

RAIN AND BARGAINS POUR HERE

Merkel All-Stars Get Championship In Area League

The Willie Wired Hands All-Stars topped the area finals and then bowed to the Snyder Drillers in the opening round of the District 3 Little League Tournament at Snyder last Friday night. The score was 5-0.

Truett Perry as his assistant. Members of the area champions are Delbert Davis, Pat Lucas, Lupe Duran, Gene Epperson, Firmin Hernandez, Walter Harris, Jerry Don Reynolds, Connell Higgins, Tommy McAninch, Urban Bright, Lester Dorton, Jr., Larry Seymore, Phil Seymore and Jerry Don Phillips.

Fire at PoPo Cafe Produces Smoke Damage Sunday

The Fire Department put out a fire at the Po Po Cafe at 3 a. m. Sunday. The damage was mostly due to smoke. Cause of fire is unknown. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bigham were at Odessa over the weekend and did not learn of the fire until they arrived Sunday afternoon.

Merkel 20 Years Ago

TAKEN FROM THE 1934 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

PLAN BIG PARADE

Plans for the last parade and rodeo of the summer program point to a big time generally for all of Merkel's guests August 25. Immediately following the parade a bicycle race will be staged at the baseball ground.

HOLD REVIVAL

Rev. P. H. Gates, pastor of the Methodist Church, is leading the revival now being held at the tabernacle. Bob Watkins, soloist and singer, is directing the song service and assisting with the young people's work, being joined by his wife in these activities.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Grayson, pioneers of the Goodman Community, will hold all-day open house Sunday, August 19, celebrating their golden wedding anniversary. They were married Aug. 21, 1284.

HALT CATTLE BUYING

The government drouth cattle purchasing program came to a temporary stop in Taylor County Wednesday afternoon with issuance of orders by Lloyd B. Thomas, county relief administrator, to halt further deliveries at the government pens in Abilene until shipping orders are received.

ORDER REDUCTION

At a called meeting of the City Council on Monday night of this week the major portion of the time was spent in a thorough discussion of the matter of city valuation versus city indebtedness. A motion was adopted to make a general reduction of 10 per cent on last year's tax assessment on all real estate.

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SCHOOLS OPEN SEPT 10

Monday, Sept. 10, was set as the date for the opening of the 1934-35 session of the Merkel Public Schools at the meeting of the school board Friday evening, August 10.

RECORD BIRTHS

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. Henry D. Boyett of near Tye a girl Aug. 9, Mr. and Mrs. Joe H. Arnwine a girl Aug. 10, Mr. and Mrs. Kit Woods a girl Aug. 10, Mr. and Mrs. Borden Perkins a girl Aug. 11, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Page near Trent a girl Aug. 11, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Boden, Jr., of Mt. Pleasant, a boy Aug. 14.

BASEBALL STANDING

Tye, 1,000; Trent, 833; Noodle, 714; Stith, 571; Nubia, 500; Merkel, 167; W. O. W., 167; Compere, 906. RESULTS: Trent 3, Stith 1; Tye 9, Noodle 8; Nubia 13, Merkel 2; W. O. W. 13, Compere 8; Noodle, 4, Stith 3.

STORE PRICES

Grocery stores are selling for Friday and Saturday at these prices: Oranges, per dozen 27c; lemons, per dozen 24c; tomatoes, pound 10c; grapes, 2 pounds 15c; spuds, 10 pounds 25c; shortening, 4 pound carton 35c; bacon, pound 23c; cheese, full cream, pound 20c.

This Happened in Merkel Forty Years Ago

TAKEN FROM THE 1914 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Cross returned home Tuesday from a two months' visit with relatives and friends in Austin, Georgetown and other points in that section. Mr. Cross was "puffed up considerably" over the bumper crop conditions of the Merkel country. Two things he looked forward to while in the east were the cool breeze of West Texas and the Merkel Mail each week. The first he could not get and the latter he had to walk a mile every week while in Austin to read I. N. Taylor's paper.

years and gives the country in general credit with having the largest feed crop the Merkel country has ever raised. Mr. Wheeler has always been an advocate of more feed and less cotton and diversification of farming in general.

J. M. Williamson of Route 2 Tuesday reported one of the largest rains in his section that has fallen in some time.

T. L. Stevens of Trent was in town with a smile on his face that reached from "one to the other" and stated that his country received in total on Monday and Tuesday a four-inch rain.

Ed Blackburn was in one of the local hardware stores Wednesday figuring on buying farm wagons and implements to handle the crop he is expecting to raise this fall.

LADIES' NIGHT TUESDAY

Ladies' Night for the Lions Club will be held at 8 p. m. Tuesday, Aug. 17, at the Community Center. Joe Weaver, district governor of 2-E of Lions International, will be the speaker.

CLESBY TO PREACH

Clesby Patterson will preach Sunday, August 15, at 8:30 p. m. at the Pioneer Memorial Church. Everybody is welcome.

CATCH PLENTY OF FISH!

W. W. Toombs, son Stanley of San Angelo, son-in-law James Dennison and six other Houstonians went deep sea fishing out of Freeport last week. W. W. and Stanley brought back 75 pounds of red snappers... four hours' work! Over 1,000 pounds were caught on the boat, from 2 to 20 pounds in weight. They were out 45 miles.

IN RAIN ALL THE TIME

Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Hodge returned Monday from a trip to the Big Bend country and Old Mexico. "We were in rain all the time," said Mr. Hodge. "It was a flood in the Big Bend area."

QUICK WORK!

Notes on the passing Merkel scene. Place: Methodist Church. Time: 8:05 p. m. last Sunday. Rev. Aubrey F. White rushes in, having arrived here from a revival at McLean. "Sing two songs," he advises the choir, "while I prepare my sermon."

AT COACHING SCHOOL

Coaches Carroll Benson, Tommy Ellis and Kenneth Dismuke of Ira, who is visiting here, are this week attending the coaching school at Dallas.

ADDS FOLIAGE ROOM

A foliage room is being added to the Merkel Florist building. The finished addition will be glassed in. The new addition will take care of plants, ivy and dish garden plants.

CLEANS RUGS, CARPETS

Mack's Cleaners are now offering a rug and carpet cleaning service. "We can take care of the cleaning of any size rug or carpet," said H. R. McKeever.

SURGERY FOR MRS. TIEDE

Mrs. E. D. Tiede underwent major surgery at the Sadler Hospital August 9.

