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ANDREW J. BARBEE SUCCUMBS FRIDAY

Funeral for Andrew J. Barbee, prominent Jones County stock farmer and longtime resident of the Noodle community, was held at 3 p.m. Sunday in Merkel Church of Christ with Dr. Rex P. Kyker of Abilene Christian College and Bill Love of Noodle Church of Christ officiating.

Mr. Barbee died of a heart attack at 5:30 p.m. Friday while enroute from Noodle to his home some three miles north.

He was born July 8, 1889, in Fisher county and was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Barbee, pioneer Fisher and Jones County ranchers. He was married March 1, 1911, to Leta Callaway, who survives.

Also surviving are six sons and two daughters, Carl of San Bruno, Calif., Lowell of Merkel, A. J. Jr. of 1201 Park Ave., Abilene, Mrs. J. E. Touchstone of Hawley, Weldon of 5557 N. 9th St., Abilene, Glen of Soap Lake, Wash., Mrs. L. B. Redd, Akron, Ohio and Bobby of Trent.

Other survivors include six sisters and one brother Mrs. Evelyn Kahrs and Mrs. Leon Fairley, both of El Paso, Mrs. W. L. Barclay of Wichita Falls, Mrs. Joe



ANDREW J. BARBEE

Paul of Abilene, Mrs. Bob Smith of Sacramento, Calif., Mrs. Clarence Eoff of Bakersfield, Calif., and Donald Barbee of Capitola, Calif., 16 grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Barbee celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary March 5 at Noodle. He was a member of the American Hereford Assn. and in 1947 was named Outstanding Farmer of the Middle Clear Fork District. He was a member of the Church of Christ.

Pallbearers were Gerald Derick, Frank Carter, Troy Sloan, H. H. Boaz, and John Sosebee, both of Anson and H. R. Chancey, Calvin Wade and Glyn Tarpley, all of Abilene.

Honorary pallbearers were H. R. Chancey, Claude Smith, Otto Sosebee, Jack Benningfield, John Carr, Dick Herring, Sam Swann, Carson Hatfield, Pete Rutledge, Oscar Buford Karl Bonneaux, R. G. Anderson, Luke Huddleston, Ollie Fox, Louie Herring, Bud Toombs, Bill Lepord, J. E. Boaz Jr., Jim Cook, Buck Cook, Nig Rainwater and Frank Sosebee.

Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery under the direction of Starbuck Funeral Home.

Taylor Electric Plans Mailing Of Refund Checks

Taylor Electric Cooperative, Inc. will mail capital credit refund checks in the amount of \$36,689.60 to approximately 4,000 consumer-members on Dec. 15, according to Henry Roberts, president of the Board of Directors.

The refund goes to those customers who were served by the cooperative in 1951 and the board intends to make a refund each year from the cooperative's yearly operating margin, Roberts said.

Lester F. Dorton, general manager, says the operating margins of the cooperative have increased each year and the refund figure for 1960 is \$136,565.96. This money, in keeping with present plans, should be paid by 1970.

Cemetery Arch To Be Erected By Trent Club

The Trent Garden Club has undertaken the project of erecting an arch over the entrance to the Trent Cemetery and will plant shrubs, both to be completed before Christmas.

Inspection on the arch will be "Trent Garden of Memories."

The following persons have made cash donations for the project: Christine Collins, Merkel, Mrs. Gertrude Ogletree, Trent, Mrs. Louie McRee, Abilene, and Ellis Freeman, of Houston and Jeff Anderson, Trent.

D. A. Lees Lose \$200 In Burglary

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Lee, who operate a grocery store and motel on West Highway 80, returned home this week from a trip to Washington, D. C. to find that someone had broken into their home and store, and the hail had damaged their motel buildings.

They estimate their loss in the robbery at \$200. Items taken included cigarettes and canned goods.

The Lees said valuable papers had been taken from drawers and thrown about the house and store. Although there are no clues as yet, an investigation is underway.

Mrs. Pomroy, Longtime Merkel Resident, Dies

— Mrs. Sarah Emerline Pomroy, 93, a longtime resident of Merkel, died at 3:45 p.m. Tuesday Nov. 28, at Sadler Clinic-Hospital after a short illness.

Born July 15, 1868 in Henderson County, Tenn., she married J. W. Pomroy on Nov. 15, 1885. They moved to the Shiloh community in Jones County in 1904. Mr. Pomroy died in 1924. She moved to Merkel in 1931.

Mrs. Pomroy was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church. Funeral was held at 2:30 p.m. Thursday in Starbuck Funeral Chapel with the Rev. Darrell Gleghorn, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church, and the Rev. Bill Swindler, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Trent officiating.

Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

She was survived by one sister, Mrs. Minnie McGregor of Big Spring; one son, Jack of Merkel; five daughters, Mrs. Minnie Hall and Mrs. Lula Woods of Trent, Mrs. Ed Mays of Santa Monica, Calif., Mrs. Ruth York of Merkel and Mrs. Claude Rosson of Taft; 18 grandchildren and several great and great-great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were grandsons, Claude Rosson Jr., Odell Pomroy, Tommie Pomroy, James Pomroy, Earnest Hall, I. J. Hall and Robert Hall.

Merkel Students Will Tour With McMurry Band

Elisa Dee (Bitsy) West and Sharon Cybert of Merkel, both members of the McMurry College 1961 band will be with the group on their annual fall tour when they perform in eight towns in West Texas and Oklahoma.

Miss West is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Eager of 708 Oak St. She is a sophomore at McMurry and is majoring in biology. She is a member of the Kappa Phi women's social club.

Miss Cybert is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. R. Cybert. She is a freshman at McMurry and her major course of study is elementary education.

The band is directed by Dr. Raymond T. Bynum, a member of "Who's Who in the Southwest" and the American Bandmaster Association. He has been director of the McMurry band for 15 years, and is widely known throughout the Southwest for his ability and showmanship.

Riding Club Wins Trophy In Contest

Several members of Merkel's riding club, the Brush Stomper, went to Baird Saturday to participate in play night and walked away with five first places, five seconds, two third places and a trophy.

In the children's group, Merkel won two second places and one third.

The ribbons and trophy are on display this week at Barbara's Beauty Shop.

Contestants from the local club included Walter Whisenunt, Jar-Pinckley, Benny Melton, Myrtle Davis, Del Davis and Barbara Whisenunt.

Curtis Family New Merkel Residents

S-Sgt. and Mrs. Roland C. Curtis, who have just returned from Chateauroux, France, where they spent three years, are new residents of Merkel.

Curtis, who is stationed at Dyess AFB, has been in the service for nine years.

