

## Thrills Of Rodeo Are Increased By Winds, Dust

About 800 persons came to see the roping and riding contests on Friday night and the full rodeo on Saturday night at the Russell Arena.

On the last night the contestants fought not only surging calves and pitching bulls and bucking horses but also wild winds carrying acres of dust. An attempt was made to wet down the arena both nights but the water had little effect upon the parched earth.

Sheriff and Mrs. J. D. Woodard of Abilene were guests at the rodeo Saturday night.

The horses used in the bareback bronco riding were gathered out of a 40-section pasture, part of the

Spade Ranch, 25 miles south of Colorado City.

A special feature both nights was the exhibition girl cloverleaf barrel race by Barbara Bartlett and Joann Malone. Both girls put on fine performances that thrilled the enthusiastic crowd.

The winners in the different contests were: bull riding, Frank Wilson of Colorado City, bareback riding, Frank Wilson; ribbon roping, first go-round, Pancho Oglesby of Hamilton and Nig Wright of Eliasville, tied, 10 seconds; second go-round, Dogie Jarnigan of Colorado City, 9 4-5 seconds; calf roping, first go-round, Pete Reid of Eliasville, 12 3-5 seconds; second go-round, Nig Wright and Jim Skinner of Abilene, tied, 14 seconds.

The judges were Gerald Derrick of Noodle and Earl Stevens of keeper Betty Jane Tittle book-keeper and Cramer Reynolds announcer.

## Conley Suffers 2 Heart Attacks Monday Afternoon

C. C. Conley, 49, courtroom deputy sheriff, suffered two heart attacks late Monday afternoon while on his way home.

Mr. Conley suffered the attack shortly after leaving Abilene for his home in Merkel. He had been in Wichita Falls during the day on business.

He is in the Sadler Hospital.

## J. T. Humphreys Passes Away Mon. At Age of 80

J. T. Humphreys, 80, retired stockfarmer, died at Wichita Falls Monday afternoon.

Burial was at Rose Hill cemetery Wednesday.

Humphreys was born August 1, 1872, and farmed south of Merkel since 1906.

He is survived by three sons, Craig of Merkel, Irvin and Doyle of Lovington, New Mexico, and one daughter, Mrs. J. S. Anderson of Merkel. He is also survived by a sister, Mrs. F. A. Hoeninghaus of Eagle Lake, Texas.

Arrangements were made by the Starbuck Funeral Home of Merkel.

## Revival Meeting At Tye Tabernacle To Begin July 6

A revival meeting will be held at the Community Tabernacle in Tye, beginning Sunday morning, July 6, and ending Sunday night, July 13. The pastor, Rev. Lynward Harrison, will preach the first Sunday morning and Rev. Cecil Tune of Ackerly will be the revivalist the rest of the time. The public is invited.

## OES Installs Its Officers

Mrs. G. D. Lee of Abilene, deputy grand matron of District 2, Section 7, was installing officer for the Merkel Chapter 212, OES, at its ceremonies on June 10.

Mrs. Bill Dunagin was installing grand marshal, Mrs. H. E. Reid installing grand chaplain and Mrs. Andy Shouse installing grand organist.

New officers of the chapter are Mrs. Ernest Teaff, worthy matron; A. B. Parham, worthy patron; Mrs. Ross Pratt, associate matron; J. L. Standard, associate patron; Mrs. Ted H. Windham, secretary; Mrs. Florence Berry, treasurer; Mrs. Bill Hays, conductress; Mrs. Jeff Chancey, associate conductress; Mrs. Charley Knight, chaplain; Mrs. J. L. Standard, marshal; Mrs. Joe Hartley, Adah; Mrs. Ford Butman, Ruth; Mrs. A. B. Parham, Esther; Mrs. Howard Carson, Martha; Mrs. Rhett Edison, Electra; Mrs. Seth Rakes, warder and D. R. Butler, sentinel.

Mrs. Aura Johnson, secretary of the chapter for 17 years, was asked to sit at the secretary's desk during the installation. Mr. and Mrs. Butler, retiring worthy patron and matron, were presented gifts.

Mrs. C. W. Seago and Mrs. Sallie Grant were hosts at a dinner preceding the installation.



**TELEPHONE TALK**—Many problems of the Taylor County Telephone Co-op were discussed when a mass meeting of rural people was held in Abilene. Here, Riggs Shepperd, third from left, deputy administrator of the REA, Washington, gets together with, left to right, Murry Toombs, manager of the telephone co-op; C. O. (Pat) Patterson, Lawn, head of the telephone co-op's board of directors; H. R. Roberts, Ovalo, REA board chairman; and Lester Dorton, manager of the Taylor REA; to discuss latest developments.

## Big Parade Draws Folks To Town Sat.

The big parade came off as scheduled. It was four blocks long.

A big crowd came to town to witness the affair. Cars were parked all over town and blocks long from the business district. One had to hunt far away to stop his car.

The parade was started west of the REA building on Highway 80. The different cars and floats and riders gathered early. By 3:30 they started coming and by 4 p. m., the time of the parade, they were all ready to go.

Constable Luther Land directed the arrangement for the parade and led the procession.

Ralph Russell and Max Hodge came after him on horseback. Then there was a colorful group of girl horseback riders, led by Barbara Bartlett, dressed all in white. With her were Peggy Scott, Joann Malone and Betty Tittle.