HAS MAJOR SURGERY

Mrs. W. L. Shedd underwent major surgery at the Sadler Hospital August 6.

UNDERGOES SURGERY

Mrs. Buster Horton had major surgery at the Sadler Hospital August 7.

Nolan Palmer Tells of Water Supply in Bermuda

Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Palmer returned Sunday night from their trip by air to Bermuda. They were entertained all the time, along with 258 other persons, consisting of Pontiac dealers and their wives, from all over the United States. They were enjoying an all-expense paid trip won by the dealers in a Pontiac sales contest.

"The only source of water supply on the island is rain water," said Nolan. "The island is a coral rock. There are lots of beautiful homes. First they dig a basement and use the coral rock for part of the house. The rain water runs into the basement and they use this water."

"All houses have slate roof. The rain runs off and is purified. It does not have to be treated. "While in Bermuda for six days it rained three nights but did not rain during the day," stated Nolan.

"Every home has beautiful flowers. The roadways have flowers though they are very narrow with hairpin turns. I could not get used to the English style of driving on the left side," he concluded.

Supt. M. Fisher Names Teachers For Next Year

The officials of Merkel schools are: Mack Fisher, superintendent; Edwin Read, principal of high school; Claude A. Farley, principal of grade schools.

The teachers are: Miss Viola Allred, Mrs. Jo Finley Barnett, Coach Carroll Wenter, Mrs. Helen Benson, Chester Collinsworth, Mrs. Lola Cox, Mrs. Lena Dunagin, Coach Thomas Ellis, Mrs. Billie Ellis, Mrs. Linnie Fisher, Mrs. Norah Foster, Mrs. Lucy Haynes, Mrs. Ellen McReynolds, Mrs. Elsie Nash, Mrs. Dorothy Nodge, Miss Lydia Norcross, Mrs. Elleta Orsborn.

Mrs. Hazel Pargament, Mrs. Ruth Perkins, Miss Mable Phillips, Miss Alzada Pogue, Mrs. Evelyn Read, Band Director Winford Reed, Mrs. Ouida Reid, Mrs. Eloise Reynolds, Mrs. Anna B. Shouse, Mrs. Josephine Tidwell, Mrs. Eula West, Mrs. Mildred Wenter, James E. Thomas, Don Estes.

The new teachers are: Miss Thelma Tucker, girls' physical education and English, B. S., McMurry; Miss Venita Joy Barnett, B. S., Howard Payne College, commerce and English; Donald E. Bagley, B. A., Hardin-Simmons University, mathematics and physical education.

Sam Butman, Sr., Undergoes Major Surgery Last Week

Sam Butman Sr., underwent major surgery at the Hendrick Memorial Hospital Wednesday last week. He is getting along as well as could be expected.

Mrs. Elsie S. Dean Dies Last Week At Age of 78

Mrs. Elsie Samantha Dean, 78, resident of Taylor County for around 50 years, died Thursday of last week at 11:45 p. m. in the home of a daughter, Mrs. L. J. Miller.

Born Dec. 1, 1876, in Henderson County, Tenn., she was married to George H. Dean in Florence, Texas.

In 1943, Mrs. Dean moved to Merkel from Lawn. Survivors include her daughter, Mrs. Miller; a son, E. A. Dean of Lawn; five grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral was held last Friday in the Primitive Baptist Church at Lawn with Elder Scarborough officiating. Burial was held in Dewey Cemetery.

Complete Plans For Polio Drive

The plans for the special solicitation for the March of Dimes in Merkel have been completed, said Principal C. A. Farley, local campaign director.

A tentative quota of \$500 has been set. There will be coin collectors in the stores, coin cards for the citizens, a special Mothers' March on Polio and traffic blockades.

"Increased costs of patient treatment and research and field trials," said Mr. Farley, "have made this special solicitation necessary."

The drive is from August 16 to September 1.

GIRL TO ROBERT PAYNES A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Payne at the Sadler Hospital August 1.

Offering Savings That Are Wanted For Dollar Day

Rain and hail poured down on this section Sunday night. A six-inch downpour hit north of Tye. Hail fell. Tye itself got .23 inch of rain.

Walter Frazier, one mile south

'Our God Is No Tyrant,' Asserts Minister Kiker

"Our God is no tyrant, we are not afraid of Him, we love Him. We don't run away from our God, we run to Him."

That was the assertion of Rex Kiker in his first sermon preached at the Noodle Church of Christ last Friday at its gospel meeting, which ends August 15. It starts each day at 8:15 p. m.

Minister Kiker is professor of speech at Abilene Christian College.

Ira Hill, junior at the college, has a splendid voice and leads the singing.

"The Fatherhood of God" was the subject of Prof. Kiker's sermon last Friday.

"All people have religion of some kind," asserted the minister. "People are inherently religious. But in most religions God is a tyrant. Buddha is a tyrant. Mohammedans look at God as a tyrant. Our God is no tyrant."

"Our God is our Father. We pray, 'Our Father, which art in heaven!'"

Prof. Kiker is a splendid speaker. His voice is clear, he enunciates perfectly. At times he lowers his delivery to a natural, conversational tone. At other times his forceful, earnest enthusiastic speaking rises to oratorical heights. His gestures are meaningful.

In revealing the nature of God's Fatherhood the minister stated that He protects, provides, corrects and loves us. And our responsibilities to Him as His children are: to love, revere and obey Him.

Merkel Telephone Company Sues For \$3,815 Damage

The Merkel Telephone Company is suing the Ed Watts Drilling Company for \$3,815 damages. The telephone company states that the Ed Watts Company truck drove through Merkel and tore down a cable belonging to the Telephone Company at Second and Ash.

Clesby Patterson Earns Splendid Write-Up in Paper

A splendid write-up with a three-column headline of Clesby Patterson was written up in Sunday's Abilene Reporter-News by Rev. Hamilton Wright, the Road Runner. It was entitled, "Merkel Grain Dealer Plans to Become Methodist Minister."

The article told about the business-life of Clesby and how at the age of 48 he decided to become a minister. It revealed that he is completing what he started out to do when he first went to college, back in 1924.

The fine article ended with Clesby saying, "I've severed all my business connections so nothing will interfere with my giving all I have to the ministry of Jesus Christ."

of Fletcher got 3 inches. Hail fell and "cleaned us out," said Walter, "nothing is left of cotton, not even one leaf."

