



## MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

G. M. McElmurray, 83, early day Taylor stockman, died at 11 o'clock Wednesday at his home about four miles west of Trent. He had lived on the ranch since 1899. Survivors include his wife, three children, Mrs. W. B. Captain, N. M.; W. W. and A. H. McElmurray of Trent; a sister, Mrs. Ella Hardison of Bryon, Ga. and a brother, J. E. McElmurray of Rebecca, Ga., thirteen grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Sylvan Mellinger, who spent the week end at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Max Mellinger, returned Sunday to Austin where he is attending the University of Texas.

A. J. Tucker, who is serving an apprenticeship with an under-

taking establishment at Fullerton, California, was here for a short visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Tucker. He left Sunday for Vernon en route to California.

Irl Walker, local salesman for Goodrich tires, attended a banquet at the Wooten hotel, Abilene, Friday night, at which Dean Mattison, sales instructor for Goodrich tires was in charge.

The Woodman Circle of Trent honored one of its members Friday afternoon at the W. O. W. hall with a party and shower. Mrs. Roy Williams was the honored guest as was her baby Billy Roy. The child, recently adopted by Mr. and Mrs. Williams, was three weeks old this week.

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## SPRING



## MERKEL 40 YEARS AGO

William Brown visited in Fort Worth and Dallas the past week. While in Fort Worth, he visited his cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Vinton on Seminary Hill. While in Dallas he selected a large assortment of young men's wearing apparel.

The Red Cross will stage a 2 act melo drama at the Cory, on Thursday night, March 21, and at Trent High School on Friday night, March 22.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Boney and little son Harold, left Wednesday morning for Fort Worth to visit relatives and attend the stock show.

Lieut. Sherley King has just finished his work at Leon Springs and has transferred to the Kelly Field in San Antonio. He is now visiting his mother, who is quite sick. He will return Monday.

After an illness of about one month, death came to relieve the suffering of W. W. (Uncle Billie) Russell. He would have been 72 years of age in July and had lived in Merkel since 1889. He is

survived by his widow and seven children: John J., S. G., W. R., C. K., and Mrs. D. A. Dickey, all of Merkel; Mrs. George L. Vaughn, Long Beach, California and Mrs. J. A. Harris, Calexico, California.

A squad of 17 reported to Coach Davis Monday afternoon at Merkel High for spring football practice. The group includes ten Badgers from last year, of whom five are lettermen, viz: Don Warren, Preacher Windham, Mark Malone, W. I. Wozencraft and Arthur Lee Graham.

### SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT NEWS



OUR SOIL ★ OUR STRENGTH  
We are minded that the season to control unwanted brush on our

rangeland is at hand. The cost share payment for seeding grasses which go along with rootplanting states that the seeding should be done between February and May.

We should have ample moisture in the soil now to get the grass off to a good start.

Mr. Sam Swann, one of the first ranchers in this area to try rootplanting to control mesquite is so enthused with it that he plans to rootplant about 300 acres this season. Also planning to do rootplanting are - Byron Curb, Lewis Spratlin, S. D. Gamble, Hollan and Nim Teaff and possibly others that haven't expressed their desires.

The rootplanting method of controlling brush is well adapted to this area because it does several things which our range needs. First, it controls the brush which is the primary purpose. Second it breaks up the crust and hard layer of soil on our range land. Third, a seedbed is prepared and seed may be planted to help start a cover crop for our soil.

Farmers and ranchers that are interested in doing rootplanting and seeding should contact their local Soil Conservation office.

## Farmers and Merchants National Bank OF MERKEL

IN THE STATE OF TEXAS, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON MARCH 4, 1958 PUBLISHED IN RESPONSE TO CALL MADE BY COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY, UNDER SECTION 5211, U. S. REVISED STATUTES.