Youngsters riding horses were Speck Moseley of New Mexico, who was visiting his uncle, Ernest McWright, Jerry Don and Jackie C. Reynolds, Chester Collinsworth, Jr., Jim McAninch, Jimmy Rathmell of Abilene, visiting Mrs. W. H. Laney. Riders of ponies were Lynn Russell and Kenneth Edward Duncan.

Riders of motorcycles were Bobby and Billy Fowler.

Fifteen bucking horses were in the parade, packed in a truck, driven by Howard Laney of Laney Brothers.

The V. F. W., Post 5683 and Ladies Auxiliary had an impressive float with the sign reading, "That Our Honored Dead Shall Not Have Died in Vain." The truck was a cemetery scene with crosses marking the graves of those Merkel boys who had died in the last war.

The Merkel Future Farmers had a calf in a truck.

Other who were represented in the parade with cars and trucks were REA, Hicks Aut Supply, Badger Chevrolet Co., Miller Implement Co., Merkel Farm Machinery Co., Patterson Grain, Paul Honeycutt Motors, Palmer Motor Co., and the Queen Theatre.

The route of the parade was east on Highway 80 to Edwards Street, north one block to Second Street, east a block, then north to Third Street, west to Edwards again, south to Second and then west to the Assembly of God Church, where the parade disbanded.

## Merkel 20 Years Ago

TAKEN FROM THE 1932 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

### SCHOOL CREDITS ARE SAFE

When Supt. Roger A. Burgess returned from Austin the first of the week where he had been to attend a meeting of the classification committee, of which he is a member, he brought back the good news that, although the local school board was compelled to cut salaries for the coming year below the required standard of the department of education, Merkel's school credits are safe.

### GRAIN MOVES

During the week four cars of wheat and two of oats were shipped via T. & P. Railway from here, bringing the total for grain in July to seven cars of wheat and three cars of oats, according to the records of Local Agent J. C. Childress.

### WORKERS WANTED

Twenty-five men are wanted for next day's labor at the cemetery next Monday, A. T. Sheppard, president of the cemetery association has asked that notice be given to this effect. One dollar will be paid for 10 hours work. Each man is requested to bring a hoe and to be ready to start work at 7 a. m.

### TO HOLD ROQUE MEET

In response to invitations extended by the Merkel Roque Club for a Fourth of July tournament to be held here, about 20 teams are expected. The following towns will be represented: Post City, Spur, Hobbs, Breckenridge, Abilene, Lawn, Baird, Cisco and Loreaine, besides several local teams.

### IT'S A BOY

Born to Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Stephenson Tuesday, June 28, a boy.

### ABOUT THE RAIN

The rainfall for the first six months of 1932 in Merkel exceeds

20 inches, well nigh equal the normal for a year. Early Monday morning the rain that fell measured one-quarter of an inch. Then Monday night and Tuesday morning four inches were recorded, about as much rain as any old timer remembers having ever fallen at one time. At Sweetwater, the rain measured 11.3 inches, resulting in a huge damge.

### PLAY INDOOR BASEBALL

On Friday of this week, the contest in the indoor baseball league will be between Monday's class and Petty's class. Results of last week's play were: Riddle 11, Petty 5; Monday 13, Riddle 12; McBehee 9, Petty 8.

### MERKEL WINS

Striking out 12 men and collecting three hits, one a triple, T. Jones was largely responsible for Merkel's defeat of Tuscola last Sunday, 8 to 3. Jones allowed eight hits, while Ivey, Tuscola hurler, was touched for a total of 12. Batteries: Jones and Ashford; Tuscola, Ivey and Tatum.

### ABSENTEE VOTING STARTS

Absentee voters will not be required to mark their ballot before a notary public, when voting away from home and they have a time extension for voting in the county clerk's office if they are going to be absent on election day — July 23.

### NEW LETTER RATE TO START

Effective July 6, the new postal rates become effective, requiring three cents on all first class mail, except drop letters, postals and post cards. The air mail jumps three cents for the first ounce, the new rate to be eight cents for the first ounce and 13 cents for each additional ounce.

## This Happened in Merkel Forty Years Ago

TAKEN FROM THE 1912 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

Even after 30 ballots had been taken the Democratic Convention was still in a deadlock at Baltimore. In the first vote Clark was ahead but W. J. Bryan caused a number of sensations and several times was hissed, yet he seems to be doing a better job for himself than did T. R. in the Republican Convention but the same roller that struck Roosevelt has so far failed to catch Mr. Bryan.

Miss Mary Reid came in from Hillsboro Wednesday to visit her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Barnes.

J. H. Counts was in Abilene Saturday on business.

Miss Gladys Christopher came in Wednesday.

Mrs. Ona Mitchell came in from Midland Sunday night on a visit to relatives and old friends.

T. J. Coggin was summoned from Mexico by the serious illness of his son, Otto, stricken with Poinsoning caused from eating rice that had stood all night in a tin bucket.

## Telephone Co-op Holds Mass Meet To Plan Action

An estimated 300 rural people from six counties came to Abilene Wednesday of last week to ask questions and air their views as to why telephone service cannot be made available to them.

With the Taylor County Telephone Co-operative in a deadlock with officials of Southwestern Bell Telephone Co., over rights to servicing an area from just west of Hamby to the eastern shore of Fort Phantom Lake, progress on rural service is at a standstill.

