Danny Doan, Hodge-Palmer .543 Don Wilks, Starpats .525 Johnny Heatley, Bankers .512 David Scott, Starpats .486 Robert Higgins, H-P .438 Billy Lucas, Kilowats .400 Larry Windham, Cardinals .394 Ferris Neil, H-P .385 Tommy McAninch, Willies .382 Kenneth Duncan, Starpats .371 Jerry Barnes, H-P .361 Johnny Sledge, Bankers .351 Gary Beard, Cardinals .350 Johnny Swinney, H-P .340 Kent Denton, Kilowats .333 Ronny Scott, Kilowats .333

There were plenty of runs made in the Little League during the week ending July 4 as the baseballers headed down the home stretch.

Games June 28
The Bankers knocked the Willies out of a tire for the league in this game with a last inning rally, 9-7. Larry Dudley led the Bankers by collecting two hits, including a home run and batting in four runs. Billy Higgins kept the Willies in the game by collecting three hits.

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Jimmy Sledge, Larry Dudley and Johnny Heatley. Tommy McAninch and Mike Lucas. Winner, Larry Dudley.

Billy Lucas led the Kilowats

Lions Go To Air Base Friday

The Merkel Lions club will go to the Air Base Friday for a tour of the base and lunch at noon at the new officer's club, Isadore Mellinger, who arranged the date, said today.

David Gamble, in charge of the caravan, asked that all Lions with cars meet on Edwards street before 8:30 a.m. Friday so that the caravan can leave here promptly at 8:30. The tour at the base, under the direction of Brig. Gen. Charles B. Westover and his aides, will take three hours.

Lions who do not have a ride should be in front of Merkel Drug where the cars will line up and leave in a group.

Dr. Don Warren, president of the Lions, said he hoped a large majority of the Lions membership would be able to make this trip.

"This is an opportunity to see the air base first hand, and also we will be the first civic club to have lunch at the new officers club," he said.

Fail to Help Drying Crops

Merkel escaped the wrath of a "big red duster" late Tuesday afternoon when a dust-filled cloud from the north rolled across West Texas, dumping only a few occasional showers, but none in Merkel.

The duster looked like one of the older days when street lights had to be turned on at noon, but this one could be seen for nearly an hour in the north as its red dust whirled toward Merkel. It hit with a gust of wind, but not too strong, and kept on moving. Skies were clear within a few minutes.

The duster hit Merkel at 4:44 p.m., and brought most residents out in the open as storm warnings were in the area.

Monday night showers ranging from .60 to an inch fell in spotted area, but more places missed than hit. The south part of the county got about a half inch in places, and this will help the cotton to some extent.

Last Wednesday about an inch of rain fell in the Merkel vicinity, but observers say that it will take a three inch rain to do much good at this late date.

Most farmers have ordered the rain, but it has been late in coming. One of our forecasters says the next 10 days will see a 2 to 3 inch rain in this area. Just wait and see.

Rites Held For Mrs. J. M. Dunagin, Stith Pioneer

Mrs. J. M. Dunagin, former Abilene resident, died at Stith at 2:20 a.m. Wednesday morning, July 4. Funeral services were held at 4 p.m. Thursday, July 5, at the Stith Baptist Church.

Services were conducted by Rev. Cloy Lyles, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Merkel; Rev. W. T. Hamor, retired Baptist minister; and Rev. Jesse Swindell, pastor of the Stith Baptist Church.

Mrs. Dunagin died at the home of a son, Fred Dunagin. She had been ill a long time and in critical condition for the past week.

Born Louisa Josephine Crowson in 1874, she would have been 82 this July 9. She was married to James Monroe Dunagin on March 19, 1896. They moved to Jones County in 1900. Her husband, a ginnee, died in 1925.

Mrs. Dunagin was a charter member of the Stith Methodist Church and a faithful member for over 60 years.

Survivors, in addition to her son in Stith, include two other sons, Bryan of Merkel and Elmo of Oysterville, Massachusetts; and three daughters, Mrs. Clyde Mashburn of Phoenix, Arizona, Mrs. H. M. Rainbolt of Big Spring, and Mrs. Ed Martin of Silver City, N. M. She had eleven grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

Another son, Bill Dunagin, died June 20, 1950.

Pallbearers were Bob Hudson, Sam Mashburn, Clive Pierce, Fletcher Jones, Horace Hargrove, and William R. Cypert.

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Moisture Is Limiting Factor On Local Ranches

Good cover of grass is the key to ranching at a profit.

Of the 114,457 acres of rangeland in the Merkel-Trent area, which comprises the western part of the Middle Clear Ford Soil Conservation District, very few acres provide enough forage for profitable ranch operations. Moisture seems to be the limiting factor. We cannot do anything about climatic conditions. All the talk in the world about the dry weather will not satisfy the banker who is holding your note.

