

## Must Remember What Communists Have Done in Past

"We must remember what the Communists have done and said in the past."

That was the stern warning that Congressman Omar Burleson issued in his visit to The Mail office on Thursday of last week.

When he was asked what is the reaction of officials in Washington, D. C., to the present peaceful attitude of the Russians he stated that there were two points of view.

"The first," he said, "is the short range attitude. We cannot turn our backs on anything that would bring about peace. So we are exploring the present statements of the Russian to see if we can work

something out that is good with them.

"Then there is the long range attitude," he continued. "They have told us before this that they wanted peace and have made overtures of peace but they have always turned around and broke their commitments. They have no moral responsibility.

"We must keep in mind," he asserted, "that they have said that they cannot live side by side with a capitalistic nation and that they mean to destroy capitalism."

## Noted Leader to Direct Crusade At 1st Methodist

Rev. Hugh H. Hunt, pastor of the First Methodist Church, announced that his congregation would begin a Spiritual Life Crusade Wednesday, April 29, and continue through Sunday, May 10, with services twice daily. Evening services will be at 8 o'clock. Morning services will be announced later.

Dr. Frank L. Turner, widely known general evangelist of Fort Worth, will bring the messages and direct the work of personal evangelism.



DR. FRANK L. TURNER

**MINSTREL, THURS. APRIL 23**

The Lucas Minstrel Show was to be presented at 8 p. m. Thursday night, April 23. Everything was in readiness for an outstanding evening's performance, stated Director Fred Starbuck.

**McMURRY QUARTET HERE**

The Indianaires, a male quartet from McMurry College, will provide the entertainment at the Merkel High School Junior-Senior Banquet, April 24. Making up the quartet are Clifford Hall, El Paso; David Arnold, Sweetwater; Kenneth Rodgers and Jim Beil, Plainview.

**FILM ON "CANCER"**

"Cancer" is the topic of the program to be presented at 4 p. m. April 28 at the Community Center by the Fortnightly Study Club. An out-of-town speaker will address the group and a film on cancer will be shown. The meeting is open to the public and everyone is urged to come.

## Sweetwater's 2nd Championship World Rodeo

Sweetwater's second annual world championship four-day rodeo is expected to draw 200 contestants, including World's Champion All-Around Cowboy Harry Tompkins, Bronc Riding Champion Casey Tibbs and others.

The rodeo season will open April 30, with a parade at 4 p. m. The rodeo will be staged by Gene Autrey and Associates with Everett Colburn as director. Shows daily at 8 p. m. on April 30 and May 1 and 2 and on Sunday, May 3 at 2 p. m. will include bareback and saddle bronc riding, steer bull-dogging and calf roping. There will be clowns, bands and organist.

## 10 Top Ropers Will Compete Here Sunday at 2 P. M.

Rodeo Hill will come to life next Sunday at 2 p. m. when 10 top ropers will test their skill for a purse of \$1,000. Entry fee is \$100.

Each roper will rope four calves apiece. The calves are fresh and are out of Black Angus cows and Brahms bulls.

There will also be six calf match roping. Each contestant will rope six head of Brangus calves apiece. In this part of the program James T. Russell of Merkel will compete against Jack L. Stricklin of Abilene.

In addition there will be a \$10 amateur jack pot with two go rounds and average.

Admission for adults is \$1, children free.

## Merkel to Take Part in Regional Meet Saturday

Merkel will have participants at the Texas Interscholastic League regional meet at Brownwood Saturday, April 25, announced Prof. Mack Fisher, superintendent of schools. They are:

Senior declamation — Glenn Clark and Joy Walker, coached by Mrs. Comer Haynes.

Extemporaneous speaking — Elbert Foster and Bertha Patterson, coached by Mrs. Comer Haynes.

Ready writers — Gloria West, coached by Mrs. Catherine Davis.

Shorthand — Vernal McLean and Tommie Maddox, coached by Beverly Names.

Slide rule — Doyle Black, Troy Deen and Barbara Wilson, coached by Delmer Melton.

## Another Big Day Is Recorded For Dollar Day

Another big day was recorded for Dollar Day Tuesday. Folks rushed to town early to take advantage of the tremendous bargains that were offered by the different merchants.

The big sales of one-third off and even more than one-half off was a great invitation to economy buyers and they took advantage of the bargains offered.

Clothing, groceries, silverware, watches, clocks, dishes, fabrics, ladies and men's wear, filling station specials, all were attractions that brought the crowds to Merkel.

Everyone was pleased and the friendly merchants of the friendly town of Merkel say "Thank you" in this concrete manner.

## Rev. S. E. Tullock To Hold Revival At 1st Baptist

The First Baptist Church will hold a revival beginning Sunday morning, April 26. It will continue through May 3.

Rev. S. E. Tullock, the new pastor, will be the evangelist and Roland Whatley will be in charge of the singing.

The services will begin each morning, Monday through Friday, at 10 a. m., and each evening at 8 p. m. Tuesday evening the service will be at 7:30 p. m.

The topic for the Sunday morning service has been announced by Rev. Tullock. He will have as his theme, "The Call of a Revival." The public is invited.

## Rev. John Russell In First Sermon Since Being Ill

Rev. John N. Russell of the Presbyterian Church will fill his pulpit for the first time since he came back from the hospital Sunday morning at 11 a. m. His subject will be "Why Is the Dead Sea Dead?"

"We expect a full house Sunday," stated Rev. Russell. "The full membership of the church and friends are urged to attend."

## Merkel High Band Will Take Part In Regional Meet

The four girls who qualified at the District Band Contest — Barbara Wilson, Paka Newby, Jane and Johnnie Tipton — will take part in the Regional Twirlers Contest in Stephenville May 1.

The high point majorette will be drum major for the high school band next term.

The entire Merkel Band will accompany Director Winford Reed to the contest. The local band will take part in the regional contests of concert playing and sight reading.

## Famous A Cappello Choir of H. S. U. To Sing Here

The famous A Cappella Choir of Hardin-Simmons University will sing here at 8:30 p. m. Tuesday, April 28, in the Merkel High School auditorium. The group will render many beautiful songs and clever, comical, novelty music. The choir will be under the direction of Euell Porter.

The group will be presented under the sponsorship of the Parent-Teacher Association as it has other college programs as an all-year project. The P. T. A. feels that it has made a wonderful contribution to Merkel's civic and cultural life this school year.

The public is invited to hear the famous and popular A Cappella Choir.

## Prof. Mack Fisher Named President Of Lion Club

The Lions Club elected new officers at its last meeting.

Prof. Mack Fisher was elected president.

The other officers elected were: 1st vice president, Isadore Mellinger; 2nd vice president, E. L. Horton; 3rd vice president, Cleby Patterson; tail twister, Waymon Adcock; lion tamer, Tommy Ellis; directors — 1 year, Ben R. Hicks and David Gamble; 2 years, Horace Boney and R. L. Elliott.

No secretary-treasurer was voted on at this time.

## Don Hunt Named Campus Editor At McMurry

Donald Hunt, freshman at the McMurry College, has been elected editor of War Whoop, campus newspaper. Donald is the son of Rev. and Mrs. Hugh H. Hunt. He will assume his duties in September.

It is very unusual for a freshman to receive this honor as it is customary for a senior or junior to be elected.

## Ice Is Found Here Saturday And Sunday As Mercury Drops

The mercury here dropped to freezing over the weekend.

In Mulberry Canyon Joe Seymore reported ice Saturday morning. Lewis Farmer said he slipped on the ice in front of Carson's Grocery Saturday morning. A. T. Lemens reported that he saw ice on the drilling rig north of town.

Rex Martin discovered ice Sunday morning in an old tire casing, split to serve as a watering trough for his rabbits.

Sunday afternoon the sun was out and the town warmed up.

Date: April 19, 1953.