Riggs Shepperd, Washington deputy administrator of rural electrification and for 10 years manager of the Taylor County REA said one of two things could be done to secure a rural telephone service.

Southwestern Bell could permit the co-op to include the disputed area in its service range, or Bell could make its facilities available to all rural homes in the same manner as the co-op would do in order to uphold its REA loan.

Bell officials declined to attend the open meeting. The co-op reached a stalemate recently when Southwestern Bell declined to grant clearance on the Hamby area and began construction of a service line that will provide telephone service for the more thickly settled portion of that area.

Mr. Shepperd said that when the co-op's loan was under consideration in Washington a check was made to determine conditions in this specific area. This investigation showed that Bell was not at that time, constructing service.

C. O. (Pat) Patterson, Lawn, head of the telephone co-op's board of directors, said that construction on these lines began soon after the co-op's loan, was granted.

Bell promised completion of this construction by the end of this year at a stormy session of officials of both sides.

Lester Dorton, Merkel manager of the Taylor County REA, said that by providing telephone service to Hamby, Southwestern Bell is denying rural people all over the six-county area telephone service. He explained this by saying the telephone co-op's REA loan was based on this area being included. Without this area, loan officials would have to reconsider the loan. This would require an additional six months to a year, he said.

In closing the meeting, Mr. Patterson said another attempt will be made to reach an agreement with Southwestern Bell officials.

"But," he added, "regardless of what happens, if the people will bide their time and continue to furnish their full cooperation, they will have a telephone service they can be proud of."

### SINGING AT AMITY

There will be singing at the Amity Baptist Church at 8 p. m., Thursday, July 3. Everyone is invited to attend these good Gospel singings.

### TO HOLD LUCAS REUNION

The Lucas reunion will be held July 6 at the Hillsboro Park.

### TO CLOSE JULY 4

Next Friday being July 4 the stores and bank of Merkel will be closed as usual.

### TYE HOMECOMING SUNDAY

The Tye Baptist Church will hold its homecoming and a dedication service for its new Baptist Sunday. This will be an all-day session. All former members and friends are invited. A program will be given. Rev. Hubert Austin is the pastor.

## Load of Groceries Brought to Party For Minister

A social meeting of the Presbyterian Church was held Wednesday night of last week. About 40 were present. Supper was eaten and then there was a devotional program.

The surprise of the evening came when the new minister, Rev. John N. Russell, was invited outside and given an old-fashioned pounding. It seemed that every car was loaded with groceries of all kinds. In all, there was about a truckload of them.

## William M. Dunagin Dies Last Friday, Buried Saturday

Funeral for William M. (Bill) Dunagin, 52, was held Saturday at 2 p. m., at the Stith Baptist Church.

Mr. Dunagin became ill Friday morning at his home in Stith, and was pronounced dead on arrival at the Sadler Hospital at 7:15 a. m.

The Rev. W. T. Hamor of Abilene officiated and the Masonic Lodge conducted graveside services at Stith Cemetery. Starbuck Funeral Home had charge of arrangements.

Mr. Dunagin was born at Buffalo Gap Nov. 7, 1889 and moved to Stith in 1900. He married the former Jewel Bankston, March 14, 1920. At the age of 15, he entered the gin business and remained active in that business until his retirement in 1945. He was in partnership with a brother, Bryan Dunagin of Stith.

He was a member of the Merkel Lodge No. 719, AF&AM; Anson Council No. 229, R&SM; Anson Chapter No. 294, RAM; and Eastern Star Merkel Chapter No. 212. A past master of the Merkel Lodge he was also a past patron of the Eastern Star.

Survivors are his widow; one son, W. M., Jr., of Merkel; two daughters, Mrs. Jo Alice Cook, Stith, and Mrs. Dorothy Gay McCraw, Abilene; three brothers, Bryan B. of Stith, Elmo of Road Island, Fred of Stith; three sisters, Mrs. R. C. Mashburn, Winslow, Arizona, Mrs. H. M. Rainbolt, Big Spring, Mrs. Bessie Allison, Merkel his mother, Mrs. J. M. Dunagin Stith; and two grandchildren.

### BOY TO DON ROGERS

Mr. and Mrs. Don Rogers have a baby boy, born Friday, June 20, at the Sadler Hospital.

### GUILD TO MEET JULY 7

The Wesleyan Guild will meet at 8 p. m., Monday, July 7, in the home of Mrs. Don Dudley.

## Bathing Beauty Contest Will Be Held August 7th.

The bathing beauty contest, sponsored by the Lions Club, will be held August 7. This date was set by the committee appointed by President Horace Boney to outline the program.

The members of the committee, Lester Dorton, chairman, Jack Miller, Chester Collinsworth and Edwin Reed, met Wednesday afternoon and planned the contest. Further details will be announced later.

## Good Attendance At Trent Meet Now in Progress

Good attendance and growing interest mark the protracted meeting in progress at the Trent Church of Christ. Basil Overton of Gleason, Tenn., is doing the preaching.

The morning services have been used to make an intensive study of book of First Peter. This study will be concluded at the final week day service at 11 a. m.

