



Carl Jackson, cooperator in the South East Noodle Conservation group, is making his first plantings of soil improving crops on his farm this year. He has recently planted 10 acres to Madrid sweet clover for soil improvement and for summer grazing. This clover was planted with a grass drill in 3 foot rows at the rate of 3 pounds seed per acre. He has also planted 3 acres to alfalfa for a hog pasture. This alfalfa was planted with a grain drill at the rate of 15 pounds of seed per acre. Mr. Jackson is a strong believer in chisel-type plowing on his tight land farm. Last year was his first year to do deep plowing and he states his yields show some improvement over regular type plowing in spite of drouthy conditions which prevailed most of last year. He believes that a deep plowing every 3 to 4 years on tight heavy soils should be helpful in increasing the rate of water absorption. Moisture tests made last December after a 4 to 5 inch rain on Mr. Jackson's farm show that there was a 30 to 35% greater moisture depth of penetration on land which had been chiseled as compared to regular type

plowing.

H. N. Allred, cooperator in the Compere Conservation group, has recently planted 10 acres to Madrid sweet clover as a soil improving crop and for grazing purposes. This planting was made with a grass drill at the rate of 2 pounds seed per acre and planted in 3 foot rows to permit several light cultivations. This planting was made on very tight reddish soils which had washed and gullied. He terraced this area last summer to prevent further soil losses by washing. Mr. Allred is completing terracing on his farm this spring. He started this work last spring and the work he is completing now will be the third session of terrace construction on his farm.

W. H. Kelso, cooperator in the West Truby Conservation group, has planted a 1-acre seed plot of King Ranch yellow bluestem grass on a shallow soil area. This planting was made with a grass drill and planted in 3 foot rows at the rate of 3 pounds seed per acre. Mr. Kelso has about 7 to 8 acres of shallow soils which he plans to retire from cultivation and reseed to adapted grass. He is hopeful that this seed plot will furnish sufficient seed to reseed this area to be retired and possibly have seed to sell to other cooperators with similar problems. This type grass has done remarkably well over most of Texas and seems to stand considerably heavy grazing and makes a rapid growth. Mr. Kelso has completed the terracing work on his farm recently.

This is an opportune time for district cooperators to start planning supplemental and temporary pastures

In order to improve their native pastures. Most native pastures in this area have been overused during the past 5 to 10 years and need resting during the entire growing season in order that the grass plants might have opportunity to develop vigor, root growth and seed. Ordinarily about 70 to 80% of the grass growth made in a growing season is made prior to July 15. It follows that in order to get best results by deferment that the deferment should cover the first half of year in order to accomplish the objectives desired. A good way to have sufficient temporary pastures during the summer is to plant 1 1/2 to 2 acres of sudan or 2 to 3 acres of sweet clover for each animal unit you plan on carrying during the summer. A combination of the 2 crops provides variety of grazing, rotation grazing, and soil improvement with the sweet clover.

CARD OF THANKS.
To the many friends and neighbors who were so kind and helpful during the illness and at the time of the death of our sister, we wish to express our heartfelt thanks; especially do we appreciate the assistance rendered by the ladies and we also want to thank each and every one for the lovely flowers.
May God's richest blessings be with you all.
Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Curb.
Mrs. W. C. Summar.
Mrs. W. C. Coleman.
Mrs. Harriet Stegall.

The average U. S. farm is now 50 acres larger than 25 years ago and 20 acres larger than five years ago.
Radar spelled backwards is radar.

**WHY PAY MORE?
TIRES AND GAS**

6:00-16 Tires, as low as \$13.19
(Plus Tax)
Regular Gas, per gallon 22c
Ethyl Gas, per gallon 24c

NAPHTHA

Sold Only One Gallon and up, gal. 25c
(Bring Your Jugs)

Also have BATTERIES for sale

MERKEL COOP STATION
—OCTANE PRODUCTS—

TOM'S WRECKING SHOP

'46 Dodge truck, like new, with 28-ft. trailer, grain side boards, air brakes, and extra gas tank.