The couple has three children, Dawnita J., 6, James E., 3, and Vereen L., 2. They live at 308 Locust Street and are members of the Baptist Church.

FETED SUNDAY

W. C. Burlinson was honored on his 80th birthday Sunday with a turkey dinner hosted by his children.



PICTURED ABOVE are children who had their photographs made in a contest conducted here by Lucas Studio. From left, top row, are: Cynthia Mayhugh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Mayhugh; Janie Clark, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Junior Clark; Russell Earle Watts, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ned Watts; second row, Bill Clift, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Clift; Brad and Tony Shugart, children of Mr. and Mrs. Duane Shugart; third row, Tammy Joyce Thomas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Thomas; Verna Ann Perkins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Borden E. Perkins; Joe Patterson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Patterson; bottom row, Troy Henager, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Henager; David and Johnny Jones, children of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Jones; and Johnny Mark Holmes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Billy F. Holmes.

LOCAL CHURCH SLATES CHRISTMAS CANTATA

The 30-voice Sanctuary Choir of the First Baptist Church of Merkel will present the Christmas cantata "A Song Unending" at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 10 in the church.

This is the third Christmas cantata directed by the minister of music, Sam Ligon. A senior student at Hardin-Simmons University, Ligon has led the Merkel choir for two years.

Solists for the cantata music include Mrs. Buck Leach, soprano; Mrs. Don Riney, soprano; Mrs. Wm. B. Sawyer, alto; Charles Warford, tenor and Ligon, baritone.

The pastor of the church, Rev.



(AHTNC) — Army Pfc Edwin D. Higgins, whose wife, Virginia, lives at 312 Reading St., Abilene, recently was graduated from the 82nd Airborne Division Jump School at Fort Bragg, N. C. Higgins received his paratrooper wings after completing four weeks of intensive ground and aerial training which included five parachute jumps. The 82nd, a Strategic Army Corps (STRAC) unit, maintains an immediate readiness force for airborne deployment to any area in the world. The 21-year-old soldier entered the Army in June 1958 and completed basic training at Ft. Carson, Colo. Higgins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ardean E. Higgins, 405 Yuca St., Merkel, is a 1958 graduate of Merkel High School.

Army Offers Enlistees Leave For Christmas

A Christmas leave policy is being offered by the U. S. Army to men enlisting from Dec. 11 through New Year's Day. They may request as much as 15 days leave before reporting for basic training.

With this leave policy volunteers can enjoy the holiday season at home and still draw full pay and allowances from the U. S. Army.

As of Dec. 1, all men enlisting in the Army for a period of three years will be flown to Fort Ord, Calif. for their eight weeks of basic training. Fort Ord is situated along the Pacific Ocean 150 miles south of San Francisco and five miles north of Monterey.

Those who desire more information on the Christmas leave policy and travel opportunities may contact Master Sergeant Leonard M. Evans at the U. S. Army Recruiting Station at 430 Pine St. in Abilene or phone OR 2-5965, collect.

Henry Porter Succumbs At 87

William Henry Porter, 87, former Mulberry Canyon resident, died Nov. 30 in Lamesa. Funeral service and burial was in Lamesa.

Born in Mansfield, La., Mr. Porter moved to Center, Texas when he was a boy. He came to Taylor County June 19, 1900, and worked on ranches and farms for a few years. He farmed for many years on a place between Blair and Nubia. In 1921 he moved to Lamesa where he farmed until he retired several years ago.

He was married to the former Ola Walker of Merkel.

Mr. Porter was a member of the Baptist Church and belonged to the Woodmen of the World lodge.

Survivors include his wife; three daughters, Mrs. Oro Dunsforth, Mrs. Beatrice McCombs and Mrs. Eleanor Gillispie; four sons, Wierman, J. C., Blanton and Burnell; 22 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

Cross Plains Man Is 'Top Reader'

K. W. Jordan, upholsterer and wood finisher, Cross Plains, has been named the adult "reader of the month" by the Bookmobile for November.

Jordan is an enthusiastic patron of the Bookmobile. He checks out books on woodworking, upholstery, gardening and other books related to his trade. He also asks his employees to make use of the Bookmobile in connection with their trade.

A resident of Cross Plains for 35 years, Jordan has been engaged in the wood finishing business for the past 45 years.

The junior "reader-of-the-month" is Judy Neeb, a student at Butterfield School in the Caps community.

Cemetery Fund

The following persons made contributions to the Merkel Cemetery Association fund:

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon B. Simpson

Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Anderson in memory of A. J. Barbee.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. J. Brown in memory of A. J. Barbee.

ROBERT MALONE BUYS IMPLEMENT COMPANY

Robert Malone, who recently purchased the H. E. Cockrell Implement Co. located on North Second St., announced the re-opening of the business this week.

Turkey Shoot Slated By Lions

The Merkel Lions Club will sponsor a turkey shoot from 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 17, at Tipton's Gravel Pit one mile south of Merkel.

There will be contests for all boys, shot guns and pistols. A "kiss shoot" will also be held for children 10-15 years of age.

Stith News

By MRS. FRITZ HALE

We are having cloudy, damp weather which will slow cotton harvesting.

There was a good attendance at the Stith Baptist Church Sunday morning.

Jerry Black, son of Mrs. Ben Nicholas, who is stationed in California is home on furlough.

Hugh Taylor went hunting near Junction the past week and brought home a deer.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Mashburn and daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Brindley of Midland, spent a few days the past week at Bay City with Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Bates.

The Rev. and Mrs. Bob Carter and Angela were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Pick Payne.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Berry visited Sunday in Anson with Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Butler and Mrs. John Green.

Mrs. Auther Warren of De Leon visited her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones, the past week.

Fritz Hale entered Sadler-Clinic Hospital the past Wednesday. His son, Jones Hale of Midland, visited him Sunday.

Glasses Being Collected Here For Overseas

The Merkel Lions Club is collecting discarded eye glasses that are usable to ship overseas.

Anyone having glasses, which need to be in a case, may leave them at Merkel Drug or Carson's Supermarket.

The drive, sponsored by Texas Lions, will continue until Jan. 1. A total of 25,000 pairs of glasses are needed before they can be shipped.

Former Canyon Resident Dies

Mrs. Addie Brown, 81, of Fort Worth died Sunday, Nov. 26, in a hospital there after a lengthy illness.

Funeral services were held Monday at 4 p.m. in Lucas Funeral Chapel, Fort Worth. Burial was in the Garden of Memories Cemetery there.

Mrs. Brown was born in Mulberry Canyon. She was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Clark, pioneer residents of that community.

