Blood and Tears

If Heed Warning

blood and tears if the youths are

educated to safely operate automobiles," declared J. Ross Kemp, safety officer of the Texas High-

way Patrol, Abilene District, in

his talk before the Lions Club

President Horace Boney presid-

ed at the meeting. The club voted

being made in the contest. The

club is inviting the Lions queens

from the towns in the district to

Program Chairman Fred Star-

"The Department of Public Safe-

ty" was the subject of Officer

Kemp. He said that the depart-

ment was organized in 1935 by an

Act of the Legislature. It has

four divisions; Texas Rangers,

Highway Patrol, License Division

The identification department

"The main problem of the Texas

Highway Department is traffic,

on the highway, hundreds will be

to reach home safely.'

and education.

FFA BOYS NOTE!

sum Kingdom Lake.

IT'S A BOY

"We appeal to drivers to prac-

He pointed out that during the

first five months of this year

there were 32 fatal accidents, 38

perty accidents, a total of 502 acci-

dents. The property loss was \$368,

099 and does not include doctor,

The solution to the traffic prob-

lem, said Officer Kemp, is three-

fold: Engineering, enforcement

possible," he asserted. "Enforce

ment is lacking because we have

only 450 men to patrol the rural

districts. We need to teach the

youths how to drive safely. That

will help engineering and enforce-

ment. It is not a cure-all but it will

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Clement

"We are building the best roads

hospital and funeral expenses.

injured.

and Headquarters Division.

be guests at the contest.

Will Be Less

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Overflow Crowd Sees Dedication Of Tye Baptistry

Tye Baptist Church came to the annual homecoming and dedicatory service for the new Baptistry Sunday. It was an all-day affair.

About 100 visitors from out of from as far away as 125 miles, Mr. and Mrs. William Teaff of Post were there. So were Messrs, and Mesdames James Perry and Grover Carter of Rotan.

The program began with the followed by the usual morning service with the pastor, Rev. Hubert 1900. Austin, preaching.

cafeteria style in the dining hail by the pastor. Prayer was offered of the church. There was every- by Rev. Clift Herrington of Caps. thing imaginable to eat: chickens The congregation sang hymns, led of many styles, meats of all kinds, by Rev. Dorman Kinard of View salads in great varieties, vegetables with his wife at the piano. Prayer galore, all kinds of cakes and pies, and iced tea.

piece of art. It is constructed out building of the baptistry: Jess of plate steel with a concrete Chase, Walter McCartney and Earl foundation. Mossy rock is built on King. top of the steel to give it a natural | Rev. Henry Littleton of Lueders effect. Circulation pumps are used missionary of District 17, spoke. to keep the water in continuous He called attention to the fact

to be hauled in. The water is put church. It built the parsonage and in a big overhead tank. After it is for it. Two years later it built the

Telephone Co-op **Buys Exchange** At Wingate

nounced Murry Toombs, manager. on the purpose of the baptistry.

Jack Hendricks will live in Wingate and operate and maintain the of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Roach, was system. Mr. Hendricks has had sev- baptized in the new baptistry. eral years experience in telephone

equipment is installed.

back into the tank.

In the background are the mountains painted in oil by Rev. Bill Austin of Haskell. A scene of a river comes to the stones at the back and the real water flows over to have no noon-day meetings durtown were present, including the stones into the baptistry, then ing August. It voted to have a over more stones in front falling bathing beauty contest and Lester to the bottom of the baptistry Dorton reported on the progress

A sumptuous dinner was spread 2:30 p. m., with Scripture reading

The pastor recognized the com-The new baptistry is a beautiful mittee who had charge of the

also redecorated the auditorium and paid for all this. Now, the cli-

and it is paid for. Rev. Austin presented the baptistry to the church. The dedicatory prayer was given by Rev. Edward Jenkins. A duet was sung by The Taylor Telephone Coopera- Rev. and Mrs. Kinard.. The contive purchased the Wingate Ex. gregation sang and then Rev. W. R. change from D. F. Shilling in Feb- Karkalits of Moran and former ruary and took over the operation pastor of the Tye Church delivered of the exchange on July 1, and the dedicatory message. He spoke

Mary Alice Roach, 10, daughter

work. He is moving from Merkel vice with prayer, Last week on to Wingate. He has a wife and two Wednesday the Stith Baptist The operation at Wingate will baptize six members with its pascontinue the same as usual until tor, Rev. W. T. Hammer, officiat-

tank and flowing out of it.

The new baptistry was built at a cost of \$1,000, plus the labor of the congregation. It is all paid for. regular Sunday School classes The church has a membership of 175 persons. It was organized in buck introduced the speaker.

The dedicatory service began at was offered by Henry King.

that in 1947 the church had only There is no water in Tye. It has the auditorium in front of the educational part of the church and max, the building of the baptistry

> Rev. Herrington closed the ser-Church used the new baptistry to

Wheat Is Harvested, Corn Grows But That Is Not the Story of Texas

Well, this is the story that John West told after his three-week trip to Johnstown, Pa., with his trip to Johnstown, Pa., with his see Lots of Beautiful Country wife to visit their daughter, Mrs. See Lots of Beautiful Country W. R. Nichols, and family. They traveled by auto.

