

Merkel Baptist Revival Starts Next Sunday

The First Baptist Church will begin its revival next Sunday and close August 24.

Rev. R. Elmer Dunham will be the evangelist. Rev. Dunham is director of the city and rural extension department of the Baptist General Convention of Texas. He is a preacher of wide experience, having served as pastor of several churches in Texas district missionary, District 8, chaplain with the 20th Armored Division during World War II; missions superintendent of Fort Worth for five years.

Services will be held daily at 10 a. m., and 8 p. m., Roland Whately will be in charge of the boys and girls booster band and Pastor Glen Braswell will direct the choir and congregational singing. The public is invited.

Merkel Schools Will Open Monday, September 1st

Prof. Mack Fisher, superintendent of schools, announced that the Merkel Schools are scheduled to begin the new school year on Monday, September 1, at 8:45 a. m.

A general faculty meeting will be held on Saturday, August 30, at 9 a. m. Prior to the general faculty meeting, the teachers in the elementary building will meet for organizational purposes on Thursday August 28, at 8 a. m. The teachers in the primary building will have a faculty meeting on Friday, August 29, at 8 a. m.

Following the general faculty meeting on Saturday morning, the high school teachers will have an instructional meeting in the high school library.

Pupils entering the first grade will be enrolled on Friday morning, August 29 and will not meet classes on Monday, but will begin regular work on Tuesday morning, September 2.

The school buses will make their regular runs on Monday, September 1, and will arrive with the students at 8:30 a. m. In order to give the teachers time to check their assignments and to make any necessary changes, the buses will run at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon. After Monday, the regular bus schedules will be followed — students to arrive at school at 8:30 a. m., and leave for home at 3:45 p. m.

According to the information in the superintendent's office, the following teachers will comprise the faculty for 1952-53:

Primary School: Miss Viola Allred, Mrs. Elsie Nash, Mrs. Billie Faye Ellis, Mrs. Lena Dunagin, Mrs. Josephine Tidwell, Mrs. Ouida Reed, Mrs. Eloise Reynolds, Mrs. Eula West, Miss Alzada Pogue, Miss Norah Foster, Mrs. Hazel Pargament and C. A. Farley principal.

Elementary School: Mrs. Helen Benson, Mrs. Mary Bird, Miss Lydia Norcross, Mrs. Elleta Orsborn, Mrs. Lola Cox, Mrs. Mack Fisher, Mrs. Patsy Dunagin Criswell, Mrs. Jo Finley Barnett, Leon Walker, Mrs. Mildred Winter, Mrs. Anna Bell Shouse and C. A. Farley, principal.

High School: Carroll Benson, Chester Collinsworth, Thomas Ellis, Mrs. Melba Gooch, Mrs. Lucy Haynes, Mrs. Ellen McReynolds, Mrs. Ruth Perkins, Mrs. Evelyn Read, Delmer Melton, Mrs. Betty Lackey, Ernest C. Patterson, Mrs. Don Names, Mrs. Catherine Davis and Edwin Read, principal.

DOANS HAVE SON
Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Doan are the parents of a baby boy, Samuel Steven, born July 26 at Hendrick Memorial Hospital. The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Joe B. Toombs and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Doan.

DILTZES HAVE GIRL
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Diltz a baby girl at the Sadler Hospital on Monday, August 4.

DID HE SPIT ON THE BAIT?
Bill Cox went fishing Saturday in Phantom Lake at Flat Rock Pile Arch Rose and Charlie and Jimmy Higgins also went fishing. They got a few yards from Bill and they used the same bait. Bill caught three good fish and a buffalo. The others caught... well, nothing!



REV. E. ELMER DUNHAM leads preaching



REV. GLEN BRASWELL leads singing

1,500 Persons At Meeting Here

About 1,500 persons attended the West Providence Association meeting held here from Thursday to Sunday noon. This association consists of seven churches in this area: Merkel, Anson, Roby, Snyder, Midland, Big Spring and Lamesa. The members are Primitive Baptists, known as "Hard Shell Baptists," and trace their beginning to John The Baptist.

Some came as far as 1,000 miles or more to attend the meeting. Two preachers came from around Gonzales, others came from California, Arizona and New Mexico.

C. L. Casey of Cisco came here to preach once a month.

The purpose of the meeting was to preach and sing hymns. Three services were held daily: one in the morning, one in the afternoon and one at night. Two sermons were delivered at each service with two elders doing the preaching.

This meeting is an annual affair. A different town is chosen each year in which to meet. Every seven or eight churches of this denomination have their own association.

There are about 3,500 members in the West Providence Association. Last Friday Elger B. R. Howze of Big Spring was re-elected moderator.

No musical instruments are used by the Primitive Baptists.

The great number of worshippers who came here taxed the available accommodations of the town. All hotels and motels were filled and the folks here opened up their homes to the visitors. With all this many of the worshippers brought tents and camped out at the local high school grounds where the meeting took place.

They met in the high school gymnasium. There was no air conditioning but that did not dampen the spirits of the people. Hand fans were waving all over the hall. The folks brought their babies and their crying did not interfere with the meeting. The mothers quieted them with filled milk bottles.

Sunday morning many mothers spread blankets on the floor of the gymnasium and let the children lie there contentedly and drink milk from bottles.

No collections were taken throughout the meeting but gifts of \$500 were counted. In all ten ministers were present both from this area and from associations farther removed.

Sunday morning, though the hour was crowding passed the dinner time, the worshippers were in no hurry to leave. The moderator had finished his sermon and the congregation kept on singing hymns and shaking hands with the many ministers present.

At last the closing prayer was pronounced and the good people were told that the meeting had been concluded. Then they gathered in groups outside the gymnasium and bade each other farewell. A meeting of a different association will be held in Cisco week after next week.

CLARENCE PERRYS ARE GRANDPARENTS
Mr. and Mrs. Booth Russom of Odessa announce the birth of a baby girl, named Connie Brynn, on July 26. Mrs. Russom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Perry.

TO SING SUNDAY
Regular second Sunday singing will be held at 2 p. m. Sunday at the Pioneer Memorial Chapel. Everybody is welcome.

Bob Hicks Is Elected Demo State Delegate

Robert Hicks was elected as delegate to the State Democratic Convention to be held in Amarillo in September. Mr. Hicks was not present when he was elected at the Taylor County Democratic Convention in Abilene Saturday afternoon.

Taylor County Democrats voted to withhold support of the national party's nominees for president and vice president unless they declare in the immediate future that they will support return of the tidelands to the shoreline states.

The Taylor County Democratic Convention was firmly under control of the so-called Regulars led by Governor Allan Shivers.

The Shivers forces were ahead of their own convention leaders in force of their anti-administration pronouncements. Although their leaders had approved it, the delegates tabled a resolution that would have bound the state party to put the names of Adlai Stevenson and John Sparkman on the November ballot as the party's nominees, or to bind Texas' Democratic party electors to vote for its nominees in the electoral college.

