World's Best Will Be In Next Roping

A number of the top calf ropers | each day. Both ropers are memof the world will take part in the bers of the Rodeo Cowboys' Assobig roping to be held at the Rus- ciation. sell Arena Saturday and Sunday afternoons, beginning at 2 p. m.

and since 1939.

The feature of the contests will be the \$1,000 matched roping on Tommie Melton 8. 20 head of Brahma calves. N. A. Pittcock of Aspermont, mounted Buried Here Friday on Dunny and Red, wil compete against Ralph Russell of Merkel, mounted on Salty and Brownie. Each roper will rope 10 calves

Mrs. T. J. Toombs Will Be Honored On 90th Birthday

A big birthday party will be given Sunday for Mrs. T. J. The occasion will honor her on her 90th birthday. The party will be given by her children and grandchildren. Her birthday is May 6.

will feel better by Sunday. She has lived in and around Merkel Dies at Age of 92 since 1888. Mr. Toombs died in 1927. They had 11 children. All Hendrick Memorial Hospital Wedare still living. Mrs. Toombs rear- nesday at 1:30 a. m. ed one grandchild, Billy Joe Toombs, of Trent.

She has 20 grandchildren and seven great, great grandchildren. in 1877. They lived in Tennessee family," she said.

Mrs. Toombs has been living in Abilene the past few years with there continuously. one of her daughters, Mrs. Nat Anderson, and Mr. Anderson, at 1258 Palm Street, Abilene.

er's Branch." After six years the moved to Taylor County.

Mrs. Doyle O. Moore Rose, Merkel: 27 grandchildren, 25 **Regional Winner**

Mrs. Doyle O. Moore was selected regional winner of the home making division in the annual Will Enter State "Save the Soil and Save Texas" sored each year by the Ft. Worth
Press, Houston Press, and El Paso

Meet May 1, 2 and 3 Press, Houston Press and El Paso Mrs. Moore won the award with

to her farming husband.

Will Fill Pulpit At Presbyterian Church Sunday

The Rev. John N. Russel of Ft. Worth will preach at the Presbyterian Church Sunday. He will fill the pulpit at 11 a. m., and 7:30 p. m. Everyone is welcome.

Precinct Meetings Will Be Held Here Sat. by 2 Parties

The Democratic precinct convention will be held at 2:30 p. m. Saturday at the fire station. Chairman Holland Teaff will preside. tion will also be held at 2:30 p. m.

Saturday at the Darsey Furniture Store. Chairman O. J. Adcock will All Democrats and all Repub licans who wish to present their views should be present at their

respective conventions. A big fight is expected between the pledged delegates and the unpledged delegates.

1.300 Air Reservists Will Meet in Abilene

An estimated 1,300 air reservists 26 counties will meet an Air orce classification team in Abine to "talk over their current atus", in a survey of reservists heduled to begin May 5.

The personal interviews are part of a two-state inventory of air re-servists in Texas and New Mexico. It is not connected with recall to LEHERMANS HAVE BOY active duty but is geared toward Mr. and Mrs. Ted Leherman the candlelight installation of of O. W. Reed and Rena Crowder. don in Air Force records. | the Sadler Hospital.

The colorful and exciting cowgirls' cloverleaf barrel race will There will be an admission also be a big feature. The sight of these girls urging on their horses This is the second scheduled is more thrilling than anything roping to be held here this year that has been produced on stage or

Tommie Melton, 8-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Melton of

The funeral was held here last Friday at the Church of Christ Harris, W. B. Toombs and Robert with Starbuck Funeral Home in Higgins. charge. He was buried in Rose Hill

Tommie was born May 13, 1944, and had been ill a long time. Besides his parents he is survived by his two sisters, one brother of Odessa, another brother who is in Toombs at the Community Center | the Army at Ft. Knox, Ky., and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Melton of Merkel.

Mrs. Toombs is not feeling so Mrs. John M. Cook

Mrs. John M. Cook, 92, died at

Born Anna Eliza Angus, April 18, 1860, in Giles County, Tenn., she maried the late John M. Cook There are five generations in my until 1885, moving to Jones Coun-Community in 1889 and lived performance, comparable to

> Funeral service was Thursday at 2 p. m. in the Merkel Church of meant a good performance, com Christ, minister, Paul Rogers of- parable to a grade of 80-87.

Noodle, D. V. of Merkel and J. R. of Anson; two daughters, Mrs. R. A. Meeks, Slaton, and Mrs. Archie great grandchildren.

Local High Boys

will have entries in the state inoutstanding work in home im- terscholastic meet to be held in provements, management and aid Austin May 1, 2 and 3. The boys won this distinction in getting sistant Coach Tommy Ellis will take Eddie Breauex who will compete in the mile run and Doyle Jones who will run the 100-yard dash and the 220-yard dash. This will be the second year that Eddie has been to the state meet.

Coach Mutt Cotton at Trent will take his boys to compete in the mile relay. The team consists of Jerry Cade, Weldon Beasley, J. M. Heatley and Van Graham.

Johnny Thaxton **Arrives** in Tokyo

ceived a cablegram from their son Johnny, stating that he had arrived in Tokyo, Japan. Johnny is Willard is cashier of the First Na-

ARE GREAT GRANDPARENTS

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Anderson visited in the home of their daughter, Mrs. Homer Campbell, Sr., and family of Wilson. They also greeted their new great granddaughter Vivian Gail, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Campbell, Jr. The great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Anderson of Merkel and Mr. and Mrs. John Campbell of the Mt. Pleasant Community.

Grif Barnett Is **Cub Scouts Head**

New officers for the Cub Scouts were announced Tuesday night at the wiener roast held at the road side park. Grif Barnett is the new cubmas

Odessa, died Wednesday, April 23. ter for 1952, taking office May 1 Mr. and Mrs. Melton formerly liv- R. N. Elliott is assistant cub mas-The new committeemen are Leo

> There was a good turnout for the wiener roast.

School Band Wins First Rating In Hard Contest

The High School Band received a placque for first division rating in Class A sight reading. It scored third division rating in concert playing.

These scores were made at the Interscholastic League Contest at Beherns Chapel Auditorium on the Hardin-Simmons University campus last Saturday.

The rating made in sight read ty. They settled in the Noodle ing meant the best conceivable grade of 95-100. The rating in concert playing

Director Ralph Brady's players

bilene. Sam of Coahoma, Jim of 200 to 500. This year the Merkel organization. High School had an enrollment of

> Those who heard the local band ber of commerce to do.' ed with its muscianship. would never believe that they with their time and money. were reading by sight. They play- | The immediate objectives are: ed their two numbers as if they had had many, many hours of re- surface water problems.

calm and inspired his players with agreement to meet needs of West confidence. They responded quick- Texas farmers and ranchers. ly to every direction that he made. leading places at earlier contests. His humor and ready smile kept tising campaign to sell industrial Coach Carroll Benson and As- the band at ease. They played assets and tourist attractions. their best.

H. L. Thaxton's Father 5. Active cooperation with all forces devoted to soil conservation. Dies on April 24

to the bedside of his father, W. M. to the bedside of his father, W. M. Elected President who died April 24.

IT'S A GRANDCHILD

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Paine have tional Bank of Tulia.

The Republican precinct convenion will also be held at 2:30 p. m. Corn and Cotton and Grass Look Fine But It's Somewhere Else in Texas

The corn and the cotton and the they saw the Texas Battleship. grass look fine. No, someone was not talking about the local county but he was talking about another part of Texas, quite a distance from here.

