

Wild, Daring Night Matched by Riders

It was a wild, daring night for both man and beast—or rather for boy, girl and beast at the Merkel rodeo Friday night. The field was lit by the new electric lights and the skies were flashing bolts of lightning. The wind was high and so was the dirt and dust and spots of rain made mud balls to spit in the face of the fast performers. It was a night to try the hearts of men—and kids.

In spite of the high winds and the sprinkle of rain and the lightning the all-junior rodeo went on. In spite of the threatening weather on Saturday there was a good crowd while on Friday there were about 500 present.

Ralph Russell was arena director and he was everywhere at the same time, keeping things going under new conditions. He fairly flew over the field, telling each one what to do and when to do it. Rhett Eidson was timekeeper. Cramer Reynolds did a fine job as announcer, fighting the high wind to make his voice carry. The judges were Regan Meyers, Sweetwater, Gerald Derrick and James Russell.

As the show was about to begin, Cramer got to the loudspeaker and cried, "All right, cowboys and cowgirls, get ready for the grand entry!" There was lively, loud music, the parade started for the youngsters and the rodeo was on.

The mad calf scramble was a scream. Cramer would call attention to the next rider. "There comes a boy... there goes a boy." And another boy bit the dust. Later he varied this with, "There he comes—there he went." And still another boy chewed the ground.

Barbara Bartlett and Reta Eidson gave an exhibition of riding a white face bull that pulled plenty of applause for their daring.

Cpl. Lee Tucker Home From War

Cpl. Lee Tucker recently returned home after eleven months duty in the war zone in Korea. He embarked for Korea on June 1, 1951. Cpl. Tucker served with the engineers of the 25th Division. After a 30-day leave, he will report to Fort Sam Houston on June 25 for reassignment. His wife, the former Margie Carsey, resides at Trent, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Tucker, live at Noodle.

Cpl. H. L. McRee, who has been on a 30-day leave since returning from combat service in Korea, reported to Fort Sam Houston on June 3 for reassignment.

Accompanying him to San Antonio were his mother and sister, Mrs. Hale McRee and Carolyn, and his aunt, Mrs. Lois McRee. Also making the trip were Sue and Sara McRee and Dayne Ambrose. They will visit a few days in San Antonio.

Two Women Fall At Same Time

Two women fell at different places almost at the same time on Tuesday and had the same injury.

Mrs. Herbert Patterson fell about noon Tuesday and broke her hip at her home while moving a garden hose in her front yard. She was taken to the Sadler Hospital on Wednesday by Starbuck ambulance. She will have to have surgery.

Mrs. Marye Province fell also about noon on Tuesday from a platform in her back yard and also fractured her left hip. She was rushed to the Sadler Hospital in the Starbuck ambulance.

Mrs. P. W. Miller entered the hospital on Monday where she had major surgery. She is getting along all right.

Granddaughter Wins Highest Honor

Mrs. J. M. Collins and Miss Mary Collins attended the high school graduation on Thursday of last week at Plainview in which Miss Collins' granddaughter Ann Collins was a member. Ann was one of the four highest honor graduates in a class of 125 students.

Mrs. Collins and Mary were accompanied to Plainview by Polly Collins, daughter of Paul Collins of Trent.

The boys winning first place received gold and silver trophy belt buckles while those making second place got hand tooled spurs.

Girls placing first got a hand stamped leather lady's hand bag while second got a pair of hand tooled spurs.

Those who placed were: Calf roping—1st, Tommye Bacon, Cisco; 2nd, Jerry Keene, Stamford.

Girl's flag race—1st, Barbara Bartlett, Merkel; 2nd, Cora Jean Smith, Abilene.

Calf riding, under 12 years—1st, Buddy Eidson, Merkel; 2nd, Topper Freeman, Clyde.

Ribbon roping—1st, Tommye Bacon; 2nd, Sonny Coleman, Stamford.

Girl's barrel race—1st, Jerry Ann Shirley, Hamlin; 2nd, Barbara Bartlett.

Bull riding—1st, Bill Ellis, Sweetwater; 2nd, Kenneth Stuart, Haskell.

Promise Thrills At Cowboy Rodeo

The Cowboy Round-Up and Rodeo to be held June 6 and 7 at 8 p.m. under lights at the Russell Arena here, strictly for amateurs, will hold many thrills for the spectators.

Ralph Russell, arena director, has announced that there will be five major rodeo events.

He and Cramer Reynolds will give a \$10 prize to anyone weighing 135 pounds who can contest one of their Brama bulls for 10 seconds. Ralph promises that these bulls are really wild and jump and act crazy!

The 10 bucking horses to be used were raised by Laney Brothers and have never had a rodeo on.

There will be bareback bronc riding, Brama calf roping, girl's cloverleaf barrel racing, Brama ribbon roping, cutting horse contest and Brama steer riding.

A gold and silver trophy belt buckle is offered to the champion in each event. Books close at 12 noon June 6. Entry may be made by phoning 225 or by writing box 531 in care of Rodeo Office.

A \$225 roping saddle, made by O. W. Jolley of Abilene, will be awarded to the roper who makes the best average time in both roping events combined for a 3-rodeo average on June 6-7, June 20-21 and July 4-5.

Admission prices have been reduced: Adults 74c, children 25c, including tax.

Merkel Teachers To Get Degrees

During the summer months several of the Merkel teachers will receive degrees. Mrs. Bobby Joe Criswell just recently received the Master of Education degree from HSU. Mrs. Spencer Bird will receive the Bachelor of Arts degree in August from McMurray.

Leon Walker will complete his Master of Education at HSU in August and Principal C. A. Farley has just recently completed all requirements for the Master of Education degree at McMurray.

Wayne Tipton Will Instruct

Wayne Tipton who for the past two years has been assistant coach at Samnorwood is moving to Amarillo where, after a light week's training course, he will instruct at Amarillo Air Base.

A graduate of Merkel High School, he holds a B.S. from McMurry College. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Tipton. His wife and son Sammy will accompany him.

NEW ARRIVALS

Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Doan are the parents of a baby girl born May 28 at the Sadler Hospital.

To Mr. and Mrs. Mac Springer a baby boy was born on June 3 at the Sadler Hospital.

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Mashburn at the Sadler Hospital on June 3.

ATTENTION CUB SCOUTS AND PARENTS!

There will be a meeting held at Camp Tonkawa Sunday, June 15, at 3 p.m. Each family is to take his own basket dinner.

Mayor Explains Violations

The City Council has been informed of some violations and misunderstanding of an ordinance regulating the handling of paper, trash and other refuse in the city limits. This ordinance provides that no person shall deposit or permit to be deposited on any property owned or controlled by him or her or permit same to be deposited on any street, gutter, alley or sidewalk.

It is further provided that no owner or occupant shall permit any accumulation of trash in any building or on any property owned or controlled by the occupant. But that such trash shall be collected and placed in some suitable container and so confined until it is picked up by the city trash hauling truck.

The City is to conduct an economical and efficient trash hauling program it is necessary to have the full cooperation of every interested person.

A penalty is provided for any person violating the terms of this ordinance, but it is hoped that your civic pride and cooperation will prevent any penalties.

H. C. West
Mayor

Fire Fatally Burns T. T. Carie

T. T. Carie was fatally burned from head to foot when his hose ignited at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday as he was loading gasoline into his truck at the Phillips "66" Wholesale Station. The hose fell out, was ignited by a spark from a single phase motor that he was using to pump with and exploded the gasoline.

Mr. Carie was rushed to the Sadler Hospital in Starbuck's ambulance. He died at 2 a.m. Thursday.

The fire department quickly put out the fire. The two rear truck tires were burned, the paint was damaged and the hose was destroyed. Otherwise the truck was all right.