In coming home, accompanied by their granddaughter, Miss Linda Niehols, they traveled through Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, tour of Oklahoma, Arkansas and Oklahoma and of course Pennsyl- East Texas. They saw a lot of vania. The country looked good, re- beautiful country. Crops and grassported John. That is, it looked land looked fine in Eastern Oklagood until they got close to Texas homa, Arkansas (but dry and hurtas far as agriculture was concern- ing crops) and East Texas, which

Wheat was being harvested in Missouri, Indiana and Illinois. The corn crop was looking good, he re-

When they entered Texas it was like a slap in the face, commented GIRL TO SKURLOCK John. The cotton was so high, he said and indicated on his hand about 4 inches. At certain spots in New Mexico, June 27, named Sher-Texas the sand had been blown in rie Lynn. They are former Merkeland covered the cotton.

"How about rain?" John was ask "It was raining when I left the



Calif., has passed tests for aviation cadet training. He is the son of Mr.

It is good to get back home in | State of Pennsylvania," he replied.

But after we left the state there DeLara a baby boy on June 26 at the Sadler Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Miller and was dry except for the Eastern SON TO WASHBURNS sons, Jack and Jerry took a week's part of Oklahoma, where they had

STITH CEMTERY The Stith Cemetery will be

worked Tuesday, July 8, be-

ginning at 7 a. m.

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Skurlock of Lovington,

RINEYS HAVE BOY

Mr. and Mrs. Don Riney are the parents of a baby boy, born June 27 at the Sadler Hospital.

seven inches of rain recently. also was dry and hurting crops nounce the birth of a son, John and some stockmen were beginn- Mitchell, born June 23 at the Base ing to sell cattle.

East Texas looked better than the first grandchild of Mr. and parts of Arkansas. Everywhere it Mrs. J. C. Washburn. It Was Wet and Cold Due to Rains

But That Was In New York City Sylvan Mellinger returned Wed- coming up. nesday of last week from a threeweek trip to New York City. He

traveled by train. He went by way of St. Louis, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and New York. From his view on the train everything looked very dry, crops were very small and corn looked like it was just

Phantom Fish at Fort Phantom Hill Is Playing Tricks With Fishermen

its appearance at the Fort Phantom Hill Lake. Many say they have seen it but no one can describe it. But they are certain that it does

Many have reported that they had the phantom fish on their hook, felt it tug at the line but afer playing along with it they have been unable to capture it.

Of course, a fish of this kind is and initiated fishermen. Here was luck against the unseeable phan- phantom fish or is someone maksoemthing worthwhile. First of all, tom. Sure enough, he got a bite. ing up a good fish story? Anyway, it was a phantom fish, one that defied description. It had no name. after it in fine fashion. Finally the caught.

fishermen. In addition, it was big. companied them. (How this was known, is unknown to anyone.) And more, it was wise fish got the line around a

So one fishermen after the othagainst it.

their fellow-fishermen, that J. D. got away!

and cold, due to heavy rains.

Conditions looked a trifle better elsewhere than in Texas. Right in New York City it was very wet

Traveled in Rain, Crops Looked Good **But That Was In Tennessee**

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Strawn returned Wednesday of last week from a trip to Estill Springs, Tenn., where they viisted relatives. His mother, The phantom fish is now making | Next, it played tricks with the Mrs. J. B. Strawn, of Greenville ac-

rock and hung it. J. D. was not to be outsmarted er has taken his rod and reel to He pulled off some of his clothes this spot to see if he could see the and went after the phantom. But phantom fish and to try his skill the fish was not called wise for nothing. He was not called the It is reported, and may or may phantom for nought. As J. D. got not be true, you can't tell what near it, the big fish tugged with all different fishermen will tell about his strength and broke the line. He

a challenge to all good and strong Hughes went recently to try his Now the question is: Is there a

They traveled in rain in Tennessee. Crops looked good. But in Arkansas it had not rained for 31 days and things looked dry. All pastures however looked good.

CLEAN-UP DAYS? If the people of Merkel de-

sire to have clean-up days the city will be happy to cooperate to the full extent of its ability. said Mayor Henry West. The council will meet next Monday night and if a delegation of citizens ask for the clean-up days the city will act on it, he

DOLLAR DAY NOTE As Dollar Day will be the third Tuesday of the month the merchants are asked to please prepare their copy

early for next week's Mail.

Bathing Beauty Contest Groups Are Named Now

The plans for the bathing beauty | Club and to be held on August 7 | linger.

Mrs. Dave Anderson receiv-

ed a letter from her grandson

Pfc. Billy Joe Campbell, who

is in Korea. He reported that

he is sent to the front most

every day in a fox hole where

he puts on glasses and can see

the enemy running from hill

OBSERVES ENEMY

Revival Meet

REV. CECIL M. TUNE

The Methodist revival meeting at Tye Tabernacle will begin Sunday morning. Rev. Cecil M. Tune of Ackerly will be the revivalist and the laboratory department are after the Sunday morning service second only to the FBI, stated the when the pastor, Rev. Lynward Harrison, will deliver the sermon. The revival will end Sunday night

July 13. continued Mr. Kemp. "It is pre-Rev. Tune came from the New dicted that during July 4, 5 and 6 Mexico Conference in 1945. He has that 42 persons will lose their lives had a very effective ministry for seven years. He was pastor at the Medow Methodist Church for three tice safe and sane driving in order

years before going to Ackerly. The public is invited to the re vival meetings.

there were 32 fatal accidents, 38 Pvt. Don R. Hooper were killed, 151 injured, 318 pro-**Merits Award** In Korean War

This story was mailed from

With the 7th Infantry Division in Korea - Pvt. Don R. Hooper, whose wife, Betty, lives at 1502 N. Hancock, Odessa, recently was wanted to. awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge for excellent performance the near future. of duty in combat with the 7th Innot cost us as much in blood and fantry Division.

line fighting man, distinguishes A meeting of the FFA boys will the combat soldier from rear area be held at 9 a. m., Saturday at the and service troops. It consists of At Midnight Sun. high school to discuss plans for a miniature replica of a Revoluattendance at FFA Camp at Pos. tionary War flintlock rifle mounted on a blue background and super imposed on a wreath.

