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PERSONAL NEWS **NOTES**

J. B. Swinney visited a few days last week with his cousins, Don and Billy Harrison, of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Howard returned Saturday night from Antlers, Okla., where they spent a week visiting Mr. Howard's mother, Mrs. J. S. Howard, and a sister, Mrs. J. B. Ken-

After a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Burns, Minor Burns and wife returned Monday to their home at Kilgore.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Swann and Patsy left Wednesday to spend the summer at their cottage at Ruidoso, N. M. Mrs. George Privette of Sweet-

water and Mrs. W. J. Spurgin of Noodle were guests Saturday of Mrs. Hugh Campbell.

Home for a Father's Day visit in the J. S. Stalls home were Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Stalls, of Dallas.

Recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. W D. Hutcheson were her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Martin, of Houston.

Mrs. Ova Helwege and son, Steven, of Enid, Okla., have returned to their home after a visit with her par ents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Martin, Another daughter, Mrs. Eva Washburn, with her daughter, Karen, is here visiting from Albuquerque, N. M.

Mr. and Mrs. James Bensholl, of Dallas, were week-end guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Murray. James Allen Higgins accompanied his father, C. S. Higgins, home from San Antonio last week-end and is visiting here with him.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Church left Wednesday for El Paso, to attend the South-Central Jurisdictional conference of the Methodist church. At El Paso they will meet their daugh ter and son-in-law, Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Willingham, and visit with them n Artesia, N. M., before returning

Miss Jimmie Nell Horton is home from Temple on a two weeks' vacation from the nurses training school at Scott and White hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bayless of Benham, and Mr. and Mrs. N. F. Roberto of Anson spent Sunday night and Monday in the home of their sister, Mrs. W. A. McCandless here.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Healer and two sons visited over the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Artist Cook, in San Angelo and while there met her sister, Mrs. Joe Herrington, and Mr. Herrington and daughter, of Andrews.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Twyman Collins are her sister, Mrs. Floy Massey, and daughter, Alma Joyce, of Denton.

Arriving Sunday for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Pat terson were their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. James C. Pomeroy, and three children, of Reading, Pa.

Mrs. H. C. Reid returned Sunday from Dallas, where she had gone with her sister, Miss Mary Kate Campbell. to take their mother, Mrs. J. Ben Campbell, to the Medical Arts hospital for the removal of a cataract from her eye. She left her mother doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Harrison and children of Brownwood spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Swinney and family.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Clack. accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Clack of Abilene, went, over the week-end, to Durant, Okla., to bring their mother, Mrs. W. R. Clack, out to spend the summer. She will visit til July 19. a daughter, Mrs. Luther Harber, also

of Abilene. Mrs. John A. O'Donnell and sons. J. A. and Hugh, returned Friday to their home in New Boston after a two-weeks' stay with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Rosson. Another daughter, Mrs. L. D. Sumner from Houston, is also visiting with her

parents. Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Boswell and little son. Billy Mack, of Midland, spent Saturday and Saturday night with her parents here, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McCandless, and attended the Bayless reunion at Abilene. Also guests in the McCandless home Saturday night were Mr. and Mrs. Luth er Gray and son, Guin, of Sweetwat- Lyndon Johnson to er. Mrs. Gray is the former Annie

Laurie Boswell. Sunday guests of Mrs. W. A. Harrison were Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Harrison and children, all of Brownwood, Mrs D. July 2, at 8 o'clock in behalf of his W. Rodgers and Royce, of Anson, candidacy, Raymond Thomason, Jr., Mrs. Donald Rutledge, Don and Filly chairman of the Johnson campaign Harrison, of Abilene, and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Swinney and children of

LAST RITES HELD THURSDAY FOR W. C. GREGORY

Retired Carpenter Passes Away At His Home Tuesday Afternoon; Survivors Include Wife. 6 Sons and 2 Daughters.

W. C. Gregory, 65-year-old retired carpenter, died at 2:30 p. m. Tuesday at his home. Since he suffered a troke about two years ago he had been unable to work, but he had been ill only a short while.

Funeral services were held at p. m. Thursday from the Merkel Church of Christ, with Minister Troy M. Cummings officiating.

Burial was in Rose Hill cemetery, under direction of the Barrow-Shepard Funeral home. Pal'bearers were O. H. Davis.

lyde Bartlett, Stacy Bird, Jim Smith, R. N. Mosier and Grif Bar-

Wesley Cleburn Gregory was born Dec. 25, 1882, in Milam county. He and Nancy; Mr. and Mrs. A. D. was married Jan. 31, 1905, to Nellie Scott, Barrie, Payton, David and Barbee in Sipe Springs, Texas, The family moved here seven years ago from Comanche county. Mr. Gregcry had been a member of the Church of Christ 40 years.

