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Up The Canyon By TOM RUSSOM

A light shower fell across the Canyon Sunday night, not too much, but it could have helped a little. We ended February without any rain or snow to speak of. Farmers in our area have chiseled quite a bit of land, and perhaps that's a good deal, leaving some mulch on top of the ground so the land won't blow so bad.

Well, as bad as I hate to admit it, I had another birthday last week, but the beautiful cards that were sent made me realize that it isn't so bad to get a little older. Mrs. Ruth Martin Beall of Tyler (rather Chalder, which is near Tyler sent a very nice card and a long letter. She is the former Ruth Martin, the daughter of the late Dr. Martin who was an early day doctor of the Canyon. Ruth spoke again of the beautiful mountains and valleys in the Canyon.

The attendance was up at Pioneer Church Sunday. Our pastor, the Rev. Charles Williams, was unable to speak to his people due to a severe cold. Stanley Simmons of Nolan spoke to the people of our church. His father and mother, sister, and grandmother, Mrs. Monroe, all from Nolan, attended the morning service.

We regret to hear of the illness of a very fine friend of ours, W. C. Matthews of Trent. He is a former resident of the Canyon and was my Sunday School teacher when I wore "knee pants." We hope that he will soon be up and back home soon.

Mrs. Sam Butman Jr. has just returned home after a visit in Fort Worth with friends, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Duncan and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewell McLean were guests in their daughter's home, Mr. and Mrs. Griff Barnett, last week for a birthday supper, honoring Mrs. McLean. The Barnetts live in Anson.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Butman will observe their Fiftieth Anniversary the 16th of April. Their daughters will have charge of arrangements. The occasion will be held at Pioneer Church.

Some two weeks ago there appeared a note to the editor of the Merkel Mail from Alton Woods, telling how he enjoyed our column. I don't recall if Alton had his address listed or not. So, if you will send me your address, Alton, I will write you a personal letter. Think I could tell you about a lot of happenings that your would be interested in.

We want to say hello to our folks this week out at Big Spring. Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Sloan and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gray, who read the Mail and also our column.

Sue King was at home over the weekend and attended church at Pioneer with her folks.

Mr. and Mrs. N. O. Johnson who owns a stock farm in the Canyon, has given our community center an electric ice box. We want to say "Thanks a lot" and we do appreciate it very much.

VB TOURNAMENT SET BY SENIOR CLASS

A Volleyball Tournament, set for tonight and Friday night at 6 p.m. at the school gymnasium is being sponsored by the Seniors of Merkel High School, according to Nick Davis, class president.

The city-wide tournament will feature teams from clubs and civic organizations. "An entrance fee of \$2.00 is being charged for each team participating," said Davis.

PUBLIC URGED TO BE SAFETY MINDED DURING EMERGENCIES

Merkel's Fire Chief, Waymon Adcock, expressed appreciation this week to the people who "observed all safety and fire emergency rules during the Merkel High School fire that did approximately \$50,000 worth of damage Wednesday night, Feb. 22.

Said Adcock, "Your volunteer firemen express appreciation to those of you who cleared the way so that we could do a better job of fighting this fire."

"However," said Adcock, "a strong word of caution is being given now to those who did hinder your firemen and fire fighting equipment in getting to the fire."

"In so many emergencies people have the idea that they need to get to the scene of disaster ahead of safety equipment — they don't stop to realize that without firemen and equipment much more damage can be done with fire. It's natural for people to be curious.

"In the instance of last Wednesday evening's fire at the high school, a goodly number of people had gathered before the firemen and firefighting equipment had reached the scene, making it hazardous for the fire fighters to get into the core of the fire."

O. H. Griffin, president of the Merkel Independent School District said that he estimated that damages from fire, water, smoke and heat might go as high as \$50,000.

As of press time, Mack Fisher, school superintendent, said that insurance men had not released the exact figures on the damage, but would probably have them this week.

Fisher expressed appreciation to the Merkel Fire Department for the "outstanding job they did in bringing the fire under control, and surprisingly enough, there was no water damage."

School was closed Thursday and Friday of last week, but classes resumed Monday morning, Feb. 27.

In appealing to the public for a more safety-minded attitude, Adcock said that he could not use words too strongly in reminding onlookers to stay off the premises where the immediate fire is in progress and for people to stay out of the building.

"The Merkel Fire Department does have the authority to expell onlookers from the scene of the fire and or building, and will do so if occasion demands it."

Adcock recalled several incidents of where people were in the hallway of the school when "actually we didn't know if the ceiling would stay in place or fall,

while firemen were still trying to locate any remaining fire that was in the building."

"Onlookers also hampered the movement of equipment in and out of the building," said Adcock. "Our firemen did an outstanding job in smothering the blaze. It could have been much worse if they hadn't done such a good job.

"Fire fighting equipment must be ready at all times to move, and we found one truck filled with onlookers (probably trying to keep warm). The firemen getting ready to operate the truck was detained while he cleared

the truck of onlookers. This should never have happened."

Adcock again reminded people to "stay clear of the fire, out of buildings, and be assured that if any onlookers are needed, officials of the fire department will call upon them."

"We may never have another major fire such as this in years," said Adcock. "I hope we never do, but if and when such a thing happens, the public must know now that all caution will and must be taken by the officials of the fire department and the police department, to fight the fire, and perhaps save a life.

Industrial Foundation Meet Set For Tonight At 7:30

COUNTY VOTE APPROVES ALL THREE BOND PROPOSITIONS

Taylor County residents okayed \$1.75 million for construction of a coliseum and other improvements at the County Livestock and Exposition Center (fairgrounds) by a little less than a 2-1 margin and approved \$3 million for construction of a courthouse with jail facilities by 8-7 in the bond issue vote, Tuesday, Feb. 28. The Abilene vote swung the courthouse election.

Total county votes for the three propositions were: Courthouse, 7,726 for; 7,040, against.

Coliseum, 9,499 for; 5,340 against. Road tax, 8,648 for; 6,280 against. A total of 407 voted in the Merkel precinct with 165 for the Courthouse, and 229 against; 200 for the Coliseum, 194 against, and 254 for the road tax with 147 against.

County Judge Roy Skaggs said "I'm glad a lot of people in the Merkel area got out and voted. This is fine for our kind of government that we are in, and I appreciate it personally."

In commenting on the voting turnout County Commissioner Joe Cypert said "This is the democratic way. Whether we voted alike or not is not as important as the fact that we took advantage of our American privilege and voted."

"Now let's look ahead," said Booth Warren, president of Merkel's Farmers and Merchants National Bank, and a member of the

Taylor County Committee of One Hundred.