In its convention here the Democrats had voted for an instructed delegation.

The Regulars were so tightly in the saddle that they voted to seat the delegation of Precinct 17, Merkel, a so-called Loyalist delegation, even though it was not certified by the county clerk. This was due to the fact that minutes and resolutions of the Merkel precinct convention were not filed with the county clerk within the legal deadline.

Shivers' people, who supported the uninstructed Texas delegation to the National Convention, showed a majority of 65 to 12 on the only roll call.

Text of the resolution of appreciation for Shivers' road program follows:

"Whereas Governor Allan Shivers since becoming governor of Texas July 15, 1949, has taken the lead in the building of farm-to-market roads, and during his administration there has been built and completed 7,632 miles of farm-to-market roads and in addition 3,654 miles has been authorized and plans approved, making a total of 11,287 miles of farm-to-market roads built or authorized during his administration, and

"Whereas Taylor County, during Governor Shivers' administration has received from motor vehicle registration receipts, bond assumption fund payment of Taylor County bonds, construction of rural roads the total sum of \$1,476,529.69;

Now be it resolved that we express to Governor Shivers our ap-



ROBERT HICKS is delegate

preciation for his leadership in the building of farm-to-market roads and his efforts in behalf of rural counties of Texas.

"Be it further resolved that we appreciate his firm stand against repeal of the gasoline refunds to farmers, and his opposition to removing one-fourth of the tax now allocated to the public school system.

"Further that we support his efforts to improve roads of the state and urge that he continue the farm-to-market road program and urge legislators, both in the Senate and the House, to continue to support the governor and his program in behalf of the State of Texas."

Merchants are requested to have their Dollar Day Ads ready early next week.

2d Lt. William Cook Helps Down MIG Jet Plane In Korea



LT. WILLIAM W. COOK

The Abilene Reporter-News in Tuesday night's paper carried a two-column head story and a picture at the top of page 1 telling a story about a Merkel boy in Korea. The story follows:

Air Force 2d Lt. William W. Cook of Merkel helped down a Russian-built MIG jet fighter plane Korea Tuesday, the Associated Press reported.

Lt. Cook shared the kill with Ronald W. Martrim, of Port Jarvis, N. Y.

The air battle, one of five Tuesday, came when U. S. Sabre jet pilots intercepted 14 Communist planes in the Haeju-Sariwon area.

GIRL TO STALLS
Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Stallo are the parents of a baby girl born Tuesday, August 5, at the Sadler Hospital.

a few miles north of the 38th parallel.

The Air Force said four MIGs were shot down and six damaged in the fight.

Lt. Cook is the son of Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Cook, Route 3, Merkel. He was graduated from Anson High School in 1946 and received a B. A. degree from Hardin-Simmons University in June, 1950.

He began his basic Air Force training in November 1950, at Perrin Air Force Base at Sherman and completed it June 22, 1951. He took his advanced training at Williams Air Force Base, Chandler, Ariz., receiving his wings as a jet fighter pilot last Dec. 15.

He spent a 15-day leave with his parents last Christmas and then went to Nellis AFB, Las Vegas, Nev., for additional eight weeks of gunnery training.

Merkel 20 Years Ago

TAKEN FROM THE 1932 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

PAUL COLLINS ELECTED

At the quarterly conference of Methodist Young People at the Abilene district held at Baird last week end, a Merkel boy, Paul Collins, was named president and Evelyn Darden of Abilene, secretary.

AT DISTRICT MEET

Holding their fifth Sunday devotion program, young people of the Abilene district met Sunday afternoon and evening, with the Central Presbyterian Church in Abilene as the host church. Those representing Merkel were Jack Patterson, Kennedy Whiteley and Jim Patterson.

MASHBURNS HAVE TWINS

Twins, a boy and a girl, to Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Mashburn, residing near Stith, Tuesday, August 19, 1932.

OFFER PRIZES

With subscriptions of cash and merchandise totalling more than \$110, Merel businessmen and citizens are extending a list of most attractive and serviceable premiums for the first, second and third bales of cotton, weighing 450 pounds, or more, grown and ginned in the Merkel territory.

INVITE TAXPAYERS

In a formal notice issued by Mayor W. M. Elliott, taxpayers are invited to be present at the tabernacle next Monday at 8 p. m., which is the time set for the purpose of studying and adopting the budget for the city of Merkel for 1932-33.

SCHOOLS TO OPEN

At the regular monthly meeting of the school board, it was decided to open the schools for the 1932-33 session on Monday, Sept. 12. Supt. Burgess has asked The Mail to make the further announcement that entrance examinations, registrations, etc., as well as the return of text books, will all take place in the week preceding the opening day.

RECORD BIRTHS

Boy to Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Smith.

This Happened in Merkel Forty Years Ago

TAKEN FROM THE 1912 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

Oak barrels at Armstrong's.

John Shannon has returned from College Station where he went as a delegate from Taylor County to the Farmer's congress. While away he visited Galveston and other places in East Texas.

Son Potter had the misfortune of getting his collarbone broken in a fall from a wagon this week.

Willie Joe Largent returned from Amarillo Friday where he has been taking a course in Draughon's Business College.

Several Merkel citizens attended the county convention at Abilene Saturday: J. S. Swann, J. H. Oliver, J. H. Shaffer, H. M. Rainbolt, H.

residing on the Butman Ranch, Sunday, August 7.

Girl to Mr. and Mrs. George A. Smith, residing north of town, Sunday, August 7.

IN RUNOFF

Names of candidates in seven state races and one district race and for two county offices and for two precinct places appear on the official ballot for the second democratic primary election, August 27, in Taylor County.

AT TRENT

A protracted meeting will be held on Sunday, August 14, at the Baptist Church, conducted by Rev. Geo. W. Pars of Roscoe, assisted by Rev. J. Perry King of Rule. Ewell Bone and wife will conduct the music.

AT UNION RIDGE

The Union Ridge Methodist revival meeting starts Friday night, August 12.

CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

Mrs. J. C. Elmore celebrated her 90th birthday Sunday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. L. Frazier, of the Butman Community.

AT STITH

The Stith Home Demonstration Club met Friday afternoon with Mrs. Sam Mashburn. Fifteen members answered roll call with a current event. After a business meeting Miss Louise Hudson gave an account of her trip to the short course at A. & M.

AT SALT BRANCH

The Salt Branch Home Demonstration Club met Friday, August 5, at the home of Mrs. L. B. McClain. Punch and cake were served to ten members and several visitors.

AT DORA

This community enjoyed a nice cooling shower Monday and Tuesday.

AT BLAIR

The Rev. Mr. Lowery of Abilene is conducting the revival at the Baptist Church.

C. Williams, W. O. Boney, C. D. Mims, G. B. Tittle, J. T. Toombs and T. J. Williamson.

Miss Agnes Hall came in Sunday from Waco and other points where she has been for the past few months.