The funeral will be at 3:30 p.m. today, Friday, at the Trent Baptist Church and burial in Rose Hill Cemetery. Merkel Masonic Lodge No. 710 will be in charge.

May Be Hungry Warns Speaker

How will we feed 38 million more persons in 1957 when production is not keeping up with the increase in population? That was the question put before the Lions Club Tuesday noon by W. O. Higgins of Abilene, chairman of the Taylor County Agricultural Mobilization Committee and chairman of the PMA.

Horace Boney, president of the club presided at the meeting.

The club discussed the matter of a parade to be held at 4 p.m. Saturday by the merchants in conjunction with the rodeo to be held here that night. A committee composed of Isadore Mellinger, Tommy Odum and Nolan Palmer was appointed to arrange details.

Herman Carson introduced the program. He presented H. C. Stanley, county agricultural agent. Mr. Stanley brought up the matter of the nation's agriculture and the problem it faces in the next 25 to 50 and 100 years. He pointed out that in the early days 90 per cent of the people lived on farms while now 84 per cent are off the farm and only 16 per cent are on the farm.

Mr. Higgins' subject was "The 5th Plate."

"Our population is growing by 2,000,000 persons a year," he began. "Production is not keeping up with them. By 1975 we will have 38,000,000 more persons. That means that as we have four persons at the table in 1950 we will have five persons at the same table in 1975. We will need more production to supply all the persons."

"Note this: We are already producing at record levels. Where will we get the increased production to supply the increasing number of persons? We need another 100 million acres of cropland."

"We must make each acre produce more," asserted the speaker. "Animal production must be increased."

Then Mr. Higgins explained what the government is doing in meeting this food problem. The PMA and the Soil Conservation Service and the Extension Service have definite programs.

They are showing how to increase production through the use of minerals, improving pastures, contouring, terracing, improving range, using the right combination of practices planned to fit the farmer and his land.

"Few countries now produce all food they need," concluded Mr. Higgins. "Soil losses must be checked. Soil fertility must be built up."

Sees Lucian Rudd Receive Degree

Miss Lottie Butman, Mrs. Euell Ray and Becky attended the graduation exercises at Hardin-Simmons University June 2 when Mrs. Ray's son-in-law, Lucian Rudd, of Port Arthur graduated with a degree in business administration. His wife, the former Peggy Ray, is a member of the cowgirl band and a junior at HSU.

They will be in Port Arthur for the summer and will return to HSU this fall to continue their school work. Lucian will study for a master's degree.

Instead of White Crust Flour Campbells will offer Gold Medal at the same price stated in our ad. adv.

Dollar Day Plans Made By Merkel

Merkel will have a Dollar Day on Tuesday, June 17.

This is the third Tuesday of the month. It is planned to have a Dollar Day every month on the third Tuesday. This is to be a standing date.

This is a civic activity arranged by the merchants of the town. A committee met Wednesday morning at Palmer Motor Company and made the plans. The committee was composed of Isadore Mellinger, Nolan Palmer, Clesby

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The body lay in state from 3 to 4 p.m. at the Starbuck Funeral Home.

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Patterson, Herman Carson and Keller Roberts.

"This Dollar Day is really an appreciation day," points out the committee. "The merchants of Merkel appreciate the business they get from the folks of Merkel and the entire surrounding area and take this method of showing it in a way that can be understood."

The committee stated that each merchant will offer values that will mean real savings to the customers. The dollar price will be featured but many merchants may offer merchandise at higher prices but they will all save the customers dollars on Dollar Day.

The committee emphasized the fact that the merchants have agreed to offer outstanding special values, values that will make it worthwhile for the folks to come to town on Dollar Day. The committee also pointed out that the more merchants who take active part in the Dollar Day by making splendid offers to customers the more effective will be the invitation to the public to come to Merkel on Dollar Day.

The committee hopes to have Dollar Day city-wide with every merchant participating.

Today, Friday, the committee members are contacting the merchants to explain the details of Dollar Day and how each one may participate and show the public that they really do appreciate their business.

Dave Carson Home From Korean War

HM/2 Dave Carson returned home from Korea Saturday after serving a year there. He was with the Combat Engineers in the Marines. He received a Purple Heart.

Dave was injured when a land mine exploded. The Marine in front of him stepped on the mine.

He has a 30-day leave and reports back for duty at Camp Pendleton, Calif.

Merkel 20 Years Ago

TAKEN FROM THE 1932 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

SCOUTS TO COOK

Parents of the members of Troop No. 20 will be guests of the Scouts at a supper Friday evening to be spread in Laney's pasture east of town. The meal will be cooked by the Scouts themselves without utensils.

THEY HAVE ARRIVED

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Thursday McCoy, Saturday, June 4, 1932. Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Camp, Saturday, June 4, 1932.

ALDERMEN SWORN IN

Following the installation of two aldermen, J. A. Buford and John S. Hughes, completing the Board to the full quota for the first time since the annual election in April, Mayor W. M. Elliott announced the appointment of committees for the ensuing year's work at the monthly meeting of the City Council held Monday night.

C. E. Jacobs had been sworn in, following the April election.

This Happened in Merkel Forty Years Ago

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Holdover Council members are A. T. Sheppard and Len Sublett.

ON HONOR ROLL

Ethel Hamilton and Thelma McAninch were two of the 36 students at John Tarleton Agricultural College on the semester and third preliminary honor roll, according to the announcement of the registrar.

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Cash for eggs and chickens. Will pay 9c a pound for fryers—Leghorns and all under two pounds, including colors; 11c, 2 to 3 pounds, including reds, Plymouth Rocks and white heavies. F. E. Church, Dunn Building on Krent Street.

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SOCIETY

MISS MARGARETT GREER WEDS BILLY REID

Miss Margaret Greer and Billy Reid were married in a double ring ceremony, Sunday, May 25, at 9 a.m. in the Chapel on the campus of West Texas State College of Canyon. Minister Joe F. Watson, Minister of the Church of Christ, officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff N. Greer.

Tucumcari, N. Mex. The groom is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Reid, and is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Reid and Mrs. J. Bea Campbell and the late J. Ben Campbell.

The bride wore a ballerina length dress of white organdy over pink. She wore a shoulder length veil and white mitts. She carried a white Bible, belonging to her mother. The Bible was topped with sweetheart roses.

Maid of honor was Doris Greer, sister of the bride. Best man was W. Y. Foster, Petersburg.

roommate of the groom. Usher were Don Booth and Jack Tucker. Roberta Garrett, of Floydada, roommate of the bride, played the traditional wedding music, presiding and during the ceremony. Peggy Williams, Plainview, sang "Because", "Wonderful One" and "The Lord's Prayer".

Mr. and Mrs. Reid will make their home in Canyon where both are in school. Mr. Reid will be dormitory manager and is employed by the maintenance department of the college.

TOLL WALKER MARRIAGE TAKES PLACE TUESDAY

The marriage of Miss Mar Frances Toll and Jimmy Reeve Walker was solemnized Tuesday evening in a candlelight ceremony held at the First Presbyterian Church in Pecos at 7 o'clock. The Reverend Paul D. Wright, pastor, officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard L. Toll of Pecos and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Irl Walker.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of white embroidered organdy fashioned with a molded bodice and full skirt of ballerina length. The bodice was complemented by puffed sleeves and escalope neckline. She wore matching organdy mitts and her short cape veil of tulle was caught at the back with a half circle of stephanotis and tulle. She carried a white Bible decorated with white orchid, showered with stephanotis.

Mrs. Toll chose a pink lace dress for her daughter's wedding. A small pink feathered cloche hat and matching accessories. The bridegroom's mother was attired in a coffee colored lace gown with matching accessories. Both had gardenia corsages.

