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"I REMEMBER" BY THE OLD TIMERS

From Mrs. Jeanette Landrum, Dayton, Ohio: I remember when I was four years old I had the thrash in my mouth and my father took me about five miles to an old lady named Warren and she washed my mouth with oak leaves. She had kept the leaves in a cigar box. There was a big snow on the ground and I rode in front of my daddy in the saddle.

We children walked two miles to school. We had two dresses for "everyday" and one for Sunday, and we wore aprons with sleeves in them. Each had chores to do. I fed the geese and the calf, carried in wood and chips for the morning fire. Later, when I came home from school, I milked three cows.

On Saturdays, I did the washing and ironing and helped pick beans to string on a string to dry for winter use. We fattened and killed our own hogs and made lard for family use. We had our own sorghum molasses and mother canned everything that she could for winter use.

We had no corn planter. For medicine, father gave us all a round of calomel and vermouth every spring—to keep us able to hoe the corn.

We went to church and Sunday school every Sunday. We all sat on the front seat beside mother—who dared anyone to move or talk while the preacher was in the pulpit.

(Send contributions to this column to The Old Timer, Community Press Service, Box 29, Frankfort, Kentucky.)

DeLuxe Laundry Adds Automatic Washer Service

George West, owner of the DeLuxe Laundry, has announced the addition of 10 coin operated automatic Speed Queen washers and two dryers which will be operated in conjunction with the wringer type washers.

The same personalized service will be available as previously with the new service an added feature. They also pick up and deliver.

The laundry, located at 210 Kent St., will be open 24 hours a day beginning June 30. Mr. West said. He also pointed out that there is plenty of convenient parking space available for the customer.

Mr. and Mrs. West, who live at 301 Marion St., moved here from McCauley four years ago and have been in the laundry business at the present location since that time. They have six children, J. C., 25, Leon, 23, Eugene, 21, Jerry, 19, Jimmy, 15, and Audra Sue, 11.

Preston Henrys Return From Trip

Mr. and Mrs. Preston Henry of Merkel and Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Holmes of DeLeon have just returned from a two weeks' vacation which took them to Modesto, Calif., by the way of the Grand Canyon.

They traveled down highway 1, which runs between the mountains and the Pacific from San Francisco to Los Angeles. They also visited Palm Springs, Calif., on their return trip.

They report that crops in California are the best and most of that part of the country in good shape.

Girls Attend Training Camp

Ida May King, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen D. King, and Carole Perry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Perry, attended the youth officer training camp at Ceta Canyon June 9-13.

Ida May is president of the M. Y. F. at Pioneer Memorial Church and pianist for the sub-district. Carole is vice-president of the sub-district.

239 Methodist youth attended the camp from the Northwest Conference.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Howard and children, Larry and Suzanne, have returned to their home here after a weeks' visit with his mother, Mrs. Ingram near Antlers, Oklahoma. They were accompanied by Durant, Okla., by Mrs. Howard's mother, Mrs. E. R. Clack who was a guest of her sister.



Rev. E. H. MARTIN
... new Pioneer pastor

New Minister At Pioneer Church

The Rev. E. H. Martin, pastor of the Sixth Street Methodist Church in Sweetwater for the next four years, is the new pastor of the Pioneer Memorial Church. He has also been named manager of the Butman Methodist Camp.

The Rev. Martin was in evangelistic work for 16 years before taking a pastorate in the Little Rock Conference in 1938. He was transferred to the Northwest Texas Conference in 1945 and served as pastor in Pampa for four years and in Trent for 15 months.

The new minister expressed his pleasure with the pastorate by saying, "Mrs. Martin and I are very happy to be at Pioneer Memorial. We are pleased with the interest being shown and attendance in both Sunday School and church is increasing."

The Rev. and Mrs. Martin have two sons, Dean, pastor of the Crescent Heights Church in Abilene, and Ray, who is in the service stationed at Fort Sill, Okla.

Political Rally Set At Trent

The Trent seniors are sponsoring an old-fashioned political rally at the Trent football field at 8 p.m., Friday, June 27.

A cake and pie auction will be held. Entertainment will include music by the Trent Gorilla Band. All candidates are invited to attend and a number of them have indicated they will be there. The rally is open to the public.

Former Merkel Man's Wife Wins \$25,000 Contest

The wife of a former Merkel man has been named top winner in Dial Soap's National Oil Well Contest with a choice of a producing well or \$25,000 as her prize.

Mrs. Gilbert Walton of Vancouver, Wash., was notified last Thursday by J. W. Gillespie of Gillespie-Petersen Brokerage Co., brokers of Dial Soap, that she was first place winner with a two-line jingle she compiled in the national contest.

Her husband, a longshoreman, is the son of Mrs. N. E. Walton and Carrol Walton, both of Merkel.

Mrs. Walton said she actually completed over 20 entries and is not sure which one won the contest. She said she prints her entries and sends the wrappers or labels as required. When she is working on a contest she keeps a pad of paper and pencil near her bed at night to write down thoughts.

In 20 years of competing in contests, to help take some of the work out of housework, Mrs. Walton had won nothing, until two weeks ago when she won \$1,000 as a weekly prize in the same contest which made her one of the six finalists. For the top prize, she was in competition with the other five.

Official presentation of the prize is being held sometime this week on a Portland television program.

Mr. and Mrs. Walton have two sons, Steve, 15, and Jay, 18.

Merkel Man Wins Mortuary Award

C. B. Rust received the President's Award upon graduation from the Dallas Institute—Gupton Jones College of Mortuary Science Friday night.

This award, in recognition of outstanding scholastic achievement, is presented to students having a grade average above 95. Mr. Rust was one of 14 students to receive such an award, having maintained an average of 96.

Mr. Rust, a resident of the Merkel and Stith Communities for several years, has been connected with the Starbuck Co. of Merkel the past two years.



CAROLYN GRAHAM
to be duchess in court of Miss Photoeneer

Photo Of Trent Girl Wins Honor For Winters Studio At State Meet

Eddie Little, Winters photographer, received word from the Texas Photographers Association this week that his entry of a photograph of Carolyn Graham of Trent was runnerup in the Miss Photoeneer of Texas contest.

Miss Graham will be a duchess in the court of Miss Photoeneer at the state convention in Austin, July 3-6. She will be awarded a 16x20 inch portrait by the studio and will be presented at the annual awards banquet of the association at the Driskill Hotel on Saturday night, July 5. In addition to these honors she will be presented to radio audiences and at the annual Fourth of July celebration in Austin.

A sophomore in Trent High School, Miss Graham is a major and takes an active part in girls athletics. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Graham. Her mother is secretary at Merkel High School.

Little also received word that two other entries from the studio were in close competition for honors and received honorable mention. Marc Knox, Winters High School senior and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Knox, and Kay Spieler of Clifton High School, senior and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Spieler, were rated high by the judges. However, a studio was allowed only one duchess, and the one with the highest rating automatically becomes the studio duchess. Miss Graham, by being runnerup, became the representative from the local studio.

This is the second successive year a Little Studio entry has won in the contest.

Miss Spieler was a duchess last summer.

Other West Texas photographers, with winners were John Blackstock of Stamford and Frank Dunlap of Midland.

