

# THE MERKEL MAIL

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IT'S BACK-TO-SCHOOL TIME IN MERKEL

## Merkel Pageant

... by Dave

Now Earl Lassiter was taking us to task about our politics or lack of them a bit back and the subject of the Merkel Mail came up. Earl said: "Fine." He said in effect that he hoped we did become a part of the Merkel scene. Which we have. Earl said he would scout up on some news because in his opinion the Merkel Mail needed it. Well, Earl hasn't drug any news around the Mail office. But he's sure to make some news between now and November election day.

Anyway, Earl made about the first two inches in this column possible.

Frank Pruitt, circulation manager for the Abilene Reporter News, sent us a demographed letter addressed to Agents. Didn't know I was an agent. But if Frank never calls me anything worse I can stand it. Seems that this fellow Pruitt wants us to pass on to our friends in Merkel that special renewal rates for Fall are now available for the big city newspaper. He put in a warning about "a proposal to raise postal rates pending before Congress." So hurry, he says, and renew before the price increases.

Frank says my commission will be the same as last year.

Being as how I had nothing last year, I wouldn't get too excited even if he were to double my commission.

No, sir. Merkel merchants do too good a job of merchandising and advertising right here in town. I just can't seem to get excited about peddling some fellow's paper that's filled with a bunch of ads all drawn up right professional like to trap us into wheeling into the big town and spending our money. It pays to trade with the people you know. You get what you pay for and when you pay for a big city skinning, you get it.

## 750-800 STUDENTS EXPECTED IN MERKEL

Between 750 and 800 students are expected to register in Merkel schools this year.

Mack Fisher, superintendent of schools, said teachers and workers are prepared for that number.

Registration starts Friday, August 31.

Freshmen and sophomore high school students will start registration at 10 a.m.

Junior and senior students and grade school students will register at 1:30 p.m.

Fisher said classes will start running so that students will be in Merkel by 1:30 and will return students when registration is over.

Colored students will be picked up a little after 7 a.m. for registration in Sweetwater schools. Students who are starting school must have their birth certificates, according to state law, said Fisher.

Classes are scheduled to begin Tuesday, September 4.

## CEMETERY FUND

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

Mrs. Mae Carter, Abilene  
M. R. Hall  
E. O. Ely, Avoca  
Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Clark, La Jolla, Calif.  
Mr. and Mrs. Linson Coats  
Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Anderson, Sweetwater  
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Risinger, Odessa  
Mrs. Gertrude Brookreson, Abilene  
Beatrice Reeder Gray, San Fernando, Calif.  
G. W. Teaff, Tye  
Maurine White  
Bobby L. Knight, Bland Partnership, Abilene, in memory of R. L. Bland.

## Golf Tourney

There will be a Scottish-Foursome and Supper tournament held Labor Day at the Merkel Country Club starting at 2:30 p.m. Entry fee will be one dollar per person for tournament and one dollar per person for supper.

Turn in your entry fee at the Merkel Country Club by Saturday if possible.

## Safety Program Goes Into Second Year for Merkel and Surroundings

Home accidents occur in Texas at the rate of one every 16 seconds and a victim of a home accident dies every seven hours, the Texas Safety Association reports.

Newspaper advertisements and stories will tell how home accidents occur and will suggest methods of elimination of these hazards to life and limb.

The year-round home safety program inaugurated in 1961 by Lone Star Gas Company will enter its second year September 1. The Texas Safety Association, The Merkel Mail and Bill's Garden Shop will be co-sponsors of the program.

"As in 1961," Lone Star Manager J. D. Holbrook said here Wednesday, "this public service program has as its objective the saving of lives and the prevention of home accidents by teaching the individual how to detect and eliminate home hazards."

A free four-page pamphlet on home safety may be obtained at the offices of Lone Star, Bill's Garden Shop and the Merkel Mail, co-sponsors shortly before the first of each month, starting Sept. 1. Based on Texas Safety Association records of home accident deaths and in-

juries in preceding years, each pamphlet tells the number of home accident deaths and injuries expected to occur during the ensuing month — and tells how these deaths and injuries will occur and gives the ages of the expected victims.

Two additional four-page pamphlets tell of home hazards faced by old and young family members in the 65- and -over and the four- and -under age brackets. Hazard controls are suggested in these pamphlets.

"We urge that every resident of Merkel obtain his copy of each of these pamphlets. The information contained in them may well save precious lives."

## FORMER MERKELITE HEADS NEW FIRM

Ross Aviation Inc., which operates the Fourth Army Instrument Training School at Fort Sill has been awarded the Army's primary fixed-wing training contract at Fort Rucker, Ala.