She was married to W. M. Brown in 1900 and they moved to Fort Worth in 1917. He died in 1955.

Mrs. Brown was a member of the First Methodist Church.

Surviving are four daughters, Mrs. J. K. Merfield, Mrs. C. B. Shaver and Mrs. Bert Fitch, all of Fort Worth and Mrs. W. B. Snow of Houston, one son, Cecil Brown of Fort Worth, two brothers, B. F. Clark, Yellville, Ark. and J. H. Clark, Merkel; three sisters, Mrs. J. T. Coats, Merkel, Mrs. Scott Wilson, Abilene and Mrs. E. D. Leslie, Fort Worth; seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

3 C-C Directors To Be Named Here

Members of Merkel Chamber of Commerce have been sent cards on which to indicate their choice of three new directors to be named for a three year term.

The nominating committee, composed of Fred Starbuck, Ford Smith Jr. and Mack Fisher, submitted the following names to choose the three from: W. S. J. Brown, Ray Wilson, W. D. Gamble, Earl Hughes and Betty Jane Tittle.

Retiring directors are Adelle Elkins, Newt Logan and Kent Satterwhite.

Volunteers Hang Yule Decorations

Christmas decorations in downtown Merkel were put up last week by volunteers from Taylor Electric Cooperative, Taylor Telephone Cooperative and West Texas Utilities Co.

A string of lights and decorations which were destroyed last year by vandals, was replaced by the Chamber of Commerce.

The new decorations were purchased last year with funds donated by merchants and individuals.

STATE CAPITAL Highlights AND Sidelights by Vern Sanford

AUSTIN, Tex. — More than 600 "Texans for Tourists" attended Gov. Price Daniel's conference on Tourism. They took a long look at sources and resources that can be used to promote national advertising of the state's visitable virtues.

While here, they decided to set up a non-profit organization called the Texas Tourist Council. Tentatively scheduled was an organizational meeting for January 10, "or during the next session of the Legislature."

Texas Tourist Council will seek the reverse effect of another group who tried to exploit the state — the carpet-baggers. It was the influence of the latter that caused the Legislature to prohibit the use of state funds for advertising Texas' attractions 36 years ago.

Governor Daniel said, "Now the march of time has come full circle . . . we find ourselves engaged in a vigorous economic competition which might be called, in a friendly way, another 'war between the states'."

He referred to the battle for tourists — third largest industry in the nation; the 13th in Texas. Texas Tourist Council will seek \$300,000 a year from the Legislature, for advertising tourist attractions. Texas law now requires that state funds be matched by business and industry. So some system of financial subscription will have to be devised.

BANKERS ASKED FOR IDEAS — Governor Daniel sent a letter to the Texas Bankers Association asking the bankers to present a proposal for protecting the rights of bank depositors.

He recommended that newspaper ads be published by the banks to locate owners (or heirs) of accounts inactive for more than seven years.

Governor Daniel added that proper notice to the state of an escheatable property would be "an incidental result of this protection."

He said the subject will be submitted very soon to a special session of the Legislature and asked the TBA to present its own proposal before December 20.

"The reason for the urgency is the known fact that a sizeable number of national banks are transferring these dormant deposits to the profits of the banks without advertising for the lost owners," he wrote.

"I believe most Texas bankers will agree that this is a practice which should be stopped for the protection of the good name of the banking profession in Texas, as well as for the protection of the rights of missing owners and the rights of the State if no owners exist."

WILSON ANNOUNCES — Attorney General Will Wilson has announced as a candidate for governor.

The 49-year-old Dallas native said he has remained loyal to his party, but is "an independent Democrat who wears no man's collar and is not a captive candidate of any faction group."

SHIVERS IN THE NEWS — There's considerable talk in Austin about the possibility of Former Gov. Allan Shivers running again.

This surprised some since Shivers backed Jack Cox in 1960 and Cox is the Republican candidate.

Rumor started with Shivers' statement that: "If I get involved in politics at all next year it will be as a candidate."

HEALTH AND WELFARE COORDINATION — Speaker James A. Turman announced appointment of an advisory committee, composed of Representatives George Richardson of Fort Worth, Obie Jones of Austin and Jim Markgraf of Scurry, to help the Texas Legislative Council study coordination of the state health and welfare agencies.

Study was requested by the 57th Legislature in view of the fact that 90 per cent of every state dollar expended is for highways, education, public health and welfare.

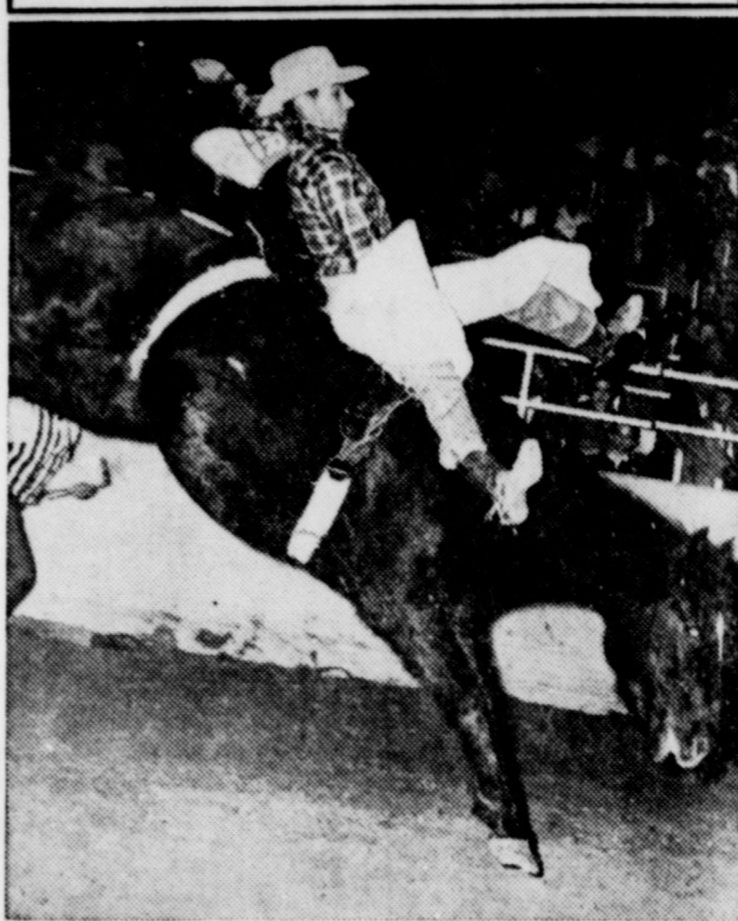
All but the health and welfare agencies are centrally coordinated.

