IN THE FRIENDLY TOWN

Offers Merkel Water at 25 Cents Per 1,000 Gallons

water at 25 cents per 1,000 gallons. value" of the line.

Terms of a proposed 31-year contract, including the rate, were tended to take in the Merkel metinformally approved last Friday ering station or pump station, by the City Commission of Abi- that installation will be moved at

The Merkel City Council will tion outside the city limits. vote on the contract Monday, stated Mayor Henry West.

Merkel not exceeding 183 million gallons in any calendar year during the life of the contract.

ion of the present east line of Abilene Air Force Base.

price clause. It states, "provided kel. that the price shall never be less than that charged an industrial

The contract provides that Merkel shall construct at its own expense a pipeline joining its water Dink Whisenhunt distribution system onto Abilene's. Merkel must also provide its own metering facilities.

Water sold to Merkel will be treated and filtered by Abilene. Merkel is given permission to re-sell water to Tye.

part of Merkel's pipeline, Abilene players to Amarillo.

Merkel as been offered Abilene; will pay Merkel the "reasonable

If the Abilene city limit is ex-Abilene's expense to a new loca-

City of Abilene agrees to sell to Fred Starbuck Point of delivery will be near U. S. Highway 80 and an extens-

on of the present east line of Abilene Air Force Base.

One provision is added to the dinator of civil defense for Mer-

"The whole program will be revised with new department heads user for the same quantity of to be appointed as soon as practical," said Mr. Starbuck.

Signs as Pitcher With Blue Sox

Dink Whisenhunt has signed up Provision is made whereby if as pitcher with the Abilene Blue Abilene extends its city limits to Sox. He joined the team last include the delivery point or any week. He went with the Abilene

Merkel 20 Years Ago

TAKEN FROM THE 1934 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

RODEO IS BIG SUCCESS

Starting off with a street parade at 10 a.m., glorifying pioneer days, the semi-monthly rodeo sponsored by the merchants of Merkel Saturday brought a round of pleasures for the city's guests, culminating in an old fiddlers contest as an extra added feature of the election party after supper.

RECORD BIRTHS

A girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Beene on Wednesday, Aug. 1.

ELECTION RETURNS

Taylor County polled a recordbreaking vote in Saturday's Democratic primary, exceeding the 8,-000 mark for the first time in history. Commissioner A. J. Canon led Andy Shouse. Orin Higgins and Clyde Shouse will be in the run-off for public weigher of Precinct No. 5. W. O. Boney and his assistants made a record by completing the count and report- SHOW CATTLE TO MO. ing the Merkel box before 8 p.m.

Saturday. APPLY FOR FEED LOANS

tions for feed and forage loans lia, Mo. From there they will from the drouth relief appropriation fund at the relief office in fall livestock shows. Abilene, located at 917 North Second Street.

FORMER RESIDENT DIES

officiating.

BONEY HEADS DELEGATES

W. O. Boney will head the League All-Stars county Democratic convention to be held at 2 p.m. Saturday at the court house in Abilene. Other delegates selected were: Rev. C. The 14 manager-selected all-R. Joyner, Rev. P. H. Gates, J. S. stars of the Merkel Little League Swann, E. M. McDonald, Aaron will be home team in the open-Horton, J. E. Higgins, W. W. ing game of the Little League Dis-Wheeler, Willie Joe Largent, Joe trict Tournament in Sweetwater Holmes, Everett King, H. H. Saturday night. The Merkel team Toombs, Tom Durham, T. R. Las- will travel under the name of the siter and C. J. Glover, Jr.

REVIVAL CONTINUES

With several conversion accomplished and greatly renewed activ- Hernandez, Gene Epperson, Pat ity and earnestness manifest Lucas, Phil Seymore, Lester Doramong the entire membership, ton, Jr., Jerry Reynolds, Walter the revival campaign sponsored Harris, Connell Higgins, Delbert by the First Baptist Church at the Davis, Lupe Duran, Jerry Phillips, city tabernacle will continue and Tommy McAninch. Walter through Sunday with services twice daily.

A shipment of 14 head of show cattle of C. M. Largent and Sons will leave here Friday night in Overtime Contest will leave here Friday night in charge of Willie Joe Largent Taylor County farmers began for first exhibition of the seas-Monday morning making applica- on at Missouri State Fair at Sedamake the usual round of the big

IT RAINS HERE

Only rainfall in the month of Hands. The final score was three Mrs. Julia Cotton, 82, who July here was three-fourths of an to two. formerly lived here, died at inch that fell late Friday afterday of last week. She was buried temporary relief from the heat in the city cemetery there on Fri- and aided growing crops to some minister of the Church of Christ here, including the above, is only 7 7-8 inches.

This Happened in Merkel Forty Years Ago TAKEN FROM THE 1914 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

city council to issue a warning to Prussia. owners and drivers of automobiles in the City of Merkel in ref- | Germans was blown up by Belgian erence to section 5 of ordinance artillery near the frontier. No. 45. This special section of the ordinance reads as follows:

Every driver or operator of an bell or other appliance for giving notice of its approach so that attachment may be rung or otherwise operated to be heard at a distance of 300 feet and shall car-

Large German Armies entering help in gathering this enormous North Prussia and Poland are reported to be literally devastating the importation of cot-

We are requested through the the country in their march on

A transportation train carrying

The German steamer Koenigan automobile or motorcycle shall Luise, a mine-laying shop, was have attached thereto a suitable shot up by the British warshop

ry a lighted lamp between the been made by a corporation operhours of one hour after sundown ating in the Merkel country and for the win after getting help and one hour before sunrise. they are now confronted within from Charles Lynn Russell, Lesa short time with a shortage of

IRRIGATION PROHIBITED purpose of irrigation. The only exception to this rule is that cooperate fully in this effort to furnish a little more water for household uses. The Council also urges those with private wells to use just as little water as possible in order to conserve our fast dwindling underground supply.

CITY COUNCIL.

TO 100 DEGREES The thermometer sailed to 358 votes while the Gov. Shivers 110 degrees at 2 p.m. Monday. It registered this amount at the er's Store.

REV. RAYMOND W. DUNN

Revival Starts

Next Sunday at

Calvary Baptist

The revival at the Calvary Bap-

tist Church starts this Sunday and

will continue through next Sun-

day, announced Rev. George Ep-

Rev. Raymond W. Dunn, pastor

of the Central Baptist Church at

Coleman, will be the evangelist.

Frank Carr of Merkel will be in

Prayer service will start at 7:45

p.m. and regular service at 8:15

Rev. Epperson was a member

of the Coleman church for two

years while Rev. Epperson was

pastor there. "Rev. Dunn is a

wonderful preacher of the Bible."

Everyone is invited to the re-

League Champion Willie Wired

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Members of the team are Larry

Seymore, Urban Bright, Firmin

Earl Whisenhunt and Truett Per-

ry will manage the all-stars.

Starpats Win

Tuesday Night

Starpats.

Firmin Hernandez and Pat Lu-

cas pitched for the Starpats. Ur-

Electric Cooperative.

person, pastor.

p.m. daily.

charge of the music.

said Rev. Epperson.

Merkel Little

. . to be evangelist

LADIES' NIGHT POSTPONED The Lions Club ladies' nigh has been postponed, announced Presidennt Isadore Mellinger, on Tittle Asks for has been postponed, announced account of conflicting events. The

tentative date is Aug. 17 at 8 p.m. No noon-day lunches will be No noon-day lunches will be served during August and there More Details will be no meetings, said Presi dent Mellinger.

TWAS 20 YEARS AGO!

"That's the game I pitched," smiled Bill Sledge, referring to and it was exciting. And then we went into the 10th inning and lost, 4-3. Oh, me!"

LOBOS VS. NOVICE

The Merkel Lobos will play the Novice nine at Novice Sunday afternoon.

FOR WHEAT QUOTA

percentage of 86.7 for quotas. Friday's vote here was: 44 for

GOOD PLANNING PAYS

and 9 against.

"Every year, with the coming of warmer weather, pleastensive," Col. E. F. Tilley of ure driving becomes more ex-Houston, president of the Texas Safety Association, said. "When this happens, it becomes more! important than ever for the motorist who wants to avoid accidents to practice alertness and caution behind the wheel. Good planning before a trip also is important.

NEW VOTING PLACE The voting place hereafter will be at the Community Center, announced Bob Hicks, Democratic precinct chairman.