Miss Leen Meinke of Bay City won the title of Miss Photoeneer. Her photograph was entered by Lew Stewart of that city. Stewart is a nationally known photographer who last year achieved the unusual honor of having four of his pictures accepted for the national loan collection, which is made up of the top photographs in the entire United States.

Watermelon Feast Honors Kilowats

Members of the Kilowats Little League baseball team were given a watermelon supper by their managers, A. L. Fisher and Dewey Whisenhunt.

Those present were Mack Arnold, Jimmie and Jackie Darling, Lee Fisher, Richard Hernandez, Almer Barnes, Mack Hester, D. A. Bishop, Phillip Biera, Larry and Lannie Fisher, Jackie and Barbara Whisenhunt, Judy Yancey, Mrs. Whisenhunt and Mrs. Fisher.

Learn-To-Swim Program Advances

119 youngsters registered for the first week of Merkel's Learn-To-Swim Program which started Monday morning, according to Mrs. Elma McFarland, head of the local Red Cross office.

Registrations will be taken until Thursday noon for the second week of the program which starts Monday, June 30.

Classes are being held for beginners, intermediates, swimmers, junior life saving and senior life saving. Sharon Barron of Abilene is in charge of the local program.

Hours are from 8 to 12 a.m. with one hour each day devoted to each class.

Mrs. Ross Baker of 517 S. Center Street, Grand Prairie, former Merkel resident, underwent major surgery in Hendrick Memorial Hospital, Abilene, June 9, according to word received here. She will remain in the hospital for about ten more days then go to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Gene McCoy, 1966 Vogel, Abilene, to recuperate before returning to her home in Grand Prairie.

Supers Lead League After Taking Starbucks By One Run In Thriller

The two league leaders, Supers and Starbucks, locked horns in a thrilling game Tuesday night. The Supers edged the Starbucks by one run giving them a definite one game lead over the rest of the league. George McDonald was the winning pitcher.

Tuesday night's first game saw the Willies take the Bankers with the pitching of Jack Chancey.

Last Thursday night C. B. Rust pitched the Kilowats to a win over the Willies in the starting game. In the second the Cardinals

als beat the Bankers with Dub Goodwin the winning pitcher. Keith Wilson hit one of the longest balls ever hit in the Little League Park when he hit one over the fence for a home run.

Friday's game saw the league leading Supers beat the Cardinals with Sam Tipton's pitching. Rodney Robertson pitched the Starbucks to a win over the Bankers in the second game.

All members of the Merkel Little League were treated to a free show with popcorn and all the trimmings by the management of the Pioneer Theater after Friday night's games.

Camp Schedules Set At Lueders

Two camps will be held at Lueders Baptist Encampment grounds for youth of Baptist District 17 within the next few days.

The Young Women's Auxiliary retreat is slated for June 27-28 and the Junior Girls Auxiliary camp for June 30 - July 3.

The camp season opened with rally day on June 19 and the Intermediate GA camp was held June 23-26. More than 250 persons from 51 churches attended the Rally Day event.

Mrs. O. B. Woodrum of Abilene, district YWA counselor, will be in charge of the retreat for the older girls and Mrs. Harold Baird of Cross Plains, district GA director, will lead the Junior camp.

"Ye Shall be Witnesses" is the theme for the GWA retreat, which brings together an unusually good camp personnel. This will include Rev. Calvin Bailey, Hamilton, camp pastor; Estelle Freeland, Baird, missionary to Nigeria, West Africa; Mrs. Ulman Moss, who leads WMU of Venezuela; Mrs. Ivalay Bishop of Plainview, former YWA director of Texas, and others.

Activities will include a tea, talent parade, before-breakfast hike, swimming, and other events.

Rev. James Brandon, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Cottonwood, will be camp pastor for the Junior camp. Mrs. George Graham, Abilene, district WMU president, will give the morning devotionals.

Fifth Sunday Singing Set

The Taylor and Jones County fifth Sunday singing will be held at Pioneer Memorial Church, which is located 12 miles south of Merkel on Farm to Market road 126, Sunday, June 29, beginning at 2 p.m.

The public is invited to attend and take part in the singing, according to Joe Nalley.

Little League Schedule

Tuesday, July 1—
Cardinals vs Starbucks
Kilowats vs Bankers
Thursday, July 3—
Cardinals vs Bankers
Supers vs Willies
Friday, July 4—
Kilowats vs Supers
Starbucks vs Willies

Team listed first will be the home team and take the south dugout. First game will start at 6:25 and must be finished by 7:55. The second game will start at 8:05 and must be finished by 9:30.

Country Club Opening Set July 6

Opening date for Merkel's new country club has been set for Sunday, July 6 with open house scheduled from 2 to 6 p.m.

The nine hole golf course will be in playing condition about two weeks later.

The club will be open to the public on opening day, according to Nathan Wood, owner. "We would like everyone in the Merkel trade territory to come and inspect the new club and its facilities," Mr. Wood said.

The club house of rock construction and modernistic design, is located one mile north of Merkel.



Shown above are a small group of students and an instructor working in Merkel's Learn-To-Swim program.

NOODLE NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Yandell and children of Abilene visited in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Fellers, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbie Bullock and children of San Angelo were weekend guests in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Cox.

Mrs. Pete Toliver of Sinclair spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Spurgin.

Rev. and Mrs. Doyle Combs had as guests Sunday his parents of Loraine and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Holton and children of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Smith of Midland spent last weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Caldwell of here and Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Smith of Hodges.

Mrs. Billy Tarpley and children, Wesley and Brenda of Lincoln, Nebraska, are visiting her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dock Callaway, and Ernest and brother, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Dixon of here and Ralph Tarpley and family of Abilene. Billy who is in England is due home in July.

Mrs. Andrew Wheeler visited Mrs. Dock Callaway Monday.

Linda Dean is visiting with Mrs. Link Adair.

Mrs. George Cooper and sister, Mrs. Parker were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ted McAninch last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Townsen and baby of Larado spent last week in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Nath Maxwell and Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Jones. Mrs. Townsley is the former Nellie Flint.

Mrs. Rachel Parker returned to her home at Meridian after an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. George Cooper.

Mrs. C. P. Stevens and Mrs. W. B. Tarpley of Merkel visited Mrs. G. Y. Hudson Sunday.

George Benningfield of Abilene was a Sunday visitor in the home of his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Benningfield.

Mr. and Mrs. John Moore and children of Abilene were guests Sunday of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Fellers.

Mrs. F. O. Scroggins of Odessa was a visitor in the home of her mother, Mrs. J. E. Boaz, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Bicknell of Odessa were Saturday visitors in the home of Mrs. Bicknell's sister, Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Cox.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Caldwell and Paula and Mr. and Mrs. Willie Smith of Midland were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Lil Caldwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Buster Jones of Hodges spent Monday with her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Blue McCoy. A weekend visitor in the McCoy home was their son, Jake of Big Spring.

Paula Caldwell spent last week in Midland as guest of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Vessie Justice and son Roy were Breckenridge visitors Sunday with their daughter and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Poplin.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bales of Abilene visited Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Troy Sloan.

Guests Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Lucas were Paul and Ann Forshey and Jimmie Reeves.