The best way, therefore, to face the problem is with a positive approach. What can be done about the lack of grass. Ranchers who went into the drought with grass, still have grass, in most cases. The point is of you have grass, you can grow grass, otherwise periods of long deferment and sometimes mechanical disturbance and seeding become necessary to bring back cover on the land. The old rule of take half the grass in any one year and leave half will maintain cover on the land regardless of how dry the growing season may be. You live in a dry climate, you like it here, otherwise you would move to a place where it rains more.

We cannot think of profit in terms of numbers. Many ranchers have found that they actually make more profit with less livestock. Grass is the cheapest livestock feed and no rancher who runs commercial livestock can realize a profit from feeding livestock entirely from a sack.

Recent moisture penetrations taken by Soil Conservation Service technicians on Bill Brown's ranch north of Merkel showed that following approximately a two inch rain, moisture had penetrated five inches on bare ground, twelve inches under buff grass and better than twenty-six inches under the taller grasses. Bill is deferring part of his ranch now and has reduced his livestock numbers in order to increase the condition on his entire ranch. Bill says that even with all the dry weather, he has increased grass cover on his ranch.

Burleson In Merkel Wednesday

Congressman Omar Burleson was a visitor in Merkel on Wednesday of this week, campaigning for re-election.

The Congressman is making a tour of his district which includes the counties of Callahan, Comanche, Eastland, Erath, Fisher, Hamilton, Jones, Nolan, Palo Pinto, Shackelford, Stephens and Taylor.

Burleson says he hopes to be able to spend a little time in every town and community between now and the primary election on July 28.

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NEXT TUESDAY IS DOLLAR DAY



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Marilyn Smith of Kilgore is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Myrtle Wozencraft.

Mrs. Effie Martin and Miss Lottie Butman visited Mrs. Martin's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Thornton at Seymour, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Reid and son, Jeff, have returned from Sendai,

Japan, where he has been stationed for the past eighteen months, he received his discharge from the service in Seattle, Wash., last week. They are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Reid, they will also visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Greer in Tucumcari, New Mexico.

Lucille Denton of the Telephone Electric Co-op., has return-

ed from her vacation in Galveston, Beaumont, and Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. Comer Haynes and mother, Mrs. E. M. McDonald, and Mr. Holland Teaff, spent the weekend in Ruidoso, N. M.

Mrs. May Williams of Abilene was weekend guest of Mrs. Blanche Campbell.

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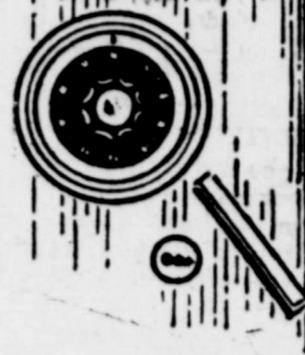
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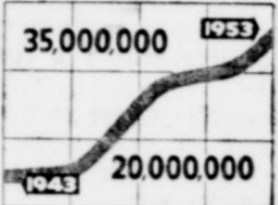
Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Clemmer Jr. and sons, Robert and Mark, spent the weekend in Crane and Imperial where they visited in the homes of Mr. Clemmer's brothers. Mrs. John Oliver and daughter, Patsy, accompanied the Clemmers as far as Midland where they visited Mr. and Mrs. John D. Oliver and Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Oliver over the weekend. Patsy stayed to visit this week in her brother's, John D., home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilson and family have returned from a vacation trip to New Mexico and Arizona. In Arizona Ray learned all about prospecting for uranium.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Carson and family and Mrs. W. H. Carson are back home after a tour of the northwest, including Washington and Canada.



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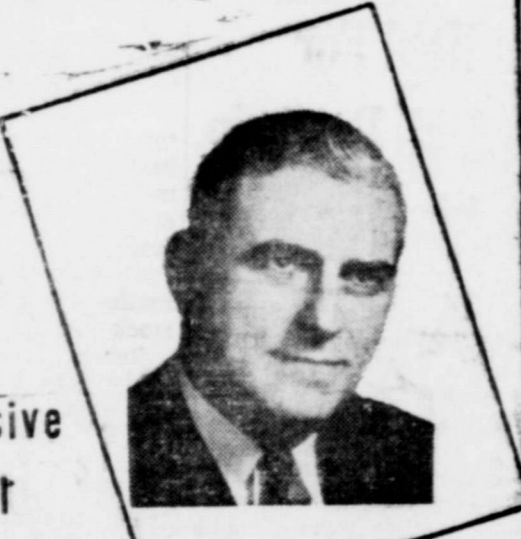
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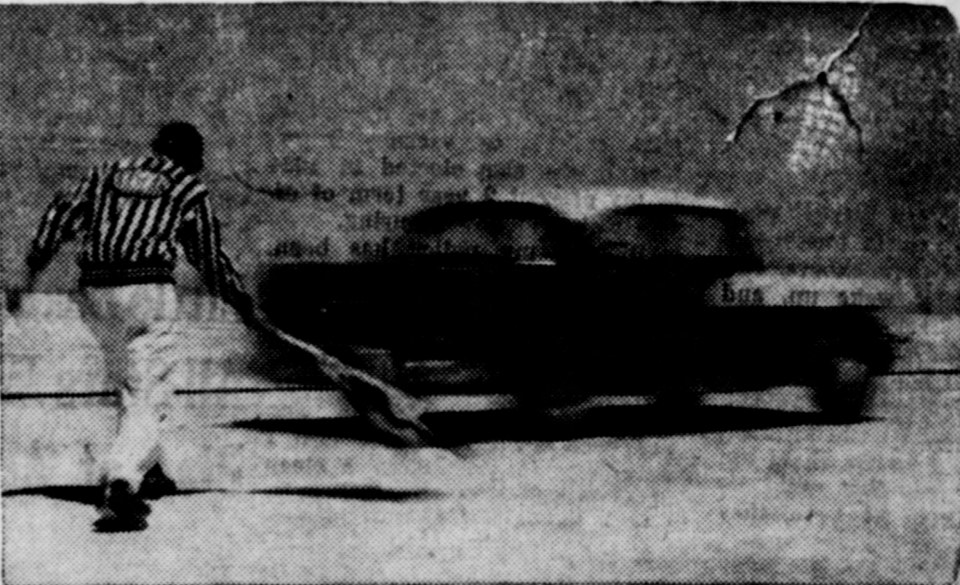
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BLUE BONNET H. D. CLUB MET JULY 5

