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THIS IS A SERIOUS MATTER — Or so Kay Bagby's expression says as he (left), Linda Toliver (center) and Mary Dunagan show huck towels ready for decorative Swedish weaving. Many of the local 4-H clubs have been demonstrating the art to members this spring. All three girls belong to the Merkel 4-H Girl's Club. Kay is room improvement demonstrator of the senior club, Linda is president of the senior club and Mary is president of the junior club. Adult leaders of the clubs are Mmes. R. E. Harris, W. D. Gamble and Leo Harris.

National 4-H Clubs Honor Parents

More than two million young rural community leaders are celebrating National 4-H Club week March 1-8.

Taylor County clubs include about 400 girls and 400 boys and are led by Sybie McDaniel and Allen Turner.

Central theme of the week will be the paying of honor to parents for their contributions in guiding and influencing youth.

Posters and billboards will be widely used to remind everyone of the aims and contributions of the 4-H Clubs.

In Texas 4-H Club posters will go on seventy large outdoor billboards. Texas Electric Cooperatives, Inc., statewide association of the rural electric co-ops in the state, will contribute the billboard space as a salute by the co-ops to 4-H.

Taylor Electric Cooperative helped with the billboard in this area which is located near Clyde.

The 4-H program is a part of the national educational system of cooperative extension work in which the United States Department of Agriculture, the state land-grant colleges, and the counties share.

Aims of 4-H Week, in addition to honoring parents, are to inform the public about 4-H work and to give 4-H members a special opportunity for evaluating past achievements and planning future activities on their farms and in their homes and communities.

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Lions To Mark 30th Birthday With Fun Party

The 30th birthday of the Merkel Lions Club will be celebrated with a fun package deal "The Laugh Fiesta" on Thursday night, March 27.

All Lions and their wives will have a part on the program, according to Charles Hogsett, program chairman.

A main speaker for the occasion will be announced at a later date.

The following members have been assigned extra duties: Charles Hogsett, Program Chairman; Bob Gardner, Publicity and Printing; Earle Watts, Master of Ceremonies; Lester Dorton, Dinner Favor Chairman; Leon Walker, Cheerio Chairman; Ray Wilson, Our Anniversary Chairman. The cast will include C. A. Farley as Father Time; H. O. Boney and David Gamble as the Two Esports; Horace Hargrove as Chairman of Babes in Blunderland with Carroll Benson as Assistant Chairman. Cyrus Pee and Jane Wade will lead the singing.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Doan were in Wichita Falls Friday to attend funeral services for Jap Horton.

Mrs. Sipe, 81, Dies; Funeral Held In Trent

Mrs. Oretta Adline Sipe, 84 a resident of the Trent community for nearly 50 years, died in Sadler Clinic Hospital here Saturday afternoon at 4 p. m. She had been in ill health for about seven years, and was listed as critical for the past seven weeks.

She was born in Tennessee in 1873, and later moved to Arkansas, where she married the late Benjamin F. Sipe. They moved to Sweetwater in 1907 and on to Trent in 1908. Mr. Sipe, a farmer, died in 1949.

Funeral was held at 2 p. m. Monday in the Trent Baptist Church with the Rev. A. H. Williams, pastor, officiating, assisted by the Rev. Wayne Davis, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church in Merkel. Burial was in Trent Cemetery under direction of Starbuck Funeral Home of Merkel.

Survivors are three sons, Shields of Wewoka, Okla., Odell of Dallas, and Fay of Sylvestor; three daughters, Mrs. W. C. Cabell of Amarillo, Mrs. Mayme Turnidge of Abilene, and Myrtle Huntington of Dallas; 16 grandchildren; and 21 great-grandchildren.

Scout Cookie Sale Starts March 7

The annual Girl Scout cookie sale which begins March 7 is a means of support for Camp Booth Oaks near Sweetwater and is a way for each girl to earn her camp fee.

March 9-15 is Girl Scout Week, celebrating the 45th birthday of Girl Scouting in the United States. All Girl Scouts will begin the week by attending the church of their choice Sunday, March 9, wearing their uniforms.

On March 15 the girls have been invited to open house at Dyess Air Force Base where special events have been planned for their pleasure.

The public is urged to buy a box of cookies and help support this fine organization.

Merkel Girls Beat Anson 64-44

The Anson girls, champions of district 7-AA, were defeated by Merkel 64-44 in a game in Anson Thursday night.

High point honors went to Minta McAninch who scored 36. Anson high pointer was Bilda Davis with 27. Merkel's Madie Kelson scored 21 points.

Miss McAninch made 21 out of 24 free pitches in the game.

The "B" team also won their game 32-27. Janice Windham scored 14 points and Beth Loflin 13.



MERKEL GIRLS ARRIVE — These YWA girls from Merkel are shown as they started unpacking their suitcases and making bunks in Rose Field House soon after registration for the week-end Young Woman's Auxiliary conference at H-SU. Shown left to right are Kay Lynn Perry, Jane Lollar, Sue Bond, Annette Boney, Donna Scott and Linda Winter.

Red Cross Drive Plans Told At Lions Luncheon

Leon Walker, local chairman for the Red Cross March campaign, outlined his program for the drive at the Lions Club luncheon in the Community Center on Tuesday, March 4.

Max Bently, board member of Abilene, started the local drive by contributing \$12.50.

Miss Olli Lena Olsen, executive secretary of Taylor County Red Cross Chapter, gave some statistics on the work load of home service in Taylor County.

She said that since the activation of Dyess Air Force Base and the consequent added load the National Red Cross sends more money to Taylor County than is contributed here. The Taylor County chapter processes approximately eight cases per working day.

Others connected with the Red Cross drive present at the luncheon were Johnny Cox of Merkel, general chairman for Taylor County, Mrs. C. M. Presley, board member and Dan Castles, publicity chairman, both of Abilene.

Dale Moore Circle Meets

The Dale Moore Circle of the First Baptist Church met in the home of Mrs. Josie Shanks, Tuesday, Feb. 25.

Mrs. George T. Moore brought the devotional from Psalms 34.

Mrs. Shanks, circle chairman, gave the mission study, theme of which is "Look! Look! The Cities."

Mrs. J. J. McNiece said the closing prayer.

Seven members were present.

1,000 High School Girls Attend YWA Houseparty At Hardin-Simmons

More than 1,000 high school girls from across Texas wound up a three-day Young Woman's Auxiliary Houseparty at Hardin-Simmons University Sunday morning with worship services in Rose Field House on the campus.

