





**Humble to Broadcast SC Football Games**

Southwest Conference football games this fall will be broadcast for the 14th consecutive season and televised for the first time under arrangements concluded between the conference and Humble Oil and Refining Company. The broadcast of the 1948 schedule over standard radio stations will again carry the games throughout the state, with complete schedules for each week-end of the season.

Television plans call for telecasting the four games of Texas Christian university in Fort Worth as well as the annual Texas-Oklahoma game at Dallas over Television Station WBAP-TV, in Fort Worth, Texas' first television station.

First broadcasts of the regular radio schedules will be heard Saturday, Sept. 18, when the conference moves into action, with the usual crews of Humble Company play-by-play and color announcers and technicians preparing to follow the team from the Southwest to the far corners of the country to send back this season's exciting schedule of inter-sectional games.

The Humble Company's announcing crews will consist this year of Kern Tips, Ves Box, Charlie Jordan, Bill Michaels, Jerry Doggett, Fred Kin-kaid, Alec Chesser, Eddie Barker and Bill Newkirk of last year's staff, plus several newcomers to the announcer corps.

A herd of 14 dairy cows chew off about one ton of grass a day from a pasture.

**Firemen Entertained With Watermelon Party**

Twenty members of the Merkel Volunteer Fire department, with their families, were present to enjoy the watermelon party as a special entertainment feature, held on the lawn of the city water pump station Friday evening, Aug. 27.

Welcome was extended by J. Parker Sharp, past president of the association and now secretary of the Mid-West Texas Firemen's association. The committee on arrangements included Miller Patton and Buster Hester.

Those present were: Chief John Mansfield and wife, Assistant Chief Clyde Wurst and family, Mr. and Mrs. Rhett Eidson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Fox, Mr. and Mrs. Chester McWilliams and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Holmes and family, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Martin and family, Mr. and Mrs. Waymon Adcock and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Berry, Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Mitchell and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hester and family, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Patton and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Rust and family, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Peterson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Palmer and family, Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Moore and family, Ray Mundy and Bryan Wayne and Messrs. Carl Doan, D. H. Clark and Jim McAninch.

**Birth Announced.**  
From Fresno, Calif. comes news of the birth of a 7 pound, 14 oz. boy on Aug. 12 to Mr. and Mrs. K. E. Finney. Mrs. Finney is the daughter of Mrs. Sally Matthews of Burbank, Calif., and the granddaughter of Mrs. Eoleon Sherman of Trent. The mother and son are doing well.

**THANKS FIREMEN.**  
For their quick response and efficient work in controlling the flames and extinguishing the fire at the Merkel Courts last Friday night, we are indeed grateful and we want publicly to acknowledge our thanks and appreciation to members of the Merkel Volunteer Fire department for their spirit of loyalty and civic patriotism.

Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Mosier.

High blood pressure occurs in 25 per cent of people over 45.

See J. W. HAMMOND at the Ben Franklin store, if you are in the market for lumber.

**MOVIE CALENDAR**

Friday - Saturday — Double feature program: Roy Rogers, Jana Frazee, Andy Devine, Bob Nolan in "Under California Stars" and Rin Tin Tin III, Bobby Blake, Donald Woods in "The Return of Rin Tin Tin;" chapter 1, "Brick Bradford" serial and cartoon.

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday—Clark Gable, Lana Turner in "Homecoming;" color cartoon and latest News.

Wednesday - Thursday — Alan Ladd, Veronica Lake in "Saigon;" latest March of Time and Musical. "HOMECOMING"

The combination of Clark Gable and Lana Turner in a motion picture is an advance guarantee of dramatic and emotional fireworks, and "Homecoming," the new M-G-M offering, gives these electric stars every opportunity in the heart-moving story of a doctor whose entire outlook on life is changed when he falls in love with the nurse who stands by him in his greatest crisis.

Gable plays the doctor, Ulysses Johnson, who leaves his adoring wife, Anne Baxter, and a successful practice behind when he goes overseas with a medical corps at the outbreak of World War II.

**El Pasoans Observe Dad Vickers Day**

Through courtesy of our good friend, Sam Butman, Sr., The Mail has been furnished a clipping from an El Paso paper of the observance of Dad Vickers Day at the First Christian church there, in honor of Ed Vickers, Sr., on his 90th birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vickers, who on next June 28 will celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary, were married in 1883 in Mulberry Canyon in what was claimed as the first lumber-built house in Taylor county. It had been built out of lumber hauled from Fort Worth in 1876 by Mr. Vickers' father, Daniel Vickers, with a team of mules and pair of oxen. It was bought by Mr. Butman in 1883 and still stands. The Vickers were married there after he bought it.

Mrs. Vickers was the daughter of Captain John Tucker, one of Mulberry Canyon's very earliest settlers. He had served in the Confederate Army, and at his death in 1923 was a member of Merkel Camp of ex-Confederate Veterans and had held the office of Captain since its organization.

**REA Borrowers Set New Monthly Record**

More farms and other rural establishments were connected to REA financed power lines in May, 1948, than in any previous month in the 13-year history of the rural electrification program, the U. S. Department of Agriculture has announced.

Along with the new monthly record for connections, the REA borrowers during May energized 14,129 miles of line, the highest figure since the construction peak before the war.