Gaston Walker attended his brother as best man.

Immediately following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents.

The couple left immediately after the reception for a short honeymoon in northern New Mexico, after which they will be at home in El Paso where Mr. Walker will attend summer school at Texas Western to complete

work for his Master's degree. The bride is a graduate of Christian College in Columbia, Mo., and Texas Western College. Mr. Walker is a graduate of Texas Western College where he was selected on the All Border Conference football team, and was named most valuable member of the football team for 1951.

MORNING COFFEE HONORS MRS. BILLY REID

An early morning coffee introducing Mrs. Billy Reid was given in the home of Mrs. Joe Cypert, 621 Oak St., Saturday morning from 9 until 10:30 o'clock. Mrs. Reid was the former Margaret Greer of Tucumcari, New Mex.

Mrs. Cypert greeted guests, introduced the honoree, Mrs. Billy Reid, and the groom's mother, Mrs. H. C. Reid. Miss Betty Wylie registered guests. Misses Helen Conley and Britta Kay Denton poured coffee and served at the table.

The table was laid with a brown linen cloth, brown napkins stamped in gold "Margaret and Bill." Other table appointments were in pastel pottery dishes and a silver service. The center-piece was white daisies in an orange and green pottery bowl. The mantel, overhung by a huge mirror, had a large bouquet of snasta daisies in a brown pottery floral dish. Other flowers in the rooms were pansies, lockspurs and wild Texas Star.

Miss Iris Verner ushered the guests into the gift room where Miss Billie Joyce Rutledge showed an assortment of gifts. Miss Barbara Sue McLeod played soft music during the social hours. Miss Norah Foster, a very close friend of the Reid family, said the good-byes.

The guest list included one hundred invitations. Several attended and among the relatives were Billy's maternal grandmother, Mrs. J. Ben Campbell, and aunt, Miss Kate Campbell, a teacher in the Amarillo Public Schools. Out-of-town guests were Miss Mamie Ellis and Mrs. Jim Reid, both of Abilene.

The hostesses were: Mesdames Grover Gilbert, Frank Breaux, Bill Dunagin, Judd McReynolds, B. Tye Sublett, Edsel Hunter, P. C. Wylie, Carroll Benson, Joe Nalley, Elsie Nash, George Woodrum, Bob McDonald, Claude Smith, Joe Cypert and Miss Norah Foster.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. John Turner of Grand Falls visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Walton, also Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Quillin of Pantex are visiting them.

The King's Daughter Sunday School Class met in regular session Tuesday afternoon at the Methodist Church. Mrs. Brooks Patterson was in charge. The meeting was opened by singing "The Great Physician." Mrs. L. A. Watts led the opening prayer and Mrs. J. S. Pinckley read a chapter of the Bible (Heb. 9).

Mrs. W. D. Hutcheson had charge of the program which consisted of "Readings and Songs of Our Younger Days." A spelling match was another feature of the program.

Others present were Mesdames Tom Coats, J. M. Collins, J. R. Pee, Jenia Graham, C. K. Russell, Betty Sue Berryman, R. B. Johnson and Lizzi Latham.

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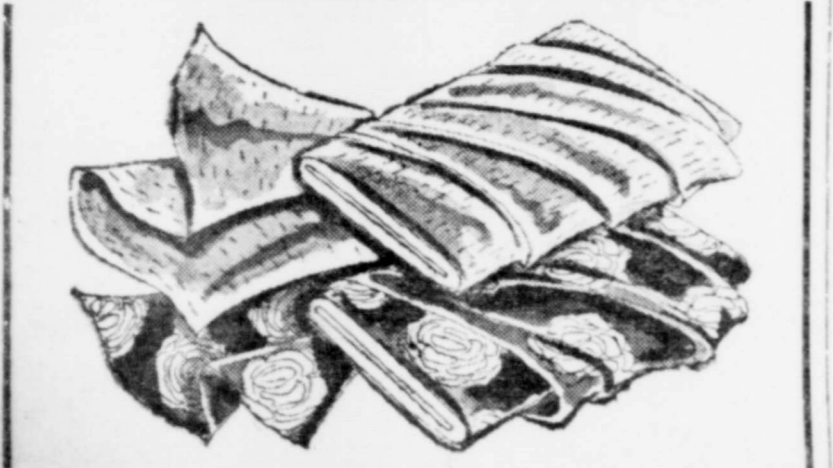
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TREND or SURF Pkg. 27c	WHITE SWAN MILK 2 for 25c	SU-MAR Pork & Beans No. 2 Can 15c

McGRATH'S Sweet Potatoes 29c	BALLARD BISCUITS 2 for 25c
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YELLOW ONIONS Pound 8c	ARMOUR'S BACON POUND 45c
FRESH TOMATOES Pound 15c	LONGHORN CHEESE Pound 52c
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NEWS ABOUT TOWN

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Crawford of Midland were here over the weekend, visiting his sister, Mrs. Wright Dishman, and family, and her mother, Mrs. Tom Bagby.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Walker of Lubbock who had been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Fox, left last week on a vacation to Los Angeles, Calif.

Cyrus Pee was in Dallas last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Mertie Bailey and grandson, Charles Bailey, visited Friday and Saturday with her mother-in-law, Mrs. R. O. Bailey, and sister-in-law, Mrs. Andy Shouse. They were moving from Orange to Portales, N. Mex.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Renfro of Stanton spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Renfro.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Martin Daniel of Abilene visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hill at Cross Plains.

Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Hicks and baby of Freport and son Lanier of San Angelo spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vestal Hicks.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Miller and Mrs. Josephine Miller had as visitors this week Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Moreman and son of Palestine and Mrs. Flora Matthews of Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Miller were vacationing last week in Galveston, Port Arthur, Beaumont and Shreveport. Mrs. Miller visited her mother in Jefferson. The Millers fished in Caddo Lake. "Caught plenty."

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Miller were in Galveston and visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Hooks, at Edgewood last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Winter had the whole family home Sunday. Messrs. and Mesdames Joe M., Jr., of Grand Prairie, Norman and

family of Merkel, James H. of Abilene, Gerald McCoy of Merkel.

Postmaster and Mrs. N. W. Durham went to Brownwood Sunday and saw her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Clements, and returned home with their daughters Dana and Penny, who had been visiting there.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Cypert and daughters of San Angelo spent the weekend with his mother, Mrs. Winnie Cypert, and brother, Pinky, and family.

son Rev. J. W. Saffle, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Largent and Rev. Saffle's sisters from Calif., returned Saturday from Folsom, N. Mex., where they visited the Royce Eiland family.

Mr. and Mrs. Oris Reynolds who are attending Texas Tech at Lubbock were home, but left Wednesday to attend the summer session.

Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Borwig were in Zephyr, visiting the grave of her father, brother and sister with decorations.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Darsey of San Angelo visited his father, J. T. Darsey, on his birthday on Wednesday of last week.

Mrs. T. E. Wallace of Oklahoma City, Okla., visited her mother, Mrs. Estelle Hanna. Mrs. Hanna and son returned home with her for a two-week visit.

John Allen Boules of Karnack is here spending the summer with his aunt, Mrs. Earl Miller, and Mr. Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. John Reagh and family of Kilgore are here visiting her sister, Mrs. I. L. Brooks, and husband, and her mother, Mrs. J. E. Massey, at Tye.

Mrs. Ruby Daniel of Austin was here last Friday, visiting her father, J. C. Walton, and Mrs. Walton. She was accompanied by her daughter and granddaughter, Patsy Lawless and Kathy of Abilene.

Ledo Dowdy and daughter Kala of Houston spent Friday with his brother, Royce, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Townsen of Lampasas visited Sunday with her sister, Mrs. E. B. Barnes, and family.