Mr. Overton announces the following subjects for the concluding services: Friday evening, "Can We See the Bible Alike"; Saturday night, "Acceptable Worship in Song"; Sunday morning, "Desire To Worship"; and Sunday night, "To Whom Shall We Go?"

A number of visiting singers have assisted in the song directing. Among this number are Burl McCoy, Paul Rogers and Ray Jennings of Merkel.

## Mrs. Price Bankhead Is Buried Friday In Big Spring

Mrs. Price Bankhead, 58, died Thursday morning of last week in Big Spring. Mrs. Bankhead was a former resident of Merkel, living here in the early 1930's.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayman Adcock and Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Adcock attended the funeral on Friday. Mr. Bankhead is Mrs. O. J. Adcock's brother. Mr. Bankhead used to be rural mail carrier here. He also preached all over this country at that time.

## Baseball Game To Be Played Here On Sunday at 3 p. m.

A baseball game will be played here at 3 p. m., Sunday at the high school stadium between Merkel and Tuscola. The boys' ages are between 4 and 16 years. Dwan Higgins will pitch and George English catch for Merkel. It is said that it looks like a good game. Admission will be 15 and 25 cents.

## Mrs. George Crow, Sr. Is Very Low

Mrs. George Crow, Sr., is in the Sadler's Hospital and is very low. She is suffering from a heart ailment. Her brother from Temple is here with her.

Ollie Cordell was in Abilene Monday on business.

Mrs. A. J. Leighty came up from Abilene Saturday afternoon to spend a few hours with Mr. Leighty. She returned to Abilene to take care of their place.



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**Editorials**

**DOLLAR DAY**

Dollar Day has come and gone and we can now sit down and consider a few things about it.

Two things immediately flash into the mind in regard to it. Did it accomplish what the merchants thought it would? Did it do for the public what they thought it would?

If anything, the purpose of Dollar Day was to bring people to town. This it did do. Everyone will admit that there was a big crowd in town on Dollar Day. Early that Tuesday morning the streets were crowded with cars and parking space was at a premium. It was difficult to find a spot to park a car downtown.

Even salesmen remarked that there were a great number of cars in town.

So from the standpoint of the merchants it did what it was supposed to do.

How about the people, were they satisfied?

The folks came to town looking for Dollar Day bargains. And they certainly did find them, plenty of

them. Many merchants reported that they were busy practically all day, taking care of the customers who wanted the bargains that were offered.

So, the public, too, was well satisfied with Dollar Day.

**SISTER DORA**

While writing about Dollar Day it might be well to mention a letter we got today from Sister Dora of Boston. She noted that we had a Dollar Day here and had a few comments to make about Dollar Day in the big town of Boston. She wrote:

"Got your issue of Dollar Day. They had some good buys. Boston stores have Dollar Days but not on the same days. A week ago Jordan Marsh had one. We went with May to get some things for her grand children. One has to be a good shopper to get a real bargain because they have a lot of cheap merchandise.

"Filene's basement, which is a bargain mart, has its Dollar Day. Thousands upon thousands of people attend them."

In answer to Sister Dora's remarks we would say that in a small town it would not pay very well for one merchant only to have a Dollar Day. We look upon all the stores of Merkel as one giant department store and that by all of them working together on the same Dollar Day they accomplish in smaller measure what one giant department store of Boston accomplishes in larger size.

We were glad to note that she wrote in regard to the Merkel Dollar Day ads, "they had some good buys." And the way the public flocked to take advantage of them proved this.

Sister Dora had another item in her letter that may prove interesting to all us us here. She stated, "Boy, we sure are having a real rain storm now. Thunder and lightning. Had to put on the lights as it has turned so dark. As I look out my window the rain is coming down in a sheet. The wind is com-

**Merkel's Hospital Is Featured In Sunday's Reporter-News**

A story appeared in Sunday's Abilene Reporter-News with the three-column heading, "Private Ownership Meets Problem, Merkel Boasts Hospital It Didn't Have to Toil to Get." It was written by the Merkel Mail editor. The story follows:

Many churches and cities go to great lengths to have a hospital. Merkel, though a small town, has one and did not have to move a finger to get it. It has one of the oldest individually owned hospitals in this area. As a matter of fact there are few individually owned hospitals in this section.

Who is the man who has one this and why did he do it? Where did he get the courage to do it when some larger hospitals throughout the country are known to operate year after year at a loss and must be supported by generous gifts from the public?

**BUSY SUNDAY MORNING**

To get the answer the writer tried for a few weeks to see the architect of this venture, Dr. William T. Sadler. But each time an appointment was made Dr. Sadler was too busy. Finally, one Sunday morning, Dr. Sadler sandwiched in the reporter though he was interrupted a few times to take care of emergency cases.

The Sadler Hospital is not a huge, imposing edifice that smells of anesthetics. It is a one-story stucco structure, "L" shaped by lying in the midst of the residential district. The well-kept lawn makes the surroundings inviting.

When one enters the building there is not a vast hall that terrifies the patient. There is an air of comfort and relaxation in the reception room.

The round dining room table in the center gives the place a homey appearance. A potted plant on the table adds a comforting air to the picture.

The doctor came in to greet the visitor and invited him into his office.

**UNPRETENTIOUS OFFICE**

The office is like the doctor. There is nothing showy there. Only one panel of pictures on the wall, pictures of doctors who were on the University of Texas Medical College faculty. One side of the office has a bookcase of medical references. On his desk are a few medical and hospital magazines. His degrees hang on the wall.