GOSPEL MEETING

The Noodle Church of Christ will hold a gospel meeting from Aug. 6 through 15. Rex Kiker, professor of speech at Abilene Christian College, will be evangelist and Ira Hill of ACC will be the song leader.

Coming from behind in the bottom half of the sixth inning Tues- Man and Wife day night to tie the ball game at 2-2 the Starbuck-Patterson ponsored team went on to beat Die Here Monday the league champion Willie Wired Within Three Hours

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Miller died Excellent play by both teams Sweetwater at 12:30 noon Thurs- noon and night. This brought kept the spectators tense. The within three hours of each other game was decided in the bottom Monday night. He passed away at half of the eighth inning. With 6 p.m. and she succumbed at 8:30 day afternoon, Frank L. Cox, extent. Total rainfall for the year the first two Starpat batters going p.m. Death in each case was due

down, Gene Epperson drew a to a revolver shot. base on balls and moved to third The funeral for Mr. Miller, 53. base on Larry Seymore's double was held at the Starbuck Chapel to center field. Urban Bright was with Rev. Aubrey White officiatthen intentionally walked to fill ing. Burial was in Rose Hill Ceme

Don Wilks then stepped up to Services for Mrs. Miller, 50. drive a clean single into right were held at 9 a.m. Wednesday in drive a clean single into right were held at 9 a.m. Wednesday in field to bring in Epperson from the Church of Christ with Minister of the Church of Christ with Minister of Abilene of the Church of Christ with Minister of third base to leave the final score ter O. B. Proctor of Abilene ofthree to two in favor of the ficiating.

to Jefferson where her body lay in state at the Haggard Funeral ban Bright caught. Delbert Davis, Home until 10:30 a.m. Thursday. From there she was taken to Rose Lupe Duran and Jerry Phillips Hill Burial Park at Handley where a graveside service was held at 2:30 p.m.

BAKE SALE

Johnny Swinney received credit will be held Saturday, July 31. starting at 9 a.m. in front of Max Mellinger's. To place orders ter Dorton, Jr., Caught, Dwain | phone 349, the parsonage. Sale

The City Council of Merkel has passed an order prohibiting the use of city water for the purpose of irrigation. The only

water may be used for this purpose from 12:00 o'clock noon until 6:00 p.m. on Saturday's only. It is expected every one will respected every one will be consistent fully in this offert.

urday in Merkel. Yarborough got

received 166. There were 556 votes cast. West Store and at Clyde Eag. There were 771 votes cast in the 1952 primary. Merkel was the

first complete box to report.

On Fair Grounds

Taylor County took the first the news item in last week's 20- step Monday toward establishing year ago column about that 10- an exposition ground to serve agri- Supreme Court, inning game against Noodle. culture and livestock shows and "We wanted to win that game as a site for the West Texas Fair. Brewster ...

The county commissioners Keenan ... pledged by unanimous vote that | Scott ... they will call a bond election to | Court of Criminal finance such a project.

Before the vote was taken Haley Commissioner Rufe Tittle stated: Graves 'We need a little time to discuss | Davis wouldn't buy a \$10 calf unless we | County Treasurer: In a wheat marketing quota \$600,000 of the taxpayers money Campbell . referendum last Friday Taylor on something we haven't seen or Constable, Prec. 5: whelmingly for a marketing the project but need time to McLeod 208 0 13 15 12 know more about the cost and -The vote was 222 for market- suggest that the agricultural com-The vote was 222 for marketing quotas and 34 against, a mittee meet with the court and C. Collinsworth discuss locations.'

This was agreed to and the date

set for next Monday. It was brought up at the meeting Monday that the care of the grounds would be in the hands of the commissioners court.

At 10 a.m. next Monday commissioners and a committee from are Willie Joe Largent and Bill Brown of Merkel.

grounds.

County Judge Reed Ingalsbe provements to the courthouse and produced many outstanding stucounty jail.

district courtroom and air conditioning for the court house, and half of the third floor.

The suggestion is that 100 acres in the southwest part of the form-

er airport be used. a price of \$65,000 on the 100-acre new Highway 36 route.

"DEADLY ON INSIDE!"

'Snappy on the outside, deadly on the inside!" said Col. E. B. Rev. and Mrs. Aubrey F. Tilley of Houston, president of about keeping them in safe operating condition." He pointed the church members. out that it would make better sense to spend less time shinsense to spend less time shining up the fenders and more Patricia Palmer time investigating the condition of brakes, tires, headlights and other mechanical parts.

Taylor County After the service she was taken At 80c Per \$100

Taylor County Commissioners voted Monday to set the 1954 county tax rate at 80 cents per \$100 valuation.

This is an increase from 50 cents to the maximum ad valorem rate allowed by the state consti-

The 1954 tax rolls, now about to be started, will be based on the new rate and the increase will show up on assessments due in October.

In the last few years Taylor County has had next to the lowest rate of any county in Texas.

Yarborough received a ratio of For constable, Precinct 5, County Superintendent:

Other votes cast were: Merkel Trent Butman

Tye-Merkel Caps-Merkel Governor: Yarborough 18 0 v 0 0 Holmes Shivers

Lieut. Governor: Hinson 329 44 26 26 18 Ramsey Johnson Attorney General: 108 19 7 3 4 Crouch 390 57 27 29 20 Sheppard U. S. Senator: 92 11 4 4 1 Dougherty Johnson ... 434 71 30 28 21 Place 1: 278 42 20 22 18

.... 47 5 4 3 1 98 17 8 3 2 Appeals: . 224 36 12 15 12

plans that are more definite. We Davidson 110 10 10 5 4 saw it. Here we are spending Haile 308 46 15 23 18

Will Win Award

At Voc. Ag. Meet

Chester Collinsworth, teacher the C-C will discuss plans for the of vocational agriculture in the exposition grounds. Included also Merkel high school, has been selected to receive a 10-year service award at the annual meeting of A bond issue of \$600,000 was the Teachers of Vocational Agriproposed for the exposition culture in Waco on Tuesday, Aug.

Mr. Collinsworth received a suggested that an additional \$250,- bachelors degree from Texas 000 in bonds be submitted for im- A.&M. College in 1936. He has dents who have won local and Improvements proposed by state contests during his years as Judge Ingalsbe are an additional teacher of vocational agriculture.

He was selected to receive the bronze lapel pin because his work completion of the jail by install- has been outstanding during his ing cells on the fourth floor and 10 years in the field of vocational agriculture.

The City of Abilene has placed Methodists Give tract and the right-of-way for the Pastor and Family **Expense Paid Trip**

White and sons, Ronald and the Texas Safety Association. Dwain, returned Tuesday of last "Many car owners who keep week from Colorado Springs, their vehicles well washed and Colo., where they vacationed for painted are not so particular two weeks. This was an all-expense paid vacation, a gift from

And Becky Ray **At Band School** Two Merkel youths are among

the 343 band and twirling students enrolled in McMurry College's sixth annual Vacation Band School. They are Patricia Ann Kindergarten Palmer and Becky Annette Rav. The McMurry band clinic for

junior and senior high school and college bandsmen started July 18 and ends July 30. Raymond T. Bynum, McMurry music professor, is in charge

Miss Palmer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Palmer, is a senior in Merkel High School. She is day, Aug. 30. The pr a member and majorette in the and work is design Merkel High School Band. Miss Ray's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Euel Ray, She has been a twirler for the Merkel junior ment and reserve

more than 2 to 1 over Governor Luther Land won over Sam T. Pierce 303 57 14 11 7 Shivers in the primary last Sat- McLeod: 418 to 283. County Democratic Chairman: Doscher 220 0 17 8 7 Whitten 125 6 7 5 Blair cast 23 votes for Land, 7 for

First Baptists

McLeod.

The First Baptist Church will hold an open air revival on the parking lot from Aug. 4 through 15. The pastor, Rev. Sam Tullock will be the evangelist and Ben

Green will be the song leader. The evening prayer service will start at 7:30 p.m. and the evening service will begin at 8 p.m. Everyone is invited.

New Fire Truck Arrives in Merkel

The new fine truck arrived Tuesday night. It is a Ford truck with a House fire apparatus. It was bought by the city.