The girls flocked to the campus Friday afternoon in spring-like weather and Saturday morning they were throwing snow balls.

The temperature dipped to the freezing mark early Saturday and snow blanketed Abilene during the day.

All worship services were held in the auditorium of the University Baptist Church. The university's auditorium, Behrens Chapel, burned last November. However, the final Sunday morning worship service was held in the university's huge field house.

"Instruments of Thy Peace," theme of the Houseparty program, was the subject of the final worship service. The conference closed with a luncheon in the university cafeteria.

Girls came to H-SU for the meetings from as far away as El Paso, Dallas, Fort Worth, San Antonio, and Wichita Falls.

Welcome addresses Friday night were given by H-SU President Evan Allard Reiff, Dr. Sterling L. Price, pastor of the University Baptist Church, and Elaine Dickson, state YWA secretary from Dallas.

More than 400 girls were billeted in the field house during the Houseparty while others stayed in campus dormitories and in private homes in Abilene.

Robert McLeod Top ACC Scorer As Season Ends

Robert McLeod, freshman forward, won the Abilene Christian College season scoring championship Monday night by dunking 21 points against Wayland to bring his season total to 250.

Coach Dee Nutt's Wildcats completed the most successful season for ACC in five years when they defeated Wayland, 76-74, in an overtime contest. They compiled a 14-11 record, the best since recording a 17-11 season in 1952-53.

Nine Wildcats shared the bulk of ACC's point production for the season, 1,734 for a 69.4 points per game average. Defensively they allowed the opposition to score 1,784 or an average of 71.4 points per game.

Following McLeod for individual honors are sophomore forward Gene Denman with a 10.3 average; senior center Bob Thomas, 9.1; senior guard Al Merritt, 9.0; freshman guard Buddy Tarver, 8.6; senior forward Jack McCall, 7.6; senior forward Harold Green, 7.0; and senior guard Bobby Petty, 7.5.

Petty missed the last six games and Denman the last two because of injuries. Denman was the leading scorer at the time he turned an ankle forcing him out of the starting lineup.

Merkel FFA Boys Show Champ Lamb

A Hampshire lamb exhibited by three Merkel brothers won first place in the Hampshire, Suffolk and Shropshire class and went on to win the reserve grand champion of the junior division at the Houston Fat Stock Show last week, according to Chester Collinsworth Merkel High VA teacher.

The Neill brothers, Joe, Jimmy and Farris, showed the Hampshire and two Southern lambs in the show where lambs from all over the state were being shown.

Billy Bob and Freddie Tombs also had entries in the Houston show. They exhibited two Angus steers and one Hereford steer.

Mrs. Josie Shanks accompanied Mrs. Edna Horton and Mrs. Bobby T. Lollar and daughter, Gala Sue to Abilene Monday to visit her mother, Mrs. E. E. Kuykendall.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Stockbridge were weekend guests of their mother and sister, Mrs. Nannie Glenn and Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Collins of Breckenridge.

Trent Girl On Sul Ross Honor Roll

ALPINE, March 2 — The 1957-58 fall semester honor list of Sul Ross State College has been announced, and among the 93 students were two from the Abilene area.

Sara Wheeler, a senior student majoring in social studies, was listed with an average of 3.40 in the upper 15 per cent for the fall semester. A graduate of Noodle High School, she is also secretary of the Student Council, vice-president of Kappa Delta Pi and a member of Alpha Kappa Phi.

Parents of Sara are Mr. and Mrs. John A. Wheeler, Route 2, Trent. Elizabeth Ann Landers, a graduate of Lawn High School, was in the upper 10 per cent with a 3.50 average. A sophomore with a major in English, she is also reporter for the Sophomore Class, parliamentarian for Alpha Kappa Phi, associate member of Sigma Tau Delta, and a member of F. T. A., Baptist Student Union and Sacem Literary Society.

Beth is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wright Landers, Route 1, Lawn.

Dana Durham Attends Teen Library Meet

Dana Durham, president of the local Merkel High School Library Club and vice-president of District 3 Teen Age Library Association, was a delegate attending the state convention of the Texas Teen-Age Library Association in Dallas, February 28-March 1.

This ninth annual meeting had as its theme, "Explore with Books." The association was addressed by outstanding leaders in the educational and librarian fields. Each speaker stressed that the library is the key to the success of any educational program and that any school of learning was judged by the quality of its books.

The T. A. L. A. had its first meeting in Abilene and it is fitting that its tenth birthday celebration will be held in Abilene in February, 1960.

"SIMPLY TO THY CROSS I CLING"



SCANNING THE NEWS

OBSERVATIONS and comments by leaders in many fields of business are reflecting in the news an increasing concern as to just what is going to happen in the days ahead.

At the beginning of the year some economists expressed the belief that our economy would stay up if consumers spend more in 1958 in the purchase of automobiles, household appliances, televisions, etc. This they apparently are not doing, at least, not to the extent anticipated.

Despite constant reports that things will "pick up" increasing unemployment is making news in many sections of the country. Domestic help, something difficult to find during and since the war years, is becoming more available in some areas.

The cost of living seems locked to an endless upward spiral. A recent survey in the San Francisco Bay region (conducted by a research group in Social Economics of the University of California) disclosed that in 1957 the cost of living jumped 6 per cent over 1956. For one income group—the salaried worker—there were increases in all major items of his budget. The cost of a home, for example, was up nearly 6 per cent; the mortgage was 5½ per cent above 1956 and the down payment nearly 7½ per cent higher.

There are, however, some significant stabilizers in the American economy. Private pension plans continue to set records in

coverage and resources. Nearly one person in every three now engaged in private nonfarm employment is covered by some form of private pension or retirement plan. Approximately 1.2 million persons (three times as many as in 1950) are now receiving a retirement benefit under such plans. For the first time, such pension payments are running at an annual rate of more than a billion dollars.

Based on latest figures, more than 8 million persons 65 years old and older, had some assured lifetime income under a private retirement plan in 1956, exclusive of life insurance or any other type savings.

Ownership of life insurance continues to grow. In the United States, present ownership is nearly three times 1945 and nearly four times 1939.

Personal savings are also up, indicating perhaps that some consumers are not as quick to spend as they have been in the past.

Some observers expect the successful launching of the first U.S. satellite to boost things in the auto trade. This is based upon the fact that the automobile industry has traditionally supplied the Army with military hardware supplies and it is anticipated that the Army's success with the satellite launching will earn increased appropriations from Congress for future work. Cancellations of contracts for heavy tanks and other ground equipment have recently affected the auto industry.