Mrs. Frazee Demere was hostess to the Blue Bonnet Home Demonstration Club Tuesday, July 5. Mrs. Frank Brnovak presided in the absence of Mrs. I. D. Davis. Mrs. R. E. Clemmer Jr. gave the council report. The club will have a booth at the County Fair at Abilene in September. The theme will be on a living room. Mrs. Allen King Sr., mother leader of the 4-H Club at Trent, attended the camp of Taylor

County with the following club girls and boys: Sue King, Buddy King, Dell Davis, David Scott, and Jackie Riney. Mrs. Frank Brnovak attended the leadership training that was held in Abilene. The next meeting will be July 17, in the home of Mrs. Kenneth Ray. The program will be on craft. Mrs. Henry Coit and Mrs. Kirby Becket of Dallas, Texas spent the weekend with their mother, Mrs. J. T. Warren.

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Don't feed your garbage pails. Prepare the right amounts for family meals so there won't be a lot of food left over. Save the vitamins and minerals in vegetables by using proper cooking methods. Cook in the skin or pare thinly. Cook quickly in a covered pan containing just enough boiling, salted water to cover. Use left-over cooking water for soups, gravies, sauces. Use canned vegetable and fruit juices, too. Prevent unnecessary food spoilage. Store fresh foods promptly. Most vegetables and fruits keep best in the refrigerator. Save left-over fats. Use them to season vegetables — for frying, for making cornbread, griddle cakes, or for gravies and soups. Use left-over bread for crumbs for scalloped dishes, breading meats and vegetables, and for extending meat for patties and loaves. Sometimes it's good economy to buy a larger cut of meat and use it in different ways for more than one meal. Use left-over meats for hash, meat cakes, meat pies, chop suey, casserole dishes with rice, macaroni, stuffing for green peppers, and salads. Here is a recipe you might like to try.

Chewy Jiffy Cookies
18 graham crackers
1 can sweetened condensed milk
1 small package chocolate bits
1-2 cup pecans, chopped.
Bread graham crackers into small pieces (not crumbs). Add condensed milk, chocolate bits and nuts. Mix thoroughly and pour into greased, 8-inch square pan. Bake at 350 degrees, 30-35 minutes. Cut in squares while warm and remove from pan. They may not appear to be cooked, but for a chewy cookie and set when cool.

LEGAL COLUMN
DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE
180 YEARS OLD

What do we mean when we say that in the United States we have a "government of law" and not a "government of men"? Basically we mean that we have certain individual rights, guaranteed by our federal and state constitutions and laws, which may not be denied by any governing body. The early American colonists had their fill of government by men, and the Declaration of Independence, signed 180 years ago, set out their complaints against that type of government and revealed their belief in a principle which we now accept as basic to our American way of life. The indictments set out in the document against King George III of Great Britain charged him with numerous violations of that principle. Among the complaints enumerated are the following: "He has dissolved Representative Houses repeatedly, for opposing with manly firmness his invasions on the rights of the people." "He has obstructed the administration of justice, by refusing his assent for laws for establishing judiciary powers." "He has made judges dependent upon his will alone, for the tenure of their offices, and the amount and payment of their salaries." "He has refused his assent to laws, the most wholesome and necessary for the public good." "He has combined with others to subject us to a jurisdiction foreign to our constitution, and unacknowledged by our laws; giving his assent to their acts of pretended legislation: . . . For depriving us, in many cases, of the benefits of trial by jury; For transporting us beyond seas to be tried for pretended offenses; . . . For taking away our charters, abolishing our most valuable laws, and altering fundamentally the forms of our governments; . . . For suspending our own legislatures, and declaring themselves invested with power to legislate for us in all cases whatsoever." Our forefathers who subscribed to the principles of the Declaration of Independence were willing to fight for their beliefs. The Revolutionary War followed, dragging through weary years of suffering and suspense. Each of us takes pride in their eventual triumph over gigantic obstacles. In 1787, when the framers of

our Constitution met at Independence Hall in Philadelphia, where the Declaration of Independence had been signed 11 years previously, they set to work to create a system of checks and balances in government which was to perpetuate the fundamental theory mentioned in the preamble of the earlier document: "We hold these truths to be self-evident: That all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. That to secure these rights, governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed."