Surviving him are his wife; six sons, Gaston, Wesley and J. T. Greg- J. H. Bayless Family ory, Merkel, Ben of Austin, Paul of Sweetwater and J. B. of Gorman; two daughters, Mrs. W. D. McKeehan of Sweetwater and Mrs. Robert M. Evans of Big Sandy, Tenn.; two sis ters, Mrs. Bob Barbee of Jayton and Mrs. Hudia Crowe, Stockton, Calif.; one brother, John Gregory of Fort Worth, and 16 grandchildren.

Services Held Friday For Leon Coats, 34

p. m. Friday from the Methodist and Mrs. Lee Bayless and daughter, day. church for Allen Leon Coats, 34. who died at 9 p. m. Wednesday at a Wichita Falls hospital.

Rev. R. L. Butler, the pastor, offilated for the rites and burial followed in Rose Hill cemetery, under the direction of Barrow-Sheppard Funeral home.

Pallbearers were Walter Hunter, Adrian Farmer, Dalton Warren, T. J. Neill, Rexal Martin and Roy Bac-

Serving as flower girls were Mes dames Jimmy Brown, Fred Baker, Elmer Patterson, Jr., and Bill Wallace. Misses Elna Faye Frazier and Thelma Jean Barbee.

Survivors include his wife, three daughters, two sons, his father, two sisters and three brothers.

Graveside Rites Held For Alvis Shaw Infant

Graveside rites were held in Aledo Thursday, June 17, at 11 a. m. for the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvis L. Shaw, Mrs. Shaw is the former Billie Williams of Merkel. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Shaw of Aledo; maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Porter Petty of Merkel.

Grand Jury Returns Five Indictments

Five indictments against four defendants were returned Monday after noon by a grand jury in 104th district court, and recess was taken un-

Two murder counts against Burlee Carroll, negro, charged with the murder Friday morning of his wife and step-daughter, were included. Judge Owen Thomas said that Carroll's case would likely be set for hearing Mon-

One Merkel man, Andy Shouse, is a member of the grand jury. Others serving on the inquisitorial body are: Will D. Minter, T. B. Blain, Louis Groene, J. H. Rucker, Ralph N. Hooks, Jas. R. Neely, Marvin W. Lewis, A. Crutcher Scott, all of Abi lene; C. A. Fomby, Lawn; Wayne Hunt, Bradshaw, and A. P. Warford, Lawn.

Speak in Abilene

Congressman Lyndon Johnson candidate for United States senator, will speak in Abilene Friday night, in Taylor county, has announced. The political rally will be held on lawn of the federal building.

FATHER'S DAY DINNER HONORS

Coming as a total but pleasant surprise was a Father's Day dinner honoring Sam Butman, Sr., with all their families.

A bountiful dinner with all necessary trimmings was enjoyed and an afternoon full of different diversions was spent.

Guests included: Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Dudley and son, Dale, Rev. R. L. Butler, Mary Jo Duncan and Homer Ray Ferguson, Fort Worth.

Members of the family including Mr. Butman are: Mr. and Mrs. J B. Sloan, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gray, of Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. Banning Butman, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Euel Ray, Arna Loyce, Peggy and Becky, Coleman; Mr. and Mrs. Will Butman and Louine; Mr. and Mrs. Sam Butman, Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. Ford Butman and Patsy; Mr. and Mrs. Ben Butman, Billy Sam and Jerrell; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Swinney, Joseph, Tommie Aleta Dale; Mr. and Mrs. Homer Newby and Paka; Louis Butman; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Russom; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brnovak and Miss Lottie Butman.

Reunion at Cobb Park

Children and grandchildren, great and great-great-grandchildren of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bayless gathered at Cobb Park, Abilene, for family reunion Sunday, June 20. Children present were Mr. and

Mrs. C. E. Bayless, Bonham; Mr.

and Mrs. J. E. Bayless, Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Bayless, Mr. and Mrs. J. I Westmoreland, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Jones and family, Mrs. Homer Fail and son, Anson; Mrs. Lela Warnell and Sue, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Warrell and two children, Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Boil, Hamlin; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Warnell, Kermit; Mr. and Mrs. Guy Wheatley and daughters, Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Manning and children, Crowell; Mr. and Mrs. J. E Wallace, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Hoover and son, Irvin Wallace. Mr. and Mrs Gilbert Boswell and son, Midland; Mrs. Mildred Elsworth, California; Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Derrington, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Derrington and children, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lawson and daughter, Merkel; Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Alston and daughter, Bee, Mr. and Mrs. Arvil Alston, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Roberts and Joyce, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Roberts and daughter, Misses Geneva and Ona Fae Derrington, Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Derrington and two daughters, Abilene; Miss Ruth Pres-

ton, Dallas. Friends present were W. P. Der rington, Sr., Mrs. Etta Harris, Merkel, and Mrs. A. L. Holtzclaw, Dal-

A bountiful dinner was spread on a long table at noon. After kodaking and meeting and renewing family ties every one left promising to meet next year on Father's Day at the state park close to Bonham and the old home place. Some 80 or more were present.