SNOWBOUND CONGRESS . . . Worst snowstorm since 1942 hits Washington, D. C., where workmen are shown clearing Capitol steps.

H-SU Cowboy Band To Start Tour

The Hardin-Simmons University Cowboy Band will begin a tour of the Texas Panhandle March 11—the first such tour since the widely-known band traveled to Bermuda, the Azores, Scotland and Iceland during the Christmas and New Year holidays.

The band will leave Abilene March 11 and return March 14. Milton B. McClure is veteran director of the band. Forty members of the band will make the tour.

Bob Glen Pangle, son of Mrs. Ruth Pangle of Merkel, is a member of the tour band. He is a senior at H-SU. Bob is a member of the Cowboy Band, Circle K, and Symphonic Band.

WORDS . . . or Just Being Human

by Brad Anderson



BIGGEST LITTLE BUTTON IN THE WORLD

JOIN AND SERVE



Local Women Visit Houston

Mrs. Goldie Malone and Mrs. Walter Frazier spent last week in Houston as guests of Mrs. Frazier's sister, Mrs. Walter Blankenship, and her nieces Mrs. Bertha Hickman and Mrs. Helen Williamson.

They attended the Stock Show and witnessed the rodeo in which George Frazier and Sonny, and N. A. Pitteck of Aspermont participated.

They saw Robert Williams, Buster Brown and Nelson Reed of Trent, who had entries of hogs and capons in the show. Robert also took part in the calf scramble event.

Mrs. Malone, Mrs. Hickman and Mrs. Williamson accompanied by the boys spent Friday in Galveston sight-seeing, and took a ferry ride to High Island.

The ladies returned to their homes Saturday and report the weather there as fair and warm.

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By Mahoney



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Goodman HD Club News

The Goodman Home Demonstration Club met with Mrs. R. D. Butler, Friday, February 28.

The meeting was opened by prayer said by Mrs. J. W. Timm. Mrs. Carl Benneaux, president, presided, and roll call was answered with "My most attractive hot mat."

Mrs. Mary Newberry, County agent, gave the program on "Foundation Garments."

Mrs. H. H. Windham gave a Council report.

The hostess served refreshments to four visitors and eight members.

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Now, Brown needed help on his farm, so he employed Smith one day each week, paying him \$5 a day in cash. Smith then bought five bushels of corn at \$1 a bushel from Brown for his egg-laying hens.

One day chicken-raiser Smith told corn-farmer Brown that the cost of everything was going up, so he'd have to get \$6 a day for his work. Replied Brown: "Everything I use is costing more, so I'll have to get \$6 for five bushels of corn."

After a while chicken-raiser Smith told farmer Brown that, with everything still going up, he'd have to get \$7.50 for a day's work. Whereupon corn-raiser Brown allowed as how everything he used was costing more, so he'd just have to get \$7.50 for five bushels of corn.

Both Brown and Smith were so pleased over the idea of \$7.50 for a day's work and \$7.50 for five bushels of corn that they both exclaimed: "Happy days are here again."

By and by, chicken-raiser Smith told corn-raiser Brown that everything had gone up still more, so he just couldn't hire out for less than \$10 a day. Brown said that seemed fair to him, but since everything he used was going up too, he'd have to get \$10 for five bushels of corn, which was agreeable with Smith.

Smith told his wife: "Ain't it wonderful... \$10 for a day's work."

Brown told his wife: "Ain't it wonderful... \$10 for five bushels of corn."

That's the way inflation works. It gives us the pleasant but dangerous feeling that everything's wonderful, while it eats away at our pocketbook and savings, our insurance and pensions... and everything else of value.

The critical world situation may make it necessary for our government to increase annual defense spending by several billion dollars, which would add to the inflationary spiral.

But we can help check this inflation if, individually and collectively, we cease demanding federal aid, assistance and benefits for OUR special projects and programs. We can urge our government to economize, not to spend and spend and spend.

You and I should write our Senators, Congressmen and the President of the United States and say:

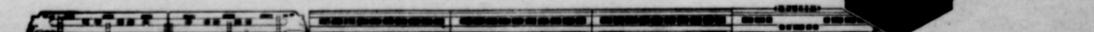
"Appropriate and spend whatever's necessary for the defense of our country, but let's cut out non-essential appropriations and expenditures... including the special aids, benefits and services for MY group and MY community."

If each of us did that, we could in truth and in fact then say:

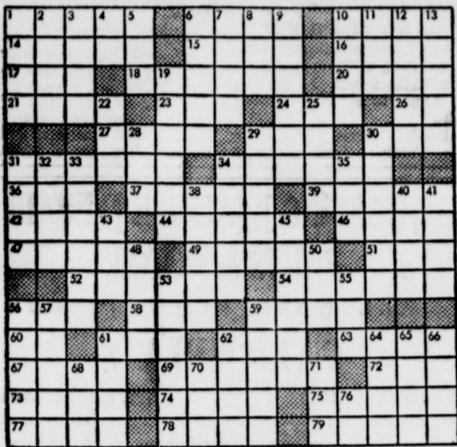
"Ain't It Wonderful."

J. H. Green
President

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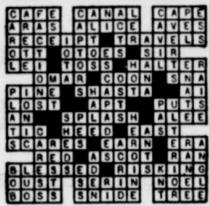


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PUZZLE No. 488

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1 King of Troy
6 Heddies of loom
10 Uncover
14 Wash in clear water
15 An impulse
16 Word of sorrow
17 Frozen water
18 Press from
21 Encounter
23 Sign of the Zodiac
24 Room about city
26 Pacific island screw pine
27 Consumes
28 Weight of India
29 Vast age
31 Water bottle
34 Separated
36 Native metal
37 Negotiate
38 Steel
42 Agreement
44 Part of shoe (pl.)
46 English school for boys
47 Imprint of tire marks
48 Jewish home festival
51 Ancient
52 Impulsive
54 English counties
56 Elevated rail line (pl.)
58 Operated
59 Fortico
60 Hebrew letter
61 Writing implement
62 Golf mound
63 Short sleep (pl.)
67 Alleviate
69 Gem weights
72 New Guinea
73 Danish weight (pl.)
74 Prepare for print
75 Head ornament
77 Let it stand
78 Sign of the Zodiac
DOWN
1 Stiffly formal
2 Cereal grain
3 Arrow poison
4 Hole
5 Honey (pharm.)
6 Ipecac
7 Jason's ship
8 Years old
9 Absorption of one estate in another
10 Minstrel
11 Fourth calf
12 Wireless
13 German city
19 Changes
22 Beverage
23 Skills
25 Part of boat
29 Satisfied
30 Newspaper executive
31 Egyptian
32 Sandalwood tree
33 An alcove
34 Grew wan
35 Female sheep
36 A dye
40 European
41 Finishes
43 Make lace edging
45 Six line poem
46 French
50 Greek letter
53 Was cut open
55 Scotch for John
56 Fencing sword
57 Smallest portion
59 Chairs
61 Saucy
62 Neat
64 Turkish regiment
65 Feel
66 Body of water (pl.)
68 Observe
70 Bustle
71 As it stands (mus.)
76 Symbol for iridium



Answer to Puzzle No. 487

Keep Records For Income Tax Deductions

Importance of adequate records to back up claimed deductions was stressed here today by A. E. Fogle, Jr. of Internal Revenue Service.