Misses Floy Gunn, Eula Hawkins and Elizabeth and Martha Swafford were members of a house party at Anson last week.

Rufus A. McNeas returned from Austin Thursday where he has been taking a summer course in the state normal.

Miss Alice May Boyce of Abilene was the guest of Miss Elma Sheppard the first of the week.

M. E. Randolph Is New Pastor Of Live Oak

The New Live Oak Baptist Church called by unanimous vote on Wednesday of last week the Rev. M. E. Randolph to be its new pastor. He preached his first sermon Sunday.

Rev. Randolph was born in Palestine and reared in Callahan county. He attended Hardin-Simmons University and was licensed to preach in 1949 at Prairie View Baptist Church in Jones County.

Rev. Randolph has been a resident of Merkel since October 1951. He is married and has two children: Charlotte Ann, 10, and Sandra, 8.

R. M. Doan, 44 Is Buried Here Yesterday, Thurs.

R. M. Doan, 44, died in Elida, N. Mexico, Wednesday. The funeral was held at 3 p. m., Thursday at the local Church of Christ Church. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery with Starbuck Funeral Home in charge.

Mr. Doan was the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Doan. He was born and reared here and went to school here. Later he farmed. He left Merkel four months ago for Elida to work.

Besides his wife he is survived by a son 9 and a daughter 3; three sisters, Mrs. May Graham of Wichita Falls, Mrs. Hugh Campbell and Mrs. Adrian Farmer of Merkel; six brothers, Claude of Hail Center, R. T. of Bell Flower, Calif., D. C., J. H., V. L. and Carl of Merkel.

T. F. Yandells Keeping Military Quota Up

Clinton Yandell, U. S. Navy, is spending a 14-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Yandell, and other relatives at Trent. Yandell has finished boot camp training at San Diego. He will report for active duty on August 15 to the Navy Parachute Unit of the U. S. Naval Auxiliary Air Station at El Centro, Calif. Clinton's twin brother, Benton, has taken the physical examination for the service and will be called in a future draft quota. Another brother, Thomas, is in the National Guard. Mr. and Mrs. Yandell had three sons in World War II, Roy H., Harold, and Alton.

SOCIETY

ELIZABETH FLOYD IS BRIDE OF BOBBY SPRATLEN

Elizabeth Floyd became the bride of Bobby Spratlen Saturday at 7:30 p. m. in the home of E. E. Meyers. Brother Meyers officiated. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Floyd of 1020 North Jackson, Odessa, formerly of Comanche, moving to Odessa last year. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Spratlen, 809 W. 27th St., Odessa, formerly of Trent, moving to Odessa in 1949. The bride wore a street length two-piece suit of navy blue crepe, trimmed in white braid, and a corsage of pink carnations. The attendants were: Mr. and

Mrs. Maurice Spratlen, Mr. and Mrs. Curley Wells and Tommy Spratlen.

A reception was held in the home of the bridegroom's parents immediately following the ceremony for the couple and their attendants.

Mr. and Mrs. Spratlen will live in Odessa where he is employed in the oil field at Goldsmith.

GIFT PARTY HONORS MRS. BOBBY AMASON

On Friday evening a gift party honoring Mrs. Bobby Amason (nee Leona Watson) was hosted in the home of Mrs. Davis Hobdy. Mrs. Amason is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Watson. Mr. Amason is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Baylor Amason and is employed by an oil company in Mineral Wells. Hosts who assisted Mrs. Hobdy were Mesdames Ed Sandusky, Irl

Walker, Joe Higgins, A. L. Cunningham, Oscar McClain, Myrtle Wozencraft, Dent Gibson, Horace Boney, Boen, Earl Baze and E. I. Clack.

Garden flowers were used for room decoration. Refreshments were served from a beautiful laid table. Many useful gifts were presented to the bride.

ATTEND NIECE'S WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. F. V. Gaither visited in Elk City and Carter, Okla. last weekend, attending the wedding of their niece, Jo Ann Vacker.

YANDELL FAMILY HOLD REUNION LAST SATURDAY

All members of the family of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Yandell of Trent were present in the home of their parents at a family reunion August 2. Special honor guest of the occasion was Clinton Yandell on leave from the U. S. Naval Air Station at El Centro, California. For the first time in more than 10 years all the 10 children were present for the reunion.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Roy H. Yandell, Linda Larer, and Bennie of Austin; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Yandell and Joe, Alvene; Mr. and Mrs. Alton Yandell, A. C. and Carol, Killeen; Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Walden and Rickey, Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Gene Wheeler and Ranny, Sweetwater; Thomas, Benton, Jesse, and Cora Mae Yandell, Trent, and Clinton Yandell, El Centro, California.

Others present were Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Brewer, parents of Mrs. T. F. Yandell, also her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. Brewer, Sweetwater.

Mrs. J. L. Walden was the former Audrey Yandell; Mrs. Gene Wheeler, the former Frances Yandell; Mrs. Roy Yandell, the former Betty Howell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Howell, formerly of Trent, but now of Austin.

DOERS OF THE WORD ENJOY THEATRE PARTY

The Doers of the Word Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church met July 25 in front of the Queen Theatre for a theatre party. "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" was on the screen. There were only four present. They were Carolyn Eister, Stella Mae Russell, Mrs. Ralph Miller (teacher), and Irene Dishman.

Refreshments of bope corn were served by Mrs. Miller.

FAREWELL PARTY HONORS H. F. HENNINGTON

A farewell party was given on Tuesday of last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Allen for H. F. Hennington, who will retire on August 12 from the service of the Humble Oil Company at Noodin. There were 39 present. The Henningtons will make their home in Cisco.

Rev. Higginbotham Visits Rev. Russel On Way to Meet

Rev. James Higginbotham of Cleburne visited with Rev. John N. Russel on his way to Zion Chapel to begin a meeting Monday night. Services are at 8 p. m. and are all this week.

Jimmy Walker Has Coaching Job At Big Spring

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Irl Walker last weekend were their son, Jimmy, Alvin Whaley and Gerald Rogers of El Paso. They were en route to Fort Worth to attend the coaching school. Jimmy has been elected assistant coach at Big Spring, Mr. Whaley at El Paso and Mr. Rogers at Crane.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Admissions to the Sadler Hospital the past week were:

As medical patients — Phil Seamore, Herbert Hughes, Mrs. Jack Cannon, W. C. Lee, Walter Howard, Mrs. H. E. Hess, Mrs. R. C. Bowers, E. L. Wilson, Edward Collier, Mrs. O. W. Graham, Skippy Willetts, Mrs. Stanley King and Lonnie Ray Harris.