It is fully equipped with 508gallon pumper with 500-gallon water tank. It will give more wa ter for the booster. The old one had only a 150-gallon tank. This new pumper reduces the

penalty on the insurance rate. This new fire truck replaces the old Dodge fire truck used from 1922. On the old truck was a plaque with the following on it: H. C. West, mayor, G. W. John son, city sec'y.; city council: H. L. Probst, W. O. Boney, T. G. Bragg. A. T. Sheppard, J. S. Swann: A. V. Dye, chief, fire dept.

The old fire truck has been retired to the city barn to make room for he new truck.

Nolan Palmers Leave Monday On Bermuda Trip

Mr. and Mrs. Noian Palmer left here Monday by auto for Dallas to start their all-expense paid trip to New York and Bermuda by air offered by the Pontiac Motor Company. Tuesday at 7 a.m. they wen

by plane to New York, a r stop flight, arriving there at 11:15 a.m. CST. From there they go to Bermuda after being enterta in New York. They expect to be gone two weeks.

Last Friday night Clesby Patterson phoned Nolan that ne would have the baseball tickets ready when Nolan arrived Tuesday so they could see the game in Brooklyn. Mr and Mrs. Patter son and Buddy are on a long trip. While in Cleveland the Pattersons attended the all-star game. Nolan won the all-expense paid trip by winning a three-month's contest in volume of new and

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week in Lubbock, Levelland and end guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Cross, Irene, Detroit, Tex., to visit their daugh- ing fine after a major operation. ter, Mrs. Sidney Pratt and Jimmy last week

Edd were in Odessa Sunday to son, and Mr. Wilson of San Anvisit their son Gerald and wife. tonio spent Sunday with Mr. and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Jo Toombs

and Jo Ann returned Sunday from Houston where they visited Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Winn, Jr., over the weekend.

Mrs. Ross Ferrier, Sr., Ross

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Peterson and Mrs. Fannie McKay and daughter attended the funeral of Joe Reynolds in Rising Star Sunday.

their guests two days last week teach school at Port LaVaca this his brother, M. W., and family fall.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Miller and of Amarillo. Their son, J. D. and son Jerry visited relatives last family of Abilene were week-

Mr. and Mrs. H. Suber visited their daughter-in-law, Mrs. G. H. Mr. and Mrs. Melton Cross and Suber, in the Hendricks Memor-Mike of Abilene took a trip to ial Hospital Sunday. She is do

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Overby of Hobbs, N. Mex., son Tommy of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Renfro and Abilene, daughter, Mrs. Pete Wil-Charles Sylvester and brought Jean and Sue home from Hobbs where they had been visiting and also in San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. Pinky Cypert, Sharon and Mrs. Winnie Cypert Denta Gibson. Ferrier, Jr., and his son Ronnie were in San Angelo Sunday to left Saturday for Ft. Sumner, N. visit Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Cypert, Mex., to visit Mr. and Mrs. George Jr., and family and Warrant Of- last Friday where they visited ficer and Mrs. George F. Swanke and family.

Mrs. Lena B. Smith of Denton visited in the home of her cousin, Mrs. Dunning McConnell, for the Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Fox had as past two weeks. Mrs. Smith will

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Dunning and Mr. and Mrs. Lou Reader of Ft. Worth were weekend visitors of the Dunning McConnells. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sledge with son Jimmie visited their son Robert and family in El Paso. They also went to Juarez, Mexico. and

weeks. Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Perry of Houston visited for a few weeks with his brother, M. E., sister, Mrs. A. R. Toombs, her aunt, Mrs. Dora Hill, Sweetwater, and sister Mrs. J. D. Cozart, Snyder.

returned by way of Carlsbad

Cavern. They were gone two

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Carson of Wichita Falls visited Monday and Tuesday with his nephew, E. O. Carson, and Mrs. Carson.

Miss Betty Kenow of Abilene spent the weekend with Miss

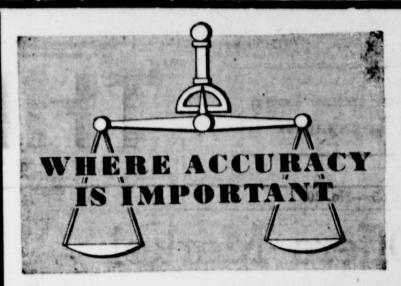
Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Hamm and Mildred, returned from Austin Mr. and Mrs. Guy Darsey and

Dale Doan Wins Officer Rating In U.S. Navy

Samuel Dale Doan, son of Mr and Mrs. Carl Doan, was recently advanced in rating to Petty officer in the Navy.

Dale formerly held the rank of photographer's mate airmen third lass while serving with Fighter Squadron 84 at the U.S. Naval Air Station, Oceana, Va.

As a civilian he was plant manager of the Merkel Mail.



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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION No. 4

proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas to provide a four year term of office for elective district, county and precinct offices; staggering the terms of such offices by having certain holders of such offices be elected for terms of varying length in the November, 1954, general election; and providing for the necessary proclamation and

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEG-ISLATURE OF THE STATE OF

Section 1. That Section 9 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended so as to read as follows:

"Section 9. There shall be Clerk for the District Court of ified voters of each county, an Aseach county, who shall be elected by the qualified voters for State shall hold his office for four years and county officers, and who shall hold his office for four years, subject to removal by information or by indictment of a grand jury, and conviction of a petit jury. In case of Court shall have the power to appoint a Clerk, who shall hold until the office can be filled by elec-

Sec. 2. That Section 15 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended so as to read as follows:

'Section 15. There shall be esstablished in each county in this shall be elected in each county by the qualified voters, a County Judge, who shall be well informed in the law of the State; shall be a until his successor shall be elected and qualified. He shall receive as | ified." compensation for his services such fees and perquisites as may be prescribed by law."

Sec. 3. That Section 18 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended so as

to read as follows: "Section 18. Each organized county in the State now or hereafter time to time, for the convenience eight. Divisions shall be made by ed for this Constitution. In each such precinct there shall be electone Constable, each of whom shall thereto Section 30, which shall hold his office for four years and read as follows: until his successor shall be elected "Section 30. The Judges of all in each of which there shall be elected by the qualified voters sors have qualified." thereof one County Commissioner, who shall hold his office for

shall be elected and qualified. The County Commissioners so chosen, with the County Judge as Badger Chevrolet presiding officer, shall compose the County Commissioners Court, and jurisdiction over all county business, as is conferred by this Constitution and the laws of the State, or as may be hereafter pre-

> Sec. 4. That Section 20 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended so as to Texas be amended by adding "Section 20. There shall be

> elected for each county, by the qualified voters, a County Clerk, ficers elected at the general elecwho shall hold his office for four tion in November, 1954, and there years, who shall be clerk of the after, shall serve for the full County and Commissioners Courts terms provided in this Constituand recorder of the county, whose duties, perquisites and fees of office shall be prescribed by the Legislature, and a vacancy in whose office shall be filled by the Commissioners Court, until the next general election; provided, tion of less than 8,000 persons there may be an election of a single Clerk, who shall perform the duties of District and County

Clerks. Section 5. That Section 21 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended so as

to read as follows: "Section 21. A County Attorney for counties in which there is not a resident Criminal District Attorney, shall be elected by the qualifed voters of each county. who shall be commissioned by the Governor, and hold his office for the term of four years. In case of vacancy the Commissioners Court of the county shall have the power to appoint a County Attorney until the next general election. The County Attorneys shall represent the State in all cases in the tioned offices is of such nature District and inferior courts in that two or more persons hold their respective counties; but if any county shall be included in a district in which there shall be a Place No. 2', etc., the officers District Attorney, the respective elected at the general election in duties of District Attorneys and November, 1954, shall serve for a County Attorneys shall in such term of two years if the designacounties be regulated by the Leg- tion of their office is an uneven

have qualified.'

Section 6. That section 23 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended so as to read as follows:

"Section 23. There shall be elected by the qualified voters of each county a Sheriff, who shall hold his office for the term of four years, whose duties and perquisites, and fees of office, shall be prescribed by the Legislature, and vacancies in whose office shall be filled by the Commissioners Court until the next general elec-

of the State of Texas be amended | State. so as to read as follows:

"Section 14. Except as pro vided in Section 16 of this Article. there shall be elected by the qualsessor and Collector of Taxes, who and until his successor is elected and qualified; and such Assessor Proposing an amendment to the and Collector of Taxes shall per- Constitution of Texas by adding form all the duties with respect to to Article XVI thereof a new secassessing property for the pur- tion, to be numbered 63; providing Legislature.'