Some 5 years later, the first ten amendments to our Constitution were adopted at one time, specifically detailing various basic civil rights stemming from the underlying theory of the Declaration of Independence. Our courts day by day guard these rights for us.

THE STATE OF TEXAS
To any Sheriff or any Constable within the State of Texas — GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for four consecutive weeks, the first publication to be at least twenty-eight days before the return day thereof, in a newspaper printed and published 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 T. H. Johnson, and the unknown heirs of said T. H. Johnson, and the unknown devisees of said T. H. Johnson, and the unknown legal representatives of said T. H. Johnson, and Mrs. T. H. Johnson (wife of said T. H. Johnson), and the unknown heirs of said Mrs. T. H. Johnson, and the unknown devisees of said Mrs. T. H. Johnson, and the unknown legal representatives of said Mrs. T. H. Johnson, and J. T. Baker, and the unknown heirs of said J. T. Baker, and the unknown legal representatives of said J. T. Baker, and Mrs. J. T. Baker (wife of said J. T. Baker), and the unknown heirs of said Mrs. J. T. Baker, and the unknown devisees of said Mrs. J. T. Baker, and the unknown legal representatives of said Mrs. J. T. Baker, and the unknown owners of the land involved in this suit, and all adverse claimants owning or claiming or having any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the land involved in this suit, Defendants, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County, Texas, at the Courthouse of said County, in the City of Abilene, Texas, and answer 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 30th day of July, A. D. 1956, to Plaintiff's petition filed in said court on the 13th day of April A. D. 1956, in this cause, numbered 21,275-A on the civil docket of said court and styled Jack Moore, Plaintiff, vs. Sam Donnell et al, the said Jack Moore being the plaintiff in said suit, and Sam Donnell (who is same person as Sam W. Donnell) and T. H. Johnson, and the unknown heirs of said T. H. Johnson, and the unknown devisees of said T. H. Johnson, and the unknown legal representatives of said T. H. Johnson, and Mrs. T. H. Johnson (wife of said T. H. Johnson), and the unknown heirs of said Mrs. T. H. Johnson, and the unknown devisees of said Mrs. T. H. Johnson, and the unknown legal representatives of said Mrs. T. H. Johnson, and J. T. Baker, and the unknown heirs of said J. T. Baker, and the unknown devisees of said J. T. Baker, and the unknown legal representatives of said J. T. Baker, and Mrs. J. T. Baker (wife of said J. T. Baker), and the unknown heirs of said Mrs. J. T. Baker, and the unknown devisees of said Mrs. J. T. Baker, and the unknown legal representatives of said Mrs. J. T. Baker, and the unknown owners of the land involved in this suit, and all adverse claimants owning or claiming or having any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the land involved in this suit being the defendants in said suit;

A brief statement of the nature of said suit is as follows, to-wit: said suit is a suit of Trespass to Try Title brought by plaintiff to recover of defendants jointly and severally the title and possession of that certain parcel of land and premises situated in Taylor County, Texas, and being all of Lot No. Seven (7) in Block No. Two (2) in Sayles' Subdivision of Lots Nos. 1 and 2 of Block No. Five

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(5) in the B. Austin Survey No. 91 (lying West of Meander Street) in Taylor County, Texas, according to map of record at Page 291 of Vol. 1 of Plat Records of said County; plaintiff alleges he was lawfully seized and possessed of said premises and that defendants unlawfully entered thereon and ejected him therefrom, and for second count plaintiff alleges he has good title to said land against defendants under the twenty-five years statute of limitation of Texas and he alleges in the alternative that he has good title to said land against defendants under the ten years statute of limitation of said State; plaintiff prays for judgment for title and possession, for writ of restitution and general and special relief, as is more fully shown by plaintiff's petition on file in said 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 mandate hereof, and make due return as the law directs. Defendants claim fee simple title to said land. Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this 11th day of June A. D. 1956. Attest: R. H. Ross, Clerk of the District Courts of Taylor County, Texas. (SEAL)

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. McReynolds had as their guests over the weekend, Miss Beverly Campbell, of Fort Worth, Miss Lalah Jane Trowbridge of Abilene; Paul Smith, Abilene; and Moya Alvin Smith, Carlsbad, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Trowbridge, of Sweetwater; Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Smith, of Sweetwater; and C. C. Boyd, of Steve Portuges, son of T-Sgt. and Mrs. Joseph Portuges, who have been living in Merkel for the past several months, has arrived to make his home with his parents. Steve, a sophomore in high school, finished out the term at Los Angeles before coming to be with his parents. Recent visitors in the John Oliver home in Mulberry Canyon were Mr. and Mrs. John D. Oliver and girls, Buck Nelson of Midland, D. V. Pedigo of Sweetwater, Bill Narron of Van Horn, Dan Purcell of Divide and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Whisenhunt and children, and Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Hobbs Jr. of Merkel.