MRS. LON McDONALD

VADA CAMPBELL MARRIES LON McDONALD SATURDAY

Vada Campbell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Campbell, and Lon McDonald, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob McDonald, were married Saturday evening in ceremonies performed at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. W. E. Toombs.

Paul Rogers, minister of the Merkel Church of Christ, officiated at the double ring rites.

Attending the bridal couple were Helen Conley of Merkel and Robert Tom Hodge of Lake Charles, La.

Pink gladioluses and white stock, banked on the mantle with greenery, formed the background for the wedding setting. Outlining the setting were lighted tapers, baskets of stock and gladioluses and commadore fern.

Nuptial music was provided by Betty Wylie, Iris Verner and Mrs. Etsel Hunter.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a ballerina-length gown of pale pink satin. It was fashioned with a scoop neckline scalloped with applied daisies and white lace insets in the bodice. Her fingertip veil was of pale pink illusion and she wore pink lace mitts and pink satin opera pumps. She carried a white Bible topped with a cascade of pink roses.

Miss Conley wore a Nile green ballerina-length organdy gown over green taffeta. It had a scoop neckline, lace yolk and full skirt. She carried a colonial bouquet of pink rosebuds.

The reception followed in the Toombs home. The bride's table was laid with white net over pink satin and caught with white satin bows and pink and white carnations. Guests were from Idalou, Corpus Christi and Lubbock.

For her wedding trip the bride chose a navy blue linen dress with white accessories. She wore a corsage of pink rosebuds. After a trip to Dallas and Corpus Christi the couple will live at Merkel.

Mrs. McDonald was graduated from Merkel High School and attended Abilene Christian College. She is employed at Merkel Drug. The bridegroom, a Merkel High graduate, attended ACC, Tarleton College and Texas Technological College. He will receive his degree next year.

Legal Notices THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: Ivor Boutwell 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 23rd day of June, A. D., 1952, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable 104th Dist. Court of Taylor County, at the Court House in Abilene, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 29th day of April, 1952. The file number of said suit being No. 6905-B.

The names of the parties in said suit are:

Modean Boutwell as Plaintiff, and Ivor Boutwell as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Plaintiff and defendant were married on or about January 22, 1951.

No community property has been acquired and no child has been born as a result of said marriage.

Plaintiff sues for divorce on

Adv. May 16, 23, 30, June 6.

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

Issued this 8th day of May A. D., 1952.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Texas, this the 8th day of May A. D., 1952.

J. Neil Daniel, Clerk Court Taylor County, Texas By Dorothy H. Dickerson, Deputy. Adv.—May 16, 23, 30, June 6.

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"San Francisco Story," Reveals Thrills at Queen

If you've ever wondered what was the derivation of the word, "shanghai," see "The San Francisco Story," the Joel McCrea-Yvonne DeCarlo starrer which opens at the Queen Theatre Sunday and Monday.

In the Fidelity-Vogue Pictures production for Warner Bros., McCrea is "shanghai" aboard a vessel when he incurs the wrath of a political boss.

The term came into being in the graft-ridden city of San Francisco during the early 1850's. Gangs of thugs scoured the waterfront picking off sailors for forced sailing on the long voyage to the Orient.



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Big business, as it turns out, is a woman.

About 2,100 of these women—and men—turned out this spring to attend the G-E annual meeting and eat a box lunch in one of our largest factory buildings. If you'd like a report of what was said and done, just let us know. A card asking for "Report of the Sixtieth Annual Meeting," Dept. 6B, General Electric, Schenectady, N. Y., will do the trick.

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EDITORIAL

FREEDOM OF SPEECH

In last week's daily papers the following story appeared:
 The Supreme Court ruled unanimously Monday that constitutional guarantees of freedom of speech and press extend also to motion pictures, declaring that a state may not ban a film on the basis of a censor's report that it is "sacrilegious."
 The decision was handed down in a case brought to the court by distributors of the Italian-made movie, "The Miracle," which was banned in New York State from being shown.
 That's the end of the story.
 The decision emphasizes two things.
 First of all it includes the thought that the picture shows do spread news and influence the minds of the public. As such they are a part of our foundation for the freedom of speech and press. The decision of the Supreme Court makes this idea emphatic.
 The second thing that the ruling has brought out is that we cannot make too many safeguards for our liberties. We must be ever on the alert for an encroachment upon our freedoms as given to us by the American Constitution.
 It is well for the Supreme Court to say in effect, "Thus far can you go and no further. If we allow you to overstep an inch you will take a yard."

RAINFALL

The Merkel Mail in its last issue told about the rain that fell here and around here. For example, Merkel got 2.1 inches of rain while Blair got 2.3 inches. Salt Branch got 1.6 inches, Stith 1.4 and so it went.
 Now we realize that a certain amount of rain is needed to produce a crop. But to us, rain is rain. However, that is not really true.

There is rain, and then there is rain. Sounds the same, yet it is not the same.

In our humble way we will try to explain our meaning. When we were down in Karnes City, Texas, the dry spell would last a long time and worried lines would appear on the faces of almost everyone, wishing and hoping and looking for rain.
 And then the rains would come, but everyone was not satisfied. Our good friend, Dick Ruckman, now president of the First National Bank there, used to say, "The rain was all right in its way, but what we need is a gully washer, one that is a real turf raiser, one that will go down into the good earth and stay there and not run away."
 Perhaps the rain that fell here was not a gully washer but ran away. Anyway, we earnestly hope that it did some good.

BUCKING CHUTES

The Merkel rodeos that are being staged at the Russell Arena are getting attention. And they should. At the last entertainment there were two features. First of all the rodeo was put on at night under lights. That is good. It gives more folks the chance to witness the events. Next, the bucking chutes were built and ready. That made it easier for the audience to follow the events and more fun.

JOY OF OUR LIVES

The men in the street and the great philosophers in prominent and eminent institutions of learning with venerable ivy walls have muddled over the question of what is the purpose of life. In the main they have all come to the conclusion that it is to have the joy in living.

Of course, there have been great discussions and voluminous tomes written on what is joy.
 Rev. John N. Russell, the new Presbyterian minister, gave us plenty of food for thought in his first sermon here under his new pastorate. He said in effect, "The services that we render to others, anchored in God, become the joy of our lives. They become meaningful."
 We like the idea, or rather two ideas, that he expresses here. There is pleasure in doing things for others. Try it and you will see. It also makes us feel that what we are doing has value. It gives purpose to life.

"WHITE-ISM"

That's ALL—and the Sage of Figfield adds that it is better to err on the side of too much freedom—than too little.

Middle Clear Fork Soil Conservation News

BY P. C. WYLIE
 WORK UNIT
 CONSERVATIONIST

Mark Williamson, coordinator with the district in the North Trent area, is highly interested in improved pastures and in getting some of his cropland back to grass. Recently he used the district grass drill in seeding about 50 acres of mixture containing sand and weeping lovegrass. This was seeded broadcast at the rate of 3 pounds of seed per acre. This will be used in long time crop rotation and for grazing.

Clarence Horton, who farms in the west edge of Merkel, has just completed about 1 1/2 miles of new terraces. This finishes up a job which was started in 1945. He now has all his land terraced and farmed on the contour. This last work was done with a belt type terracing machine.

J. B. Griffin, district coordinator in the Comper area, is another farmer interested in getting some of his cropland back to grass. In the past he has operated mainly a livestock program on his 1.2 acre farm. He has been using sudan grass and wheat to fill in the gaps with his native pasture. In unseasonable years these crops left a pretty wide gap to bridge. He believes that if he can grow a permanent grass he will be not only improving and holding his soil in place but that he will be able to more nearly have a year around pasture program. This spring he has seeded about 50 acres to a mixture of sand and weeping lovegrass on cropland. This was seeded broadcast with the district grass drill at the rate of 3 pounds per acre.