## Merkel 20 Years Ago

**TAKEN FROM THE 1933 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL**

**ON HONOR ROLL**

The honor roll of the Merkel Public Schools for the fifth grade period which ended on April 14 contains the names of 159 students. Thirty-nine were from high school while 120 came from grammar school. The high school had 23 per cent on the honor roll, grammar school 27 per cent.

**START SPRING PRACTICE**

The Merkel Badgers are in spring training now, endeavoring to make a football team for Merkel next year. The team is hardly large enough and needs some more husky boys. There are two teams: one captained by Boaz and one captained by Gamble. Soon they will play a game.

**FOR TAX PAYMENTS**

Time for paying city taxes without penalty and interest were extended until June 1, by the city council at a called meeting Tuesday night in connection with this action. Mayor W. M. Elliott has issued the following statement: "In a called meeting of the city council on April 25, 1933, the officials decided to extend the taxpaying period with the penalty and interest removed up to June 1, 1933."

**KNIGHTS TEMPLAR HOST**

Abilene is host this week to the 18th conclave, Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Texas, the formal opening of which took place Wednesday morning, Mr. and Mrs. Booth Warren were named on the reception committee.

**CALL CCC RECRUITS**

The Taylor County RFC committee Wednesday received instructions from Lawrence Westbrook, state relief director, to send six young men to Fort Worth for enlistment in the civilian conservation corps.

**HAS OPERATION**

Word was received by telegram Wednesday by Mrs. R. L. Grimes that the operation to remove the necrosed bone from the skull fracture that Dr. Grimes received in an automobile accident in January was considered successful and that Dr. Grimes was getting along satisfactorily.

**WIN ROQUET CONTESTS**

Victors in two out of three games in the concluding match, Clarence Perry and Clarence Grayson proved champions of the invitation roquet tournament staged on the courts in South Merkel last week.

**RECORD BIRTHS**

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Truman Carey of Shiloh April 21 a girl; Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Melton, of Noodle road, April 22 a boy; Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Jones of Trent April 22 a girl; Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Shivers April 27 a girl; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Reynolds April 27 a girl.

**"SIGN OF THE CROSS"**

Cecil DeMille's spectacular Biblical picture, "Sign of the Cross," will be shown at the Queen Theatre Friday and Saturday.

**This Happened in Merkel Forty Years Ago**

**TAKEN FROM THE 1913 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL**

A quiet home wedding, pretty and dainty in all its appointments, was celebrated Sunday evening at 8:45 o'clock, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Bigham when they gave their daughter, Miss Willie Elizabeth, in marriage to James Edwin Young of Lampasas.

Visit our cream parlor just installed. Rust and McCauley Drug Company.

A. A. Wisdom of Brownwood was here last week shaking hands with friends and seeing his old home. "Si" is the same as usual and meets everyone with a broad smile.

S. A. Duckett, local manager of the Southwestern Telephone Co., was in Abilene Tuesday attending a district meeting of the company.

Miss Mae White visited in Abilene Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. T. G. Coggin entertained in her home north of Merkel for the Friday Bridge Club. A number of delightful games were played, at the conclusion of which the hostess, assisted by her daughter, Miss Zora, served pink and white brick ice cream and angel food.

## Trent High School Senior Play Is Successful

The Trent High School Seniors successfully presented a 3-act farce-comedy, "Desperate Ambrose," last Friday night. It was well received and caused great laughter throughout the play.

Those who took part in the play and put on fine performances were: J. M. Heatly, C. W. Edwards, Allen King, Jim Winn, Bill Young, Bobby Toliver, Leon Dudley, Leroy Armstrong, W. A. Dennis, Amelia Martin, Glenda Reynolds, Junior, Barbara Washburn, Cora Yandell and Dayne Ambrose, sophomores and Nancy Jones, freshman.

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## "Medea" Movie World Premiere Set For May 1

McMurry College's production of "Medea," the first Greek tragedy ever filmed, is scheduled for its world premiere May 1.

Produced last summer by the McMurry College Department of Speech under the direction of Bill Adams, department head, the movie is in full color and sound. Macon Sumerlin, associate professor of music, composed the original musical background score.

Set for the Radford Memorial Student Life Center, tickets are available for \$1.25 by writing to the Speech Department. If demand is sufficient, a second showing of the movie will be made at 9 p. m. the same evening.

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## Mr., Mrs. N. T. Hodge Attend Convention Of Drive-In Owners

Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Hodge attended the Texas Drive-In Theatre Owners Association convention in Dallas last week.

## Two Local Men Are on Jury

Bob Hicks and Herman Carson were on the federal court jury in Abilene the last two weeks.

## Girl To Sorelles

A girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Billy SoRelle at the Sadler Hospital April 15.

## Thomas Have Boy

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Thomas are the parents of a baby boy born April 20 at the Sadler Hospital.

## Boy To Mashburns

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Mashburn announce the birth of a baby boy at the Sadler Hospital April 20.



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**NEWS ABOUT TOWN**

Mrs. A. R. Washburn and children, Francis, Alton and Mary Lynn of Odessa and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Crawford of Midland spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Bagby.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Walton visited

in Weimer Sunday afternoon with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Walton had as visitors over the weekend Major and Mrs. Frank V. Quillin. Both Bob, Bill and Kerry, and also Mr. and Mrs. John Turner of Grand Falls and three of his students.

Mrs. J. T. Johnson and Miss Delia Kuykendall visited in Wichita Falls, Texarkana, Beckville and Carthage, leaving here Easter morning and returning Thursday of last week. They saw lots of rain and fish.

Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Buford visit-



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ed in Lubbock Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Tom Allday and family. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Will Moore as far as Southland.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Green were in Abilene Sunday and visited with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Green, of Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Castles had as their weekend guests Mr. Castles' two sisters, Mrs. Anna McCright of Fort Worth and Mrs. Robert Walker of Boyd.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Norwood of Clyde were Sunday visitors of his sister, Mrs. Bill Sledge, and Mr. Sledge.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Toombs with Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Demere were in Snyder Sunday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Randal, who are the parents of Mrs. Leon Toombs, Jr., who was there, also her husband Leon Toombs, Jr., of Ft. Bliss, El Paso, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Toombs, Mrs. Toombs, Jr., returned to El Paso with her husband.

Guy Pason was in San Angelo Saturday on his birthday, visiting his daughter and son-in-law.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Shouse of Mineral Wells visited one day last week with his brother Andy and family.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Rust were in Rogers and Yellville, Ark., last week on business.

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Oliver and twin daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Halley Allen, Wanda and Peggy of Midland, J. J. (Blacky) Nelson of Snyder, Mrs. Reeves of Trent and Mrs. Jack Whisehunt and children of North Merkel were visitors in the John Oliver home in the Canyon recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Anderson and Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Boden, Sr., were in Rochester last weekend, visiting Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Pool.

Mrs. L. M. Touchstone and Miss Eula Sears returned from Phoenix, Arizona, last week on Tuesday after a two weeks' visit with Mrs. Touchstone's daughter, Mrs. J. B. Jordan, Jr., Mr. Jordan, Jr., and their sister, Mrs. Odie Matthews. Mrs. Mossie Hatfield, a sister, returned with them after a four months' stay with Mrs. Matthews.

Miss Johnnie Tipton and Miss Barbara Siegrist spent the week end in Sweetwater with Johnnie's grandmother, Mrs. J. W. Welch.

Harper Vanlandingham of San Antonio visited with his uncle, H. M. Vanlandingham Wednesday of last week.

Buddy and Marlene McKeever left for Los Angeles Calif., last Friday to visit their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Olin Baggett. They will be gone two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Moore and daughters of Quanah were Sunday guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Moore and Mr. and Mrs. John Mansfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Alf Walla visited friends in Lubbock Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alf Walla had as visitors Monday Y. B. Aldridge and Tommy Green of Durant, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. Granville McFarland of Friona spent Sunday night with her sister, Mrs. Ray Wilson, and Mr. Wilson.

Mrs. Paul Baccus, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Carl Baccus, and Butch visited her husband over the weekend. Paul is stationed at an Army base at Camp Carson, Colo. Among the interesting points they visited in Colorado were "The Garden of the Gods," "The Cave of the Winds" and "The Seven Falls." Paul will have seven weeks more of basic training.