TEXTBOOK STUDY — Five representatives have been appointed to an interim committee to study contents of textbooks used in public schools. Particular attention will be paid of those relating to American heritage, traditions, philosophy and history.

Representatives W. T. Dungan of McKinney, Bob Bass of DeKalb, John C. Alaniz of San Antonio, Nelson Cowles of Hallsville and Ronald E. Roberts of Hillsboro are to report their findings to the 58th Legislature.

PAROLE OFFICERS NAMED — Some real hope for helping the more than 2,000 present parolees from state training schools at Gatesville, Gainesville and Crockett came from the announcement that four state juvenile parole officers

A ROUGH RIDE IN 'WORLD SERIES'



The top cowboys of 1961 who will compete in the National Finals Rodeo Dec. 27-31 at Dallas are due for the roughest riding in the sport of rodeo. Pictured is Harry Tompkins of Dublin, Texas, world championship cowboy of 1960 who again has qualified for rodeo's "world series" in Dallas.

have been employed.

Herbert K. Baldry will serve in Harris County; Jesus Chavez Bonilla, El Paso; Dallas W. Clark, Bexar; and Elton D. Strother in Tarrant. A Dallas County officer hasn't been selected yet. A state director will probably be named after December 14.

Texas Youth Council Director Dr. James A. Turman has expressed hope that the Legislature soon will appropriate more funds to expand the juvenile "prevention and parole" program throughout the state.

SHORT SNORTS

A statewide effort to awaken the conscience of every driver in behalf of safe and legal driving will be undertaken on December 10. "Safety Sunday" will feature the cooperation of church congregations with the Governor's Highway Safety Commission and citizen traffic safety support groups. It will signal the opening of the annual Christmas-New Year's holiday traffic safety campaign.

The Highway Commission approved the expenditure of \$15,000,000 for additional safety features to improve Farm to Market roads. Program provides for work on 2,943 miles of FM roads in 182 counties.

S. R. Scott visited the past week with his father, J. A. Scott, of Tahoka.

Game Wardens Apprehend 351 In September

Despite constant reminders to buy fishing licenses, game wardens were kept busy during September writing tickets to persons who ignored the law.

Wardens apprehended 152 hunters and fishermen without licenses, among the total of 351 violators arrested for the month, according to J. B. Phillips, coordinator of law enforcement.

Persons arrested for hunting during closed season totaled 31.

An additional 17 hunters were charged with taking quail during closed season. Automobile hunters accounted for 26 arrests. Arrests were for hunting at night and 13 more were for unplugged shotguns.

The 351 violators paid fines and costs totalling \$9,403.

Mr and Mrs. Jimmie Campbell and children of Haskell and Mrs. Whitt Farmer of Trent were weekend visitors in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hamp Campbell. Other visitors in the Campbell home were his sister and daughter, Mrs. Mary Tittle and Mrs. Delton Jones, both of Trent.

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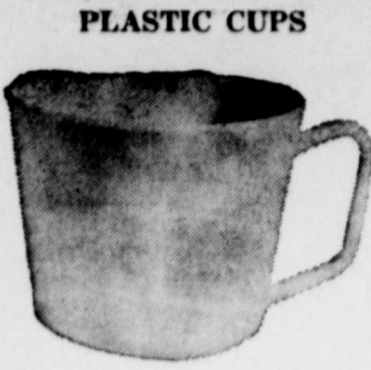
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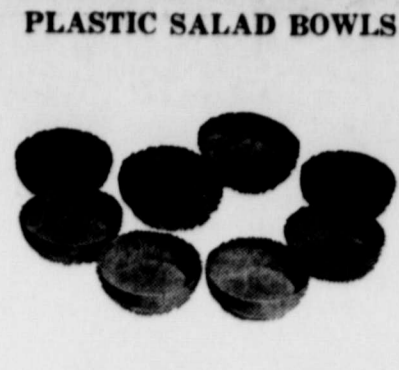
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TRENT COUPLE MARK 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. O'Rear, in two and one-half years, they celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with an open house in their farm home Sunday from 2 p.m. until 6 p.m.

The couple's children, Neill O'Rear of San Antonio, Jimmy O'Rear of Port Orchard, Washington, Mrs. Elena Hoover of Sweetwater, Tommie O'Rear of Merkel, Mrs. Mary Lou Haygood of Arlington and Mrs. Bobby Martin of Abilene hosted the golden anniversary celebration.

Mrs. O'Rear, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Neill, was born August 6, 1894, in Trent, Mr. O'Rear was born in Robertson County on Aug. 12, 1888.

Mrs. O'Rear's parents moved to West Texas from Milam County. Mr. O'Rear lived in Robertson County until he was 13 when he and his family moved to Merkel.

The O'Rears, who met at a party in 1909, were married at Mrs. O'Rear's family home.

Mr. O'Rear is a semi-retired farmer. The O'Rears are affiliated with the First Baptist Church.

The couple has 15 grandchildren.

Table decorations for the anniversary celebration included a lace cloth over gold and a gold floral arrangement. Appointments were in crystal and silver.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Davis of Elk City, Okla., and Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt Chandler of Carter, Okla., spent the holiday with their sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. F. Y. Gaither.

Teen-Agers Add Lively Lift To New March of Dimes Drive

Slave auctions in this Civil War Centennial Year? It can—and does—happen here, with the flower of American youth on the block.

But in this century, there's a difference. Now it's all in a good cause. Members of the New March of Dimes Teen Age Program (TAP) auction their services to the highest bidder among local merchants. The money goes to support the National Foundation—March of Dimes attack on birth defects, arthritis and polio.

It's all part of TAP members' lively approach to volunteer community service. They also sponsor walkathons (shades of the Thirties) in which teams from rival schools move toward the finish line as dimes are contributed. They dance for dimes at casual sock hops and formal balls, man concessions at school sports events, and hold community car washes.

Through such ingenious fun-for-funds projects, TAPs raised nearly three-quarters of a million dollars during the 1961 March of Dimes.

For the 1962 New March of Dimes in January, tens of thousands of the youthful volunteers are literally "on TAP." In more than 75 per cent of The National Foundation's 3,100 local county chapters, active TAP committees are determined to hit new highs in fun as well as funds.

Adult advisors who work with TAPs point out that underlying the outward frivolity of the teenagers' projects is a deep awareness of the need for increased research and progress in the fight against crippling birth defects—arthritis and polio. During the year, many youngsters assist in local patient services by reading to disabled children, writing letters for severely crippled arthritics or working as hospital aides.