In Merkel Weatherman J. I. Ford reported only .25 while Harry Woodrum, next to The Merkel Mail office, noted .40 inch.

Mulberry Canyon had 4.10. Stith gauged 1.3. Fletcher Jones, 1 1/2 miles southeast of Stith had 2.3 inches.

Ernest Smith, 4 1/2 miles northeast of here, gauged 1.6. Five miles southeast of Noodle the report was 1 to 3 inches of rain with lots of hail.

F. H. Duncan, 3 1/2 miles southwest of Trent, got 1.2. Billy Joe Toombs, 2 miles north of Trent reported, .4. Trent got .7.

Buster Hester stated that at 10 a. m. at Howard Reddin, near Walter Frazier, Buster saw water still running out of his field.

Rev. and Mrs. Aubrey White, driving from Hamlin, came to Bitter Creek, seven miles north of Merkel, and ran into a river, water 2 or 3 feet deep, and had to go to Sweetwater to get to church here five minutes late. Two or three cars were stalled and it was still raining there.

Band Rehearsals To Start Monday Says W. G. Reed

Pre-school band rehearsals will start Monday, August 16, announced Band Director W. G. Reed.

The rehearsals will be held at the band hall, beginning at 7 a. m. and will last about one and a half hours. All members are urged to be present.

"There will be 45 minutes of marching each morning," stated Director Reed, "that is why we are starting so early. We want to get the marching over before it gets hot."

Also on August 16, anytime between 9 a. m. and 4 p. m., at the high school library the band director would like to meet with the prospective band students and their parents, those students in the fifth grade.

An instrument representative will be present at that time also with new and used instruments.

On Tuesday, August 17, Director Reed plans to start rehearsals for the beginners. The class will last one hour for that week, beginning at 9 a. m. at the band hall.

NEW LIGHTS NOW

New fluorescent lights, modern in design, have been installed in the First Baptist Church in Trent. The lights are the gift of members of the church.

Snake, Girls, Buffalo, Deer Thrill Boy Scouts on Mountain Outing

Snake, deer, buffalo, cut finger and illness were part of the adventures the Boy Scout Troop No. 19 encountered on their week's outing at Wichita Mountains, near Lawton, Okla.

The boys who started the trip Saturday noon, July 24, were Bill Wheeler, Owen Gregory, Joe Christ, Dwain Wade, Carlton Earp, Clarence Gregory, Vernon Wade, Dale Wheeler and Ira D. Gregory. They were accompanied by their scoutmaster Dr. James H. Chaney.

While setting up their camp they killed a copperhead snake. It was Sunday afternoon that Joe Christ cut his finger on a broken bottle.

On Monday the entire troop climbed Mt. Scott, the highest peak in the Wichita Mountains. It took one hour of hard work to climb and 2 minutes to descend. While taking pictures of some

The rains have brightened prospects here and the merchants are offering greater values than ever before to brighten things on Dollar Day, Tuesday, August 17. And these big values are just in time for the opening of school.

This will be Merkel's 27th Dollar Day.

Department stores as usual are offering unusual values, values that will mean big savings, some as high as 50 per cent. Grocery bargains will mean tremendous savings and so will those offered in ladies' ready-to-wear.

That's not all. There are big savings on tires, on beauty aids.

It will pay to look over the ads make a list of what you want and need for the children and grown-ups and come to Merkel next Tuesday and shop early. The friendly town of Merkel invites you.

Brooms for Sale! Brooms for Sale! Brooms for Sale!

"Brooms for sale, brooms for sale! Who wants to buy a broom?" That's the tune the Lions Club members will be singing next week on Wednesday and Thursday, Aug. 18 and 19.

Besides brooms they will also be selling doormats, mops, etc. The members will go from house to house to make the sale.

"Everything is ready for the sale," commented Waymon Adcock, chairman of the sale committee. "All the teams have been named and everyone knows what he has to do."

"We believe that the public will be very responsive to this sale. We are offering items that are needed at home and the prices are attractive."

"Another thing: the money that is raised will be used for a good cause in the work of the Lions Club. We are looking forward to a big sale."

"SIGNS OF LIFE"

"Traffic signs and signals truly are signs of life," said Col. E. B. Tilley of Houston, president of the Texas Safety Association. "If a motorist is in the habit of obeying all the signs of life, it will help keep him safe at highway-rail intersections and everywhere else he drives."

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 AUGUST 16 TO 21

**HIGHWAY PATROL TO HOLD EXAMS**  
 Homer Garrison, Jr., director of the Texas Department of Public Safety, announced that the Texas Highway Patrol will accept applications between now and Aug. 25 from young Texans for appointment to the Texas Highway Patrol. Applicants must be between 21

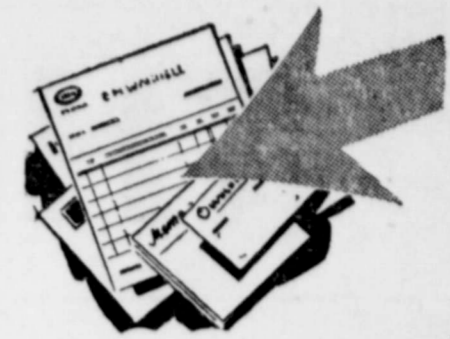
and 35 years of age, inclusive, have a high school education, be at least 5 feet 8 inches in height and weigh not less than two or more than three and one-half pounds per inch of height. Applications forms may be obtained from all Texas Highway Patrol District Offices or by writing directly to W. J. Elliott, chief Texas Highway Patrol, at Austin.

**NEWS**  
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**Demonstration Agent**  
*Texas A. & M. College*  
**Extension Service**  
 By LORETTA ALLEN

Taylor County Home Demonstration Countywide picnic is past history. Twelve of the 13 clubs had representatives, including Blue Bonnet, Union Ridge and Merkel Clubs. Those of you who didn't attend really missed a lot of good food and fun. "Sugar and Spice and Everything Nice" was the theme of the Taylor County 4-H Girls 1954 Dress Revue held in Abilene. Lynn Presswood and her helpers decorated the stage with a variety of flavors of miniature lol-

ipop men and women behind a short white metal fence. A bulletin board was on the wall with cones of different flavors of ice cream and snow. Marguerite Anderson was commentator and described the dresses by comparing them with sweets of various kinds. Lawanda Vinson of Key City Club was first place winner in the senior division. She fits into "Sugar and Spice and Everything Nice" as Green Candied Citron. Her green fall cotton with the small pointed collar met with the black velvet bow and the fitted bodice buttoned with black velvet rimmed buttons made a striking contrast. The full gathered skirt features three tucks. To complete the costume she wears a black velvet hat, bag, black gloves and shoes. Kay McAdams of Lawn Club was first place winner in the junior division. She depicted "Grape-vice-Soda." The low neck, no sleeves and gathered skirt with set in belt make this a very comfortable school dress this fall. The rick-rack trim added enough contrasting color for any 11 year old. Her white sandals will be her main accessory.