For surgery — Mrs. Bert Hayes, Virgie Mae Campbell and Mrs. Joe Higgins.

personals

Sewing Club will meet with Mrs. Lester Dorton next Wednesday August 13 at 4 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Phillips visited their son in Odessa and their daughter in Colorado City over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Seago spent a week's vacation visiting their sons, E. H. of Stanton and R. G. of Monahans. Two of their grandchildren Yancy and Eddie of Stanton returned with their grandparents for a short visit here.

Claude Perry Is Brought Home From Odessa

Claude Perry was brought home from Odessa Tuesday of last week.

Rev., Mrs. R. L. Butler Are Here Sunday At Morning Service

Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Butler of Sweetwater and grandson, Robbin were here Sunday for the morning service at the Methodist Church. Rev. Butler was formerly pastor of the local church.

Bill Alexander Is Associated With Badger Co.

Bill Alexander of Cisco is now associated with the Badger Chevrolet Company as bookkeeper. Mr. Alexander will move here with his wife and daughter Cheri.

Billy Sam Butman Is Accepted By the Air Force

Billy Sam Butman has volunteered and been accepted by the Air Force. He is at Lackland Air Base, San Antonio, for his basic training. Sam, a graduate of Trent High School, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Butman, and a grandson of Sam Butman, Sr., of Merkel.

Mrs. H. R. Poor Has Major Surgery On Tuesday

Mrs. H. R. Poor underwent major surgery Tuesday.

Laughs Aplenty In "Across Street" At Pioneer Show

Laughs aplenty is the keynote Sunday and Monday at the Pioneer Theatre where Universal-International unveils a bright, rib-tickling package of solid enjoyment in "Just Across The Street," a comedy of matrimonial errors.

For co-stars Ann Sheridan and John Lund, it is an ideal showcase for displaying their sharp comedy talents. Lund, immortalizing the plumber as a romantic hero for the first time on the screen, gives a splendid performance in his role of a self-educated man who is so enthralled in his work he can't notice the baby-blue stares sent his way by his secretary.

David Gambles See Plenty of Rain On 10-Day Trip

Mr. and Mrs. David Gamble returned Thursday of last week from a 10-day trip to the Grand Canyon. They came back by way of Colorado and visited in Denver with friends.

It rained every day they were gone!

Drop of A Match Could Burn Country Says Paul West

Mr. and Mrs. Paul West returned Wednesday of last week from Canada and the west coast. They saw the beautiful country around Lake Louise at Banff, Canada. They toured Oregon, Washington, traveling in all 6,500 miles.

On the whole the country looked dry. "Drop of a match could have burned up the whole country," said Paul.

DeLoris Reese On Snyder Radio Playing Piano

DeLoris Reese, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Reese, is now on the Snyder radio station. She plays the piano. DeLoris is 12 years old.

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TO THE VOTERS OF PRECINCT 5:

Words cannot express my sincere thanks for the splendid vote you people gave me in the election of July 26th and th support and confidence placed in me. I will endeavor at all times to merit this trust.

Thanking you again,
MRS. N. D. COBB, J. P.

THANK YOU

To The Citizens and Voters of Jones County.

Thanks many, many times for past, present and future support. I sincerely solicit your vote and influence in the August 23, 1952 run-off for Sheriff.

I have felt that the majority of the voters wanted to change sheriffs; you furnished proof of this in the First Democratic Primary.

My best recommendation is my home town vote of almost 2 1/2 to one for both of my opponents. Your vote is very important. Use it.

Yours truly,
DAVE KEVES

THANK YOU

TO THE CITIZENS OF PRECINCT No. 2 TAYLOR COUNTY:

I wish to express my thanks to you for your support in Saturday's election I appreciate it more than words can say. I sincerely feel that I conducted the campaign in a courteous and friendly manner, earnestly seeking the office, but since you did not see fit to elect me, I hold no ill feelings toward any one of you, and will continue to do what I can for the best interest of the precinct.

Gratefully Yours,
CHAS. ORR

A CHALLENGE

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Young People's Service 7:30 p. m. each first and third Thursday.
 Evening Services 8:00 p. m.
 Wednesday Prayer Service 8:00 p. m.
 W. F. M. S. meets at 2:30 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.

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.
 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.


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 month, "You are a stranger here but once."

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.

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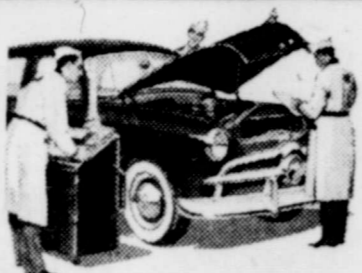
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 This condition was reported Saturday by Lone Star President D. A. Hulcy of Dallas. He added that numerous other transmission and distribution lines replacement and extension projects throughout the company's operating area also have been set back.

Registered Nurses Are Now Needed To Fight Polio
 The American Red Cross has issued an urgent call for registered nurses to serve during the polio season.
 Figures show a total of 4,176 cases of polio in the United States since March. This compares with 2,644 last year. Nurses able to serve during the polio season should contact their local Red Cross Chapter.
 U. S. Presidents Thomas Jefferson and John Adams both died on July 4.

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EDITORIAL
 AN AGREEMENT

That was good news that was re-

corded in last week's Merkel Mail about the phone companies reaching an agreement. For some time the Taylor Telephone Cooperative, Inc. and the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company had differences that conversations and meetings had not been able to solve.

But through persistency the companies were able to reach a satisfactory adjustment.

The main point was for the rural folks to get telephone service. They wanted it, had planned for it and were ready to receive it. Now they will get what they want.

We might add that this way of solving problems, by folks getting together, is a good old American custom, a good custom and helps Democracy work. Each side may have to give a little bit more than it planned, but it is a way of solving problems without coming to blows. And when we come to blows that is no solution at all. It is just another path to dictatorship and tyranny.



MEET IN KOREA — Two Merkel soldiers, Cpl. Clyn Whisenhunt, left, and Pfc. Denz W. Riggan, had a reunion recently in Korea where both are in service. Whisenhunt is the son of Riley Whisenhunt and Riggan is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Riggan.

STARTING A FIRE

Last week it was recorded that a fire broke out in the garage of the grandfather of the wife of Alvin Wozencraft, who is, of course, our assistant fire chief. Alvin not only helped fight the fire but he also had something to do with starting it.

Perhaps the incident would be better forgotten but there is a side to it that should be emphasized. That side was mentioned by Alvin himself. He remarked, "Don't use fire or flame to kill wasps. Use an insect spray." There is nothing more we can add to that remark. It speaks eloquently for itself and is sound advice, advice of the assistant fire chief. He knows.

P. C. WYLIE
 The news tells of the moving of P. C. Wylie, work unit conservationist with the Soil Conservation Service from Merkel to Colorado City. We are personally sorry to see Mr. Wylie leave as he has been very helpful to us. It was he who wrote all the articles on Middle Clear Fork Soil Conservation, articles that were intensely interesting, entertaining and instructive.