Col. Russel T. Blair, (ret.) formerly of Merkel, vice president of the firm and manager of the Fort Sill School, has been transferred to Fort Rucker to head the new contract.

## THREE CANDIDATES ANNOUNCE FOR MAYOR, COUNCILMAN POSTS

Three candidates for Merkel city offices had filed by press-time Wednesday.

Horace Boney, Merkel insurance man, was the first and only candidate to place his name in

the mayor's race.

J. L. Fisher, consignee for Cosdene, and Joel M. Crain, West Texas Utilities Co. employee, announced their candidacy for city councilman.

The mayor's office and city councilman post became vacant with the resignation of former Mayor Earl Hughes and Councilman O. H. Griffin.

Hughes, manager of the Merkel West Texas Utilities office, resigned effective Sept. 1 because of ill health. Griffin, owner of Merkel Farm Machinery, will serve as acting mayor until Oct. 1 when his resignation will be effective. Griffin said he resigned because he is building a home outside city limits and will not be eligible for city office.

Deadline for filing in the two races is Sept. 1.

Boney is a native of Merkel, attended school here and Hardin-Simmons University. He has been in the insurance business in Merkel since 1936 when he received his solicitors license.

Boney is a member of the First Baptist Church, Texas Association of Insurance Agents and an associate member of the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

He married the former Fannelle Gray. They have one daughter, Mrs. Benny Melton.

## McMurry Graduates Merkel Student With High Scholastic Honors

ABILENE, TEX.—Heading the list of McMurry College summer graduates was Charles Curb of Merkel, graduating magna cum laude with a major in mathematics. Curb received a B. A. with a major in English last May.

Curb was among 56 persons receiving degrees from McMurry College at its annual summer commencement Aug. 23. The program was held in Radford Memorial Auditorium with Rev. Frank D. Charlton, pastor of St. Paul Methodist Church in Abilene, as speaker.

The Rev. C. A. Holcomb, Jr., Stamford, and the Rev. Joe Emanuel of Artesia, N. M. were awarded honorary Doctor of Divinity Degrees at the commencement program. Seventeen of

those receiving diplomas were awarded master of education degrees and 39 received bachelor degrees.

Curb is the son of Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Curb of Merkel. In McMurry he was active in Alpha Chi, Sigma Tau Delta, Math Club, Science Club and Philosophy Club.



DIANNE BERRY

## DIANNE BERRY WEDS VICTOR GIPSON

Diane Berry and Victor Gipson were married Wednesday evening, August 15, at 5:30 p.m. in the First Baptist Church in Merkel.

The Rev. Bill Sawyer read the double ring ceremony. Close friends and relatives were invited.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Berry of Merkel, and Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Gipson of Wetmore, Kansas.

Miss Berry is a 1962 graduate of Merkel High School and Gipson is a 1959 graduate of Topeka High School, Topeka, Kansas. Miss Berry was employed at Ben Franklin Store before her marriage.

Gipson was stationed at the Nike Missile Base in Abilene.

The couple will live in Manhattan, Kan., after their honeymoon where Gipson will be an electrician. The couple is honeymooning in Kansas.

A bridal shower was given in the home of Mrs. Cramer Reynolds.

Mrs. Rachel Parker of Meridian, Tex., visited in the home of Mrs. George Cooper for ten days. She returned home last week. Other visitors included the Rev. and Mrs. A. F. Robinson of Pine Bluff, Ark. It was the first time in many years that the three sisters were together.

## Quarterback Club Meets Tuesday

The Quarterback Club will meet at the Taylor Electric on Tuesday, September 4 at 7:30 p.m. All members, new and old are invited.

Football squad members will be guests of honor and watermelon will be served.

Don't forget Merkel's first football game for the season will be September 7. Stanton plays Merkel here.

## Merkel HA Elects New Officers

The Merkel Housing Authority met Monday evening at 2:00 p.m. at the housing authority office.

After the regular business meeting election of new officers was held. Ray Wilson was elected chairman of the board. Johnny Hammond was elected vice chairman.

Members of the committee are: Ray Wilson, Johnny Hammond, Dr. W. T. Sadler, Howard Carson and J. L. Fisher.

Mary Hargrove reports all the apartments at the housing unit are rented now but she is still taking applications for apartments.

## MRS. MARSHALL HAS 83RD BIRTHDAY

Mrs. T. K. Marshall celebrated her 83rd birthday Saturday in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Zenobia Lucas of Noodle.

Those attending were Mr. T. K. Marshall, Mrs. Dennis Davis and children, Mrs. Shirlene Bowen and children, Mrs. Nancy Burdine, Mrs. Menda Sellers and children, Mrs. Jeanette Pursley and Brad, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Irvin and Brently, Mrs. Zenobia Lucas and Christi Lucas.