D. J. Anderson and his sister. Mrs. Lee Sandell, of Tuscola returned Saturday from Houston where they visted Mrs. Sandell's daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Burleson. They also vistied

When they came to San Jacinto BABY BOY TO GRIMESES

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Grimes April 24 at the Sadler Hospital.

ng current and correct in- have a baby boy, born April 28 at

"Looks good to me," said D. J. Then he went on to tell about crop conditions. "Corn is knee high, cotton

Looks to me like the boys are prayer. sitting on top of the world," commented. While in Galveston he saw for- HOSPITAL NOTES

eign vessels but he was not allowed to go aboard. "There was plen- al the past week were: ty of rain in Houston while we ere there," he remarked.

April 30 at the Sadler Hospital.

GUILD TO MEET MONDAY The Weslevan Guild will have Methodist Church Chapel.

The	rainfall	Wednesday
night r	neasured a	t-
MERK	EL	80
3 miles	east	1.40
2 miles	south, Ost	orn farm .75
15 mile	s northwes	st 25
4 miles	s north	
BLAIR		1.75
NOODI	E	
BUTM	AN	···· trace

Merkel got only a trace.

The rainfall three miles north of Trent was reported as two inches. rooms. North of here, at the Largent place and farther on, the precipiinch, while three miles north of building. Stith the rainfall measured one inch and there were lightning and heavy clouds.

Five miles northwest of here, near Trent, the rain was threetenths of an inch. Noodle had three-tenths of an inch.

BULLETIN!

According to a telegraphic report Secretary of Defense Robert Lovett Thursday sent Congress a request that includes \$32,273,000 to rehabilitate the Army Airfield at Tye into an Air Force Base, Representative Omar Burleson of Anson announced.

West Texas C. of C. To Obtain Aims Seeks More Power

nessee and was married there. They had one child when they settled close to Dallas, at "Farm- Cemetery. Starbuck Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. Surviving are five sons, G. N. of Schools that had an enrollment of the immediate objectives of that

The local band is a three-year- services were developed from old band, starting with Director ideas and suggestions of individual of a retired Merkel merchant, great, grandchildren, and 4 great- Brady when he came here three members throughout its 132-coun- died at 4:23 a. m. Monday at her years ago. However, many of the ty territory. He described it as "a residence here. players have not been in the band grass roots expression of what the people want their regional cham-

play last Friday were well impress- He appealed to the business men One of Merkel to support the WTCC

1. A state-wide conference on 2. Continuation of a campaign Director Brady was relaxed and to obtain a U. S.-Mexico labor

> 3. A long-range national adver-4. An exhaustive survey

Texas' highway problems.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Thaxton have returned home after being called Mrs. Rhett Eidson

The Merkel P.-T.A. met Thursday, April 17, at 7:30 p. m., in regular monthly meeting. just returned from a 12-day visit Vincent Barnett, president, prewith their son, Willard Paine, in sided over the meeting. The min-Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Thaxton re- Tulia, where they saw their new utes of the previous meeting were grandchild Pamela, born April 12. Swartz.

The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Rhett Eidson vice president, Mrs. Stacy Mrs. Truett Perry Bird; treasurer, Mrs. June Hogan; secretary, Mrs. Homer Newby; parliamentarian, Mrs. Vincent Barnett! historian, Mrs. Grover Gil-

The school feature was given by the homemaking girls and the 4-H Club girls. The speaker for the evening was Mrs. Clyde Bartlett. Her subject was "What American is Is." Prof. Mack Fisher, school hand high, grass is green and fine. superintendent, gave the closing

Admission to the Sadler Hospit

As medical patients - Louis Royals, Mrs. W. U. Beene, Mrs. Ed Seago, Mrs. W. W. Webb, Mark Mr. and Mrs. Robert Higgins are the parents of a baby boy, born Mrs. J. H. Wimberly, Mrs. F. V. Sattownkite Mrs. W. W. Webb, Mark Mrs. E. V. Satterwhite, Mrs. W. C. New Mexico, is feeling better Both McCoy, Billy Mosier, Mrs. Burnie Mae Dowdy, Mrs. J. P. Fuqua, Mrs.

2-Inch Rain Falls At Trent Tuesday With 1 Near Stith The rainfall Wednesday night measured at— MERKEL 80 New Post Office Completed On Time And Is Now Ready And Is Now Ready

been completed and is now ready. feet. The over-all dimensions are the factory and will be installed The post office folks will be de- 55 feet by 83 feet. layed a little in moving but they should be in the new building in a few weeks, according to Post- ond Street while the office rooms master N. W. Durham.

The new post office is a big im-While all around here there was provement over the older location. moisture early Tuesday morning The new building is air-condition ed throughout. It has larger space in the lobby and in the work

Delivery of mail is made easier in the rear of the structure. A tation was three-quarters of an canopy will protect the back of the

The entire building, post office

The New Post Office

An Editorial The new postoffice is a splen-

did addition to our town. It is a trim. of strength.

The lines of the new edifice are the brick on the postoffice itself has double doors. and the fine color of the office rooms are attractive features.

The structure has been built to sand up, to endure. It is made of tile and brick and concrete.

Joe Cypert can be proud of this iness district. And so can J. Lecil White, the contractor of this structure, Billy Joe White, the architect, and everyone who had a hand in building it.

lating all these men and the City of Merkel in its fine new post of-

Mrs. George C. Smith, 76, wife

with the Rev. Mrs. Geneva Kilgore, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery under direction of Starbuck Funeral Home. She was born Minnie T. Miller Oct. 8, 1875, and married G. C. Smith of Hunt County in 1894.

They moved to Merkel in 1923, and had lived here ever since. one brother, Jerome Miller of New was already planted or showing a their report. Mexico: two sisters, Mrs. Willie stand. The week's rainfall amount-Neal of Louisiana, and Mrs. W. M. ed to 51/2 inches, according to the DAUGHTER DIES Lawson of Wood County, Texas; four sons, George F. Smith of Ben-Billie Seals of Sonora, Mrs. Nora In some places, it amounted al- reared in Merkel. Olive of Illinois, Mrs. Tinie Moore most to a waterspout. of California, Mrs. Madie Hendrex of Merkel, and Mrs. Emmie Woods of Amarillo; 26 grandchildren and

ten great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by two children.

Mrs. Mrs. Ben R. Hicks Has Major Operation

surgery Sunday morning at the

Undergoes Surgery

Mrs. Truett Perry had surgery Monday morning at the Sadler Hospital, Mrs. Perry is doing nice-

Mrs. R. F. Mashburn Undergoes Surgery

along nicely after having surgery after undergoing surgery. n a hospital in Ft. Worth. Mr. and Mrs. Mashburn formerly lived in Merkel until several months ago.

FATHERS ARE IMPROVING

about the fathers of Postmaster friends and relatives B. C. Moore Simmons College Friday night. and Mrs. N. W. Durham. Earl Clemenths of Brownwood is improving and Tom Durham of Clovis, are home from the hospital.

visitors in the John Oliver home. place.