"Really, I'm delighted that all of the issues carried, said Warren, "but it's disappointing that the margin was no greater than it

was, because it's a tremendous step forward for Abilene in particular, and all of us indirectly. I don't think we'll regret the steps that have been taken for this capital improvement."

CANDIDATES FILE FOR CITY; SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS

As of press time Wednesday, two candidates had filed for Merkel's School Board election to fill the expiring terms of Dr. Jarrett Williams and Odis Griffin.

According to school superintendent, Mack Fisher, the two filings are C. V. (Dean) Smith and Roscoe Shields. Both Smith and Shields are residents of Merkel and are associated with Humble Oil and Refining Company.

Trustees of the Merkel Independent School District have ordered the election for Saturday, April 1, with balloting being conducted at the City Hall.

Clyde Bartlett, school tax assessor-collector said that absentee balloting will begin on March 12 and end March 28, and may be done between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday."

In the city election only three

candidates have filed. They are: for re-election, Mayor Johnny Cox, and for councilmen, incumbent Charles (Peck) Eager, and William (Bill) Button.

"Candidates have until noon, Friday, March 3 in which to file for place on the ballots," said City Secretary Mrs. Flossie McKeever. "Filing may be done at the City Hall."

The City Election is scheduled for Tuesday, April 4 at the City Hall."

17 Attend Driver Training Course

Seventeen attended the first Driver Improvement Course meeting held Tuesday, Feb. 28 at the Taylor Electric Cooperative building.

"And we could have accommodated many, many more," said Norris E. Lineveaver, secretary of the Taylor County Committee on Aging.

The next scheduled Driver Improvement Courses will be March 8, 15 and 22, and will again be held at the TEC building.

"The seventeen responsive people who attended the first meeting want to be better drivers," said Lineveaver. "They emphasized this very fact by attending the meeting."

Instructors for the Improvement Course are Sgt. Jimmie Rhoads, Safety Education Service of Midland; Patrolman Bob Williams, Odessa Safety Education, and Patrolman Dan Nowlin, Abilene Safety Education.

Leon McAden is Merkel's committee member.

NOTICE

Burl King, Taylor County Tax Assessor - Collector, will be at the Merkel Chamber of Commerce at 114 Edwards Street Saturday, March 11 to sell car tags, according to city secretary, Mrs. Flossie McKeever.

King will be at the C-C office from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m., and all persons wishing to purchase car tags may call between these hours.

Briefing Session On the Agenda

Plans to get Merkel's Industrial Foundation out of the "paper organization" stages and into an aggressive, producing actor in the Merkel economy were announced Tuesday by Herman Carson, Industrial Foundation president.

A meeting is set for Thursday night, March 2, at the Merkel Cafe to brief a crew of "salesmen" on the workings of the Industrial Foundation.

A program of fact-finding on the Industrial Foundation was discussed which would seek the aid of the Merkel Mail, station KWFA, civic club speakers, ministers and others influential in communications to put forth the needs of and benefits of an Industrial Foundation for Merkel.

Bill Button, manager of West Texas Utilities in Merkel said he had just participated in a day and a half company meeting in which each area in his company had reported on new industry located in each city. He said that in every instance where new industry was obtained that the town had an organized, working Industrial Foundation.

Carson said that besides helping to obtain new industry, the foundation was set up so that it could be very beneficial in aiding Merkel's new proposed hospital.

An outline of how the Industrial Foundation would be financed was given by Carson.

He said two pledges would be solicited. The first, a small amount, would be used as operating capital by the foundation. The second pledge, a larger amount, would be used to furnish certain aids to a new industry, but would be called only at the vote of the Industrial Foundation board of directors when a specific industry had been obtained.



THE SOUND OF THE BELL — Merkel High School principal, Edwin Reed is shown with the bell that is rung to tell students when to change classes. The familiar old school bell was "brought out of mothballs" after the recent fire put the electrical bell system out of order. (Staff Photo)

CONFERENCES SET TODAY AND FRIDAY

Classes will be dismissed at noon Thursday and Friday of this week for Merkel public school students, so that parents and teachers may hold conferences.

School superintendent, Mack Fisher, said that buses will leave the schools at 12:30 after regular lunchroom hours, and conferences will begin at 1 p.m.

The parent-teacher conferences and parent visitations are in line with Texas Annual Public School Week, which is scheduled one week later. "However," said Fisher, "since our conferences were scheduled earlier, we are observing Public School Week at this

time."

Fisher explained that "parents are invited to visit school at any time, and we welcome them."

"There have been many developments in education since the Public Schools were established in Texas one hundred thirteen years ago," said Fisher. "And those who visit can see how our schools are equipped, how they are staffed, and how the children are taught."

"The school administrators and teachers are eager to reveal new teaching techniques and to answer any questions about our Public Schools which you may have."

INVITATIONAL TRACK MEET SET MARCH 11

Merkel High School's Invitational Track Meet will be held here March 11, according to High School track Coach Ronnie Toombs.

Toombs said that teams accepting the Invitational as a press time are Loraine, Abilene Christian High School, Roscoe, Bronte, Trent, Wylie, Aspermont, Roby and Jim Ned.

"We feel sure there will be other schools accepting this invitation," said Toombs. "The meet will include Class A and B teams."

Preliminaries will begin at 9 a.m. and finals at 1 p.m. said Toombs.

Merkel's track team attended the Comanche Relays, held at Fort Stockton Saturday, Feb. 25.

Felix Costello placed in the mile run, Barney Davis placed 2nd in the high jump and Johnny Thompson 3rd in the 330 yard intermediate hurdle.

"The mile relay composed of Robert Wilson, Danny Wade, Richard Walker and Stanley Leamon won their heat though they failed to place," said Toombs.

Merkel High School track team members are Costello, Davis, Joe De La Cruz, Donnie Doan, Gary Doan, Kenry Jernigan, Leamon, Thompson, Terry Wade, Danny Wade, Walker and Wilson. Wooster Boyd is manager.

Track schedule for March is the Doubt Mt. Relays at Rotan March 18, and the San Angelo Relays March 24-25.

Parents Invited To Little League Meeting March 7

A Little League meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, Mar. 7 at 7:30 p.m. at the Merkel Restaurant, according to Mrs. Lawrence Hewitt, secretary - treasurer of the League Association.

"Plans will be made at this meeting for the summer league," said Mrs. Hewitt, "and parents of all little leaguers (ages 9-12) are urged to attend. Managers and officers will also be elected at this time."