Barrow-Sheppard Buys New Ambulance

Delivery was made Wednesday morning to the Barrow-Sheppard Funeral home of a new Superior ambulance with special Buick motor, recently purchased by Fred Starbuck new owner. The other ambulance vill also be retained, he announced.

Interior of the new ambulance is finished in wine colored plush, with plush drapes in the same tone. It is equipped with two attendants' sents

VFW Members Attend Annual Encampment

As delegates from Merkel Post 5683, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Lester Dorton, Robert Higgins, Herman Daniel and Le Roy Martin, of Trent. left Wednesday for Corpus Christi to attend the annual encampment of the Department of Texas, VFW, They were accompanied by their wives.

Mrs. Higgins goes as a delegate from the Merkel Ladies' Auxiliary to the state meeting. Mrs. Doyle Seifried, as president of the local Auxiliary, and Mrs. Vernon Mansfield, as alternate delegate, are also attending the convention, having gone Clays have taken an apartment in boxed piano from a freight car to a more worthy or capable sponsor to down with the Dortons.

VOTE TO EMPLOY SAM BUTMAN, SR. BRYAN BRADBURY AS CITY ATTORNEY

Providing for Contract to near Buffalo Gap. Handle Legal Matters; City Audit Filed and Accepted.

At Monday night's regular meeting of the city council, attended by Mayor A. J. Canon and Aldermen J. L. White, L. A. Coats, Bob Hicks. and B. T. Sublett, the following busi-

ness was transacted: Payment of interest coupons amounting to \$1,950, plus bank charge of \$5.00, semi-annual interest on the recently voted Water and Sewer Improvement bends, was auth-

An ordinance was passed, providing for the employment of Bryan Bradbury of Abilene as city attorney, with base salary of \$35.00 per month. (fees to be determined in litigation and other matters out of the usual routine.)

Accepted and approved annual audit of the city's books by O. S. Burkett, of Abilene, and renewed the contract with him for another year. Authorized payment of \$4,500 for

the 2.88-acre tract, purchased from J. L. White, in the south edge of town, where six water wells are located and which is to be used for water department purposes. Deed and abstract were delivered to the city authorities at the same meeting.

Father of Mrs. Ben Hicks Dies in Lubbock

Upon receipt of a telephone message from his wife that her father, N. F. Roberts Anson, and Mr. and J. R. Stratton, of Lubbock, had pass-Mrs. W. A. McCandless, Merkel. One ed away at 1 p. m. Wednesday, Ben son, Sam Bayless of Bonham, was Robert Hicks left at once for Lab unable to be present on account of bock, where his wife had been at the Funeral services were held at 3 illness. Others present were: Mr. bedside of her father since last Thurs-

m. Thursday from the First Baptist church at Lubbock, with the Sanders Funeral home in charge.

Mr. Stratton is survived by his wife and three other daughters be sides Mrs. Hicks.

Bonnie Jaynes Doing Polio Work in Valley

"An old polio nurse has been teach ing me to work with the iron lungs." Miss Bonnie Jaynes has written her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jaynes, from Edinburg in the Rio Grande val-

When the call came for nurses to aid in the polio fight in South Texas. Miss Jaynes, a graduate nurse, was doing special duty at Hendrick Memorial hospital, Abilene, and she and another nurse, Miss Mabel Holland, of Breckenridge, volunteered for duty with a Red Cross unit.

Plans Made to Open Ice Cream Parlor

As soon as equipment for making home-made ice cream can be secured, Dr. James H. Chaney, Merkel chiropractor, and a business associate plan to open an ice cream parlor in the Warren Estate building, adjoining The Merkel Mail office, recently vacated by the Orchid Beauty Shoppe.

Dr. Chaney will, of course, continue his chiropractor's office in his present location in the Mellinger building.

Mrs. Earl Stevens, Jr., owner of the Orchid shop, who moved acr equipment to Trent, plans later to re-open there.

Bluebonnet "42" Party Re-Scheduled June 25

The "42" party, to be given by the Bluebonnet Home Demonstration club which was postponed from last Friday night because of a death in the community, has been re-scheduled Butman school house, There also will be a short black-face comedy full of laughs. Come on over and have become connected with the oil desome free fun.

Members are asked to bring a package of cookies and one-half gallon of punch, also card tables, chairs and dominoes.

Leases Cafe.

merly operated a cafe in Brownfield, have leased the Hi-Way cafe, next door to the Ferrier Service station, from Mrs. Mary Outlaw. The the Zedic Johnson home.

THIRTEEN BOY SCOUTS ATTEND CAMP TONKAWA

Thirteen Merkel Boy Scouts returned last Saturday from a highly successful week of camping, adventure ten children present, together with City Council Passes Ordinance and exploration at Camp Tonkawa, Official Test to Start Saturday

During the week the local boys enjoyed the following activities: swimming twice a day, hiking, rifle marksmanship, leathercraft and nature study.