## Coming Events

School registration Friday, August 31.  
Swimming Pool will be open Labor Day, Sept. 3.  
Stores will be closed Labor Day, Sept. 3.  
Baptist Church Ten Revival August 26 through August 27.  
Chamber of Commerce Meeting Thursday Morning 10:00 a.m.  
Polio Vaccine September 16.

## Rest Stop

Merkel Jaycees will sponsor a rest stop in Merkel over the Labor Day holidays. The stand will be open between the Merkel Restaurant and the Chevron Truck Stop from Friday midnight until Monday midnight. They invite all motorists traveling over the weekend to stop, rest and have a cup of coffee, coca, cookies and cupcake with them.

## Cotton Prizes

Prizes given by the Merkel Chamber of Commerce for the first three bales of cotton ginned in the Merkel Trade Territory will be given at the next regular Auction day which will be September 7.

The first bale was ginned August 17 at 1:00 p.m. at Noodle Co-op Gin. It belonged to J. T. Jefferies and weighed 580 pounds.

The second bale was ginned August 21 at 10:00 a.m. at Noodle Co-op Gin. It belonged to Billy Wayne Jefferies and weighed 620 pounds.

Third bale was ginned August 22 at Farmers Co-op Gin in Merkel. It belonged to Mrs. J. F. Cason and weighed 543 pounds.

## RUSSELL CLAN HOLDS REUNION

There were 44 descendants of the late S. G. and Mary Elizabeth Russell of Merkel. They met August 18 and 19 at the Chester Price cabin on Lake Brownwood for their annual reunion.

Those present included the 9 children: Mrs. Lucille Nussally, Mrs. Mabel Dunn, both of Rowell, N.M., Mrs. Sam Redwine, Mrs. Johnny Warlick, both of Abilene, Mrs. Bob Shive of Brownwood, Mrs. S. G. Russell Jr., Mrs. Leo Harris, Mrs. James Russell and Mrs. Ralph Russell all of Merkel and their families, also Mr. and Mrs. Mina Winters and Billy Luras of Merkel.

The family will meet at the same place the third weekend in August next year.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Doan and children of Stamford were visitors in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Doan Wednesday.

## Kizer, Hendricks Nuptials Held At Agua Dulce Methodist Church

Miss Cheryle Ann Kizer and Finus Bell Hendricks were married in a double ring ceremony Thursday evening at 8 p.m.

The vows were exchanged at the First Methodist Church in Agua Dulce, where mass arrangements of gold gladiolus and palms formed the chancel setting.

Parents of the Bride are Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Kizer, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hendricks are the bridegroom's parents. The bridegroom is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Hogan of Merkel.

The bride wore a gown of white nylon chiffon with accents of white satin on the bodice and a bouffant skirt.

A veil of illusion fell from a coronet of pearls. She carried a white Bobble topped by a white orchid surrounded by illusion caught with seed pearls and cascades of miniature chrysanthemums.

Miss Mary Riley of San Antonio was the maid of honor. Her dress was of gold brocade designed with a scooped neckline and bell skirt. A matching satin bow held her short illusion veil. She carried a bouquet of white carnations with golden accents.

Joe Wayne Hendricks, brother of the bridegroom, was best man. Ushers were Tommy Jean Harris and Lindsey Koenig.

The bride's mother wore an ensemble of pastel pink lace. Her hat was of pink velvet and organza petals. A corsage of white chrysanthemums completed her accessories.

The bridegroom's mother chose a dress of pastel blue linen accented with lace insertions and a matching hat of silk organza flowers. She wore a white chrysanthemum corsage.

A reception was held at the home of the bridegroom's parents.

After a short wedding trip, the couple will make their home in Alice at 511 East 4th.

EDITORIAL

Trap Set for Democrats

The Republicans and others who would like to see the Democratic Party weakened have baited a trap that goes something like this: "Sure, we're Democratic on the local level, but when it comes to the governor's race or national politics it's time we showed 'them' that we don't approve of everything that's going on. We're going to vote Republican this election."

What these fellows don't tell Merkel and Taylor County voters is that the strength of our vote in November governs the number of delegates we can send to state and national conventions. And unless Merkel, Taylor County and Texas has delegate strength in these conventions, we're not going to be able to shout in a very loud voice about the things we don't like or like about the Democratic party.

No sir, the way to change things you don't like about the way things are going is to have a whopping big Democratic vote for state and national offices. Then, we in Merkel, Taylor County and Texas will be able to shout in a voice that all can understand and heed: "This is Texas and this is the way we want things to be."

There is another special trap used by those who would weaken the Democrats. This trap is clothed in terms designed to collect the young Democrats.