What is our loss in Colorado City's gain. We wish him and his family the greatest happiness and good fortune.

NO FENCES
 In the far off days of 1887 there were no fences about here and the country was wide open. And the hearts of men were wide open and the friendships reached out into far places and distance was no barrier. Today we live close together

and there are fences and there are strains on neighborliness. Perhaps we have today too many fences. Perhaps a few less of them would bring folks close together. This is especially true of nations.

GIRLS IN BRAZIL

The "Girls of Brazil." Now there is a subject that is a subject. Never having been in Brazil we can let our imagination rove as far afield as we wish.

But along comes a lady who has been there, Miss Ruth McLendon, and tells us all about the girls of Brazil and tears down all the dreams we had. The girls in Brazil, she says, are not allowed as much freedom as we have here. So, boys, there you have the whole truth.

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That's ALL— and the Sage of Figfield adds that girls, no matter where you find them, when you marry them, you take them for better or for worse. And men? The same.

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PERSONALS

Mrs. Frank Breaux, daughter, Jamie and Kay Chancey left for Boles Home Monday to bring home Wanda Jo Williams from a two week vacation here, sponsored by the local Church of Christ. They returned home Wednesday.

Billie Cobb of Oklahoma City, Okla., visited his mother this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Orsborn have returned from a vacation last week at Carlsbad, New Mexico. They visited in the Hollis Shook home. From there they went to Los Alamos, visiting the A. C. Abbotts. At Los Alamos they saw a good rain.

Mrs. Clyde Foster and daughter, Dorothy, Misses Lela Patterson and Maurine White visited this week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy W. Smith and family of San Angelo. Mrs. Smith is the former Ouida Mae Hulsey of Merkel.

Mrs. Hallie Dishman of Oakland, Oregon, visited her sister-in-laws the past week.

Mrs. N. D. Cobb accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. George Coker, of Fort Worth spent a few days in Denver, Colo., last week.

Mrs. J. F. Casson and two daughters, Bonnie and Martha vis-

ited with J. F. Casson at Haskel over the weekend. Martha remained with her father for the week and visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Campbell. They were accompanied by Jan Lemons.

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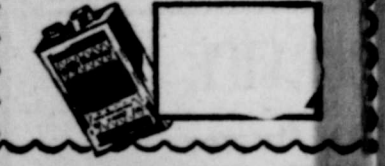
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personals

Mrs. Kenneth Dismuke with her daughter, Debra Sue are visiting in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob McDonald while Kenneth is at the coaching school in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Hutchinson visited in Odessa Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Preston Boyd, and husband.

Mr. and Mrs. Dent Gibson, Jerry, Denta and Mrs. D. G. Ash visited Sunday with their son, L. B. Gibson, and wife in Petersburg.

A. D. English of Haskell spent Sunday with his daughter, Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, and family. Albert Chancy, daughter, Margaret Ann and Miss Annette Johnson took her guests, Misses Elaine Johnson, Raemona Joyner and Libby Lou Orsborn, home to Edgewood Saturday. They returned here with her mother, Mrs. Birdie Johnson, and her sister, Glenda Johnson, who will visit with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Miller.

Mrs. Richard T. Spatz and children, Dickie, Sherry and David Earl returned to their home in Wilmoughby, Ohio, Thursday of last week after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hughes for a month. Mrs. Hughes took them as far as Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Putman and children of Colorado City visited Sunday night with their daughter, Mrs. J. D. Gentry and family. They were accompanied by friends, also from Colorado City.

Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Fox and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sledge were in Clyde Sunday.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hill have moved to 601 Oak.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Cross visited Mr. and Mrs. Milton Cross and son in Abilene Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Mosley and children spent Sunday in Post, visiting his sister, Mrs. B. J. Blackstock, and husband.

Mayor and Mrs. Henry West left for Washington, D. C., and other points. They were accompanied by their grandson, Sidney Jack West, of Midland.

Mrs. J. W. Welch of Sweetwater is visiting Mrs. Joe Hartley and family and the Tipton family.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Scribner of Dallas and Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Meador and children of Plainview have been guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hartley.

Ralph Warrick of Lake Jackson is spending the week with his aunt, Mrs. Earl Miller, and husband. Mr. Warrick teaches language arts in the seventh grade.

June Hogan and Densel Cox have gone to Big Spring to prospect for a carpenter job.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Frazier and Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Frazier and family of Clint, visited Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Turner over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Buford and their two grandchildren of Dallas are spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Buford. They all spend Sunday in Lubbock visiting Tom Alday and family and O. N. Buford reported that Lubbock had the finest and best crops that he has seen in a long time.

Pfc. Bobby B. Reynolds grandson of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Reynolds was here last week while on a furlough to visit with his grandparents.

C. O. Pat, Junior (Patterson) and sister, Sally Ann of Lawn spent Thursday night and Friday visiting in the home of their grandparents, J. A. Patterson.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Horton and family of Dalhart visited her mother, Mrs. Minnie Jones and friends. They were former Merkelites.

Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Hassey and son of Sacramento, California, spent the weekend with her parents, F. A. Sanders and other relatives. The Hassey's are formerly from here.

Mrs. Weldon Washburn and son,

John Michael of Amarillo spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Washburn. Also their son, Weldon, accompanied by Sergeant Edward Meckley, of Amarillo Air Base came later and spent the week-end with his parents, J. C. Washburn returning with his wife and son to Amarillo. Other visitors over the weekend were: their niece, Geraldine Alston, of Houston, Mrs. Marion Freeman and children, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Freeman and granddaughter, Doris Marie of Trent. Thurman Head and family of Abilene visited in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Head.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: Ben Jim Twomey 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 15th day of September, A. D. 1952, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Hon-

orable 42nd District Court of Taylor County, at the Court House in Abilene, Texas.
Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 11 day of July, 1952.
The file number of said suit being No. 18,337-A.
The names of the parties in said suit are:
Eva Lena Twomey as Plaintiff, and Ben Jim Twomey as Defendant.
The nature of said suit being

substantially as follows, to wit: Plaintiff and defendant were duly and legally married on 30 March 1946 and lived together as husband and wife until 23 April 1952.
Plaintiff would show that no children have been born to said marriage and that agreement has been reached as to the community property involved.
Plaintiff sues for divorce on the 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 1st day of August, A. D. 1952.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 1st day of August, A. D. 1952.

J. Neil Daniel, Clerk,
42nd District Court Taylor County, Texas.
Aug. 8, 15, 22, 29.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 20 proposing an Amendment to Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas by adding a new section thereto to be known as Section 61 to authorize cities, towns, and villages of this State to provide insurance for employees; providing for the submission of the proposed Amendment to the qualified electorate; and providing for publication and publication by the Governor.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. That Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by adding a new section thereto to be known as Section 61 to read as follows:
"Sec. 61. The Legislature shall have the power to enact laws to enable cities, towns, and villages of this State to provide Workmen's Compensation Insurance, including the right to provide their own insurance risk for all employees; and the Legislature shall provide suitable laws for the administration of such insurance in the said municipalities and for payment of the costs, charges, and premiums on policies of insurance and the benefits to be paid thereunder."

Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electorate of the State at the General Election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1952, at which election all ballots shall have printed thereon in counties using voting machines the said machines shall provide for the following:

"FOR the Constitutional Amendment authorizing the Legislature to provide for Workmen's Compensation Insurance for employees of cities, towns and villages;" and "AGAINST the Constitutional Amendment authorizing the Legislature to provide for Workmen's Compensation Insurance for employees of cities, towns and villages."

Each voter shall mark out one (1) of said clauses on the ballot, leaving the one (1) expressing his vote on the proposed Amendment; and if it shall appear from the returns of said election that a majority of the votes cast are in favor of said Amendment, the same shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Texas.

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State of Texas shall issue the necessary proclamation for said election and have the same published as required by the Constitution and laws of this State.

1 INCH RAIN

Rainfall here Wednesday afternoon of last week measured 1 inch.

The "Black Prince" of England was so called because he wore black armor.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 38 providing an amendment to Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas by the addition of a new Section to be known as Section 50a, providing for the establishment of a State Medical Education Board and a State Medical Scholarship Fund from which grants, loans or scholarships may be made to students desiring to study medicine; providing that such students shall agree to practice in rural areas of this State; providing certain restrictions and limitations; providing for an election and the issuance of a proclamation therefor.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. That Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by adding thereto a new Section to be known as Section 50a which shall read as follows:

"Sec. 50a. The Legislature shall create a State Medical Education Board to be composed of not more than six (6) members whose qualifications, duties and terms of office shall be prescribed by law. The Legislature shall also establish a State Medical Education Fund and make adequate appropriations therefor to be used by the State Medical Education Board to provide grants, loans or scholarships to be made to students desiring to study medicine and agreeing to practice in the rural areas of this State, upon such terms and conditions as shall be prescribed by law. The term 'rural areas' as used in this Section shall be defined by law."

Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this State at an election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, A. D. 1952, at which all ballots shall have printed thereon in counties using voting machines the machines shall provide for the following:

"FOR the Constitutional Amendment providing for the establishment of a State Medical Education Fund from which grants, loans or scholarships may be made to students desiring to study medicine;" and "AGAINST the Constitutional Amendment providing for the establishment of a State Medical Education Fund from which grants, loans or scholarships may be made to students desiring to study medicine."

Each voter shall mark out one of said clauses on the ballot, leaving the one expressing his vote on the proposed Amendment; and if it shall appear from the returns of said election that a majority of the votes cast are in favor of said Amendment, the same shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Texas.

Sec. 3. The Governor shall issue the necessary proclamation for said election and have the same published as required by the Constitution and laws of this State. The expense of publication and election for such Amendment shall be paid out of proper appropriation made by law.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: Betty Lou Tyler 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 8th day of September, A. D. 1952, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County, at the Court House in Abilene, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 21st day of July, 1952.
The file number of said suit being No. 18,356-A.
The names of the parties in said suit are:

George L. Minter, Jr., as Plaintiff, and Gennie Tyler and Betty Lou Tyler as Defendants.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Plaintiff and defendants are joint owners in the following described land, to wit: A tract of land 100 feet North and South by 140 feet East and West out of the Northwest 1/4 of Lot 1, Block 177, City of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas.

Plaintiff alleges that said land is incapable of being divided fairly and equally and prays that the same should be sold and the proceeds divided on a pro rata basis.

That Plaintiff owns 15/16 undivided interest in said land and improvements and Defendants, Betty Lou Tyler and Gennie Tyler each own a 1/32 undivided interest in said land and premises. The estimated value thereof is Seventy-five Hundred, (\$7,500.00) Dollars.

Plaintiff says that the property is encumbered by indebtedness in

the sum of \$2981.94, which indebtedness should be paid on a pro rata basis.

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

Issued this the 22nd day of July, A. D. 1952.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 22nd day of July, A. D. 1952.

J. Neil Daniel, Clerk,
42nd District Court, Taylor County, Texas.
By Irene Crawford, Deputy.
Adv. July 25, Aug. 1, 8, 15.

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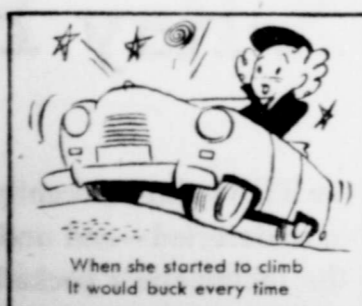
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RED & WHITE HOMINY	No. 2 can 2 for 25c
SKINNERS RAISIN BRAN	pkg. 19c
MILE HIGH PICKLES	SOUR or DILL qt. 29c
DIAMOND BRAND NAPKINS	2 pkgs. 25c

SKINNER'S MACARONI	pkg. 11c
SKINNER'S SPAGHETTI	pkg. 11c
BAMA APPLE JELLY	12 oz. 18c
SUN SPUN OLEO	lb. 19c

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RED & WHITE CORN	No. 303 Can 19c
CHURCH GRAPE JUICE	21 oz. 35c
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He Came Here Because He Liked This Country

It was way back in 1881 that George W. Boyce came here. In his wife, whose maiden name was Sallies C. French, arrived here. Her brother, M. S. French, helped start The Merkel Mail. She was a charter member of the First Methodist Church here.

Last week Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Easters and Miss Loraine A. Boyce of Beaumont were here visiting friends and kindfolks of Abilene and Merkel. Miss Boyce is the daughter of the pioneer Boyces.

Miss Boyce's mother's grandfather, John J. French, Sr., ran a hotel here for several years, died

here and was buried here in 1885. He came here because he liked the country so well, remarked Miss Boyce.

The visitors went out to the cemetery where the pioneer is buried. "The cemetery has been kept very beautifully and we are much pleased with the cemetery organization as being operated," said Mr. Easters.

"We wouldn't do without The Merkel Mail," remarked Miss Boyce. "If The Mail does not arrive on time I ask about it. We look forward to it every week."

IS IMPROVING

Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Durham and children spent Friday to Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Clements, in Brownwood. Mr. Clements had just returned from a hospital in Dallas and was feeling some better.

Fleeing Churchman Finds Friends In Red China

Good friends pay off. That's what Rev. and Mrs. Glenn Dunn found in their missionary work in Red China. And that's what he told the congregation at the Assembly of God Church in his talk there on Wednesday night of last week.

Rev. Dunn illustrated his talk with colored still pictures, showing views of China and the Philippine Islands.

When the Reds began to overrun China, he said, they knew that they had to keep ahead of them if they were to escape with their lives. When the Reds got within 200 miles of where they were, Rev. Dunn sent his wife ahead of him to be safe.