In the camp swimming meet, Louis Don Whitaker's Beaver Patrol cap- Humphrey, east of the cemetery, is tured sixth place with a total of 13 points. Jackie McAninch's Panthers garnered 7 points. The Beavers won first place in the lighted candle relay race.

In their only baseball game of the week, the Troop 20 boys came from behind in the last two frames to nip Troop 24 of Baird, 9 to 8.

Troop 20 was selected to have charge of the flag ceremony at the official closing of the first session

of the summer camp. G. H. Suber, Assistant Scoutmaster, who is on the staff at Camp Tonkawa this summer, was selected as a member of the Order of the Arrow, a national honorary camping rganization.

Merkel visitors at the camp during the week were: Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Dudley and Don, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hammond, Mrs. C. B. Knight, Dr and Mrs. J. H. Chaney, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Breaux and Janey, L. B. Whit aker and Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Mc Aninch.

The following boys were in attend ance at the camp: Jackie McAninch Eddie Breaux, Boyd Moore, Bruce Knight, Dale Dudley, Johnny Hammond, Sessions Hammond, John Henry Tucker, Louie Don Whitaker, Ralph Bartlett, Jack Miller, Corky Cox and Richard Chaney. Dale Dudley served as senior patrol leader. Scoutmaster C. A. Farley accompanied the boys.

At the last Troop Committee meeting it was announced that Scout Funeral services were set for 3 master C. A. Farley and Committee man Frank Breaux had resigned their positions, effective Aug. 1.

Twenty-One Present, Well Child Conference

Twenty-one children were present for the June Well Child conference, sponsored by the Merkel Parent-Feacher association, held last Friday afternoon in the office of Mrs. Elma McFarland.

Next month's conference will be held on Friday, July 16, at the same place, from 2 to 4 p. m.

Jaycees Beat Abilene Merchants; Blackwell

The Merkel Jaycee baseball team has won both of their last two games, with a 11-9 victory over the Abilene Merchants in last Friday night's encounter and topping Blackwell 15-14 Tuesday night.

On Friday night of this week, the team goes to Hamlin. Next Tuesday night they will play Clyde here.

PHILLIPS SHOWS **GOOD PAY LOWER** HOPE SECTION

On New Taylor County Multi-Official Test to Start Friday Found In Shannon Test.

While official railroad commission gauge is not to start until Friday, the Phillips Petroleum Co. No. 1 reported on 12 hour test beginning Wednesday night as producing 13 barrels per hour through 1-4 inch choke, from the lower Hope. Total depth is 2,695 feet.

The new Taylor County multi-pay well had shown for possible production from two sections in the Flip. pin, showed good pay in the Cook and tested a good show of oil with

some water in the Upper Hope. In the Patterson pool, caturated Dothan sand was drilled at 2,265 feet in the Roark, Hooper and Roark No. 1 John W. Shannon, with every indication of good commercial pro-

The Tom Largent-West Central Drilling Co. No. 1 Farmers Gin test, in the east edge of town, had reached a depth of 2,258 feet Wednesday night. It was reported Thursday that water at that depth had been cased off and drilling could be continued.

New Officers Named By Masonic Lodge

At its regular stated meeting held Saturday night, Merkel Lodge No. 710. A. F. and A. M. elected the following officers: Carl B. Edington, worshipful master; E. S. Dwiggins, senior warden; Alton Martin, junior warden; Bill Dunagin, treasurer; W. R. Cypert, secretary; C. O. Harriss,

New appointive officers are: C. T. Rust, senior deacon; Warren Daniel, junior deacon; Zed Bright, steward; J. Frank Patterson, junior steward; J. B. Griffin, Sr., chapiain. Installation ceremony will take place at the next stated meeting, on

Trent Club Sponsors Political Rally July 1

Thursday night, July 1.

Trent, June 24 .- Judge Allen Da'. ney and Judge Cecil Collings, candidates for associate justice of the court of civil appeals, 11th district, have accepted invitations to be present for the political rally, sponsored by the Trent Community club, to be held at the baseball park here next Thursday, July 1, at 8 p. m.

Record of Births. Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Jones,

Monday, June 21, 1948. Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Thomas, Monday, June 21, 1948. Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Greg-

ory, Tuesday, June 22, 1948. Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sylvester, Tuesday, June 22, 1948. Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Rodl gers, Wednesday, June 23, 1948.

MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

(From Files of The Merkel Mail, June 29, 1928.)

tives in Lebanon, Tennessee. We are very glad to report that Mr. J. B. Ferrier, one of this community's pioneer and best citizens, who has for the past week been very low at his home in this city, is now doing nicely and it is hoped that he

will continue to improve and soon

regain his former good health.

Mr. and Mrs. Doc Brubeck, formerly connected with the oil development in the Noodle Creek field, refor Friday night, June 25, at the turned to this city first of the week after spending several months at Cross Plains. Mr. Brubeck will again

Mr. Roy Largent. Sr., of McKinney of Chicago, was here first of the week for a few days visit with his brother, C. M. Largent and family. The former is representing the Chica-Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Clay, who for- go White Sox as field man and was

velopment work here.