"What do you want to know?" asked Dr. Sadler, and he flashed that pleasant smile of his, and his voice was soft and considerate. He was entirely relaxed, a trait that has made it possible for him to minister to the sick and at the same time run an institution, a two-man job.

Though serious looking, there is nothing forbidding about him. He smiles quickly and he laughs easily. He does not smack of the bedside manner.

His movements are quick and energetic. He is a medium sized man with a touch of gray at his temples.

Dr. Sadler was born Feb. 11, 1902, in Anderson County, Texas. His father was William T. Sadler, who died before Dr. Sadler was

menacing to blow. Glad I didn't have to go out this morning. It is now 8:15 a. m."

Well, sister, give us a rain here, any kind of rain, and we will all be glad to go out in it whether it roars thunder or not. ALL WE WANT IS RAIN!

**"WHITE-ICISM"**

That's ALL—and the Sage of Figfield adds that moral fiber is strengthened when times are difficult, not when they are easy.



DR. W. T. SADLER

born, accidentally shot while looking at a ranch. His mother is still alive here. She taught school for more than 40 years.

It was while he was going to the Palestine High School, from which he graduated, that he decided to be a doctor.

He got his academic training at the University of Texas, where he enrolled at 14. He was graduated from the medical school at Galveston in 1925.

He worked his way through college. He took care of a fraternity house and the kitchen. He watched a building at night. He quit college for two years to teach at the Palestine High School to get enough money to carry on his medical studies.

**TO MERKEL IN 1926**

He did interne work at the John Sealy Hospital at Galveston and at the Presbyterian Hospital in Chicago. From there he came to Merkel in 1926, the first place he practiced, and has been here ever since.

He has been city health officer ever since that time.

When he first came here he and Dr. Robert I. Grimes opened a hospital downtown over the present West Store. They were together three years.

Running a private hospital was not a quick way to success. The depression came and Dr. Sadler went broke and found himself \$5,000 in debt. The hospital was closed. And he began all over again.

He opened up a private office, worked hard and paid off all his indebtedness. He took his patients to the West Texas Baptist Hospital in Abilene, now the Hendrick Memorial Hospital for surgery, being in active partnership with Dr. W. V. Ramsey, the late Dr. Stewart Cooper, and Dr. T. Wade Hedrick all of Abilene.

After four years, with the depression still on, he was faced with a problem that has worried many small town doctors. Take all his surgical and interesting cases to the larger town and spend his time in the practice of medicine that did not challenge his ability, or have a hospital in the small town.

**TRIES AGAIN**

"Man hesitates to do the inconsequential thing and not do the thing he has been preparing to do remarked Dr. Sadler with feeling. "I decided to have a hospital here again, in spite of my sad experience.

"Colleges today are emphasizing the need for general practitioners and not specialists. It takes more education to be the general practitioner because he has to know all phases of medicine and surgery. He has to be able to decide when a specialist is necessary."

So he bought the West Building where the old hospital was and opened up his hospital. This was at the time of World War II. He had his plans ready and his lot purchased to build the new hospital. He applied for material but was refused. After the war was

over the present new hospital was built and opened in 1946.

After the hospital was practically up and without his knowledge, 20 persons of Merkel donated \$300 each to furnish rooms in the hospital division. Dr. Sadler spoke of it with deep feeling. "I will never forget this," he remarked quietly.

The Sadler Hospital has 20 rooms for patients, nursery room, operating room, X-ray room and physical therapy room. The hospital has electro cardiac equipment and a 10-room clinic. In all there are 13 employees.

It is an open-staff hospital. All members of the American Medical Association are welcome to practice. The local institution is a member of the American Hospital Association.

**PRACTICES ALONE**

Dr. Houston Bird was an associate of Dr. Sadler for three years but because of his wife's health

he had to leave and Dr. Sadler has been alone for a year. However he expects to have another associate in the very near future.

Dr. Sadler is a very busy man, yet he finds time to attend the Lions Club luncheons and the rodeos and to be interested in raising cattle and horses.

"People are more considerate now than when I first started to practice," he remarked. "Then there were five physicians in Merkel and two in Trent. Now there are two here and none in Trent. But there are less night calls. People do not phone for the doctor unless there is an emergency at night."

And the patients have a deep love and regard for the small town doctor who built a hospital for them. "He certainly does look after his patients," remarked one elderly woman who was at the hospital with a broken hip.

And tomorrow a woman is coming in for an operation who used to

live here. She is coming all the way from Greenville in East Texas. That is the regard she has for the small town country doctor who built a hospital for a town, the town of Merkel, that did not have to raise a finger to get it.

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**NEWS ABOUT TOWN**

Mrs. Mary R. Hines of Albuquerque, New Mexico, visited her sisters, Mrs. Claud Warren of Snyder and Mrs. Sam Hill. Mrs. Warren was here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Payne of Blackwell spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. Herman Daniel, and husband.

Mr. and Mr. R. N. Campbell vis-

ited last week with her son, J. B. and family in Corpus Christi.

Mrs. Marie Leverich with her son, Jimmy and mother, Mrs. Earl Stamford, visited in Midland with her brother, Jack Stamford, and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hale of Dallas spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. E. L. Wilson, and his mother, Mrs. Fred Hale, of Trent.

Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Parrish of Modesta, Calif., visited last week in the home of her cousin, Mrs. Woody Wilson, and family.

A. D. English of Haskell spent the weekend with his daughter, Mrs. Woody Wilson, and family.

Mrs. J. T. Johnson and Miss Delia Kuykendall spent their vacation in Big Spring, visiting relatives and friends last week. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Johnson, daughter Elvyn and son Billy. They all went to Wichita Falls to visit relatives and friends. They also visited kinfolks in Bowie and Texarkana.

Miss Margaret Gilmore is on a vacation in Leonard, visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Gilmore.

Mrs. John Holt of McCamey is visiting Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Buford. They all spent Sunday in Haskell, visiting his cousin, Mrs. Jessy B. Smith, and family.

Mrs. Ruby Jinkens left Wednesday for Fort Worth on a vacation.

Janie and Sharon Dudley left Saturday to visit their grandmother, Mrs. Earl Wallace at Nolan.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bartlett left Saturday for Valejo, Calif., on a two-week vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Bell of Dallas were here over the weekend, visiting Grandma Bell and Bernard Bell. Charlotte Harris accompanied them.

Mrs. Dolly Hensley of Dallas spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ross Wheeler and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sledge.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bunch and daughter, Patricia spent a week's vacation in Corpus Christi.

Mr. and Mrs. Raleigh Neely and sons of Shreveport, La., were weekend visitors of her sister, Mrs. Pinky Cypert, and husband.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wright and daughter of Lubbock visited over the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Diltz.

Mrs. M. C. Alston with her daughter Kay of Sweetwater visited here Monday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Anderson.

Mrs. Homer Alexander of Junction is visiting her brother, Johnny Hearn.

Boots Brown of Baytown came Friday and returned home Monday with his wife, who had been visiting her sister, Mrs. J. W. Boone, and parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. English, of Trent. Their son, Freddie Boone, went home with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Wheeler of Abilene visited Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Rust of Anson spent Sunday with his brother, C. B. Rust, and wife.

J. M. Rust of Stith left Wednesday of last week for an extended visit in Colorado.

Mrs. J. M. Hines of Nogales, Arizona, left here Monday after visiting about 10 days with her sister, Mrs. Wade Watson, and family. She was accompanied by Mrs. H. H. Coster and her daughter of Duncan, Arizona. Mrs. Wynn Smith and family of Maricopa, Arizona, came Saturday for a week's visit. Mrs. Coster and Mrs. Smith are the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Watson.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sublett and daughter, Sue Ann of Ardmore, Okla., spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tye Sublett. Mrs. T. H. Russom and two

grandsons, J. B. Swinney and Dwayne Maserang, have returned home after spending two weeks visiting Mr. and Mrs. Edd Bradshaw and Bonita of Winsboro.

Those visiting in the J. H. Swinney home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Rodgers and Royce of Anson, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Swinney, Tommy Swinney, Dwayne

Maserang and Mrs. W. A. Harrison. Little Johnny Swinney returned home with the Rodgers for a short visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Beech and children, Pat and Don, of Sacramento, Calif., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Patterson, also Mr. Beech's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Beech of Pilot Point.