Section 8. as to read as follows:

Collector of Taxes therefor; but, said Systems the last preceding census of the TEXAS: United States, an Assessor and cessor shall be elected and qual- lows:

Section 9. That Section 44 of Article XVI of the Constitution of as to read as follows:

"Section 44. The Legislature shall prescribe the duties and pro vide for the election by qualified voters of each county in this State, of a County Treasurer and existing, shall be divided from a County Surveyor, who shall have an office at the county seat, and of the people, into precincts, not hold their office for four years, less than four and not more than and until their successors are qualified; and shall have such compenthe Commissioners Court provid- sation as may be provided by law. the Constitution of the State of ployees Retirement System of of Texas; and providing the time, ed one Justice of the Peace and Texas be amended by adding

and qualified; provided that in Courts of county-wide jurisdiction any precinct in which there may heretofore or hereafter created by be a city of 8,000 or more inhabi- the Legislature of this State, and tants, there shall be elected two all Crinimal District Attorneys Justices of the Peace. Each coun- now or hereafter authorized by ty shall in like manner be divided the laws of this State, shall be into four commissioners precincts elected for a term of four years. and shall serve until their succes-

Section 11. That Article XVI of the Constitution of the State four years and until his successor of Texas be amended by adding thereto Section 64, which shall read as follows:

"Section 64. The office of Inspector of Hides and Animals, the elective district, county and prewhich shall exercise such powers cinct offices which have heretofore had terms of two years, shall hereafter have terms of four years; and the holders of such offices shall serve until their successors are qualified."

Section 12. That Article XVI of the Constitution of the State of thereto a Section 65, which shall read as follows:

"Section 65. The following of-

"(a) District Clerks; (b) County Clerks; (c) County Judges; (d) Judges of County Courts-at-law, County Criminal Courts, County Probate Courts and County Domestic Relations Courts; (e) Counthat in counties having a popula- ty Treasurers; (f) Criminal District Attorneys; (g) County Surveyors; (h) Inspectors of Hides and Animals; (i) County Commissioners for Precincts Two and Four; (j) Justices of the Peace.

"Notwithstanding other provisions of this Constitution, the following officers elected at the general election in November, 1954. shall serve only for terms of two years: (a) Sheriffs; (b) Assessors and Collectors of Taxes; (c) District Attorneys, (d) County Attorneys; (e) Public Weighers; (f) County Commissioners for Precincts One and Three; (g) Constables. At subsequent elections, such officers shall be elected for the full terms provided in this Constitution.

"In any district, county or precinct where any of the aforemensuch office, with the result that candidates file for 'Place No. 1'. islature. The Legislature may number, and for a term of four provide for the election of District years if the designation of their Attorneys in such districts, as may office is an even number. Thereafbe deemed necessary, and make ter, all such officers shall be electprovision for the compensation of ed for the terms provided in this District Attorneys and County Constitution."

Attorneys. District Attorneys shall Section 13. The foregoing Conhold office for a term of four stitutional Amendment shall be

years, and until their successors submitted to a vote of the qualifi- Texas for all services, including means and manner thereof. ed voters of this State at a special prior service and membership serelection to be held throughout the vice, earned or rendered by them State on the general election day as a teacher or person employed of November, A. D., 1954, at which in the public schools, colleges, election all ballots shall have and universities supported wholly printed thereon.

"FOR the Constituional Amendment providing a four year term of office for elective district. county and precinct offices.

"AGAINST the Constitutional Amendment providing a four year term of office for elective district, county and precinct offices.

Section 14. The Governor shall issue the necessary proclamation for said election and shall have Section 7. That Section 14 of the same published as required by members of either the Teacher Article VIII of the Constitution the Constitution and laws of this Retirement System or the Em-

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SENATE JOINT

RESOLUTION No. 6

or the Employees Retirement

county, in addition to his other or employee of the State, for re-said Systems.' duties, shall be the Assessor and tirement benefits under either of

be a court of record; and there inhabitants, to be determined by ISLATURE OF THE STATE OF Section 1. That Article XVI Collector of Taxes shall be elect- of the Constitution of the State of

conservator of the peace, and shall this Article, and shall hold office thereto a new section, to be numhold his office for four years, and for four years and until his suc- bered 63, which shall read as fol-

"Section 63. Qualified members of the Teacher Retirement System, in addition to the benefits the State of Texas be amended so allowed them under the Teacher Retirement System shall be entitl- HOUSE JOINT ed to credit in the Teacher Retire- RESOLUTION No .8 ment System for all services, in- proposing an amendment to the cluding prior service and member- Constitution of the State of Texas ship service, earned or rendered by adding Section 16a to Article by them as an appointive officer VIII to provide that in counties of or employee of the State. Like- less than ten thousand (10,000) wise, qualified members of the inhabitants, as determined by the Employees Retirement System of last preceding census of the Unit-Texas, in addition to the benefits ed States, elections may be held to allowed them under the Employees | provide for an Assessor-Collector Retirement System of Texas shall of Taxes; providing for submission Section 10. That Article V of be entitled to credit in the Em- of this Amendment to the voters

or partly by the State."

Sec. 2. The foregoing constitu tional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this State at an election to be held throughout the State on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1954, at which election all ballots shall have printed thereon:

"FOR the Constitutional Amendment providing for crediting to ployees Retirement System Texas all services rendered. either a teacher, or person employed in the public schools, colleges, and universities of the State, or as an appointive officer or employee of the State, for retirement benefits under either of said Systems.'

"AGAINST the Constitutional Amendment providing for crediting to members of either the Teacher Retirement System or the vacancy, the Judge of the District pose of taxation and of collecting for crediting to members of either Employees Retirement System of taxes, as may be prescribed by the the Teacher Retirement System Texas all services rendered, as either a teacher, or person em-That Section 16 of System of Texas all services rend- ployed in the public schools, col-Article VIII of the Constitution of ered, as either a teacher, or person leges, and universities of the the State of Texas be amended so employed in the public schools, State, or as an appointive officer colleges, and universities of the or employee of the State, for re-"Section 16. The Sheriff of each State, or as an appointive officer tirement benefits under either of

Sec. 3. The Governor shall issue the necessary proclamation State a County Court, which shall in counties having 10,000 or more BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEG- for said election and have the same published as required by the Constitution and laws of this State. The expenses of publication and election for such amended as provided in Section 14 of Texas be amended by adding ment shall be paid out of the proper appropriation made by law.

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LEGAL NOTICE

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEG-ISLATURE OF THE STATE OF

Section 1. That Section 16a shall be added to Article VIII of the Constitution of Texas so as to read as follows:

"Section 16a. In any county having a population of less than ten thousand (10,000) inhabitants, as determined by the last preceding census of the United States, the Commissioners Court may submit to the qualified property taxpaying voters of such county at an election the question of adding an Assessor-Collector of Taxes to the list of authorized county officials. If a majority of such voters voting in such election shall approve of adding an Assessor-Collector of Taxes to such list, then such official shall be elected at the next General Election for such Constitutional term of office as is provided for other Tax Assessor-Collectors in this State.'

Sec. 2. The Foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be sub- State.

electors of the State at the Ge al Election to be held thro the State on the first Tuesday ter the first Monday in Nov 1954, at which election all ballot shall have written or thereon the following:

"FOR the Constitutional Ame ment permitting elections in co ties of less than ten thousand (10,-000) inhabitants to provide for an Assessor-Collector of Taxes," and

"AGAINST the Constitutional Amendment permitting elections in counties of less than ten thousand (10,000) inhabitants to provide for an Assessor-Collector of Taxes.'

If it appears from the returns of said election that a majority of the votes cast are in favor of said Amendment, the same shall become a part of the State Constitu-

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

mitted to a vote of the qualified Adv. - July 30, Aug. 6, 13, 20.