While assisting in unloading a the platform one day this week, Mr. represent them.

Mrs. C. E. Jacobs is visiting rela- A. Morton, the very clever and capable assistant freight and express agent for the Texas and Pacific railway, was quite painfully bruised and hurt when the piano fell on him. He is now resting well and his physician thinks he will soon be up and back

Mr. Booth Warren, very clever and courteous cashier at the Farmers and Merchants National bank, after an absence from his responsible post of duty on account of a prolonged and severe illness, is again back at his place of duty where his friends are pleased to meet and exchange greetings with him. Mr. Warren, who has been suffering from a severe attack of yellow jaundice, has about completely recovered from the effects of this annoying disease.

Miss Lucy Tracy was chosen as Merkel's sponsor for the West Texas Chamber of Commerce convention at Fort Worth. She left Sunday, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Holland accompanied by his wife on his visit Teaff, for that grand occasion. All Merkel is proud to thus honor Miss Tracy, feeling certain that no town throughout the great west would have

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PERSONALS

\$2.50 daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Meeks.

> T. H. Spears, accompanied by his Lubbock to visit Mr. Spears' chil- Graham, and family. dren. Mr. Littleton, who is making his 17th visit here since Mr. Spears moved to Texas, plans to spend about a month.

Terry Harkrider of Big Spring i visiting with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Largent. Gerry, the Firstbrook, in Dallas.

Pearl, of Trent, visited last weekfamily, in Fort Worth. Dinner world News. guests Wednesday evening of the Wednesday - Thursday - Eddie Alma Joyce, of Denton.

Visiting recently in the J. B. Grif. Junior.'

-ELECT-

A. C. KYLE

REPRESENTATIVE

116th District

The old saying that a man is

known by the company he keeps,

is equally true, when he seeks

an office. He is known by the

record he makes. Below, I give

you a copy of a letter to one of

my former constituents, regard-

ing my services in the Legisla-

ture of Texas, from a former

speaker of the house,

[Exact Copy of Letter]

I have your letter making inquiry as to the record of Hon.

A. C. Kyle. In my opinion, Mr. Kyle was a VERY VALU-

ABLE MEMBER OF THE LEGISLATURE. He was al-

ways on the job and very faithful in attending, not only

the sessions of the legislature, but the committee meet-

Committee meetings are mostly held at night, and when a

member attends the debates in the house through the day,

is will to sit up until near midnight and listen to pro-

ponents and opponents of various bills proposed, it shows that he is willing to WORK AND WORK HARD, and is keenly alive to the best interest of his district, and the

Mr. Kyle was one of the men who stood for strict economy

in the expenditure of public funds, and AGAINST ALL

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fin, Sr., home have been their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Griffin, Jr., of Oklahoma City, Okla., Jack Patterson was here last week- and Mrs. E. D. Boyd of Lueders, Mr. end for a short visit with his par- and Mrs. H. H. Bullock and son of ents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Patterson. | Sweetwater, and Mrs. Griffin's moth-Mrs. John Meeks spent last Web er, Mrs. Viola Bullock, of Houston, nesday and Thursday at Big Spring who is spending the summer here. visiting in the home of her son and Betty Jane Griffin accompanied the Boyds back to Leuders where she spent two weeks with them.

Mrs. Quintin Martin returned Sunbrother-in-law, W. Z. Littleton, of day to her home in Kingsville atter Blountsville, Ala., left Thursday for a visit with her mother, Mrs. A. J.

MOVIE CALENDAR

Friday - Saturday - Double feature program: Allan "Rocky" Lane. other twin, is visiting another aunt, Jack Holt in "The Wild Frontier" Mrs. F. W. Firstbrook, and Mr. and Ida Lupino, Dane Clark, Wayne Morris in "Deep Valley;" color car-Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Matthews and toon and "Mysterious Mr. M" serial. Sunday, Monday and Tuesday -end with their sons, Odger and Lloyd Gregory Peck. Dorothy McGuire, Matthews, and families, and Mrs. John Garfield in "Gentleman's Matthews' brother, the C. I. Dowdy Agreement;" color cartoon and latest

Matthews were Mrs. Twyman Collins | Cantor, Joan Davis, Bobby Driscoll and Mrs. Floy Massey and daughter, in "If You Knew Susie;" sports reel and March of Time "Life With

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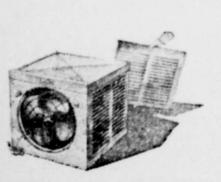
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FOR RENT-Stucco garage, 50x140, north 2nd and Lamar streets, July 1, 1948. Joe Garland, owner.

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ful flowers. May God's richest blessings rest upon each and every one of you. Mrs. Claudie Holmes

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"Trouble-Shooters" of WTUC in District to Get Orders by Radio

Abilene, June 24 .- Effective with last Thursday, June #17, "troubleshooters" of the West Texas Utilities company. Abilene-Cisco district are getting their orders by radio.