The meeting will be of interest to parents not only in the Merkel area, but also Trent, Moodle and Tye.

LEGAL NOTICE

SHERIFF'S SALE
THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF TAYLOR

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That by virtue of a certain ORDER OF SALE issued out of the Honorable 42nd Court of TAYLOR County of the 5th day of January 1967 by issuing of said Judgment for the sum of THREE HUNDRED NINETEEN and 50/100 (\$319.50) Dollars and costs of suit, under a Judgment, in favor of The City of Merkel, in a certain cause in said Court, No. 30-090-A and styled the City of Merkel vs. EARL STEVENS, et al, placed in my hands for service, I, GEORGE MAXWELL as Sheriff of Taylor County, Texas, did, on the 10th day of Feb. 1967, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Taylor County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit:

T. WINTER TRACT:
Being a tract of land out of the West one - half of Lot No. Two (2), Block "A", Thornton Subdivision of Blocks No. 13 and 25, College Addition to the City of Merkel, Taylor County, Texas, and being the South 87' and the East 68.6' of said West one-half of Lot No. Two (2), save and except the following described portion which was conveyed as R.O.W. to the State of Texas for Interstate 20, and BEGINNING at a point South 13' and West 100' of the NW corner of said Lot No.

Two (2), Block "A", Thornton Subdivision; THENCE South 80 degrees 38' East 53.53' to a point for corner; THENCE South 72 degrees 36.5' West 3.8' to a point and continuing in a southwesterly direction which is South 84 degrees 2' West 53' to a point for corner; THENCE North 9 degrees 22' East 15.58' to the place of beginning.

ANNIE L. STEVENS TRACT:
Being a tract of land out of the West one - half of Lot No. Two (2), Block "A", Thornton Subdivision of Blocks No. 13 and 25, College Addition to the City of Merkel, Taylor County Texas, and more particularly described as follows: BEGINNING at the SW corner of said Lot, No. Two (2); THENCE North 9 degrees 22' East along the WBL of said Lot, No. Two (2), a distance of 44.65' to a point for corner; THENCE along the R.O.W. of Interstate Highway 20, North 84 degrees 12' East 103.6' to the NE corner of this tract; THENCE South Parallel with the WBL of said Lot No. Two (2), South 9 degrees 22' West, a distance of 72.75' to the SBL of said Lot No. Two (2); THENCE South 80 degrees 38' West along the SBL of said Lot No. Two (2), to the point of beginning.

and levied upon as the property of Earl W. Stevens, Roy Stevens, Bill Stevens, Mrs. Ralph Sabin,

& unknown heirs of W. T. Winters and that on the first Tuesday in March 1967, the same being the 7th day of said month at the Court House door, of Taylor County in the City of Abilene, Texas, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., by virtue of said levy and said ORDER OF SALE, I will sell said above - described Real Estate at public vendue, for each, to the highest bidder, as the property of said Earl W. Stevens, Roy Stevens, Bill Stevens, Mrs. Ralph Sabin, and the unknown heirs of W. T. Winters.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Merkel Mail, a newspaper published in Taylor County.

Witness my hand this 10th day of Feb. 1967.

GEORGE MAXWELL
Sheriff Taylor County, Texas
By Leon Sledge, Deputy.

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LEGAL NOTICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS
To any Sheriff or any Constable within the State of Texas - GREETING:

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

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: C. R. Northcutt, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable Court of Domestic Relations of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty - two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 20th day of March A.D. 1967, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 28th day of November A. D. 1966, in this cause, numbered 3007 on the docket of said court and styled Jackie Northcutt, Plaintiff, vs. C. R. Northcutt, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to - wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married on December 24, 1963 and became permanently separated on May 3, 1964. Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of harsh and cruel treatment as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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

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

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this 7th day of February A.D. 1967.

(Seal)
Attest: R. H. ROSS, Clerk,
Domestic Relations Court,
Taylor County, Texas.
By Irene Crawford, Deputy.

Goodman Club Hears HD Agent

The Goodman Home Demonstration Club met at the Goodman Community Center Friday, Feb. 24, with president, Mrs. Claud Butler, presiding.

Mrs. Mary Newberry, Jones County Home Demonstration agent, presented a program on "Better Living with Money Management."

Mrs. Dan Butler led the group in prayer and Mrs. Dennis Butler gave the council report.

Mrs. Karl Bonneaux and Mrs. Claud Butler were appointed as delegates to attend the Clothing Remodeling program, to be given in Anson March 2.

Mrs. Bonneaux was hostess for the meeting.

WEEKEND VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. James Shaver and sons, Jim and Eddie of Fort Worth were weekend visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Shannon.

Mrs. Shaver is the Shannons' daughter.

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the accompanying citation, of which the herein below following is a true copy.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Phillip Edward Newman, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty - two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 20th day of March A.D. 1967, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 2nd day of February A.D. 1967, in this cause, numbered 30,797-A on the docket of said court and styled In Re: Michael Dean Newman, Plaintiff, vs. Phillip Edward Newman, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: a matter which concerns Michael Dean Newman as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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

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

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this 3rd day of February A.D. 1967.

(Seal)
Attest: R. H. ROSS Clerk,
42nd District Court
Taylor County, Texas
By Irene Crawford, Deputy.

50 4tc

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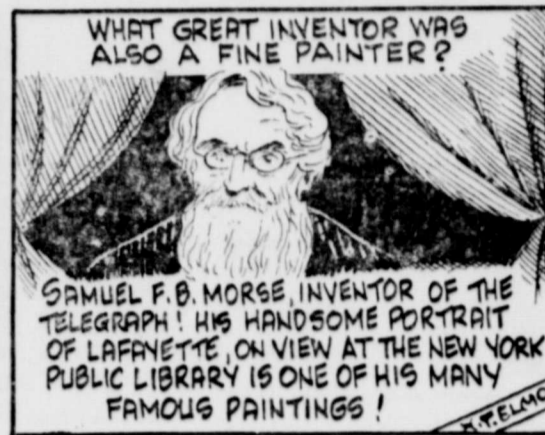
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TC FARM BUREAU TO BEGIN DRIVE

Taylor County Farm Bureau will stage its annual membership drive this month, it was announced at a meeting of the board of directors this past week in the Farm Bureau office.

The drive will be kicked off with a breakfast Friday, March 17 and will be sparked by a contest with the Runnels County Farm Bureau for the largest net gain in membership. Meeting place for the breakfast will be announced next week.