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WHITE KARO 1 1/2 lb. Bot.	LUX TOILET SOAP 4 bars	33c
23c		

AMERICAN SARDINES can	VAN CAMPS Pork & Beans 300 size	14c
10c		

**MEAL** AUNT JEMIMA 5Lb. SACK **45¢**

VAN CAMPS TUNA FISH	NEW DETERGENT RINSO	pkg. 29c
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15c	49c	15c

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We, the undersigned subscribers, have this day entered into a limited partnership agreeably to the provisions of the Revised Statutes relating to limited partnerships, and do hereby certify that the terms of our said partnership are as set out in the Certificate of limited partnership as follows:

**CERTIFICATE OF LIMITED PARTNERSHIP**  
**I. A. PARMER WELL SERVICE COMPANY, LTD.**  
**THE STATE OF TEXAS**  
**COUNTY OF TAYLOR**

This is to certify that the undersigned, A. H. Bernstein, H. A. Horwitz, and I. A. Parmer are forming a limited partnership and make this certificate as follows

The name under which the partnership is to be conducted is I. A. Parmer Well Service Company, Ltd.

**II.**  
 The general nature of the business intended to be transacted is to establish and maintain and operate a Spudder Rig and all necessary equipment incident thereto for the purpose of drilling in and cleaning out oil and gas wells; to contract with, or lease to other parties said rig and equipment for such services and purposes in the carrying on of said business.

**III.**  
 The principal place of business shall be situated in Abilene, Taylor County, Texas.

**IV.**  
 The names of the general and special partners interested therein, distinguishing which are general and which are special partners, and their respective places of residence, are as follows:

Partners	Place of Residence
I. A. Parmer, General Partner	Abilene, Texas
A. H. Bernstein, Special Partner	Pueblo, Colorado
H. A. Horwitz, Special Partner	Tulsa, Okla.

**V.**  
 The amount of capital stock which each special partner has contributed to the common stock in cash is as follows:  
 A. H. Bernstein ..... \$5,250.00  
 H. A. Horwitz ..... \$5,250.00

**VI.**  
 The period at which the partnership is to commence is the 1st day of February, 1953, and the period at which it is to terminate is the first day of February, 1963.

**WITNESS OUR HANDS** on this the 23rd day of March, 1953.  
**I. A. PARMER**  
**A. H. BERNSTEIN**  
**H. A. HORWITZ**  
**THE STATE OF TEXAS**  
**COUNTY OF TAYLOR**

therein expressed.  
 Given under my hand and seal of office this the 27th day of March, A. D. 1953.  
**R. C. Grisham**  
 Notary public, Taylor County, Tex.  
**THE STATE OF COLORADO**  
**COUNTY OF PUEBLO**

Before me, a Notary Public in and for the County of Pueblo and State of Colorado, on this day personally appeared A. H. Bernstein 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 purposes and consideration therein expressed.

Given under my hand and seal of office this the 31st day of March, A. D., 1953.  
**Mary Jo Alessandro**  
 Notary public Pueblo County, Colorado.  
 My Commission Expires June 2, 1956.

**THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA**  
**COUNTY OF TULSA**

Before me, a Notary Public in and for the County of Tulsa and State of Oklahoma, on this day personally appeared I. A. Parmer, 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 purposes and consideration therein expressed.

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 Given under my hand and seal of office this the 31st day of March, A. D., 1953.  
**A. E. Davidson**  
 Notary public, Tulsa County, Okla.  
 My Commission expires Jan. 24, 1955.

I hereby designate the "Merkel Mail" at Merkel, Texas as the newspaper in which this is to be published.

**Mrs. Chester Hutcheson,**  
 County Clerk.  
 Filed for record 9 o'clock 30 minutes, April 8, 1953.

**Mrs. Chester Hutcheson**  
 County Clerk, Taylor Co., Texas  
 Mary Alice Young, Deputy  
 Adv. April 17, 24, May 1, 8.

**THE STATE OF TEXAS**

To any Sheriff or any Constable within the State of Texas — Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for four consecutive weeks, the first publication to be at least twenty-eight days before the return day thereof, in a newspaper printed in Taylor County, Texas, the accompanying citation, of which the herein below following is a true copy.

**CITATION BY PUBLICATION**  
**THE STATE OF TEXAS**

To: John E. Lane, Defendant.  
 Greeting:

**YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED** to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 25th day of May A. D., 1953, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 7th day of April A. D., 1953, in this cause, numbered 18-872-A on the docket of said court and styled Frances Lane, Plaintiff, vs. John E. Lane, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff asks for divorce on the grounds of cruelty, for custody of the child of the parties, Donna Rene Lane, Age 6 years, and for such sum as the court may find should be paid for the use and

benefit of plaintiff in supporting said child, and for any other relief in law or in equity to which she might be entitled as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 7th day of April A. D., 1953.  
 Attest: J. Neil Daniel, Clerk,  
 42nd District Court  
 Taylor County, Texas.  
 By C. Bower, Deputy.  
 Adv. April 17, 24, May 1, 8.

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of said court and styled Bobby Junior Housh, Plaintiff, vs. Jessaphine Housh, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff prays that defendant be

cited to appear and answer herein and on final hearing, the bonds of matrimony between the parties hereto be dissolved and that plaintiff be divorced from defendant and for such other and further relief to which plaintiff may show himself entitled as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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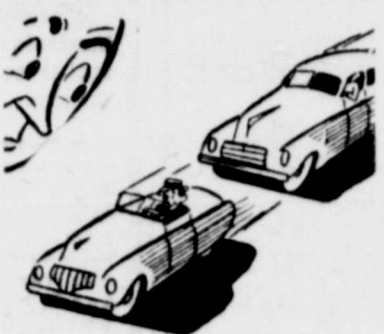
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If you are in favor of procuring more tax money for the City of Merkel and reducing every property owner's taxes in the City of Merkel read the following petition and if you are in favor of same, sign, tear out and return to the Merkel Mail.

Merkel, Texas  
 March 26, 1953

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND  
 CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
 CITY OF MERKEL:

WHEREAS the City of Merkel acting by and through its Mayor and City Council has heretofore passed Ordinances Numbers 276, 277 and 279 regulating and taxing the drilling, operating, and producing of oil or gas wells within the city limits of the City of Merkel, and under such ordinances among other things it is provided in substance that the City of Merkel will receive certain taxes and other valuable considerations from the drilling, producing and operating of any such well for oil or gas within its limits and among other things said ordinances provide in substance that the City of Merkel shall designate drilling blocks and control the number of wells located thereon and the spacing of such wells within the city limits of the City of Merkel.

AND WHEREAS under said ordinances the city of Merkel is receiving very little revenue and return from the production or drilling or operating of oil or gas wells within its limits and additional wells would be drilled within the limits of the City of Merkel if said ordinances were amended as hereinafter set out.