The post office faces North Sec-

face Kent Street. The building is well lighted, with plenty of windows front and back. The post office is finished in tile

and faced with brick while the Says Dr. Sadler office rooms are finished in tile and faced with blue gray plaster. The main post office is 35 feet by 70 feet. The offices are: front

feet by 20 feet each; while the start the campaign but will be back room is 20 feet by 25 feet. The ceilings in both post office and business rooms are made of Celotex. The walls are plaster with

pastel colors. All have light oak 000, for Merkel it is \$500. building of beauty and a structure! The lighting is 16-inch closed globes. There are 27 of them. The entrance to the post office

> work rooms with concrete base. The office rooms have concrete

J. Lecil White, the contractor, stated that all workmen possible new splendid addition to our bus. that were used were from Merkel: truth and been on guard against ers and laborers.

There are separate rest rooms the doctor. for men and women int he post of- Contributions by letter should

shortly, stated Mr. White.

One In Every Five Will Get Cancer

The cancer drive in the county is coming along nicely. As yet the room 20 feet by 28 feet; two are 15 Shriners have not arrived here to here in the near future, announced Isadore Mellinger, local chairman. The quota for the county is \$6,-

"Taylor county is fortunate in having a tumor detection center at the Hendrix Memorial Hospital that has been in operation over delight to the eye. The color of building is 12 feet by 12 feet and six months," stated Dr. W. T. Sadler. "Fifty per cent of the Taylor Asphalt tile is on all post office Counay quota goes to support this tumor clinic." Dr. Sadler asserted that fully

> died of cancer in 1951 could have been saved had they known the bricklayers, concrete men, carpen- this number two killer of the peoters, painters, electricians, plumb- ple. "One person in every five now living will develop cancer," said

one-third of the 8,153 Texans who

We join everyone in congratu- fice. Each office has a rest room. be mailed to Box 685, Merkel.

Merkel 20 Years Ago TAKEN FROM THE 1932 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

REVIVAL GAINS HEADWAY

at the Merkel Nazarene Church, doing the preaching and his mes- ed for the 1932-33 term. sages are exciting expression of appreciation on every hand.

RAINFALL OVER 5 INCHES

gauge of Grover Hale.

PLAY IS REPEATED

Revealing histrionic talent of a E. Sandlin's 82nd birthday, Mrs. O. high order coupled with the pre- D. Cypert entertained Sunday with sence of capable direction in Mer- (a chicken dinner. Children and kel that might easily be the nu- grandchildren were present. cleus of a little theatre of its own, "The Wild Oats Boy," a lively PERSONAL MENTION three-act comedy drama, enacted by home players for the benefit of Business College at Abilene Mon-Mrs. Ben R. Hicks had major the Firemen's Fund, drew such a day, large and well pleased audience Sadler Hospital. She is doing nice. for the first performance on sentation on Saturday night in or- Saturday. der for the many who were turned away to have an opportunity to enjoy it.

TEACHERS RE-ELECTED

cipals of the high school and gram-The revival meeting now in pro- mar school, were re-elected to gress at the Baptist Church is their positions at a called meeting gaining headway with deepening of the school board of the Merkel interest and appeal. Evangelist Independent School District. Supt. Funeral was Tuesday afternoon Ross A. Smith of Breckenridge is Burgess had previously been elect-

ATTENDS PRESBYTERIAL

As delegate from the local Woman's Missionary Society, Mrs. Rain in abundance and falling Emory Jones spent last week at generally over the Merkel terri- the presbyterial in Lamesa. She tory has brought new life to the reports that the meeting was a growing grain and feedstuffs and most enjoyable one and brings has furnished just the right con- back the good news that only Abi-Survivors include the husband, dition for bringing up cotton that lene and Post excelled Merkel in

Mrs. Ernest Pesnell, 36, daugh-

Friday the rainfall measured 41/4 ter of D. O. Huddleston, died at tonville, Ark., Claude A. and Jim inches, said by many old-timers to her home in Arab, La., Friday have been as much as had ever night. Mrs. Pesnell was formerly California; five daughters, Mrs. fallen in this section at one time. Miss Myrtle Huddleston and was HONORS MOTHER

In honor of her mother, Mrs. N.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Warren, accompanied by Mrs. Booth Warren, Thursday evening that it was have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. found necessary to repeat the pre- Kirby Beckett in El Paso since

Miss Norma Patton entered Gail

vin Elliott, of Stamford visited Mayor and Mrs. Elliott here Monday. G. W. Elliott and daughter, Mary Frances, of Abilene, were al-

All teachers, including the prin- so guests in the Elliott home. This Happened in Merkel Forty Years Ago TAKEN FROM THE 1912 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

Alec Wisdom is at home from a, Sunday afternoon B. Tiry Sub-

Carl Evans was a social caller to Sweetwater Sunday afternoon. home of James Bright of Trent Good reports have been heard and in the presnee of only a few Misses Dean and Howard from of this city was married to Miss

> Some two weeks ago Uncle Jimmie Baker of Trent stole a march

Josie Mosley of that place.

Mrs. R. F. Mashburn is getting stay at the Alexander Sanitarium lett and Miss Maggie Belle Roberts drove to Trent where they honored the little city with the second wedding of that day. They were married while seated in their bug-On Sunday afternoon at the gy, Elder W. G. Cypert officiating. Miss Fannie Swann entertained

Every person get ready for the big three-day picnic at Cozart Lake, five miles south of Merkel, on his friends, going down to Put- July 2, 3, 4. The attractions will Mr. and Mrs. John D. Oliver, Mr. nam where he was solemnly mar-include an "Old Soldiers Reunion." the candlelight installation of of- O. W. Reed and Rena Crowder. and Mrs. G. A. Oliver and son, ried to Mrs. H. C. Sears, a widow baseball, horse racing and county ficers at 8 p. m., Monday at the For surgery —A. L. Cunning- Donny, of Midland, were weekend lady of 56 years, who lived at that candidates will be given a speak-

SOCIETY

HAROLD TEAFF SUNDAY

Harold Teaff were married at Mil- Linda Jane, Odell Freeman and lersview, near Ballinger, at 6 p. m. Jack Bright, class reporter.

Mrs. Ernest Teaff of Merkel while there was a good old fashioned the bride is the daughter of Mr. fellowship. and Mrs. A. M. Wilson of Millers- Mrs. Zillah Bright blessed the view. The couple will live at 2010 food, of which there was plenty, College Drive, Abilene.

Leroy Teaff of Tye was best secret pal gifts were exchanged. man. His wife and Mr. and Mrs.

MAKE TRIP TO ARRANGE FOR SUBLETT REUNION

and Mrs. Paul Orsborn made a at Sand Springs, six miles south of trip to Gardner State Park at Trent. This Bible Class is for all Uvalde last week to make arrange- denominations and everyone is ments for the annual Sublett re- welcome. union which is to be held July 12.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION HELD FOR UNCLE CANON

Jack Canon was held Sunday at his are: President, May Russell; vice home. The entire family of 11 were president and secretary, Mena Lou present and enjoyed a bounteous Stello; reporter, Irene Dishman;

MERKEL H. D. CLUB HEARS ABOUT "COLOR STYLING"

The Merkel Home Demonstration Club met in regular session April 25 in the home of Mrs. J. Ben Campbell. Roll call was answered with "A Humorous Comment My Child Made.'

Mrs. Hughes gave a report on council meeting. Kenneth Mc-Beath and Mrs. Tollie King of Abit motto, prayer was led by Mrs. Sam lene gave a program of "Color Styling Your Home," which everyone enjoyed very much.