It has been said that grass anchors the soil against the ravages of both wind and water erosion. Its decaying roots and top growth remain in and on the soil to make it more absorptive. Its roots lead the soil in place and open up small channels into the earth which permit water to enter. Its blades and stalks are a countless series of impediments to the downhill flow of water that has fallen on the land. Slow water does little damage. Grass tends to make runoff water walk or creep. Neither rain nor nature has found a more effective weapon against soil and water waste. Soil Conservation makes extensive use of grass in coordinate soil conservation programs. Good pastures shed little water and naturally lose little soil. Grass paved waterways and terrace outlets conduct excess rainfall slowly and harmlessly down-

hill to natural drains. These statements should encourage all farmers to at least seed their marginal land to grass for the good of the land and to preserve it. Grasses have been proved over and over to be effective in making the best land better by improving the soil structure.

Hoke Propst, Cooperator with the district in the Sinclair group, has seeded 10 acres of cropland to blue panic grass. This was seeded in 40 inch rows at the rate of 2 pounds of seed per acre. This was seeded on a sandy loam soil area which had been improved with hairy vetch for 4 years with the addition of super phosphate each year. The crop residues on this area have been increased through the years to the point that it now protects the soil from blowing. This is considered a good manner to get the less productive sandy land ready for seeding grass.

C. P. Brookson, of Buffalo Gap, also owns a farm in the Derrington Group which was partially terraced last week. Mr. Brookson terraced one field and plans to terrace the other field soon.

Link Adair, cooperator in the South Golan group, has terraced about 2.3 of his farm recently with about 4 miles of terraces. Mr. Adair is thankful that he has the water problem solved to some degree on his steeper slopes. He plans to seed about 50 acres of this area to grass in the near future whenever he gets the land in shape to grow grass.

Chuckles, Romance In "Love Is Better" At Queen Show

Chuckles vie with romantic hinks in "Love Is Better Than Ever." M-G-M's engaging comedy of love-on-the-run, co-starring Larry Parks and Elizabeth Taylor at the Queen Theatre Tuesday and Wednesday.

Parks plays the breezy Broadway agent Jud Parker, who knows what he wants, and what he wants is to stay single. Miss Taylor is Anastacia Macaboy, who runs a children's dancing school in New Haven. When Anastacia bumps into Jud while she is in New York to attend a dancing instructors' convention, the jig is up as far as his intentions of staying single are concerned.

Ben Newhouses To Return to Trent On June 1st.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Newhouse, Doris, Mary Lois, and Edna, and Leslie Treat of Imperial were recent visitors in Trent. The Newhouses will move to Trent June 1. Mr. Newhouse will attend Hardin-Simmons University this summer. He is a former superintendent of the Trent School and is president of the Texas Small Schools Association.

OFFERS ART WORKSHOP

Texas Tech will offer its first summer art workshop for adults and students, June 5-July 15.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: William D. Kennedy 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 30th day of June, A. D., 1952, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable 42nd Dist. Court of Taylor County, at the Court House in Abilene, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 20th day of May, 1952.

The file number of said suit being No. 18,250-A.

The names of the parties in said suit are:

Doris Kennedy as Plaintiff, and William D. Kennedy as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit:

Plaintiff and Defendant were married for the second time on or about August 20, 1951, in Taylor County, Texas, and lived together until on or about the 10th day of October, 1951.

Plaintiff alleges that there is no community property. That no children were born or will be born to the second marriage of Plaintiff and Defendant but that to the prior union there was born two children, namely: Patricia Ann Kennedy a girl now 4 years of age and Danny Ray Kennedy a boy now 3 years of age.

Plaintiff asks divorce on the grounds of cruel treatment, for care, custody and control of the two minor children and for a reasonable sum of money for the care and maintenance of said children.

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

Issued this 20th day of May

A. D., 1952.
 Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this 26th day of May A. D., 1952.
 J. NEIL DANIEL, Clerk
 42nd District Court Taylor County, Texas
 Adv. May 30, June 6, 13, 20.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: William R. Sawyer Greeting: You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 30th day of June, A. D., 1952, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable 42nd Dist. Court of Taylor County, at the Court House in Abilene, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 14th day of May, 1952.

The file number of said suit being No. 18,242-A.

The names of the parties in said suit are:

Letha Bell Sawyer as Plaintiff, and William R. Sawyer as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit:


Plaintiff sues defendant for annulment of marriage which occurred in Lovington, New Mexico, on October 12, 1951, for the reason that at the time of her marriage to defendant he had a living wife and defendant's marriage to plaintiff was bigamous and was null and void. No children were born to the marriage of plaintiff and defendant and they accumulated no community property. Plaintiff asks restoration of her former name, Letha Bell McMinn.

If this Citation is not served

within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.
 Issued this 15th day of May A. D., 1952.
 Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene,

Texas, this the 15th day of May A. D., 1952.
 J. NEIL DANIEL, Clerk
 42nd Dist. Court Taylor County, Texas
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 Adv. May 30, June 6, 13, 20.

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 Evening Worship.....8:00 p. m.
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 Wednesday:
 Prayer Service.....8:00 p. m.

Noodle Church of Christ
 Sunday:
 Bible Class.....10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship Service 11:00
 Young People's Service 6:30
 Evening Worship.....8:00 p. m.

Merkel Calvary Baptist Church
 Sunday School.....9:45 a. m.
 Morning Service.....11:00 a. m.
 Evening Bible Class.....6:30 p. m.
 Evening Worship.....8:00 p. m.

Pioneer Memorial Chapel
 Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.
 Morning Service.....11:00 a. m.
 Evening Services.....8:00 p. m.
 Wednesday:
 Evening Prayer Service...8:00

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6:30 p. m.
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Tye Baptist Church
 Sunday:
 Sunday School.....9:45 a. m.
 Morning Worship.....11:00 a. m.
 Training Union.....6:45 p. m.
 Evening Services.....8:00 p. m.

Tye Methodist Church
 Sunday:
 Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship.....11:00 a. m.
 M. Y. F.....7:30 p. m.
 Prayer Meeting.....8:00 p. m.
 Morning Service.....11:00 a. m.

Trent Church of Christ
 Sunday:
 Bible Class.....10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship.....11:00 a. m.
 Evening Services.....8:00 p. m.
 Thursday:
 Ladies Bible Class.....4:00 p. m.

Noodle Baptist Church
 Sunday:
 Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.

Morning Worship.....11:00 a. m.
 Young People's Class 6:30 p. m.
 Evening Service.....8:00 p. m.

New Live Oak Baptist Church
 Sunday:
 Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship.....11:00 a. m.
 Training Union.....7:00 p. m.
 Evening Services.....8:00 p. m.
 Wednesday:
 Prayer Service.....8:00 p. m.

Merkel Grace Presbyterian Church
 Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.
 Worship Service.....11 a. m.
 Evening Service.....8 p. m.

Trent First Baptist Church
 Sunday:
 Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship.....11:00 a. m.
 Training Union.....6:45 p. m.
 Evening Services.....8:00 p. m.
 Tuesday:
 U. M. U.....9:30 a. m.
 Wednesday:
 G. A.'s and R. A.'s.....6:30 p. m.
 Prayer Services.....8:00 p. m.
 Brotherhood, 1st Thursday of
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 but once."

Merkel First Methodist Church
 Sunday:
 Sunday School.....9:50 a. m.

Morning Worship.....10:50 a. m.
 M. Y. F.....6:30 p. m.
 Evening Worship.....8:00 p. m.