Besides membership drive

plans for a trip to be taken to Austin by Farm Bureau members and a visit with the legislators. Billy Vinson is heading this committee. The Bureau also appointed a committee to meet with the county tax assessor on administration of Amendment No. 1 on last November's ballot concerning taxing of farm land in the county.

Fifteen directors were present with Sam Bass presiding.

Also present were Ed Cumby,

area field man for Texas Farm Bureau, B. J. Gist, state representative, Millard Shivers from Dallas, representing Blue Cross, and Vearl Smith, Farm Bureau agent.

Not one person survived the Custer Massacre of June 25, 1876.



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Pancake Mix 2 Lbs. **39¢**

CRISCO (Limit One) 3-Lb. **69¢**
Can

Tomatoes Hunt's Stewed 300 Size 2 for **35¢**

VIENNAS Swift's 2 for **39¢**

PREM Swift's 12-Oz. **49¢**
Can

FLOUR Light Crust 5-Lb. (Limit One) Box **45¢**



BACON Wilson's Crisprite Lb. **55¢**

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MISCELLANEOUS

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MASONIC MEETING
Stated Meeting of Merkel Lodge No. 710 on 2nd Saturday and 4th Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Visitors welcome. Members urged to attend.

ROY MASHBURN, W. M. DAN BUTLER, Sec'y.

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Emmett and Gladys Ayers

The battle between the Monitor and the Merrimack took place at Hampton Roads, Virginia.

Religious Review

ASSEMBLY OF GOD
John Curtis, pastor
SUNDAY
Sunday School 9:45
Preaching 11:00
Evening Preaching 7:00
WEDNESDAY
Mid-Week Evangelistic Service 7:30
Mid-Week Service 7:30 p.m.
Choir Practice 8:30 p.m.

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
5th and Runnels
David Hahn, pastor
SUNDAY MORNING
Sunday School 10:00
Worship Service 11:00
SUNDAY EVENING
Training Union 5:30
Worship Service 6:30
WEDNESDAY
Evening Service 7:30

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Bill Tanner, pastor
SUNDAY
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Radio Broadcast 10:15 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Radio Broadcast 11:00 a.m.
Youth Choir 5:00 p.m.
Training Union 5:30 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
Women's Missionary Society 9:30 a.m.
Sunbeam Band 3:15 p.m.
Junior GA's 3:45 p.m.
Intermediate Royal Ambassadors 3:30 p.m.
Midweek Service 7:30 p.m.
FRIDAY

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
Newton Daniel, pastor
SUNDAY
Sunday School 9:45
Worship Service 10:55
Youth Meeting 6:00
Evening Worship 7:00
WEDNESDAY
Choir Practice 8:00
CHURCH OF CHRIST
Dwight Holland, pastor
SUNDAY
Bible School 9:45
Morning Worship 10:55
Evening Classes 6:00
Evening Worship 6:45
WEDNESDAY
Bible Classes 8:00

Junior Choir 3:30 p.m.

VICTORY BAPTIST CHURCH
307 El Paso St.
W. G. Richardson, pastor
SUNDAY
Bible School 10:00
Worship Service 11:00
Evening Service 7:00
WEDNESDAY
Evening Service 7:00

MISSION BAPTISTA BETHEL
Juan Nix, pastor
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Training Union 6 p.m.
Evening Worship 7 p.m.
GRACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
JAMES SINCLAIR, pastor
SUNDAY
Sunday School 10:00
Worship Service 8:30

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1967 EASTER SEAL DRIVE UNDERWAY

Stanley Marcus of Dallas, began Easter Seal Appeal in Texas by urging a total effort on the part of every Texan to do his part in the Easter Seal Society's campaign to combat crippling in children and adults.

"We can take our choice here in Texas," Mr. Marcus said. "We can either provide services while children are young and treatable to prepare them for independent lives, or ignore the problem and let them grow up to become dependent adults, relying on our tax-supported programs to keep them in dependency."

Mr. Marcus, president of Neiman-Marcus of Dallas, Fort Worth, and Houston, was appointed Easter Seal Appeal Chairman by Robert W. Milam, M.D., of McAllen, President of the Easter

Sela Society for Crippled Children and Adults of Texas. The Easter Seal Appeal runs February 20 through Easter Sunday, March 26.

MERKEL RIDING CLUB DIRECTORS MEET; PLAN ACTIVITIES

Directors of the Merkel Riding Club met Tuesday, Feb. 21 to get plans underway for the spring and summer activities, according to publicity chairman, Mrs. Jack Boone.

Director president, John Boyd, said that "activities for the club are being planned and the first meeting date will be announced soon."

Chairmen and the committee they head are J. D. Sandusky and Boyd, Arena Directors Wilmer Criswell, Parade Chairman: L. J. Gray, Roping Chairman: Monk Stowe, Alvin Wozencraft and Bob Whitehead, Time Keepers: Pete

Morgan, Announcer: Publicity, Mrs. Boone, and Mrs. Walter Henslee and Mrs. Jack Hogan, Program.

The 1967 slate of directors of the Riding Club are Boyd, Sandusky, Ted McAninch, Edwin Read, Gray, Stowe and Criswell.

Criswell is vice president of the club and McAninch, secretary-treasurer.

Dayna McAninch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ted McAninch, is the club's sweetheart, with Kathryn Criswell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Criswell as alternate.

HOME EC STUDENTS TO ATTEND MEETING

Thirty five of the approximately eighty students in MHS's Home Economics class will leave Saturday morning, March 4 for Stephenville to attend the Area Future Homemakers of America meeting. They will be accompanied by Home Economic teacher, Mrs. Kathryn Ryle.

The educational and inspirational meeting will include a main speaker, entertainment and time available for guests to visit the campus of Tarleton College.

Mrs. Ryle explained that the bus will leave Merkel Saturday morning and return Saturday afternoon.

On Friday, March 2, Mrs. Ryle will take the school's voting delegate, Myrtle Davis, and area officer, Mary Johnson, to Stephenville for the business meeting.

Friday's business meeting will

include election of state and area officers. Mary Johnson is a candidate for state office, said Mrs. Ryle.