The next meeting wil be in the home of Mrs. L. P. Lyles. Refreshments were served to three visitors, Mesdames Ollie Fox, Clara Hull, Rea Scott; nine members, Mesdames L. P. Lyles, Pearl Harris, Witcher, Rhett Eidson, M. T. Head, John Hughes, J. Ben Campbell, Stella Cutler and Miss Lottie

WOMEN'S BIBLE CLASS OF TRENT ENJOYS LUNCHEON

On April 24, the "Women's Bible Class" of Trent was entertained with a luncheon at the home of Mrs. E. J. Ponder

Those present were: Mesdames E. J. Ponder, Hostess, G. N. Calla- Mrs. Elmer Patterson way and Connie, A.C. Heatley, Odell Dickerson and Sue, Veneta Freeman and Jimmie Lynn, Carl

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Tuesday Thursday Saturday

Kee, Carole Ann, Linda Kay and Miss Gertie Lou Wilson and Gwendolyn, Othell Barnhill and

For entertainment, pictures Harold is the son of Mr. and were taken by the hostess and

and it was enjoyed by all. Then

Mrs. Odell Freeman, teacher in Ernest Teaff attended the wedd- charge, taught, with Mrs. A. C Heatly opening and Mrs. Othel Barnhill closing the class with prayer

The next Study Class will be Mr. and Mrs. Irl Walker and Mr. May 22, with a picnic gathering

DOERS ELECT OFFICERS The Doers of the Word, a class of 12-year olds, met Sunday morn-A birthday celebration for Uncle ing to elect officers. The officers

BLUE BONNET H. D. CLUB HEARS DISTRICT REPORT

treasurer, Sandra Pursley.

The Blue Bonnet Home Dem onstration Club had a special called meeting Tuesday, April 29, in the home of Mrs. Adron Farmer.

Mrs. Farmer presided over the business meeting during the absence of the president.

Butman, Jr. Roll was called by the secretary, Mrs. Ford Butman. Mrs S. A. Hurd from the Tuscola Home Demonstration Club. who was a delegate from Taylor

gave an interesting report on the meeting held in Colorado City, April 17. She was assisted by Mrs. John Hughes, who also attended the district meeting from the Mer- Merkel kel Home Demonstration Club. Refreshments of cokes and doughnuts were served to six

members Mesdames Sam Butman, Jr., Frank Brnovak, E. H. Phillips. Frase Demere Adron Farmer and Ford Butman, and two guests: Mrs. S. A. Hurd and Mrs. John Hughes. The next meeting wil be a regular session, May 6 in the home of Visitors are welcome.

Mrs. J. W. Suter of Hendrix, Okla., is visiting her daughter, L. Thaxton

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MRS. ORIS LACY REYNOLDS

nolds in a double ring ceremo y County to the District 7 meeting. Friday night in the home of 1r. and white stock. Three-tiered all Joe Allen of Kermit officiated. The bridegroom is the son of aunt of the bride. Mr. and Mrs. Cramer Reynolds of Guests were present from Mid-

gandy over embroidered organ ty and a white orchid corsage. fashioned with a high neckline a d bodice fitted to points in front a d 2601 26th St., Lubbock. Both are orchid and stephanotis bouquet in and Aggie Club. The bride attenda white Bible. For something id ed Colorado Woman's College, she wore a watch belonging to be a Denver. The bridegroom is a John grandmother.

Maid of honor, Sandra Sadl r, ousin of the bride, wore a billerina length dream blue organiy, Notifies Men Here over ruffled embroidered organey, made with a high neckline and cop sleeves. Her bouquet was of y-1low gladioluses.

Best man was Richard Johns the bride

"I Love Thee."

The couple was married before background of palms, which stock and white gladioluses win cathedral candles in branched catdelabra on either side.

A reception followed in the Sa 1-

Carolyne Sue Mayfield, daush ler home. The bride's table was ter of Mrs. Helen Mayfield, e laid with white nylon net over came the bride of Oris Racey Rey, white satin and centered with a formal arrangement of gladioluses and Mrs. W. T. Sadler. The R.v. white wedding cake was served by Mary Anna Mayfield of Midland,

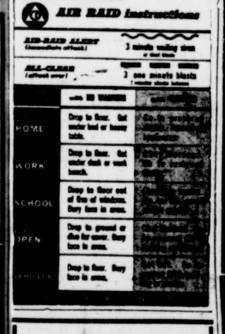
land, Lubbock, Abilene, Merkel. For traveling the bride wore a The bride, given in marriage by For traveling the bride wore a her uncle, Dr. Sadler, wore a b.l. navy shantung jacket dress lerina length gown of white r trimmed in red, navy accessories,

The couple will be at home at back. Long sleeves extended to seniors at Texas Technological points over the fingers. Her fing r. College. The bride is a member of tip veil fell from a band of org n. Las Chaparritas Social Club; and dy and pearls. She carried a white the bridegroom, Block and Bridal Tarleton graduate.

Of Rated Vacancies In Army Reserve

Lt. Col. C. E. Gatlin, commander of the Abilene cell of the 4005th of Old Glory, and candleligh of the Abliene cell of the 4005th ORASU, Army reserve station complement unit notified man in complement unit, notified men in the immediate Abilene area that a Pianst, Mrs. Dwain Jones, companied Mrs. Brandion Wate, who sang "Oh, Promise Me" a display the immediate Abliene area that a number of well-rated vacancies now occur in the organization since 89 enlisted men are now. since 89 enlisted men are

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Lanham Riley of Fort Worth, winner in calf roping at the livestock show in Ft. Worth this year,

Other top ropers of the world who were here were John D. Holeyman of Ozona, Zeno Ferris of

An unscheduled roping contest Las Cruces, New Mexico, John Saturday afternoon here at the Datlon of Pueblo, Calif., George Russell Arena brought together Mills of Montrose, Colo., world's years of college are needed im- open." some of the world's top calf rop- greatest rodeo clown and bull mediately to apply for the Navy's fighter, Buddy Groff and

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ABOUT THE DROUTH The drouth was broken! That was good news. That was wonderful news. Everyone broke out smiles and everyone was happy That is as it should be.

Without rain there would be no grass and no crops. The rain is our feel deeply and those who can life-blood. The rain falls, the challenge our thinking, especially ground soaks up the moisture and our customary way of thinking. and happy

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general nature of rain. drouth. Did you ever stop to think than we realize. Oh, yes, they look what that really means?

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Was BROKEN. That is an ordinary mave at things,
the drouth is broken, when it 'Door the drouth is broken, when it Doors are closed to many o

breaks. But suppose you wanted to said the preacher, 'but ther \$2.00 say it a different way, which we some doors that are open."

\$2.50 did last week. Well, we studied the So we take a look into Any erroneous reflection upon the character, standing or reputation of any person, firm or corporation which may occur in the columns of THE MERKEL MAIV, will be gladly corrected upon being called to the attention of the editor.

So we take a look into hose doors. What do we find? We find the hope in them. We desire to b important. But that does not be ceived a hearty laugh from the that we must be outstandint. It rest of the office when we made merely means that we have s that suggestion. No, they said, rain thing to offer to others that take does not crack the drouth, it gift. It gives importance not only

Well, does it? How can you BREAK a drouth any more than to us but to those we give it o. ou can CRACK it? So, being of an obliging nature

ve gave way to the majority and came out in the paper that the frouth was broken

Anyway, maybe if the rain had not broken the drouth we al would have been broken.