The work of linemen, installation servicemen, emergency repairmen, power dispatchers and substation operators is directed by two-way radio. According to an announcement by H. D. Austin, district marager, the WTUCo. received authority from the Federal Communications Commission covering the operation of a two-way, high frequency, FM radio system. The FCC license was issued on the basis of "public welfare". "The new system will materially help the WTUCo. in its efforts

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o maintain and provide uninterrupted electric service," said Mr. Austin

At present, the system consists of a 250 watt central station, and seven 60 watt mobile units.

The 250 watt central station is located in a masonry structure at the relatives, all descendants of the late foot of the antenna tower of station Mr. and Mrs. Adam Bowers, held KWKC at Twenty-fifth and Butter- their annual reunion last week at nut streets. The antenna extends 14.8 Buffalo Gap. feet above the 269 foot antenna towbeing 283.8 feet.

This central station, which has been assigned call letters KHIQ and which according to FCC regulations, operates on assigned frequency of 37,700 ke with a maximum variance of .01% from assigned frequency allowed, cannot be heard on standard radio receivers. Only receivers designed to use this frequency will be able to pick up signals from this sta-

A dispatcher located in the WTUCo.'s district distribution office at Fourth and Plum operates the central station by remote control. This dispatcher maintains two-way communications with the operators of seven mobile units which are installed in service and line trucks operating in the district. These mobile units have a range from thirty to sixty miles, depending upon the surcounding terrain. They can communiate with each other as well as with the central station.

In case of disaster, public need, national emergency, or in instances when existing means of communica tion fail, these mobile units and this station to mobile unit to other mosile units, provide emergency comnunications with all communities of the surrounding area.

the death, not the birth, of St. Pat- of Lorenzo, Sam Bowers of Idalou,

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J. E. Bowers and C. T. Bowers, brothers from Abilene, and 53 other

It was the 12th year that the famier of station KWKC; total height ly has held reunions at Buffalo Gap, centrally located for the group meet-

> Adams Bowers, native of Franklin County, Tenn., settled in Hood county, near Tulia, Texas, in 1875 when Comanche Indians still were terrorizing the settlers. He was married to Mrs. Elizabeth Weir, a young widow from Jacksonville, Fla. The couple

Attending the reunion this week were eight of their children. Nine are living. The eight were the two brothers from Abilene, Mrs. Cora Sanford of Lamesa, Mrs. Jeff Musick of Tulia, Mrs. Elmer Tinnon of Pampa, Mrs. W. F. Perkins of Waxahachie, Jim Bowers of Dallas and Rev. Harvey Bowers of Wichita.

The children's wives and husbands also attended the reunion.

Other relatives include Mr. Mrs. Jack Bowers and their children of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Joe Bowers of Pyote, Mrs. Mary Joe Craig and her son of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Curry and their daughter of Abilene, the Jeff Musick's two grandchildren, Mrs. Pat Patterson and her son, Pampa, Lt. Col. W. F. Perkins of San Antonio and his son, Mr. and Mrs. Metsgar Bowers, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Frazier and two children, Mrs. Rubin Knoblett of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Weir and their son of San March 17th is the anniversary of Antonio, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bowers Bob Bowers of Brownfield, Mrs. Effic Bell, Caroline Bell and Mrs. Gordon Bell and her son of Crowell and Mrs Bonnie Lee Davis of Paducah.

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Legal Notices

CITATION BY PUBLICATION | grounds of cruel treatment, THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: Aaron J. Bondurant,

Greeting:

answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first of this Citation, the same being Mon- 1948. day the 2nd day of August, 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 15th day of June, 1948.

The file number of said suit beng No. 15,808-A.

The names of the parties in said suit are: Mable Jewell Bondurant as Plaintiff, and Aaron J. Bondurant as Defendant.

stantially as follows, to wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were legally martogether until May 4, 1946.

Two children were born to said marriage, namely. Bertha Louise for the athletic field and the cost of and Elvia Louise.

Plaintiff sues for divorce on the grounds of cruel treatment. Plaintiff also sues for custody and control of the minor children and for the restoration of her maiden name.

If this Citation is not served within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved. Issued this the 15th day of June A. D., 1948.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 15th day of June, A. D.

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

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

F. A. Helton, Greeting You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or Paid for cold drinks fore 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of Eats and lodging for teams 375.20 this Citation, the same being Monday the 19th day of July, A. D., 1948. at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable 104th District Court

in Abilene, Texas. Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 11th day of May, 1948. The file number of said suit being No. 5791-B

The names of the parties in said suit are: Beatrice R. Helton as Plaintiff, and F. A. Helton as Defendant. The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Plair. tiff and defendant were legally married on or about the 8th day of March, 1945, and lived together until on or about the 12th day of April, Advertising

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Given under my hand and seal of Monday after the expiration of 42 said Court, at office in Abilene, Texdays from the date of issuance as, this the 1st day of June, A. D.,

> J. Neil Daniel, Clerk, District Court, Taylor County, Texas. By Grace Jenkins, Deputy.