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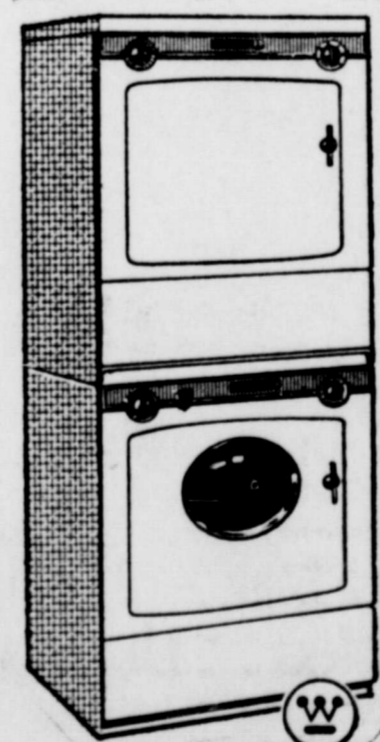
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BY ROBERT BOYD

Merkel 4-H Club Meets Tonight

The Merkel 4H Club will meet Thursday, March 2 at the Taylor Electric Cooperative Building at 7:30 p.m. for a demonstration program for the County - Wide Eliminations.

County - Wide Eliminations will be held April 8.

To be eligible to enter these contests the two most important requirements are (1) you must have been enrolled and actively participating in a 4-H Club before Jan. 1, 1967, and (2) you must be carrying a project or enrolled in a subject - matter group related to the contest selected.

MERKEL-TRENT GRADUATES ON COLLEGES' HONOR ROLL

Area students who are off attending colleges in Texas have performed their duties "above and beyond" so well that their names have gotten in the "limelight" lately.

SUE DICKERSON, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Odell Dickerson of Trent, and a Trent High School graduate, is one of fourteen students who is on the Dean's list at Ranger Junior College for the fall semester.

Sue, a sophomore, and a Who's Who for the College is a member of Phi Theta Kappa, Debs and the Ranger - Anns.

YOULINDA MARIE CAREY, a McMurry freshman, and daughter of Mrs. Frances Carey, and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Harwell, all of Merkel, was among the top ten per cent of the student body at McMurry who is on the Dean's List.

Youlinda, a 1966 graduate of Merkel High School, was valedictorian of her graduating class.

SALLIE CARTER, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Carter of Rt. 2, Merkel, was named on the Hardin - Simmons Honor Roll for the fall term.

Sallie, a 1963 Trent High School graduate, was on the school's top academic list. She was THS's salutatorian of her graduating class.

CAROLYN SUE HOLLOWAY, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Holloway of Rt. 1, Merkel, and a 1966 graduate of Merkel High School is also on Hardin - Sim-

mons fall term honor roll.

RODNEY ROBERTSON, son of Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Robertson of Merkel, and a student in the department of military science at Harcin - Simmons University, was named to a spring semester leadership position. He was one of 71 sergeants to be named to this position, according to Colonel Johnny M. Rice, professor of military science at H-SU.

Robertson, a 1965 Merkel High School graduate is 1st Platoon Sergeant of Company D.

JO LYNN BUNTIN, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Buford Buntin, Merkel, made the fall honor roll at Arlington State College.

A 1965 graduate of MHS, Jo Lynn was senior favorite, and manager of the girls basketball team her sophomore, junior and senior years.

REGIONAL MEETING SCHEDULED MAR. 17

Judge Henry J. Strauss, judge of the Taylor County Domestic Relations and Juvenile Courts, today announced that the Texas Social Welfare Association, an agency of the United Fund of Abilene, has scheduled a Regional Conference to be held in Abilene March 17.

Strauss, general chairman of the event, said that the all day conference will be held at the Student Center on the Hardin-Simmons University campus with two of Texas' outstanding speakers in this field scheduled to speak. Speakers for the event will be Mr. Bill Anderson, Travis County Juvenile Probation Officer, and Dr. Mary D. Bubliss, a Psychiatrist from Plainview.

Registration fee for the conference is \$1.00 and the general public is invited to sit in on all or any part of the conference. The

conference theme will be "Responsible Action to the Challenge of Children's Crisis."

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RECEIVES AWARDS — Ray Young, left, son of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Young, and Mike Warren, son of Dr. and Mrs. Don Warren, were presented awards by Scoutmaster, Glenn Reen, at the recent Potluck Supper, held by Scout Troop No. 18. Ray received the Tenderfoot Rank and Mike four Merit Badges. (Photo Courtesy Lee Scott Studio)

TC 4-H HORSE CLUB HEARS C. DEGEER

The Taylor County 4-H Horse Club held their regular monthly meeting Saturday, Feb. 25, at the Leverett Ranch near Potosi, with president, Myrtle Davis, presiding. Charles DeGeer, assistant Taylor County Agent, talked to the members on "How to Judge a Quarter Horse." The group then participated in judging four quarter horse mares, and "gave the reasons for placing their deci-

sions." Members present were Mark Dudley, Jeff Whisenhunt, Cindy Whisenhunt, Myrtle Davis, Kathryn Criswell, Gail Boone, Joe Eddie Gist, Garry Arrant, Johnny Wheeler, Robert Boyd and Dayna McAninch.

Also Tonja McAninch, Jimmy Leverett, Billy Black, Danne Dudson and Robert Boone.

TC FARM BUREAU PLANS AUSTIN TRIP

A bus trip to Austin is being planned by the Taylor County Farm Bureau, says Billy Vinson, Policy Execution Chairman. The tour will leave Abilene on Wednesday, March 15, and return March 16.

According to Vinson the trip will include a visit to the Capitol to see the Legislature in session. They will also attend a Labor Committee meeting on Minimum Wage for farm labor in Texas. Senator Davis Ratliff of the 24th Senatorial District is chairman of this Committee. Farm Bureau will be testifying before the committee.

During the tour a breakfast will be held with your legislators, Senator David Datliff, Representatives Grant Jones and Frank Calhoun.

Vinson says it is up to farmers and ranchers to take the time and effort to attend to their affairs. "You can rest assured that no one else is going to take their time and effort to attend to it for them."

Vinson said that this will be an excellent opportunity to see and hear your Farm Bureau and legislature in ACTION. Farm Bureau members interested in making this trip, please contact the Taylor County Farm Bureau office, 2064 Butternut, or call OR 3-2595, Abilene, for more information.

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Taylor County Farm Bureau will conduct a BUS TOUR to Austin for this occasion.