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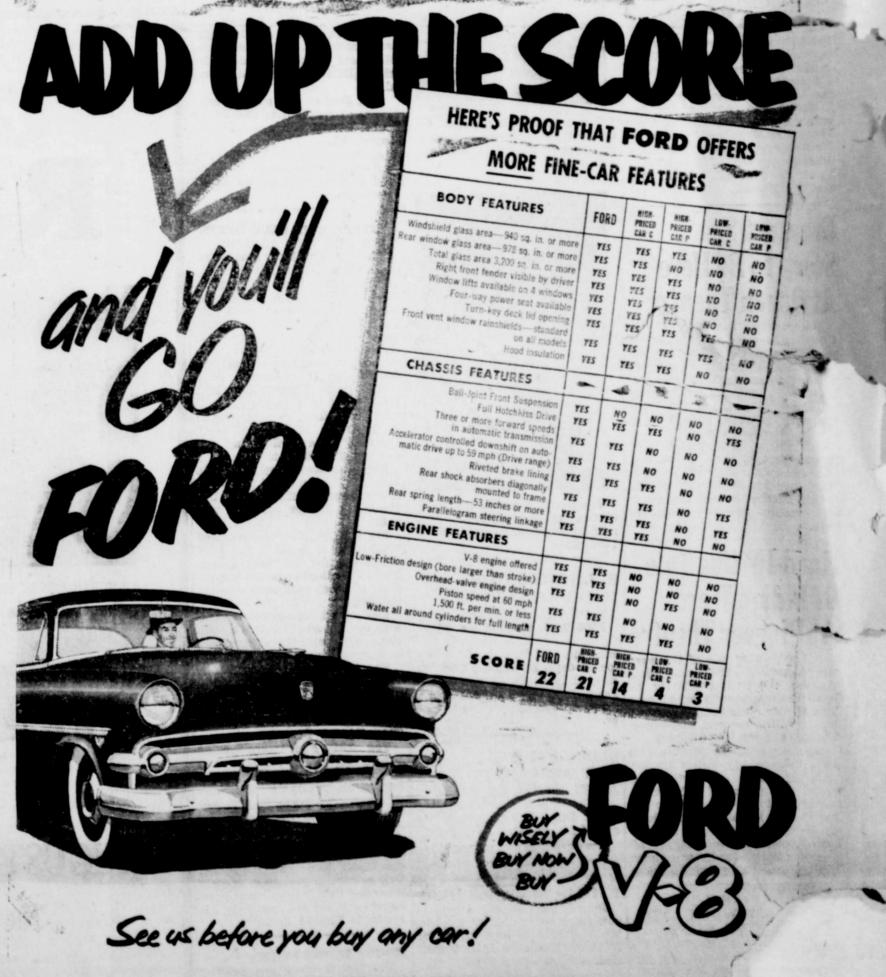
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Yarborough Group | IN SERVICE Has Control Here At Sat. Meeting

The Yarborough faction had complete control of the precinct meeting held here at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Welfare Building. Bob Hicks, precinct chairman,

called the meeting to order. Austin Robertson, a staunch Yarborough man arose and nominated Johnny Cox as permanent chairman of the meeting. He was

unanimously elected. Mr. Cox took charge and Ellis Harris immediately nominated Holland Teaff as permanent secretary and he was unanimously elected.

Austin Robertson nominated 29 delegates to the county convention. No other names were put up ed the following:

ton Robertson, B. M. Tipton, C. | gelo. R. Tittle. Johnny X. Cox, F. T. Hogan, Jr., Mrs. Johnny Cox. Mrs. R. E. Harris, Mrs. Nim Teaff, Homer Patterson, V. Garner, Otis Griffin, Mrs. B. M. Tipton, E. O. Carson, Walter Frazier, D. C. Doan, Wade Ensminger, Horace Boney, Earl Lassiter, Laverne Moore, W. T. McAninch, W. W. Toombs, O. D. Bland, Clyde Eager, Jerry Pinckley, Andy Shouse, O. W. Payne and Joe C. Higgins. Earl Lassiter proposed two res-

The first called for the abolishing of the two-party system (cross filing). The second approved going on record in favor of our representative submitting to the legislature that the government not hold more than two successive terms in office.

olutions that carried unanimous-

Ellis Petty's resolution, that so carried unanimously, stated that the delegates to the county convention vote as a unit.

with 32 persons present.

Mrs. J. McReynolds **Returns From Trip** Of Great Value

Mrs. Judd McReynolds, history and government teacher here, returned from the northeast after a three weeks' tour, two teacher conferences and a vacation of historical value.

She attended the National Edu Association meeting New York, the National Classroom Teacher's conference in Delaware and also enjoyed an educational tour to Dover and Wilmington, Del., seeing many historical places. She ennjoyed a tour of the United Nations Buildings.

Merkel was one of the few small cities represented at these two conventions and workshops. Mrs. McReynolds was sent as a delegate by the Taylor County Teacher's Unit of T.S.T.A. District 7 of Texas.

Greatest Sea Story to Be Here At Queen Theatre

time has at last been brought to the cream in Columbia Pictures' "The Golden Hawk," spectacular new action romance in color by Technicolor, which opens Friday and Saturday at the Queen Theatre with Rhonda Fleming and Sterling Hayden starred.

Columbia's screen version of Frank Yerby's rash, brash and record-breaking best-seller has been invested with all of the book's stirring sweep, impassioned romance and vibrant adven-

Hard-Hitting Tale Of Indian Wars At Pioneer Theatre

waged against the rampaging Apache Indians is thrillingly related in Paramount's brand new Technicolor Western, "Arrowhead," which roars in to Pioneer Theatre Friday and Saturday.

Starring Charlton Heston with ELDON PRICE IS Jack Palance and Kathy Jurado, this Nat Holt production, set against the plains of 1870 Texas, AT FT. BLISS, EL PASO stirringly tells the story of a hard-bitten Indian Scout, Charl- at Ft. Bliss, El Paso. He is the ton Heston, who nurtures a bitter son of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Price. hatred toward the redskin, and of a sinster Indian leader who hated the whites with an equal passion.

REID GOES TO AST WEEK AND T FT. BLISS nn of Mr. and Mrs enducted into the nd is stationed

wife Margarett

where she is



2nd Lt. Billy E. Tarpley, son of and a unanimous voice vote elect- Mrs. Simmons B. Tarpley, is taking basic pilot training at Good-R. E. Harris, Nim Teaff, Hous- fellow Air Force Base, San An-



Bruce E. Deen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Deen, is completing The meeting lasted 15 minutes basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base.



Olalee Winn of Trent, is completing basic training at Lackland Air



Van Porter Graham, son of W. G. Graham, is completing basic military training at Lackland Air

W. J. STALLO TO GO TO SUBMARINE BASE AT PEARL HARBOR

Calif., is home visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs.. B. H. Stallo, for 16 days. He reports back for Navy duty at Submarine Base, Pearl Harbor. His wife and daughter, Jerrylyn will follow lat-

NOW WITH ARMY

Eldon Price is now in the Army

JOHN WALKER IS NOW ASSOCIATED

WITH DUDLEY ELECTRIC John Walker of Big Spring is now employed by Dudley Electric. Mr. Walker used to work at the Webb Air Force Base. He is married and has one daughter.

Speeding on U. S. streets and 1954 State Fair of Texas, Oct. 9 uperintendent | highways injured 709,090 men, wo

County Home Texas A. & M. College Extension Service By LORETA ALLEN

Taylor County 4-H boy's and girl's camp is past history now The 4-H'ers are thinking about can do next year.

The 4-H girl's dress revue will be Aug. 3 at 7.30 p.m. in the Coca Cola Building on North First Street in Abilene. Everyone has a special invitation to come and see the girls model the pretty dresses they have made.

Miss Cawyer, assistant home demonstration agent, visited Blue Bonnet Club recently to see the Trent 4-H girls give a demonstration to the home demonstration club women.

With these hot days everyone like to try this one

2 quarts (about 12 to 14 medium 1 cup chopped celery

1-2 cup chopped green pepper 2 teaspoons salt

tablespoon mustard seed 1-4 teaspoon ground nutmeg

1-8 teaspoon ground cloves cup vinegar. Combine all ingredients and

Yield - about three pints.

MRS. KLIMAN IS HOME

Mrs. E. B. Wallace received a letter from Mrs. Mort Kliman of Los Angeles, Calif. She wrote that she is home from the hospital, is using one crutch and is through with her operations. She will start doing her home work next week. Mrs. Kliman suffered injuries in an auto accident near

MRS. JOHNNY COX REPORTS TO GLEANERS CLASS

The Gleaner Class of the Methodist Church met on Wednesday Al Baker, at Millsap a week ago of last week in the home of Mrs. social meeting. Mrs. Johnny Cox, Misses Connie and Alzada Pogue were hostesses. The president, Mrs. Leon Toombs, presided. Mrs. Mabel Dorton gave the devotion-

Mrs. Johnny Cox made a brief report of her trip to the Junior Red Cross Workshop at Lake

A delightful refreshment plate of dainty sandwiches, cookies and iced drinks were served to 26

COMPERE H. D. CLUB MEETS WITH MRS. BEN ADKINS

The Compere Home Demonstration Club met July 22 in Mrs. Ben Adkins' home for its regular meeting. Mrs. Kelso had charge. Roll call was answered with "My First Day in School." The secretary, Mrs. Vernon Stanley, read the minutes. She gave the council report, including a report of the Lueders encampment.