The Blue Ribbon winners besides Lawanda and Kay include Ruby Stephan, Janie Robinson and Wanda Wilder. The red ribbon group included Lynn Presswood, Janice Evans, Nita Harvey, Barbara Hudson, Martha Perry, Ida May King, Patricia Yost and June Bryant. The white ribbon group included Helen Deatherage and Linda Stockton. The Pink ribbon group included Zeldia Anderson, Carolyn Miller, Mary Black and Barbara Black.



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Displacement (cu. in.)	223 (Six)	235 (Six)	Total deluxe cab glass area (sq. in.)	2103	1945	Higher total axle capacity (lbs.)	5900	5500
More horsepower	115 (Six)	112	Seat back independently adjustable	YES	NO	Higher total spring capacity (lbs.)	5230	4900
More h.p. per cu. in. displacement	0.515 (Six)	0.475	Woven plastic seat covering	YES	NO	Higher max. payload (lbs.)	1550	1505
Shorter piston stroke	3.60" (Six)	3.94"	Seat shock snubbers	YES	NO	Greater total brake lining area (sq. in.)	179	158
Slower piston speed (ft. per min. at 30 m.p.h.)	747 (V-8)	945	Power braking available	YES	NO	34" wide full length frame	YES	NO
Deep skirt crankcase	YES (Six)	NO	Overdrive transmission available	YES	NO	Pickup body load space (cu. ft.)	45	39.7

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**ATTENDS FUNERAL**

Charles Curb attended the funeral of a distant relative, Louis Curb, at Killeen Tuesday of last week.

**TO HOLD H. D. MEET**

The 28th annual meeting of the Texas Home Demonstration Association will be held in Dallas, August 11-13. —A. & M.

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**RED CHINA AND THE UN:**  
The Senate spoke with one voice against the entrance of Red China into the United Nations.

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The amendment we adopted also requests President Eisenhower, in the event of Red Chinese admission to the United Nations, to inform Congress "of the implications of this action upon the foreign policy of the United States . . . together with any recommendations which he may have with respect to the matter."

**MILITARY CONSTRUCTION:**  
The supplemental appropriations bill, as reported by the committee, included substantial sums for military construction.

**TEXAS ARMY MANEUVERS:**  
It has been announced that the 47th Infantry Division and the First Armored Division will hold special maneuvers in Texas this fall. The ultimate aim is to develop an atomic age army.

**Talking Mule Joins the WACs At Queen Theatre**

"Francis Joins The Wacs" some of the screen's most hilarious experiences by being a comedy that starts out with a basically funny situation and never lets anyone or anything get in the way of that situation. As a result, this latest of the Talking Mule's fabulous adventures will send audiences into loud convulsions of laughter at the Queen Theatre, where it plays Sunday and Monday.

Just the notion of Donald O'Connor, again cast as hapless Peter Stirling, being assigned to the ladies' army through the miscalculations of the Army's electronic classifier is enough to start the laughs rumbling.

**"Hell Below Zero" Is Thrill-Packed At Queen Theatre**

Alan Ladd stars in a whale of an adventure film, Columbia Pictures' "Hell Below Zero," at the Queen Theatre Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

This thrill-packed and spectacular new screen excitement was actually filmed, in color by Technicolor, with the whaling fleet in the icy Antarctic.

A whale hunt and a man-hunt are among the new picture's breathless incidents. A raging polar storm, a collision of killer-ships and an axe-battle on an ice-floe compete with a stormy love affair for audience attention.

**VITAMIN A DEFICIENCY**

Better watch for vitamin A deficiency among cattle at this time. This vitamin comes primarily from green feed. The drought has all but eliminated this source and young cattle need a daily supply since they do not have the ability, as do older animals, to store the vitamin A in their bodies for later use. — A. & M.



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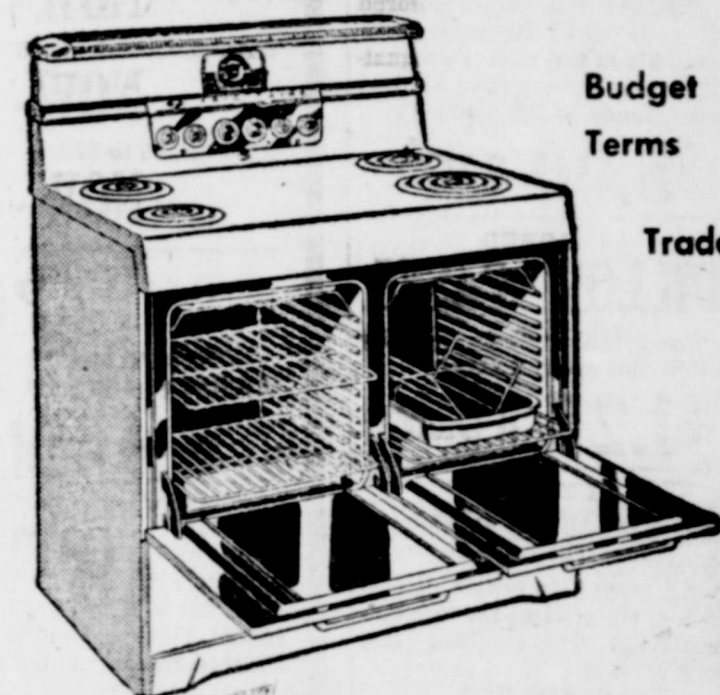
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We still have a few men's summer slacks to be offered for this occasion. These are broken sizes, what a buy, at only

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These are those good 11 ounce sanforized Dickie Jeans offered for dollar day only at

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Men's Dickies 8.2 Army cloth pants and shirts in either sun tan or postman's gray color.

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A fine quality men's blue chambray two flap pocket work shirt. Sizes 14½ to 17. A real buy in a sanforized shirt.