A prime year-round responsibility of TAP members is distribution of information about National Foundation Health Scholarships to students in high schools and colleges. Each year, more than 500 four-year scholarships with a full value of \$2,000 apiece are offered for study in medicine, nursing, physical therapy, occupational therapy and medical social work. TAP members know the desperate need to reduce the shortage of manpower in the health professions by encour-

aging students to undertake careers in these fields.

Leader of the Teen Age Program for the 1962 New March of Dimes is national chairman Katherine Anne Keith, 18, of Columbia, Mo. Blonde, brainy and born to be busy, Katie will handle her major responsibilities as top TAP while she pursues an ambitious freshman schedule at the University of Missouri.

On the basis of past performance, juggling scholarship and volunteer service won't intimidate Katie. She was 1961 Missouri state TAP chairman during her strenuous senior year in high school. Under her leadership, Missouri TAPs showed record gains in membership, services to chapters and funds raised for the March of Dimes.

At the same time, Katie maintained grades that ranked her third in her graduating class of almost 300 students. She was a National Merit Scholarship finalist and received the Kiwanis Good Citizenship



TAP LEADER—Katherine Anne (Katie) Keith, 18, of Columbia, Mo., has her hands full as newly-appointed chairman of the 1962 New March of Dimes Teen Age Program (TAP).

award. She was business manager—and occasional sports-writer—for the school paper, treasurer of the National Honor Society, queen of the major social function of the school year, had a lead role in the school play, "Teahouse of the August Moon," and actively participated in math, history, English and French clubs.

She also teaches a Sunday School class at Missouri Methodist Church in Columbia.

After a summer in Europe, including study at the Sorbonne in Paris, the energetic Katie began to plan for a banner year of TAP activity for the March of Dimes.

"Teenagers who are looking for a sense of satisfaction along with fun and friendship are missing a bet if they don't check TAP activities in their local March of Dimes chapters," she said. "A TAP committee isn't just another youth organization—it's not merely a club to serve youth. Instead, it gives us an opportunity to serve our communities."

Noodle HD Club Meeting Held

The Noodle Home Demonstration Club met Nov. 28 in the school cafeteria.

Mrs. Bill Maxwell led the opening prayer and Mrs. D. J. Richie led the group in a guessing game.

Roll call was answered with "Care and cleaning of synthetic fabrics and fabric blends."

Plans were made for the family Christmas supper which will be held at 6 p.m., Dec. 9 in the school cafeteria.

Members brought clothing to be taken to Boys' Ranch. Secret pals were revealed and new names were drawn.

Mrs. Vessie Justice, the new president, will preside at the next meeting.

Mrs. Nan Campbell and Mrs. Carroll Best served refreshments to the 19 present.

MERKEL WOMEN WIN IN CONTEST

Two local women, Mrs. Louis Butman and Dixie Dix, have been named winners in a nation-wide "Sweater Sweepstakes."

Both won a cashmere cardigan sweater, delivered recently from the Chicago offices of Helene Curtis, contest sponsor.

Stith HD Club Meeting Held

The Stith Home Demonstration Club met in the community center Monday, Dec. 4.

Miss Louise Hudson was elected president to replace Mrs. Wallace, who resigned. Miss Hulian Hill was named vice president.

Mrs. Fletcher Jones brought the devotional, Mrs. Paul Bradley led the prayer and Mrs. Ida Mashburn led the songs.

Plans were made for the county Home Demonstration party to be held at Hamlin Thursday.

The Stith Club party is set for Dec. 16 at the community center.

Mrs. Ted Hudson received the hostess gift.

Others present at the meeting were Mrs. Bill Plank, Mrs. Gerald Snider, Mrs. Orval Ely, Mrs. Curtis Snyder and three children.

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RODEO FINALS ACTION



The toughest bucking stock in the country has been collected for the 1961 National Finals Rodeo at Dallas, Dec. 27-31. A typical example is this mean old bull, named "Pistol," being ridden by Joe Green of Sulphur, Okla., who has qualified as a contestant in "rodeo's world series."

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RINEYS TO CELEBRATE GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Riney will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with open house Sunday, Dec. 17, at their home at Nubia, south of Merkel. Calling hours will be from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Riney were married Dec. 17, 1911, at her home in Nubia by the Rev. R. O. Bailey, minister of the Nubia Methodist Church. They have been residents of the same community since that time. Mrs. Riney came to Texas from Alabama in 1907 settling in Nubia. Her husband is a native of the community.

The Rineys have two daughters, Mrs. G. G. Alexander of Borger and Mrs. W. T. Perry of Route 4, Merkel, and one son, Paul Riney of Lamesa. They have seven grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Annual Stockholders' Meeting

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:

That the annual meeting of the stockholders of Farmers & Merchants National Bank of Merkel, Texas, will be held at the office of said bank on the 9th day of January, 1962, at 7:00 P.M., for the election of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

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OPEN HOUSE TO FETE HALE CENTER COUPLE

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Smith will be honored at open house Sunday afternoon, Dec. 10, at their home near Hale Center, in observance of their 40th wedding anniversary. Hosts for the occasion will be their daughters, Mrs.

Billy Fortenberry and Mrs. Dayne Norris and their husbands. Calling hours will be between 2 p. m. and 5 p. m. The family asks that gifts be omitted.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith were married Dec. 11, 1921, at Trent with the Rev. B. Y. Dickerson officiating. She was the former Burma Mae Howell. The couple moved to west Texas in 1929 where they lived in the Woodrow community. They lived at New Deal from 1916 to 1946 and following that for two years they lived in Rails where he was in the implement business. They lived in Lubbock 10 years before moving to their new farm home northeast of Hale Center in 1960.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith are active members of First Baptist Church in Hale Center.

The couple has seven grand children: Sandra, Suzanne and Stephen Fortenberry of New Deal, and Ricky, Dayna, Kim and DeLesia Norris of Kress.

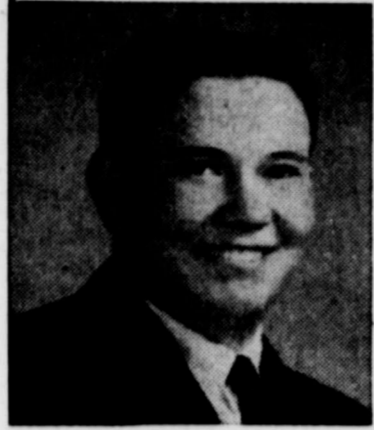
Noodle P-TA Meeting Slated

The Noodle Parent-Teacher Association will meet at 6:00 p. m. Monday, Dec. 11 in the school cafeteria for a potluck supper and to discuss plans for the basketball tournament to be held there this month.