Mrs. H. R. Chancey and Mrs. Don Wright were appointed to attend the training meeting July 27 in Anson on "Heights of Work Surfaces." They will bring the demonstration back to the club.

Everyone was urged to vote July 24. The club sent a planter of ivy to the hospital for Mrs. Lee Stanley, a former member, who

Ida Beth Adkins demonstrated Dinner in a Skillet." She gave out recipes for the "Savory Corn Pie." She discussed the importance of meat and vegetables in the diet. She served a congealed salad

with cookies and iced tea, a complete menu with the skillet meal to six members and one visitor. The hostess gift went to Mrs. W. H. Kelso. The next meeting will be Aug. 12 with Mrs. W. D. Ramsey. The kitchen leaders

will bring the program.

"BIG FOUR" PLANS The "Big Four" are leaving Sunday for San Antonio and Corpus Christi for a week's vacation fishing, playing golf, and swimming. They are Messrs. and Mesdames Clyde Eager and Clydene, Carroll Benson and children, Bob and Ann, Dean Higgins and son Eddie, Harold Reynolds and daughters, Joan and Haroldine. This is the third consecutive year the "Big Four" have vacationed together. Plans are underway for a trip to Canada in 1955.

JUNIOR SHOWS PRIZES Youthful livestock and poultry raisers will compete for a total of \$17,122 in junior shows at the

NEWS by

Demonstration Agent

the fun they had and what they

likes to do everything to make the kitchen cool. Did you ever make an uncooked vegetable relish? I thought maybe you would Uncooked Vegetable Relish

sized) chopped, peeled tomatoes 3-4 cup chopped onion

3 teaspoons sugar

1-4 teaspoon ground cinnamon

stir until well blended. Pour into jars and cover. This relish will keep in refrigerator two or three weeks.

ARE ENTERTAINED LAST FRIDAY NIGHT

HODGE-PALMER BOYS

The Hodge-Palmer players were entertained last Friday night. They went swimming in the VFW pool, Abilene, ate watermelon and saw a few innings of the Little League ball games at Cobb Park. Mr. and Mrs. James Russell and Mr. and Mrs. Don Dudley chaperoned the boys.

Lanny Perry, all of the Merkel 4-H Club,

MRS. WALLACE IS HOME Mrs. E. B. Wallace returned

Sunday morning from the hospital. She is getting along fine.

AT UNCLE'S FUNERAL Mr. and Mrs. Pete Rutledge attended the funeral of her uncle.

Sunday.

Don Allen Purser, son of Mr

DON PURSER HAS OPERATION | SURGERY FOR MRS. BOAZ

BEST IN DISTRICT ON BUGS - Three of the four District 7 entomologist cham-

pions were looking for insects to add to the ir collection as they trained for the state 4-

H Club contests in College Station. They are, left to right, Joe Neil, Berry Scott and

and Mrs. Kenneth Purser, had major surgery July 27 at the Sadler Hospital.

HAS MAJOR SURGERY Mrs. Edna Horton underwent major surgery at the Sadler

Hospital July 27. UNDERGOES SURGERY

Mrs. Howard Smith had ma-

jor surgery at the Sadler Hos pital July 27.

HAS MAJOR SURGERY Mrs. S. H. Wallace had major surgery at the Hendrick Memorial Hospital Tuesday.

Admissions to the Sadler Hospital the past week were: As medical patients - Mrs. Ida Hamner, Mrs. Ernest Smith, J. O. Young, Ernest Ritchie, Jimmy Lewis Randell.

HOSPITAL NOTES

LEAGUE STANDINGS

WEDNESDAY Willie Wired Hands .. 14 Hodge-Palmer 11 Starpats 10 Bankers

"How to Marry A Millionaire" At Queen Theatre

talked-about pictures of recent times will be shown at the Queen Theatre Sunday and Monday. It is "How to Marry a Millionaire." In it are Marilyn Monroe, Betty Grable and Lauren Bacall.

It is in CinemaScope and is seen without glasses. It will be shown at regular admission, said N. T.

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AT 8:00 P.M.

AUGUST 4th Through AUG. 15th

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Each Evening



BEN GREEN, Song Leader

Middle Clear Fork Soil **Conservation News**

operating in the observance of ment is properly installed, main-National Farm Safety Week, July tained, and all power lines are out

The National Safety Council estimates that more than 1.26 million people were either killed other open fuel containers. (14,500) or injured (1,250,000) in U. S. farm accidents last year.

Statistics show that fatigue was a major cause in a large percentage of these accidents. The Safety Council suggests that farm people should follow the lead of industrial workers and take a break for coffee in mid-morning and mid-afternoon.

Supervisors of the Middle Clear Fork Soil Conservation District, the Soil Conservation Service and other agencies and or ganizations are working together to promote farm safety. The following safety pointers are suggested as a guide to be followed throughout the year:

1. Be careful around tractors-"wheel" tractors are increasing the death rate at 40-a-year rate. 2. Don't let children play on or near farm equipment, especially

when it is operating. 3. Watch out for vehicles overturning. 4. Keep all equipment in top

running order. 5. Be careful not to leave loose boards lying around, especially if

they contain rusty nails. 6. Keep dry weeds and grass down around the home or other farm buildings.

7. Construct a fire lane in pastures bordering public roads.

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my candidacy for Justice of the Peace.

Buck's Shoe Shop

A. E. MOORE, Prop.

Agricultural agencies are co-1 8. See that all electrical equipof reach, especially of children.

,9. Be particularly careful around empty fuel barrels and 10. Keep boards on porches,

steps and other similar places securely nailed and replace all broken or rotted ones. 11. Keep cisterns and wells securely covered.

12. Drive cars, trucks, tractors, and other farm vehicles salely a all times.

State Health Officer Warns **Against Polio**

This is the season of the year when an increase in poliomyelitis can be expected and Dr. Henry A. Holle, state health officer, is urging the public to cooperate in helping to prevent the spread of this crippling disease.

"Children should not visit homes where poliomyelitis or symptoms of this disease are present," Dr. Holle declared.

Children under five years are most susceptible and all children ness. under twelve years should be watched for suspicious symptoms. Dr. Holle urged that a physician be called immediately if infantile paralysis is suspected.

BILLY W. FLINT GAINS PROMOTION WHILE IN GERMANY

Billy W. Flint, whose wife, Cara Lou, lives on Route 1, was recently promoted to corporal while serving with the 5th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion in Germany. a cook in Battery B.

Mrs. Charles N. Norris and son,

daughter Patsy of Burleson, visited their sister, Mrs. Preston flood prevention. Henry, and Mr. Henry, their aunt,



Mr. and Mrs. Horace Boney were in Dallas Monday on busi-

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Palmouist and children of Grand Prairie spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Walters.

Mrs. Royce Mashburn and boys of Moses Lake, Wash., arrived in Merkel July 22 to visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Shaw. They will return to Moses Lake around Aug. 15.