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**KHAKI SUIT**  
Just received a fine man's army cloth pants and shirts to match, and what a buy for only

**\$5.00 a suit**

**WORK SOX**  
You may have your choice of either long sox or elastic tops in either white or colored for only

**5 PAIRS FOR \$1.00**

**SPORT SOX**  
Here is what the boys need for school. All new patterns in sport sox priced for dollar day only at

**3 pairs for \$1**

**MEN'S SHORTS AND UNDERSHIRTS**  
You may have your choice of either knitted briefs, sanforized broadcloth shorts, or a fine ribbed undershirt, priced for dollar day only at

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**LADIES' SUMMER DRESSES**  
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We have just received a new shipment of fall colors of a fine quality print to be offered for dollar day only at

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This is a full 2 pound roll of fine bleached quilting cotton, just received in time for your fall quilting needs. Offered for dollar day only at

**\$1.19 a roll**

**BOY'S SPORT SHIRTS**  
Mothers, here is what you have been waiting for. Get the kids plenty of these shirts to start to school in. Priced for dollar day only at

**\$1.00**

**BOY'S BLUE JEANS**  
Yes, these are those good fitting Longhorn blue jeans. School days means blue jean time, so here is a real savings for you. Buy plenty at these low prices of only

**Sizes 1 through 10 ---- \$1.79**

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**Ladies' and Children's SUMMER SHOES**  
Folks, here is the buy of the year. Every summer shoe must be sold. Our loss is your gain. Come early for the best selections. Read this part of the ad carefully as you will want several pairs at these low prices:

**Ladies Flats and Casuals, broken sizes ----- \$1.49**

**Ladies Dress Shoes and Wedges \$2.00 and \$3.00**

**Children's Sandals all styles and sizes ----- \$1.49**

**Children's Dress Shoes \$1.98**

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**HOSPITAL NOTES**

Admissions to the Sadler Hospital the past week were:  
As medical patients — Mrs. J. D. Rogers, Mrs. A. C. Braune, Mrs. C. E. Derrington, Alva Hogue, J. W. Pierce, Lou David Allen.

**LOCAL FOLKS ATTEND FORD REUNION AT BRIDGEPORT**

Those attending the annual Ford reunion at the lake in Bridgeport Sunday from Merkel were: Messrs. and Mesdames Jack Smith, son Randy and daughter Wilma; Morris B. Smith and son Sammy; Ford Smith; Ford Smith, Jr., daughter Ann and son Gary; Jack Hogan and son Kenneth, also E. A. Conley and daughter Kay Lynn of Winters. There were about 60 present. They enjoyed a program of music, boating and fishing.

**BLUE BONNET CLUB MEETS WITH MRS. ALLEN KING**

Mrs. Allen King presided at the Blue Bonnet Home Demonstration Club meeting at her home. Mrs. Ford Butman led "Woman's Collect." Roll call was answered with "Most helpful thing I have learned in food preparation."

Trent 4-H Club girls gave a special program: Linda Willis led the group, giving club motto and prayer; Janie Robinson piano solo; musical reading, Linda Willis; accordion number, Jane Williams; song, Carren Wood; song, Linda Willis and Janie Robinson.

Ida Mae King was recreation leader. The girls gave the ladies their grapevine soda recipe.

The county-wide picnic was late afternoon August 5 at Buffalo Gap.

The T. H. D. A. convention was

held in Dallas August 11, 12 and 13. Mrs. L. A. Groene, Pleasant Hill Club, was to be a nominee for candidacy of vice president at large. This is the first time Taylor County has named a candidate.

The training school for meat leaders will be held in the agriculture building August 27. Blue Bonnet meat leaders are Mrs. Sam Butman, Jr., and Mrs. Dewel McLean.

The next meeting, which will be held in September, will be in the home of Mrs. Sam Butman, Jr., and officers will be elected.

**TRUCK BURNS**

A truck belonging to the Kimbell Grocery Company caught fire Tuesday around noon about 4½ miles west of here on Highway 80. There was some damage to the truck and contents.

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**\$67.50**

**1950 FORD CLUB COUPE**

Has radio, heater, new seat covers. When you drive it you will say it's a bargain. Better come early.

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**1941 CHEVROLET Club Coupe**

Has radio, heater, seat covers, outside sun visor, motor-driven defroster. Runs and drives O. K. A super value.

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Has radio, heater, five new tire bumper tips, rear seat speaker. We sold this car new last year and it has been well cared for. Bargain!

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**1948 Chev. 2-Door Fleetline**

This car is the proud owner of a radio, heater, seat covers and only 52,000 miles. When you see it you will say, how did he keep it so nice inside and out? Don't wait.

**\$395**

**1937 FORD COUPE**

This car has a real motor and the body is fair. A good fill-in car.

**\$59.50**

**1950 CHEVROLET ½-TON**

This pickup has deluxe cab and heater. Runs and drives like new. With only 37,000 miles on it. Bargain!

**\$595**

**BADGER CHEVROLET CO.**

**LEGAL NOTICE**

**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 officers; 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 election.

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

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 a Clerk for the District Court of each county, who shall be elected by the qualified voters for State 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 vacancy, the Judge of the District Court shall have the power to appoint a Clerk, who shall hold until the office can be filled by election."

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 established in each county in this State a County Court, which shall be a court of record; and there 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 conservator of the peace, and shall hold his office for four years, and until his successor shall be elected and qualified. He shall receive as 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 existing, shall be divided from time to time, for the convenience of the people, into precincts, not less than four and not more than eight. Divisions shall be made by the Commissioners Court provided for in this Constitution. In each such precinct there shall be elected one Justice of the Peace and one Constable, each of whom shall hold his office for four years and until his successor shall be elected and qualified; provided that in any precinct in which there may be a city of 8,000 or more inhabitants, there shall be elected two Justices of the Peace. Each county shall in like manner be divided into four commissioners precincts in each of which there shall be elected by the qualified voters thereof one County Commissioner, who shall hold his office for four years and until his successor shall be elected and qualified. The County Commissioners so chosen, with the County Judge as presiding officer, shall compose the County Commissioners Court, which shall exercise such powers and jurisdiction over all county business, as is conferred by this Constitution and the laws of the State, or as may be hereafter prescribed."