Contact your local Farm Bureau office at 2064 Butternut in Abilene for more details.
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Study Tips For Teens

- As every parent knows, the teenage period in a youngster's life is extremely important in the development of habits that very likely will rule his adult life.
- While some of the habits parents see developing during these years may cause them to despair, authorities say that good study habits learned and practiced during the school years will improve the student's efficiency throughout his life, no matter what vocation he may pursue.
- Experts at Tangley Oaks Educational Center in Lake Bluff, Illinois, suggest some simple rules that will help develop good study habits:
1. The student should have a definite place, a desk or a table, to do the work. The chair should be a straight chair—not a lounging chair.
 2. All the necessary tools should be close at hand, because it's hard to concentrate if you have to get up and hunt for each tool as you need it. One of the best "tools" and the most important single resource of home study, is the encyclopedia. It should be the core around which is built a workable and enjoyable personal library.
 3. All possible distractions should be eliminated. This means no radio, TV, magazines, or other things which might tempt you away from your study. It's usually best to study alone, too.
 4. Be sure you know what your assignments are. The best way to do this is to make accurate notations in class while the teachers are outlining the assignments.
 5. Start right away — don't wait for an inspiration. Inspirations come after you've started, not before.
 6. Plan your study session. A good first step is to outline, on paper, what you plan to do. Do the hardest things first. If you have writing to do, do it before you tackle your reading assignments.
 7. Work rapidly after you get started, but take rest periods long enough to relax you without being so long they cause you to lose interest, or have trouble getting started again.
 8. Finish one assignment at a time. If you jump from one thing to another, chances are that few, if any will be completed.
- By practicing good study habits, you'll have opened the door for unlimited achievements in many areas — and that's well worth aiming for.

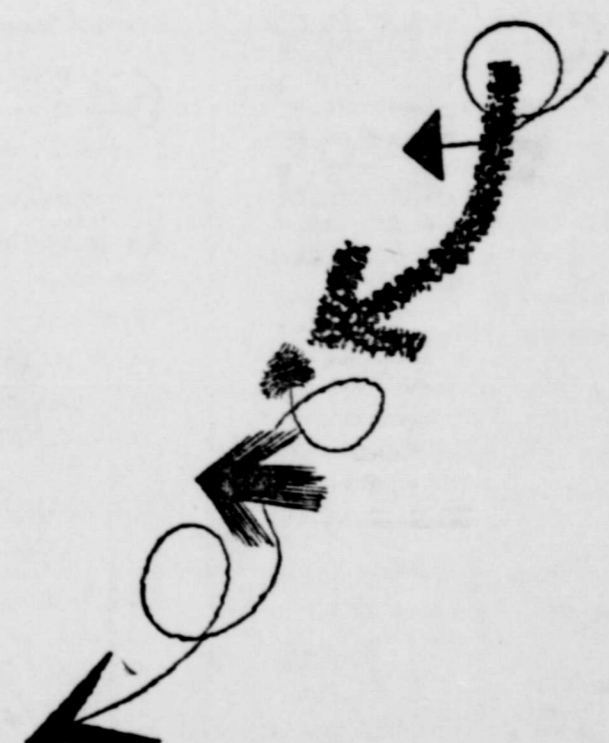
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By DEBI CORDER



More parents than ever will probably flood to the building Thursday and Friday afternoon for conferences just out of pure curiosity — to see what it looks like. For those of you who might like to know, but can't come to a conference Thursday or Friday, I'll inform you of what we students have to go through.

When we enter the building of a morning we see the black ruins ahead — (it looks like the inside of a cave). We realize we can't turn back and the smell has already hit us. So we go on, holding our hankies over our faces, so that we won't pass out. We never forget to duck down and hurry past Mrs. Dudley's charred room for fear that the ceiling above will come tumbling down.

And it's cold too! Kinda like being at the north end of the north pole!

And we also realize that it's not too wise for the girls to wear good apparel. We might start wearing blue jeans like the boys. (Well, I guess that's what it is.)

Nearly everyone Monday morn-

ing thought we were having a fire drill, when we heard the bell ring which was only natural, since we just had a fire. But not everyone thought that—just some of the less gifted one, like Liz Eagan, Sue Pinckler, Kay Hanson and Jo Ann Lassiter and myself. We grabbed our purses and ran to the door, leaving our books on our desk, while the rest of the class was calmly getting ready to go to their next class. Vickie Doan said when she heard the bell she screamed out. She thought the fire had started up again and she was ready to jump out of the window.

The typing class escaped their six week's test — the typewriters had to be taken out and cleaned, and were returned too late for tests. Matter of fact, most of the tests scheduled for last Thursday and Friday were forgotten.

Thursday and Friday nights the senior class is having a volleyball tournament. There will be both boys and girls playing, so be sure and come.



Stith News

By MRS. FRITZ HALE

We had a trace of rain and a little snow Tuesday last week. Still hoping we will soon have rain.

M. E. West has been in Hendrick Hospital several days. He is improving. Leonard McCoy is also in the Hendrick Hospital.

Mrs. Billy Dunagin had the flu last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Orval Ely and

children and the Rev. and Mrs. Leroy Watkins and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Matt Ely after church at Tye Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Bauchhofer and girls of Graham visited Mr. and Mrs. Ray Perry over the weekend.

Chuck and Harvey Fikes spent the weekend with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Fikes.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Malone and Monica Kay of Taylor spent Saturday and Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hale. The Malones were dinner guests Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Malone of Merkel.

Mr. and Mrs. Orval Ely and children visited Mrs. Ely's father in Eastland Hospital last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Benny Hobbs and children visited during the weekend with Mrs. Ella Neeb of Merkel, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Holt and the Orval Elys.

O. B. Tatum of Starr Nursing Home in Merkel spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. John Browning.

The Rev. and Mrs. James Williams and children visited Mrs. Williams' mother, Mrs. John Bennett in Anson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Jones and Muri of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Alanzo Peterson of Merkel visited Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Berry Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Browning and Mr. and Mrs. Ira Stanley attended a singing in Sweetwater Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Mashburn and Samatha of Carlsbad, N.M. visited! Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mashburn and Rodney a few days last week. Mrs. Lonney Horton and Rodney visited them Thursday.

