

Little League Spring Tryouts To Start March 29

At a general meeting held March 11 the Windmill Little League of Merkel set March 29 as the date to begin Little League tryouts.

The eight, nine and ten year old boys will tryout on March 29, April 1, 5 and 8. The 11 year old boys will tryout March 30, April 2, 6 and 9.

These tryouts will be held at the Merkel High School football field parking area from 5 p. m. to 7 p. m.

All boys who are eight years old and will not be 13 before Aug. 1 and who are not now members of any of the Little League teams are invited to attend these tryouts on the date corresponding to their age. This includes Trent and Noodle.

A player must attend at least 50 per cent of these tryouts to be eligible for the Little League auction to be held after the tryouts are completed.

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Rev. S. E. Tullock Makes Convention Sermon in Abilene

Rev. Sam E. Tullock delivered the convention sermon last Friday at the annual District 17 Baptist convention in Abilene. Nine counties were represented.

13th Coop. Meet Will Be Held Next Thursday

The 13th annual meeting of Taylor Electric Cooperative, Inc., and Taylor Refrigeration Cooperative, Inc., will be held Thursday, March 25, at the Merkel High School Gymnasium beginning at 10 a. m.

All members of the cooperatives are urged to attend this meeting and share a part in their business.

There will be an election of directors, report on business along with an amateur talent contest and fun for all. There will be displays of the very latest electrical equipment and appliances.

Special entertainment will be provided from 12:30 p. m. to 1:30 p. m. There will be drawings from time to time throughout the day for the many prizes to be given away.

Short addresses in the afternoon will be given by Cooperative Attorney Bryan Bradbury, President of the Board H. R. Roberts, Secretary-Treasurer Sam Butman, Jr., and Manager Lester Dorton.

Deverel Melton Dies in Korean Prison Camp

Deverel Melton, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Melton of Odessa, formerly of Merkel, died in a Korean prison camp in March of 1951.

He was in the Army and went overseas in 1950 and was captured soon afterward near Seoul, Korea, when he was 30 years old. The last letter received by his parents from him was in November of 1950.

Then on March 7, 1954, they received word of his death in a prison camp. Deverel was born and reared here and attended Merkel school.

He is survived by his parents; a daughter, Norma Jean, of Abilene; two brothers, Wallace, of Odessa, and Waymon of Camp Hood and two sisters.

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and the grandson of Mrs. T. J. Melton.

'We Owe a Debt Of Gratitude' Says Preacher

"We owe a debt of gratitude." In speaking on "Two Sides to the Gospel" Monday night Minister Fred Custis of Haskell stressed the need to go out and preach the gospel. Minister Custis gave his first sermon at that time in the series of gospel meetings being held at the local Church of Christ.

The meetings extend through March 24. They begin each evening at 7:30 o'clock. At 7 p. m. there is young folks singing. Roy E. Gulley, local minister, began the meetings Sunday.

Bill Haynes, minister at Trent, led in prayer. Holland Boring, Jr., student at Abilene Christian College, led the singing. There was a good audience. Minister Gulley introduced the speaker.

Minister Custis is an excellent preacher. He has a strong, powerful, resonant voice. He has an easy flow of language. Though he uses a conversational style of delivery he can rise to eloquent oratorical heights. He has a sense of humor and tells stories effectively.

The preacher based his sermon on Rom. 14-17. In developing his subjects he pointed out that there are two sides to the gospel: one side for the sinner and one side for the Christian.

"I fear," he began, "that we have tread heavily on one side and lightly on the other side. We have stressed the sinner's side. Go into all the world and preach the gospel" should be stressed more.

"The gospel," he continued, "applies to everybody. There are no exceptions." The minister pointed out the difference in the word debt as applied to the credit we get in buying merchandise and the kind of debt that Paul was talking about, the debt of gratitude to those who build things for us.

The speaker told what true repentance is, he showed that sorcery still continues in this day—the sorcery of fortune telling; astrology, tea leaves, reading of cards.

"Christians," he declared, "do not believe in this sorcery." In telling of the need to go out and preach the gospel the minister closed with "In sharing the gospel we lose nothing." The public is invited to these gospel meetings said Minister Gulley.

COWS, STEERS, TEXAS

Prof. and Mrs. J. E. Wrench, of Columbia, Mo., were guests of Editor and Mrs. Hy White over the weekend. "Ma" Wrench remarked, "I never saw so many steers and so few cows as I did in Texas." And the "Prof" asserted, "I tried to obey the speed laws of Texas but you Texans almost pushed me off the highway by trying to pass me."

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Rev. Levi Price To Preach at Baptist Revival

Rev. Levi Price will be the evangelist at the revival to be held at the Baptist Church March 28 to April 4, announced Rev. Sam Tullock. Rev. Price is pastor of the First Baptist Church at Monahans. He was pastor for three years at the local church. This will be his second revival here since leaving Merkel.

Merkel 20 Years Ago

TAKEN FROM THE 1934 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

HOLD 50TH WEDDING FETE Married at the Merkel depot on March 19, 1884, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Butman, among the best known and most highly respected of West Texas pioneers, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary Sunday at their ranch home in Mulberry Canyon, 15 miles south of Merkel. More than 120 persons attended. The program was in charge of Mrs. R. A. Burgess. With Mrs. C. B. Gardner at the organ Cyrus Pee was leader for favorite songs and hymns.