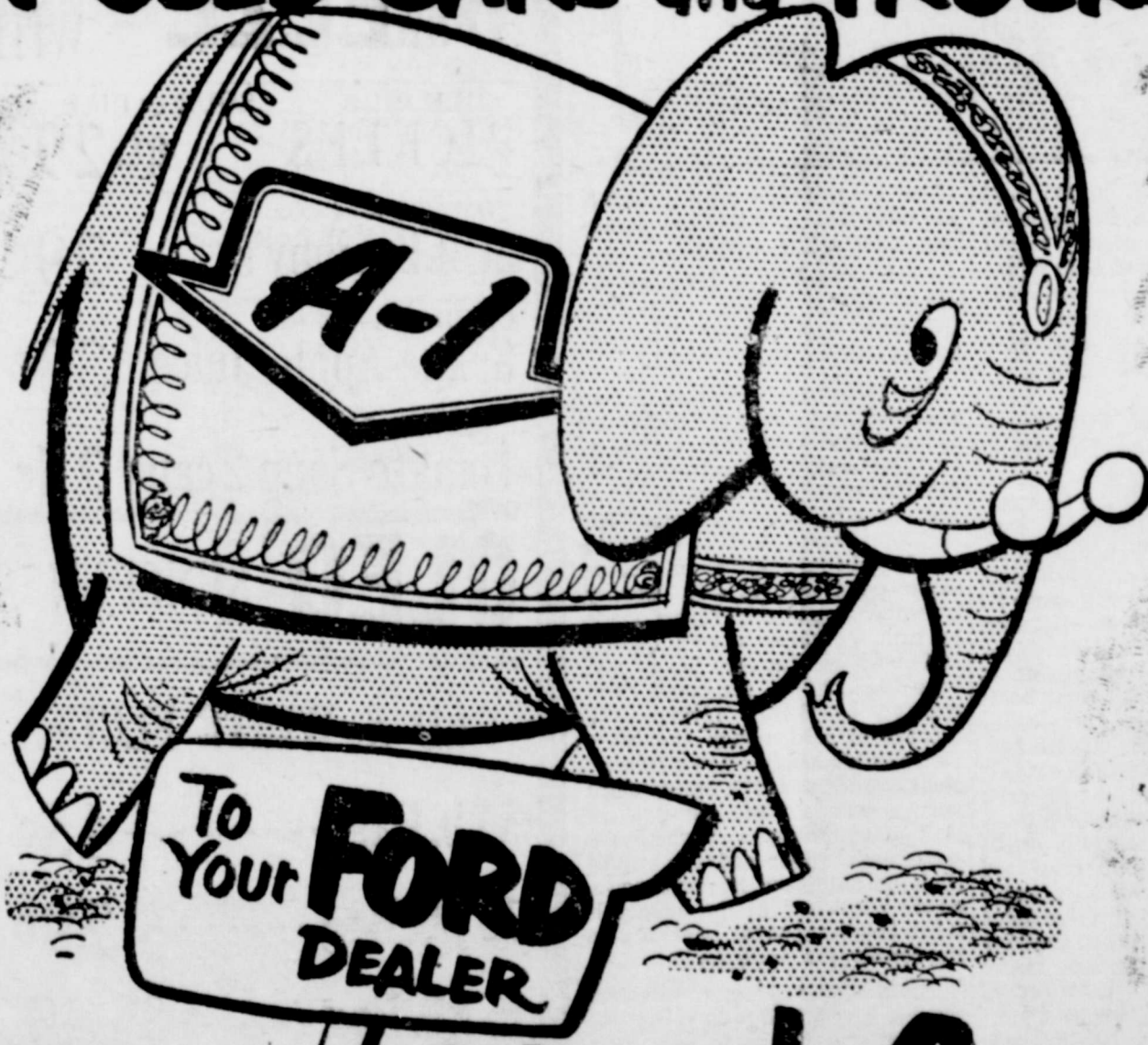
NOW, THEREFORE, We, the undersigned, taxpayers and property owners in the City of Merkel, Texas, hereby petition you to amend said ordinances so that any person, firm or corporation who has or obtains a permit from the Railroad Commission of Texas be allowed to drill, equip and produce a well for oil or gas as covered by any such permit issued by the Railroad Commission of Texas that can be drilled with safety, and in this manner obtain more wells drilled within the city limits of the City of Merkel and obtain more revenue for the benefit of each and every owner and holder of property within the city limits of the City of Merkel.

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# Highlights and Sidelights FROM Your State CAPITOL

By VERN SANFORD

In the House is a bill that would teacher pay bill bogged down last week in a mass of technicalities.

In the House is a bill that would bring about changes in the election code passed by the Legislature two years ago.

Passed by committee was the bill, which would repeal cross filing, remove the requirement that candidates file their expense accounts, and provide for polls to remain open until 8 p. m.

Visitors to the capitol the other day were the Perricone quadruplets of Beaumont, the only male quads in the world.

The 23-year-old brothers, Anthony, Bernard, Carl, and Donald (ABCD) are on duty with the Air Force Reserve. They have just completed a tour of duty in Korea.

## 70 Piano Pupils Will Be Presented In 3-Day Recital

Mrs. T. T. Earthman and Mrs. R. J. Miller will present their pupils in a piano recital at the First Baptist Church on May 4, 5 and 7. Seventy pupils will take part in the programs. The public is invited.

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## "Ford at Fifty" Is Pictured In A New Book

A story of a great industry and its future — an industry which directly or indirectly provides Americans with one out of every seven jobs in the country — has been told in words and pictures in a new book, "Ford at Fifty."

The book was published by Simon and Schuster as part of Ford Motor Company's fiftieth anniversary observance. It is a portrait of the automobile industry, the people who make it work and its effect on America, told in terms of one company in the industry.

Featured also is a case history of the automobile's effect on the growth, development and living habits of an American community.

## Washington

"As It Looks From Here"



OMAR BURLESON  
Congressman  
17th District

Following the Easter recess in the House of Representatives, there has been very little legislative business, and Congressman Burleson has decided to take advantage of the lull and spend a few extra days visiting with the people of his District.

Mr. Burleson reports a most pleasant and thoroughly beneficial visit in the District. He finds folks in high spirits and was happy to meet with a prevailing attitude of hope and confidence wherever he went. Seemingly the one sour note is the big problem common to the area — the dry weather.

## F and G Bond Holders Offered 3 1/4 Per cent Issue

Nathan Adams, state chairman, Savings Bonds Advisory Committee, reminded all holders of F and G Treasury Bonds which will mature between May 1 and December 1953 of the Treasury offer which makes it possible for them to exchange their Bonds for the new Treasury 3 1/4 per cent fully marketable Bonds if they desire. The offer does not apply to Series E Saving Bonds which mature during the same period.

Holders of maturing F and G Bonds must make application to exchange their Bonds for the new 3 1/4 per cent issue before May 1. Arrangements to make the exchange should be made at Federal Reserve Banks and Branches. Local Banks will be glad to advise holders on making the exchange, Mr. Adams added.

## HOSPITAL NOTES

Admissions to the Sadler Hospital the past week were:

As medical patients — Mrs. Geo. Woodrum, Julia Lawson, Geo. Anderson, Christine Lucas, Sarah Frances Hunter, W. B. Toombs, Mrs. Lester Rister, Mrs. T. G. Hamner, Mrs. Roy Whetsel, Mrs. Cora Bailiff, Mrs. L. S. Storey, B. W. Outlaw, Leonard McCoy, Mrs. Cecil Cochran, Mrs. Comer Patterson, Mrs. T. J. Amason.

For surgery — Lois Wiggins, Ann Newton, both tonsillectomy, Mrs. Johnny Jacobs.

## HAS MAJOR SURGERY

Steve Carter underwent major surgery at the Sadler Hospital April 21.

For flaky pie crust mix a small quantity of flour with a little water, stirring out all the lumps. Spread this over the top crust of your pie before baking. You'll be amazed at the difference it makes.

## LOCAL LADIES ATTEND DISTRICT P.T.A. MEETING

Mrs. James R. L. Elliott, Jr., Homer Newby, Joe Cypert and E. L. Horton attended the 16th District P.T.A. annual conference in Lamesa Monday and Tuesday.

## FORTNIGHTLY MEETS WITH MRS. C. COLLINSWORTH

Mrs. Chester Collinsworth opened her lovely new home in west Merkel last Tuesday to the Fortnightly Study Club. Roll call was answered by 25 members.

Mrs. David Gamble and Mrs. Powell Miller reported on the district convention of Federated Clubs held recently in Colorado City.

Mrs. David Gamble, program chairman, introduced the program given in "Order to know the Russians," "Letters From Moscow," compiled by Lydia Kirk, were read by Mrs. Andy Shouse. Miss Christine Collins reviewed "Capitalist on the Loose" written by Oliver Vickery.