"A taxpayer's statement that he gave 'about \$100' to the Blank Charity won't satisfy Uncle Sam," Mr. Fogle said.

"The keeping of a few casual notes or records which only enable a taxpayer to approximate his income is not adequate. All tax payers, including farmers and ranchers, must keep records

(that will accomplish two purposes: First, help the taxpayer file an accurate tax return for 1957. Second, records that, if examined closely by Revenue, will help us determine if the law has been fulfilled."

Mr. Fogle added that records should include sales slips, invoices, receipts, canceled checks, and any other document which may be needed as legal evidence.

"The Lord God took the man and put him into the garden... to dress it and to keep it." — (Gen. 2:15)

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CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our appreciation to Drs. Sadler and Warren, the nurses at the hospital, and all those who helped during the illness of our mother. Also to those who brought food and floral offerings at the time of her death.

The children of Mrs. B. F. Stipes

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to extend sincere thanks and appreciation for the many kindnesses, messages of love and prayers from my many friends, relatives and fellow workmen tendered during my illness. I especially want to thank those who gave blood, and Drs. Sadler and Warren and the hospital staff. My prayers are that God will bless each and everyone.

Otis Foster

Home Demonstration Notes

By LORETA ALLEN

Taylor County Home Demonstration agent



This is National 4-H Week. 4-H is a voluntary youth program that has a nationwide enrollment of more than 2,000,000 members; fifty foreign countries have organized 4-H clubs, or similar groups. Taylor County has 395 girls enrolled in 13 clubs with 28 adult leaders working with these girls. The girls range in ages from 9 to 17. Taylor County observed the week by having an Awards Banquet sponsored by the Key City Kiwanis Club of Abilene.

This month I am meeting all the home demonstration clubs to discuss and show how to plan a labor saving landscape. Blue Bonnet Club met Tuesday, March 4th. Potosi Club meets March 11th. Pleasant Hill March 12th. Wythe March 13th. Ovalo March 25. Lawn March 26th. Hamby March 27. Lake Abilene March 28th. and Union Ridge will meet March 21st.

I will go to College Station for a meeting March 17 through March 20, to work some more on the home demonstration survey being made in Texas as a part of the national survey.

The clothing workshops are still in progress. Lake Abilene will finish this week, and Potosi next week. The workshops have made

everyone aware of how important planning a wardrobe really is.

Start planning now for spring and summer wardrobe needs. With prices up on many clothing items, as well as fabrics and accessories, careful planning will be more important than ever in stretching clothing dollars.

It's not necessary to spend a lot of money for clothing in order to be well dressed. The important thing is to plan well and choose wisely.

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Both bulletins are available from my office. Write or come by for your copy.

District Eight Garden Club Meet Slated At Cisco

Members of the Merkel Garden Club have been invited to attend the annual spring convention of District Eight, Texas Garden Clubs, Inc., at the Cisco Junior College auditorium on Wednesday, March 12. Some 300 members are expected to attend the convention in Cisco.

Visiting guests will be welcomed on arrival at the Cisco Junior College at 8:30 a.m. with doughnuts and coffee. Mrs. E. G. Thornton of Olney, governor and Mrs. George A. Stephens of Abilene, first vice president and district chairman, will be presented at the coffee. Souvenirs will be given each guest upon registration.

At 10 a.m., Mrs. Elizabeth Weir of San Antonio, nationally known flower lecturer and expert arranger, will talk and demonstrate arrangements, making arrangements from her own plant material and containers.

At noon, a luncheon will be held at the Lutheran Parish House with Mrs. Wilma Lucas, third vice president of Texas Garden Clubs, presiding. Distinguished guests will be presented and awards will be distributed in a "barrel race" event.

Back at the college auditorium at 1:30 p.m., the state president, Mrs. David H. Buchanan of Temple, will address the convention. A tea will follow in the lobby of the college building, honoring Mrs. Buchanan and Mrs. Cecil Biggs of Temple, advertising and circulation director of Lone Star Gardner Magazine.

Mrs. S. C. Shaw, 1207 West 9th Street, Cisco, registration chairman, reports that registrations already are coming in. Mrs. B. S. Huey of Cisco is chairman of the general arrangements committee for the convention.

Compere HD Club News

The Compere Home Demonstration Club met Thursday, February 27, in the home of Mrs. O. A. Crumpler for a program on "hand work," each member giving new ideas.

Mrs. Ab Hunter Jr., president, presided, at the business meeting.

Mrs. Ernest Dixon led the group in the singing of several songs, after which roll call was answered with a "sewing peeve."

The finance committee announced plans for members to sell gum and each purchase entitles the purchaser with a chance to win an electric skillet to be given away March 27. Proceeds will be used for Council funds.

The club voted to accept all Council recommendations with the exception of one.

Mrs. Steel, Mrs. Cromeenes and three children were visitors.

Members present were Mes. Touchstone, Hunter, Dixon, Ray, Stanley, Eason and Crumpler.

On the next regular meeting date, March 13, plans are under way to have a 4-H program at Noodle.

Mrs. Gary Jones and son Terry, Mrs. Lee Ward and Miss Jocile Thompson went to Rockdale Friday where they visited with Mr. Jones' aunt, Miss Mable Jones and his uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jones and son, Wyatt. Saturday and Sunday they were guests of Gary's father, Mr. and Mrs. P. K. Jones and his sister and brother, Barbara Jean and Gerald.

Panel Of Speakers Discuss Duties Of Youth and Parents Of Today

"Pillars of Support" was the theme of the program presented by the Fortnightly Study Club in the high school auditorium Tuesday, March 4.

Talks were made by Dr. Don Warren, Mrs. C. G. Sewell, Mrs. Buck Leach, Bob Cannon and five high school students. Mrs. Judd McReynolds acted as moderator for the group.