A rifleman with Company L. 17th Infantry Regiment, Private midnight Sunday at his home here, Hooper entered the Army in July 1951. He arrived in Korea last April, has been awarded the Korean Service Ribbon with one campaign star.

But Drouth is Hurting Crops Over State Hooper, live on Route 2, Merkel.

Cpl. and Mrs. Weldon Washburn of the Air Force in Amarillo an-Hospital there. The new baby is

to hill where they are really dug in. It seems they are getting ready for a major battle. Merkel Team Wins 16 to 2

The Merkel Baseball Team beat the Tuscola Team Sunday 16 to 2. The game was played at the high school stadium. A nice crowd saw

Over Tuscola

George English received for the local players. Dwain Higgins hurl ed five innings and then let George McLeod finish the last two innings. Our boys had a lot on the ball and the visitors found them too difficult to connect with.

Carl McKeever connected with a to the plate.

Tuscola was able to gather in heir two runs in the second inning. Merkel ran in four in the first, two in the second and then ran away with the rest whenever they

More games will be scheduled in

The badge, a symbol of the front W. Y. Steen Dies At Age of 82

tired Trent farmer, who died at was held at 3:30 p. m., Tuesday at the Trent Methodist Church. Mr. Steen died after a prolonged illness. He had been bedfast the

last four years. Officiating was the Rev. Elton Wyatt of Mobette and the Rev. Clifford Trotter of Trent. Star buck Funeral Home directed the burial in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Born in Tennessee, Mr. Steen had lived in the Trent area 33 Illness forced his retireyears. ment in 1929.

Survivors are his wife; three sons, Algie of Denver, Colo.; Ozro of Trent, and Marvin of Carlsbad, Calif.; three daughters, Mrs. J. M. Strawn of Trent, Mrs. E. E. Holt of Waco and Mrs. M. R. Miller of Uba City, Calif.; and a brother, Bueford Steen of San Antonio; 19 grandchildren and six great-grand-

Pallbearers were Buster Edwards, Lonnie Halbrooks, Lesley Beasley, Earl Strawn, Carlton Mc Leod, and Leonard Quattlebaum.

committee met recently and ap- lect a girl for the contest are asked pointed working committees. The to contact Mrs. Pete West. planning committee members are: Lester Dorton, chairman: Jack Miller, Chester Collinsworth and Ed-The different working groups

Building platform - Clesby Patterson and Chester Collinsworth.

Concessions - Study Club. Decorations - Edwin Reed and red Starbuck. Girls and Presentation: -

Pete West. Publicity .- Jack Miller and Hy Judges -Five out-of-town men

Lighting -R. L. Elliott, Jr., and Horace Hargrove. Public Address System - Holt

Ticket Sales - Wayman Adcock. Ribbons - Meyer Mellinger. Program Fill-in - Isadore Mel-

contest sponsored by the Lions are taking shape. The planning Those merchants desiring to se-

Rodeo to Be Held At 8 P. M. Saturday

at the Russell Arena Saturday. There will be bareback bronco riding, calf roping, ribbon roping, girls barrel race and bull riding.

All entries must be in by 12 noon

July 5. Admission will be 75 cents and 25 cents. The \$225 roping saddle will be awarded Saturday night at the rodeo. The best roper for the last three rodeos will win. There are five ropers still in the finals. There will be no dust in the arena, promised Ralph Russell.

Merkel's July Fourth roque tour-

A large crowd enjoyed the bas-

big events scheduled in this sec-

tion for July 4. Goat roping, brone

riding, a potato race and other con-

tests were arranged for the benefit

candidates availed themselves of

Deserved praise has been heaped

on Miss Lou Largent. Merkel's

sponsor to the Stamford Cowboy

Reunion, and Merkel has also

come in for its share of recogni-

tion because of such favorable

comments on its attractive repre-

sentative. Miss Largent's escort

the opportunity to deliver cam-

paign speeches.

was Jack Young.

nament resulted in championship

Merkel 20 Years Ago

TAKEN FROM THE 1932 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

ROOSEVELT NOMINATED

Here's the ticket: For president, Friday evening of this week, July Franklin D. Roosevelt of New 8. The time is 7:30. All Legionaires York; for vice president, John N. and ex-service men are invited to Garner of Texas. Governor Roose- attend and bring his own basket. velt was nominated on the fourth The drinks will be served by the ballot, following the release of the Merkel delegation. California and Texas votes pledged triple and a single in three trips to the Texas man. Speaker Garner LAWN TEAM WINS was nominated by acclamation.