GREAT HOPE

We like to listen to good speak ers, both those who can make us Roy Largents Are

then the grass grows and the seeds | The serman that we heard on produce products. The cows eat the first day of the Baptist revival the grass and grow and give us by Rev. Tom M. Johnston combinmilk and meat. The crops of the ed both feeling and thinking. Talkland come up and are harvested. ing in a natural manner he would We eat them and we are refreshed rise to great heights of oratory. making vivid the points he wished to put over. By a simple action he And all we need now is more turned his thought into a great

His talk was one of hope, great hope, and in this world of wars This is not so serious. NOW, we and approaching wars and envy don't mean the matter of rain is and hate we have great need for not serious. It is, very serious. But hope, hope that gives dignity to there is a little matter we wish to man, to every man, making him discuss here that concerns the feel that he has a place in the world.

We mean the rain BROKE the | More people are sick mentally and act and even talk normally

last week's paper. Our first thoughts they question their own trip. They also attended an annual pupils from the 1st to 5th grade thought was to say that the drouth worth, feeling that they do not Decoration Day program Sunday on May 10 at 8 p. m. was BROKEN. That is an ordinary have a place in the schem of at College Mound, near Terrell. They returned home Sunday night.

> us worthwhile. We can friendship. That is a prictle

We can offer brotherly love we can open our hearts to G.d. Yes, here was hope, great 1 pe We can all use it.

WHITE-ICISM

That's ALL-and the Sage Figfield adds that the ability to challenge our own thoughts deter mines our open-mindedness.

In Lexington , Ky., For Hereford Meeting

Mr. and Mrs. R. Largent left week for Lexington, Ky., wiere they will attend a directors' m st ng of the American Hereford A sociation. Mr. Largent is preside of the association.

While there they will also att no he Kentucky Derby Saturday.

Cadet Bobby Gilbert Flies for 1st Time At Mississippi Base

Aviation Cadet Bobby S. Gilb rt on of Mr. and Mrs. Grover Filt u 112 South Second, Merkel, is oilot training (basic) at Colum u Air Force Base, Mississippi.

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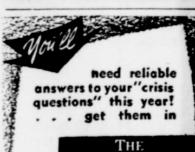
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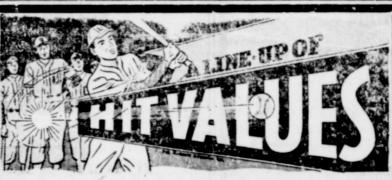
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THE STATE OF TEXAS

ing No. 18,150-A.

suit are:

Defendant.

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J. Neil Daniel, Clerk.

Court Taylor County, Texas.

By Dorothy H. Dickerson, Deputy Adv. April 11, 18, 25, May 2. THE STATE OF TEXAS

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Mr. and Mrs. Horace Boney home Sunday with his wife, spent Sunday in Winters with her has been visiting her parents, Mr. parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Gray. and Mrs. W. W Toombs

Mrs George E. Gardner and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Gardner and family of Paris are visitng this week ton Sunday. with Mr. and Mrs. A. T Lemens. Mrs. Gardner is the mother and daughter, Brenda of Seminole Floyd is the brother of Mrs. Lem-

Mrs. Anita Watson left Monday former Merkelities. Can't stay for Fort Ord, Calif., where she will away too long," Wallace said. join her husband who is in service.

over the weekend were their sons, visited over the weekend with her R. G. Seago of Monahans, Mr. and mother, Mrs. Will Butman, and Mrs. E. H. Seago and children of Stanton, and his aunt, Mrs. Lottie Green, of Walnut Springs.

Don Dudley of Fort Worth, a former Merkelite, has returned and is connected with the Higginootham-Bartlett Co.

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clock A. M. before the Honorable ment. 42nd District Court of Taylor County, at the Court House in Abi-

lene, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 3rd day of April, 1952. The file number of said suit be-Mrs Florence Berry visited her ing No. 18,147-A. daughter, Mrs. E. L. Miller, in Slat-

The names of the parties in said suit are:

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Doan and Elizabeth Virginia Crosby as Plaintiff, and James Slaughter were here Sunday through Tues-Crosby as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were

Mr and Mrs. Curtis Wilson and Visitors in the C. W. Seago home family of Artesia, New Mexico, married September 27, 1941 at Conway, Ark., and lived together until July, 1951. To this marriage one child was born, Andri Ann Crosby, in Conway, Ark., October 28, 1943, and Plaintiff requests custody of child. Plaintiff sues for

May, A. D., 1952, at or before 10 divorce on grounds of cruel treat.

If this Citation is not served within 90 days after the date of its A. D., 1952. issuance, it shall be returned un-

Issued this the 3rd day of April By Dorothy H. Dickerson, Deputy A. D., 1952.

of said Court, at office in Abile Texas, this the 3rd day of April,

J. Neil Daniel, Clerk, Court Taylor County, Texas.

Adv. April 11, 18, 25, May 2.

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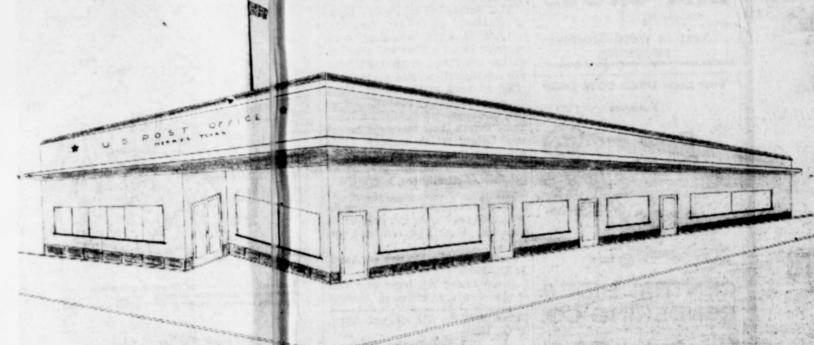
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n Lawn Sunday, visiting his uncle, John Smallwood, and wife. George Rister of Hawthorne, Calif., is the guest of his father, G.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Cooper and family of near San Angelo spent the weekend with her sister,

Mrs. W. A. Stutts, and family. Mr. and Mrs. H. C. West were in Brownfield Sunday morning and heard Rev. Tom Keenan, former Merkel Presbyterian minister, preach. They went to Midland and spent the night with their child-

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Watson went fishing over the weekend south of Sylvester. Caught enough fish for

Mrs. Ray Jennings is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Leroy Eason, in

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Sheppard catfish . . . 'nice but not large." returned from Dallas Sunday where they were at the bedside of Monday with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. their son, Sterling, who had surg- Wallace.

Mr. and Mrs. V. O. Wood were ery. He is getting along nicely. Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy McKeever nd daughter of Abilene were in Merkel Sunday, visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Norwood visited her sister, Mrs. Bill Sledge and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley King weer the guests of their children in Lubbock over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bartlett visited relatives in Santa Anna Sun-J D. Gentry and O. J. Bagby

were fishing Saturday night at Ft. Fannin Lake. 'No Luck." Mrs. W. H. Crawford of Middaughter, Mrs. Wright Dishman, drafted. and family.

R. L. Denson and Harold Bowes of Sweetwater fished at Kerby Lake Sunday. Got eight channel Mrs. Mert Duke of Dallas visited

Legal Notices THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: George Hogue 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 16h day of June A. D., 1952, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable 42nd Court of Taylor County, at the Court House in Abilene, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 28 day of April, 1952. The file number of said suit beng No. 18,214-A.