The Rev. Jess Swindell will speak on "Effective Learning for Moral and Spiritual Values."

Members of the Future Homemakers will be in charge of the nursery.

BUSIEST 4-H'ERS IN TEXAS



Tom Lutes



Beverly Slate

The two Lone Star States who are this year's award winners in 4-H achievement programs sponsored by Ford Motors are Beverly Slate of McKinney and Thomas Lutes of Arlington. Both will receive certificates of recognition and in addition Tom will get a \$150 college scholarship. The pair was selected by the Cooperative Extension Service.

Tom, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Lutes, has been a 4-H member for nine years, and has developed into an outstanding young poultry farmer. He also has been successful in raising beef, turkeys and rabbits, and doing projects in electricity and tractor operation. Electrical know-how has been especially useful in his poultry project, Tom says. He reports earnings banked from poultry and other projects totaling some \$5,000.

As this year's local 4-H Club president, Tom is proving his 4-H leadership ability. He is a frequent speaker, demonstrator and judge throughout the community. He was named outstanding junior and senior 4-H boy in Tarrant county and was recipient of the 4-H gold star award.

Beverly, 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Slate, has been in 4-H eight years.

Since she lives and helps her family on a 200 acre Collin county farm, Beverly has completed many 4-H projects in foods, clothing, homemaking and gardening. She applies safe practices in her poultry and dairy projects. Her entire family is 4-H oriented. Her mother is a local 4-H leader.

Beverly has been junior leader for the past four years working with nearly 70 members.

Mrs. Williams Hosts WSCS Meet

The two WSCS Circles of First Methodist Church met in the

home of Mrs. Jarrett Williams Tuesday morning for their Christmas program.

Guest speaker was Mrs. John Donaho of St. Paul Methodist Church, Abilene. She spoke on "The Meaning of Christmas."

Mrs. Homer Patterson led the group in singing "Silent Night."

Mrs. Williams accompanied at the organ. Prayer was by Mrs. Alvis Cooley. There were 25 present.

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By TOM RUSSOM

We are having some spring time weather across the Canyon this week with continuous cloudy, warm days.

I had early this morning by horseback to my sheep to ride one of my pastures and I thought I should have worn my straw hat. However, on second thought I remembered we were supposed to have raked them in September, and wearing one in December might look a little odd.

Anyway, we haven't had a killing frost as yet.

Some of the cotton farmers who have been waiting to strip their cotton, are threatening to get hands to pull it.

Leroy Riney, Canyon farmer, said he tried to strip some cotton and the ground was so wet the stalks uprooted.

We live in a country where we

have to depend on rainfall and we don't often say anything about the amount we receive, but some sunshine at this time would surely be welcome.

A number of farmers are buying cattle to put on field pasture. Cattle are still high, and it is surprising to know that a lot of farmers are carrying as large herds as some small ranches at one time carried.

In other words, practically all farmers are in the cattle business as well as the ranchers. When the break in price will come is anyone's guess. Perhaps not soon with so much feed and grazing in the country.

Among those who sold livestock the past few days were Joe Swinney, E. C. Ray, Tom Russom and R. E. Clemmer.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Latimer and Mr. and Mrs. Odie Latimer, all of California, returned to their homes after attending the funeral of their father, Uncle Jack Latimer.

The Rev. and Mrs. Joe McCarthy visited Sunday afternoon in his parents home at Breckenridge.

Mrs. Ford Butman reported seeing a big buck deer standing in their yard early Sunday morning. We don't know whether Ford has a deer gun or not—nor do we know if the deer got away.

Beverly Butman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Butman, was thrown from her horse the past week. After being taken by Starbuck ambulance to Sadler Clinic, where she remained overnight, it was found that she had not suffered any injuries.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Clemmer, who subscribed for the Merkel Mail the past week, called to tell us that they failed to see any Canyon news in the paper.

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Farm Facts

The greatest single use of fresh water in the United States is for irrigation—75 billion to 100 billion gallons a day, or about half of the fresh water we use annually.

Next largest consumer is industry and steam power plants. According to Karl O. Kohler, Jr., writing in the 1955 Yearbook of Agriculture, they require about 70 billion gallons of fresh water daily. It takes 18 gallons of water, for example, to refine a barrel of oil and about 300 to make a barrel of beer.

Kohler notes that application of irrigation water is relatively inefficient. Annual delivery to a farm may range from less than an acre-foot (325,850 gallons) up to more than 7 acre-feet (2,280,950 gallons) to an acre.

A cutting of alfalfa requires about 325,800 gallons of water an acre, and a crop of cotton, 800,000 gallons.

In 1959 more than 33 million acres were irrigated as compared with about 20.5 million acres in 1944. Most of the irrigated land is located in the 17 Western states, Louisiana, and Hawaii.



Increases in irrigated acreage in the Far West and rapid introduction of supplemental irrigation in the Midwest and in the Eastern and Southern states in recent years have contributed to a much heavier consumption of water.

SENATOR ★ ★ ★ Yarborough's Report

Senator Ralph W. Yarborough calls for action to create a National Seashore Recreation Area on Padre Island as the best way to stimulate Texas' lagging tourist trade.

"Texas tourist trade is in a steady and continuous decline. Texas now is losing over one hundred million dollars a year in lost tourist revenues; our tourist income is down that much from five years ago.

"Texas can recapture its lost tourist trade, but it will take real attractions to do it. Advertising is fine and needful, but once a tourist family is in Texas, it takes recreational facilities to hold them. Billboards and ads alone will not recapture Texas' failing tourist trade, but they are adjuncts to a prosperous tourist traffic if we have great national facilities to attract tourists.

"At the last session of the Congress, California and Massachusetts by united action got the jump on Texas by prevailing on Congress to create—and the Congress did create this year—the Point Reyes, California National Seashore Recreational Area and the Cape Cod Massachusetts National Seashore Recreational Area.

"Misguided opposition in Texas has so far blocked the creation of the Padre Island National Seashore Recreational Area in Texas.

Opposition in Texas, fanned by private greed and public misinformation has slowed up the Padre Island Bill in Congress.

"The Padre Island Seashore Recreational Area will bring more tourist traffic into Texas than all other pending proposals combined. It is the one certain way of keeping open beaches for Texans and for tourists. Padre Island—for Texans and Tourists.

"My Padre Island Bill provides for full development of all oil and gas for the benefit of the owners, both private owners and the State School Fund.