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One lot of all NYLON horse-hair "can-can" petticoats — all sizes — on **DOLLAR DAY ONLY**

\$1.98

LADIES' & GIRLS' Swim Suits

Just stop and think of all these hot days ahead. They are ideal for swimming. Our entire stock Ladies' and Girls' swim suits must be closed out. All sizes, all colors, and many styles to choose from. **FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY**

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One lot of Ladies' and Girls' knitted "T" shirts in attractive patterns. **FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY**

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THE REGULAR PRICE LADIES' SLEEVELESS BLOUSES

Our entire stock of Ladies' \$2.95 sleeveless blouses to close out, including such famous brand names as "Ship and Shore" and "Mac Shore Classics". **FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY**

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LADIES' Slips & Half Slips

Every Ladies' cotton slip and half slip in stock has been drastically reduced for this **EVENT**. All sizes and all styles. **FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY**

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THE REGULAR PRICE SUMMER Piece Goods

Two large groups to choose from, and when you see these beautiful Summer materials you will want several pieces.

GROUP I
Your choice of the entire assortment on **DOLLAR DAY ONLY**

3 yards for \$1.00

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Your choice of the entire assortment on **DOLLAR DAY ONLY**

2 yards for \$1.00

YARD GOODS

This lot consists of all our better quality Summer yard goods. Each bolt is especially priced for **DOLLAR DAY**.

Irish Linen

For the finest in fabric it is this 100 percent Irish Linen. **FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY**

\$1.39 per yard

SUMMER Gowns & Pajamas

Every Ladies' Summer gown and pajama MUST be sold. All wanted styles and sizes. **FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY**

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Now - \$2.98

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Your choice of our entire stock of Ladies' Summer purses. A wide assortment of fabrics and styles. **FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY**

\$1.49 each
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Brown Domestic

You know the fine quality and smooth texture of this nice quality, 36-inch brown domestic. **FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY**

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LADIES' SUMMER DRESSES

Summer hasn't been around a full month yet; still you, ladies can buy several new, crisp, cool Summer dresses at tremendous savings. There's a wide selection of styles, colors, designs, sizes, and Nationally famous brand-names to choose from. Included are **MARTHA MANNINGS, MARCY-LEES, VICKY VAUGHNS, TONI TODDS**, and others. Sizes range from 7 up. Some are sun-backs, some are tailored, and others are "dressy" dresses. Look at this! Every dress in stock priced regularly from \$6.95 and up can be your's on **DOLLAR DAY** for only

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MEN'S SUMMER SLACKS

Every single pair of Men's Summer Slacks has been drastically reduced to close out. Many can be worn up into the Fall Season and for school. Some are all rayon, others wool and rayon, dacron and wool, dacron and rayon, and all dacron. Sizes: 28 to 48. **FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY**

1-3 off the regular price
(No Alterations)

SHOE SPECIALS

Every single pair of Men's, Women's and Children's Summer shoes and sandals MUST be cleared. Never have you seen quality shoes so drastically reduced.

GROUP I
Consisting of Men's Summer lace Oxfords and Loafers. You will find various styles, as well as colors, including NYLON mesh trim. Sizes are broken, but the value is here. **FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY**

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GROUP II
Consisting of Children's Summer dress slippers, dress sandals, and play sandals. There's a long Season ahead. **FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY**

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GROUP III
Consisting of every single pair of Ladies' Summer Dress Shoes, Dress Casuals, Play Casuals, and Flats in stock. You will find high-heels, medium-heels, low-heels, flat-heels, and various height of wedge heels. You will find such colors as White, Brown and White, Blue and White, Tan, Brown, Cocoa, Natural, Pastel Blue, Pink, White Bark, and Yellow. You will find such materials as Leathers, Linens, Imported Straws, and Nylon Meshes. We are sure you will want many pairs of this group when you see them. **FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY**

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Garza Bed Sheets

For the finest in bed sheets it's always GARZA. Your choice of double-bed size, seamless, and snow white. Cellophane wrapped, too. **FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY**

\$3.50 per pair
Pillow cases to match these bed sheets **ONLY**

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These are also quality bed sheets by GARZA. Your choice of all the popular pastel shades, double-bed size, seamless, and cellophane wrapped. **FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY**

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Birdseye Diapers

27x27 inch packaged Birdseye diapers. **FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY**