Students who took part on the "Youth Talks Back" part of the program were Elisa Dee West, Bette Flo Smith, Chera Corder, Joe Neill and Barry Scott.

Dr. Warren spoke on "Parents' Responsibility of Health." He said that parents should see that children are kept physically fit by seeing that they have periodic check-ups and injections at the proper time. Annual check-ups are important after the infancy stage as this is the only means of determining if the child is developing properly.

In speaking of emotional fitness Dr. Warren referred to a report made by the President's Advisory Group on Youth Fitness. He said they found in their research that a child's character is developed at an early age, in most cases before they are of school age. Since children tend to follow the emulated rather than the spoken word inter-family relationship and conduct in the home is most important, he said.

Mrs. Leach spoke on "Parents Are Pillars of Support For the Youth." She said parents should teach children to survive physically, to help them prepare for their future, should be good listeners and above all to let them know you love them.

Bob Canon, Church of Christ minister, believes that a Christian home with a father the standard of authority and the Bible revered as God's word, is most important these days. He said he thinks a mother's place is in the home where she can give children the security and stability they need.

Mrs. Sewell pointed out that children are a trust from God and that we must check on ourselves as parents. She believes the problem lies with the adult, not the youth.

Topics discussed by the students were "How Parents Can Win Respect From Youth," "Teenage Problems of Today," "What I Expect of My Parents and Teachers," "What is Implied in a Partnership" and "Parents and Youth Can Be Partners."

The complete talk given by each student will be printed in The Merkel Mail at a later date.

Class Has Social In Campbell Home

The King's Daughters Sunday School class of the First Methodist Church met in its regular social meeting in the home of Mrs. Lorinda Campbell Tuesday, March 4, with Mrs. Barney Borwig and Mrs. Genia Graham as co-hostesses.

Mrs. Brooks Patterson led the group in singing. She was accompanied at the old-fashioned organ by Mrs. Tom Coats.

Mrs. Graham brought the devotional and Mrs. L. A. Watts the prayer.

Mrs. J. S. Pinkley entertained with an organ selection.

Mrs. Effie Martin, president, had charge of a short business session.

Refreshments were served to 13 members and one visitor, Mrs. J. P. Howard.

The class joined in singing "Blest Be The Tie That Binds," and repeated the class benediction in unison.

Stith HD Club News

The Stith Home Demonstration Club met at the Stith Community Center Wednesday, February 26, with Mrs. Billy Ray Browning as hostess.

The meeting was opened with a devotional by Mrs. Browning followed by roll call which was answered with "Hobbies I Like." The program was on "Handwork" with the following items, hooked rugs, crochet work and Swedish weaving, on display.

The hostess served refreshments to 11 members and one visitor, Mrs. Davis.

Next meeting will be held in the community center on March 12.

Mrs. George W. Haggard of Austin spent last weekend with Mrs. J. O. Castles and attended the annual lectureship held at ACC, Abilene, where her son, Thomas is a freshman student. Mrs. Haggard and Mrs. Castles were former neighbors when both lived in Abilene.

Pioneer MYF Have Party

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Seymore and Mr. and Mrs. Allen D. King were parents of the month for Pioneer Memorial M. Y. F. They gave the young folks a party in the Allen D. King home last Thursday night.

Attending were: Patricia Butman, Fredlyn Farmer, Barbara

Orsborn, Ida May King, Joy Dene Ponder, Riley Jack Seymore, Becky Ray, Jackie Riney, Syra Swinney, Buddy King, Phil Seymore, Johnnie Swinney, Loyd Shugart, Mary Seymore and Sue King.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Nutt and children, Palmann and Rodger Lenn of Plainview were here for the weekend as guests of Mrs. Nutt's mother and sister, Mrs. Edna Horton and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Toliver and children.

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Starr Rest Home

By MARY OUTLAW

We have been real busy. Sorry we had no news. We want to thank Mr. J. E. Sparks of Spur for the fruit he brought Aunt Aquila Duross. Mrs. Richard Hunter of Odessa visited her grandmother Mrs. Smothers.

Mrs. Miller played for the patients and Mrs. Ervin Griffith and Loretta Smith helped her sing. We enjoyed them very much and we want to thank them for their kindness and invite them to come and play and sing again.

A group came from the Methodist Church and played and sang for the patients February 18th. Among those were Mrs. Eldon Hicks, Miss Lottie Butman, Mrs. John Shannon and Mrs. Hailey. Thank you good people for singing and visiting our patients.

Mr. Dennis Hartley and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hartley visited Mrs. Hartley February 9th.

Mrs. Ray Lafoon of Abilene and Mrs. Velma Anderson of Lawn visited Granny Cade.

We want to thank Lovetta Smith for playing the piano for the patients.

Several have asked how Granny Cade is. We hope that she is better at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Merrick of Willow City has been visiting her mother Jauncy Smothers.

Allen Fowler of Standford visited his mother Frankie Fowler last week end.

Mrs. Welch of Sweetwater visited Mrs. Hartley February 16th.

On February 16th, Rev. Agnew Assembly of God minister, filled his appointment at the home. The quartet Dr. and Mrs. Chaney and Mr. and Mrs. Pat Cypret sang for us. We enjoyed their singing very much. Mrs. Agnew, Robert and Jeanne Smith were among those present. They had a testimonial service and Rev. Agnew brought the messare. They had a nice service and we invite them into our home again.

Mrs. A. J. Sharp of Baird visited her mother Mrs. Goza last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Brown of Sweetwater have visited in our home several times lately, visiting Mrs. Brown's mother Mrs. Hicks who is a new patient in our home. We are very happy to have her and hope that she will be very happy here in our home. We invite her friends to visit her.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Carr of Van Court visited her mother Mrs. Sarah Carr last week.

We want to thank Mrs. W. V. Cross of Noodle for coming into our home and playing and singing for the patients. She has a lovely voice and we do want her to know we appreciate her.

We were very sorry to lose Mr. Orand by death. He was such a good patient and we want to express our sympathy for his children. We want to thank them for the beautiful picture of Christ that they placed in his room after he was gone.

We want to thank Bob Hicks for the big box of Grape Juice and Orange Juice that he brought the home. It was appreciated very much.

Rev. Bob Cannon, minister of the Church of Christ filled his appointment in February. He read scriptures and his singers, Kent Denton, Kay Chancey, Manley Denton, Ann Chancey, Burl McCoy sang. Everyone enjoyed the service and will be looking for them next appointment.

Mrs. E. C. Cade and Mrs. Nuey Spradlin of Abilene visited Granny Cade last week.