The superintendent's annual re Vaughn Willis, a brother team port showed that the high school from Lawn. Three Merkel teams department now had the biggest were mowed down in a row by enrollment of any time in the his- them for the final victory, the runtory of Merkel, there having been | ners-up being Lloyd Gilmore and enrolled 216 in the 8th, 9th, 10th Claude Derrington. and 11th grades. The percentage of attendance was 94.5 for the ENJOY PICNIC AND RODEO year. The average daily attendance for the year was 552 as compared ket picnic and rodeo at Butman's to 477 last year. The total enroll- Tabernacle, which was one of the. ment this year was 633; last year,

DR. GARDNER LEAVES Dr. C. B. Gardner and family left of the crowds and a great many Thursday by automobile to spend a month in California and Pacific Coast states. While in San Francisco Dr. Gardner will spend several days attending clinics in Leland WIN PRAISE Stanford University Hospital, where he will be enrolled in the eye, ear, nose and throat depart-

ment for special study.

CAMP MEETING BEGINS The camp meeting for the Blair circuit begins July 6 at Nubia. Everyone is invited to attend. The third quarterly conference for the Blair circuit will be held at Nubia

July 14.

WIN GAMES Winners in the indoor baseball league for the past week were: July 1, Munday's class 5, Petty's 3; July 5, Munday's class 15, Petty's 9; July 6, Riddle's class 9,

LEGIONAIRES TO MEET

Munday's 5.

SHIP WHEAT AND OATS

During the past week three cars of wheat and one of oats were loaded here, according to the records of Agent J. C. Childress, bringing the total for the season to 10 cars of wheat and four of oats.

Rainfall Saturday and Saturday At Shannon's Pool, Merkel and night and Sunday was gauged at Abilene members of the Parra- 15/16 inch; year's total now is more Post, American Legion, will 20.96 inches.

RAINFALL GUAGED

This Happened in Merkel Forty Years Ago TAKEN FROM THE 1912 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

Several people from here spent Misses Bertha and Minnie Harris, Sunday and Monday in Galveston. Mamie Ellis, Geneva Warnick, Mrs. Harvey Warren, Miss Emma Mashburn, Ollie Dye and Raymond Touchstone. While there they met several Merkel people who gone there from other points: Miss Inex Sharp, Miss Bessie Medlin, Miss Saunders, Parker Sharp and

Ira Shaffer. Mr. and Mrs. Austin Boyd visit

ed in Abilene Saturday Miss Luly Anderson spent a few days with friends in Abilene. Mr. and Mrs. Pribble have

their guests their son, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Pribble, of Spur. rowd of fishing people who have Messrs. Virgil and Cary been out this year left Merkel with

in their wagons and buggies were

Those taking advantage of the Gladys Christopher, Georgia Santa Fe excursions were: Mr. and Moore,, Annie Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Whiteley, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Routh, Messrs. Dennis McDonald, Ernest Duckett, Jno. Moore, had Olly Shaffer, Simpson Christopher, Conner Warnich and others. Monday night the Volunteer Fire Department met to elect a

chief to fill the place of B. C. Gaither, who is in Tuscola, looking after a new business just established in that town. Frank Ferrier was elected for the place.

Mrs. L. E. Benbrook of Benbrook is visiting her two sons, Ed-

gar and Jim Boaz. Misses Mossy and Pat Sears, Lu-Monday afternoon the largest lu Thornton and Inice Moon, stone, Ottis Barnett and Forrest the intention of catching every Gaither spent the Fourth of July fish in the country. Those leaving on Mulberry where the wind does not blow the sand.



and Mrs. N. C. Palmer.

SOCIETY

EARLENE MALONE WEDS AIR FORCE SERGEANT

by Air Force Chaplain Allen J. Berlin, where he served 18 months son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Jones of GOV. SHIVERS HITS Howard, Friday, June 27, in the with the air-lift. The past three Anson. evening at Reese Air Force Base, years he has ben stationed at Earlene Malone of Lubbock became Reese Air Force Base near Lubthe bride of S/Sgt. Johny Knight, bock. The bride, a former Merkel Reese Airman, and son of Mrs. girl, is employed as bookkeeper Gertrude Knight of Zwolle, La.

Mrs. Walter Kelso of Merkel, chose that city. for her wedding an original of blue imported organza, off-shoulder effect with a short fitted jacket. Her head dress was a white skullcap adorned with pearls and rhinestones, and her only jewelry was a four-strand pearl necklace, gift of the groom. For her bouquet she selected a single white orchid. Her only attendant was Miss Bonnie West of Nashville, Tenn. S/Sgt. Frank Landers of Shreveport, La., was best man.

Hollywood Hamak

BY MODERN BEAUTY SHOP

In a double ring ceremony, read states for a short time, was sent to Carr of Noodle. Mr. Jones is the for the International Harvester The bride, daughter of Mr. and Company's Trucking Center

After a wedding trip to Shreveport and other points in Louisiana, the couple will return to Lubbock to make their home on the Levelland Road.

FOREST E. BLACK IS PROMOTED

Mr. and Mrs. Forest E. Black of Route 2 have received word that their son, Sgt. Jimmy F. Black, Sgt. Knight, serving his 11th had been promoted to S/Sgt S/Sgt. and Mrs. Black are now stationed at the Amarillo Air Force where he is student instructor is







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MARY CARR MARRIES BUDDY JONES

year in the Air Force, was stationed in the South Pacific during the war, and after returning to the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. getting along fine. war, and after returning to the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M.

> The double ring ceremony was read before a large picture window n the bride's home.