"A State Park will not lure tourists from other states. The Texas State Parks Board recognized this when it unanimously endorsed the creation of a National Seashore Recreation Area on Padre Island in its Resolution of Decem-

ber 14, 1959, passed at Corpus Christi, Texas, by unanimous vote, reading as follows:

"WHEREAS The Texas State Parks Board recognizes the great recreational value of Padre Island, and the need for preserving this area for the use and enjoyment of future generations; and

"WHEREAS, unless immediate action is taken to acquire Padre Island for public park purposes, its development will be taken over by private interests, to the exclusion of the general public. NOW, THEREFORE, be it

"RESOLVED that the Texas State Parks Board recommends and urges that Congress enact Legislation authorizing the establishment of a National Seashore on Padre Island in accordance with the plans and recommendations of the National Park Service."

"The Texas State Parks Board has thus unanimously endorsed the 88½-mile long full National Park on Padre Island, I agree with the State Parks Board. We must have the National Seashore Recreation Area on Padre Island if we are to build our tourist trade in Texas.

"I have just begun to fight for Padre Island."

VETERANS INFORMATION

Q — I am an Air Force Reservist. Is it true if I am recalled to active military duty I do not have the protection of rights under the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act that returning servicemen of the other branches of service have?

A — This Act, passed before creation of the U. S. Air Force as an independent branch of the service, did not include Air Force personnel. However, subsequent legislation blanketed them for full coverage of rights extended other servicemen under the Act.

Q — How do I apply for an improvement loan on my GI home?

A — If your original loan was a VA guaranteed loan, contact your lender or holder of your mortgage. If you got a direct home loan from the VA, contact

the VA Regional Office that made you the loan.

Q — What is the new deadline date allowing Korea veterans the maximum time to get a GI loan?

A — Korea veterans are allowed ten years from the date of their separation from service plus one year for every three months of their active wartime service in which to secure a GI loan. All have until January 31, 1965, as a minimum date, whether their service would entitle them to that date or not. The maximum date beyond which a loan may not be made is January 31, 1975.

Q — Does the VA still operate a hospital at Fort Logan, Colorado?

A — No, the hospital, buildings and most of the grounds have been

turned over to the state and is no longer a VA installation.

Q — Can histories of former wars of the United States be obtained through the Veteran's Administration?

A — The VA does not have histories of former U.S. wars.

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The story of **WILLIAM ALLEN WHITE and The Church Bell**

"I don't need to advertise," an established merchant in Kansas once told William Allen White, renowned publisher of The Emporia Gazette. "Everybody knows me and knows what I sell."
"In that event," replied the thoughtful publisher, "we can dispense with the oldest advertising medium for the oldest institution in the world. See that church down the street," continued Mr. White, pointing to one of Emporia's oldest and most beautiful structures, "That church has been established here for many years. Everyone knows what it is and what it does. In the tower of the church is a bell and every Sunday it rings out to remind folks to come to church."
"Shoppers go where they are invited and stay where they are well treated," concluded the publisher.
"Regardless of how well established a firm may be, newspaper advertising is a repeated invitation and a reminder to come and do business with that store."



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HOME DEMONSTRATION NOTES

By LORETA ALLEN

Taylor County Home Demonstration Agent

ooking, baking and festive eat-gets into high gear in December. It's a month for entertaining shily, at times, and informally many occasions. Thirteen versatile foods suited either big dinners or quick meals are listed on the U.S. Department of Agriculture's December list of plentiful foods. By using them extensively, Texas homemakers can serve tasty, attractive meals that reflect joys of the season, suggests the Texas Agriculture Extension Service.

A perfect Yuletide trio—turkey, berries and braiser-fryers are top billing on the December list.

Also to be available all month in abundance are pork, apples, fresh peapruit, pecans, almonds, honey vegetable fats and oils, peanuts and peanut products, pinto beans and rice.

The supply of each exceeds normal trade needs. Producers, processors and distributors will do everything they can to encourage use of the abundance. Plenty of foods usually are more economical than items in tight supply. There is a safe and practical way to handle the leaves which are falling and cluttering lawns and gardens. Why smoke up the neighborhood and create a fire hazard by burning the leaves when a compost pile will solve the problem.

Making a compost pile is a simple operation. Scrap lumber a few feet of net wire and wire posts are the only materials needed. Start with a six inch layer of leaves and for every four feet of enclosure, sprinkle a half cup of commercial fertilizer, such as 8-8-8, over the layer. In areas where soils are acid, the chemist suggests adding a cup of lime to the fertilizer. After the fertilizer is added, apply a 1/2 to 1 inch layer of soil in continue adding layers of leaves and soil until the pile

reaches the desired height. The top layer should be left somewhat saucer-shaped so it will hold water. In three to four months, the leaves will decompose and become excellent material for use next summer to increase the organic matter in flower or vegetable garden soils or as a mulch for flowers, shrubs or vegetables.

Heavy accumulations of leaves left on the lawn can damage the grass especially when they are wet. They may also be responsible for more disease problems. Leaves should be removed and the extra time required to put them in a compost pile will return big dividends.

Rules For Winter Safety Posted By Association

J. O. Musick, General manager of The Texas Safety Association, today posted a list of ten "safety commandments" for motorists to observe "if they want to get through the coming winter season without a breakdown, mishap or causing a dangerous traffic blockade."

The rules, officially approved by the National Safety Council following extensive research on the subject, follow:

1. Flush the cooling system of your vehicle, have it checked for leaks and put in anti-freeze.
2. Make sure all tires have good treads.
3. Always carry a pair of reinforced tire chains. Though snow is not too prevalent in most parts of Texas, it does occur. Sleet and icing are always a possibility. In deep snow and ice, tire chains enable you to go and stop safely, thus preventing skid wrecks and traffic tieups.
4. Windshield wipers should be in good condition. Wiper blades should exert an even pressure of one ounce per inch of blade length to sweep snow and sleet off instead of sliding over it.
5. Make certain the heater-defroster is capable of keeping windshield clear at all times. Know

your heater-defroster and how to use it to prevent interior fogging.

6. Be certain both headlights work on upper and lower beams and that stop lights, taillights and directional signals work also.
7. Have brakes adjusted, re-lined if necessary, and be sure brake lining are free of grease.
8. Tune up your engine. A winter tune-up is essential to avoid weather starting and to avoid stalling. Winter starting strains the battery, when its efficiency is low.
9. Inspect the muffler and correct any defect—replacing it if necessary. A rusty, leaky muffler or exhaust pipe can be a carbon monoxide hazard, particularly if you become stalled in traffic or in a blizzard.
10. Install and use seat belts—good in all types of weather but especially valuable under hazardous winter driving conditions.