Rev. Cloy Lyles filled his appointment Sunday, March 2. Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Pee, Miss Betty Tittle, Robert Jr. Hicks and Mrs. Brandon Wade helped with the singing. Mrs. Wade played the piano. Rev. Lyles brought a good sermon. Everyone enjoyed the service and invite them back again.

Rev. Sewell came back and finished boring the holes for the wiring for the ear phones. We will be happy when the people who are unable to hear the ser-

vices can hear them in their own rooms.

We want to thank Frank and Ethel Carr and their daughter Sue Meyers for coming each Sunday morning to sing. Mrs. Joe Hartley and Mrs. Teague helped them with the singing Sunday. Mrs. Hartley is enjoying her friends visiting her.

We want to thank Mr. and Mrs. Warren Price of Rowden for the nice turnips they brought the home.

We have two new members on our staff: Mrs. Ed Massey and Mrs. Bernice Perry. We are very happy to have them.

Perry Lee Woods of the Navy visited his grandfather G. C. Smith Sunday evening.

We want to thank Mrs. Ollie Fox's Primary Sunbeam band of Nancy Rowland, Joan Lassiter, Annie Luke, Carol Chism, Tommy Reynolds, Leroy Merrick, Paul Carson, Francis Doan and Wesley for the fresh fruit and fruit juices they brought the patients. We appreciate the sunbeams.

Orville Hill of Noodle visited his mother, Mrs. Hill, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Pickens of Colorado City visited her sister, Cora Reeder Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitford Sparks and son of Abilene visited his aunt, Pearl Wiggins.

R. D. Hunter celebrated his birthday Monday. We wish for him many more.

Mrs. Lina Sipe, our patient, who has been in the hospital for several weeks passed away at the Sadler Clinic Saturday, March 1.

We miss her very much as she was such a wonderful person. The patients and the entire Staff extends our sympathy to the loved ones.

We are having lots of company which we are thankful. Our doors are always open to our friends and our patient's friends.

We want to thank each and every one who have been so nice to us and our patients, in case I have failed to mention your name. I am sorry but we have had sickness in our home and a lot of work.

We finally got our Rest Home painted pink. We have curtains in each room and moved all those old dresser bases out and put chest of drawers. We are real proud of what we have accomplished.

Mrs. Coleen Walters of San Antonio was a guest Monday of her grandmother, Mrs. Fannie King.

New Arrivals

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle A. Gray of San Fernando, California are announcing the birth of a baby daughter born Feb. 28, and weighing 7½ pounds. Both the mother and baby are doing fine, according to her mother, Mrs. Lena Reeder, who talked to her daughter by telephone.

Union Ridge HD Club Meets

The Union Ridge Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. J. H. Clark, Friday, February 21.

The club prayer and THDA creed were repeated in unison by the group.

Mrs. O. E. Harwell, vice chairman, presided in the absence of Mrs. Denzel Cox, president.

Roll call was answered with a "New shrub or tree I have seen or heard about."

Mrs. Clyde Newton, secretary, read the minutes, which were approved and Mrs. Clark gave the treasurer report.

Miss Mable McRee gave the report on the Council which met in Abilene at which time Mrs. Denzel Cox and Miss Lottie Butman of the Blue Bonnet Club

were elected delegates to the District Council meeting to be held in San Angelo in April.

Mrs. Wynona Scoggins brought the program on "Shrubs and trees of Taylor County."

Refreshments were served to Mrs. J. C. Walton, M. L. Douglas, Clark, Newton, Harwell and Miss McRee.

The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. Clyde Newton on March 7, when club pals will be revealed.

HAMBURGER SUPPER

Everyone is cordially invited to be on hand next Tuesday, March 11, for a Hamburger supper and then to stay for the premier performance of "The Blue Tea Pot" with Tommy Hogan, Dolores Hunter, Shirley Clift and Roy Justice. The play is the school's annual production for inter-scholastic participation. Don't be the one to miss the hamburgers and "The Blue Teapot."



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Wall plaques were made by the group, and the club voted to have a bake sale to raise money. A new member, Mrs. Tessie Warren, joined the Circle. The hostess served cookies and drinks to the following: Sue Tucker, Betty Lou Satterwhite, Mary Boone, Neva Hicks, Bobby Farpley, Louise Du Bose, Bonnie Douglas, Tessie Warren, and the hostess.

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County School Superintendent Clive Pierce (re-election)

LEGAL NOTICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF TAYLOR

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

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: Robert Joseph Johnson, Defendant.
GREETING:
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 24th day of March A. D. 1958, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 3rd day of February A. D. 1958, in this cause, numbered 22,771-A on the docket of said court and styled Connie Lee Johnson, Plaintiff, vs. Robert Joseph Johnson, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and defendant were married on or about July 5, 1955 and were separated in September, 1955. Plaintiff shows there is no community property to be adjudicated but one child was born as a result of said marriage. Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of cruel treatment, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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

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

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this 3rd day of February A. D. 1958.

(SEAL)
Attest: R. H. Ross, Clerk, 42nd District Court, Taylor County, Texas.
By Mrs. Jesse R. Swindell, Deputy. 48-49-50-51

Legal Notice

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF TEXAS

In the matter of proceedings by the State of Texas for the condemnation of certain property of Harry J. W. Niehaus, if deceased, the heirs and unknown heirs of Harry J. W. Niehaus.

TO: The state of Texas, petitioner, and to Harry J. W. Niehaus, if deceased, the heirs and unknown heirs of Harry J. W. Niehaus, owner.

You are hereby notified that on the 11th day of April, 1958, at 10:00 o'clock A. M. and at the County Court House, in Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, the undersigned Special Commissioners appointed by the Judge of the County Court at Law of said County to assess the damages occasioned by the condemnation of the following described property lying and being situated in Taylor County, Texas, to-wit:

Being a strip of land containing approximately 5.5 Square Feet more or less out of Lot No. 7, Block No. 111 of the Town of Ovalo in Taylor County, Texas.

for the purpose of constructing and laying out and reconstructing a Highway designated as Highway FM 382, all of which more fully appears in a certain written statement filed by the said State of Texas with said Judge on the 14th day of February, 1958, to which reference is here made, having heretofore duly selected such time and place for hearing as required by law, will proceed to hear said parties and said written statement and to act thereon in the manner directed by law.

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TO: The State of Texas, petitioner, and to Della McLean Patterson, A widow, if deceased, the heirs and unknown heirs of Della McLean Patterson, a widow, owner.