The best man was Victor Heartwick of Anson. The maid of honor was Mrs. George Dooly of Anson.

hot July Texas campaign trails for 15 days of intensive travel before he leaves for the national Demowas Mrs. George Dooly of Anson. Miss Nellie Flint sang "I Love " You Truly" before the ceremony. James Williams married the couple. There were guests from RUSSELL MOVES
Noodle, Abilene, Garland, Clifton, CATTLE TO OKLAHOMA Noodle, Abilene, Garland, Clifton, Sweetwater, Wylie, Merkel and

Mrs. George Dooly and Mrs. Grady Carr gave the reception. The couple went to Carlsbad, N. Mexico, on their honeymoon. They are now at home in Anson. The house was decorated with many TAKE MANY SCOUTS ouquets of flowers.

VAUGHNS ENTERTAIN BROTHER WITH LAWN PARTY

ained her brother, W. T. Farris, of last week Mrs. Farris and daughter, Sandra Kay, of Santa Paula, Calif., with CHIROPRACTORS lawn party at her home Thurs- MEET ON TUESDAY day night of last week for 35 of heir relatives and a few friends. and desserts of cake, pie and ice in its regular monthly practice. were served buffet style. Out-ofown guests were from Snyder, Anson and Houma, La. The rest were from Merkel.

The Vaughns left Friday for heir home in Santa Paula, Calif.

CELEBRATES 92ND BIRTHDAY

Guests in the home of Mrs. W. W. day, Friday and Saturday. His son, Wheeler and Mrs. W. L. Johnson Doyle and wife of Stanton were ver the weekend were: Mrs. E. E. Dunn, son Glenn of Fort Worth, Burl Wheeler of Abilene, Mr. and . A. B. Harris, grandson, Brian amon, Merkel, Mr. and Mrs. C. Lepard, son Jackie of Big pring, Mrs. Lester Garrett and vo children Betty and Leslie, Mrs. W. Lepard of Anson. The occaon was the birthday of Mrs. heeler who is 92 years old and in

TRUETT PATTERSON LANS JET ENGINES

Truett Patterson, son of Mr. and Herbert Patterson, will arrive plane Friday morning in Abilene to spend the weekend with his parents. He is enroute to Los Angeles, Calif., for some addition-He is in the designing divion of General Motors Corporation, Indianapolis, Ind.

ohnny Wayne and Sessions Hammond and Gene Hargrove left Friday with Miss Betty Campbell of Lamesa for Cesta Canyon at Happy, Texas, where they attended a Methodist retreat. It started raining all night and the next day while they were there. The boys returned Sunday night. They used Pinky Cypert's car to make the

R. L. GRIFFINS ATTEND

FAMILY REUNION AT WACO Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Griffin returned Monday from Waco where they attended the Griffin family reunion. There were 52 present,

FROM OUT OF TOWN

Out of town relatives of J. T. Humphreys who attended his funeral were Messrs. and Mesdames F. A. Hoeninghaus of Eagle Lake, A. Mattsberger of San Antonio. H. Jetton and two children Henry and Louetta and Mr. Delbert Callaway and Richard Callaway of Edna.

WATCH

Rep. Omar Burleson is due to return home by Monday from Washington, D. C., and begin his campaign for re-election, his campaign headquarters announced.

THIS

Miiler Im

RS. H. PATTERSON AS RETURNED HOME

Miss Mary John Carr became Mrs. Herbert Patterson returned

AMPAIGN TRAIL

Allan Shivers took off his formal vernor's coat this week to hit the t July Texas campaign trails for leaves for the national Demoatic Convention in Chicago the eek of July 20.

C. K. Russell moved his cattle to rtheastern Oklahoma this week. finest and knee-high and there is

Frank Breaux and Principal C Farley took a bus-load of Abi- thing to brag about. ne Scouts to Philmont Scout anch in the northern part of New | PRICE DANIEL Mr. and Mrs. Holt Vaughn enter Mexico. They left here on Tuesday

sociation met Tuesday night in

C. CONLEY IMPROVES FTER HEART ATTACK

Deputy Sheriff C. C. Conley no suffered two heart attacks week, is improving. His moth-Mrs. Walter Gaddis, and husnd and Mr. Conley's brother, elvin, and wife, all of San Annio, were here to see him Thurshere all last week and let bar day. He is at the Sadler Hospital. re all last week and left Sun-

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Anderson ent Saturday night and Sunday ith Mr. Anderson's sister and other-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Lee ndell, of Tuscola. They attendservices at the Baptist Church. o visited in the home of M1 Mrs. Tommy Hodges and Mr Mrs. Bruce Howell, close nds for many years.

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ment Co.

BUT IT WASN'T FISH!

Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Wylie and family and Hollis McCoy and son Burl went fishing Friday at Lake Brownwood. They did not have much luck fishing for fish, caught only a few little ones. But P. C.'s luck was good in catching the sunlight. Monday, he was sporting a burnt chin . .. pecling and red!

R. L. DENSON VISITS HIS TWO BROTHERS AFTER 39 YEARS

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Denson and granddaughter from Carlsbad, N. Mex., have just returned home from a two weeks vacation. They vijsted in Carlsbad, Colorado, here at Stroud the grass is the Wyoming, South Dakota and last to Montana where Mr. Denson visenty of water, said Mr. Russell. ited two of his brothers for the first time in their home in 39 years. The real thrill was when Mr. Denson or (Red) as he is called showed his brothers how to catch a fish. It really was some-

STOPS CAMPAIGN

Attorney General Price Daniel this week interrupted his campaign for U. S. Senate to carry on his fight to save the State's new The Taylor County Chiropractic gas tax revenues for building more rural roads and improving the public schools.