The patter goes something like this: "The Democratic Party is composed of a bunch of old die hards who hold all the good offices. There is no place in the Democratic Party for young people."

What these fellows don't tell Merkel and Taylor County voters is that traditionally the Republican Party has been loud in criticism, but has done nothing for the State of Texas. That's why there are openings in the Republican ranks in Texas. They can't give them away.

Of course party offices are not easy to come by in the Texas Democratic Party. Anything worth having takes some work. And for workers, young or old, the Democratic Party is big enough to hold young and old.

It's big enough to hold a wide difference of opinions. An you certainly aren't expected to agree with this multitude of ideas. But the soundest way to see that your ideas are the ones put forth by the Democratic Party is to work and vote Democratic so that Texas has a big voice in Democratic circles.

Threat to City Government

Texas municipal officials have been advised that they "might as well close down everything but the city jail" if a proposed amendment to the Texas Constitution is adopted this fall.

George F. Murphy, President of the Texas Municipal League, told officials of the more than 600 member cities of the League that the so-called "trial de novo" amendment, to be voted on November 6 "could, as presently written virtually destroy municipal government in Texas, except for certain of its police powers."

"There is no reason to believe that sponsors of the proposed amendment meant to cause the havoc and mischief that could result for our cities if the proposal were adopted by vote of the majority this year," Murphy said. "On the basis of the opinion of our legal staff and the judgement of outstanding members of the Bar whom we have consulted, however, I must advise you that very grim consequences could result for cities and all local government if our State Constitution were amended in the manner proposed."

Murphy pointed out that the "trial de novo" procedure would mean that "even the most simple action or decision by any administrative agency or officer of municipal government could be subject to inexhaustible litigation in the courts. Our cities could, in effect, be placed under the control of the State Courts rather than the locally-elected Councils."

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BARNYARD POPULAR AT STATE FAIR



The Future Farmers Children's Barnyard, featuring all kinds of farm animals and their young, has been so popular at the State Fair of Texas that it has become a standard attraction for the kids. The barnyard at the 1962 State Fair, Oct. 6-21, in Dallas will again have on display behind the "big red barn" entrance a variety of calves, colts, kittens, puppies, poult, goslings and other baby animals, like the lamb in the picture. There is no admission charge to the barnyard, which is sponsored by the Texas Association Future Farmers of America.

Behind The Scenes In American Business

By REYNOLDS KNIGHT  
NEW YORK — The lighting fixture industry has emerged from the dark ages into a bright era of growing sales and public acceptance.

In industrial, commercial, residential and outdoor applications, lighting fixtures are achieving "status" as stylish and even luxury appointments. The result has been a steady increase in sales. This year they'll top \$600 million, a 10 per cent jump over 1961.

Biggest factors in the industry's growth are the development of new products and improved merchandising techniques since the mid-1950s.

Until recently, fixtures were regarded as almost exclusively functional, although they were bedecked and adorned in various ways to emphasize their functionality.

Now they are key elements in many a home's decorative plan. Slick fluorescent fixtures have replaced the starkly bare light bulb (even in factories); indirect "soft" lighting, dimming switches and other innovations have taken hold in offices; and diffused-light installations are commonplace in school buildings. At home, consumers are hanging imaginatively designed chandeliers, patio lights and other wall and ceiling fixtures. Even the common street light has had a face lifting.

While plant construction booms, improvements in illuminating techniques, and style trends have had a hand in revamping the industry, most spokesmen agree the growth is long-term. Many predict that sales will double the present level by 1970.

COMPUTERIZED STEEL — A unique steel mill will begin production this fall. Sharon Steel Corporation's new \$17.5-million plant at Farr Hill, Pa., will be the first in the U. S. to use a new Swedish-developed basic oxygen steel-making process called Stora-Kaldo. It will also be the only "computerized" steel production facility in the world.

When the plant's two furnaces go into operation, they will be controlled by a digital computer — the only one ever used to produce steel. (About 12 process computers are used in steel plants, but for finishing work on ingots rather than for steel making.)

The computer, manufactured by Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Company, will automatically and continuously control the operation of the 150-ton-capacity basic oxygen furnaces. From data fed into it, it can calculate proper charge materials, monitor and control oxygen injection position, oxygen lance, control furnace rotation speed and actu-

ate control elements for every heat of steel.

In addition, the Honeywell 290 — which has the capacity to control three steel furnaces simultaneously — will be linked directly to the steel company's electronic data processing facility to provide information on production scheduling, accounting and other functions. It will also compile statistical data and continuous records of process conditions during and after every heat.

MOON JEWELS — A large wedge of green cheese occupied a prominent place amid \$25 million worth of gems and jewels at the Retail Jeweler's Association annual convention held in New York recently.