You hereby notified that on the 11th day of April, 1958, at 10:00 o'clock A. M. and at the County Court House, in Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, the undersigned Special Commission appointed by the Judge of the County Court at Law of said County to assess the damages occasioned by the condemnation of the following described property lying and being situated in Taylor County, Texas, to-wit:

Being a tract or parcel of land in two (2) parts, together with two (2) channel Easements and containing 7.595 acres more or less out of the West Side of the defendant's property in Section 73, Block 19, Texas and Pacific Railroad Company Survey, Taylor County, Texas.

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Witness our hands this 20th day of February, A. D. 1958

J. A. Millerman, Jimmy Partin, Clay Reeves, Special Commissioners. 50-51-52-1

LEGAL NOTICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF TAYLOR

In the matter of proceedings by the state of Texas for the condemnation of certain property of I. A. Moorehead, if deceased, the heirs and unknown heirs of I. A. Moorehead.

TO: The State of Texas, petitioner, and to I. A. Moorehead, if deceased, the heirs and unknown heirs of I. A. Moorehead, owner.

You are hereby notified that on the 11th day of April, 1958, at 10:00 o'clock A. M. and at the County Court House, in Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, the undersigned Special Commissioners appointed by the Judge of the County Court at Law of said County to assess the damages occasioned by the condemnation of the following property lying and being situated in Taylor County, Texas, to-wit:

Being a strip and parcel of land containing 0.072 acres more or less out of Lots 12 and 11 of Block 4 of the Bald Eagle Addition to the Town of Ovalo in Taylor County, Texas.

for the purpose of constructing and laying out and reconstructing a Highway designated as Highway FM 382, all of which more fully appears in a certain written statement filed by the said State of Texas with said Judge on the 14th day of February, 1958, to which reference is here made having heretofore duly selected such time and place for hearing as required by law, will proceed to hear said parties and said written statement and to act thereon in the manner directed by law.

Witness our hands this 20th day of February, A. D. 1958.

J. A. Millerman, Jimmy Partin, Clay Reeves, Special Commissioners. 50 - 51 - 52 - 1

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NAUTICAL LASS . . . Derith Lindsay, 17, sets her sails to announce opening of Southern California national boat show in Los Angeles.

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UP THE CANYON

By TOM RUSSOM

Another good snow fell over our area the last few days bringing more good moisture for the small grain and range land.

This has been one winter that cattle and sheep have stayed fat through the winter months, which is quite different from conditions last year.

The Neill boys showed a reserve Champion in the boy's lamb show at Houston. It was a Hampshire lamb weighing 165 pounds.

These boys have purchased two calves from the Dr. W. T. Sadler ranch in New Mexico to be fed out this year.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ensminger have returned from Calif. where they visited with a buddy of their late son, Wade Jr., who served with him in the Air Force.

We were glad to see some of our members back at church Sunday, who had been ill with flu. They were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brnovak and children and Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Toombs.

Mrs. Jess Ray was moved from the Sadler Clinic week to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ford Butman. She has been hospitalized due to a hip injury.

Louis Butman has some hogs on feed at his place and plans to ship them soon.

The swimming pool at the Butman camp is completed and is now being painted. It will be ready for summer camping.

Bell and Iria Farmer of New

Mexico were visitors in the Canyon this week.

It is remarkable to hear how some of the boys are making raids on the rattlesnakes. At this time of year they use hooks to hook them out of their dens. Some of the snakes had as high as 14 rattlers on them.

These raids are being made in our area and we are glad of such raids because the snakes will be coming out of the hills. You may expect to find them anywhere around the place.

Our regular community night will be held this Saturday night, March 8. Due to bad weather it was postponed last Saturday night. Joe Seymore, president extends an invitation to everyone to come. Games will be played and cookies and coffee served. Bring the family and have a good time.

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TWANG MEETS TWANG

By Allen Wishert

OLD man Scott Fowler was well liked by the villagers, yet he sought seclusion. He didn't mind being laughed at, but when it came to being laughed at, that was a horse of a different color.

The town folk didn't laugh at him through any disrespect, it was more of a humorous nature, but he remarked to his wife:

"When a fellow can't open his mouth without puttin' his foot in it, it's time to keep it shut."

He and family had immigrated to Sandy Rock from the deep South, and he brought his Southern "Twang" with him.

Jane, his daughter, was quite a favorite with the entire population of 998. The village swains held her high in esteem, yet no one called at her home. Still, they couldn't remember ever being forbidden to do so. Her father had become antagonistic and they had taken for granted they were not welcome.

Jane never displayed any favoritism. Each received the same lovely attention, but if one attempted proposing, she nipped it by saying:

"I am sorry, but you just do not fit into my category."
Jane Fowler couldn't help being pretty, and didn't even do much to make herself that way. She dressed well, but it was just a gift of nature that made her tall and slim with jet-black hair and wide hazel eyes.

A new cotton gin was built at the edge of the village. When it was completed an overseer was assigned. He was a young man and single.

Arriving at the gin office one morning this young man noticed Fowler in the gin yard, thoroughly interested in the modern equipment. From the rumors he had gathered concerning the old

fellow, he was somewhat reluctant about approaching him. But when Jane, tall and slender, joined her father he summoned the necessary courage. Stepping over to them, said:

"Pardon me, I am Steve Collins, overseer. You seem interested. May I have the pleasure of showing you about?"

Old man Fowler peered at Steve with a queer, but favorable glint in his eyes.

"Got a twang in your voice that can't be mistaken. Where'd you come from, young feller?"

"Originally, from Georgia."
"I knowed it," the old fellows eyes sparkled.

"So, you are a native of my state?"
"Born and bred ain't never been able to shake the twang. Wouldn't if I could."

"I presume, Miss, you, too, are a Georgia Peach?"
"I am, but somehow I missed the lovely characteristic that has blessed my father."

"Most of the folks here ain't got no manners," said Mr. Fowler. "They laugh at... what they call, 'the peculiar flappin' of my tongue.'"

The villagers couldn't account for the sudden change in old Scott Fowler's attitude. He began speaking and nodding cheerily to everybody.

Several weeks later he held open house and invited the town folks to his daughter's wedding.

It was then they understood; the inflection in his and Steve's enunciation was identical. He had encouraged Jane to marry Steve, thereby, switching some of the laughs from himself.

After the ceremony, he drew Steve aside.

"Son," he said, "I'm askin' just one favor; bring my grandchildren up with a twang."

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MY DADDY? . . . Bearded David Greaney, Jr., back home in Chicago after 18 months in Antarctic, gets tearful greeting from 8-month old daughter Virginia Ann.