Merkel First Baptist Church
 Sunday School.....9:45 a. m.
 Morning Worship.....11:00 a. m.
 Training Union.....6:30 p. m.
 Evening Worship.....8:00 p. m.
 Wednesday:
 Prayer Services.....8:00 p. m.

Merkel Church of Christ
 Sunday:
 Bible Study.....9:45 a. m.
 Morning Service.....11:00 a. m.
 Young People's Bible Class
 6:30 p. m.
 Evening Services.....8:00 p. m.

Compre Baptist Church
 Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship, 2nd and 4th
 Sunday.....11:00 o'clock

Hebron Baptist Church
 Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship.....11:00 a. m.
 Training Union.....7:00 p. m.
 Evening Worship.....8:00 p. m.
 Wednesday:
 Evening Prayer Services
8:00 p. m.

Trent Methodist Church
 Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.
 Evening Worship.....8:00 p. m.
 Morning Services.....11:00 a. m.
 M. Y. F. Services.....6:30 p. m.
3:00 p. m.
 Wednesday:
 Prayer Services.....8:00 p. m.

**Recent Rain Aid
 Wildlife in Texas**

The Assistant Director of Wildlife Restoration for the Texas Game & Fish Commission said recent rains have aided wildlife in most areas of the state. He said the moisture came at a crucial period of the spring nesting of such major game bird species as quail, mourning dove and turkey.

The rains also have stimulated growth of food and cover for deer and other game animals, as well as providing needed water.

The Assistant Director pointed out that the rains have not yet broken the drought in important parts of South Texas and West Texas.

OFFERS 2 SUMMER TERMS
 Two summer school terms have been announced for Hardin-Simmons University. The first term will begin June 4 and the second six-weeks session will start July 13. The summer session will provide for 12 weeks of residence work.

AND THE FISH BITE AND BITE AND BITE AND BITE!

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Gregory and family went fishing recently on a Saturday afternoon, right after a rain, on Curby Lake. There were six of the family fishing and they caught 65 crappies in four and a half hours. Everybody else on the lake was catching them! "And just think," said son Owen, "we used to catch none. We were really busy."

TRUCK CRASHES AT TRENT

An Army truck bound for Abilene, and later North Fort Hood for 36th Division maneuvers, crashed into an underpass about west of Trent Friday night. The driver, Sgt. Richard L. Thompson, was unhurt.

Peggy Patterson Wins 4-H Award In Hale County

Peggy Patterson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Patterson, formerly of Merkel, was one of two 4-H Club members from Hale County to win first place in the Extension Service Producers Grain Corporation talent contest for 1952. An all-expense paid trip to leading grain producing areas of Kansas, Missouri, Arkansas, Texas and Oklahoma was the award.

A. C. Browns Move To Pampa To Live In Their New Home

Mr and Mrs. A. C. Brown and family have moved from here to Pampa where they have bought a new home. Mr. Brown is with the Panhandle Lumber Company. He lived here for 29 years. Their son, Sgt. J. W. Brown, is stationed in San Antonio with the Medical Supply Depot after serving 39 months in World War II.

They have a daughter, Mrs. Coy Owens of Sulphur, another daughter Bina Grace, and two sons, Estel and Beryl.

"About Face" Has Many Difficulties, Comedy and Music

"About Face," Warner Bros. Technicolor musical comedy of life in a military school, shows at the Pioneer Theatre, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

With the cast headed by Gordon MacRae, Eddie Braken, Dick Wesson, Virginia Gibson and Phyllis Kirk, the story revolves around one of the cadets who has disobeyed the rule of the academy by marrying secretly. Difficulties present themselves when he learns that he is soon to become a father, and his pals encounter a series of amusing incidents in trying to cover up for him until graduation.

State Fair Prizes For Women Now Are Over \$4,000

Increased premiums totaling more than \$4,000 will be awarded in the Women's Department of the 1952 State Fair of Texas, Oct. 4 through 19, James H. Stewart, executive vice president and general manager, has announced.

Premiums have been upped considerably over those for last year. They include cash prizes for contests in home frozen foods, speed crocheting, gift-wrapping, corsage-making and tie-tying, being presented for the first time at the fair.

There'll also be a trim-a-hat contest, children's cake, cookie and

candy contests, adults' cake and pie contests, and an "Imagination" contest for the kids. The "Imagination" contest will give children a chance to create figures and animals from fruit and vegetables.

Copies of the Women's Premium List can be obtained by writing Mrs. Leah Jarrett at the State Fair of Texas, Dallas 10.

Pat Palmer Enrolls In Band School at McMurry College

Pat Palmer is one of 60 students already enrolled for the fourth annual McMurry College Vacation Band School. While at the school, Miss Palmer will study the saxophone.

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personals

D. C. Johnson of Texarkana visited his mother, Mrs. J. T.

Johnson, and aunt, Miss Delia Kuykendall, last Friday. He also visited in the Robert Malone home.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Dismuke and daughter, Debra Sue, of Idalou, spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob McDonald.

Weekend guests of Mrs. David Gamble and family were her mother, Mrs. M. E. Ryals, of Dallas, and cousin, Mrs. T. C. Beezley, Jr., with son Stephen of Hillsboro.

1st Lt. and Mrs. David Gibson and son of Ellington Field of Houston visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dent Gibson, from Thursday to Sunday.

Mrs. Harry Barnett and son Forrest Glen returned Saturday from McCombs where she had

been visiting in his home for a week. He returned to McCombs Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Vest left today for Johnstown, Penn., to visit for a couple of weeks with their daughter, Mrs. W. R. Nichols, husband and daughter.

Miss Billie Webber is home for the summer vacation from Armadillo Junior College at Amarillo.

Capt. and Mrs. H. D. Murry and children of Midland visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. I. Murry, over the weekend. He was recently discharged from the Army.

Miss Marilyn Smith, daughter of Mrs. Bessie Westenhaver Smith, is spending the summer with her aunt, Mrs. J. H. McDonald.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Johnston of Pampa spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Murry.

Mrs. Rufus Parks and daughter Sherron from Anson and Mrs. W. M. Dunagin and son have of Mineral Wells spent the weekend with the F. T. Bartlett, where they attended the rodeo at Merkel. Also visiting with the F. T. Bartlett the past three weeks was Herman Baucher from Westminster, Calif. He left for his home there Sunday.

Arlon Harris spent the weekend in Mineral Wells with Micky Allison.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Pinchey, Mr. and Mrs. Jarrett Pinchey and Catherine Sue visited Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Collins in Lubbock Sunday. Two other daughters with their families, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Patterson and son Charles of Roby and Mr. and Mrs. Hadley Reeve, Floyd, Sharon and David of Triona met them there and they all went to McKense Park for a picnic lunch.

The Frank Jeffrey reunion will be held Saturday, June 14, at Merkel Community Center.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Liles and Mrs. Claude Patton of Haysda are visiting their brother, Houston, Austin, Hob Robinson and sister, Mrs. J. R. Engram.

Mrs. A. W. Hunter of Lubbock spent the past week with her sons, Roy and Walter Hunter, and was accompanied back home by Mrs. Oscar Pollard of Lubbock.

Visitors in the O. E. Horwell home Tuesday were his brothers, O. H. Horwell of Phoenix, Ariz., Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Horwell of Lamesa, Calif., E. L. Horwell and Dick of Abilene. Weekend guests from Fort Worth were Mr. and Mrs. Ikey Dale Turner. They visited their parents the O. E. Horwells and Waltons.

Mrs. Dene Seago and Arawnie are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Strawn. They live in Ozona where Mrs. Seago is employed as a teacher in the Ozona Schools. Mrs. Seago, a graduate of McMurry College, formerly taught in the Trent School.