Operating reports of REA's borrowers showed that 51,356 rural consumers were added to REA financed lines during May, an average of one new connection every 14 seconds of each working day. This was approximately 5,000 higher than the previous peak month, December 1939.

As of May 31, REA borrowers operated 652,376 miles of line and were serving 2,220,788 rural consumers. For the 11 months of the 1948 fiscal year this represented a net gain of 105,595 miles of line and

The infant born in New York City today has five times the chance of surviving that he had in 1895.

377,437 rural consumers. About 75 per cent of the consumers on REA financed lines are farm families. The others include rural non-farm residences, schools, churches, stores, small rural industries, irrigation pumps and other rural consumers.

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## CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
TO: R. G. Huebner, and the unknown heirs of the said R. G. Huebner, who may be dead, 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 27th day of September, 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 11th day of August, 1948.

The file number of said suit being No. 15,903-A.

The names of the parties in said suit are: Della Breckenridge, a widow, as Plaintiff, and R. G. Huebner and the unknown heirs of the said R. G. Huebner, who may be dead, as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Tresspass to try title and for damages. The basis of the plaintiff's cause of action is predicated upon the title by limitation for a period of ten years. She and those under whom she holds, having held peaceable and continu-

ous and adverse possession of said land, using and enjoying the same openly and notoriously, to-wit: Lots one, two, three and four in Block three, in the town of Merkel, in Taylor County, Texas.

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

Issued this the 12th day of August, A. D., 1948.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 12th day of August, A. D., 1948.

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

## CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
TO: Pauline Sawyer, 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 4th day of October, 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 13th day of August, 1948.

The file number of said suit being No. 15,907-A.

The names of the parties in said suit are: W. R. Sawyer as Plaintiff, and Pauline Sawyer as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married on or about December 19, 1939, and lived together until on or about February 5, 1940.

No children were born out of said marriage and none adopted and there is no community property to be adjusted. Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of abandonment.

If this Citation is not served within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved. Issued this the 16th day of August, A. D., 1948.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 16th day of August, A. D., 1948.

(Seal) J. Neil Daniel, Clerk, 42nd District Court, Taylor County, Texas.  
By Dorothy Smith, Deputy.

## NOTICE BY PUBLICATION OF THE SALE OF LAND.

In the 104th District Court of Taylor County, Texas.

No. 5740-B.  
W. O. ANSLEY, JR.,  
VS.  
OTIS NEAL

The State of Texas:  
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Taylor County,  
Greetings:

Whereas, on the 24th day of March, A. D., 1948, in the above entitled cause pending in this court, wherein W. O. Ansley, Jr., was and is plaintiff and Otis Neal was and is

defendant, the said plaintiff recovered judgment against the said defendant for the sum of \$3,817.47, together with all costs of suit accrued and to accrue in said cause, besides interest on said judgment at the rate of ten percent per annum after the date of said judgment until finally paid; with a foreclosure of an attachment lien on the following described lands and premises, to wit: all of the undivided interest of the defendant Otis Neal in and to the east one-half, or the east fifty (50) feet of lots Nos. 7 and 8, Block No. 77 of the City of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, and being the property situated at No. 1430 North Third Street in the City of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, and being all of the undivided interest of the said defendant, Otis Neal, in and to said property, to wit, an undivided one-third interest in said property as said attachment lien existed on the 10th day of December, A. D., 1947, when said writ of attachment was levied and afterwards foreclosed as aforesaid on the 24th day of March, 1948, and that said property be sold as under execution in satisfaction of said judgment.

Therefore, you are hereby commanded to seize the above described property and sell the same as under execution, and if such property cannot be found, or should the proceeds of said sale be insufficient to satisfy said judgment, interest and costs of suit, and the further costs of executing this writ, then of the property of said Otis Neal subject to execution you will cause to be made said money or any balance thereof remaining unpaid, as in case of ordinary executions.

And, whereas, it was so ordered in said judgment, this writ shall have all the force and effect of a writ of possession as between the parties to such suit and any person claiming under the defendant to such suit, any right acquired pending such suit, you are therefore further commanded after such sale to proceed by virtue hereof to place the purchaser of the property sold hereunder in possession thereof within thirty days after the day of the sale.

Herein fail not and have you the said monies, together with this writ showing how you have executed the

same, before said court at the courthouse thereof in the town of Abilene in Taylor County, Texas, within thirty days from this date.

And in serving this writ you will cause the same to be published in some newspaper published in Taylor County, Texas, for three successive weeks, the first of said publications immediately preceding the day of sale, which sale shall be at the courthouse door of Taylor County Courthouse the first Tuesday in October, 1948.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court at my office in the County Courthouse of Taylor County, Texas, at Abilene, Texas, this the 25th day of August, A. D., 1948.

(Seal) J. Neil Daniel, Clerk, District Court in and for Taylor County, Texas.  
By Grace Jenkins, Deputy.  
to appear not less than twenty days

## Receives B. S. Degree At West Texas State

Among the students to receive the B. S. degree at West Texas State college at Canyon last week was Joe A. Landreth, son of Rev. E. D. Landreth, district superintendent of the Amarillo district of the Methodist church and former resident of Merkel.

Joe has accepted a position as science teacher in the Lamesa high school for the coming year.

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