START BEAUTIFYING Second project of the local committee on highway beautification—plotting and planting a strip of railroad right-of-way, south of the highway and extending from the Nichols Ice house to the next crossing—received attention this week.

PAINTS MURAL PANELS A series of mural panels by a native Texan artist and a Merkel boy by the way Jimmie Swann of Dallas, will be hung on the foyer walls of Sherman public library by May 1, the gift to Sherman of the artist, made possible by the Federal government's public works administration projects for artists.

TO RUN FOR ALDERMAN Friends and supporters of the present administration have secured the consent of Watt Blair to stand as a candidate for alderman to fill the unexpired term of W. D. Hutcheson, resigned, in the coming city election.

TO STAGE RABBIT DRIVE The residents of the Blair Community will stage a rabbit drive on Tuesday of next week, March 27. Participants are asked to gather at the Rogers' store. Dinner will be served at Blair at noon.

PLAY AT BLAIR Home Demonstration Club, and sponsored by the Union Ridge Home Demonstration Club, and which was presented at Union Ridge last Friday night, will be given at Blair on Monday night, March 26.

ATTENDS FUNERAL J. S. Thomas, accompanied by his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Thomas, Jr., left Monday for Fordyce, Ark., to attend the funeral of J. S. Thomas' brother, Red Thomas.

CELEBRATES 80TH BIRTHDAY W. T. Derrick, who makes his home with his son, C. T. Derrick, celebrated his 80th birthday, March 9. On that day 45 relatives and friends attended a dinner given in his honor at the home of another son near Stamford. The elder Derrick came here four years ago.

START NEW GREENHOUSE Work has started this week on the new greenhouse for Missie's Floral Shop, the former home having been destroyed by the fire that consumed the Woodrum Hotel last summer.

LEASES SAFE Fred Latham, popular cafe man, has leased Wiman's Cafe, next door to the bus station, and is now open for business. Everybody is glad to have Fred back home and he looks both happy and natural serving customers at his new location.

SELLS JERSEY BULL While at the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show, John S. Hughes sold Fox his thoroughbred 4-year-old Jersey bull, which has been the admiration of breeders in this section in recent years. R. H. Taylor of Fort Worth was the buyer.

SINGING AT NOODLE W. J. Bicknell has asked The Mail to make announcement of singing at the Noodle School building at 2 p. m. Sunday. All singers have a special invitation to be present.

EVERYDAY PHILOSOPHY The man who says it can't be done is usually interrupted by the man who is doing it. . . some people can see the funny side of every situation except their own. . . One think worse than a quitter is the fellow who is afraid to be

TAKEN FROM THE 1934 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL This Happened in Merkel Forty Years Ago The rest of the names of those here, having been carried over on the honor roll for the month of February was listed from last week.

2 School Trustees Will Be Elected Saturday, April 3 The board of trustees for the Merkel Independent School District has called an election for Saturday, April 3 to elect two school trustees. The election will be held in the Welfare Building on Kent Street.

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Crowded Church Is Enthralled By Band Service

A crowded church was thrilled in a reverential manner by the soul stirring service Sunday night at the Methodist Church by the McMurtry College Band, led in a splendid manner by Prof. Raymond T. Bynum.

All the benches in the lower part of the church were filled and extra seats were placed to accommodate the overflow crowd. The balcony also was packed.

From the prelude, "Sun of My Soul," until the stirring numbers, "Onward Christian Soldiers" and "Battle Hymn of the Republic," that closed the band service the congregation was enthralled and thrilled.

"The Crusaders" number was a mighty spirited piece while the "Hymn Medley for Vibrant" was a beautiful, sweet, soft rendition. The rest of the program was well played.

Rev. Robert L. Butler of Sweetwater, former minister of the local church, now retired, gave the benediction. The band program as a whole was a soul satisfying service.

Bertha Patterson of Merkel is a member of the band.

Willmon White Wins First Prize In Tex. U. Contest

Willmon White of Merkel has been named winner of a \$25 first prize in the boys division of the Texas Journalism Contest at the University of Texas. His prize winning feature story was on Rev. Hamilton Wright of the Abilene Reporter-News.

Willmon, a graduate student in journalism, is the son of Rev. and Mrs. Aubrey F. White. He is also working as publicity agent for Senator J. T. Rutherford of Odessa.

Ten Letterman Are Named by Local High School Lettermen have been announced by the Merkel High School: 1st letter—Robert McLeod, Phillip Pursley, Bobby Owen, Delbert Alfred, George English, Billy Dye. 2nd letter—Cox, Jerry Cunningham, Dike, Hisenhunt, Jacky McAninch.

Henry L. Wilson Dies Last Friday At Age of 61

Henry Lester Wilson, 61, Trent farmer, died at 5 p. m. last Friday. He had been ill nine months. He was born in Mississippi and moved to Lamar County where he married Berdie Mae Pomroy, Oct. 22, 1913. They moved here in 1925 and to Trent in 1930, where they had made their home since.

He was a member of the Trent Baptist Church. Survivors are his wife; two sons, Talma A. of Snyder and Lester P. of Abilene; four daughters, Mrs. Foy B. Steadman of Trent, Mrs. H. O. Taylor of Lubbock, Miss Sarah Wilson of Trent and Miss Joyce Wilson of Lubbock; and 10 grandchildren.