FIRE DESTROYS HOME FURNISHINGS

The fire department put out a fire at the home of Willie Whitney, Colored, Monday morning. His furnishings were destroyed.

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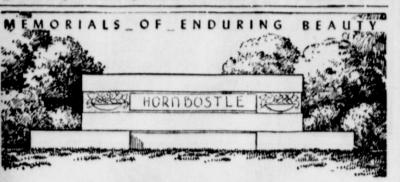
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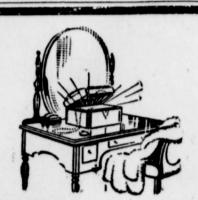
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next meeting. Eleven were pres- and Mrs. Forest Hill and children ent and the class is growing. Mrs. attended a family reunion at Gilbert Calloway is president and Mrs. Winnie Dickerson is secretary. "Come and enjoy these meetings with us," invited the class reporter.

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Mr. and Mrs. Joe Patterson and spent the weekend in Hobbs, New son of Aransas Pass were visitors Mexico visiting relatives. on Wednesday of last week in the home of her brother, J. C. Washburn, and family. Miss Lyndle Patterson of Austin, daughter of the Pattersons, was also here. They came to see Corporal William Washburn before he left for Ft. Sam Houston the following day.

Rodney Sheppard of Bi Spring visited his grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Sheppard, last week.

Harry Freedman of Lockhart is visiting his sister, Mrs. Max Mellinger, and family

, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Price and son, Eldon, spent last week in Delight, Ark., visiting their nephew, C. R. Allgood and family. It was dry and hot up there. Mrs. Price visitday and Sunday. They reported a ed her parents in McKinney on the way up

was very hot. This was the 27th Mr. and Mrs. Quannah Dudley annual session of the group and went to Nolan Sunday and returned with their children, Janie and Sharon, who had been spending Falls were here last week visiting the week with their grandmother, Mrs. Earl Wallace.

> J. T. Darsey spent Sunday in Midland with his son, J. T., Jr., and

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J. F. Smith of Roscoe was here Monday, visiting friends. He lived here from 1902 to 1929

Mr. and Mrs. Ocie E. Day and children, Anne and Elaine, visited recently with their grandmother. Mrs. Myrtle Boden.

Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Buford spent Sunday in Lubbock, visiting her sister, Mrs. Tom Allday, and

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Scarlett and children, Deborah and Darlene, and Mrs. B. F. Dykes of Wichita Mrs. J. T. Johnson and Miss Deliah Kuykendall. Mr. and Mrs. Scarlett went to New Mexico, Snyder and Balmorhea and returned here to pick up Mrs. Dykes.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Wood and children of Lubbock are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. E.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Jennings visited their son, J. W., and family in Abilene Sunday. They also visited their niece, Mrs. Wilma Wilson, husband and one-week old daugh-

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Norwood of Clyde, son Bobby and wife of Jal, New Mexico, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Riney of Abilene were Sun-day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill

Mr. Clyde Foster of Odessa, forerly of Merkel, was here Thursday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Price Mitchell and children have moved to Abilene, where he will be close to his work.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Land of Long Beach is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Melton, of Route 4.

Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Adcock left Friday for Lubbock to attend the Bankhead Family Reunion.

Mrs. Ed Young of Lampasas and Miss Alice Bigham of Abilene visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Henry West. Mr. and Mrs. George West and daughter, Barbara of Midland were guests over the weekend

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Winter and daughter. Beatrice of Paris are here visiting relatives. They brought his mother, Mrs. Joe Winter, home here. She had been visiting in Paris. He reports lots of grass in Paris.

Weldon Tittle of Washington. D. C., is visiting with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Tittle. He has a two-week vacation and will spend part of it in Austin.

Harry Reese of Stephenville was a weekend guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bullock.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Miller and Miss Annelle Johnson spent the weekend in Edgewood with their relatives, returning home Elaine and Glenda Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Joyce went to Clovis, New Mexico, to visit her brother, H. F. Hendrix, and family Thursday of last week, stopping off in Lubbock. They returned Sunday with their son, Larry, who had been visiting in Clovis

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Eager and family, Miss Kay James, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Reynolds and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Higgins and family and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Vinson and family are spending a week in Corpus Christi, swimming, fishing and golfing.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Risinger and son, Jimmy of Pecos formerly from here left for their home Monday after spending a few days here with her mother, Mrs. J. M.

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Pedestrians, for your own safety, walk to the left facing traffic, carry something white. Be extra cautious at night. Never forget, the life you save may be your own.

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SUBSCRIPTION RATES



JULY 4TH.

date commemorates an event upon in the idea that we should love our nations under God will be fre and which our whole form of govern-neighbor as ourselves and the independent, living in peace and ment rests. It was and is our De-statement that we all have one brotherly love. claration of Independence.

Back in the year 1776 our fore- Russell, writing today, is bring George IV. We were not free, we Sermon on the Mount. were not independent. We did not Russell emphasizes the critical should be taxed or not.

not to the liking of our liberty lov- do about it? ing ancestors. They stood up for It is not our purpose here to re fought a war of independence and want to do is to point out that the

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> 52.50 This is what we recall today, what we remember and what we rible things. It has made in the few man to destroy hims This is what we recall today. are proud of.

not only the right of citizens of the earth, he must learn to live United States but that they are his fellowman, and this also the inborn right of every in with those who are most wall dividual who walks the earth.