Mr. and Mrs. Dock Callaway accompanied by their daughter-in-law, Mrs. Billy Tarpley, and children, Wesley and Brenda, who are visiting from Lincoln, Nebraska, went to Sweetwater Sunday, where the Tarpleys will visit a cousin, Mrs. Ernest Sneed, for a few days. They will go from there to Snyder for a short visit with Mr. and Mrs. Garvis Tarpley and Mr. and Mrs. Doris Melton before returning to their home in Nebraska.

Mrs. Henry Tatum, who has been ill since in January, is reported to be improving. She would appreciate having visitors.

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MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

Joe Hartley has completed his course in training at the Great Lakes Training Station and has been transferred to the Radio School at Harvard University at Cambridge, where he will remain about five months.

The Merkel Mail received an announcement of the birth of a fine baby girl at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dee Wilson, on June 3, 1918.

LOST: One carton of Prince Albert smoking tobacco between Abilene and Trent. Reward offered. Leave with Merkel Mail or J. E. Robinson, Trent, Texas.

Wm Brown had a business (?) engagement in Clyde last Sunday. Miss Eula Johnson who attends the C. I. A. at Denton will spend the summer at home in Trent.

Mrs. Homer L. Easterwood of Abilene visited homefolks several days this week.

R. H. Collins returned from an extended visit to his daughter, Mrs. V. D. Jones at Bagwell. Mr. Jones is cashier of the Bank of Bagwell. Milam Pike, an old Merkel boy, is assistant cashier of the bank and is getting along splendidly. Mr. Collins says crops are fine, and he never saw cotton better.

The Red Cross leader, Mrs. H. F. Groene was kept away from the work rooms most of the past week on account of sickness in the neighborhood.

MERKEL 40 YEARS AGO

Gordon Murry, student at A & M College, went on from College station to assume his duties with the Texas Company at Electre, where he is employed in the gasoline department.

Rev. and Mrs. Russell Pike of O'Donnell, who brought his grandmother Mrs. John Pike, home, returned Wednesday to their home. Other guests this week with Mrs. J. R. Dee were Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Guthrie and son, Allan Kimball of Big Spring.

Mrs. Clarence Walden and daughter of Jal, N. M., returned home Sunday after a weeks' visit with her mother, Mrs. L. A. Watts. Mrs. A. L. Walden and other relatives.

Mrs. Milton Case and two daughters, Cresta Key and Karen Sue, visited last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John G. Key of Winters, being joined on Sunday by Milton and Mr. and Mrs. Eli Case for the celebration of the first birthday of Karen Sue Case. Mr. and Mrs. Eli Case also visited with Mrs. Case's sister, Miss Barrett.

Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Campbell and three children of Lamesa returned home Friday after a visit here with his mother, Mrs. W. W. Campbell and her aunt, Mrs. J. H. Ensminger and other relatives.

Duke Evans, who started his career in the printing business in the Merkel Mail office and who is now owner of a printing establishment in Dallas, was a visitor at The Merkel Mail office last week.

Miss Tommy Evelyn, Grimes and her cousin, Miss Dixie Ruth Huffman of Wolfe City, returned Monday from a visit with their uncle, C. C. Jones in Paris. On Sunday they visited at Ft. Stockton and Balmorhea.

The same song is being sung by many others. Leon Keyserling, President Truman's Chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers, and Robert Nathan, of the Americans for Democratic Action, are two cases in point. Many labor leaders, of whom Walter Reuther is one example, are joining in the refrain. Apparently a substantial proportion of the public believes this story.

The fact is that the Eisenhower Administration did not cause the recession. Neither did the Federal Reserve Board, which frequently is charged with having brought on the downturn by its money policy. And neither can be justly criticized for having failed to try to meet the problems caused by the recession. If any criticism is due it is on the basis that both the Administration and the Reserve Board have been too prone to take action.

A second reason for the Conservative pessimism is that labor leaders, left-wingers, and the Democrat National Committee smell a great victory and are working the highways and byways to assure it. On the other hand, the more conservative element is inclined to take it easy and there has been a considerable number of Conservative members of the Congress who have announced they will not run for re-election. The reasons given for these withdrawals have ranged over a wide area, but in quite a few cases it is believed the real reason is a conviction that the trend away from conservatism is so strong they would have little or no chance of re-election.

A third reason is along the same line. It is the belief, widely held, that the trend is definitely away from conservatism and no one who does not support the liberal program has a chance from here on. There is no real basis for this belief, but it is exerting an enormous influence on current thinking.

A fourth reason is the recent primary in California. It had been widely recognized that Knowland

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By Ralph Robey

It is still too early for definite forecasts on the outcome of next November's elections, but there is almost endless discussion about the political prospects. Consensus at present is that, unless something is done, Conservatives will suffer one of the worst defeats in many years.

Note that we say "Conservatives", not Republicans or Democrats. The reason for this terminology is that some of the best Conservatives are Democrats, and some of the more extreme so-called liberals are Republicans.

Among reasons for this pessimism on the Conservative outlook, first place probably must be given to the recession. Among the New-Fair Dealers no opportunity is missed to blame the current business downturn upon the Eisenhower Administration. The "liberal" Republicans are not quite so outspoken in this regard, but many of them have little good to say for the Administration, and especially for the manner in which it handled problems arising from