Sec. 4. That Section 20 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended so as to read as follows:

"Section 20. There shall be elected for each county, by the qualified voters, a County Clerk, who shall hold his office for four years, who shall be clerk of the County and Commissioners Courts and 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, that in counties having a population 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 qualified 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 District and inferior courts in their respective counties; but if any county shall be included in a district in which there shall be a District Attorney, the respective duties of District Attorneys and County Attorneys shall in such counties be regulated by the Legislature. The Legislature may provide for the election of District Attorneys in such districts, as may be deemed necessary, and make provision for the compensation of District Attorneys and County Attorneys. District Attorneys shall hold office for a term of four

years, and until their successors 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 election."

Section 7. That Section 14 of Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended so as to read as follows:

"Section 14. Except as provided in Section 16 of this Article, there shall be elected by the qualified voters of each county, an Assessor and Collector of Taxes, who shall hold his office for four years and until his successor is elected and qualified; and such Assessor and Collector of Taxes shall perform all the duties with respect to assessing property for the purpose of taxation and of collecting taxes, as may be prescribed by the Legislature."

Section 8. That Section 16 of Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended so as to read as follows:

"Section 16. The Sheriff of each county, in addition to his other duties, shall be the Assessor and Collector of Taxes therefor; but, in counties having 10,000 or more inhabitants, to be determined by the last preceding census of the United States, an Assessor and Collector of Taxes shall be elected as provided in Section 14 of this Article, and shall hold office for four years and until his successor shall be elected and qualified."

"Section 9. That Section 44 of Article XVI of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended so as to read as follows:

"Section 44. The Legislature shall prescribe the duties and provide for the election by qualified voters of each county in this State, of a County Treasurer and a County Surveyor, who shall have an office at the county seat, and hold their office for four years, and until their successors are qualified; and shall have such compensation as may be provided by law."

Section 10. That Article V of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by adding thereto Section 30, which shall read as follows:

"Section 30. The Judges of all Courts of county-wide jurisdiction heretofore or hereafter created by the Legislature of this State, and all Criminal District Attorneys now or hereafter authorized by the laws of this State, shall be elected for a term of four years, and shall serve until their successors have qualified."

Section 11. That Article XVI of the Constitution of the State 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 precinct 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 Texas be amended by adding thereto a Section 65, which shall read as follows:

"Section 65. The following officers elected at the general election in November, 1954, and thereafter, shall serve for the full terms provided in this Constitution:

(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) County 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 aforementioned offices is of such nature that two or more persons hold such office, with the result that candidates file for 'Place No. 1', 'Place No. 2', etc., the officers elected at the general election in November, 1954, shall serve for a term of two years if the designation of their office is an uneven number, and for a term of four years if the designation of their office is an even number. Thereafter, all such officers shall be elected for the terms provided in this Constitution."

Section 13. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be

submitted to a vote of the qualified voters of this State at a special election to be held throughout the State on the general election day of November, A. D., 1954, at which election all ballots shall have printed thereon:

"FOR the Constitutional 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 the same published as required by the Constitution and laws of this State.

Adv. — July 30, Aug. 6, 13, 20.

**LEGAL NOTICE**

**SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION No. 6**

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Texas by adding to Article XVI thereof a new section, to be numbered 63; providing for crediting to members of either the Teacher Retirement System or the Employees Retirement System of Texas all services rendered, as 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.

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

Section 1. That Article XVI of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by adding thereto a new section, to be numbered 63, which shall read as follows:

"Section 63. Qualified members of the Teacher Retirement System, in addition to the benefits allowed them under the Teacher Retirement System shall be entitled to credit in the Teacher Retirement System for all services, including prior service and membership service, earned or rendered by them as an appointive officer or employee of the State. Likewise, qualified members of the Employees Retirement System of Texas, in addition to the benefits allowed them under the Employees Retirement System of Texas shall be entitled to credit in the Employees Retirement System of Texas for all services, including prior service and membership service, earned or rendered by them as a teacher or person employed in the public schools, colleges, and universities supported wholly or partly by the State."

Sec. 2. The foregoing constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this State at an election to be held 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 members of either the Teacher Retirement System or the Employees Retirement System of Texas all services rendered, as 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 Employees Retirement System of Texas all services rendered, as 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."

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

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

**LEGAL NOTICE**

**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION No. 8**

proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas by adding Section 16a to Article VIII to provide that in counties of less than ten thousand (10,000) inhabitants, as determined by the last preceding census of the United States, elections may be held to provide for an Assessor-Collector of Taxes; providing for submission of this Amendment to the voters of Texas; and providing the time, means and manner thereof.

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 submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of the State at the General 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 written or printed thereon the following:

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

"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 Constitution.

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

Adv. — July 30, Aug. 6, 13, 20.

**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 assistance 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 twenty-one (21) years and needy children under the age of sixteen (16) years; providing for the acceptance of financial aid from the government of the United States for such assistance; providing that the payments of such assistance from State funds shall never exceed either the payments from Federal funds or a total of more than Forty-two Million (\$42,000,000.00) Dollars per year; providing for enactment of laws to make lists of recipients of aid available for inspection; providing for the necessary election, form of ballot, proclamation, and publication, and making an appropriation to defray the necessary expenses of proclamation, publication, and holding the election.

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

Section 1. That Section 51a of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended and the same is hereby amended, so that the same shall hereafter read as follows:

"Section 51a. The Legislature shall have the power, by General Laws, to provide, subject to limitations and restrictions herein contained, and such other limitations, restrictions and regulations as may be by the Legislature deemed expedient for assistance to, and for the payment of assistance to:

"(1) Needy aged persons who are actual bona fide citizens of Texas and who are over the age of sixty-five (65) years; provided that no such assistance shall be paid to any inmate of any State supported institution, while such inmate, or to any person who shall not have actually resided in Texas for at least five (5) years during 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 be more than Twenty (\$20.00) Dollars per month.

"(2) Needy blind persons who are actual bona fide citizens of Texas and are over the age of twenty-one (21) years; provided that no such assistance shall be paid to any inmate of any State supported institution, while such inmate, or to any person who shall not have actually resided in Texas at least five (5) years during the nine (9) years immediately preceding the application for such assistance and continuously for 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 Texas for one (1) year immediately preceding such application.