The names of the parties in said Virginia Hogue as Plaintiff, and

George Hogue as Defendant. The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were mar ried on or about Sept. 22, 1951. No Children have been born to said marriage. Community property consists of a Buick Automobile and a house trailer. By agreement between parties the plaintiff asks for all title rights to the trailer house with the Defendant to have all title rights to the Buick automobile. Plaintiff sues for divorce on ground of cruel treatment.

If this Citation is not served

issuance, it shall be returned un-

Issued this the 29th day of April A. D., 1952.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene. Texas, this the 29th day of April A. D., 1952.

J. NEIL DANIEL, Clerk 42nd Court Taylor County, Texas By Dorothy Dickerson, Deputy Adv. May 2, 9, 16, 23.

Trent High School Seniors Have Fun With Talent Play

The Trent High School seniors gave the crowd that witnessed the talent play last Friday a wonderfully entertaining evening.

Sharon Terry won first place. Connie Cade and Hilda Hutcheson won second. The boys' quartet won third place. The quartet consisted of Bob Payne, Jerry McWilliams, Jerry Estep and Jesse Yandel.

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starring roles in this searching ily in the world of today. Andrews an inch and Granger, as brothers, each has a problem; the former is a World question of whether or not to go back into uniform for an impor- 50-foot line. tant Army job, while Granger reland spent the weekend with her sents the fact that he is being

Model Planes Are Flown Sunday

Sunday afternoon was just the day for model plane flying and the youngsters were out in the high school yard doing that very this

There were Bobby Elliot. Don Dana Andrews, Dorothy Mc- Hunt and Larry Joyce. Bobby had Guire and Farley Granger have the an Olson and Rice 23 motor, Des had a Torpedo Special 30 me while Larry had a McCoy 19 motor. drama of a typical American fam- The figures refer to hundredths of

The planes were run on metho alcohol and castor oil. They will War II veteran faced with the fly five to 15 minutes on one filling. They will go 15 to 65 laps on a

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Morning Service ... 11:00 a. m.

Evening Bible Class. . 6:30 p. m. Evening Worship 7:30 p. m. Pioneer Memorial Chapel Sunday School 10:00 a. m. Morning Service 11:00 a. m. Evening Services 7:30 p. m.

Evening Prayer Servic 7:30 Church of the Nazar Services at the Merke Church of the Nazarene are as follows: Sunday School 10 00 a. m Morning Worship 11:00

Young People's Service W. F. M. S. meets at 2: 0 p. m. each first and third Thur day. Tye Baptist Churci

Sunday School.....9: 5 a.m. Morning Worship....11 0 a. m. Training Union6: 5 p. m. Evening Services . . .7:31 p. Tye Methodist Chur h Sunday: 10:00 a. m. Sunday School6: 0 p. m. Prayer Meeting. .7:1) p. m.

Morning Service 11:() a. m. Trent Church or Ch ist Morning Worship .. 11:0() m.

.7:3

Evening Services.

Ladies Bible Class. 4:00 p. m. Noodle Baptist Church

Sunday School 10:00 a. m. Morning Worship. . 11:00 a. m. Young People's Class 6:30 p. m. Evening Services....7:30 p. m. Sunday: New Live Oak Baptist Church

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Sunday School 10.00 a. m. Trent First Baptist Church Sunday:

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Merkel First Methodist Church

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Bible Study......9:45 a. m. Morning Service....11:00 a. m. Young People's Bible Class 6:30 p. m. Evening Services....7:30 p. m Compere Baptist Church

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Sunday School 10:00 a. m. Morning Worship . . 11: o'clock. Training Union 7:00 p. m. Evening Worship 7:30 p. m. Wednesday:

Evening Prayer Services

.....7:30 o'clock Trent Methodist Church Sunday School ... 10:00 a. m. Evening Worship 7:30 p. m. Morning Services....11:00 a. m. M. Y. F. Services . . . 6:30 p. m. Tuesday: WSCS3:00 p. m. Wednesday: Prayer Services 7:30 p. m

Rural Youth Camp **Dedication Saturday**

Some 3,400 Area 4 Future Far mers realized a dream come true Saturday, when Attorney General Price Daniel officially dedicated the Bobby Holder Memorial Camp to "the advancement of rural youth over the state."

The opening and closing ceremony was conducted by the area 4 FFA officers. Allen D. King, Jr., is first vice president.

Present from Trent were O. I. Boyd, FFA adviser, and Allen D. King, Jr., president of local chapter, secretary of Abilene district, and first vice president of Area 4.

Pfc. Zedic Johnson Train Inductees At Ft. Leonard Wood

Pfc. Zedic Glynn Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Zedic L. Johnson, spent the weekend with his parents. He returned to his home base Sunday at Fort Leonard Wood. Mo. He is at present training other inductees and will be stationed there until he is called to enter officers' candidate school

Nook Cafe Drive-In **Installs New Tables**

stalled cafeteria style tables. They have yellow tops and chrome legs. The chairs to match the tables are in contrasting colors.

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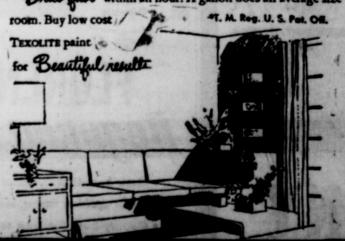
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White Church **School Petition** Is Deferred Sat.

The Taylor County School Board portation and educational facili-Saturday deferred action indefin- ties available there. itely on a petition from White Church School patrons asking that Justice John Sharp their area be detached from Trent and annexed to the Merkel Independent School District.

John Henry Sweeney and Fred Johnson of the White Church comby the Merkel school board.

Taylor County School board. The automobile accident not long ago.

Merkel resolution was signed by M. H. Ely, president, and Ray Wilson, secretary of the school board.

White Church representatives said they wanted to be annexed to Merkel because of better trans-

Withdraws From Race To Succeed Himself

Associate Justice John H. Sharp munity presented a petition of the Texas Supreme Court ansigned by about a score of patrons nounced this week his withdrawal of the area, as well as a resolution as a candidate for re-election. Judge Sharp was advised by his The latter had met April 24 and physician to withdraw because voted to accept the White Church there have been latent developarea subject to confirmation by the ments of injuries received in an



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Suggests Applying For Social Security Number at Once

June graduates of high schools urged to apply for their social lor County winner in the Scriptssecurity account-number cards be- Howard soil conservation contest fore they graduate. Also, students as sponsored in Texas by the Fort but who expects to work during and the Houston Post. their summer vacations should ob- The Tom Russoms moved to

prospective employers will not hire a person unless he has his social security account-number card with him.

"Double Dynamite" **Bubbles With Gayety** At Queen Theatre

Bubbling with gaiety that makes it one of the season's most enternamite" at the Queen Theatre Tuesday and Wednesday brings Jane Russell, Groucho Marx and Frank Sinatra in the starring 52 years.

Sinatra plays the part of a serious-minded young bank clerk, Miss west route when he came there "There are not so many rattle-Russell that of his impatient fi- from Whitney. At that early date ancee, and Marx that of a care. there were many antelopes and snakes in Noodle now," he assertfree waiter in a cheap restaurant who pretends to be an authority on crime and the joys of living FISHERMAN, MAN OF LEISURE dangerously.