ASSETS	
1. Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection	915,961.08
2. United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	938,665.61
3. Obligations of States and political subdivisions	579,390.95
5. Corporate stocks (including \$6,000.00 stock of Federal Reserve bank)	6,000.00
6. Loans and discounts (including \$633.72 overdrafts)	782,960.33
7. Bank premises owned \$5,000.00 furniture and fixtures \$1,250.00	6,250.00
8. Real estate owned other than bank premises	14,500.00
Future bank site	14,500.00
12. TOTAL ASSETS	\$3,243,728.97
LIABILITIES	
13. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$2,833,743.79
15. Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	16,371.95
16. Deposits of States and political subdivisions	129,029.94
18. Other deposits (certified and cashier's checks, etc.)	813.73
19. TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$2,979,964.41
24. TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$2,979,964.41
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
25. Capital Stock:	
(c) Common stock, total par	100,000.00
26. Surplus	100,000.00
27. Undivided profits	63,764.56
29. TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$ 263,764.56
30. TOTAL LIABILITIES and CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$3,243,728.97

**MEMORANDA**

31. Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and for other purposes 150,000.00

33.(a)(1) Loans to farmers directly guaranteed and redeemable on demand by the Commodity Credit Corporation, and certificates of interest representing ownership thereof 150,501.34

1. Geo. T. Moore, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief

Geo. T. Moore, Cashier,  
CORRECT—Attest  
BOOTH WARREN  
W. S. J. BROWN  
W. T. Sadler, M. D.  
Directors

State of Texas, County of Taylor, ss:  
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 11th day of March, 1958, and I hereby certify that I am not an officer or director of this bank.  
(SEAL) Horace O. Boney, Notary Public.  
My commission expires June 1, 1959.

## REPORT OF CONDITION OF HOME STATE BANK OF TRENT, TEXAS

Report of condition of "Home State Bank" of Trent, Texas at the close of business March 4, 1958, a State banking institution organized and operating under the banking laws of this State and a member of the Federal Reserve System. Published in accordance with a call made by the State Banking Authorities and by the Federal Reserve Bank of this District.

ASSETS	
1. Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance and cash items in process of collection	\$274,321.77
2. United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	312,000.00
5. Corporate stocks (including \$2,700.00 stock of Federal Reserve bank)	2,700.00
6. Loans and discounts (including \$1135.03 overdrafts)	237,358.21
7. Bank premises owned \$6,500.00 furniture and fixtures \$5,280.00	11,780.00
11. Other assets	9,000.00
12. TOTAL ASSETS	\$847,159.98
LIABILITIES	
13. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships and corporations	679,923.35
16. Deposits of States and political subdivisions	40,262.88
19. TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$720,186.23
23. Other liabilities	9,000.00
24. TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$729,186.23
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
25. Capital*	\$ 25,000.00
26. Surplus	65,000.00
27. Undivided profits	27,973.75
29. TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	117,973.75
30. TOTAL LIABILITIES and CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$847,159.98