## MRS. MACK FISHER HOSTESS TO MERKEL GARDEN CLUB

Mrs. Mack Fisher was hostess to the Merkel Garden Club on Thursday afternoon of last week, entertaining in the Community Center. Iris and snap dragons were displayed to advantage, having been grown and arranged by Mrs. Charlie Sherrill.

Miss Christine Collins discussed "What You Should Know About Bugs." Mrs. Lucille Litton gave the April Pointers. Present were 15 members and two guests.

Attention is called to the next meeting which will be a flower show in Abilene April 30. Anyone wishing to go will meet at the Community Center at 3 p. m.

## PERSONAL

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Cooper last weekend were Mr. Cooper's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. O. Steen, from Long Beach, Calif. Another sister from Anson, Mrs. J. L. Lantrip, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Fremon from Casa Granda, Ariz., were visitors also. Mrs. Fremon is Mr. Cooper's niece.

## AT CAMP RUCKER

Pvt. Keith Tarpley is now stationed at Camp Rucker, Ala. His address is Pvt. Wendell K. Tarpley, RA18428538, Co., K., 164th Inf. Regt. 47th Inf. Div.

## GIVEN SUSPENDED SENTENCE

Ed G. Morris 75, of Tye was given a one-year suspended sentence Wednesday after he pleaded guilty to shooting J. McCartney, about 45, of Tye.

Mr. McCartney recovered.

Bryan Bradberry represented Morris in 104th District Court.

**So the People May Know**

PUBLIC NOTICE

The clerk of each county must publish annually a financial report showing how much money has been spent out of each of the county's funds and the balance in each fund. It must reveal the county's indebtedness and give other details, outlined by state law as follows:

"Art. 1609. County Finances — publication of financial report of county by county clerk.

"Immediately after the first regular term of said court in each year said clerk shall publish once in some weekly newspaper published in his county, or if there be no paper published therein, then by posting four copies of such exhibit, one in each commissioners' precinct, one of which shall be at the courthouse door, the other three at public places in such precincts, an exhibit showing the aggregate amount paid out of each fund for the four preceding quarters, and the balance to the credit or debit of each fund; also the amount of indebtedness of said county, with their respective dates of accrual, and to whom and for what due; also the amount to the debit or credit of each officer or other persons with whom an account is kept. The cost for publishing the same shall be paid by order of said court out of the general fund of the county."

"Art. 1636. County finances — publication of notice of county treasurer's reports after inspection by the commissioners' court.

"Prior to the adjournment of each regular term of the court, the county judge and each commissioner shall make affidavit that the requirements of this article have been in all things fully complied with by them at said term of said court, and that the cash and other assets mentioned in said county treasurer's quarterly report made by said treasurer to said court, and held by him for the county, have been fully inspected and counted by them giving the amount of said money and other assets in his hands. Such affidavits shall be filed with the county clerk; and recorded in the minutes of said court the term at which the same were filed; and the same shall be published in some newspaper published in the county if there be a newspaper published in the county, for one time."

Publication of county financial reports is required to give the citizens information as to how their county government is being operated and how their tax money is being spent.

\*Price Daniel's book of Texas Publication Laws, page 104.

Another provision of the law is that the county treasurer must

## REMODEL MERKEL PHONE SYSTEM



HAROLD N. ODUM  
... the father



TOMMY ODUM  
... the son

## MERKEL HIGH INVITED

Students of Merkel High School are among representatives of 235 Texas High schools invited to attend the 29th annual Senior Day program to be held Saturday on the Hardin-Simmons University campus.

## TO DISCUSS CITIZENSHIP

High school seniors of Merkel high school and 132 others of central West Texas will gather at McMurry College today, Friday, for a Citizenship and Career Conference. Speakers will discuss the responsibilities of citizenship and the basic principles of American freedom of enterprise.

Next time new potatoes are on your menu, instead of using a knife to peel them, rub off the skin with a new metal pot cleaner. It's just rough enough to rub off only the outer skin of potatoes.

## MAY HAVE EVERYTHING

Loraine A. Boyce, 2825 French Road, Beaumont, a former Merkelite, air mails a letter to The Mail, reading:

"Only a notice. Before I die I will call in my friends and ask them to have my body cremated. Then place the ashes in an envelope and mail to the Internal Revenue Collector and tell him now he has everything."

## Gives Few Rules To Protect Self Against Tornado

The U. S. Commerce Department's Weather Bureau has issued a bulletin giving tornado safety rules.

It contains such pointers as:

If you're in open country, move at right angles to the tornado path. Given no time to escape, lie flat in a ditch or ravine.

If in a city or town, seek shelter, preferably in a steel reinforced building. Stay away from windows. In homes, the southwest corner of the lowest floor or in the basement offers greatest safety. Windows on the north and east sides of the house may be opened to help reduce damage.

## NEVER SAY DIE

He (mournfully): "Then this is the end?"

She: "Absolutely. Shall I return your letters?"

He: "Please. I want to try them on another girl."

## Parents Have Last Chance to Confer With the Teacher

Next Thursday and Friday, April 30 and May 1, will be the last chance of the current school year for parents of pupils in grades 1-8 to come to school to confer with the teacher.

Parents are urged to come at any time on either afternoon.

"If you are in doubt as to whether your child will be promoted, be

sure to come at this time and talk things over with your child's teacher," stated Principal C. A. Farley.

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YELLOW ONIONS	lb. 9c	ALL MEAT BOLOGNA	lb. 39c
BREEZE PICKLES	GIANT SIZE WITH TOWEL 29c	SCOTT Toilet Tissue	2 rolls 25c
MILE HIGH TOMATO JUICE, Libby's	46 Oz. 29c	BABO CLEANSER	2 cans 25c
CHURCH Grape-Apple Juice	24 oz. 33c	WASH DAY WONDER TIDE	Reg. pkg. 29c
CAMPBELL'S Tomato Soup	2 cans 25c	ALL FLAVORS JELLO	2 pkgs. 15c
OLEO SUNSPUN	2 LBS. 43c	PINTO Beans	2 lb. Cello bag 35c
RED & WHITE FLOUR	5 Lb. Bag 45c	GLADIOLA MEAL	5 lb. bag 45c
10 Lb. Bag	79c	3 MINUTE OATS	20 oz. box 17c
25 Lb. Bag	\$1.89	MARSHALL — No. 300 HOMINY	3 cans 25c
COFFEE FOLGER'S Pound	89c		

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**SOCIETY**

**MRS. RICHARD LEVERICH HONORED WITH GIFT TEA**

Mrs. Holt Vaughn graciously opened her home for one of the love-liest gift teas of the season, honoring Mrs. Richard Leverich last Friday from 5 to 7 p. m.  
Mrs. Vaughn greeted guests, introducing the honoree, who in turn introduced Mrs. Jake Martin, her mother, and Mrs. Tommy Gilstrap mother of the groom. Miss Patricia Palmer registered guests and Miss Jo Ann Young served a dainty refreshment plate.  
The bride's table was laid with lace and crystal, and centered with orchid, gladiolus and white carnations.  
Miss Breta Kay Denton invited the guests to see the array of lovely gifts.  
The hostesses were Mesdames V. Mansfield, E. B. Wallace, Ollie Fox, P. Morgan, R. Malone, B. Sublett, N. Palmer, R. Wilson, D. Gibson, H. Vaughn, and Misses B. Kaye Denton, Jo Ann Young.

**WILLING WORKERS CLASS MEET WITH MRS. SPURGIN**

The Willing Workers Class of the Presbyterian Church met at the home of Mrs. J. M. Spurgin Tuesday, April 14. There were seven members present. The meeting was opened with song. The devotional was given by Mrs. Etta Tucker from Psalm 138, followed by prayer and a song.  
Members gave a number of good

**GLEANER S. S. CLASS MEETS IN HOME OF MRS. J. SHANNON**

The Gleaner Sunday School Class of the First Methodist Church met April 15 in the home of Mrs. John Shannon with Mrs. Robert Hicks and Mrs. T. L. Grimes as co-hostesses. Mrs. Dee Grimes, vice president, presided in the absence of the president, Mrs. F. Y. Gaither, who was ill.  
Mrs. B. H. Jones brought the devotional subject, "Faith." Prayer was by Lottie Butman. Mrs. P. W. Miller talked about Alice Kemper, who is a Merkel home girl and who has been in an invalid home in Abilene and has recently come to the Lawson Rest Home.  
Mrs. Jack Miller delighted the group by telling about the wonderful trip she and her husband just completed to the West Indies.  
A delicious plate of sandwiches, cake and punch was served to 24 members.