Besides the cheese, tektites — stones believed to be of lunar origin that are becoming popular in jewelry — and other rare ores believed to have come from other planets were also shown.

They provided background for displays of some of the scientific contributions made by U. S. jewelry and watchmaking firms to U. S. moon flights and other space programs. Among these was a cube-shaped electronic timer now orbiting Earth aboard the Telstar communications satellite. The timer is a space-going version of the Accutron electronic timepiece developed by the Bulova Watch Company, Inc. one of more than 300 exhibitors at the convention.

That cheese? It was part of the moon lore locally too. A note beside it explained that in 1542, according to Erasmus, appeared the first references to the moon's being made of green cheese.

THINGS TO COME — A flash

IF YOUR PLATES DON'T FIT GET "CUSHION" NOW  
A new Plastic Jello, Apple "Cushion" from the dry plates. Place in mouth and bite down gently. "Cushion" flows and seals to shape of gums. "Cushion" retracts and forms soft liner in places that leak for weeks. To remove, just suck and spit out. Plates can be washed and used without damage. Try it.  
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light-battery-operated portable piano has been marketed by a New York firm: the electronic piano has a full keyboard and built-in speakers, weighs only 40 pounds. . . . A baby bottle that can feed cereals and strained foods as well as milk has been developed; the bottle uses a vacuum sleeve to exclude air from its interior. . . . An art board for children that permits them to "paint" without mess has been announced; the 12-by-15 inch board contains vinyl envelope filled with dark fluid, behind which is a multi-colored beard; as children move a wooden mallet over envelope surface, the colors on backing board appear through the fluid.

DENTAL AUTOMATION — Consumers can expect to find a rash of electric toothbrushes on retailers' shelves during the fall buying season. Three U. S. and several foreign companies have entered the auto-toothbrush derby already, and others are preparing to, according to latest industry reports. Prices which have been around the \$20 mark, will drop sharply in coming weeks. One manufacturer expects sales to reach \$20 million this year. Another is hedging the market with a toothbrush that has gum massage, tooth polishing and stain removing accessories.

DEADLINE SET FOR TAX EXAMS — Ellis Campbell, Jr., Dallas District Director of Internal Revenue Service, today reminded persons contemplating taking the Treasury Department's Special Enrollment examination in September that their application must be submitted by September 1, 1962.

Applications and full information may be obtained from M. O. Tessman, P.O. Box 594, Dallas, Texas. Tests for this IRS District will be conducted on September 19 and 20 in Texas towns yet to be named.

Applications should be mailed to the Director of Practice, Internal Revenue Service, Washington 25, D.C. A check for \$25, payable to the Treasurer of the United States, must accompany the application.

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HOLIDAY NOTICE

LABOR DAY  
Monday, September 3, 1962

Being a legal Holiday this Bank will not be open for business. Customers are requested to be governed accordingly.

Farmers & Merchants Natl. Bank  
Merkel, Texas



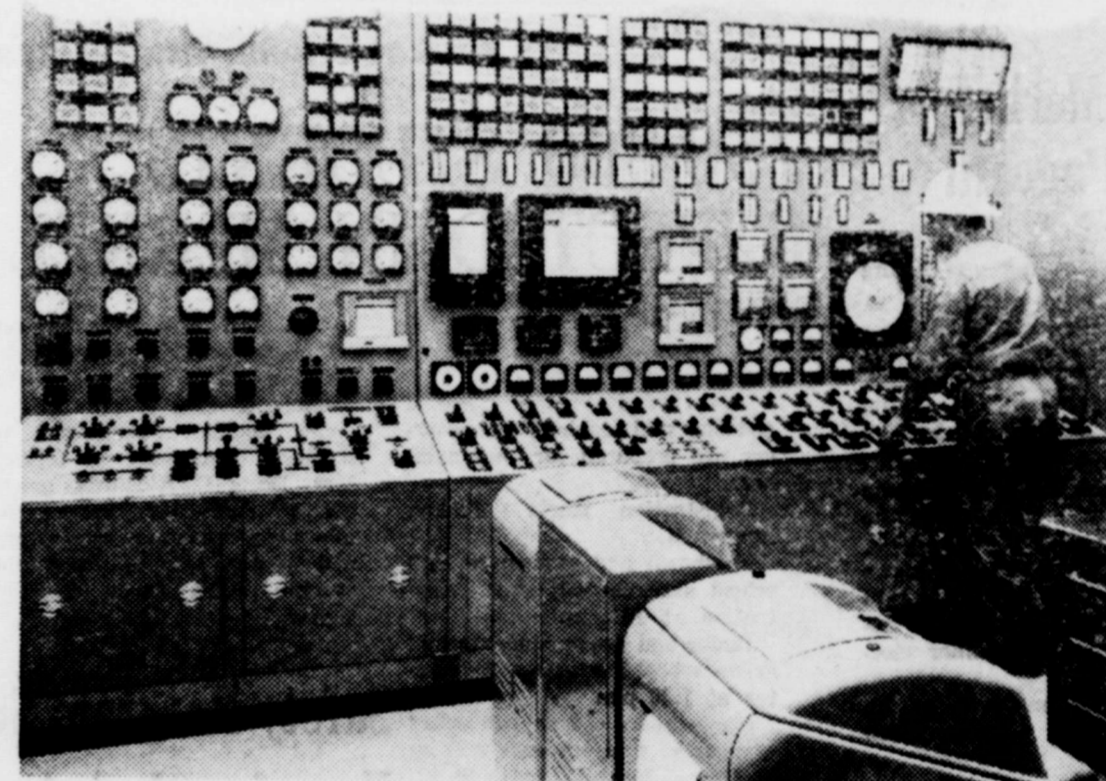
A new school year is just ahead. Each year, proper education grows in importance. Parents have a responsibility in giving children every educational advantage; teachers have the great task of molding our citizens of tomorrow; students have the challenge of the greatest opportunity in the world . . . to learn. It's a mutual project for everybody in this community to make this a better community.