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Double-bed size, heavy quality, lots of fluffy chenille, and fringed edges. Your choice of many colors. **FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY**

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Extra fine quality and lots of colors to choose from. **FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY**

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20x40 inch CANNON bath towels in beautiful pastel colors. **FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY**

3 for \$1.00
Nice size wash cloths to match these CANNON towels **ONLY**

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MEN'S NYLON S-t-r-e-t-c-h Socks

Your choice of either pastel or dark shades in these all NYLON Helena knit STRETCH SOCKS. Remember, one size sock fits all size feet. And they wear longer, too. **FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY**

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MEN'S CHAMBRAY WORK SHIRTS

The ideal work shirt for these hot work days. Well made of a smooth quality, large pockets, sizes 14 1/2 to 18. **FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY**

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BOYS' Swim Trunks

Boys, here's a chance at a big saving in another nice swim trunk. Your choice of our entire stock on **DOLLAR DAY ONLY**

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As for shorts, you have your choice of either briefs with and cellophane, sizes; or forced shrun, broadcloth short gripper front o. el. Sizes: 28 to 48. **FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY**

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There's none reserved. Every single Man's and Boys' short-sleeve sport shirt must be sold. Every one is washable. A wide selection of colors, neat patterns, and fancies. Sizes: Small, medium, large. **FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY**

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Mr. and Mrs. Walter R. Davis of Sterling City visited their son Mr. and Mrs. W. Perry Davis.

Tom Coit of Abilene visited his grandmother, Mrs. J. T. Warren, Friday.

Lynda Toliver of Trent visited her brother and family over the weekend, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Toliver and Larry.

Mrs. Winniford McCoy of Abilene is visiting her mother, Mrs. R. T. Smith, July 4.

the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Waymon Hicks and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Harris are vacationing in Colorado for

Miss Geraldine Aliston of Houston, Miss Sandra Freeman of Trent were guests of Mrs. Hugh Campbell, Saturday.

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DICKERSON FAMILY HAS ANNUAL REUNION
Mrs. Truman Carey of Merkel was hostess to the annual reunion of the family of Mr. and Mrs. W. Dickerson of Lamest, former of Caps.

Ray Dickerson was unable to attend. Friends and relatives attended from Houston, Midland, Canyon, Mineral Wells, Merkel, Trent Abilene Lubbock Lamesa Andrews and Seminole.

MRS. JOE LOWERY HONORED AT SHOWER

A gift tea honoring Mrs. Joe Lowery, the former Miss Barbara Jean Sylvester, was held in the home of Mrs. Twyman Collins last Thursday evening. The recent bride was married June 22 to Mr. Lowery. Other hostesses were Mrs. Harrett Pinkley, Mrs. N. J. Teaff,

Mrs. A. L. Chancey, Mrs. Don Riney, Mrs. S. G. Russell, Mrs. Bob McDonald, Mrs. Denzel Cox, Mrs. C. B. Rust, Mrs. Herman Carson, Mrs. D. B. Bowen and Mrs. Milton Case, Mrs. Quincey

Garner and Mrs. Forrest Hill, all of Abilene. The dining table was laid with a hand made linen cloth brought home from London, England, by Mrs. Collins last summer. It was centered with a low white bowl with blue carnations and blue candles with white holders. Table appointments were a silver punch bowl and cups. Presiding at the tea table were Mrs. Bill Pitts, La Jan Case, and Margaret Chancey.

Others in the house party were Cuta Key Case, Jan Case, Donna Riney, Sue Sylvester, Letta Hester, oLretta Henry registered the guests. Those attending were Mrs. L. Reece, Jannell Pitts, Mrs. Don Riney, and Mrs. Herman Carson entertained the guests with a solo and reading. The bride-elect wore a white net formal with blue carnation corsage. The hostess dress was of

blue net, and the bride's mother wore a yellow taffeta formal with a white corsage.

Mr. and Mrs. Flecher Hopper Jr. are visiting in Houston over the week-end.

WATTS FAMILY HAS BIG SPRING REUNION

The Watts family held a reunion at Big Spring last Sunday. Mrs. L. A. Watts and family gathered at Big Spring where a picnic lunch was served. The day was spent swimming and picture taking.

Those attending were Mrs. L. A. Watts, Merkel; Mr. and Mrs. Foster Watts, Jamie and Loyd Ray, Hobbs, N. M.; Mrs. J. R. Brown, Portales, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Walden, Dolores, Mary, Kathy, George and Ray Bishop, Midland. Mr. and Mrs. Green Johnson

and Jimmy Earl Brown, Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Lane, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Tipton, Sammy and Gary, Sunray; Mr. and Mrs. Joe McElmurry and Elaine and Teresa, Sweetwater; and the following from Merkel, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Irvin, Wayne and Karl; Mr. and Mrs. Jodie Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Tipton, and Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Tipton Jr., Ann and Key.

Little Miss Susie Wilton is spending a few days with her cousin, Nancy English, in Merkel.