This point of view is a healthy mon on the Mount. The h one in a modern world. As Bert- must be fed. The ignorant to rand Russell, winner of the 1950 be educated. Love and not I Nobel prize for literature, says in must be taught to the gr his latest book, "New Hopes for a child all over the earth. This Changing World," "The World To- realize is difficult. But so was day is One Big Family.

We do not have to pause with So on this Fourth of July Russell's recent statement. We hope that our Declaration of Incecan go back to our early teachings. pendence will become the Today is the Fourth of July. This it is the same thought expressed cry of all the earth, and thit all

fathers were laboring under the ing out modern ideas that are yoke of the English ruler. King expressed in ancient days by the

have the right to say whether we condition of the present world Fear is widespread and war seems This form of dependence was almost inevitable. What are we to

their rights. They rebelled, they view Russell's recent book. All we world situation today is like that that we encountered in the Days of the Revolution that led to the Declaration of Independence.

As we are all today one family it is our duty to see not only to our own independence and freedom but to that of all nations of the earth. That is a big problem, we admit. There is no simple answer.

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Said Plaintiff's petition was filed on the 10th day of June,

The file number of said suit being No. 6964-B.

The names of the parties of said suit are: Alice Hargrove as Plaintiff, and Albert Hargrove as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married on or about May 21, 1950 and no children have been born and no Community property ac

quired Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of cruel treatment. If this Citation is not served within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned

unserved. Issued this the 10th day of June A. D., 1952,

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Texas, this the 10th day of June A. D.;

J. NEIL DANIEL Clerk 104th District Court Taylor County, Texas By IRENE CRAWFORD Deputy adv. June 23, 30, July 4,11

NOTICE OF BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING

In obedience to an order of the Board of Equalization, regularly onvened and sitting, notice i hereby given that said Board of Equalization will be in session at ts regular meeting place in the

school house in the town of Merkel, Jones and Taylor Counties, Texas, at 9:00 o'clock A. M., on Thursday, the 17th day of July, 1952, for oil people, and Wednesday, the 16th day of July, 1952, for all others, for the purpose of determining, fixing and equalizing the value of any and all taxable prop erty situated in Merkel Independent School District, Jones and Taylor counties, Texas, for taxable purposes for the year 1952, and any and all persons interested or having business with said Board are hereby notified to be present.

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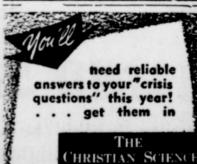
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Charles Edwards, cooperator with ed grasses. He plans to have sev the Middle Clear Fork Soil Conser- eral pastures and rotate grazing vation District in the Sinclair area, between them whenever they are has sown 50 acres of cropland to fully developed. adapted grasses this spring. This sandy land and it was sown to a structive enemies of the land mixture containing sand and weep- (wind erosion) whenever he seing lovegrass along with several cures a good land cover of grasses native bluestems. It was sown on his 320 acre sandy land farm. oroadcast at the rate of 8 pounds of seed per acre.

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The most sure way to controlling a gully is to control the water which causes the gully. This can e done in several ways such as keeping the water out of it; by iving the bottom and sides of the ully with grass or other vegetaion to keep the water from cuttng loose soil and washing it away; r you can control a gully by intalling concrete or masonry strucures that will drop the water safey to the bottom of the gully.

Keeping water out of a gully is not a simple matter in every case. You can't stop the water from running down hill if there is very much water. You must find some other place for the water to flow and it must be one well protected with grass so that another gully is not formed by diverting the water from the original gully.

You must make the water flow where you want it to flow and at a safe speed and depth of flow. This may mean that you should build an evebrow or diversion terrace at the head of the gully to lead or divert the water to where you want it to flow. How large should you build this eyebrow or diversion and the grade you should allow are the next logical ques

Part of the answer to these ques tions depend upon how much water you must divert during the heaviest rains, land slope, distance to proposed outlet, condition of outlet, and kind of soil. To safely divert water out of a gully you should have a well grassed pasture have to let the water continue to flow down the draw and control further erosion with vegetation or

Getting grass or other vegetation to grow in the bottom of a gully that carries a big load of water every time it rains is not easy You must find means of holding the soil in place while the grass gets started. Brush, net wire, smalll dikes or plugs, can prove

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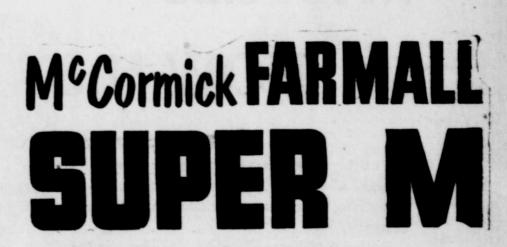
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graphers and newsreel experts ions such as this may occur over have tried to describe the exper- the centers of our civilization. ience - only to admit he complete inadequacy of word and picture to tell a story such a this.