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Merkel, Texas

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INCREASING FLOW OF ELECTRICITY

The demand for electricity in our service area is growing rapidly. The reason is simple — there are more people, more businesses, more industries coming here into the Center of the Southwest.

That is why we are investing millions in new electric generating capacity and in new distribution facilities to keep pace with this area's exciting growth.

But of more significance, this fact explains why we are planning vast additional expenditures in anticipation of even greater growth to come.

Because the Southwest is growing 25% faster than the Nation, we are convinced that our service area — the Center of the Southwest — faces GROWTH UNLIMITED.

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West Texas Utilities Company



## BACK TO SCHOOL SPECIAL

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SPECIALS FOR  
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AUG. 30-31-SEPT. 1  
We Will Be  
**CLOSED**  
LABOR DAY  
MON., SEPT. 3

DEL MONTE  
**PEACHES** No. 2 1/2 can **25c**

DEL MONTE FRUIT  
**COCKTAIL** 303 Can 2 for **39c**

KRAFT'S SALAD DRESSING  
**MIRACLE WHIP** Qt. **49c**

**MAZOLA OIL** Family Size **98c**

MEADOLAKE  
**OLEO** 2 for **49c**

MEAD'S  
**POTATO CHIPS** Reg. 29c size 2 for **39c**

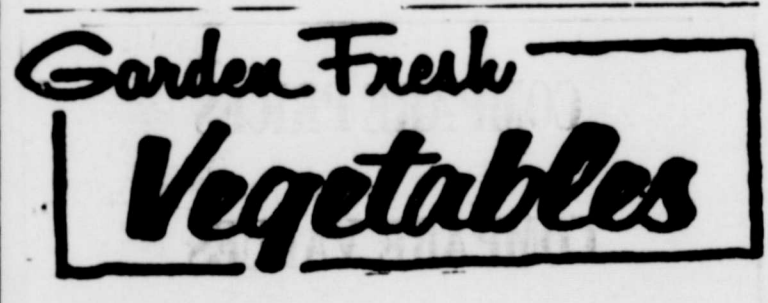
MILE HIGH SWEET  
**PICKLES** Qt. **39c**

KRAFT'S  
**BAR-B-Q SAUCE** 18 oz. bottle **29c**

HORMEL  
**SPAM** 7 oz. can **29c**

Ranch Style  
**BEANS** 300 Can 2 for **29c**

**OXYDOL** Reg. 31c Gt. **75c**



Red  
**GRAPES** Lb. **15c**

ZEST  
**BAR SOAP** Reg. 15c Bath **19c**

Fresh  
**TOMATOES** Lb. **15c**

LIQUID  
**IVORY** Reg. 31c Gt. **59c**

**CARROTS** cello bag **9c**

Kimbell's Stuffed  
**OLIVES** 6 oz. bottle **35c**

**CABBAGE** Lb. **7c**

Reynolds Aluminum  
**FOIL** Reg. Size **29c**

Delicious  
**APPLES** Lb. **19c**

Dixie  
**PAPER PLATES** 40 Ct. Pkg. **43c**

**CHARCOAL** 5 Lb. Bag **35c** 20 Lb. Bag **\$1.39**

Zee  
**NAPKINS** 80 Ct. Pkg. **10c**

MARYLAND CLUB  
**COFFEE** 1 lb can **59c** 2 lb. can **\$1.15**

GLADIOLA  
**FLOUR** 10 Lb. bag **93c**

WILSON'S SHORTENING  
**BAKERITE** 3 Lb. can **59c**

KRAFT'S  
**CHEESE**  
Pimento - American -  
Swiss  
8 Oz. Pkg.  
**29c**

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NEW  
Mazola  
**DRESSING**  
FRENCH  
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SPICED FRENCH  
8 Oz. Bottle **29c**