Marvin A. Rowls and Mrs. Mimos Turner of Murray, Ky., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. G. D. McConnell.

Mrs. Virgil Purser and children Linda and Larry visited the past week in Arlington and Denton with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Cason and son HM/2 Dave Carson are spending the week at Whitesboro, visiting relatives.

Mrs. H. E. Pwell and baby Teresa of Snyder visited recently with her mother, Mrs. O. J. Fikes. Mrs. Corene Horton and Mrs. Curtis of Big Spring and Mrs. Oscar Pollard of Lubbock visited Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Connell on Wednesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Bright and H. O. Bright have left for Monahans, where they will make their

home. H. O. Bright is with D. D. Fieldman Oil Co.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Diltz, Jr., of San Angelo spent the weekend with his parents, P. A. Diltz, Sr. Mr. and Mrs. Diltz, Jr., have bought a new home in San Angelo.

Mary Harbrooks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Filbert Harbrooks of Loop, visited her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Bright, and her grandmother, Mrs. Lular Harbrooks, and other relatives at Trent.

David Young, a student in the T & P Telegraph School at Houston, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Young, in Trent.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brown have been transferred to Gainsville, where they will make their home.

Legal Notice

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF TAYLOR
SHERIFF'S SALE

Whereas, on the 24th day of March, 1952, in Cause No. 17,941-A, in the 42nd District Court of Taylor County, Texas, wherein City of Merkel was Plaintiff and Merkel Independent School District, and Taylor County, Texas and State of Texas were Impleaded Party Defendants recovered judgment against

GROUP A: Fannie K. Rister, whose address is unknown; J. D. Gaitner, whose address is unknown; L. D. Gaitner, whose address is unknown; and, Hogue Hamilton Company, whose residence is unknown;

GROUP B: The unknown heirs, assigns, devisees, and legal representatives of each of the defendants included above in Group A, who is deceased;

GROUP C: The unknown spouses of each of the defendants included above in Group A;

GROUP D: The unknown heirs, devisees, and legal representatives of each of the defendant's spouses included in Group C above who is deceased;

GROUP E: The unknown stockholders of each of the defendant corporations included above in Group A;

GROUP F: The unknown owner, or owners, of the hereinafter described lands involved in this suit or any interest therein;

Group G: Any and all other persons, including adverse claimants, owning, having or claiming any legal or equitable interest or lien in or on said land; Defendants, for taxes, penalty, interest, and cost against the hereinafter described property;

WHEREAS, on the 30th day of April, 1952, by virtue of said judgment and the mandates thereof the Clerk of the above mentioned District Court of said county did cause to be issued an Order of Sale commanding me as Sheriff of said county to seize, levy upon, and sell in the manner and form as required by law the hereinafter described property;

WHEREAS, by virtue of said judgment and said Order of Sale and the mandates thereof I did on the 19th day of May, 1952, seize and levy upon as the property of the above defendants the following described property, situated in Taylor County, Texas, to-wit: (Said description showing the number of acres, original survey, locality in county, and name by which said property is most generally known.)

Lot Number One (1), Block "J" of R. E. Edminson's Subdivision of all of Blocks Three (3) and Five (5), Sheppard's Addition to Merkel and that portion of Blocks Four (4) and Six (6) of Sheppard's Addition to Merkel lying West of Oak Street, as extended, and being

situated in Taylor County, Texas.

And I will on the first Tuesday in the month of July, 1952, the same being the 1st day of said month, proceed to sell all the right, title, and interest of the Defendants in and to said property at the Court House door of said county in the city or town of Merkel between the hours of 10:00 a. m. and 4:00 p. m. to the highest bidder for cash, provided, however, that none of said property shall be sold to the owner of said property directly or indirectly or to anyone having an interest therein or to any party other than a taxing unit which is a party to this suit for less than the amount of the adjudged value of said property or the aggregate amount of judgments against said property in said suit, whichever is lower, subject also to the right of the Defendants to redeem same in the time and manner provided by law and subject also to the right of the Defendants to have said property divided and sold in less divisions than the whole.

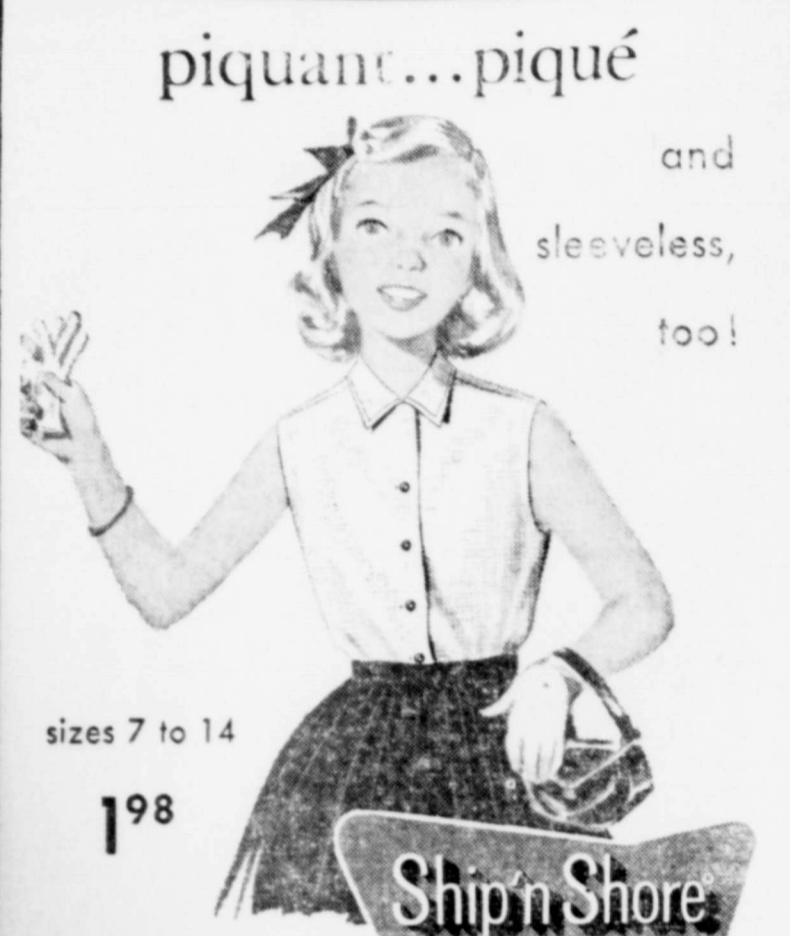
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Trent Homemakers Elect Officers

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 President, Sue McRee; vice president, Bobbie Ann Dudley; secretary, Zana Young; treasurer, Betty Payne; reporter, Barbara Edwards; parliamentarian, Sylvia Taylor; historian, Dayne Ambrose; song leader, Cora Mae Yandell; adviser, Shirley Carter; recreation leader, Venita Quattlebaum; chapter mother, Mrs. Frank Carter.

Sylvan Mellinger To New York Market

Sylvan Mellinger left Thursday for New York to buy the latest fall fashions. He will be gone two weeks.

James D. Dennison Gets His Degree

James Dickie Dennison received his degree in architecture at the University of Houston Tuesday. He is the son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Toombs.

Rev. W. G. Richardson Visits Here Monday

Rev. and Mrs. W. G. Richardson of Winters were here Monday, visiting friends. Rev. Richardson was the local minister of the Calvary Baptist Church from 1942-46.

This Is Fish Story—Of Far Off Place!

Clesby Patterson and Nolan Palmer returned Thursday of last week from Sugar Lake, Mexico. They caught yellow cat and channel cat.

"140 of them," remarked Clesby, "in three and one-half days. Takes two days to learn how to fish. People who have been down there bring ice boxes and usually fill the ice box before leaving with 200 to 500 pounds of fish."