He is also survived by a brother, J. A. of Paris and a sister, Mrs. R. W. Womack, of Waco. Funeral services were conducted at 3:30 p. m. Saturday at the First Baptist Church at Trent. Rev. Gilbert Callaway of Graford officiated, assisted by Rev. Darwin Welch, Trent pastor, Rev. Earl Duncan, Anson, and Rev. Clarence Randolph, Farmersville, nephew of the deceased.

Nephews served as pallbearers: Earl, Austin, Harry D. and D. L. Wilson, all of Paris, Arthur Wilson, Station, Walter Meeks, Hamilton. Burial was in Trent Cemetery under the direction of Starbuck Funeral Home.

HAVE GRANDDAUGHTER

Mr. and Mrs. Lanier Hicks of San Angelo are the parents of a baby girl born March 9, weighing 8½ pounds and named Mary Delois. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vestal Hicks.

The Merkel Mail Celebrates Another Birthday With This Issue

This week The Merkel Mail celebrates its birthday. This is the beginning of a new year, a new volume for this newspaper. This issue begins the 65th volume of The Merkel Mail. For 64 years The Merkel Mail has been published continuously, giving uninterrupted news of the events in the daily lives of its people, of the glorious growth of this West Texas section, of the political and commercial developments that have made this section a big factor in the Lone Star State, of progress in education and culture and religion.

Street Signs Are Considered By Lions Club

Street signs were discussed at the Lions Club Tuesday. Supt. Mack Fisher, president, presided. Postmaster Wrenn Durham reported on the street signs. He showed a sample of the signs. The club voted to take the matter up later after it has been brought before the City Council.

President Fisher appointed a nominating committee: Lester Dorton, Fred Starbuck and Horace Boney. Isadore Mellinger brought up the matter of approving gum machines for the Boy Scouts. The matter was referred to the board of directors.

Mr. Fisher announced the Lion zone meeting to be held here this week on Thursday.

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WEATHER REPORT

Snow fell fast and furiously from 11:30 a. m. to 11:50 a. m. Saturday. The flakes were large.

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personals

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Mrs. J. M. Dunn of Cisco was a visitor of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Elliott, on Wednesday of last week.

Visitors in the home of Mrs. L. M. Touchstone and their aunt, Miss Eula Sears last Friday were her niece, Mrs. Fred Shelton, Jr., and husband of Dallas and her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Jordan, Jr., of Abilene.

John, Don and Jim Kucholtz of Abilene visited their aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. George T. Moore over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Carson were in Hobbs, New Mex., Sunday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Don Swafford.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Farmer and family and Mrs. J. Armstrong had Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Horace Armstrong and family in Abilene.

City Marshal and Mrs. A. D. Fulton visited their children in Houston all last week.

Mrs. C. B. Rust visited in Odessa over the weekend with her mother Mrs. M. W. Kail, who is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon McAninch were in Lubbock Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Loyd and family of Clyde were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Hagar.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Toombs were in San Angelo Sunday visiting their son Stanley and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Derden and son Gary of Waxahachie visited Mr. and Mrs. Preston Henry over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. McAfee of Cleburne visited with the Preston Henrys en route to Laguna Beach, Calif. They are on two weeks' vacation and will visit with Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Blacketer, Mr. McAfee's sister and brother-in-law.

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REPORT OF BUSINESS
ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

MANY WONDERFUL PRIZES TO BE AWARDED

FUN — ENTERTAINMENT — REFRESHMENTS

Headline FOOD VALUES

SPECIALS for FRIDAY and SATURDAY, MARCH 19 - 20

WHITE ONIONS lb. 7c	LOIN or T-BONE STEAK choice lb. 59c
WHITE SPUDS lb. 5c	BEEF ROAST choice lb. 49c
GREEN TIP BANANAS lb. 14c	PORK CHOPS lean lb. 65c
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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, Tex., the accompanying citation, of which the herein below following is a

true copy.
CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS
To: Horis Payton Arthur, Defendant, Greeting:
YOU ARE HEREBY COM-

MANDED to appear before the Honorable 104th 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 19th day of April A. D. 1954, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 27th day of February A. D. 1954, in this cause, numbered 7462-B on the docket of said court and styled Laverne L. Arthur, Plaintiff, vs. Horis Payton Arthur, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and defendant were married on or about October 12, 1943 and lived together until on or about December 15, 1949. Plaintiff shows that there is no community property to be adjudicated. Plaintiff and defendant had born to them one child, Mary Leona Arthur, female, aged 9 years. Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of abandonment, for care, custody and education of said child 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 6th day of March A. D. 1954.

Attest: J. Neil Daniel, Clerk,
104th District Court
Taylor County, Texas
By C. Bower, Deputy.
Adv. — March 12, 19 26, April 2.

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A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Sequestration suit on note and to foreclose chattel mortgage on 1952 model Chevrolet 4-door Sedan, Motor No. KAAJ599542. Plaintiff sues for \$1,556.33 plus interest, attorney's fee and costs of suit as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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104th District Court
Taylor County, Texas
By Jean Teaff, Deputy.
Adv. — Feb. 26, March 5, 12, 19.