Nearly new, Super Buick, sedanette, equipped with heater and radio; less than 10,000 miles; a good guaranteed car.

'38 Chevie panel with new motor.

'37 DeSoto sedan, extra clean; for an old car, it's worth the money; guaranteed in every way.

I still have a complete line of new and used parts, Autolite Batteries.

Welding and All My Mechanic work is Guaranteed

I also rebuild all model Transmissions and Motors.



NOW--Not Later

IF YOU expect to be paid for damage to your home, your household goods, or your automobile, be sure to get your insurance before a loss occurs.

Better have all your insurance checked NOW by this Hartford agency.

W. O. BONEY & SON

Consult Your Insurance Agent as You Do Your Doctor or Lawyer

Office, 21 --: PHONE --: Res. 181 or 184W

The Best 100 KW bulb
Batteries Dead Stock
FREE

CENTRAL POWER & HEATING COMPANY
107 Southside Drive

**Phone 4001 Collect
Abilene**

What makes a bargain?

Price is that you pay. Value is what you get for your money. Low price—high value—that's what makes a bargain! And such a bargain is your electric service! If yours is an average family, you're getting electric service at bargain rates—rates 17% LESS than ten years ago, even though the costs of supplying it to you have risen considerably.

That bargain is due to the sound methods used by your electric service company, The West Texas Utilities. There people work together—using engineering skill and the latest technical improvements—to keep up the value of your electric service—to keep the cost low—to keep it one of the biggest bargains in your family budget!

West Texas Utilities Company

Save 4 big ways on this spring FORD Service!

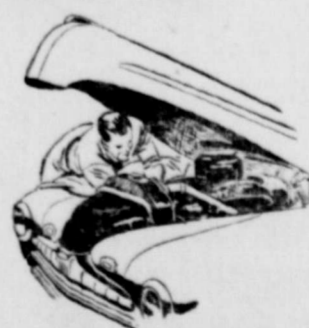
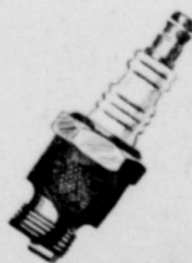
Get winter out of your car's system. And get the job done by men who know your Ford best. Back "home" at your Ford Dealer's you save time, money and trouble with our

1. Ford-trained Mechanics
2. Genuine Ford Parts
3. Factory-approved Methods
4. Special Ford Equipment



Check Distributor

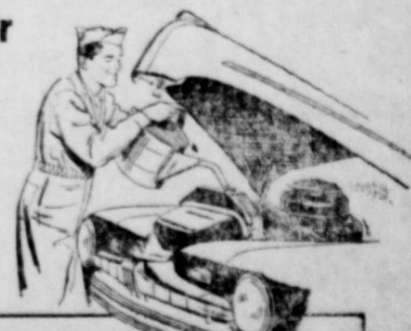
Clean and Adjust Spark Plugs



Adjust Carburetor



Change to Spring Lubrication



Drain and Flush Radiator

We Ford Dealers know Fords best!

Your Ford Dealer invites you to listen to the Fred Allen Show, Sunday Evenings—NBC Network. Listen to the Ford Theater, Sunday Afternoons—NBC Network. See your newspaper for time and station.

Merkel Motor Co.

Legal Notices

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF TAYLOR

We, the subscribers, have on February 2nd, 1948, entered into a limited partnership as provided by law and do hereby certify as follows:

That the name of the partnership from which the business is to be conducted is "The Abilene Company."

That the general nature of the business to be transacted by the partnership is buying and selling of merchandise such as uniforms, work clothing, aprons, caps, dresses and insignia and such other items and articles as from time to time will be associated therewith. Such business to be transacted in the city of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas; that

the name of the general partner is R. H. Dillashaw and that of the special partner is A. H. Shepherd, each of Taylor County, Texas and that the special partnership shall never at any time be liable for any debts of the concern in any way; that the period for which the partnership is to run is five years from February 2nd, 1948; that the capital contributed by each is \$3,555.08, all in cash, and that the partnership shall terminate on February 1st, 1953.