Mrs. Dixie Scott left Wednesday to visit her daughter and husband, Dr. and Mrs. Miles, of Grapevine. The doctor met her at Dolores of Abilene visited in the Abilene in his plane. She will Corporal Flint, son of Mr. and also visit another daughter, Mrs. Mrs. Lloyd C. Flint, Abilene, is Howard Cunningham, and family of Ft. Worth and before return ing home will visit her brother, Percy Jones, of Cleburne.

children, Patricia, Noel Jr., and in the Mathews home are their son, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mathews, of Pyote and Navyman and Mrs. Jerrel Stallo and little daughter, Jere Lynne, formerly of San Diego. Jerrel is being transferred to Hawaii and Jean will follow him soon as quarters are avail-

Jack Shanks, of Venezuela, South America, stopped here Friday for a short visit with Mrs. Homer Shanks. Jack, grandson of Mrs. Homer Shanks, stayed for a little

Mr. and Mrs. Manley Stone and

NEW TYE OFFICIALS. The new City of Tye had its first official family after County Jjudge Reed Ingalsbe administered the oath of office to a mayor and five aldermen. The new officials were named in Tye's first city election. Giving and receiving the

Mrs. W. J. Higgins, and other relatives over the weekend ..

oath of office are (front row,

Johnnie Swinney of Butman Community visited his grandmother, Mrs. W. A. Harrison, over the weekend. Other visitors were Mrs. Lola Rogers and daughter-in-law, Mrs. Dorothy Rogers, and children of Anson

Will White of Austin was home over the weekend visiting his parents, Rev. and Mrs. Aubrey

Mrs. M. W. Smith and daughter home of Rev. and Mrs. Aubrey White Monday and Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Green and daughter Norma, Dick White, Theresa Green of Ballinger and Mrs. G. A. Green of Abilene spent Mrs. Noel D. Addy and three 10 days in Colorado vacationing. Mr. and Mrs. Horace Steele and

Mike, are visiting her parents, son Randall of Houston and Rev. M. of the first Monday next after Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Mathews, and Mrs. Lucian Rudd and son prior to accompanying Captain David of Hamilton were weekend from the date of the issuance of Addy on his new assignment to visitors in the home of Mr. and this citation, same being the 7th Elmendorf Air Force Base, Anch- Mrs. E. C. Ray. All of Mrs. Ray's day of September A. D. 1954, to Elmendorf Air Force Base, Anchorse E. C. Ray. All of Mrs. Ray's plaintiff's Petition filed in said children were home except Becky Plaintiff's Petition filed in said children were home except Becky plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 10th day of March court, on the 10th da the Alcan Highway. Also visiting who is attending Band School at McMurry College.

Many Thousands In Flood Losses **Are Prevented**

H. N. Smith, state conservation and industrial users of water have cumulated as community property no cause to worry in connection furniture and a car which is in from the small reservoirs in Soil children were born out of this Conservation Service upstream

40 flood prevention dams already built in the Trinity River Water- within ninety days after the date shed are preventing many thous- of its issuance, it shall be returnands of dollars of flood losses ed unserved. every year along the small creeks where the dams have been built. been flooded too frequently for rects. cultivation.

Mr. Smith explained that critics hand and the seal of said court have said that if many flood pre- at Abilene, Texas. this the 21st vention dams are built in the day of July A.D. 1954. headwaters of streams the water supplies may be seriously reduced by evaporation form the pools of the structures. Actually the evaporation loss from the pools of upstream flood prevention dams would be small compared to the evaporation loss from existing major reservoirs and very small compared to the average flow of the streams.

In addition to the annual flood damages prevented in upstreams areas, the flood prevention dams will reduce the rate of sedimentation of the major reservoirs by more than 50 percent. It is obvious said Mr. Smith, that the combined benefits of the upstream dams far July, 1954. outweigh any small effect which they may have on water supply.

LIKES NEW LOOK

G. W. Smith, 810 E. 28, Houston 9, Tex., sent in his renewal to The Merkel Mail and added, "I really enjoy the new look of the paper and appreciate your endeavor to put out a very appealing and newsy paper. Hope to see you sometime in August and the friends I left there."

Navy cruisers are named for cities and towns in the United States July, 1954. capitals of United States' posses sions and territories, and territories and insular possessions of the United States.

left to right) Judge Ingalsbe Mayor Bill C. Mauldin and Aldermen Homer Laney and W. H. Rister: (Back row) Aldermen L. L. Knight, Theo Kincaid and T. J. Hinds.

Legal Notices

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: ROBERT E. BEESLEY, Defendant-, Greeting

YOU ARE HEREBY COM-MANDED to appear before the Honorable Owen Thomas Court 104th District of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A. the expiration of forty-two days A. D. 1954, in this cause, numbered 7471-B on the docket of said court and styled Jean Beesley, In Hot Weather Plaintiff, vs. Robert E. Beesley, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:* November 1952, and became permanently separated. Plaintiff sues on grounds of cruel treatment. ist for Texas, declared municipal Plaintiff and defendant have acwith the evaporation of water the defendant's possession. No marriage and none will be born as is more fully shown by Plain-Mr. Smith pointed out that the tiff's Petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served The officer executing this writ

shall promptly serve the same ac-In addition, farmers can now raise cording to requirements of law. crops on several thousand acres of and the mandates hereof, and fertile bottomland which have make due return as the law di-Issued and given under my

> Attest: J. Neil Daniel Clerk, Owen Thomas Court 104th

Taylor County, Texas By Jean Teaff, Deputy. Adv. July 30, Aug. 6, 13, 20.

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

In compliance with Article 1307 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, H. S. Peake and Steve R. Peake, partners in the firm of Peake Radio Communications give notice of the incorporation of such firm without a change of firm name Notice given this 22nd day of

H. S. Peake Steve R. Peake Adv. July 30, Aug. 6. 13, 20

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

LEGAL NOTICE

In compliance with Article 1307 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, L. A. Rheay, A. N. Rey-nolds and Max V. Mossholder. partners in the firm of Rheay and Reynolds Drilling Company, give notice of the incorporation of such firm without a change of firm

Notice given this 7th day of

L. A. Rheay A. N. Reynolds Max V. Mossholder July 16, 23, 30, August 6.

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LODGE CALLS

NOTICE MASONS * Stated meeting of Merkel lodge No. 710, A. F. & A M., Saturday, August 14, at 8 p. m. All members are urged to attend. Visiting brethren cordially invited.

D. R. Butler, W. M. Truett Thompson, Sec'y.

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Careless handling of food before cooking or serving. nome canning, storing food too long at room temperature, and improper heating of leftover foods are the main cause of food contamination.

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LEGAL NOTICE SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION No. 7

proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas, amending Article III, Section 51a, providing that the Legislature shall have the power to provide essistance to and provide for the payment of same to actual bona fide citizens of Texas who are needy aged persons over the age of sixty-five (65) years, needy blind persons over the age of and the same is hereby amended, twenty-one (21) years and needy children under the age of sixteen | read as follows: (16) years; providing for the ac-600.00) Dollars per year; provid- ance to: ing for enactment of laws to make

and making an appropriation to paid to any inmate of any State defray the necessary expenses of supported institution, while such proclamation, publication, and holding the election.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEG-

Section 1. That Section 51a of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended so that the same shall hereafter

"Section 51a. The Legislature ceptance of financial aid from the shall have the power, by General government of the United States Laws, to provide, subject to limifor such assistance; providing that tations and restrictions herein Texas and are over the age of the payments of such assistance contained, and such other limitafrom State funds shall never ex. tions, restrictions and regulations that no such assistance shall be eral government of the United ceed either the payments from as may by the Legislature be paid to any inmate of any State States such financial aid for the Federal funds or a total of more deemed expedient for assistance than Forty-two Million (\$42,000, to, and for the payment of assist-

inmate, or to any person who shall not have actually resided in Texas for at least five (5) years dur-ISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ling the nine (9) years immediately preceding the application for such assistance and continuously for one (1) year immediately preceding such application; provided that the maximum payment per month from State funds shall not

are actual bona fide citizens of ly preceding such application.

be more than Twenty (\$20.00) Dol-

lars per month.

for inspection; providing for the Texas and who are over the age of ceding the application for such necessary election, form of ballot, sixty-five (65) years; provided assistance and continuously for proclamation, and publication, that no such assistance shall be one (1) year immediately preceding such application.

> "(3) Needy children who are actual bona fide citizens of Texas and are under the age of sixteen (16) years; provided that no such assistance shall be paid on account of any child over one (1) year old who has not continuously resided in Texas for one (1) year immediately preceding the application for such assistance, or on account of any child under the age of one (1) year whose mother has not continuously resided in "(2) Needy blind persons who Texas for one (1) year immediate-

"The Legislature shall have the twenty-one (21) years; provided authority to accept from the Fedsupported institution, while such assistance of the needy aged. inmate, or to any person who shall needy blind, and needy children not have actually resided in Texas as such government may offer not "(1) Needy aged persons who at least five (5) years during the inconsistent with restrictions here-

that the amount of such assistance out of State funds to each person assisted shall never exceed the amount so expended out of Federal funds; and provided further, that the total amount of money to be expended out of State funds for such assistance to the needy aged, needy blind, and needy children shall never exceed the sum of Forty-two Million (\$42,000,000.00) Dollars per year.'

Should the Legislature enact enabling laws and provide an additional appropriation hereto in anticipation of the adoption of this amendment, such Acts shall not be invalid by reason of their anticipatory character.