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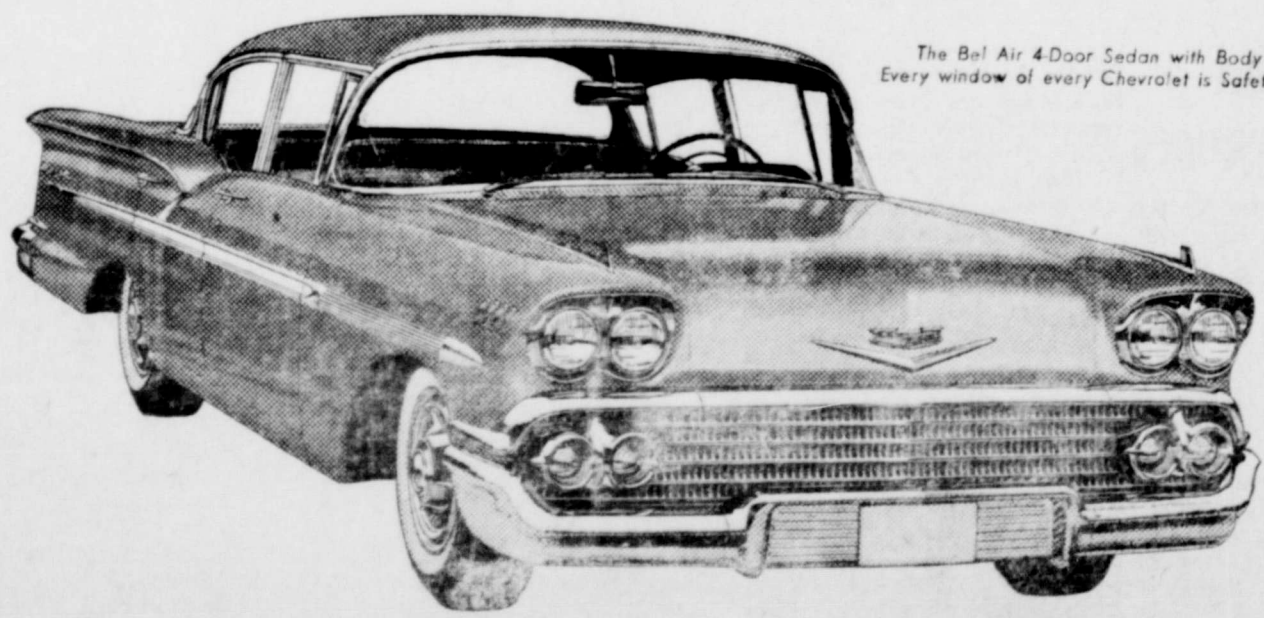
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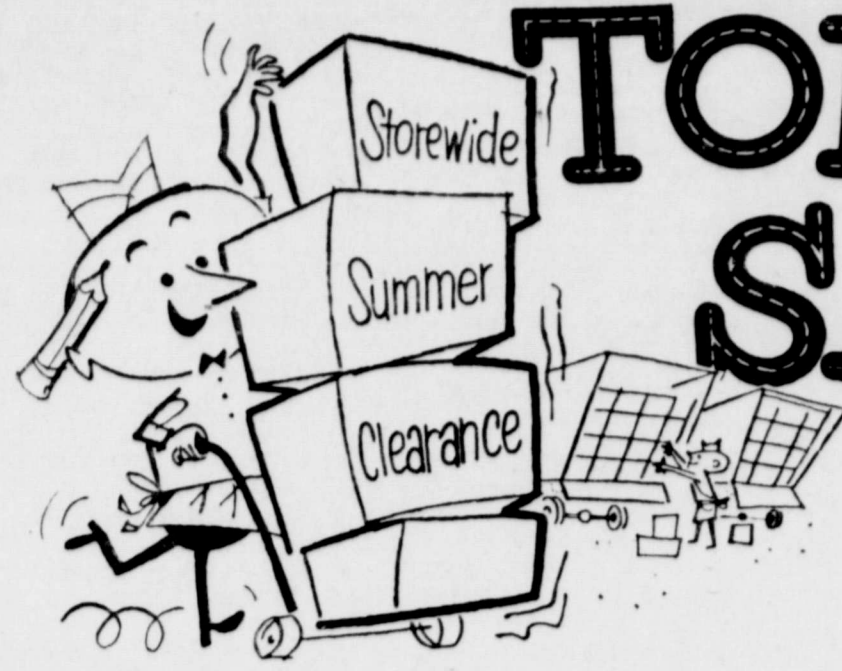
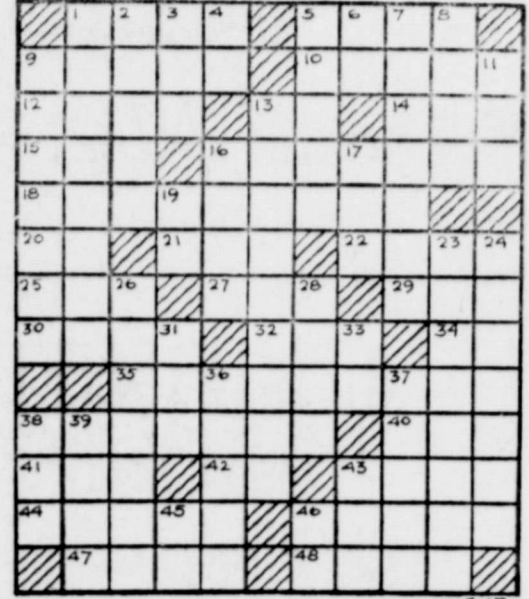
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 3. Malay coin
 4. Affirmative vete (var.)
 5. Booth
 6. Exclamation (Scot. var.)
 7. Slandered
 8. Aquatic bird
 9. Covered vehicle
 11. Placed
 13. Draft horse (Fr.)
 16. Saucy
 17. Hairy surface
- DOWN**
1. Explosive
 19. To word
 23. San
 24. Gnarled
 26. Sea urchin
 28. Food leav. ing
 31. Know (Scot.)
 32. Whether
 36. Coral island
 37. Man's name
 38. Thus (L.)
 39. A book of hours
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 46. Thus



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1 cup pineapple juice
1/2 cup lemon juice
1 watermelon, cut lengthwise
Watermelon meat, cut in cubes
1 quart chilled sparkling water
Mint leaves
Bring water to a full rolling boil in a saucepan. Remove from heat. Immediately add tea and crushed mint leaves. Brew 5 minutes. Strain and strain into container. Add

sugar. Stir until dissolved. Cool. Add fruit juices and watermelon cubes. Chill. When ready to serve, place block of ice or ice cubes in watermelon shell. Pour punch over ice. Add sparkling water. Serve in punch cup with sprig of mint.

Royal Tea Punch
(Makes about 25 servings)
2 cups boiling water
1 tablespoon tea
4 cups grape juice
2 cups grapefruit juice
4 cups gingerale or club soda
Sugar to taste
Bring 2 cups water to full rolling boil in saucepan. Remove from heat. Immediately add tea. Brew 4 minutes. Strain into pitcher holding remaining ingredients. Add sugar to taste. To serve, pour over block of ice in punch bowl.

HANK'S INVENTION

By Lyle Pace

EVERYBODY in Plainville said Ellen Mason was a sweet girl. No one could deny she was also the most beautiful young woman in town. She had money, too, or rather old man Mason, as they all called him, did. He was Ellen's father and owned the big factory that spread itself nearly over half the town. But that wasn't all he owned. There were other enterprises John P. Mason had his fingers in. So many, in fact, that the boys down at the barber shop joked about how John P., himself, didn't know how many things he was running at the same time. But about Ellen. Just nineteen and fresh as a new peach. She'd never been serious about any of the boys in town, and some said Ellen didn't know how to be serious about anything. That is, until Hank Lawson came to town to sell John P. on an idea. Hank Lawson had come to town just to see Ellen's father, but he didn't make a very good impression on John P. that first day. To sort of give you some background a minute, old man Mason was sort of eccentric. I mean in the way he dressed and turned up at the oddest places. Like meeting the train. Well, the day Hank came into town, John P. was just standing there on the platform watching the cars slow down, and as Hank stepped off the train he motioned to John P., thinking that Ellen's father was just hanging around the station, hoping to get a bag to carry and make himself a tip. "Say, old timer," Hank said. "Here's a quarter. How about you taking this bag down to the hotel for me?" Well, John P. never had lacked a sense of humor and so he went along with the idea. He took the quarter, picked up the bag and carried it down to his own hotel. The boys around the station got quite a kick out of it, and as John P. went out of sight, one of

then went up to Hank and grinned. "You picked a distinguished porter, son. You know who that is carrying your bag?" "First time in this town, mister," Hank said. "Can't say as he looks very distinguished to me." The boys chuckled over that and turned away. Hank scratched his head for a second, and walked to the hotel. He found out about John P. down there. He was all for taking the next train out of town. But of course he didn't, because that was when he ran into Ellen. He just about knocked her down as she was turning the corner from the hotel and he was on his way out with his bag. Hank put up in the hotel for a couple of days, and he managed to see Ellen quite a bit, too. They took a canoe up the river and went on a picnic together. It was about two thirty on that Saturday afternoon, and the day was getting hotter. There hadn't been a cloud for weeks, and all of a sudden there was a million of them and it started to pour. About that time, Hank and Ellen were out on the river in a canoe. When the rain was over about an hour later there wasn't a thing on the river, and everybody gave them up for drowned. Just when things got organized to drag the river and find out for sure, Ellen and Hank came walking into town. Hank and Ellen got married soon after that. They live up on Maple Street now and have a couple of fine little boys. John P. Mason's got a new business, too. He paid his son-in-law plenty for the idea Hank had come to town to sell him. Maybe you've seen it in the stores. You carry it in your pocket like a handkerchief. It inflates like a balloon, and in case you find yourself in water you can't get out of, you just blow it up. They call it Mason's Jiffy Life Raft.