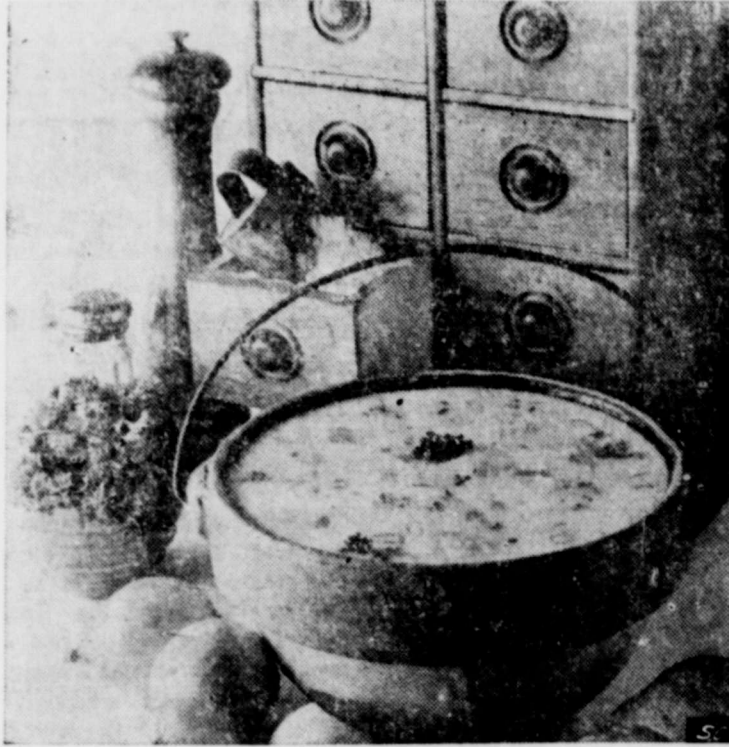
Mrs. Margie Cook and Mrs. Henry Ueckert of Noodle visited Mrs. J. E. Swindell and the Rev. and Mrs. Jess Swindell and son the last of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Benny Hobbs, Mrs. John Hobbs, Mrs. Ella Neeb and Mrs. Lena Reeder visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hobbs in Seymour Monday. Hall Hobbs of Rogers, Ark. met them there.

PUGGY



Some Like It Hot, Some Like It Cold



Hot or cold, almost everyone's happy to hear, "soup's on." In fact, most people wax nostalgic about the way mother made soup. Now with quick foods, the taste's the same, but the preparation's pared to minutes. One such favorite "mother's" recipe, Buttermilk-Potato Soup, was streamlined for modern cookery by the Borden Kitchen. Truly a modern delight everyone will reminisce about!

Andy's Buttermilk Soup
(Makes about 4 to 6 servings)

4 to 5 medium potatoes	1 egg
Water for cooking	3 tablespoons flour
1 tablespoon salt	1 small onion, chopped
1 quart Borden's Buttermilk	3 tablespoons butter

Peel and dice potatoes into medium-size pieces. Place in large saucepan. Add just enough water to cover potatoes. Stir in salt. Cook until almost done. In a large mixing bowl, beat buttermilk, egg and flour with rotary beater. Gradually, pour buttermilk mixture into the potatoes; stir constantly to prevent buttermilk from curdling. Cook over medium-low heat for 10 minutes. Sauté the chopped onion in butter until golden brown. Stir onion-butter mixture into the soup. Stir well. Good served hot or cold.



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A 1960 graduate of Andrews High School and of Howard Payne College in Brownwood, he is a junior student at the University of Texas Medical School in Galveston.

Rogers is one of approximately 40 students who were elected to serve as summer missionaries in seven foreign countries, three states and various areas of Texas.

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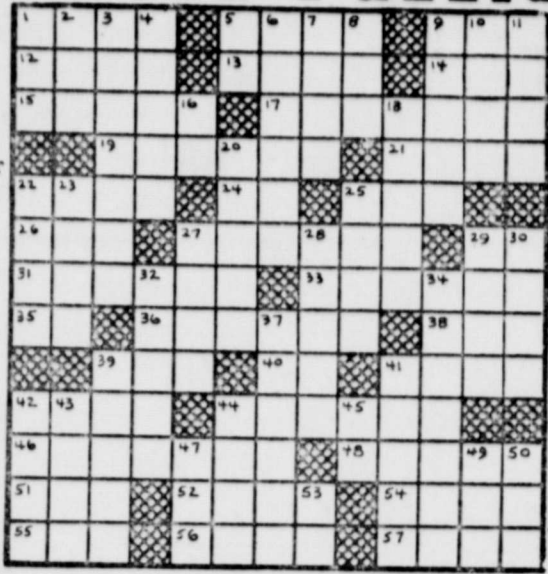
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- Asian sea
- Inquire
- Harbor
- Short note
- Honey maker
- Group of three
- Cripple
- Tilled
- Lounge
- Beak
- That is: abbr.
- Obtained
- Fruit drink
- Esteem
- Aluminum: chem.
- Diminish
- Snuggle
- Degree
- Number
- Little demon
- Total
- Compass point
- Go hastily!
- Completed
- Smitten

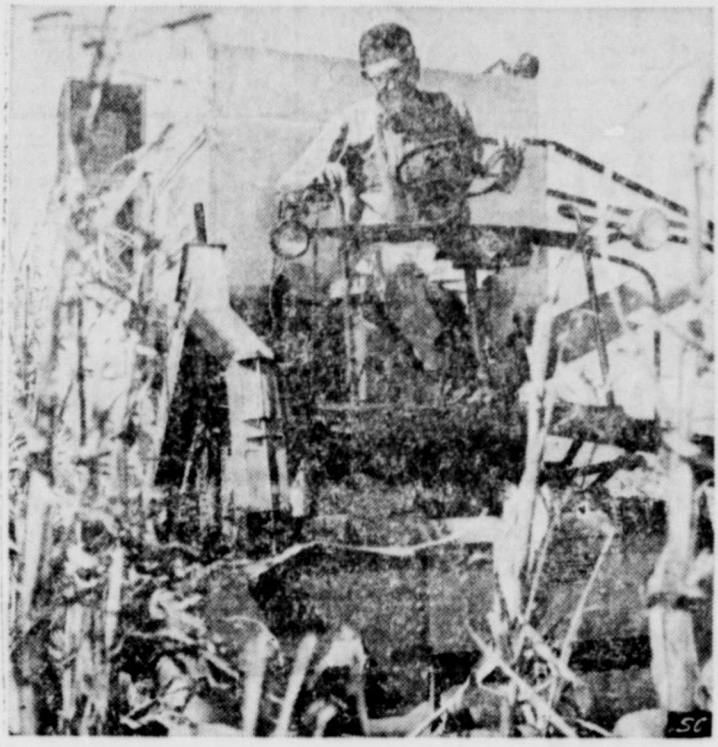


ANSWER TO PUZZLE

DOWN

- Likely
- Neither
- Trebled
- Stable part
- Be
- Buy back
- Among
- Angels
- Monastery head
- Vend
- Ship's bottom
- Perform
- Bitter drugs
- Broaden
- Fishhook
- Thought
- Color
- Astringent
- Bury
- Mater
- Jumped
- Below
- Amused
- Comes in
- Standpoint
- Range
- Rotating disk
- Alone
- Portico: arch.
- We
- Beverage
- Man's name
- Not bright
- French "and"

Question of inches . . . Farmers Like Corn In Narrow Rows



Farmers across the nation are using new techniques to increase yields. For example, Orville Tunis (above) of Satana, Kan., grew his corn in rows only 20 inches apart—about half the usual width. With his Allis-Chalmers combine, he harvested this 150-acre field. It yielded an average of 175 bushels per acre, despite damaging hail and an 80 mile an hour wind storm. In previous years, his 40-inch corn had averaged 115 bushels.

farmers can get higher yields from narrow row corn. They produce as high as 20 per cent over crops grown in the same wide rows that great-grandpa used.