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NOODLE NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Blue McCoy spent Sunday with their son, Mr. and Mrs. Otis McCoy in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. E. Browley of Anson visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Blue McCoy Sunday.

Grady Bishop received word last week that his brother in Alabama had passed away.

Mr. and Mrs. Hamm and daughter, Debby of Abilene were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Barbee Sunday.

Dinner guests in the A. J. Barbee home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Touchstone and children, Terry and Christy.

Several cases of measles are reported at this time.

Roy Dixon visited Billy Lucus Sunday.

Mrs. Clayton Dillard is reported to be recuperating from recent surgery.

Keith Tarpley left Thursday for Okmulgee, Oklahoma, to enter Oklahoma University Technical school to study shoe and boot repair.

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BY JOHN AND JANE STRICKLAND

TODAY'S PROBLEM: Knowing One's Self

MRS. JEAN SAVAGE, 17 Wall Street, Brockville, Ontario, Canada, married a Canadian soldier during the war and left her native England to make her home in a Commonwealth country. Since all her training had been to place England above every other country, what was more natural than that she should place English customs, habits and people above all others. By reason of courtesy she refrained from saying anything about comparisons she made, but she says she knows now that her thoughts often were obvious, too obvious.

"It took me eleven years to learn that I was expecting more from my marriage than I was willing to give. In other words, I expected my husband to go all the way in making our married life a happy one. It was not until we had three children old enough to voice their thoughts on it that I came to have a proper sense of values."

Her husband began finding his pleasures at other places than in his home. He did not turn to some other woman who "understood him." But he did find golf alluring in the summer and his club in the winter. One day their young

son asked "Mummy, why don't we laugh a lot at our house like they do over at Mike's?"

The question stunned her, and shock remained even after she had recovered from her first reaction to the question. Well, why didn't they? And why did Mike's father spend so much time at home with his children? Why did he take his wife out in the evenings instead of going to a club? She decided to do something about it. She began by preparing her husband's favorite dishes. Then she took opportunities to express appreciation of things he did. She says she had long since given up the English woman's habit of having his slippers beside his favorite chair when he came home (the while she still clung to the advantages English women demand). Now she did just that. Soon she found herself taking pleasure in doing little things that pleased him. But that winter his club still had its appeal. The following summer, however, her efforts paid off. He suggested that the whole family go away together for his vacation. Little by little his club noted his falling off in attendance. Just these little things brought laughter into their home and the same brand of happiness as over at Mike's house.

What's In A Name?

Five years ago the nation's tax collecting agency had its official name changed from the Bureau of Internal Revenue to the Internal Revenue Service.

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peek at THE STARS

by LYN CONNELLY

THERE are reports that "\$64,000 Challenge" may not last out the season . . . Frankly, we're surprised it lasted as long as it did . . . It never had the suspense or appeal of the original show . . . Whatever happened to radio's popular "Lum and Abner" Chet (Lum) Lauck is public relations counselor for an oil company and Norris (Abner) Goff is head of a real estate development in Laguna Beach, Cal. Eve Arden is losing her new show . . . Actually, it's a pretty good half hour, but to the majority of viewers, Miss Arden will always be Connie Brooks just as Lucille Ball will always be Lucy.
Jack Webb wants to give up the soap opera and concentrate on direction and production . . . He would bow out of the 1959 "Dragnet" series and let Ben Alexander star . . . Another one with similar ideas is William Bendix who has ideas of having someone else play Riley while he directs the series . . . After all these years Groucho Marx has lost his auto sponsor . . . Hope some one else latches onto the sarcastic one for his type of raptier wit is a vanishing breed and TV needs it . . . Charles Boyer calls live TV "ersatz theater—a combination of the stage and film."

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CAPITOL—If you're a frantic parent searching for some peace from rock and roll, bask in the glorious music of Nelson Riddle's latest — that swoony, nostalgic "I'm Gettin' Sentimental Over You" . . . It's great . . . Flip side has a choral group doing the title song from "The Girl Most Likely" . . . The kids may even park their rockin' shoes for this one . . . Semprini and his orchestra, a sensation in Britain, makes an impressive debut on this label via "Destiny Theme" and "Invitation Waltz," both of them piano solos which display his talents with a flourish.

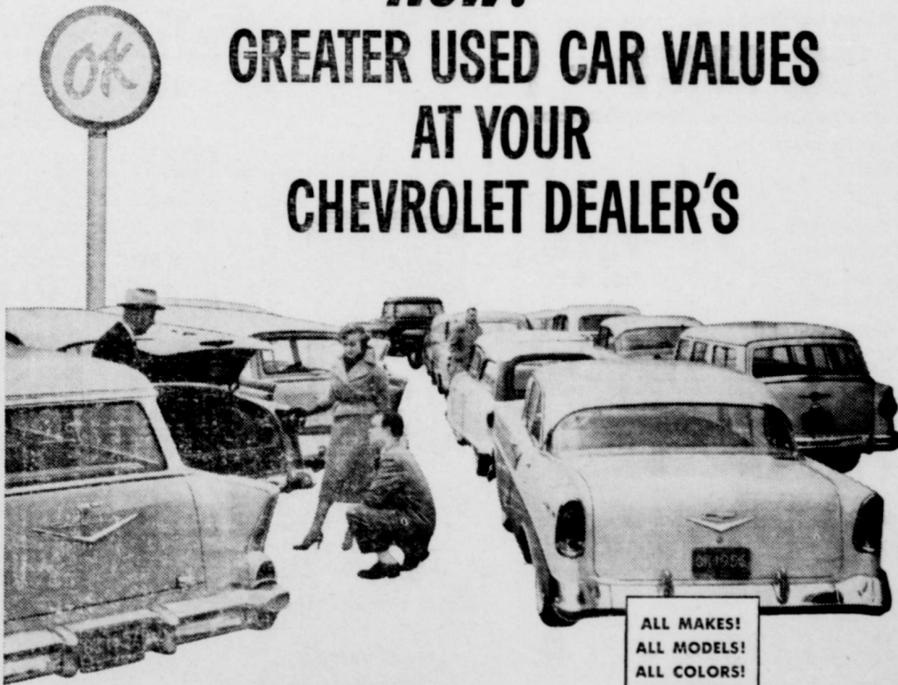
Woody Wade, Safety chairman in the Noodle area for the Humble Oil Company, attended a Safety Chairman's meeting given by the management of the company in Wichita Falls last Tuesday. He was accompanied by L. S. Kingsbury, who was formerly the safety chairman until his retirement last August.

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