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Mead's Parker House  
**ROLLS** 2 pkgs. **49c**

Welch's—6 oz. can  
**GRAPE JUICE** 2 for **39c**

Booth's Breaded  
**SHRIMP** Pkg. **59c**



FRESH — GRADE "A"  
**FRYERS** Lb. **29c**

GOOCH BLUE RIBBON — RANCH STYLE  
**BACON** 1-Lb. 55c 2-Lbs. **\$1.05**

GOOCH — ALL MEAT  
**WIENERS** Lb. **49c**

CHOICE BEEF  
**T-BONE STEAK** Lb. **89c**

CHOICE BEEF  
**CHUCK ROAST** Lb. **49c**

HORMEL — BONELESS — FULLY COOKED  
**HAM** 4-Lb. Can **\$3.39**

GOOCH — ALL MEAT  
**BOLOGNA** Lb. **39c**

Hormel  
**VIENNAS** 2 for **39c**

Hormel POTTED  
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RETURN TO SCHOOL -

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#### BLACK SUEDE

#### PENNY LOAFERS

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U. S. KEDS

#### GIRLS' PUMP

Size 5x to 10

(CHILDS)

Reg. \$2.98 ..... NOW \$1.99

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SIZES 8 1/2 TO 12

\$2.98

#### DRESS STRAWS

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Bondholders get their interest before any stockbroker gets his dividends; and should the firm go broke, they get paid out of its as-



**YOUNG TEXANS**—Robert Jeffrey Caswell of Dickinson, Texas and David R. Underdown of Athens, Texas have been chosen "Young Texans of the Month" for July and August, respectively, by the 7,000 Optimist Club members of Texas and the Troy V. Post Foundation. Caswell, 18 years old, is a sophomore ministerial student at Austin College. Underdown, a 17-year-old Athens High School senior who excels in science, plans a career in research chemistry. Both boys have excellent scholastic records, and both have attained high honors in Scouting. They were judged the most outstanding Young Texans for their respective months in competition with hundreds of other nominees by a panel of judges headed by Governor Price Daniel.

ts before the stockholders get a nickel.

Preferred stock, as a rule, yields fixed dividends before the common stockholders get anything, but preferred stock dividends are payable only if declared by the corporation.

As a rule, bond holders have more power than stockholders in how it picks its officers and makes greater profit (or loss).

The legal invention of the entity called a corporation has made possible public investment in industry and commerce. By allowing anybody to buy in or lend to the firm a corporation has made large scale research, production and marketing possible while each investor can study and decide what he wants to risk his capital.

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The colorful pirats of old captures your imaginations but not that of the shipowners or the governments that lost their cargoes and treasurers.

Pirats were "enemies of mankind." Their acts became crimes against that government as well as against the "law of nations." A government would try to catch and to punish them; it matters how and where the piracy took place.

From these early days, a rule of international law called "the piracy principle" came into being, as to crimes against mankind. Any nation might seize and punish such a person. He did not need to be one of its citizens. The crimes could be committed inside or outside its territory. Jurisdiction is worldwide.

Nations often punish their own people for crimes beyond their borders. Nations can punish aliens for crimes within their borders. They can punish aliens for crimes committed against that country when they later come into that country. A nation can also punish an alien for piracy under international law.

What about war crimes done on orders of superiors? The World War II aliers have de-

clared that certain Nazis lead, re-committed punishable crimes against nations.

Now and then some nations may allow a court to try a person "in absentia." Such trial without the accused present were once popular, but little comes from such trials, and they are not as highly regarded as trials in which a person has a fair chance to defend himself.

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**Freeman Says  
FHA Made Record  
Amount of Loans**

The Farmers Home Administration of the U. S. Department of Agriculture loaned farm families and other rural people a record \$637 million in fiscal 1962 which ended on June 30, Secretary of Agriculture Orville L. Freeman announced to the Merkel Mail this week.

The volume of loans, largest during any 12-month period in the agency's history, was 61 percent larger than the 1961 total of \$395.7 million, and 106 percent above the \$308.9 million loaned in 1960.

Nearly half of the total loaned during fiscal 1962 went for farm operating expenses, almost a third for the purchase, development, or enlargement of family farms, and about a sixth went

for the construction and improvement of houses and service buildings on farms and in rural communities.