Mrs. Jack Schenult and daughter Vickie, and Mrs. Don Doan and children Diann and Steve, of Stamford visited their parents. Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Doan and brother, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Doan and children. They were accompanied upon their return home by Velda, Donnie and Tommie Doan who will visit there for several weeks. Mrs. Edna Horton and Mrs. Richard Melton were guests the past week of their sister and brother, Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Moore of Seymour. Mrs. Adren Farmer and granddaughter, Lenna (of the White Church community spent last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Farmer. Mrs. Edna Hornton and daughter

Mrs. Bibby Toliver and children were weekend visitors in Plainview with their daughter and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Nutt and children. Mr. and Mrs. Whitt Farmer and daughter, Lena Fay of Ira and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Campbell and children of Haskell were recent visitors in the home of their parents. Mr. and Mrs. J. Hamp Campbell. Mrs. Mabel Dorton has returned to her home here after a visit in the home of her son, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. McFarland of Ft. Worth. Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Cyfert and daughter, Sharon and Keith Wilson are visiting in Cleburne. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilson spent several days in Ruidosa, N. M., this week.

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E. H. Thompsons Have Reunion

At a family reunion hosted by Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Thompson, 512 Manchester, which was held in the Community Center, Sunday, June 22, eight of their ten children, 16 grandchildren and seven great grandchildren were present. Those attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Thompson of Lamesa; Mr. and Mrs. Martin Barker, and Mr. and Mrs. William G. Scott; Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Richard J. Sallee and children, Clyde; Mr. and Mrs. Mason Barker and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Baker, Hawley; Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Ray and children, Knox City; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Barker and son, Anson, Rt. 2; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mitchell and children and Mrs. Elvin Bearden and children, Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Sanders and family, Montone, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. Omer Bishop and children, Odessa; Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Clyburn and son, Mr. and Mrs. Truett Thompson and son and Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Thompson all of Merkel.

Starr Rest Home

Everyone is fine at this writing. Mrs. Mae Nunnally of Denver, Colo., visited her mother, Stella Miller, last week. Rufus Carr and John Doggett of Blackwell visited Sarah Carr Sunday, June 15. Ruben Sanders, Abilene, Bill Miller of California and J. O. Smedley of Rowden visited N. A. Smedley Tuesday. C. M. Baird and family of Sweetwater visited their grandmother Gena Sunday. We want to thank Mrs. L. S. Kingsbury and Mrs. E. E. McLauren for the nice box of clothes and shoes they brought the home. We have a new patient, Mrs. Fields. We hope that she will like her new home. We want to thank the two nice ladies who brought the glasses, Mrs. Vernie Bell and another lady the nurse forgot her name. We were sorry that our vacation at Port Aransas was cut short on account of the storm. Sorry we did not catch any fish for our old folks as we did last year. Better luck next time. Rev. A. D. Smith of Sweetwater filled his appointment at the Rest Home Sunday at 3 p.m. Frank and Ethel Carr played and sang for him. We had several visitors who assisted with the singing. We enjoyed the service and invite him back again, also the visitors. Frank and Ethel Carr and their daughter, Mrs. W. C. Jones of Abilene came to the Rest Home Sunday and sang at 10 a.m. Keith Tarpley helped them with the singing also. Everyone enjoyed the good singing. Mrs. Allen Milligan of Colorado City visited the Rest Home Saturday. The patients were real glad to see her and was sorry she forgot her French Harp. Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Elliott of Jay's visited their mother, Mrs. E. C. Elliott, our night nurse. They also visited each patient. Gene Cade of Abilene visited his mother, Granny Cade Sunday. Granny Cade is going to be 100 years old July 3 so if any of her friends would like to visit her, we would be very glad to have them. Thanks to uncle Tom Bagby for the nice black eyed peas he brought us. They were really appreciated. We have a new patient, Mrs. Allie Milligan of Odessa. She came here from a Rest Home in Colorado City. She has been in our home before. J. W. Cole of Abilene visited his aunts, Mrs. Pearl Wiggins and Mrs. Jennie Jonlin, Friday. We want to thank Mrs. Morris, our afternoon nurse, for the nice pillow cases she brought the home. We had an unwelcome visitor Monday night. Some one came to some of the patients windows and rung a little bell. I am afraid if they do it again they might not be able to ring a bell if the law find them doing that again. Who ever it is if they are just playing pranks because their pranking may be cut short for we have things to protect the home and we will not tolerate people scaring and upsetting our old people so in case they try anything again they might not be able to be sorry.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Virgil D. Purser of Ft. Worth in the Osteopathic Hospital in that city on Tuesday, June 17. He has been named Lyndell Dean. Visitors in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Farmer and Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Farmer Tuesday were their niece, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Egger and daughters, Pamela and Sherry of Houston. The Eggers are also visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mervyn Farmer of Abilene.

UP THE CANYON

By TOM RUSSOM
Showers have fallen over the Canyon the past few days slowing down the thrashing of grain. Most of the wheat is out but a big oats crop remains to be cut.

The Canyon made the best grain crop that we can remember for many years. More oats were made than we ever had any record of.

The new crops are off to a good start. Some milo is past knee high beginning to head. Cotton is doing fine, and there is lots of hay cut and hauled in.

We noticed at Pioneer Church Sunday that people still looked tired from the big rush and strain of harvesting their crops. Both services at Pioneer Church Sunday were well attended. There was an addition, Mrs. Murrel Riggs, to the church membership Sunday night.

The ill of the community who have been in the hospital are improved and back home and able to attend church. W. T. Perry, stockman in the Mountain Pass area, said rain was needed in that area. He reported the needle grass is thriving but it is not good for sheep.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis McLean and daughter of Dyess Air Base attended church at Pioneer Sunday and were dinner guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dewell McLean. Peyton Scott, student in Texas Tech, Lubbock, spent the weekend here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Scott.

Joe Seymore, president of the Butman Community round up and social night, announces a meeting followed by a weiner roast on the first Saturday night in July. He urges everyone to come and bring their families. Tommie Swinney is employed at the youth camp and remarked that it really kept him on the go to get the job done.