A. C. Boone Jr., candidate for county assessor-collector, was a business visitor in Merkel Tuesday.

Wiley Caffey, District Attorney, visited in Merkel Saturday. He is seeking re-election.

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"THE FARM PROBLEM"

Refer to my previous article in your newspaper on this subject. Eastern promoters and big corporations are forcing the middle class small farmers and ranchers out of business. There were 5,282,000 farms in the U. S. in 1950, a decrease of 1 million farms since World War I. At the present rate at which the medium and small farmer is being squeezed out of business, by 1958 there will be considerably less than five million farms even though the population is increasing. The medium and little fellow has not got a chance where the big interests are moving in with large scale farms and mass production. The farmers, by necessity, are going to the city and becoming city workers. The farmer does not have the purchasing power of the individual. Parity is at its lowest in fourteen years and headed lower and lower. Self interest groups will see to this. The Federal government wants to control the farmers and tell him what to do. The rancher and farmer is sick and tired of all this fancy talk and conversation. Our politicians are pumping billions of dollars of credit into our financial system to keep high industrial prices forcing up the prices of automobiles, manufactured goods, machinery to win the eastern votes while causing a depression and deflation in the ranching and farm areas. The farmer and rancher is getting poorer and poorer while the eastern industrialist, the millionaire who was a millionaire before the present evil income tax law was passed, is getting richer and richer. The small banks in the 17th Congressional District financing the farmers and ranchers are going to have a tough time, because self interest groups in the east are out to get the farmer. Their manipulations will make them richer while the farmer and rancher will be forced out of business and these self interest groups will take over. These evil manipulators are advising the small and medium farmer to sell out while the selling is good. Only the big boys can stick it out during this tough period unless we the people all over the land go to the polls and bring a screeching stop to all of this monkey business. It is just plain nonsense when the cost of transportation and distribution from the farm to the consumer exceeds the price the farmer and rancher gets for his own product when the farmer and rancher take all the risk, invest all the money, all the time, and everything else. The politicians are giving the farmer and rancher nothing but conversation. The farmer and rancher are speeding toward a depression in the midst of plenty because of our big give away program and eastern manipulators and politicians who do not have the courage to solve the problem in the only manner it can be solved. Abolish the evil income tax, take the government economists by the ears and have them come with a program including a soil bank for the big commercial absentee ownership farmer and big corporation farms while the medium and smaller farms will be allowed unlimited production, all the conditions to reach 100% parity. Refer again to my previous article on the farm problem which was published in your local newspaper. God willing, you can send at least one man to Washington who will look for you. Go to the polls in the July 28th Primary and vote.

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you feel that I am deserving, I would be appreciative of your vote in the coming election and the opportunity to serve you as your County Attorney for a second term.

Sincerely,
Lee Sutton

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rally of the Bankers in the last inning to win, 9-8, as each team got 10 hits. It was considered the upset of the year as the Bankers' rally fell short. The Cardinals were led by Beard who got three hits and Carroll Spurgin who blasted a home run with two on. Jimmy Sledge got three hits to lead the Bankers.

Cardinals . . . 100 071-9 10 3
Bankers . . . 310 004-8 10 4

Larry Windham and Al Mayberry, Jank Mansfield, Jimmy Sledge and John Heatly, Loser, Mansfield.

Tuesday, July 10

Hodge-Palmer continued to roll Tuesday night with a 6-2 victory over the Bankers. Danny Doan hit a home run in the sixth to send the game into extra innings where Hodge-Palmer rallied for four runs. Johnny Swinney's single drove in two runs in the extra inning to help the H-P club. Johnny Heatly collected two hits for the Bankers.

Hodge-Palmer . . . 001 001 4-6 7 1
Bankers . . . 000 110 0-2 5 3

Charles Russell, Danny Doan, and Robert Higgins, Mike Mansfield, Larry Dudley, Jack Mansfield and Johnny Heatly, Winner, Doan, Loser, Dudley.

The Starpats and the Cardinals battled to a 8-8 tie Tuesday night, as the game was called on account of the Little League time limit. Jeff Smith, David Scott and Clark each got two hits for the Starpats. Several Cardinals each got one hit.

Starpats . . . 323 0-8 9 1
Cardinals . . . 206 0-8 7 3

Ken Hogan and David Scott, Don Wilks, Gary Beard, Larry Windham and Al Mayberry.

Former Merkel Resident Dies In California

Mrs. Alice Evelyn Barbee, 78, former resident of this area, died Wednesday in a hospital at Bel-flower, Calif.

For the past 27 years she had been living with a daughter, Mrs. Nettie Sargent of Compton, Calif.

Funeral was held at 4 p.m. Sunday in Starbuck Funeral Chapel with the Rev. Joe Self, pastor

of the Baptist Church in Albany, officiating.

Burial was in Hose Hill Cemetery in Merkel beside the grave of her husband, who died in California in 1950.

Mrs. Barbee was born March 7, 1878 in Comanche. She and Mr. Barbee married in Eastland in 1895.