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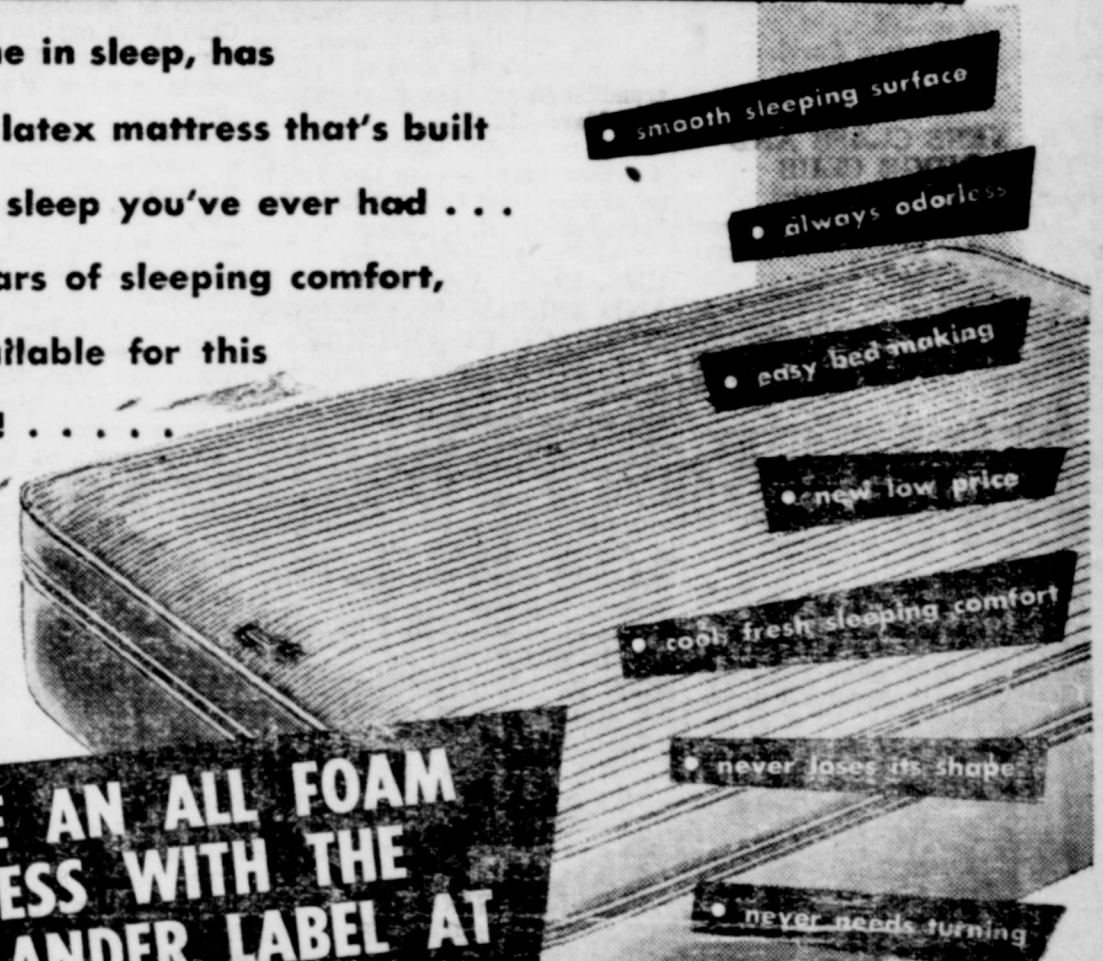
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About 5,000 Baptists from all over Texas will meet in Abilene March 22-24 to talk about Sunday School work in their churches.

Rev. and Mrs. S. E. Tullock and about 50 persons from here plan to attend.

General sessions of the convention will be held in the First Baptist Church.

Speakers for the three-day meeting include Dr. Ullin Leavell, Virginia college professor and noted author of textbooks and manuals; Dr. Kearnie Keegan, Southwide Student Secretary, Nashville; Dr. W. A. Criswell, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Dallas, and Dr. Forrest C. Freezer, Dallas, executive secretary of the Baptist General Convention of Texas.



ANDREW Q. ALLEN
of Dallas, state Baptist Sunday School secretary.



DR. W. A. CRISWELL
of Dallas, to speak to Baptists

"Finest Singer" In San Antonio

San Antonio Symphony-goers will hear the "two Helen Traubels," when the noted American singer appears as guest soloist in the orchestra's final subscription concert of the season at Municipal Auditorium Saturday night in San Antonio.

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She has been called "the finest singer, male or female, in the world today."

In the current "night club" phase of the soprano's career she has exploded the usual image of an opera star haughty, aloof, temperamental. Her own hearty good humor, by general consensus, has found a new and profitable expression.

WILL WEBB HONORED BY CHILDREN ON BIRTHDAY

Saturday, Mrs. Calvin Ball, Mrs. Barney Douglas, and Mrs. Bill Brown of Hobbs, New Mex., honored their father, Will Webb with a surprise dinner party. After a dinner, canasta and TV were enjoyed by the honored guest, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Ball, and Linda Mr. and Mrs. Barney Douglas, Jerry, Jackie and Jimmie, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brown, Randy and Mike. The occasion also marked the birthday of the honored guest's daughter, Mrs. Barney Douglas. The party was in Hobbs.

"THE BIG FISHERMAN" REVIEW DELIGHTS GLEANERS

The social meeting of the Gleaner Sunday School Class was held Wednesday, March 10, in the home of Mrs. John Shannon with Co-hostesses, Mrs. F. Y. Gaither, Mrs. T. L. Grimes and Mrs. Lizzie Latham. The rooms were decorated with spring cut flowers.