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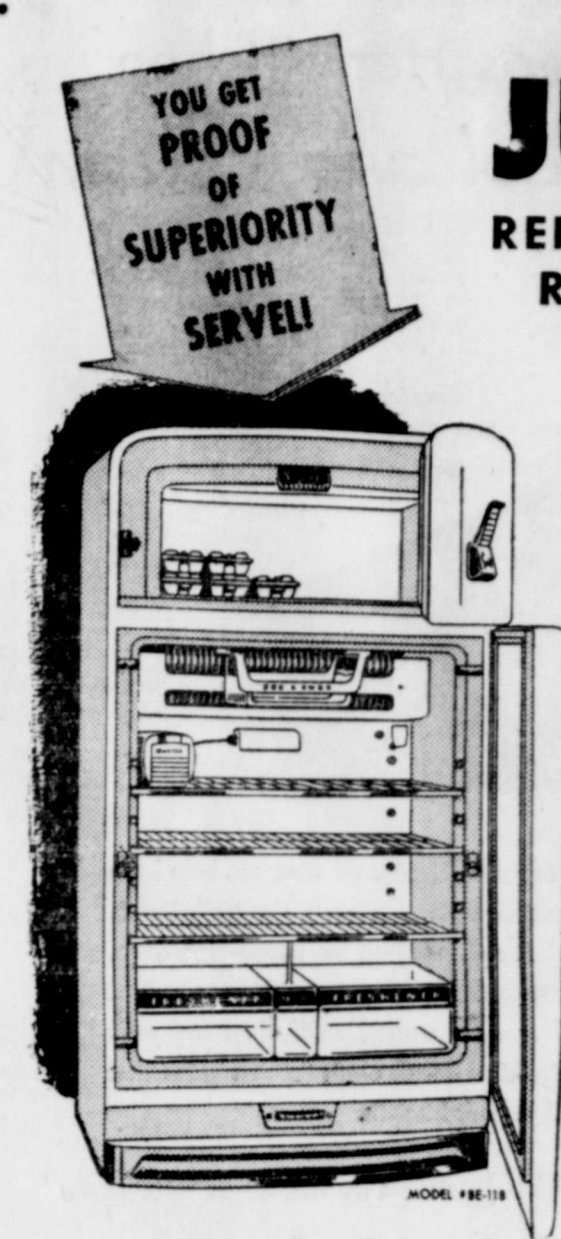
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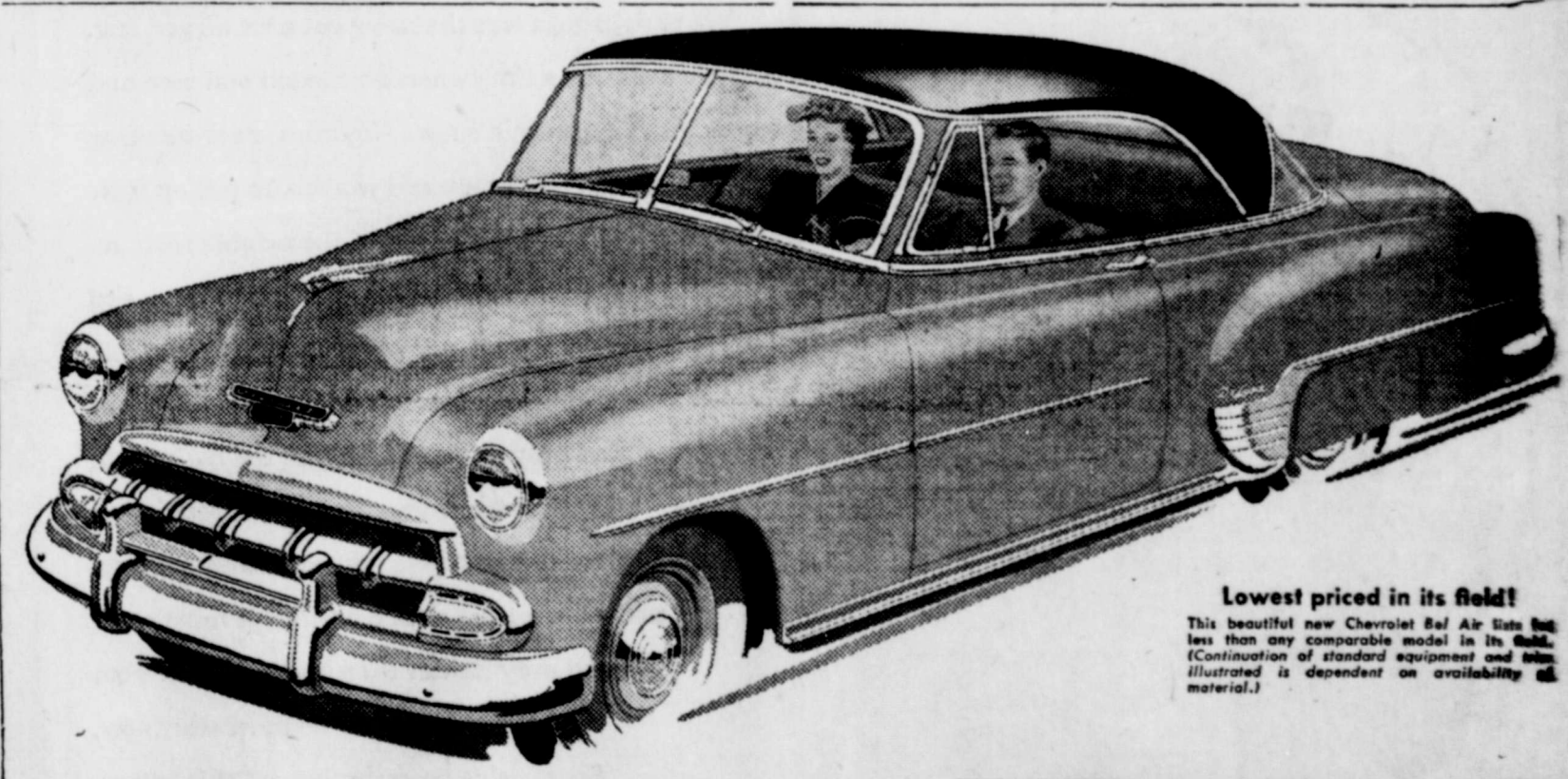
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Dwayne Maserang of Abernathy has returned home after visiting his cousins, J. B. and Tommy Swinney, here and an aunt, Mrs. Ebb Bradshaw, of Winnsboro.

Syra Swinney visited a few days this week with her grandmother, Mrs. W. A. Harrison.

Mrs. Alina Rees of Pasadena, Calif., came here last Friday to visit with her grandfather, Frank Jeffrey, and other relatives.

Miss Diane Patterson of Greenville is spending the week with both her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Patterson, and Mr. and Mrs. Hurley Toombs of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Bockman of Washington, D. C., are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Bockman, a brother, J. J. Bockman and a sister, Mrs. Howard Beard. They are also visiting two sisters, Mrs. J. W. Gardner of Eula and Miss Ivanell Bockman of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Reidenbach and sons, Michael and Danny, of Long Beach, Calif., who are en route to their new home in Charlestown, South Carolina, stopped off here and visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Reidenbach.