All who observed the pectacle are in agreement that it was the ible. Two hundred world famous jour- most terrifying sight ma could

The glasses we wore were so strong that through them the sun appeared as a tiny disc of light and a man standing directly in Technicolor musicals. front of you was hardly discern-

Yet when the flash came, as the bomb exploded, the light which penetrated those glasses was of leads the big parade of talent gar-

staggering intensity It was actually the light of

nundred suns. The heat was like that of a fiery furnace whose door was momentarily opened in front of you. (I believe they say the heat of the sun's surface is 5,750 degrees centigrade. The heat of this bomb at the moment of explosion is estimated at a million degrees centigrade.))

In 30 seconds came the blast the blast that caused you to feel that you were being pushed outside in, and then immediately as the suction came - that you were most surely being turned inside out.

And who could hazard a description of the terrifying beauty of the resulting fire cloud and of the mushroom shaped umbrella, aflame eight miles in the sky the rolling, twisting, turning hemisphere changing with breathtaking speed from pure white to the iridescent hues of the rainbow; the dust of the desert drawn up several thousand feet into the air - a vast all-encompassing curtain appearing as if in futile attempt to hide from view the terrors of this the most powerful force ever harnassed in the history of man. This blast shattered the stillness

of a desolate wasteland. Our experts estimated that had t been exploded over one of our great cities __and if the people were not alerted, not trained, not prepared - 500,000 would have been killed or injured.

Realization of this threat and of this very definite danger is enough to drive us to despair were it not for the reassurance of the foremost among our great men of science and of all authorities in this field - the assurance that with widespread and effective civilian effort, in collaboration with the military, we shall be able to reduce significantly the damage to life and property resulting from the use of this weapon against us should a foreign foe seek to do us

The 2,100 members of the armed forces in foxholes three and a half miles to four from ground zero, and those of us who were ten miles away, were properly alerted, carefully drilled, disciplined and trained. As a result, there was not a single casualty of significance resulting from this frightful blastdespite all its terrifying potential-

The moral of this story to all our people is very clear.

The Chinese have an old proverb -- "it is better to light a candle than to curse the darkness.'

I have a strong feeling that no one came away from that burned and barren spot at Yucca Flat Nev. on the historic morning of the 22nd day of April, 1952, without the very firm conviction that it is time to light a candle throughout the length and breath of this America, of this land of the - so far

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nalists, radio commentato s, photo- see - until the time when explos- launches a boatload of stars, songs, | nered for this rolicking musical Navy either to get or to forget a dances, love and laughs July 10 tale of three girls who join the man.

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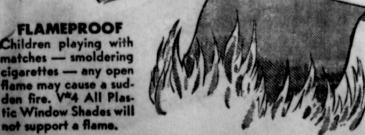
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Clyde Wurst, Jr. On Troop Ship On Way to Japan

A/3C Clyde Wurst, Jr., left San Francisco June 22 on the U. S. N. S. Collins. From there they went to Seattle, Wash., to pick up more troops. Their destination is Yokohama, Japan. Clyde wrote that the trip to Seattle was "swell" and he didn't get seasick.

Mrs. V. Patterson Is A Director At Leadership Camp

Leadership Camp for Northwestern Texas Conference has been in session at Ceta Canyon Methodist Camp ground, Canyon, this week. Mrs. Virgil Patterson is assistant director of the laboratory section for children's workers.

Bertha and Sandra Patterson were two of the six youths selected to help at the camp. They chose to work in the kindergarten labora

Mrs. Holt Vaughn left Sunday with them for the camp. A number of teachers and officers of the church in Abiiene district attended the camp.

Clyde Wurst, Sr., Home From Hospital After Surgery

Clyde Wurst,, Sr., returned home Wednesday of last week from the Harris Hospital in Fort Worth where he underwent surgery.

EARL HUGHES ATTENDS COWBOY REUNION

Earl Hughes left Tuesday for Stamford where he will be ac countant for the Texas Cowboy Reunion. He has had this job since

HOSPITAL NOTES Admission to the Sadler Hospital he past week were:

As medical patients - Mrs. F. M. Cordell, E. C. Brown, Patsy Johnson, Sandra Thompson, Billie Charles Gouge, Mrs. R. A. Boyd, J. M. Brown, Carole Deen of Rising Star and Mrs. Lee Rogers.

For surgery — Ray Mashburn, appendectomy, Mrs. Marvin Freeman and J. E. Tittle, Jr., tonsilec-

Gene Bumpass, cooperator with the District in the Campere area, has recently seeded about 18 acers of cropland to blue panic acres of choplands to blue panic District-owned press wheel planted in 3-foot rows at the rate of 11/2 pounds of seed per acre. It this planting proved successful he plans to seed another 30 to 40 acres of his cropland to grass.

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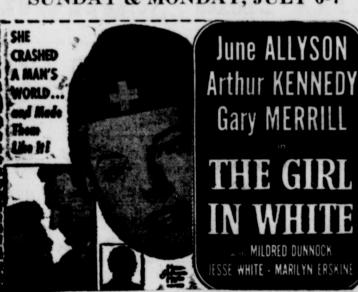
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State Senator HARLEY SADLER STERLING WILLIAMS

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 RUFE TITTLE (reelection)

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

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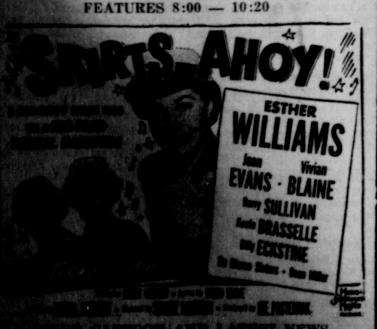
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