"The Legislature shall have the authority to accept from the Federal government of the United

States such financial aid for the assistance of the needy aged, needy blind, and needy children as such government may offer not inconsistent with restrictions here-in set forth; provided however, 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 Constitutional amendment shall be submitted 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 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

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

Adv. — July 30, Aug. 6, 13, 20.

county-wide Hospital District of the title to any land, building or equipment, jointly or separately owned, and for the assumption by the district of any outstanding bonded indebtedness theretofore issued by any county or city for the establishment of hospitals or hospital facilities; to levy a tax not to exceed seventy-five (75) cents on the One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars valuation of all taxable property within such district, provided, however, that such district shall be approved at an election held for that purpose, and that only qualified, property taxpaying voters in such county shall vote therein; provided further, that such Hospital District shall assume full responsibility for providing medical and hospital care to needy inhabitants of the county, and thereafter such county and cities therein shall not levy any other tax for hospital purposes; and provided further that should such Hospital District construct, maintain and support a hospital or hospital system, that the same shall never become a charge against the State of Texas, nor shall any direct appropriation ever be made by the Legislature for the construction, maintenance or improvement of the said hospital or hospitals. Should the Legislature enact laws in anticipation of the adoption of this amendment, such Acts shall not be invalid because of their anticipatory character."

Section 2. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified property taxpaying voters of this State at the General Election to 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

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**Legal Notices**

**THE STATE OF TEXAS**

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GREETING:

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**CITATION BY PUBLICATION**

THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: ROBERT E. BEESLEY, Defendant—, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED 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. 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 7th day of September A. D. 1954, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 10th day of March A. D. 1954, in this cause, numbered 7471-B on the docket of said court, and styled Jean Beesley, Plaintiff, vs. Robert E. Beesley, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and defendant were duly and legally married on 11 July 1945, and lived together until November 1952, and became permanently separated. Plaintiff sues on grounds of cruel treatment. Plaintiff and defendant have accumulated as community property furniture and a car which is in the defendant's possession. No children were born out of this marriage and none will be born 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 21st day of July A.D. 1954.

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 July, 1954.

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

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**NEWS ABOUT TOWN**

Mayor and Mrs. H. C. West left Saturday morning for Washington, D. C., to visit their son Dick and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Sandusky and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stevens have returned from a vacation to El Paso where they visited Elmer Sandusky at Ft. Bliss and San Simon, Ariz., where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Donald Latimer, Bowie, Ariz., and Willcox where they visited the Boyds and Collins, returning by Ruidosa, New Mex. They enjoyed rain and had a wonderful trip.

Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Kuykendall

of Wichita Falls and sons Don and Ronnie were here Monday of last week visiting Mrs. J. T. Johnson and Miss Delia Kuykendall.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Stevens of Big Spring and granddaughter, Evelyn Johnson, of Memphis, Tenn., visited here last Friday with Mrs. J. T. Johnson and Delia Kuykendall.

Rev. Elra Phillips was in town for a short while last Friday, stopping off on his way home in Spareberg from Buffalo Gap where he spent the week as a worker at the Methodist Encampment.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Brown, Jr., Randy and Mike of Roswell, New Mex., were here over the weekend visiting with W. W. Webb and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Wigley of Lubbock visited Sunday and Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Norman King and family.

Mrs. Simmons Tarpley returned last Friday from Montgomery, Ala., where she visited for a month with her son, Captain Joe Tarpley, who is stationed at Maxwell Air Base. While there she saw three rains and it was humid.

Miss Christine Collins and Mrs. W. T. Sadler were at the Baker Hotel in Mineral Wells this week.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Walters were in Munday Sunday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Norton Pendergraft.

Mr. and Mrs. Wrenn Durham spent the weekend at Lake Brownwood.

Mrs. Bonnie Perkins spent her vacation last week in Colorado.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Barnett and family of McCamey spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Barnett.

Mrs. T. G. Bragg, Mrs. Dee Grimes, Mrs. Jerry Warren and Susan spent several days last week at the Baker Hotel in Mineral Wells.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Smith and son with Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Eoff and son, Ina Henderson, of Hamlin spent the weekend in Dallas visiting her brother, Ernest Henderson, and wife.

Isadore and Meyer Mellinger were on the west coast this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Baze of Idalou were guests Friday and Saturday of his brother Earl and wife. Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Baze attended the family reunion at Buffalo Gap Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Purser and family visited last week in Corpus Christi and Port Aransas Pass.

Mr. and Mrs. Chesby Patterson, son Buddy and daughter, Mrs. Ralph Russell, and Jeff spent Thursday and Friday of last week with Mrs. Patterson's sister, Mrs. Willard Knight, and family in Wichita Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Bingham spent last week in Borger visiting his mother, Mrs. Agnes Bingham.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bradon of Dallas and Mr. and Mrs. John Bradon and wife of Plainview spent last week visiting with their sister, Mrs. Frase Demere, and family. They all attended the Divide Homecoming at Nolan Sunday, August 1.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Knox and daughters, Kathy and Lynda Lou, of Dallas have been visiting Mrs. Knox's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Russell. They returned home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frase Demere spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. O. W. Reed, of Sweetwater.

Mrs. Lizzie Latham who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. John T. Morgan, and Mr. Morgan of Dallas for the last four months returned home last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Spratlan and Carroll visited his sister, Mrs. Ray Tucker, last week at their ranch in Mineral Wells.

**AFTER 22 YEARS**

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Hannah and son Tommy of Coolidge, Ariz., formerly of Merkel and Mrs. Billie Pruitt of Casa Grande, Ariz., visited their daughter, Mrs. David Beathard, and sister, Mrs. Mary E. Provine. She had not seen her brother in 22 years. He also visited other relatives and friends. He enjoyed his visit to Merkel very much.