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IS SPECIAL FISHING GUEST

Cpl. John Young was special guest at a fishing and camping trip at Lake Brownwood. Making the trip were Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Young, Bill, Zana, and Tommy, Trent, and David Young, Houston; Mr. and Mrs. Garland Austin, Martha, Sarah, and Joe, Cross Plains. Others present were Loretta Taylor, Lovington, N. Mex., La Vaughn Fuller, Abilene, and N. L. Dillard, Cross Plains.

Expects to Be Sent Overseas Soon

Cpl. John Otis Young spent a 10-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Young, of Trent. Cpl. Young has been in the Motor Transport Division at Camp Pendleton, Calif., since his assignment there when he finished boot camp training at San Diego. He has been in the marine corps 18 months. He expects to be assigned to overseas duty soon after he returns to Camp Pendleton on June 5.

Local Teachers In Workshop

In the Conservation Workshop which has been held at McMurry College during the past three weeks, the Merkel Public Schools had more teachers enrolled than any other school in the territory. The following local teachers have been participating in this third annual McMurray Workshop: Mrs. Elsie Nash, Biss Viola Allred, Mrs. H. C. Reid, Mrs. Josephine Tidwell, Miss Alzada Pogue, Mrs. John West, Mrs. Ted Pargament, Miss Norah Foster, Mrs. Eileen McReynolds, Mrs. Spencer Bird and Principal C. A. Farley.

MOVING TO MONAHANS

Henry Bright is moving his parents to Monahans where he is employed in the oil fields. Also living at Monahans is another son of the Brights, James Bright, and his family.

Bryan Bradbury Leaves Friday

Bryan Bradbury, city attorney of Merkel, and family left Friday for Europe.

TWO MEN HURT
 Don Roberts of Abilene was injured at 10 a.m. Saturday when he lost control of his truck and went off into the ditch near Trent. He was taken to the Sadler Hospital and was treated for head injuries. He hit a light pole and cut off the bottom of a big tree and scattered his load of potatoes, tomatoes and bananas. His truck was wrecked.

Henry Bonds of Santon at 9 a.m. Sunday also lost control of his auto four miles east of here and hit a light pole when he traveled into the ditch. He was taken to an Abilene Hospital. His car was wrecked.

LITTLE ONE CATCHES LITTLE ONE
 Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Wylie and family were fishing on Lake Brownwood Thursday and Friday of last week. "Caught one!" It was son Gary who caught the 2-pound bass.

Mrs. Breckenridge Suffers Stroke
 Mrs. Della Breckenridge, who has been ill at the home of her son, O. J. Fikes, of the 5th Community has returned here and is doing fine after suffering a stroke.

Celebrates Her 80th Birthday
 Mrs. W. U. Beene was visiting her daughter, Mrs. Oliver Ely, at Avoca celebrated her 80th birthday on Tuesday of last week. Those from here who visited her were Mesdames M. Armstrong, Gertie Pee, Jim Spurgin, Hallie Burdin and Johnny Cox.

ATTEND ALUMNI BANQUET
 Mr. and Mrs. Harold Reynolds attended the Vinson High School Alumni annual banquet at Vinson, Okl., Saturday.

CELEBRATE BIRTHDAY
 A birthday dinner was given in honor of C. E. Derington, Jr., who was 27 years old, at his home. The whole family was present.

TRENT PARTY HONORS VETERAN OF KOREA
 Sue McRee was host at a party honoring her cousin, H. L. McRee, recently returned from Korea. Assisting were her mother, Mrs. Lois McRee, and her sister, Sara McRee.

Guests attending were Patricia and Kay Beasley, Thelda Hammer,

Venita Quattlebaum, Glenda Reynolds, Hazel Yarbrough, John Stowe, Yvonne Martin, Dayne Ambrose, Carolyn McRee, Barbara Edwards, Bobbie Ann Dudley, Jimmy Winn, Shirley Ferrell, Jerry Sessums, Anna May, Jerry Gregston, Shirley Carter, Pat Anderson, Don Duncan, Jerry Cade, Lyndel Quattlebaum, Weldon Beasley, Bill Scott, Joe Scott, Sylvia Taylor, and the honoree, H. L. McRee.

J. B. Lambs Move To Normangee

M. and Mrs. J. B. Lamb, Linda and Jimmie have moved to Normangee, where he will be minister to Church of Christ. Mr. Lamb has served as minister to the Church of Christ in Trent for the past year.

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HOSPITAL NOTES

Admissions to the Sadler Hospital the past week were:
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 For surgery—Doyle Barnes, steel cut out of arm; Don Carson, tonsillectomy; Herman Daniels, minor surgery; Margaret Denman, tonsillectomy.

LODGE CALLS

NOTICE MASONS
 Stated meeting of Merkel lodge No. 710, A. F. & A. M., Saturday, June 7 at 8 p. m. All members are urged to attend. Visiting brethren cordially invited.
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POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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For Congress 17th Texas District
JACK COX of Stephens County.

For State Senator
HARLEY SADLER
STERLING WILLIAMS

For Sheriff
R. H. (BOB) ROSS
TROY TATE
SID H. McADAMS
ED POWELL

For County Clerk
MRS. CHESTER HUTCHESON
MRS. HOMER HUTTO

For Commissioner, Precinct No. 2
CHAS. ORR
RUFÉ TITTLE (reelection)

For Justice of the Peace,
Mrs. N. D. COBB.

For Constable, Precinct 5.
LUTHER L. LAND.
James Edwin Vanlandingham
LONNIE L. SMITH
C. K. RUSSELL

For Commissioner Precinct No. 4,
Jones County
W. O. RAINWATER
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PERSONALS

Mary McKeever returned last Saturday from San Antonio after visiting Grady Slagle and family.

Visitors this week in the home of Mrs. Gertrude Pee are Mrs. Joy Pike and three sons, Morris, Russell and Jerry of Rainier, Ore., Willard and wife and two children, of Ukiah, and Miss Leelle and Don Reed of Holland.

Mrs. George Cooper returned Monday from Moody where she met her brother from Snyder, a sister from Pine Bluff, Ark., a sister from Meridian. They all met

in the home of a sister at Moody first time they had all been together in six years.

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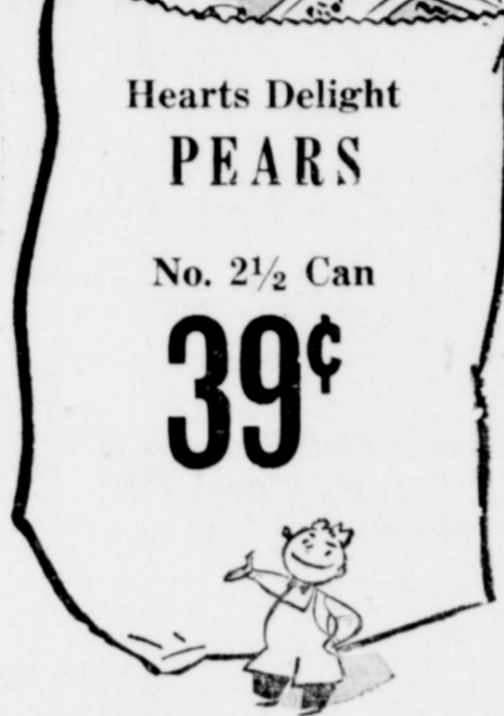
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- CHOICE BEEF CHUCK ROAST lb. 67c

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- 3 lb. Can 63c
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- SALAD DRESSING MIRACLE WHIP Pint 29c
- Honey Suckle SOAP 4 Bars 19c
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- CARNATION CALIF. Cantaloupes lb. 15c
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