Survivors include two brothers, Bert and Roy Mason of Walla Walla, Wash.; five sons, Alva of Huntington Park, Calif., Leslie of Huntington, N. M., Robert of Los Angeles, Calif., Leonard of Montebello, Calif., and J. O. of Bell-garden, Calif., three daughters, Mrs. Elsie Lawson of Albany, Mrs. Mildred Lawrence of Nor-walk, Calif., and Mrs. Nettie Sar-geant; 23 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

Little Girls Ball Team Formed

A little girls baseball team has been formed in Merkel and they are playing softball each Tues-day and Thursday evening at a ballfield north of the hospital.

Mrs. Leo Harris, one of the sponsors said today.

The girls are those who will be in the fifth grade next year.

Firemen Attend A.&M. School

Three Merkel firemen are in College Station attending the Texas A. and M. firemen's school this week. They are Fire Chief Waymon Adcock, F. C. McCue and C. E. Mewborn.

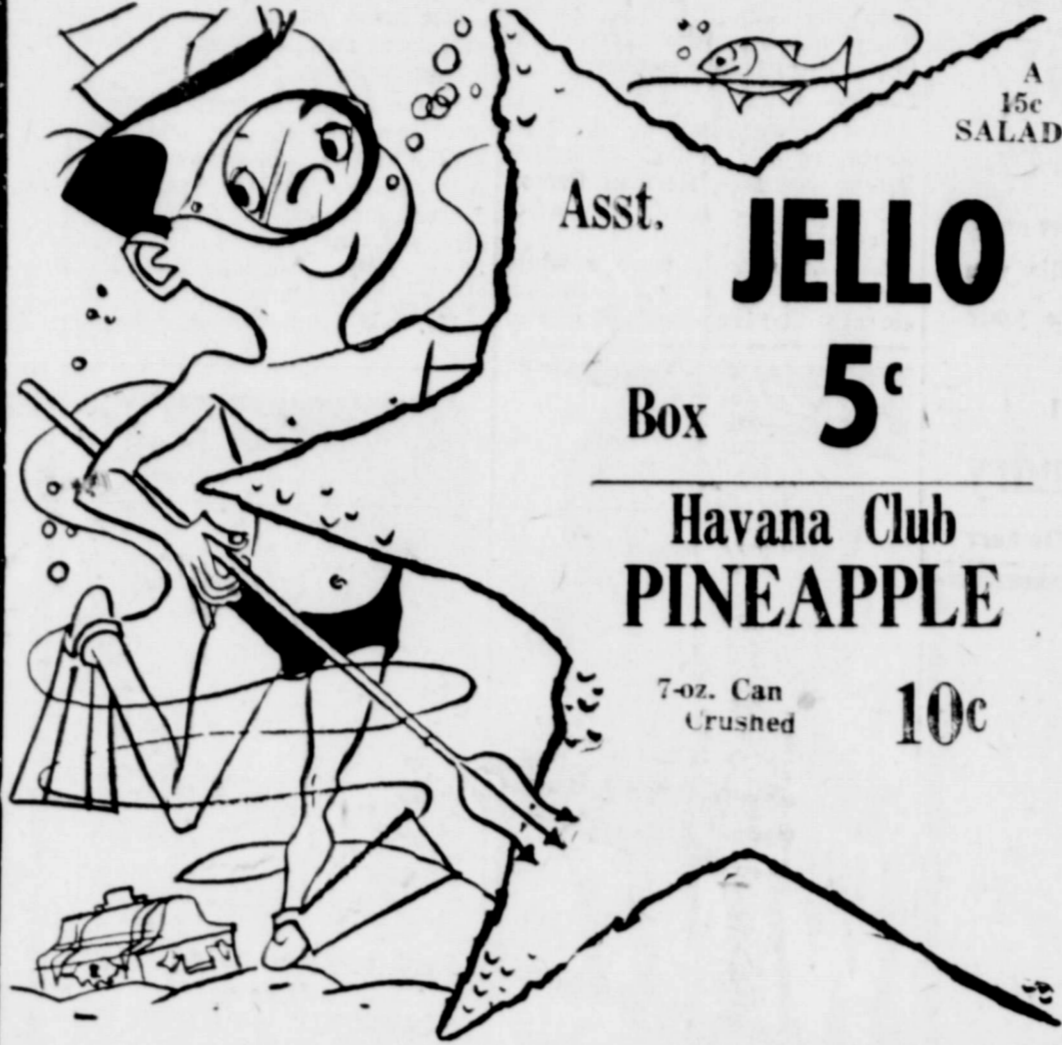
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He returned from Washington on Saturday, the 7th, where his duties as Chairman of the House Administration Committee and important legislative action kept him until then.

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GOOCH SKINLESS WEINERS lb. **29c**

CHOICE BEEF BEEF RIBS 2 lbs. **37c**

CHOICE BEEF Chuck Roast lb. **39¢**

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