She went down the river in a boat and came to a village where some friends of theirs were. When she got off the boat she found that a separate group of the Red Army had gotten ahead of the main army and was in command of the village.

Mrs. Dunn's friends hid her and later were able to send her out of the village so that no harm came to her.

Ben Butman Has Major Surgery At Sadler Hospital

Ben Butman had major surgery at the Sadler Hospital Monday.

Mrs. C. Cochran's Brother Succumbs In Fort Worth

Harold D. Dickey, building contractor of Fort Worth, died last week at the age of 45. He is the son of D. A. Dickey and the twin brother of Mrs. Cecil Cochran of Merkel.

TO START BUILDING AIR BASE BY APRIL 1, 1953

The Air Force expects to have construction under way and the entire \$27,472,000 appropriation tied up in contracts on the proposed Strategic Air Command base at Tye by April 1, 1953.

Mayor Ernest Grissom of Abilene received this information from Col. G. D. Fremouw, Omaha, Nebraska, in charge of the installations division of the SAC.

\$14,905 Premiums Offered Youthful Cattle Raisers

Youthful cattle, pig and sheep raisers will compete for a total of \$14,905 in premiums during the junior livestock shows of the 1952 State Fair of Texas, Oct. 4 through 19, Livestock Manager. Ray Wilson has announced.

The premiums will be divided between dairy cattle, \$3,275; steers, \$3,085; commercial steers, \$3,000; junior pig show, \$3,327; and junior Negro pig show, \$935; sheep, \$993; and junior herdsman awards, \$290. More than 1,500 animals are expected to be entered.

Legal Notices

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF

LESTER L. RICE & SONS, LTD.
Notice is hereby given that the limited partnership of Lester L. Rice and Sons, Ltd., partnership composed of Lester L. Rice, as general partner, and Raymond J. Rice and Sons, Ltd., partnership of Caleb Reed and G. M. Powell as special partners, was dissolved by mutual consent on the 12th day of May, 1952 and that the said G. M. Powell has withdrawn from said partnership and is no longer connected in any way with said Lester L. Rice and Sons, Ltd.

The other partners hereto will continue their business operations and partnership under a new limited partnership certificate under the name of Lester L. Rice and Sons, Ltd.

WITNESS MY HAND this the 15th day of June, 1952.

LESTER L. RICE & SONS, LTD.
By Lester L. Rice
General Partner

STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF TAYLOR

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and for Taylor County, Texas, on this day personally appeared Lester L. Rice, general partner, of Lester L. Rice and Sons, Ltd., known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purpose and consideration therein expressed and in the capacity therein stated.

Mrs. Chester Hutcheson County Clerk, Taylor County, Texas Given under my hand and seal of office this the 15th day of June, 1952.

(SEALED) Ed E. King Notary Public, Taylor County, Tex. Filed for record, 10 o'clock 30 min. a. m., August 6, 1952. Ad.— Aug. 8, 15, 22, 29.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends for the many expressions of love during the illness and death of our loved one.

The Family of the late E. C. "Bud" Brown.

Frank Breaux's Sister Succumbs Monday Night

Funeral for Mrs. Florence Gloria Johnson, 55, of 1234 South Treadway Blvd., Abilene was held at 3 p. m. Wednesday at Elliotts Chapel of Memories, with the Rev. E. Church officiating.

Burial was in Elmwood Memorial Park.

Mrs. Johnson, a resident of Taylor County since 1915, died at her home in her sleep Monday night. She had been ill for several months.

Survivors include her mother, three sisters, Mrs. F. W. Gravens, of Abilene, Mrs. Marvin Sietz of Austin, and Mrs. L. C. Lloyd of Colorado City; four brothers, R. L. Breaux, P. F. Breaux, and Ray Breaux, all of Abilene and Frank Breaux of Merkel.

School Children Should Be Fit When Bell Rings

Dr. Geo. W. Cox, state health officer, urges the parents of all children who will respond to the school bell for the first time in September to be sure the child is physically ready for school duties.

"First and foremost is the need for vaccination against smallpox. Parents should see that children are vaccinated before they are one year of age; however if not done previously, at school age vaccination becomes absolutely necessary," Dr. Cox said. "If your child has not been vaccinated, have it done immediately for his own protection and that of others."

Immunization against diphtheria is also highly important, Dr. Cox declares. This disease which causes serious illness and deaths among young children can be prevented with toxoid. The child who has never been protected should be given this safeguard against a dreaded killing disease. Even though he may have been immunized as a baby, doctors and health officers usually recommend an additional dose of toxoid to strengthen immunity before entrance into school.

"In addition, before you send your child to school you are urged to take him to your family physician and dentist for a thorough examination," Dr. Cox adds. "You will want to know that he is in good physical condition and can compete with the other children on equal terms. If the check-up reveals any weakness or defects they should be corrected at once. Don't let your child start his school life with any avoidable handicap."

FOR RENT—Furnished small cottage in Noodle, cute, clean, large enough for two. All conveniences. See Mrs. John C. Thompson, Noodle, Texas. tf21c

FOR RENT—Unfurnished large 4-room house in Noodle. Good well of water and Butane. See Mrs. John C. Thompson, Noodle, Texas. tf21c

WANTED—Truck Driver for Merkel Fire Dept. Contact J. W. Mansfield or Tye Sublett. tf21c.



JOE DAN BOYD
... elected president

Joe Dan Boyd, 18, of Winnsboro was elected 1952-53 State Future Farmer President at the Annual Convention for Texas Future Farmers.

Cantaloupes Canned On the Vine! Pull a Can and Eat

We've read of "fruit salad" trees, and "potato-tomatoes," but G. W. Thompson has started something really new in Clyde.

He has "canned cantaloupes," growing on the vine.

Mr. Thompson is noted for his "green thumb." He raises fine garden produce of many varieties and now he has cantaloupes growing in cans!

The specimen he was displaying around town Tuesday had started growing inside a can and when the can was filled, it just kept growing right up on top, until a full-sized ripe cantaloupe resulted.

The Enterprise also thanks Mr. Thompson for his gift of delicious tasty cantaloupes, grown the old-fashioned way. — Exchange.

High Adventure And Lusty Romance At Queen Theatre

From the turbulent pages of Kenneth Roberts' "Lydia Bailey," Twentieth Century-Fox has fashioned a brilliant motion picture of high adventure, lusty romance and violent revolution in the primitive jungle of nineteenth century Haiti, coming to the Queen screen Sunday and Monday.

An achievement of rare excitement and magnificent scope, "Lydia Bailey" unfolds the unforgettable story of a swashbuckling American sent by his government to the West Indies to search for the lady of the title.

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LODGE CALLS

NOTICE MASONS

Stated meeting of Merkel lodge No. 710, A. F. & A. M., Thursday, August 14 at 8 p. m. All members are urged to attend. Visiting brethren cordially invited.
W. R. Cypert, W. M.
C. B. Rust, Sec'y.