Mrs. W. W. Tombs, president, presided. Mrs. Reese Hail led in prayer. Mrs. Jack Miller gave an inspiring devotional on "Faith."

All were delighted to hear Mrs. R. B. Johnson review "The Big Fisherman."

A dainty refreshment plate of angel food cake, ribbon sandwiches, frosted punch and lime candy slices was served to 24 members and five visitors.

MRS. CARROLL BENSON IS HOSTESS TO GARDEN CLUB

A most enjoyable program was given by members of the Garden Club at the regular meeting Thursday afternoon, March 4, in the lovely home of Mrs. Carroll Benson.

After a round-table discussion of garden problems, Miss Lottie Butman spoke on "Canna Cultivation," and Mrs. Herbert Patterson. Presented methods of "Dahlia Cultivation." Mrs. Jack Miller reported on plans for a spring flower show to be held in May.

Mrs. Nora Foster, Mrs. A. B. Allen and Mrs. Nathan Wood, flower judges, rated as excellent an arrangement of mixed garden flowers prepared by Mrs. Clesby Patterson.

Delicious refreshments, featuring a Saint Patrick's theme, were served to 19 members. The next meeting will be in the Community Center on March 18.

NOODLE 4-H CLUBS PRESENT 19 ACTS AT ANSON SCHOOL

The Noodle 4-H Clubs presented six of the 19 acts given at the Anson Grade School Gym Friday, March 12.

The acts given by the Noodle Club were:

The Beauty Shop Quartet, composed of Clara Hill, Zoie Adair, Janice Light and Frankie Sullivan, sang "Let the Rest of the World Go By"; Gloria Lawlis in "What It Was, Was Football"; "Train Station" by Janice Light, Judy Spurgin, Sandra Spraberry, Beth Adkins, Myrna Patterson, Mildred Stevens, Clara Hill and Melba Carter;

"The Floradora Quartet," composed of Sonny Goode, Harold Sloan, Gene Cliff, Eulan Hatfield, Loyd Warren, Morris Chancey, Roy Justice and James Allred; "Frankie and Johnnie" by Mildred Stevens, Janice Light, Gloria Lawlis and Melba Carter. "Five Foot Two" by Myrna Patterson and Judy Spurgin.

Mildred Stevens and James Allred represented the Noodle Clubs as King and Queen. Miss Stevens was crowned County Queen.

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HOSPITAL NOTES

Admissions to the Sadler Hospital the past week were:

As medical patients — Kathi Jo Jones, Henry Wilson, J. C. Brewer, Mrs. Betty Crick, C. K. Russell, Mrs. Jack Cannon, Ernest McCright, Mrs. Henry S. Ogletree, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Cook, Mrs. Carl Jackson, Nancy Allred, E. M. Booth, Thelda Hamner.

For surgery — Sue Holloway and Mack Dorton, tonsillectomy; Dave Tarpley, Mrs. Mark Hubert.

COMPERE H. D. CLUB MEETS WITH MRS. W. D. RAMSEY

The Compere Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. W. D. Ramsey March 11 for its regular and special meeting which had been postponed because of illness and death in the families of some of the club members.

Mrs. Adkins led the group in singing and Mrs. Childers offered the prayer.

Mrs. Kelso president, had charge of the business session. Minutes were approved. Roll call was answered with "A white elephant exchange." Orders were placed for trays and need to be used in the demonstration at the next club meeting which will be held March 21 in the home of Mrs. Kelso and demonstration by Mrs. Hendricks.

Mrs. Karl Bonneaux gave a very instructive demonstration on "Selection and Renovation of Hats" also modeled several hats she had made. A gift was presented to Mrs. Bonneaux by the club. The hostess gift also went to Mrs. Bonneaux for the highest contribution to the club fund.

After the meeting Mrs. Vernon Stanley had charge of recreation. Refreshments were served by the hostess to Mesdames Bonneaux, Adkins, Childers, Hunter, Kelso, V. Stanley, J. E. Touchstone, Ramsey, Terry and Christy Touchstone.

The next meeting will be held Monday, March 21 instead of Thursday 25 because of the REA meeting.

GOODMAN H. D. CLUB MEETS WITH MRS. H. F. JORDON

The Goodman Home Demonstration Club met Friday, March 12, in the home of Mrs. H. F. Jordon for its regular meeting. Mrs. G. C. Blair directed games.

Mrs. Jennings Winter, president was in charge of the meeting. The roll call was a "White elephant exchange" and the club decided to see the white elephants and make some money for the club.

The price was not more than 30c for a gift and it turned into lots of fun. The minutes were approved. As Mrs. Karl Bonneaux was holding two offices, vice president and council delegate, she resigned as vice president so the club could have a council vote in the absence of the president. Mrs. Jordon was elected vice president.

A letter was read from the Taylor R. E. A. Coop, and the club voted to take part in the contest at its annual meeting. The president appointed Mrs. Karl Bonneaux and Mrs. Ted Windham to see what could be worked up. Mrs. Bonneaux reported she had given the program on "Hat Renovating" which it had in February to the Compere Club.

The program was on "Cancer" and was discussed by Mrs. Cal McAninch, Mrs. T. H. Windham and Mrs. Karl Bonneaux.

Mrs. Odell Freeman was welcomed as a new member. Game right is to be Saturday, March 20, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Jordon. Members are to bring sandwiches, cookies, potato chips and a drink. Visitors are also invited to attend that night.