Witness our hands at Abilene, Texas this the 2nd day of February, A. D., 1948.

R. H. DILLASHAW,
General Partner.
A. H. SHEPHERD,
Special Partner.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 9th day of February, A. D., 1948.

(Seal) E. S. Cummings,
Notary Public, Taylor County, Texas

NOTICE IN PROBATE

The State of Texas.
No. 3759

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Taylor County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for three consecutive weeks, the first of said publications to appear not less than twenty days immediately before the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in Taylor County, the following notice:

To all persons interested in the estate of Maude S. Thornton, deceased, J. C. Jacobs, Administrator, has filed in the County Court of Taylor County an application on the 1st day of March, A. D., 1948, for an order to sell the following property of said estate, situated in Taylor County, Texas, to-wit:

Lots Nos. 5, and 6, in Block No. 41, Original Town of Merkel, Taylor County, Texas. Which said application will be heard by said Court on Monday the 29th day of March, 1948, at the Court House of said County, in Abilene, Texas, at which time all persons interested in said sale are required to appear and show cause why such sale shall not be made, should they desire to do so.

Herein Fail Not, but have you before said Court, at the time aforesaid, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal, at Abilene, Texas, this 2nd day of March, 1948.

(Seal) Mrs. Chester Hutchison,
Clerk of County Court,
Taylor County, Texas

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

TO: E. W. White, Greeting:

You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 19th day of April, A. D., 1948, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County, at the Court House in Abilene, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 6th day of March 1948.

The file number of said suit being No. 15,693-A.

The names of the parties in said

- WATCHES • DIAMONDS
- GIFTS • SILVERWARE

WATCH REPAIRING
One Day to One Week Service
—All Work Guaranteed—
Reasonable Prices

Wilson Jewelry

MOVIE CALENDAR

Friday - Saturday — Double feature program: Charles Starrett, and Smiley Burnette in "Riders of the Lone Star" and Robert Cummings, Susan Hayward in "The Lost Moment;" Popeye color cartoon and "The Vigilante" serial.

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday — John Sutton, Jean Peters, Cesar Romero in "Captain From Castile;" color cartoon and latest News reel.

Wednesday-Thursday — Bob Hope, William Bendix, Signe Hasso in "Where There's Life;" color cartoon and Sports reel.

suit are lone H. White as Plaintiff, and E. W. White as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were legally married on or about the 15th day of December, 1927, and lived together until on or about August 1, 1947. No child or children were born of said union and no community property was acquired.

Plaintiff sues for divorce on the grounds of cruel treatment.

If this Citation is not served with in 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Issued this the 6th day of March, A. D., 1948.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 6th day of March, A. D., 1948.

(Seal) J. Neil Daniel, Clerk
District Court, Taylor County, Texas
By Thelma Graham, Deputy.

Continental Batteries

Longer Guarantee
Cheaper Prices
FOX REPAIR SHOP

James H. Chaney

CHIROPRACTOR

Specializing in
NERVOUS DISORDERS

—o—o—

New and Larger Offices to
better serve my patients

1st door East of old location

Office hours: 9 a. m. to 5:30 p. m.

"CAPTAIN FROM CASTILE"
"Captain From Castile" is a 20th Century-Fox picture, with Tyrone Power in the starring role. The picture is practically pure romance and adventure—a story laid in Spain during the Inquisition and later in Old

Mexico against a background of Cortez' battle for gold, glory and empire. Power is seen as the son of an aristocratic Spanish family, who is forced to flee his native land, but finds a new world of adventure and romance under the banner of Cortez.

The film also provides Cesar Romero and John Sutton with unusual acting opportunities, with Romero appearing as the confident, swash-buckling Cortez, while Sutton is seen as the arrogant and vicious Inquisitor, Diego de Silva.

CHEVROLET

Advance-Design Trucks

Choose Chevrolet
Trucks for
Transportation
Unlimited!