LOST AND FOUND

FOUND—One Truck Tire. See Sam Allen, Merkel, R. 2. tf12p

SITUATIONS WANTED

SITUATION WANTED—Practical Nursing. Inquire 1306 S. 2nd. or Phone 1. 3t21p

WANTED TO BUY

WANTED—To buy 2 bedroom house modern in good condition. Box 428, Merkel, Texas.

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—Apartment furnished or unfurnished. 3 large rooms. Private bath and garage. A. B. Patterson, 607 Oak St. tf12p

FOR RENT—5 room house with bath, 4 miles north of town. Phone 149. Joe Douglas, 306 Rose. tf21c

FOR RENT—Furnished Room. South exposure, private entrance, bath also hot and cold water in room. H. F. Groene. tf12p

FOR RENT—Small 3 room house \$17.50 month. Own water system. See Mrs. M. G. King at Nook Cafe. tf12p

FOR RENT—2-room apartment, south exposure, furnished and modern. Mrs. M. Armstrong, 212 Cherry street. tf20c

FOR RENT—2 furnished Apartments in the Oasis. tf18c

FOR RENT—2-room furnished house with bath. Mrs. Bert Melton, S. 5th. tf-17c

FOR RENT—2 room furnished apartment. Private bath. Private entrance, for couple. T. T. Earthman, 211 Ash. tf18p

FOR RENT—3 room furnished apartment with private bath. Mrs. John Ensminger 1006 Oak Phone 53 W. tf13c

FOR RENT—Building, two doors west of the Fire Station. See Bob Hicks. ctf

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FOR SALE—Garage and Wrecking Shop, with or without parts. Reasonable. Tom's Wrecking Shop. tf21c

FOR SALE—Fryers, High Line Pullets, 14 weeks old. S. C. Rhode Island Reds, 11 weeks old. White Rock, straight run, 9 weeks old, White Wyandotte, straight run, 16 weeks old. Hearn Hatchery, 235 Edward. tf12p

FOR SALE—Good Farm or will lease or trade for town property. Mt. Pleasant Community. J. C. Rodgers. tf21c

FOR SALE—3 room House with bath, by owner \$3500. 309 Cherry. 3t20p

FOR SALE—2 piece Kroehler Living Room Suite. Mrs. Ralph Miller at Campbell's. Phone 173. tf19c

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6-ROOM Modern home on two big corner lots, near school, \$6,000.

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For Sheriff:
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FOR SALE—Concrete mixer, about a year old. Phone 66 or see Ollie Fox. tf15c

FOR SALE—Almost new gas range. A beauty, \$2.50 week. Palmer Motor Co. tf16c

FOR SALE—Nice apartment size gas range. \$1.50 week. Palmer Motor Co. tf16c

FOR SALE—Good used electric range. \$1.75 week. Palmer Motor Co. tf16c

FOR SALE—Used refrigerator. Late models. Old models. Electric or gas. Terms to suit. Palmer Motor Co. tf16c

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WATER Well drilling and surface pipe set. Higgins & Malone Box 267, Merkel. Phone 25.

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ORDER APPROVING COUNTY TREASURERS REPORT.

On July 14th, A. D., 1952, The Commissioners Court met in regular Session, compared and examined the quarterly report of J. R. Clark, County Treasurer for the quarter ending June 30th, 1952, and found the same to be correct and the respective amounts to have been received and paid out since the preceding report.

Fund	Balance Last Report	Received Last Qtr.	Paid Out Last Qtr.	Balance this Quarter
Jury Fund,	\$ 12,638.80	\$ 1,130.54	\$ 5,568.70	\$ 8,200.64
Prec. No. 1,	520.31	35,229.83	26,467.28	9,282.86
Prec. No. 2,	6,504.09	32,035.69	14,861.39	23,678.39
Prec. No. 3,	15,700.47	26,439.69	13,676.49	28,463.67
Prec. No. 4,	9,445.35	31,343.60	25,026.63	15,762.32
Gen. Fund,	79,079.33	16,715.29	20,988.04	74,806.58
Pauper Fund,	5,381.67	7,058.96	14,290.41	12,613.12
Ad. Dist. No. 1,	4,460.59	.00	.00	4,460.59
Rd. Dist. No. 3,	713.81	.00	.00	713.81
Rd. Dist. No. 4,	828.72	.54	.00	829.26
Rd. Dist. No. 7,	4,367.17	4,103.51	6,411.79	2,058.89
Hwy. One & 30,	8,011.30	.00	.00	8,011.30
Hwy 275, M.,	1,399.85	.00	.00	1,399.85
Hwy 600, M.,	32,243.70	111.11	.00	32,354.81
Perm. Imp Fnd,	23,157.12	1,208.39	.00	24,365.51
Court House,	1,091.11	5.00	.00	1,096.11
Spec. Rd. Dist. No. 1,				
Sink fund,	81,942.61	2,847.17	27,343.28	57,446.52
Spec Co., R. & B.,	14,076.42	4,701.00	5,772.59	13,004.83
Vict. Tax Fund,	2,189.80	6,594.95	6,566.70	2,218.05
Officers Salary	8,200.10	40,151.23	35,282.84	13,068.49
Co-Wide Mach.,	2.70	61.16	2.70	61.16
Taylor Co., Jail	258.34	66.35	.00	324.69
Perm. School Fnd,	738.01	80.00	60.00	758.01
Taylor Co., Lat. Rd	12,292.21	.00	.00	12,292.21
Soc. Security	9,769.48	1,077.07	2,253.63	8,592.92
	324,229.72	210,961.10	\$204,	

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FRIDAY & SATURDAY, AUGUST 8-9

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"JOHNNY WEISSMULLER as Jungle Jim in
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ALSO 2 REEL COMEDY AND CARTOON

SUNDAY & MONDAY, AUGUST 10-11

This Is Love? — This Is A Riot! : : : The Hilarious Saga
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SATURDAY ONLY — AUGUST 9

Cattleman Vs. Homesteaders In A Furiad Feud — to —
Death Set at Each Other's Throat by a Vicious Bandit
Plot — Till Tim's Six Gun Seek Out The Culprits!

TIM HOLT — RICHARD MARTIN

"TRAIL GUIDE"

—PLUS—
PENNY EDWARDS — GRANT WITHERS

"MILLION DOLLAR PURSUIT"

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SUNDAY & MONDAY, AUGUST 10-11

Features: SUNDAY 2:30-4:35 — MONDAY: 8:15-10:20
The Savage Excitement of Kenneth Roberts Greatest
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College"

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**First Graders
Must Show Birth
Certificates**

All children who will be first graders in the local school during the coming school year must have a birth certificate, according to school officials.

No pupil will be enrolled in the first grade whose parents do not present a birth certificate to prove

that the child was six years of age on or before September 1, 1952. In Texas these certificates may

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