4-H Safety Winners Vow They'll Cut Accidents



SHOWING HOW THEY HOPE TO LEAD America's 2 1/4 million 4-H members in a united effort to cut accidents—especially traffic accidents which last year claimed 38,000 lives—are these eight national winners in the National 4-H Safety Program. Joining them in urging greater "safety awareness" on highways, farms and in homes is Anthony G. De Lorenzo, vice president in charge of the public relations staff of General Motors, which is safety program awards donor for the 17th consecutive year. Each of these winners received a \$400 college scholarship from GM. In addition, General Motors gave them and 37 other state safety winners all-expense trips to the 40th National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago. Left to right are Mr. De Lorenzo; Jane Bacot, 16, Zachary, Louisiana; Martha Ann Beebe, 18, Rutland, Vermont; Suzanne Shideler, 17, Lathrop, California; Georgine Coleman, 18, Denison, Kansas; Anne Hostettler, 16, Statesville, North Carolina; Lavelle Gottschall, 18, Frederick, Oklahoma; John D. Spuller, 18, Rushville, Indiana; and Joe Dee Wilcoxson, 17, Cave City, Kentucky.

FROM OUR FILES 30 YEARS AGO

Wedding bells have been ringing in the Noodle community this week, announcing the marriage of two popular young couples. On Saturday afternoon of last week at three o'clock at the residence of Rev. G. W. Cypert Miss Wanda Spurgin and Mr. Vessie Justice and Miss Leuna Jenkins and Mr. Troy Sloan were united in marriage. All of these young people came from prominent families in the Noode section.

The announcement was made on the first of the month that Fred C. Hughes, formerly in the automobile business here, having been a partner in the Bracken-Hughes Chevrolet company, has bought the business of the Del-

aney-Delan Chevrolet company, the name of the new firm to be the Hughes Chevrolet company.

On Thursday night of last week Miss Anna May Harris entertained with a "42" party. Refreshments were served to Misses Ruby Patton, Blanche Carey, Alice Reeves, Selma Lee Russell, Norma Patton, Lillie Claude Barnett, Hazel Reeves, Margaret Dean, Mrs. Melvin Jones, Mrs. Thomas Harris, Messers, Clements Carey, Woodrow Clark, Noris Barnett, S. G. Russell, Woodrow Patton, Bernard Clark, Melvin Jones, Thomas Harris, W. J. Derstine and the hostess.

Miss Mattilou Largent was accompanied home from C.I.A. for the Thanksgiving holidays by Miss Kathryn Parr of Amarillo. They with Misses Louise Booth and Maurine Smith, also students at

C.I.A., arrived Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Largent who drove over to Denton to bring them home.

50 YEARS AGO

Mr. and Mrs. Lanier Brown left Saturday evening for Dallas where Mr. Brown will buy Christmas goods for the Rust & McCauley Drug Store. Mrs. Brown will visit her sister, Mrs. Elmer Scribner at Melissa, Texas before returning home.

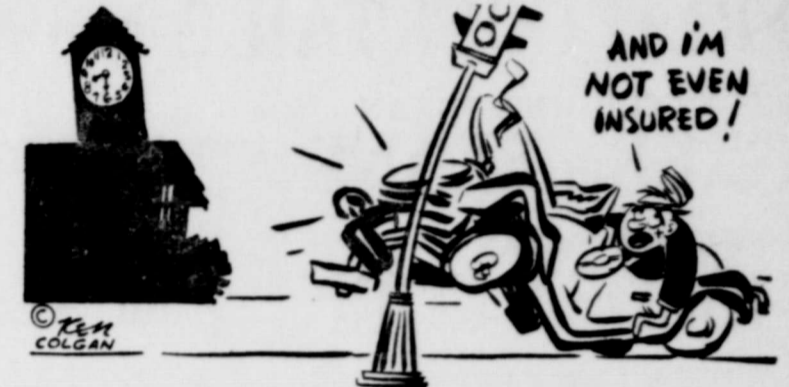
A team hitched to a wagon became frightened at a motorcycle on one of the business streets Wednesday morning and ran into Will Armstrong's buggy just as they were turning a corner. The wagon struck one of the wheels of the buggy demolishing it and turning the buggy over throwing Mr. Armstrong, wife and children from the vehicle. They received a few bruises but none were serious.

Last Thursday evening Fannie Burroughs entertained a few friends at her home. Music and 42 furnished amusement and

pleasure for the young people. Hot chocolate and cakes were served to Misses Mattie Paylor, Elma Sheppard, Mary and Flay Gunn, Venona and Virgie Hamblet, Eunice Nesbitt, and the hostess, Messrs. Carl Evans, Roscoe, Oily and Parker Sharp, Rufford Evans, Forest Adams of Texarkana, Lester Ellis, Forest Galther, Robert Hicks, Ben Merritt, Taylor Jennings and Ottis Barnett.

On November 24 the little folks of the first primary room on the southside gave a program consisting of songs, drills and recitations. A pressing invitation was extended to mama's and papa's and a few special friends. Those who responded were Mesdames Costephens, Sears, Jones, Laney, Couch, Brown, Russell, Mayfield Smeltzer, Valentine and Adcock and Miss Howard.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Fisher, Mrs. Florence Berry and Earl Lassiter, all of Merkel, and Mr. and Mrs. Max Ribble of Abilene attended funeral service at Bogata Sunday, Nov. 26, for Mr. Lassiter's brother-in-law, W. M. Tucker.



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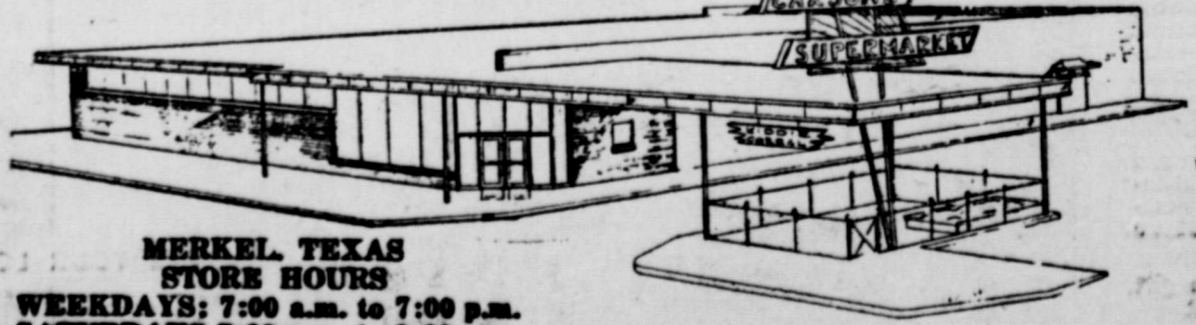
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