Net Gain of Over \$2,000 in Athletic Fund in Past Year

A net gain of \$2,167.94 was shown n the Merkel High School Athletic The nature of said suit being sub- fund from Sept 1, 1947, to June 15, 1948, according to the financial statement released this week by Supt. R. ried on January 21, 1939, and lived A. McCollum. The balance on hand as of June 15, 1948, was \$3,004.78. .(The purchase price of the ground

erecting the stadium were paid out of Merkel Public school funds.)

OR ORGANICA & MENTALS, INCREMENT OF MAINTENANT	
The financial statement follows:	
Receipts:	
Bal. brought forward	8 836,84
Football shoes sold	2.50
Shoulder pads sold	20,00
Football for bi-district	
game	12.75
Baseball g'ove sold	14.62
T-shirts sold	2.00
Receipts from cold drinks.	21.00
Receipts from district	
track meet	100.90
Football gate receipts	10,446.25
Basketball gate receipts	
	87.21

\$12,579.78 Disbursements equipment \$ 27.68

Freight on athletic Labor football games and 82.00 track meet 17.10 Admission tax to Collector of Internal Revenue_ 1.246.26

State, District, Regional and U. I. L. fees Labor and material baseball 578.09 backstop of Taylor County, at the Court House Labor and material press

box and broadcasting booth Focusing and setting lights on baseball field Athletic playing equipment 2,550.57

10.82 Football programs Referees and officials 50% local gate receipts paid to visiting sch. 3,160.51 86.00 Drayage and hauling Scouting for football games Dental bill for broken tooth 40.00 in football

15.00 38.67 Traveling expense for athletic teams Laundry and dry cleaning

Total disbursements \$9,574.95 Bal. on hand June 15,

1948

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3.004.78 \$12,579.73

Attached to the financial report is the following statement, signed by Supt. R. A. McCollum of the Merkel Public schools: "To the best of my knowledge and

belief the above is a true and correct statement of the Merkel High School Athletic Fund as of June 15, 1948."

Merkel Man Heads **Bell County Exes**

New officers of the Ex-Bell County Residents association, elected at the annual reunion of the organization held at Buffalo Gap Sunday, are: C. J. Glover of Merkel, president; Charley Bartlett of Anson, vicepresident; Mrs. Florence Clifton, of Abilene, secretary-treasurer, and Mrs. T. L. Hiner, Abilene, assistant

secretary - treasurer. Mrs. Clifton has been secretary-treasurer of the association since its organization in

Judge E. T. Brooks of Abilene, the proceedings at the reunion of some | Charles R. Williams. 150 exes, representing 29 West Texas towns. Following a basket lunch, summer school registration in the 'Bell County Today" was pictured history of the school. in speeches by Marvin Fergus of Killeen and Frank Sparks, Eastland attorney, A. J. Millerman, of Abilene, also spoke

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Sixteen from Merkel **Enroll for Summer** School at H-SU

Abilene, June 24.—Sixteen persons from Merkel are among the 1.105 students attending the first six-weeks term of the 1948 summer sessions at Hardin-Simmons university, Alton B. Lee, registrar, has revealed.

They are Leon Walker, Robert E. Lee, Myrle Byrd, Thelma A. Jones, Frances Perkins, Lawrence Hughes, Jr., Patsy Lou Dunagin, Lena S Dunagin, Mrs. Eloise Cook Reynolds, Peggy Goode, Joe F. Tarpley. Ray D. Satterwhite, Mrs. I. B. Ray, G. retiring president, was in charge of C. Wright, Jackie W. Brown and

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> (Re-Election.) For County Treasurer: J. R. CLARK. (Re-Election.)

For State Representative, 116th District: A. C. KYLE.

WM, K. (Bill) TIPPEN. (Re-Election.) For Associate Justice, 11th Court of Civil Appeals: CECIL C. COLLINGS.

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The following members were pres ent: Viola Smith, Marie Berry, Beulah Wood, Audra Mae Lamb, Opa Jefferson, Mary Ann Harris, Lillian Presslar, Kathryn Hawthorn, Mary Kate Smith, Laverne Gould and the honoree, Patsy Simpson.

SPEARS-LANDRETH.

Peggy Landreth, daughter of Mi and Mrs. T. E. Landreth, of Abilene former residents of Merkel, became the bride of Eddie Spears, son of Mrs. T. A. Spears, also of Abilene in a ceremony read at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon of Wednesday, June 9 at their new home, 1617 Oal, street Abilene

Dr. E. D. Landreth, of Amarillo the bride's uncle, read the vows. The bride, who formerly attended Merkel schools, wore a blue pique dress with corsage of white carnations. Her only ornament was a single string of pearls. Her acces-

sories were white. Attending the bride as maid of bonor was Louise Graham of Merkel. Melvin Henson of Abilene was cest

Upon their return from a honeymoon trip to San Antonio the ccuple is at home at 1617 Oak street, Abi-

EASTERN STAR.