This being the fifth Sunday, the Taylor and Jones County singing convention will be held at the Pioneer Church beginning at 2 p.m. Joe Nalley of Merkel is president and urges everyone to come and hear some real singing. Remember this coming Sunday at Pioneer. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Perry, formerly of Merkel, have moved to their son-in-law, Booth Ruskum's place. Clarence has been planting some feed on the place.

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We welcome them to our community. Rev. and Mrs. Lynward Harrison of Colorado City and Miss Lucile Hester of Big Spring are sponsoring two youth groups from the Big Spring district at the Youth camp at Butman this week. Both the Harrison's and Miss Hester are former residents of the Canyon.

PERSONALS

Fredlyn Farmer visited with his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Durlee Farmer and daughter Vickie Neil, of Tuscola Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Doan of Mineral Wells were guests of their son, Mr. and Mrs. Sammie Doan and children, Vickie and Steve, last week.

Mrs. Etsel Farmer and children accompanied by their mother and grandmother, Mrs. R. H. King of El Paso were visitors Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Adren Farmer.

Mrs. R. H. Cooley Jr., and three children, Sammie, Hugh Lene and Ellen of Lovington, N. M. were weekend visitors in the home of Rev. and Mrs. J. Alvis Cooley and daughters, Ruth and Reba.

Mr. and Mrs. Coy Baccus and son, Ricky, of Morgan City, La., and Binky and Andy Baccus of Kilgore spent last week in the home of their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Baccus.

Ray Browning of Houston is visiting his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Fulton. Mrs. Ina Hunter, Sara and Sandra Hunter, and Linda Leach are vacationing in San Antonio and Corpus Christi.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Gordon and sons and Mrs. Anna Dunn of Stamford visited Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Pee, Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Peady and Mrs. Gertrude Pee Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Leach and son Dick spent Saturday night in Slaton with Mrs. Leach's brother, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Baker. They all went to Friona and Hereford Sunday to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Winfrey and son of Salem, Ill., arrived Sunday for a visit with their friends, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Leach. Mrs. E. H. Thompson of Big Spring visited relatives here the past weekend.

Mrs. Richard Alston of Houston was a weekend guest in the home of her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Freeman and children and other relatives in Trent.

Sandra Freeman of Trent visited with Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hale of Roby last week.

Mrs. Price Moody of Stephenville was a guest in the home of Mrs. and Mrs. Clifton Smith, Merkel, Rt. 3, Thursday. H. E. Farmer of Dallas is a guest in the homes of his brothers, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Farmer and Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Farmer.

Barbara Sandusky, who teaches in the Roswell, N.M., schools is spending the summer vacation here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Sandusky and attending Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene.

Mrs. W. R. Cyfert, Mrs. Denzel Cox and Misses Lottie Butman and Mabel McRee attended a sub-district meeting of the Lula Belle circle at Wylie Tuesday, June 24.

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Home Demonstration Notes

By LORETA ALLEN

Taylor County Home Demonstration Agent



How nice it is to be writing this column for the next few weeks! In case you haven't already heard, I'm Sybil McDaniel, the Assistant Home Demonstration Agent and I'm going to be keeping you posted while your agent is away at school in Fort Collins, Colorado.

Colorado is wonderful I know, and so was the 1958 4-H Round-Up at Texas A & M College. Sherry Hull and June Owen, both Merkel girls, attended and participated in the contests at Round-Up. They gave their demonstration in the Farmer Cooperative Activity. There were three other girls who attended and participated in Round-Up by giving dairy food demonstrations. They were Carolyn Miller, Kay McAdams, and Joyce Grisham. The highlight of Round-Up was the 50th Anniversary celebration. 4-H club members had an opportunity to see some of the people who were members of the first 4-H club, then called the Corn Club.

Mary Louise Graham, the assistant agent in training, accompanied us to Round-Up. By the way, you will be seeing Mary Louise at the 4-H clothing workshop which will be held in Merkel beginning June 18. We are looking forward to a successful

4 days June 18, 20, 25, and 27th. Clothing is not the only concern, this is National Dairy Month, which spurs milk and milk products. Use milk to help balance the budget as well as the diet. Everyone has a favorite ice cream recipe, so why not use your favorite ice cream and make this quick ice cream pie? Simply use one baked 9-inch pastry shell or a graham cracker or cookie shell. In the shell, spread 1 qt. of your favorite ice cream. Top pie with meringue made of 2 egg whites, beaten stiff. Continue beating and add gradually 5 tablespoons sugar, 1/4 teaspoon cream of tartar and 1 teaspoon vanilla.

Cover ice cream completely to edge of pie to seal ice cream. Bake 3 minutes in 450 degree oven until lightly browned. Serve at once.

Isn't this a wonderful way to enjoy dairy products in summer meals? Don't forget to try a cold glass of milk in mid-morning or mid-afternoon to make sure all the family members get enough milk everyday.

The 4-H girls of Merkel and Trent are well underway in their 4-H clothing workshop. They are making school garments of cotton material. The younger 4-H girls are making simple gathered skirts. The ones that attended the workshop last year are making simple blouses in addition to the gathered skirt. There are 4 club girls making dresses in the workshop.

Mary Louise Graham and I have been making demonstrator visits in the afternoon to our 4-H vegetable demonstrators over the county. We visited Kay Ware, a member of the Countywide 4-H Club last week. Kay had healthy tomato plants, beans, and okra. She had harvested a good onion crop this year. Kay's family enjoyed vegetables from her garden most all winter. We visited Barbara Churchill, a Hamby 4-H Club member. Barbara had a new crop of radishes coming along as well as squash and okra.

Both girls were quite concerned about how to use insecticides on their plants. We passed along the following suggestions to them and thought they would be useful to anyone with a vegetable garden this summer.

- Here are some simple suggestions for safe use of insecticides:
1. Always read the label before using sprays or dusts and follow warnings on the label.
 2. Always store sprays and dusts in original containers. All sprays or dusts should be stored outside the home and out of reach of children.
 3. Avoid inhaling sprays or

FOR AND ABOUT TEENAGERS

Going Steady Popular With Teenagers

By Clare D. Smith

"GOING STEADY" HAS ITS DRAWBACKS... AND ITS GOOD POINTS TOO...



It must be exasperating to teenagers to have their parents continually saying: "Well, when I was your age I didn't do that." This seems to imply that if the parents didn't do it when young, then it's wrong for the offspring to do it. Several of my friends have exhausted my patience with their

in high school, doesn't mean my son shouldn't.

It seems to me that the kids miss out on a lot of fun. I've known teenage boys to turn down invitations to dances and parties because their "steady" wasn't invited. The same is true of girls.

I believe this current trend confines youngsters to a narrow circle of friends, and I don't think this is good.

Also, 90 per cent of these friendships must be broken up when high school is finished. The boy goes to one college, the girl to another. There is likely to be a period of unhappiness in such cases.

I would like to hear other views on the subject, from both parents and teenagers. What do you think?

If you have a teenage problem you want to discuss, or an observation to make, address your letter to FOR AND ABOUT TEENAGERS, NATIONAL WEEKLY NEWSPAPER SERVICE, FRANKFORD, KY.

Bluebonnet Club

Mrs. Sam Butman Jr. was hostess to the Bluebonnet Home Demonstration at the Community Center, Tuesday, June 17.