This situation has all sorts of hilarious possibilities and catchy song numbers.

personals

Mrs. Kenny Thompson, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Adcock, and Mr. Thompson of Big Spring were weekend guests of the Adcocks. Others who were Sunday dinner guests were Paul NOODLE EIGHTH GRADE Rodgers and Raymond Adcock and HOLDS FORMAL BANQUET

Lewis Bunch of the U. S. Navy Washburn, Merkel, and his wife, room. Mary Bunch, is Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Little and Patsy of Stamford visited the Charlie Sherrels and Hubert Sullivans of Noodle on Thursday night of last week. Patsy remained in Merkel over the weekend, visiting Laurel Sherrell and Frankie Sullivan. She also visited Merkel can decorations were used to dec-School on Friday.

Almos, N. Mex., visited his mother, president of the class. Mrs. Pick Allen, last weekend. First on the program, Frankie Drs. Orville Wyss and Wilson B. Their daughter, Nancy, of Mid-Sullivan gave a short talk on the Stone are seeking to develop a land, a grandson, A. C. Bland, Jr. of Abilene, his two small daughters, Dianne and Donna, also visited Saturday with their grandmother, Mrs. Pick Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Low of San Antonio were here Friday, Saturday and Sunday, visiting their son, W. D. Webber.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Ensminger had as dinner guests Sunday Ben ings. Butman and children of Trent and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Reneau of Ft.

Donations Made to Cemetery Fund

Since the last report the follow-ing have donated to the Cemetery Maintenance Fund: W. R. Cox

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"Rescued Home" Story Brings Honor To Mrs. Tom Russom

vocational schools, and colleges are rescued home was judged the Tay- from the Butman estate. who are not graduating this June Worth Press, the El Paso Herald

tain their cards before classes end. their farm of 240 acres in 1931 as ment demonstrator. Seasonal workers, who expect to tenants. Now they live in a rock be employed for the first time on home with all the modern conven- Texas, came to the Butman ranch jobs covered by social security, lences, which in 1938 took the should likewise apply early. Many place of an "old termite eaten from the Sam Butmans. He is now acres southwest of Merkel.

ter of Sam Butman, Sr., Merkel. Methodist Church.

Mrs. Tom Russom's story of her | The first acreage was inherited

Mrs. Russom was reared in Merkef. A vice president of the Blue Bonnet Home Demonstration Club, done much as a home improve-

Mr. Russom, a native of East when his father rented a farm house." Besides their 240 acres, a member of the Farm Bureau ,disthey have bought 275 adjoining trict supervisor of soil conservation. They are both active mem-She was Mary Butman, daugh- bers of the new Pioneer Memorial

Antelopes and Bald Face Cattle Were Here and Rattlesnakes Too

taining screen farces, "Double Dy- and rates the distinction of being . . . that is "just our family," rethe oldest settler and the oldest marked Doc. "There were 12 boys man in Noodle. He has been there and girls and mother and father in

Two houses stood on the road from Noodle to Merkel on the lots of bald face cattle.

Doc Callaway is 67 years old In 1900 he killed 63 rattlesnakes

our family." ago he got bit by a rattlesnake. our loved one

MAKES GOOD SUGGESTION

Notes on the passing scene in Merkel at the Merkel Drug Store. Bill Hays is sitting at the fountain. Enter the Rev. J. W. Saffle, man of leisure and fisherman extraordinary. Shouts Rev. Saffle to Mr. Hays, "You got any money?" "Yes," replies Mr. Hays. "Let's spend it?" quickly retorts Rev. Saffle, who of course is a man of leisure and fisherman ex traordinary.

The Eighth Grade Class of Noodle was honored with a formal is on leave from Pearl Harbor. He banquet on Friday night, April is visiting his mother Mrs. C. O. 18, in the school home economics

> The P. T. A. of the school prepared the meal. The menu consisted of fried chicken, gravy, potatoes, green beans, salad, hot rolls ice tea, ice cream and cake.

The theme for the evening was "Our Neighbors-Mexico." Mexiorate the room. The toastmaster

theme. Janice Light read the class special strain of azotobacter, or history. Reynol Vancil gave the ganisms which gather nitrogen class prophecy. Everett Beavers, county superintendent of schools of Anson, and E. M. Connell, Jones County supervisor of Schools, spoke during the program. Miss soils permanently by adding the Ima Jennings and A. D. Hill also spoke during the program. Mrs. Lucille Gurber gave several read-

Lana Malone, Noodle, Judy Walden, Abilene, and Tony Martinez, Abilene, played several numbers of accordian music.

The members of the class preette Lucas, Eddie Bumpass, Elva Allred, Joie Adair, Janice Light, oil reserves and research reports.

Bill Tucker, Frankie Sullivan, Reynol ancil, Diane Oden, and Clinton Spurgin.

The teachers present were: C. M. Brown, A. D. Hill, Mrs. A. J. Hill, Miss Ima Jennings, and Mrs. Ruth

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Connell, Mr. Everett Beavers, Mrs. Lucille Gurber, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kelso, Mrs. C. M. Brown, Mrs. A. D. Hill, the school trustees and their wives because of illness. were guests.

The school trustees and their

wives present were: Messrs. and Mesdames Clyde Chancey, John Lawlis, Carl Baccus, Henry Uerkert, Gene Bumpass and Dick Her-

The parents present were: Messrs. and Mesdames John Lawlis, C. B. Lucas, Will Spurgin, Gene Bumpass, F. L. Tucker, Charlie Allred, L. M. Adair, B. L. Vancil, H. D. Odin, Mrs. Hubert Sullivan, Mrs. A. J. Hill and L. C.

Poodle Hair Cuts



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Don Hooper Fights In Korea in Rain

This following story was mailed from Korea April 10: WITH THE 7TH INFANTRY

DIV. IN KOREA-Pvt. Don R. Hooper, whose wife, Betty, lives in Odessa, is now serving with the 7th Infantry Division on the raindrenched east-central front in Korea. Patrols from the division move out daily over the muddy terrain keeping constant pressure on the Communists.

Private Hooper, a rifleman in Company L of the 17th Infantry Regiment, arrived in Korea on April 4, 1952. Don is the son of Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Hooper, Route 2, Merkel. He entered the Army last

Seek Radical Method To Improve Soils Of Farm and Ranch

A radical new method for improving farm and ranch soils is the Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Allen of Los for the evening was James Allred, goal of two University of Texas

from the air to enrich soils. Azotobacter are found in all soils.

If the scientists are successful, farmers and ranchers can improve 'pedigreed" organisms .

To Talk of Progress In Recovering Texas Petroleum at Meet

Progress in recovering Texas petroleum will be the main topic sent were: Mary Price, Gloria Law- of a meeting May 8-9 at the Unilis, Clara Hill, James Allred, Jean- versity of Texas. Attendants will hear the latest estimate of Texas

3 Local Gulf Men **Attend Dinner** In Abilene Tuesday

C. F. Curb, Truett Perry and Irl Walker attended a dinner at the Wooten Hotel in Abilene Tuesday. which was given in honor of all local dealers in this district. George Jennings, Lana Malone, Claude Perry, manger of Perry Judy Walden, Tony Marten, and Gulf Station, was unable to attend

Ring Lost Years Ago Is Found Again

A ring lost 15 years -ago was ound recently. Joe Aycock of Snyder who lived at Sweetwater at the time lost his class ring while diving at the Sweetwater lake. Because of the drought the ring was ound at the edge of the water. Fifteen years ago the water was of diving depth.