The hostess served pineapple cake and coffee to Mesdames Jennings Winter, Odell Freeman, Cal McAninch, G. C. Blair, Karl Bonneaux and T. H. Windham.

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FROM FOG TO SAND

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Swinney received a letter from Herbert, saying he will get his discharge March 19. He will take his physical examination March 20 and expects to be home the 25th.

Herbert said he would be coming home from fog, so thick he couldn't see through it, to sand. Herbert got his training at Camp Pendleton and spent one year on Alaska.

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director of children's work of the Abilene district, has been in Approach to Religion." Rev. Charles Lutrich of Lubbock was dean in a Methodist Training School of the school.

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personals

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Deatbridge and daughter Helen of Hamby visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Foster.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Nutt and daughter Talama Ann of Austin visited their mother, Mrs. Edna Horton, and sister, Sonja Sue Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Newsom of Vernon were visitors of their aunt, Mrs. John Hughes last Friday. They came with Mrs. W. M. Echols.

Mrs. Dovey Cox and daughter Alma of Ft. Worth visited friends and relatives here last Wednesday.

Mrs. John Hughes visited her daughters, Mrs. Spencer Bird, and family of Ft. Worth, Mrs. G. F. Elliott and Mrs. C. M. Barrieks of Grand Prairie last Wednesday.

BILL SLEDGES ATTEND 85TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sledge and family were in Clyde Sunday and attended the 85th birthday celebration of her mother, Mrs. J. H. Lloyd, of Comanche. There were about 25 present.

MELVIN HORTON ENTERS VET HOSPITAL LAST WEEK ON MONDAY

Melvin Horton entered the Veterans Hospital at Big Spring on Monday of last week. He is very ill. Melvin is a World War II veteran.

GLEANERS CLASS AND UNION RIDGE CLUB TO SERVE VISITORS

The Gleaners Sunday School Class of the Methodist Church will serve a chicken dinner with all the trimmings to the visitors to the Taylor Electric Coop. and Taylor Refrigeration Coop. meeting next Thursday at the Community Center.

The Union Ridge Home Demonstration Club will have a booth next to the gymnasium and will serve sandwiches, cold drinks, etc.

OIL NEWS

The Chicago Corp. No. 1 TXL, Section 9, Block 20, T&P Survey, Ellenburger producer in the Dora North Field five miles southwest of Trent, is to be deepened to the Cambrian.

Elm Oil Co., Dallas, No. 1 Frank Carter, Section 33, Block 18, T&P Survey, is a prospective Palo Pinto lime discovery well 10 miles northwest of Merkel in southwestern Jones County.

MARVIN ESTES JONES GETS ARMY DISCHARGE AND NOW IN NEW YORK

Marvin Estes Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emory A. Jones, 837 Jeanette St., Abilene, former resident of Merkel received his discharge from the Army in February. He is working in New York City on the Engineering News-Record.

Jones, a 1947 graduate of Abilene High School, served two years with the Army as a bandsman at Camp Mason, Calif.

He entered the Army in March, 1952, while employed by the Houston Chronicle. He received his degree in journalism from the University of Texas in June, 1951. He attended Hardin-Simmons University in his freshman year and played in the Cowboy Band.

Jones is feature writer on the News-Record, largest professional daily in its field. He handles news of new inventions and tools.

His father is employed by Kenneth Musgraves Construction Co. Mrs. Jones is personnel manager at Woolworth's.

Camels have long eyelashes, to protect their eyes from sand.

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AT BROTHERS FUNERAL

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Vaughn are in Wichita Falls where they attended the funeral of Mrs. Vaughn's brother, Arthur Watkins. He was a wholesale and retail butane dealer.

TO REVIEW BOOK

Miss Julia Luker will review "The Yeoman's Daughter" March 23 for the Fortnightly Study Club at the Community Center. Also the McMurry Male Quartet will sing. It is an open meeting. Everyone is invited.

GEORGE CROW TO ATTEND GRANDDAUGHTER'S WEDDING

George Crow left here Tuesday morning for Lubbock where he was to attend the wedding of his granddaughter, Jean Crow, Thursday, March 18.

Jean was born, reared and went to school here. She is the daughter of Mrs. Opal Crow of Lubbock. The groom is Roy Adams.

MRS. HOLT VAUGHN AND MRS. V. PATTERSON TO TEACH IN ABILENE

Mrs. Holt Vaughn and Mrs. Virgil Patterson were two of the district delegates attending the Methodist Vacation Church School Training last Thursday and Friday in Lubbock. Mrs. Patterson will direct church school institutes in April in the Abilene district and Mrs. Vaughn will teach junior work in the institute.

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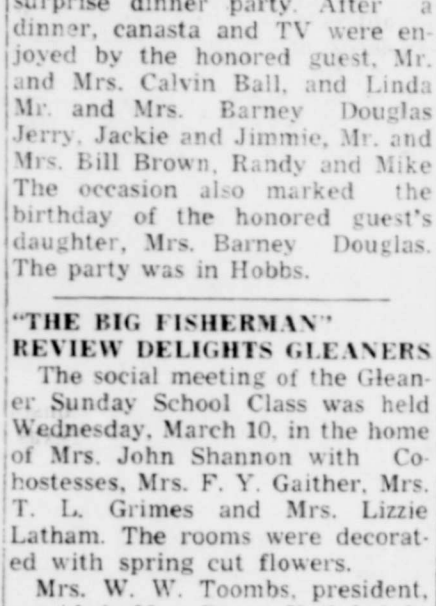
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CARD OF THANKS

We want to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to all our friends and neighbors who were so kind and sympathetic during the loss of our husband and Daddy, especially for all the beautiful floral offerings and to the ladies who brought food.