Only routine business matters were attended to Tuesday night when the of them, if you want to include your Merkel Chapter No. 212, Order of subscription to The Mail, we are in the Eastern Star, met in stated meet- position to make special clubbing of ing. At the close of the session, cook- fer. See us before you renew. ies and drinks were served to the following members: Mesdames R. J. Miller, C. W. Seago, Frank Patterson, O. B. Leach, Zed Bright, Louis Butman, Joe Jaynes, H. C. Reid, Ernest Teaff, Carl Edington, E. S. Dwiggins, Seth Rakes, Andy Shouse, W. R. Cypert, Willard Rogers, Howard Carson, Bryan Dunagin, H. H. Windham, J. B. Griffin, Sr., Sallie Gant, Hob Robertson, D. R. Butler, Messrs. J. B. Griffin, Sr., D. R. Butler and Seth Rakes.

JOINT BIRTHDAY PARTY. Miss Phyllis Freeman and Miss Blanche Farmer were joint honorces of a birthday party Tuesday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh

Campbell. Decorations were carried out in pink and white, with beautiful crape myrtle and white car. a. tions. The honorees received many

Miss Pettve K. Smith entertained with musical numbers and Mrs. R. L. Butler directed a series of enjoyable games. Lovely refreshments of ice cream and cake, with miniature rosebuds as plate favors, were served to the honorees and Misses Sonja

Decker, Lucille English, Gerrie Jink Patsy Simpson, bride-elect of Troy ens, Bettye K. Smith, Messrs. Travis Roland, was named honoree at a kit- Farmer, Joe Doan, D. C. Hendricks. chen shower Tuesday evening of last Fredlyn Farmer, Eddie Breaux, J. E. week, with members of the G. A. P. Meeks, Buddy Hunter, Harold Alderman and Mrs. R. L. Butler, Mrs. A. L. Farmer, Mr. and Mrs. Homer decorations with a miniature bride Freeman and Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Campbell.

RURAL SOCIETY

UNION RIDGE CLUB.

The Union Ridge Home Demonstration club met Friday, June 18, in the home of Mrs. M. L. Douglas, with the vice-president, Mrs. J. H. Clark. in charge.

The meeting was opened with a singsong. Reading of the "Club Women's Collect" was followed by prayer by Mrs. George Crow.

Miss Mabel McRee gave the council report. Mrs. Denzel Cox, the president, was elected as delegate to represent the club in the county from which one will be elected to go to THDA this year.

Mrs. Clyde Foster gave a talk on 'What is a Home Demonstration Club." Then each member told what lub work meant to her. They also discussed their gardens.

One new member was added, Mrs. T. McCormick. Pals were revealed

and names drawn again. The next meeting, on Friday night, ily 2, will be the club's annual comnunity social to be held at the home f Miss Mabel McRee.

Refreshments were served to two sitors and fifteen members.

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CHURCH OF CHRIST.

Bible School 9:45 a. m. Sunday. Worship 10:50 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. Young People's meeting 7:15 p. m. derwent major surgery at Sadler Prayer meeting Wednesday, 8:00

Troy M. Cummings, Minister.

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Midweek prayer meeting at 7:00 Wed-

A. T. Suskey, Pastor.

at 7:00 p. m. Evening sermon at Mrs. Truett Perry, Melvin R. Duke nesday evening.

Merle Weathers, Pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. Sunday School at 10 a. m. At the time this notice is furnished the paper, there is no one available to fill the pulpit Sunday. Reporter.

NAZARENE CHURCH, Sunday School 10 a, m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Prayer meeting at 8 p. m. Wednesday. R. T. Smith, Paster.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching services at 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Services Thursday 7:45 p. m. H. S. Earp, Paster.

Hospital Noics.

Mrs. A. H. Moore of Midland un hospital Monday. Mrs. Bessie Derstine was admitted Saturday fo minor surgery, and Mrs. W. A. Allred of Tye entered the hospital Monday for minor surgery. Mrs. A. B. Black was admitted Sunday for an appendectomy.

Patients received during the week for treatment were: Mrs. Odell Eoit, June 16; Mrs. O. Q. Martin of Trent,

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Morn-Mary Moreno, June 17; Donald Lee Memorial hospital, Abilene, on June ng sermen at 11. Training U., ion Bigbee, June 18; Karen Sue Case, 13, for an operation.

8:00. Prayer meeting at 8:00 Wed. John Leal, June 19; W. Y. Steen of Trent, June 20; Mrs. F. J. Rogers, Mrs. Z. B. Morgan, Mrs. Ray Roynolds, June 21; Mrs. J. B. Wade, June 22; Forrest Hazelwood of Trent, E. B. Thompson, Miss Frances Castles, June 23. Marilyn Liles received a tonsillectomy.

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