Mrs. Homer Patterson visited her sister, Mrs.W. T. Harlow, at Brownwood the first of the week.

Theodore Roosevelt discovered a river in Brazil, which newspaper called the River of Doubt until its existence was confirmed, when it was then named Rio Teodoro.

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NOTICE MASONS Stated meeting of Merke: d lodge No. 710, A. F. & A. M., Saturday, May 3 at 8 p. m. All members are urgshe makes her clothes and has ed to attend. Visiting brethren cordially invited.

Zed H. Bright, W. M. C. B. Rust, Sec'y.

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phree. 4 miles south of town.

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The G. C. Smith Family.

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We wish to express our heartfelt appreciation to Dr. Sadler and his entire staff for being so sweet and kind and considerate while our beloved mother was in the Sadler Hospital for four months. Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Cook.

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OZZIE and HARRIET -DAVID and RICKEY

Also Cartoon and Selected Short Subjects

Tues. & Wed. & Thurs., May 6-7-8 A Bunch of Husky Guys in Battle Green who Showed The World You Can't Stop a Marine! The Fightinest Words in the whole fightin' history of the U.S. Marines!

with "FRANK LOVEJOY -RICHARD CARLSON PLUS 2 COLOR CARTOONS

QUEEN THEATRE

NIGHTS 7:30

NEW ADMISSION PRICES CHILDREN (under 12 Years of Age) ADMISSION 12e, Tax 2e Total 14e ADULTS: ADMSSSION 37c, Tax 7c, Total 44c

LAST TIMES FRIDAY

Marlon Brands following his nomination for the Academy Award in another sterling performance in John Steinbeck's.

"VIVA ZAPATA"

SATURDAY, (ONLY), MAY 3 2—BIG FEATURES—2

Gold-Crazed Outlaws Vs. U. S. Marshall! JOHNNY CAPENTER—ALYN LOCKWOOD

-PLUS-

Pistol Point Suspense on the Streets of the

"ROARING CITY"

with EDWARD BROPHY - RICHARD TRAVIS Also Color Cartoon and Serial

SUNDAY & MONDAY, MAY 4-5

Features - Sunday 2:15-4:28 Fatures - Monday 7:45-9:58

Drama - Romance - Humor - Richly endow this moving appraisal of family life under impact of of America's call to arms! No three words ever meant so much to so many people!

DANA ANDREWS - DOROTHY McGUIRE

with FARLEY GRANGER — PEGGY DOW Added Color Cartoon and Shorts

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY, MAY 6-7

Treat Yourself to a Double Exposure of Fun and Foolishness!

JANE RUSSELL — GRAUCHO MARX

"DOUBLE DYNAMITE"

Special Added Attraction "MARDI GRAS" 2 Reel TECHNICOLOR Short This Special Short Begins 7:50 -9:50

THURSDAY & FRIDAY, MAY 8-9

Features - 8:10 - 10:10

Their First Picture in Color! The last words in Laughs! Bud and Lou on a jaunt to Giant-land and it's jammed with giant — sized joy!

ABBOTT and COSTELLO

in Super Cine Color

Plus Color Cartoon and Latest News

450 Parents Come To School to End P-TA Conferences

A total of 450 parents came to! the local elementary and primary and room was second with 87 schools last Thursday and Friday schools last Thursday and Friday afternoons for their last parent-

Thirty-nine dads were included!

upils in grade 1-8. In the primary school, Miss each nine weeks. ogue's third-grade room and Mrs. Reid's second-grade room had 94 217 were dads. cent of all their parents in atdance. In the elementary ool, Mrs. Bird's fifth-grade

cent.

Luncheon Meat can 39c

4 cans 25c

can 15c

qt. 33c

46 oz. 27c

2 for 49c

2No.2 29c

2 Nr. 303 cans 42c

29c

Sprouts

FRESH

Corn pkg. 23c

During this school year, a grand schools to talk with the teacher bout the progress of the children in this number, which represented nd to see some of the work done of larkston, Wash70 per cent of all the families of the pupils. Parents are invited ington.

by letter to come at the end of Of this 1,800 parents who came

During the year an average of 71 per cent of all the families were represented each time. In the primary school 81 per cent of the om had 1 per cent of the parents families were represented each time and in the elementary school an average of 68 per cent came.

Recent guests in the home of teacher conferences of the cur- otal of 1,800 parents has come to Mr. and Mrs. Wade Ensminger were Mrs. R. W. Tousley and Mrs.

SOS - PADS

Big Box 29c

JOHNSON'S

1-3 gal. \$1.79

WITH WAX APPLIER FREE

18 IN BOX

CLOTHES PINS

2Boxes 33c

Donald Duck Frozen Foods

23c

PEAS pkg. 27c | Spinach

FRESH

FRESH

FRESH

Broccoli

GLO-COAT

Nellie Bly was the pen name of Elizabeth Seaman.

Complete Dinner 75c WITH DESSERT

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TINEY PEAS

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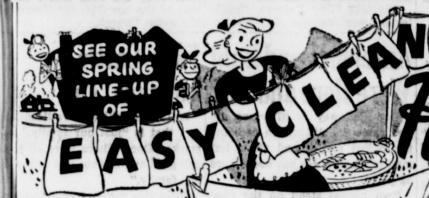
GRAPE JELLY

KUNERS

TAMALES

PICKLES

MOR



FRIDAY and SATURDAY

MAY 2 and 3

IMPERIAL 10 POUNDS

SUGAR

89c

MIRACLE WHIP SALAD DRESSING

Pint 29c

HEARTS DELIGHT **PEACHES**

No. 2½ can 29c

SUNSHINE Lima pkg. 29c CRACKERS

23c SUNSHINE CANDIES

Bag 19c

lb. 23c

2 for 32c CL

3 Lb. Carton

2 bottles 39c

Maxwell House Pound Can

lb. 12c

lb. 19c

lb. 8c

CHOICE

FRYERS lb. 47c MARKET MADE lb. 49c SAUSAGE CHOICE BEEF lb. 88c T-BONE STEAK BEST VAL

1-pound —3 BACON 3 lb. for \$1.00

ARMOUR'S lb. 39c PICNIC HAMS NO. 1 CLEAR lb. 29c DRY SALT NICE LEAN

lb. 47c PORK CHOPS CHOICE BEEF CHUCK ROAST

GROWERS CHOICE - FROZEN **STRAWBERRIES** box 33c

PARKAY

lb. 25c OLEO

KARO WHITE

SYRUP pint 23c

CHEER OR DREFT

2 boxes 55c

DUZ-RINSO or **OXYDOL**

2 boxes 49c

PET MILK 2 cans 27c

SOF-TEX

lb. 69c TISSUE

3 rolls 29c LETTUCE

SQUASH lb. 15c

FLORIDA ORANGES lb. 7c FRESH CORN 2 ears 15c

FRESH **GREEN BEANS** lb. 22c FRESH

CELERY FRESH BELL PEPPER

RUBY RED

CUCUMBERS lb. 15c

FRESH

head 12c

e Reserve the Right to Limit Quantities

MON. - WED. and FRL.

FANCY GRUB — CHOICE MEATS DRUGS—FRESH VEGETABLES

PHONE 250