WORD OF GRATITUDE

We wish to express our appreciation to all who helped in any way by expressions of sympathy, sending cards, food and flowers and your presence in the time of our recent sorrow. May God bless each of you.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
To any Sheriff or any Constable within the State of Texas - GREETING:

HIGHWAY PATROL REPORTS 2 DEATHS IN COUNTY FOR FEB.

Captain G. L. Morahan of the Abilene Highway Patrol district released the following figures for February, 1954. Of the \$5,666.90 paid in fines, Taylor County accounted for \$1,273 and Jones County \$555.

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For County School Superintendent
CLIVE PIERCE
For Commissioner Precinct No. 2
RUFEE TITTLE (re-election)
For Justice of Peace Pct. 5
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BUS SCHEDULE

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Eastbound: 2:20 a. m., 3:36 a. m., 5:22 a. m., 6:32 a. m., 6:47 a. m., 11:40 a. m., 11:45 a. m., 2:37 p. m., 3:01 p. m., 5:00 p. m., 7:57 p. m., 11:52 p. m., 9:01 p. m.
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By LORETA ALLEN

The clothing school started this week with most of the clubs having representatives attending. Miss Nena Roberson, clothing specialist from College Station, and Miss Thelma Casey, district home demonstration agent from San Angelo, will visit in the county next Wednesday.

The 4-H Committee will meet Saturday. There are representative from Merkel, Tye and Treat 4-H Clubs, as well as the other 10 clubs in the county. Merkel 4-H Club did not get to meet on its regular date, so they will meet March 26 instead.

I enjoyed giving a demonstration to the homemaking teachers of the Oil Belt Teachers Association last week. Here are a few suggestions that I gave on good lighting.

Thrifty minded families are finding that it's the "little things" around home that help trim the rough edges from their tightening budgets.

Here are some tips on how to get more light from the same amount of electric power.

Colored electric light bulbs absorb up to one-third of the light they produce and should not be used, except for decorating purposes.

Replace dark or dingy lamp shades with white or some other light colored shade. Dark colors

absorb light, light colors reflect. Use one high-wattage bulb instead of several smaller ones. For example, a 100-watt bulb furnishes 50 per cent more light than four 25-watt bulbs, yet uses the same power.

Flared lamp shades over the drum type are recommended. Flared shades spread light over larger area.

Lastly, keep the light source as near your work as possible. However, there should be no glare, direct or indirect, in the eyes.

J. L. WHITE ADDS TWO MORE HOMES TO SUNSET EDITION

J. L. White, builder of a bigger merkel, has just completed two more 3-bedroom homes in the Sunset Edition. One has already been bought by A. W. Clemmer.

"Head Hunters" Packs Suspense At Queen Theatre

"Valley of Head Hunters" plays today and Saturday at the Queen Theatre, with Johnny Weissmuller starred as the daredevil explorer. Featured in the cast are lovely Christine Larson and Weissmuller's sidekick Tamba, the talented chimp.

On safari deep into the Valley of Head Hunters to obtain permission from the natives for a friendly government to utilize rich mineral deposits, Weissmuller is accompanied by Miss Larson government explorers and his ever faithful companion, Tamba. Suspense builds from the outset when two jungle troublemakers try to prevent Jungle Jim from succeeding in his mission.

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Terror, Tension Fill "Gun Fury" At Queen Theatre

Terror, tension and suspense in breathless degree hold the upper hand in "Gun Fury," new outdoor action drama that reaches fever pitch excitement in its opening at the Queen Theatre Sunday and Monday. Filmed in color by Technicolor, the unusually strong and off-beat story stars Rock Hudson, Donna Reed, Phil Carey and Roberta Haynes.

"Gun Fury" gets off to a galloping start when the forthcoming idyllic marriage between Hudson, a Civil War veteran, and Miss Reed is rudely shattered by Carey, a lustful killer who abducts the girl and leaves Hudson seemingly dead.

Shock - Medical Drama in Film at At Queen Theatre

The title says Charlton Heston and Elizabeth Scott are "Bad for Each Other" in the shock-medical drama at the Queen Theatre Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, but together they are wonderful for entertainment - seeing motion picture audiences.

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On March 8, I introduced a bill, H. R. 8269, to authorize the sale and export of \$1,500,000,000 worth of surplus farm products in exchange for foreign currencies. The bill authorizes the Government to create and expand continuous foreign markets for farm products to buy strategic materials for U. S. stockpiles, to pay for military supplies and services, and to pay certain other U. S. obligations abroad.

In introducing H. R. 8269, I am pointing out to the Congress that the investments made by the Commodity Credit Corporation in carrying out its price support activities is approaching \$5 1/2 billion, an all-time high. If the U. S. Government's investment in surplus farm commodities owned or under loans were divided up, each family of 4 would have enough wheat for 1000 loaves of bread, enough cotton for 88 shirts,

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some comments about what we have written in The Mail they may be of general interest. He wrote recently:

"I have seen those editorials. They are the first things I look for when your paper arrives.