Mrs. Harvey Evens of Salem, Oregon, while en route to Detroit, Mich., visited here over the weekend in the home of Mrs. J. R. Pee.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley and Clona McClure spent Monday in Stamford.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Coats of Merkel, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Coats of Abilene and Mrs. Addie Brown of Fort Worth have returned from Del Rio. They visited in the home of Mrs. M. D. Daniels, sister of J. T. Coats.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Murray had as their guests for the past week their two sons, Comdr. and Mrs. James Gordon Murray of Philadelphia, Pa., and Captain and Mrs. H. D. Murray and children of Midland. The commander and wife left here for their home Thursday and will stop in Pampa to visit his sister, Mrs. Marvin Johnson.

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S-Sgt. R. G. Palmer Has Passed Tests For Cadet Training

S-Sgt. R. G. Palmer, 328th Bomb S. B-50 mechanic, stationed at Castle Air Force Base, Merced, Calif., has passed tests for aviation cadet training.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Palmer. Palmer joined the AF in September 1946. He has been at Castle AFB the last five years.

MRS. E. W. TURNER IMPROVES

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Fraizer of Clint and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Masserang and son Weldon of El Paso have returned home after a week here. They have been at the bedside of their mother, Mrs. E. W. Turner who had major surgery at the Sadler Hospital. Two other daughters, Mrs. Johnnie Frazier and son, David of Dexter, New Mexico, and Mrs. Vada Coats and Oma of Abilene are still with their mother. Mrs. Turner is getting along nicely.

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Vera Ely Completes English Workshop Course at H.-S. U.

Miss Vera Ely has completed a two-week English workshop course at Hardin-Simmons University. Miss Ely is an instructor at the Pecos Junior High School. She is currently working on the Master of Education Degree.

Jesse J. Walla Is Attending Classes At U. of Texas

Jesse J. Walla is one of 60 Texas trade and industrial teachers who are attending summer classes at the University of Texas.

EDITOR INVITED

Editor Hy White received a telegram from William Rawland, president, Texas Press Association, to attend the press delegate informal dinner honoring General Eisenhower on Saturday at the Baker Hotel, Dallas. The editor did not attend the function.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Admission to the Sadler Hospital the past week were: As medical patients — Leon Floyd, J. S. Varner, Mrs. Tom King, Mrs. F. E. Roberson, M. H. Roberson, M. H. Jones, E. T. Etheridge.

INJURED IN OIL FIELD

Two men were in the Sadler Hospital, suffering from injuries received in the oil fields. Robert Spinks of Abilene cut an artery in his right arm. J. W. Cole injured his right foot. John Hill of Sweetwater hurt his back when he fell off a truck.

Donations Are Made To Cemetery Fund

Since the last report the following have donated to the Cemetery Maintenance Fund: Mrs. M. D. Martin, Sweetwater \$13.00 Mrs. Bob Malone 10.00 Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Walton 10.00 Dutch Boy Sign, Okla. City, Okla. 10.00 Emma Joyner, Abilene 5.00 M. R. Hail, Abilene 4.00 Anyone wishing to contribute to

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AND THE THUMB OF EDITOR WHITE IS BLACK

Editor Hy White has a habit of rushing around, as Paul West has noted. In fact, Friend Paul told him to slow down or something might happen. Well, it did happen. In the mad rush of getting out the paper on Thursday afternoon, someone came in and the editor rushed to the front office from the back, waited on the man, speeded to the safe to make change and... you guessed it. The editor put in his hand, grabbed some money and then forgot to take out his thumb when he slammed the door. So Editor White's thumb is black!

CARD OF THANKS

Our heartfelt thanks to all who extended comforting sympathy and help in our recent sorrow. For the beautiful service, floral offerings and the many other kindness-

es, we are deeply grateful to all Mrs. Bill Dunagin and Children

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank all of my friends who sent cards, flowers, and visited me. And I especially thank Mr. Price for giving blood for the transfusion, and special thanks to Dr. Sadler and all the nurses for their kindness to me while I was in the hospital. May God bless each of you. Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Bird.

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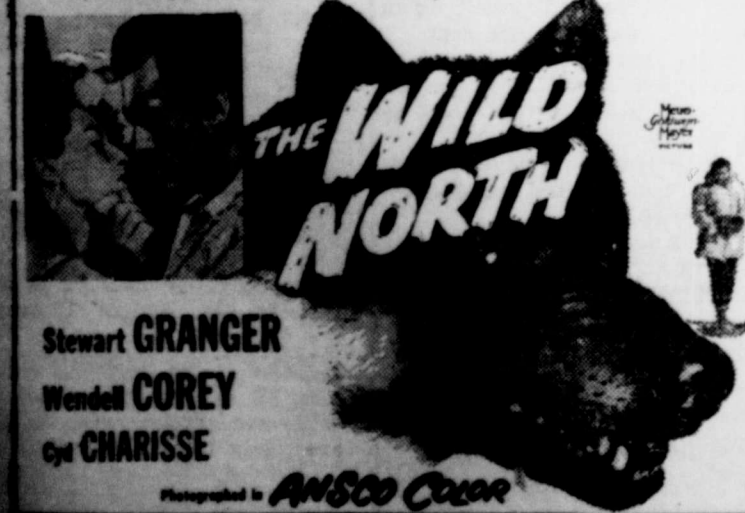
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OKRA lb. 23c  
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CALIFORNIA RIPE  
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WHITE SWAN —No. 2  
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