Mrs. Frank Brnovak opened the meeting with prayer. Roll call was answered with "My favorite one dish meal."

The program "Quick-trick cookery" was presented by Mrs. Brnovak, Mrs. Banning Butman and Mrs. Allen King Sr.

Mrs. Brnovak stated that delicious meals can be prepared in 20 minutes by using canned meats, vegetable and fruit. She displayed canned foods in various sizes which may be purchased economically and showed the group a one-dish meal which she had prepared.

Mrs. Butman gave recipes for quick desserts and Mrs. King hints on out door cookery.

Mrs. Ida Mae King entertained the 15 children present during the meeting and served them ice cream cones.

Mrs. Charles Myers and Mrs. Muriel Riggan were visitors. Eight members were present.

Miss Lottie Butman will be hostess at the next meeting Tuesday, July 1, in her home at Merkel.

Union Ridge HD

The Union Ridge Home Demonstration club met in the home of Mrs. Clyde Newton, Friday, June 20, with Mrs. Denzel Cox, president, presiding.

Mrs. J. H. Clark said the prayer.

The program "Quick-trick cookery" was presented by Mrs. O. E. Harwell and Miss Mable McRee. Canned foods were displayed and several recipes given which require but a short time to prepare.

Miss McRee gave the council report.

Club pals were revealed and refreshments served to two visitors Linda and Kay Newton of Abilene, and seven members.

Gleaner Class Party Held In Johnny Cox Home

Mrs. Johnny Cox assisted by Misses Connie and Alzada Pogue hosted a morning party for the Gleaner class of the First Methodist Sunday School at the home of Mrs. Cox, 212 Cherry, Wednesday, June 11.

Mrs. Ross Ferrier, newly elected president, presided for the short business session.

Mrs. John Shannon, secretary, read the minutes and Miss Babe McRee, treasurer, gave a report. Mrs. Shannon led the group in prayer and Mrs. Denzel Cox gave the devotional.

Refreshments were served to Mmes. A. H. McElmurray, Ruby

Grimes, F. Y. Gaither, Lu Petty, R. O. Anderson, Roy Largent, Leon Toombs, D. H. Vaughn, Herbert Patterson, Marvin Douglas, Winnie Cypert, Lee Tipton, J. Alvis Cooley, Delia Kuyken-Cox, Shannon, Ferrier, Johnny Cox, and Misses Lottie Butman, McRee and Pogue.

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County Commissioner Precinct 2 Rufe Tittle

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Dudley Boyd Hampton, Defendant, Greetings:
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 104th District Court of Taylor County at the Court-house thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 21st day of July A.D. 1958, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 13th day of March A.D. 1958, in this cause, numbered 8421-B on the docket of said court and styled Verna Lucille Hampton, Plaintiff, vs. Dudley Boyd Hampton, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: plaintiff and defendant were married on or about April 10, 1949, and separated on or about the 9th day of December, 1954.

Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of harsh and cruel treatment.

Plaintiff alleges that no children were born of this marriage and no community property ac-

cumulated, 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 June A.D. 1958.

Attest: R. H. Ross Clerk, 104th District Court Taylor County, Texas. By Irene Crawford, Deputy. (SEAL)

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and granddaughter, Patricia, of Mr. and Mrs. William Sheppard Big Spring visited Mrs. Sheppard's aunt, Mrs. W. M. Elliott, Friday.

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I followed the Charles Stark weather trial with some interest, and frankly it has given me considerable pause. Charlie, as you doubtless know, is the champion people-slayer of the post-war era. He did his work in the non-traffic category, personally accounting

for no less than eleven of his fellow-citizens.

A matter of fact, this young man was as rough on people as the youngster with a new BB gun is on the neighborhood sparrows. No telling what sort of records he might have established had he not been apprehended when he was.

Some interesting testimony was developed at the trial by a battery of psychiatrists, specialists, and witnesses. For example, one clinical psychologist observed that the trouble with Charlie was that he felt insecure. "He wonders if those closest to him really love him," he said.

You know how it is with a sensitive boy like Charlie. Then too, you can appreciate how those closest to him felt about it, too. In fact, the closer they were—the easier it is to understand what they were thinking.

One official observed that the only thing wrong with Charlie was that he had a personality disorder and was "anti-social." Imagine calling the lad anti-social just because he kills eleven people!

I don't want to get into a discussion on capital punishment because somebody would surely take exception to what I have to say. However, now that the verdict is in and the death penalty has been pronounced, I do do hope we have been fair.

Numerous Texas organizations have provided assistance to the Gonzales Warm Springs Rehabilitation Foundation in many ways, and we are most appreciative of this assistance. We are pleased now to report that the Texas Junior Chamber of Commerce, at its recent state convention, approved the Foundation as a recommended state-wide project.

The Jaycees, a bunch of real dedicated go-getters, will provide various types of assistance including the dissemination of information about the Foundation. They will help carry the message that many types of disabilities other than polio are being effectively treated and that popular support is needed as much as ever for this humanitarian program.

Walter H. Richter

Mrs. F. Y. Gaither and Mrs. Ruby Grimes and grandson, Stevie Musser of Arlington, spent last weekend in Austin. Mrs. Gaither visited with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Garner and Mrs. Grimes and Stevie were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Grimes.

Looks Like Cinch For Price Daniel

This summer's race for the governorship of Texas starts with Price Daniel as the overwhelming favorite for re-election, according to results of a state-wide survey by The Texas Poll just completed.

These were the replies given by a cross section of voters shown a list of the candidates and asked, "Which of these men would you like to see win the race for governor?"

Price Daniel	60%
W. Lee O'Daniel	16
Henry B. Gonzales	6
Joe A. Irwin	*
Don Booker	*
Alvis Vandygriff	*
Undecided	18
Total	100%

*Mentioned by less than one-half of 1%.

Since the survey was completed, Alvis Vandygriff has withdrawn, leaving it a five-man race. But Governor Daniel's majority support is so high that the contest, at least now, looks like a runaway race that will give him the Democratic nomination without a runoff.

The governor, however, is campaigning not only on his own behalf but to insure that the liberal wing Democrats of Texas do not take control of the state's Democratic Party of which he is titular head. For Daniel knows from his own experience that in the two months before the primary election it is possible to topple a seemingly unbeatable candidate.

In June 1946, when Daniel ran for attorney general of Texas, a Texas Poll showed him with 34 per cent of the votes and Pat Neff Jr. far in the lead with 66 per cent. Yet a July poll showed Daniel to have captured 45 per cent to Neff's 55. By election day Daniel came in ahead, with slightly over 50 per cent.