The latest convincing evidence comes from Allis-Chalmers, the first manufacturer to offer equipment for planting and harvesting the corn in rows 20 inches apart. The company surveyed 199 customers from Pennsylvania to Colorado. Together, they planted 36,520 acres of corn in 20 inch rows during the 1966 season, far from an ideal growing year. It was an unusually hot, dry, windy summer in many parts of the country.

These farmers said they thought the corn they planted made better use of the fertilizer and ground moisture than wide planted corn. Their yields averaged 122 bushels an acre.

These same farmers compared their yields with their neighbors. Results showed that nearby fields planted in rows 30 inches apart grew 110 bushels, and the standard 40 inch corn only 101.

Obviously, the farmers surveyed were in the better corn growing areas, since the national average was only 72 bushels last year.

Most of the farmers in the survey were sold on the narrow row method. More than half, 102 said they would plant more 20 inch row corn for 1967, and 52 indicated they'd plant the same amount.

So what does it all prove? "Farmers who are already getting maximum yields from conventional rows can reasonably expect substantially higher yields from narrow row corn," says an Allis-Chalmers official. "Our more than 10 years of experience—working with land grant colleges and on our own—proves this."

He said the company is continuing experiments in even narrower rows down to 15 inches. A 200 acre plot in Wisconsin averaged 176 bushels last summer.

A new way to plant corn is making news on the nation's farms.

On these wintry days, farmers are asking themselves: "Should I go to narrow row? Should I put twice as many plants in the field by planting them in rows only 20 inches

apart, instead of the usual 40?"

Not since the days when Indians buried fish to fertilize their fields has there been so much discussion on how to grow more corn per acre.

The discussion arises because over the last few years, mounting evidence has proven that

carried out completely in black and white. Flower Show designer George H. Weatherly has used this dramatic method to effect the famous fireplace etching from the Lewis Carroll classic.

Dallas Show Begins March 11

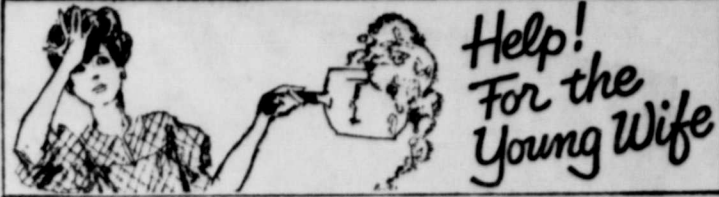
Through the looking glass, almost literally, is how visitors will enter "Alice in A Wonderland of Gardens," the 1967 Dallas Flower and Garden Show. The sixteenth annual nine-day floral extravaganza will fill the huge World Exhibits Building at State Fair Park from March 11 through 19, open from 11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. daily. The Flower Show visitor will enter through a stunning setting

Debate Tourney Set March 10-11

The Eleventh Annual West Texas High School Debate Tournament will be held at Hardin-Simmons University March 10 and 11, 1967, Raymond Bailey, assistant professor in speech and forensic director, announced today. Contests will be held in debate, persuasive speaking, prose reading, extemporaneous speaking and poetry interpretation. The division of cross examination debate has been added this year because of the demand from the high schools, Bailey explained. March 7 is the entry deadline for the annual tournament, Bailey concluded. Registration will be held in the lobby of Behrens Chapel March 10.

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Canned condensed soups are excellent ready-made sauces for chicken dishes. They're foolproof and the delicate seasoning enhances the flavor of any dish. The most compatible soups with chicken are cream of vegetable, celery, chicken, mushroom, or Cheddar cheese.

Dress up leftovers with a can of condensed soup to make them "souper" good. First combine a can of soup with 1/4 to 1/2 cup milk in a saucepan; combine a cut-up cooked chicken and a cooked vegetable; heat, stirring often. Serve over toast or in hot patty shells.

Here is a crunchy chicken with a creamy sauce—great for company or every day.



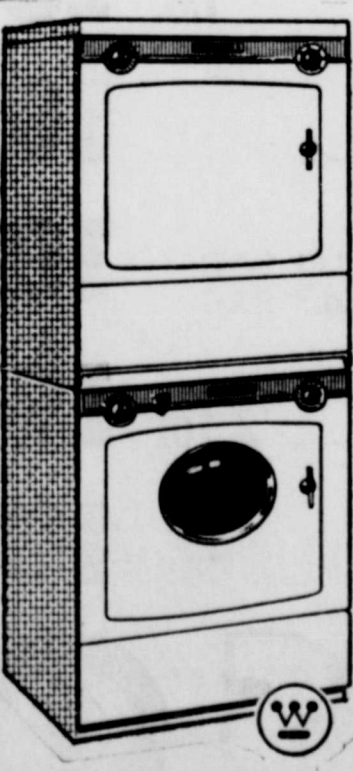
CHICKEN CRUNCH

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| 1 can Campbell's cream of mushroom soup | 1 cup finely crushed herb-seasoned stuffing mix or 1 cup fine dry bread crumbs |
| 3/4 cup milk | 1/2 teaspoon poultry seasoning, and 1/2 teaspoon salt |
| 1 tablespoon finely chopped onion | 2 tablespoons melted butter or margarine |
| 1 tablespoon chopped parsley | |
| 2 pounds chicken parts, fresh or frozen (thawed) | |
- Mix 1/2 cup soup, 1/4 cup milk, onion, and parsley. Dip chicken in soup mixture; then roll in stuffing. Place in shallow baking dish (12 x 8 x 2"). Pour butter on chicken. Bake at 400° F. for 1 hour. Meanwhile, combine remaining soup and milk; heat; stir now and then. Serve over chicken. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

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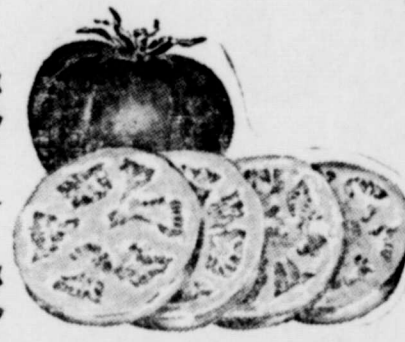
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