LOWEST IN PRICE

Only Chevrolet Advance-Design trucks have these new and finer features!

NEW CHEVROLET 4-SPEED SYNCHRO-MESH TRUCK TRANSMISSION in heavy-duty models that assures new operating ease and efficiency.

NEW STEERING COLUMN GEARSHIFT CONTROL in models with 3-speed transmissions provides greater driving ease and convenience.

NEW FOOT-OPERATED PARKING BRAKE providing clear floor area, safety and efficiency in models with 3-speed transmissions.

SPLINED REAR-AXLE SHAFT ATTACH-

MENT TO WHEEL HUB of greater strength and durability in heavy-duty models.

NEW IMPROVED VALVE-IN-HEAD ENGINE has greater durability and operating efficiency.

THE CAB THAT "BREATHES"—Fresh air—heated in cold weather—is drawn in and used air forced out!

Plus • Uniwell, all-steel cab construction • New, heavier springs • Full-flooting hypoid rear axles • Specially designed brakes • Ball-bearing steering • Wide base wheels • and many others!

*Fresh air heating and ventilating system optional at extra cost.

Among all truck producers, only Chevrolet brings you Advance-Design with the latest and greatest features of advance engineering, plus this matchless premium of production and sales leadership—the lowest prices in the volume field! Here are trucks with comparable equipment and specifications that list for less than competitive makes—some models as much as \$150! See these trucks now in our showroom.

CHEVROLET and ONLY Chevrolet IS FIRST!

Badger Chevrolet Company

Phone 123

Merkel, Texas



Sure an' it's the date ...

... when you put a shamrock in the hat for good luck! But with your engine, don't put your trust in luck ... drain out that mucky old winter oil ... put in Conoco Nth ... the patented Motor Oil that OIL-PLATES as it lubricates!

You see, Nth Motor Oil contains a special added ingredient that is attracted magnet-like to metal surfaces. This extra film of lubricant fastens itself so closely to working parts and cylinder walls that

they are actually OIL-PLATED!

And because this extra OIL-PLATING resists gravity, won't all drain down, even overnight, you're extra-protected: From metal-eating combustion acids when you're standing still ... from "dry-friction" when you first start up ... from sludge and carbon caused by excessive wear when you're running hot!

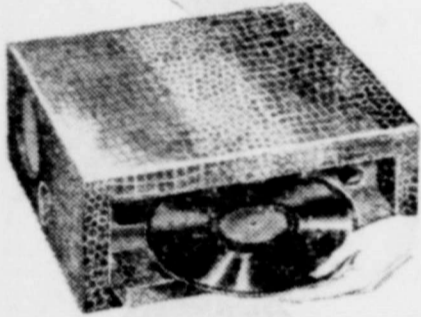
So, for extra-cool, extra-powerful, extra low-cost miles, today's the date ...



... to Oil-Plate!

Copyright 1948, Continental Oil Company *U. S. Pat. Nos. 1,944,941 and 2,218,132

THE NEW PHILCO WAY TO PLAY RECORDS



JUST SLIDE
A RECORD IN
THE SLOT AND...
PRESTO! IT
STARTS, PLAYS
and STOPS
AUTOMATICALLY

WITH THE NEW 1948

PHILCO

PORTABLE PHONOGRAPH

PHILCO "1200"—Plays a record automatically! Permanent Magnet Speaker provides full, rich tone. Comes in a weather-resistant alligator grain luggage case. Sturdy handle. It's Philco Quality... Philco Value.

Only \$49.95

Pay Only \$7.50 Monthly

PALMER TIRE &
APPLIANCE CO.

Merkel, Texas

COME IN AND SEE THE NEW

INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER FREEZERS

Save Food! Save Time! Save Money!

2 CONVENIENT SIZES...

4-Cubic-Foot and 11-Cubic-Foot Capacity

with FROST-LOK VAC-U-SEAL TIGHT-WAD and a Host of other Features

WEST FARM MACHINERY COMPANY

Merkel -:- Phone 30 -:- Texas