**MERKEL SEVENTH GRADERS ENJOY ABILENE FIELD TRIP**

Two of the Seventh Graders of Merkel had an all-day field trip to Abilene April 9 for educational purposes.  
They attended the play, "Pied Piper of Hamelin," sponsored by the Abilene Junior Service League and put on by Hardin-Simmons students. They saw the making and bottling of soda water. They had lunch at the Chicken Shack.  
At the McMurry Museum they saw many articles of interest and heard the history of each one. Mrs. Flo Reddick was their guide through the Abilene Reporter-News.  
Mrs. Andy Shouse and Miss Mable Phillips accompanied the students.

**MR. MRS. COLEMAN O'BRIEN ATTEND FAMILY REUNION**

Mr. and Mrs. Coleman O'Brien and family attended a family reunion at Lamesa Sunday. There were about 80 present. A big picnic dinner was served.

**MRS. MACK FISHER HONOR PUPILS WITH SKATING**

Mrs. Mack Fisher honored her room by taking the pupils skating at Trent April 13. The following mothers took cars: Mrs. Jay Greenfield, Mrs. Fred Johnson, Mrs. Clesby Patterson, Mrs. J. B. Gregory and Prof. and Mrs. Fisher.  
The group skated for two hours; and then enjoyed refreshments of cold drinks, cakes and sandwiches.

**TRENT JUNIOR-SENIOR ANNUAL BANQUET HELD**

Trent High School juniors and seniors attended their annual banquet Saturday night in the Chicken Shack in Abilene.  
Superintendent W. B. Williams gave the invocation. James Lewis Wilks, junior class president and master of ceremonies, gave a welcome address followed by a response from Allen King, senior president. A senior class prophecy was read by Barbara Edwards, junior. Jim Winn read the senior will.  
Arrangements for the banquet were made by Mrs. Travis Mason, junior sponsor. Plate favors were red roses.

**P-T-A TEEN-AGE STUDY GROUP MEETS LAST FRIDAY**

The P-T-A Teen-Age Study Group met with Mrs. Andy Baker Friday night, April 17, for its last meeting of the year. Mrs. Ray Wilson, leader, brought a most interesting program to 14 members:  
Mesdames Homer Newby, Ellen McReynolds, Clyde Eager, Frank Breaux, Grover Gilbert, B. M. Tipton, June Hogan, Ray Wilson, Roscoe Owen, Ruth Pangle, Bud Toombs and Nolan Palmer.

**MISS PHILLIP'S SEVENTH GRADERS ENJOY PICNIC**

Miss Phillip's seventh graders had their end-of-school picnic April 14. They went to Trent to skate for two hours. Then they journeyed to the road-side park nearby. They played baseball while the room-mothers set out the food and drinks.  
The room-mothers who participated were Mrs. Cunningham, Mrs. Winters, Mrs. Newborn, Mrs. Ray and Mrs. Bird, also one father, Mr. Ray.

**MRS. C. W. SEAGO IS HOSTESS TO WOODMAN CIRCLE**

The Woodman Circle met in the home of Mrs. C. W. Seago April 14. Mrs. Mary Scarmarbo of Waco, state president of the Woodman Circle, gave an interesting talk on the work. Other visitors present were Mrs. Florence St. John, Abilene, national representative, Mrs. Kate Kidwell, district president, Mrs. Lela Jeter, president of Abilene Grove and Mrs. Vicent Powell, Abilene. At the close of the meeting refreshments of ice cream and cake were served by Mrs. Dent Gibson, Mrs. W. H. Laney and Mrs. Bea Reeves.

**ALTHEAN SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS MEETS AT CHURCH**

The Althean Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church met April 14 at 3 p. m., in the home of Mrs. E. H. Thompson for its monthly business and social hour. Mrs. A. H. Zollinger was co-hostess.  
Mrs. W. C. Bursleson brought the devotional, reading a portion of the 12th chapter of Mark. Minutes of the last meeting were approved. The class report was given and other business taken care of.  
Two books have been bought by the class for the church library, "A Quest for Souls" and "Follow Thou Me," both by Dr. George W. Truett.  
A delicious refreshment plate was served to 10 members and two visitors.

**"HOME SAFETY" IS STRESSED AT UNION RIDGE H. D. CLUB**

Mrs. E. L. Palmer was hostess to the Union Ridge Home Demonstration Club Friday, April 17. The woman's collect was read, Mrs. J. H. Clack concluding with prayer. Miss McRee gave the council report. The county-wide tea is May 8 in Abilene. Mrs. Buntin, president, presided.  
The program, "Home Safety," was given. Fire hazards of all buildings were stressed, records of children, all illness and immunizations, Miss Allen visited the health leaders, leaving a complete program.  
Refreshments of cookies, punch and sandwiches were served to these members:  
Mrs. Beauford Buntin, Mrs. J. H. Clack, Mabel McRee, Mrs. A. W. C. Lee, Mrs. M. L. Douglas, Mrs. Clay Satterwhite, Mrs. O. E. Harwell and six children.  
Mrs. Agnew will welcome the club at 2 p. m. May 1.

**MRS. KENNETH RAY HONORS DAUGHTER ON BIRTHDAY**

Honoring her daughter Karen Ann on her sixth birthday, Mrs. Kenneth Ray entertained with a party Saturday, April 18.  
Games were played and refreshments were served to Steve and Beverly Butman, Nancy Swinney, Charlene and Willard Ann Lawson, Donnie Russom, Aleta and David Scott, Anne Poik, Gail, Jackie and Kathy Butman, Robert Wayne and Dennis Butman, Betsy Ray, Galen Bronovak, Sue King and Don Ray.  
Mesdames Mildred Lawson, Tom Russom, Lucian Rudd, Banning Eutman, E. C. Ray and Frank Bronovak.

**MRS. E. W. KING AND MRS. E. R. CLACK RETURNED WEDNESDAY NIGHT OF LAST WEEK AFTER VISITING SISTERS AND OTHER RELATIVES IN DURANT AND BOSWELL, OKLA., AND PARIS.**

Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Dean and Larry of Corpus Christi came Saturday to visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dee Grimes. Mr. Stewart returned home Sunday while the others remained for a longer visit.  
Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Brabbin of Buckeye, Ariz., are visiting this week with Mrs. Brabbin's mother, Mrs. M. E. Baceus, and other relatives.  
Ralph Davis of Tyler is visiting this week with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Max Mellinger and sons.  
Mr. and Mrs. R. Bockman of Washington, D. C., visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Bockman, and his sister, Mrs. Howard Beard, and family last week. Also his sisters, Iva Nell Bockman of Abilene, Mrs. W. J. Gardner of Eucla, Mrs. L. M. Humphrey of Crane and brother, Jake Bockman, of Noodle.  
Mr. and Mrs. Heubert Freeman and two sons, Leon and Johnny of Brawley, Calif., stopped over for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Claude Smith and son on their way back to California from points east and south. The Freemans will be remembered as old timers of Merkel.  
Mrs. H. A. Fick and children spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Palmer. Debra Jean went back Sunday and left the boys to stay a while with their grandparents. Other visitors in the N. C. Palmer home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Devaney and Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Palmer.  
Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Tarpley Sunday were their son Billy E. and his girl friend, Julia Gwyn Collup of Lubbock, another son Garvis and wife and children and a daughter, Mrs. Ernest Dixon, and Mr. Dixon and boys of Noodle.