"In your editorial of Jan. 22 you ask, 'How does it feel to be on TV?' and you answer, 'We don't know.' Well, brother, I'll tell you for I've been on TV with 'The Goldbergs' and on a program that our cousin Goodman Ace had.

"Well, the feeling is like an opening of a new show. You are nervous, you are aware of the fact that millions of people are seeing you. It's an ordeal."

Now, we know how it feels to be on TV. Thank you, brother.

The cousin he mentions is the same one who writes the funny stuff for Milton Berle. A feature article about him appeared in the March issue of "Esquire" and was entitled "The Ace of Boffs." That "Boffs" puzzled us until we saw a note on it in the Kansas City, Mo., Star, saying it meant "laughs."

Now, here is something that may interest "Fisherman's Row." Brother Phil enclosed a clipping from a New York paper about fish. It told about fish being frozen

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on all winter and then coming to life.

We guess that our good friend Toke Vaughn will be interested in this and will have some comment of his own to make about the matter.

So, we have heard about bears hibernating and about fish ... well, just sleeping. What will we hear about next? ...

GOOD CITIZEN

March is "Be a Good Citizen Month."

Of course we all want good government, we want it all the time.

That is what makes politics so interesting. We desire to get men into office who will give us good government.

How many of us know whether we are getting good government or not? Is our national government good? Is our state government good? Is our local government good?

At least we do know that our government is better than other kinds of government. We know that it is better than the kind that the Russians are getting.

The Russian kind, the communistic kind, is a dictatorial kind of government. It is not good. Why? Because the voice of the people, the majority of the people, they have no voice in the government. In fact, if their voices are heard, it may mean death. The individual in Russia is nothing, the state is all.

We should go a step farther in this comment. When the Russians say the government is all, they don't mean what they say, that is the common people do not. What they really do not understand is that under their tyrannical form of government a few men, or perhaps only one, is the government. We want none of that.

We want a voice in our government and our Constitution gives us that voice.

But do we use it as we should? Do we take an interest in our government? Are we concerned about it? Do we go to political meetings? Do we go to our city council meetings, to our school board meetings, to our county commissioners meetings? Do we vote? In short, do we work at being good citizens?

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That's ALL — and the Sage of Figfield adds that it is good to observe "Be a Good Citizen Month," but it is better to observe "Be a Good Citizen Year."

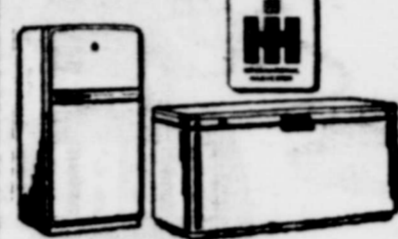
APRIL FOOD LIST

Potatoes, onion, broilers, fryers and dairy products headline the USDA's April plentiful foods list.

Supplies of these foods are large in this region, says John J. Slaughtering of the Agricultural Marketing Service.

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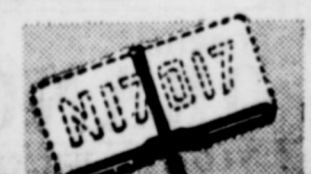
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By LYDON JOHNSON

FARM INCOME: Almost everybody knows farm income in 1953 was lower than farm income in 1952. Individual farmers in Texas are sharply aware of that fact.

In the nation, farmers last year retained as net income the smallest percentage of their realized gross income that they have retained in any year since 1932.

FARM SPENDING: What the farmer spends in his operations is mighty important to the national economy — to all of us. The farmer is a good customer. Last year he spent 14.2 cents of every dollar spent at retail in the United States.

The farmer in 1953 spent about \$1.9 billion dollars for goods and services of all kinds. Here is

where some of it went: \$3.4 billion for food; \$2 billion for furniture, appliances and household operation \$2.1 billion for buildings and repairs to buildings; \$1.5 billion for clothing, \$3.2 billion for machinery, including automobiles, \$3 billion for gas, oil and upkeep of equipment; \$4 billion for feed; \$1.6 billion for livestock; \$1.2 billion for fertilizer and lime.

CONCERNS ALL: Those figures show why it is just plain good sense for everybody to be worried when the farmer's income goes down. If it goes down and stays down, everybody is in trouble.

That is why we must make sure new farm legislation does not pull the economic rug out from under the farmer. That would be bad for all of us.

WATER: "We must store up water or starve."

That is what a Texas friend recently wrote me. He is completely right.

One part of the solution for our water problem lies in upstream

water control projects all over Texas. I mean such projects as that in the Brady Creek Watershed where it is proposed to build 47 water-retarding structures.

I was glad to go before a House Appropriations Subcommittee recently, along with a group of West Texans to urge that money be made available to finish this authorized project in four years.

We can never move too fast in acting to conserve water and soil resources.

FARM PRODUCTS PRICE LEVEL FOR JANUARY MORE THAN DECEMBER

The January price level for farm products was 2 per cent more than December but 8 per cent less than January, 1953, the University of Texas Bureau of

Business Research reported. The price increases plus fairly heavy seasonal marketings bolstered the January farm cash income

total to just 1 per cent below the January, 1953, level. Meat animal prices accounted for a large portion of the increase.

Livestock population is expected to increase in 1954, with new spring calves topping last year's total by 1/2 per cent and establish-

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