Approximately 205,000 families were using Farmers Home Administration credit for these and other purposes at the end of the fiscal year — 12 percent more than the year before.

"The rise in the number and amount of loans," said Secretary Freeman, "reflects a continuing increase in operating expenses necessary to keep pace with today's modern farming methods. It also indicates the reduced re-

turns from the sale of farm products which have many efficient farm owners hard pressed."

Secretary Freeman added, "I believe it is especially noteworthy that in spite of the enormously increased activity in its lending programs and management work with farm families, the Farmers Home Administration has scarcely increased its personnel at all."

The Rev. Charles Tucker and wife from Galveston took his mother, Mrs. Etta Tucker, to Prescott, Ariz., to see her son,

A. J. Tucker. They come back through Plainview and visited her son, Jasper, and Lena Horton's mother, Mrs. Lillie Jones.

Patty Thomas of Wichita Falls visited this week end with Sandra Freeman.

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### Ready For Berlin...and Still Ready



### Texas State Fair to Present Women's Special Kitchen Window

A new vista will open on Texas food products at the 1962 State Fair of Texas, when the Texas Kitchen Window debuts in the Women's Department. Conceived by the director of the department, Mrs. Leah Jarrett, this new feature will give fairgoers "live" demonstrations of distinctive ways to prepare famed Texas food products.

Four times daily, from October 6 through 21, various state groups and associations will showcase both new and tried-and-true ways to serve plentiful Texas products — ranging from peanuts to beef, pecans to honey.

The Kitchen Window will be a complete kitchen, assembled in the air conditioned Women's Building. Two ovens, sink and refrigerator will be ranged against a back wall. A free-standing front counter with burners will face seating for some 100 onlookers, who will hear a running commentary on the food preparation via microphones worn by demonstrators.

Ten state groups are cooperating in presenting the Kitchen Window. In the order in which they will appear during the Fair, they are: the Texas Beef Council, Dallas County Home Demonstration Clubs, Southwestern Peanut Growers Association, Texas Turkey Federation, Texas Egg Council, Texas Broiler Council, Dallas County Negro 4-H Girls, Texas Pecan Growers Association, Texas Beekeepers Association, and Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association.

Showings in the Texas Kitchen Window are scheduled for 11 a.m. and 1, 3 and 5 p.m. dur-

ing the Fair. Each show will run approximately 45 minutes. Between shows, representatives of groups will man the area to distribute information and recipes.

Mrs. I. J. Melton, Mrs. Price Melton, Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Owen, Mrs. Leila Moran of Merkel visited their daughter and sister Mrs. H. L. Davenport of Midland in the Stephenville Hospital Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Mashburn and daughter, Lee Ann of Big Spring, were visitors in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Booth, over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Smith of Trent attended the Blankenship reunion in Sulphur Springs, Okla. over the week end.

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Those from Merkel attending funeral services for Steve P. King of Knox City, were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Orshorn, Mrs. Johnny Cox, Miss Johnnie Warren; Mrs. Mary Cline and Miss Bessie Reidenback.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Howard had as their guest Saturday night for supper her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Clark and daughters, Linda, Judy and Karen of Abilene. Also her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Clark.

First Lt. H. K. Shanks from Ft. Bliss and brother, Marcus from San Antonio, were weekend guests of the grandmother, Mrs. Josie Shanks.

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The report, which reviews the first year's activities of the Committee, describes Federal actions taken in behalf of small business, recommends additional steps to improve the position of small business, and reviews problems facing the American small businessman.

In accepting the Committee's report, President Kennedy said that his Administration is "determined to insure a strong, diversified foundation of healthy small firms." To accomplish this objective, the President set these goals:

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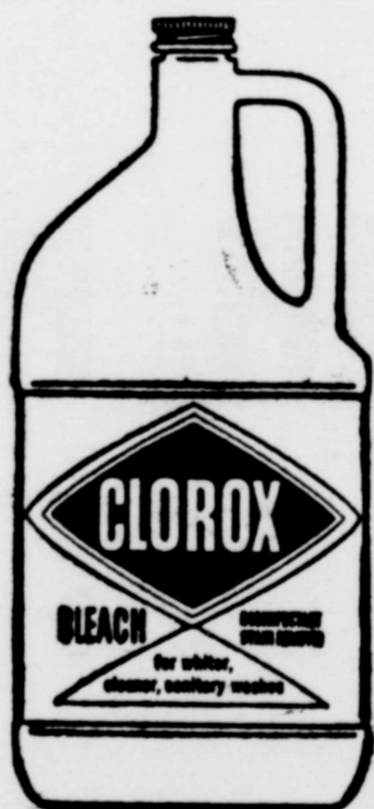
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