O'Daniel has opposed Daniel for the governorship once before

—two years ago in the first primary. O'Daniel ran third with 22 per cent of the votes cast, behind Ralph Yarborough's 29 per cent and Daniel's 40 per cent. Today more than ever the name of "Pappy" O'Daniel seems to have lost the spell it held in the 30's and 40's, when he defeated all comers to become both governor and U. S. senator. Not only does he poll a mere 16 per cent of the electorate in the latest survey, but he faces a negative vote larger than any of the other candidates, as shown by this question interviewed also asked in the survey:

"Are you definitely against any of these men?" (Respondents were shown the list of candidates for governor.) The results:

Against Daniel	5%
Against O'Daniel	20
Against Gonzales	14
Against Idwin	11
Against Booker	1
Against Vandygriff	1

State Senator Gonzalez, running as a liberal, faces the major task of making himself known to the voters, while his two leading contenders carry names well established in Texas politics. Only 48 per cent of qualified voters told interviewers that they had ever heard or read about Gonzalez, while close to 100 per cent said they were familiar with Daniel

and O'Daniel. The results of this Texas Poll are based on face-to-face interviews made in all sections of the state with people who either have a poll tax receipt or an exemption for voting. Interviewers were proportionately distributed to represent cities and rural areas and men and women of all ages, races, and economic levels.

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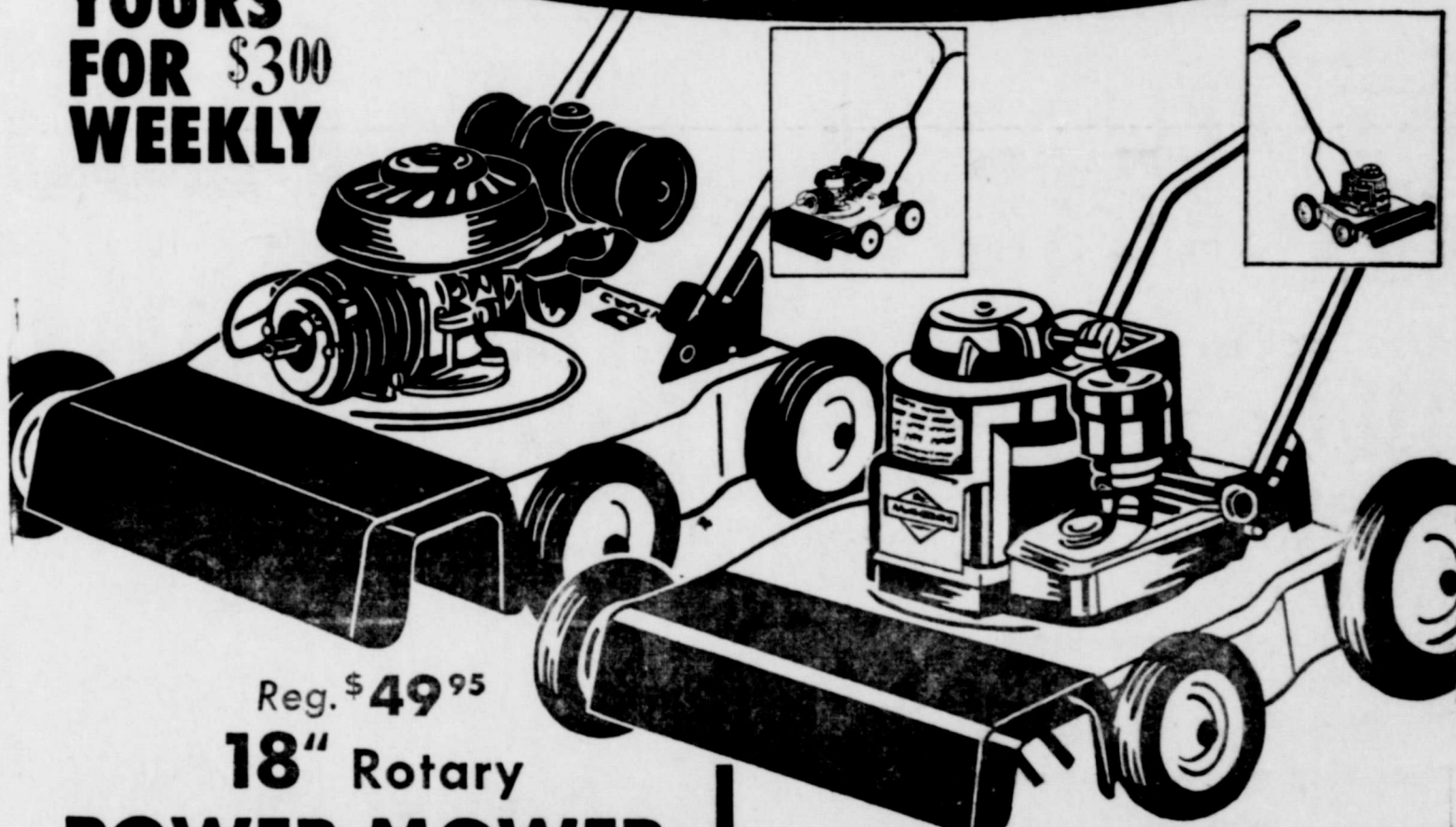
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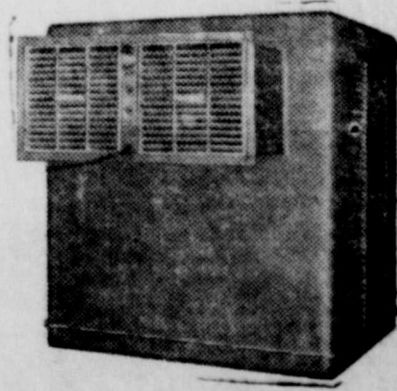
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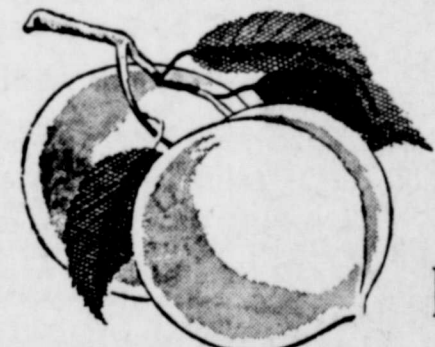
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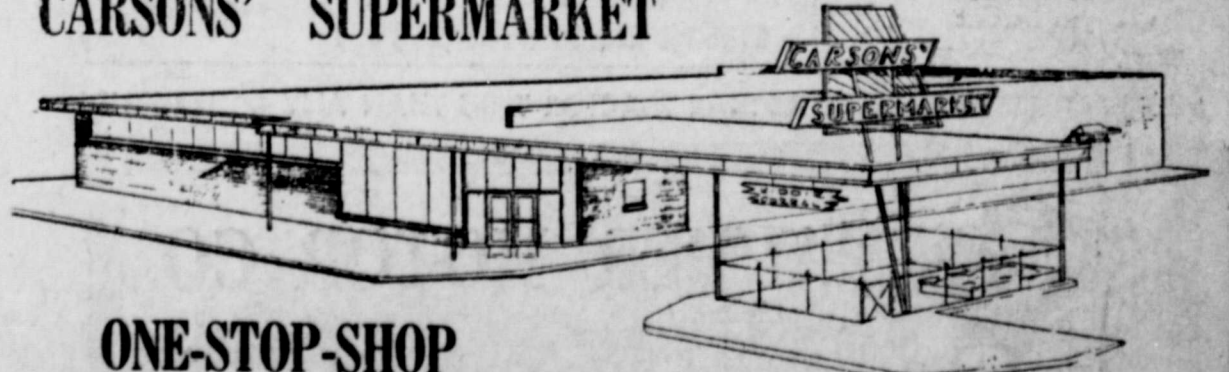
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