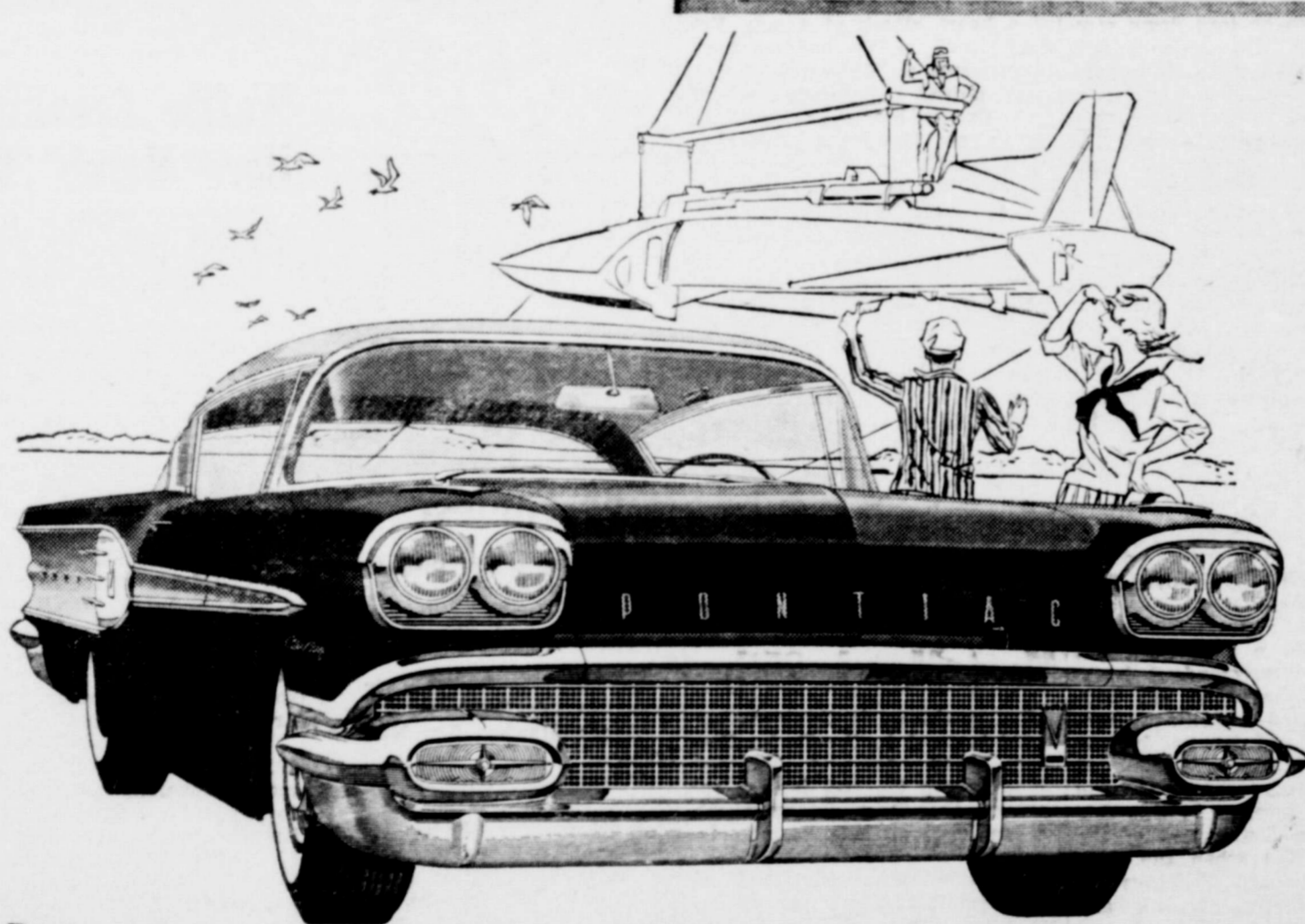
\*This bank's capital consists of:  
Common stock with total par value of \$25,000.00

I, James V. Ross, Cashier of the above-named bank, hereby certify that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

James V. Ross.

CORRECT—ATTEST:  
DIRECTORS  
T. H. WILLIAMSON  
DOW WILLIAMSON  
J. C. CRAIN

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Taylor, ss:  
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15th day of March, 1958,  
LUCILLE WILKS, Notary Public  
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## THRIFTY BUYS

KIMBELL'S  
**CHILI** - - - No. 2 can 43c

HUNT'S 300  
**TOMATO JUICE** - 3 for 29c

GREEN GIANT  
**PEAS** - - - - 2 for 39c

KIMBELL'S 303  
**SPINACH** - - - 2 for 29c

CAL TOP 2 1/2 Can  
**PEACHES** - - 2 for 53c

MORTON'S  
**POTATO CHIPS** - - bag 15c

KIMBELL'S 46-oz.  
**GRAPEFRUIT Juice** can 25c

KRAFT'S 46-oz.  
**Orange Drink** - - can 25c

O L E O  
**PARKAY** - - - - lb. 29c

KOUNTY KIST  
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**GREEN BEANS**

TRELLIS  
**PEAS**

JUST  
**10**  
A CAN

SWIFT JEWEL COOKING  
**OIL** - - - - - quart 59c

DIAMOND Sour or Dill  
**PICKLES** - - - - qt. 25c

MORTON'S  
**Salad Dressing** - - - - pt. 23c

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GIANT  
**TIDE** - - - - - Box -63c