PVA. HARLAN JONES  
... now in Korea



MAX L. HODGE

Max L. Hodge, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Hodge of Merkel, entered a utility school in the Navy at Port Huemene, Calif., April 1 after completing basic training at the Naval Training Center, San Diego.  
Hodge is a graduate of Noodle High School and was employed at the Pioneer Drive-In Theater in Merkel prior to entering service.

**Fire Burns Home of Mrs. Harvey Jones in Abilene Sunday**

The home of Mrs. Harvey Jones in Abilene was burned up Sunday morning. Mrs. Jones used to live near Trent.

**personals**

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County at \$22 to \$23, and plain and medium butcher cattle sold from \$13 to \$17.50. Fat cows drew \$12.50 to \$14.50, and canners and cutters sold for \$9 to \$12.50. Bulls brought \$10 to \$15. Good and choice fat calves sold at \$18 to \$22 and cull, common and medium grades sold for \$10 to \$17. Stocker calves and yearlings ranged from \$15 to \$20.  
Hogs sold at the highest price since last August, topping at Fort Worth at \$23 to \$23.25. Last August, the highest point reached was \$23.50. Sows were steady at \$17.50 to \$19 on Monday. Pigs sold from \$15 to \$17, and stags sold for \$12 to \$15.  
Fat lambs and feeders were steady Monday at Fort Worth, and old sheep ruled weak. Good and choice milk fat lambs sold at \$22 to \$25, and old crop shorn fat lambs sold from \$17 to \$20; some No. 2 pelts at \$20. Old ewes drew \$6.50 to \$8 and some old wethers drew \$10.50 down. Yearlings and two's sold for \$13 to \$16. Feeder lambs cashed at \$18 down. Old bucks sold around \$6.

**Livestock Report**

By TED GOULDY  
The likelihood that Southwestern cattlemen may well consider supplemental feeding of this year's calf crop to enhance the chances of selling many as beef calves loomed on the basis of the way the stocker market behaved in the opening session of the week at Fort Worth. Indifferent demand for stockers except cows and high grade calves and yearlings was notable.

Reports from Corn Belt points indicated feeders there aloof. A recent survey of the Corn Belt feeders intentions by the Wall Street Journal summed up the intent of many feeders to put their corn in the loan instead of into cattle feeding.  
Some 200 head of high grade thin stocker steer yearlings from the Fort Davis country sold at Ft. Worth Monday averaged 497 pounds at \$19 per hundred. Most observers agreed these yearlings probably would have sold around \$40 last year at this time. Stocker cows sold from \$14 to \$17, some had small calves at side and the calves sold around \$17 to \$20.  
Slaughter cattle and calves were steady. Good and choice fed steers and yearlings topped at \$18 to \$23, some club yearlings from Knox

**CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING**

**LODGE CALLS**  
**NOTICE MASON**  
Stated meeting of Merkel lodge No. 710, A. F. & A. M., Saturday, April 25, at 8 p. m. All members are urged to attend. Visiting brethren cordially invited.  
W. R. Cyfert, W. M.  
C. B. Rust, Sec'y

**WANTED**  
WANTED TO BUY — A 3-bed room home from owner in good condition near the grammar school. Phone 342W. 3t5p.  
WANTED — Clean Cotton Rags Badger Chevrolet. t51c.

**FOR RENT**  
FOR RENT — 4 room house 1 1/2 miles North East of Merkel. Salt Branch Road. See T. T. Earthman, 211 Ash St. 3t6p.  
FOR RENT — New 5 room house on Oak Street. L. R. Cade. t16p.  
FOR RENT — 5-room apartment and bath. Close in. Rent \$35 month. See W. B. or Leon Toombs. t13c.

**BUS SCHEDULE**  
Eastward Westward  
4:02 a. m. 7:37 a. m.  
4:29 a. m. 5:38 a. m.  
7:06 a. m. 8:57 a. m.  
11:26 a. m. 1:25 p. m.  
11:52 a. m. 5:22 p. m.  
3:01 p. m. 6:40 p. m.  
8:22 p. m. 11:31 p. m.  
9:53 p. m. 12:10 a. m.  
11:56 p. m.

**FOR SALE** — Northern Star Cottonseed \$2 a bushel. See Comer Haynes or Dee Moore. t16c.  
**ROSES in bloom** or other flowering shrubs are lovely gifts for Mother's Day. See Mrs. B. T. Sublett, Phone 106, 705 Oak. 3t6c.  
**FOR SALE** — Lankard Hi Bred and Northern Star Cotton Seed \$2.00 a bushel. Dave Anderson, Merkel, Texas. t16p.  
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**EDITORIAL**

**LIVING TOGETHER**

That was a stimulating challenge that Rev. S. E. Tullock hurled in his first sermon as pastor of The First Baptist Church here. "We must learn to live together, not only as individuals and families and communities but also as nations. The whole world needs to

learn to live together." That in substance was the theme of his stirring address.

The theme is as old as mankind it is as new as this morning's rising sun.

Cain killed Abel, his brother, and man has been killing man ever since. "Thou shalt not kill," was thundered out of Mount Sinai but still man murdered and continued to kill man. Generation after generation has

cried for peace and still there is no peace. There has been wars and rumors of war ever since man learned the art of attack.

It is well to point out that Rev. Tullock put his finger on the smallest denominator in the chain of getting peace. He pointed out emphatically that we need to learn to live together as individuals, in the home. Having accomplished that we can go on and learn to live together as communities and nations.

Religion has done its part in aiming man's eye at the road to peace. It has said, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." "And as ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise." The prophets have prophesied that

the time will come when swords shall be beaten into plowshares, spears into pruning hooks, nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall there be war any more.

With atomic warfare a certain sign of utter destruction of all mankind it is well to take to heart the warning of learning to live together as nations. President Eisenhower knows what this means and that is why he has bent backwards in his last speech in asking Russia to show by deeds and not by oratory that it too wants peace as much as the rest of the world want it.

Paraphrasing Benjamin Franklin we might well say that we should learn to live together or there will be no opportunity for us to live separately.

compassion, all, all mean nothing. They squeeze every ounce of human naturalness and individuality from the person. The individual is is nothing; the organization is everything.

They speak of liberation. Liberation from what? From freedom, from individuality, from self-determination, from free will, from everything that is fine and good and soul inspiring in life. Man becomes an animal, a soulless, selfless, spiritless automaton.

But all China is not fooled. A nation that has given us a Confucius cannot be sunk in the mire for long. New China, a REAL new China, will spring forth and the sun that has died in the wake of communism will rise again.

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Shaw-Tong lived for one year in Communist China and finally escaped to Formosa where he is now living, waiting for a day when he can go back to China and live as a free man.

He shows in this book how the Communists beat at the brains of its people. It attacks the minds of the individuals, sapping every ounce of sense out of it. As the writer points out, "News control is the cruelest weapon thus far invented by man." It strikes at the thinking man.

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a mad whirl of international espionage when they are made the innocent dupes of a gang of spy operatives.

**Abbott, Costello  
Are Laugh Riot  
At Queen Theatre**

The famed comedy team, Bud Abbott and Lou Costello, combine their talents again in what is reportedly their funniest screen offering. It's "Abbott and Costello Meet Captain Kidd," a Woodley production in Supercolor for Warner Bros. with Charles Laughlin playing Captain Kidd in the new film. It plays Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at the Queen Theatre.



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From the prolific pen of the late Damon Runyon, Warner Bros. brings to the screen, "Stop, You're Killing Me," the fast-paced gangster comedy which brings back the fabulous mugs and molls of the early thirties at their picturesque "best." Broderick Crawford and Claire Trevor star in the Warner Color production, due Sunday and Monday at the Pioneer Theatre. Punctuated with songs and dances, "Stop, You're Killing Me" is the story of Remy Marko, gangland overlord who has desires to go straight because of his devoted wife and daughter.