The Legislature shall enact appropriate laws to make lists of the recipients of aid hereunder available for inspection.

Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitu tional amendment shall be sub mitted to the qualified electors of Texas at a special election to be held throughout the State of Texas on the 2nd day of November, 1954, at which election there shall be printed on such ballot the following clause:

"FOR the Amendment to the Constitution giving the Legislature the power to set up a system of payments of old age assistance to those above sixty-five (65) years of age, provided that monthly payments from State funds to any one person may be in valid amounts based on need, that the maximum payment per month per person from State funds shall not be more than Twenty (\$20.00) Dollars per month; giving the Legislature the power to set up a system of payments for the needy blind persons over twenty-one (21) years of age; giving the Legislature the power to set up a system of payments to the needy children under sixteen (16) years of age; providing for the expenditure of funds from the Federal government; limiting the total amount which may be expended for such assistance out of State funds; and providing conditions as to residence within the State

in order to become eligible to receive assistance;" and "AGAINST the Amendment to the Constitution giving the Legis lature the power to set up a system of payments of old age assistance to those above sixty-five (65) years of age; provided that monthly payments from State funds to any one person may be in valid amounts based on need, that the maximum payment per month per person from State funds shall not be more than Twenty (\$20.00) Dollars per month; giving the Legislature the power to set up a system of payments for the needy blind persons giving the Legislature the power to set up a system of payments to needy children under sixteen (16) years of age: providing for the expenditure of funds from the Federal government; limiting the total amount which may be expended for such assistance out of State funds; and providing conditions as to residence within the State in order to become eligible to receive assistance.'

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State of Texas is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for said election and have the same published and held as required by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Texas. Adv. — July 30, Aug. 6, 13, 20.

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lists of recipients of aid available are actual bona fide citizens of nine (9) years immediately pre- in set forth; provided however, citizens in his proclamation designation are actual bona fide citizens of nine (9) years immediately prenating the period from July 25-31 A. & M.



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WATER BOL S VOTE

Coach "Indian" Schulte had a espondent for the Kansas City Post and sent different kinds of newsstories to the Post.

Whenever we went to Coach Schulte and asked him about the prospects of our team he was alwould go out and fight their fool to say about our vote. In an editheads off and win game after orial he commented:

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Perhaps that is what happened in the water bonds election. There would go over but nobody was certain and surely nobody knew how nabit of turning out winning foot- many would vote for the bonds. it is. pall teams at the University of As Mayor Henry West said be-Missouri, when we were attending fore the election, "Of course the school there. We also were cor- majority is for it but it must as well give the name, address show it is by its vote." So, an effort was made in every way to get a big vote out. And this was

It is interesting to note what our good friend, Editor Frank ways pessimistic. And the boys Grimes of the Reporter-News, had

"And our oldtime neighbor and sidekick, Merkel, approved a twopart water bond issue of \$275,000 by the truly remarkably majorities of 439 to 9 and 433 to 9. You'd travel many a weary mile the length and breadth of this land before you'd find a record to tie

Our own comment is that the people of Merkel wanted a good supply of water and showed it by working for the bonds and voting for the bonds.

TEXAS BRAGS

We have a confession to make: in fact, two of them.

Up to a week ago we had not read "Texas Braggs," collected by John Randolph. Before that we had read "The Jokes on Texas" by the same party. In fact we carried a nice story about this latter book in The Mail.

Mr. Randolph sent us "The Jokes on Texas" and also sent a story about the book with it, of course wanting us to give him a write-up about it. So we did.

And then we sent a clipping of the write-up to Mr. Randolph and also sent him a letter. We told him that up to that time we had not read "Texas Braggs." And BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGyou think happened? He immediately sent us the book! Of course we had no idea that he would do

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this. (That too is a Texas Brag!)

Anyway, we have a small feeling that he was fishing, as we was an assurance that the bonds did, for something. And we take it that he wanted some notice in The Mail about the book. So here

> And to take the whole thing, hook, line and sinker, we might and price. Here it is: "Texas Brags" sells for 50 cents a copy. It may be had by writing John Randolph, Box 228, Tomball,

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LEGAL NOTICE

SENATE JOINT RESOULTION No. 2

proposing an amendment to Article IX of the Constitution of the State of Texas by adding thereto a new section to be known as Section 4, by providing that the Legislature may authorize the creation of county-wide Hospital Districts in certain counties if approved by the qualified property JO ANN LOLLAR MARRIES taxpaying voters at an election held for that purpose within such District; prescribing the powers of such District; providing for the submission of the proposition to the qualified voters of the State of Texas at an election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of 1954; prescribing the form of ballot and providing for the necessary proclamation by the Governor and publication of notice.

when he got our letter, what do ISLATURE OF THE STATE OF

Section 1. That Article IX of the Constitution of the State of Texas be, and the same is hereby amended by adding thereto another section, to be designated as Section 4, which shall read as fol-

"Section 4. The Legislature may by law authorize the creation of county-wide Hospital Districts in counties having a population in excess of 190,000 and in Galveston County, with power to issue bonds for the purchase, acquisition, construction, maintenance and operation of any county owned hospital, or where the hospital system is to provide for the transfer to the county-wide Hospital District of the title to any land, building or equipment, jointly or separately owned, and for the assumption by rough dry. the district of any outstanding 309 RUNNELS, PHONE 116



THE MERKEL MAIL

BENNIE JOE HOBBS

Jo Ann Lollar, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Lollar of Tye and Bennie Joe Hobbs, son of Mrs. H. H. Hobbs of Sweetwater, were single ring ceremony. united in marriage July 3 in the home of the bridegroom's sister, Mrs. J. F. Elkins, and Mr. Elkins Harlingen, Tye, Merkel, Trent in Sweetwater.

Jane Rister was maid of honor and Harroll Hobbs, brother of the bridegroom, was best man.

Rev. J. Temple Lewis, pastor of Tye Baptist Church, read the

Relatives and close friends of the couple attended from El Paso,

cents on the One Hundred (\$100.- shall never become a charge 00) Dollars valuation of all tax- against the State of Texas, nor able property within such district, shall any direct appropriation ever provided, however, that such dis- be made by the Legislature for that only qualified, property tax- or hospitals. Should the Legislapaying voters in such county shall ture enact laws in anticipation of vote therein; provided further, the adoption of this amendment, that such Hospital District shall assume full responsibility for providing medical and hospital care acter. to needy inhabitants of the councities therein shall not levy any mitted to a vote of the qualified

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bonded indebtedness theretofore other tax for hospital purposes issued by any county or city for and provided further that should the establishment of hospitals or such Hospital District construct. hospital facilities; to levy a tax maintain and support a hospital not to exceed seventy-five (\$.75) or hospital system, that the same trict shall be approved at an electithe construction, maintenance or tion held for that purpose, and improvement of the said hospital such Acts shall not be invalid because of their anticipatory char-

Sec. 2. The foregoing Constituty, and thereafter such county and tional Amendment shall be sub-

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be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1954, at which election all ballots shall have printed thereon:

"FOR the Constitutional Amendment granting power to the Legislature to pass laws authorizing the creation of county-wide Hospital Districts in any county having a population in excess of 190,000 and in Galveston County, and to levy a hospital tax;" and

"AGAINST the Constitutional Amendment granting power to the Legislature to authorize the creation of county-wide Hospital 1953 were traveling straight about

property taxpaying voters of this Districts in any county having State at the General Election to population in excess of 190, and in Galveston County, and to levy a hospital tax".

Sec. 3. The Governor shall sue the necessary proclamati same published as required by the Constitution and laws of this

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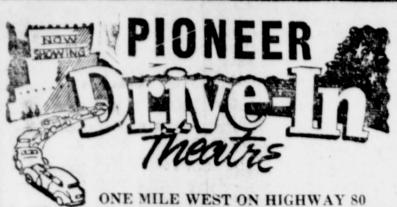
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59c DOG FOOD

SCRAPPY 300 Can

KIMBELLS

WHOLE

300 Can

OZARKA

IN SYRUP

KIMBELLS

Can 10c

Can 25c

T-Bone STEAK lb. 59c 2 for 39c cello 32c TENNESSEE

WILSON CURED SHANK END lb. 55c

5c HAM We Reserve the right to Limit Quantities and to refuse to sell to dealers.

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2 Boxes -- 23c

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ON \$3.00 OR MORE MON., WED. and FRI. at 4:00

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