### Frozen Foods

BETTY JANE  
**STRAWBERRIES** - - can 19c

KEITH CHOPPED  
**BROCCOLI** - - - 2 pkgs. 29c

KEITH CUT  
**CORN** - - - - - 2 pkgs. 33c

KEITH CUT  
**OKRA** - - - - - 2 pkgs. 33c

KEITH'S  
**GREEN PEAS** - - 2 pkgs. 29c

KEITH'S  
**SPINACH** - - - 2 pkgs. 29c

**FLOUR** LIGHTCRUST  
10 Lbs. - - - - **83¢**

**SALMON** HONEY BOY  
16-oz. Can - - **43¢**

**PEACHES** HUNT'S  
2 1/2 Can - **25¢**

**CATSUP** HUNT'S  
Bottle - - - **15¢**

Lucky Leaf  
PIE FILLING  
**APPLES**  
can 25c

WILSON  
**CHEESE**  
2 lbs. 69c

O-B TEXAS  
**MACARONI**  
8-oz. pkg. 10c

LIPTON  
**TEA**  
1/4 lb. 35c

PARD  
**DOG FOOD**  
3 for 35c

LIQUID  
**LUX**  
2 reg. 63c

BATH  
**ZEST**  
3 bars 49c

### Garden Fresh VEGETABLES

GOLDEN  
**BANANAS** - 2 lbs. 25c

FANCY RED APPLES  
**DELICIOUS** 2 lbs. 25c

Ruby Red 5-Lb. Bag  
**GRAPEFRUIT** - - - - - bag 33c

Waxed  
**RUTABAGAS** - - - - - lb. 5c

Yellow  
**ONIONS** - - - - - lb 7c

Florida  
**NE WPOTATOES** - - - - - 2 lbs. 19c

I D A H O  
**SPUDS** - - - 10 lbs. 59c

SWIFT PREMIUM  
COUNTY FAIR—Whole Hog  
**SAUSAGE** 2 lbs. **\$1.09**

SWIFT PREMIUM  
**BACON** lb. **65¢**

SWIFT PREMIUM  
**FRANKS** lb. **53¢**

Wisconsin Cheddar  
**CHEESE** - big roll - - - - - lb. 65c

Hormel All Meat  
**BOLOGNA** - - - - - lb. 49c

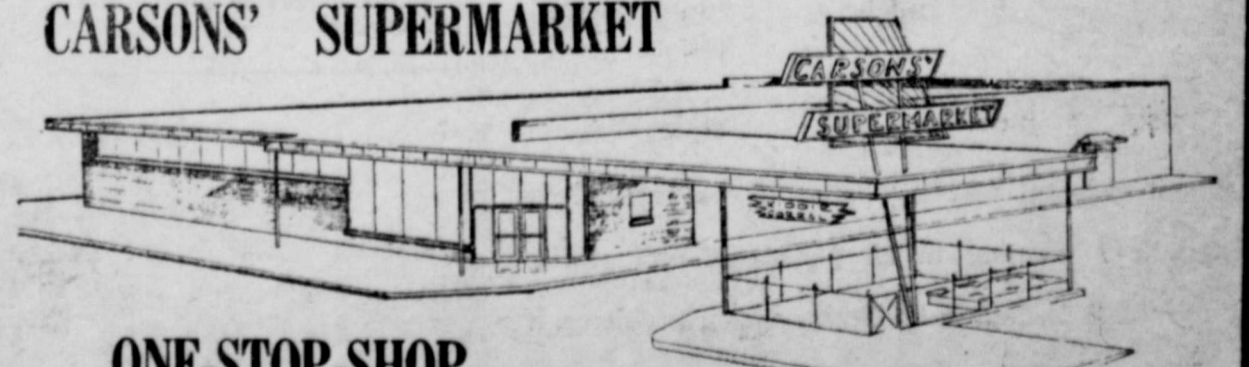
Fresh  
**PORK ROAST** - - - - - lb. 49c

Choice Fresh  
**BEEF LIVER** - - - - - lb. 53c

Choice Heavy Beef  
**T-BONE STEAK** - - - - - lb. 89c

CHOICE HEAVY BEEF  
**POT ROAST** - - lb. 55c

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