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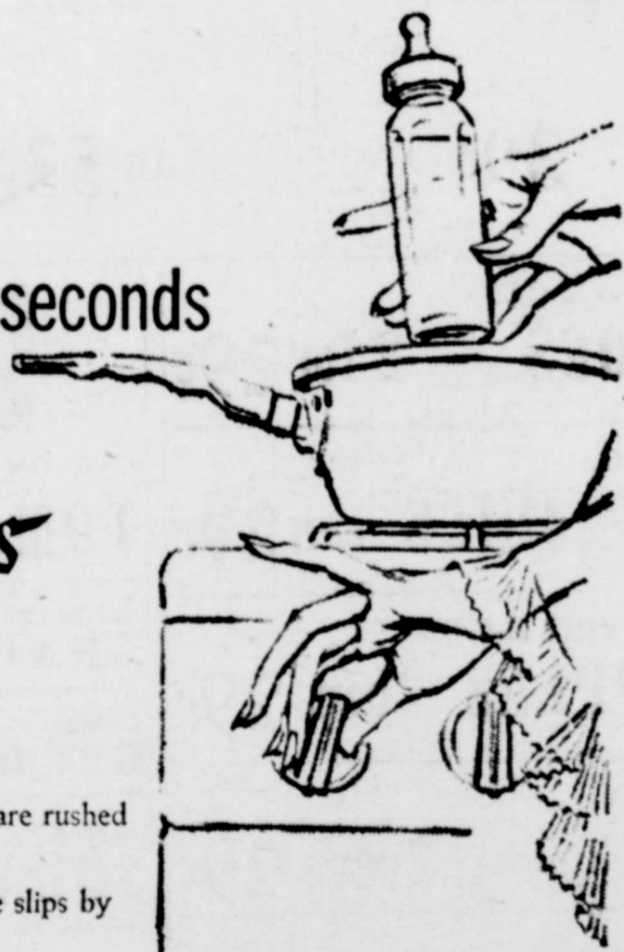
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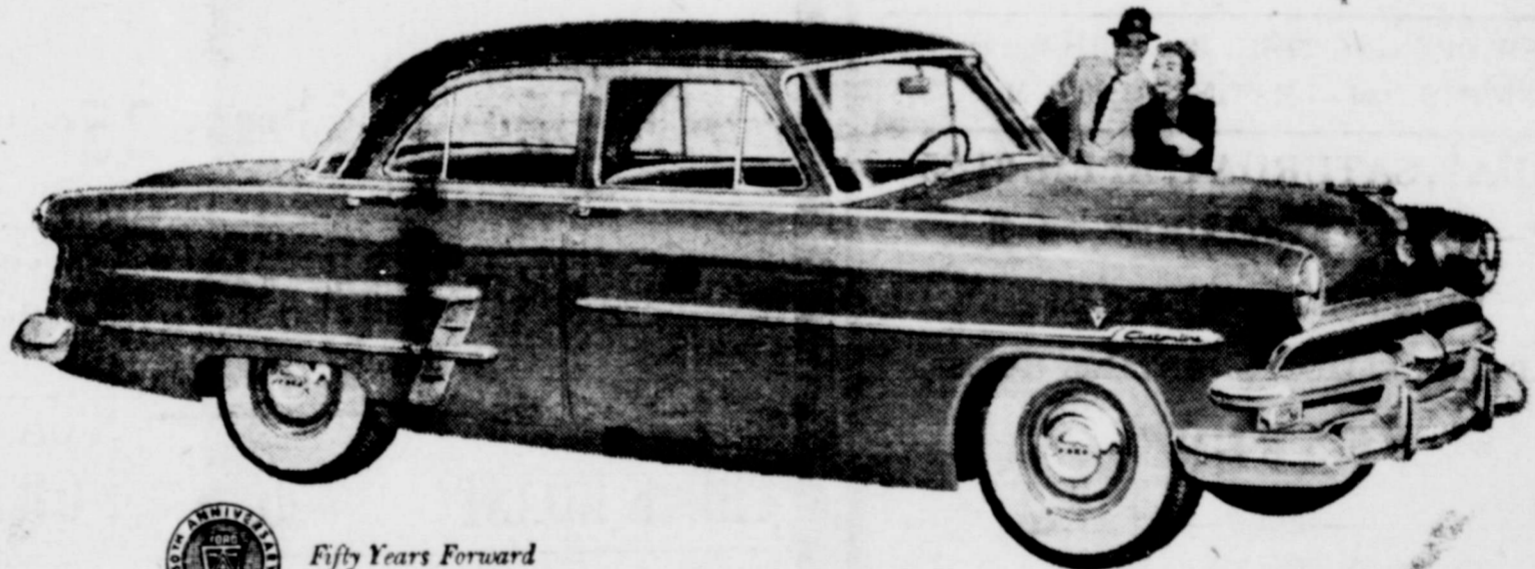
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On Saturday afternoon Roscoe

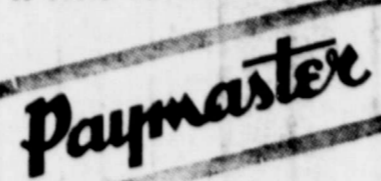
beat Trent; Roby beat Noodle; Merkel beat Hamlin, and Colorado City beat Merkel "B".

Saturday night in the finals for consolation Colorado City beat Merkel 15-13 and 15-13. Roby beat

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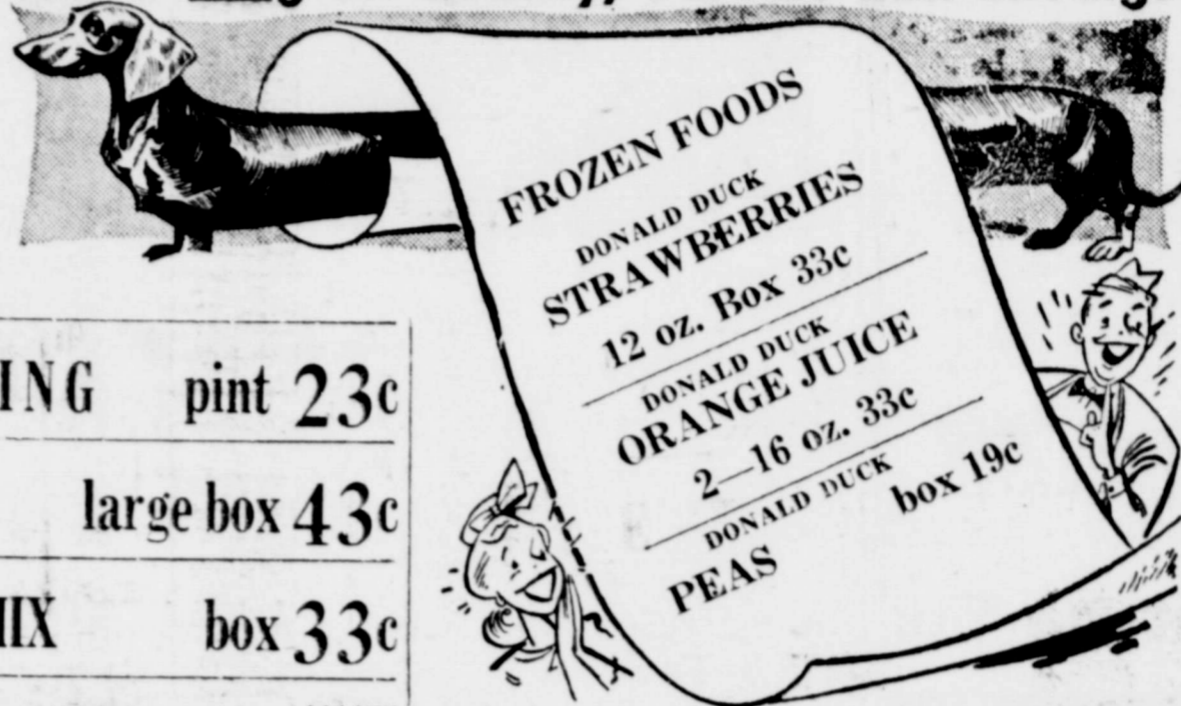
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