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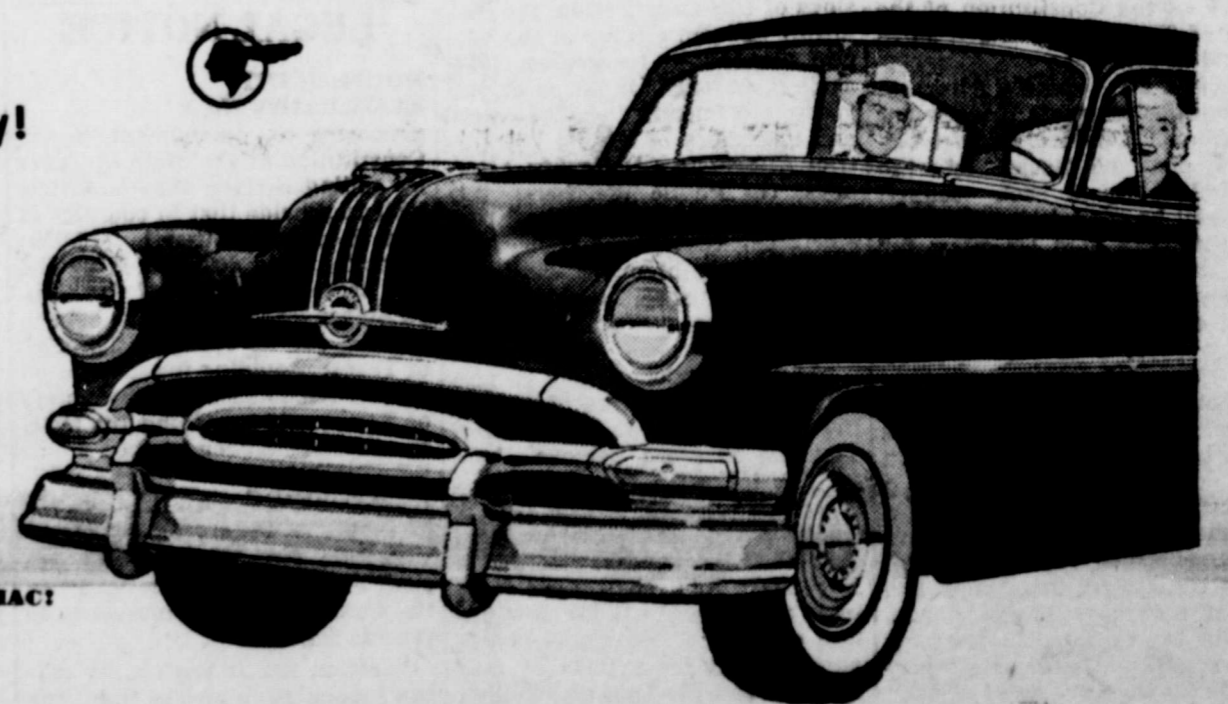
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REVIVALS, MEETINGS

Revivals and gospel meetings are still in progress. They are: Merkel First Baptist Church until August 15. Trent First Baptist Church until August 22. Noodle Church of Christ until August 15. Hope Church of Christ until August 15. Assembly of God Vacation Bible School until August 15.

TEAFF AND ISOM REUNION HELD RECENTLY AT LUBBOCK

The Teaff and Isom reunion was held for the eighth time July 30, 31 and August 1 at MacKinzie State Park at Lubbock. There were 163 present from 30 different towns. The next meeting will be held July 15, 16, 17, 1955, at the same place.

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NEWS ABOUT TOWN

S./Sgt. and Mrs. Bobby Hodge of Lake Charles, La., visited this week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Hodge, and C. W. Edwards of Trent. They will return to their home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Jones and their daughter, Mrs. E. L. Clark, of Abilene have just returned from New Orleans after spending a week there visiting their son, Vernon Jones, and family.

Truett Patterson and his daughters, Mary and Jane, of Indianapolis, Ind., arrived here Sunday to visit for about two weeks with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Patterson. His wife and seven-week old son Mark are visiting with her mother, Mrs. E. D. Hess, of Brook, Ind.

Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Carson are on a trip to Seattle. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Carson and family went south on a vacation this week.

Visitors in the J. O. Castles home over the weekend were their sons, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Castles of Houston and Mr. and Mrs. J. B.

Castles of Lubbock. Other visitors Sunday were Mrs. W. M. Sairless and Mr. and Mrs. Earl McCright of Abilene.

Judy Nietz of Abilene has been visiting for a week with her aunt, Mrs. Mabel Dorton and cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Dorton, Sr., and family.

Mrs. Sallie Moore, Mrs. Bettie Berryman, Charlie Curb accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Curb, Sweetwater, attended the funeral of Lewis Curb at Killeen.

Mrs. Calvin Haygood and son Gary of Austin are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hughes, and sister, Mrs. Paxton Hayes, and husband and other relatives over the weekend.

Comer Haynes and Holland Teaff spent the weekend in Ruidoso, New Mexico.

Miss Gail Lyday of Honey Grove is spending the month of August here visiting Miss Jackie Hogan.

Mrs. Ruth Shore, children and sister-in-law, Mrs. Ica Shore, Canyon City, Colo., visited in the home of Mrs. Ruby Cole while en route to the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Charley Orr Saturday, August 7, at the Orr home.

J. R. Hudson, daughter Pat and niece, Mary Stephenson, of Fort Worth visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Hendricks, Mr. Hudson's aunt.

J. J. Ewing and granddaughter, Miss Venita Brewer, of Ovalo made a trip to New Mexico and California where he visited his brother, P. M. Ewing, of Lordsburg, New Mexico, and sister, Miss Nancy Ewing, of Redlands, Calif., Mr. Ewing said he saw some rain while enroute.

Rev. and Mrs. Wm. Reeves of New Waverly drove on Monday to spend a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Mathews, and to visit with her sister, Mrs. Noel D. Addy, and family who are moving to Anchorage, Alaska.

Robert Lee of Stanton spent Monday visiting his mother, Mrs. H. P. Crimm.

Mrs. Henry Coit of Dallas was a weekend guest of her mother, Mrs. J. T. Warren.

Mrs. Lear Hand and son J. B. of Trent were passing visitors to their aunt, Mrs. Hugh Campbell, Monday.

Mrs. James Benshoff and children returned to Washington, D. C., after a five weeks' visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Murray, their son, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Murray, and family of Midland and their daughter, Mrs. Marvin Johnston, and husband were weekend visitors of their parents, L. L. Murrays.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Barnes, son, L. D., and Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Riney were at the top of Pike's Peak two weeks ago and found plenty of snow and ice.

MRS. W. W. TOOMBS IS HOME

Mrs. W. W. Toombs is now at home. She returned from the hospital last week. She is feeling better.

BILL SLEDGES AT FAMILY REUNION AT COMANCHE

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sledge and son Jim attended a Sledge family reunion Sunday at Comanche. There were 75 present.

A. W. THOMASES AT FAMILY REUNION AT EASTLAND

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Thomas and family attended a family reunion at Eastland Sunday. About 68 persons were present.

CLARENCE GILBREATH MARRIES IN CANADA

Clarence Deward Gilbreath, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lum Gilbreath, was married to Bessie Clarkson in Edmonton, Canada. Clarence was reared in Merkel and has been living in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, the past two years.

WASHBURN REUNION WILL BE ANNUAL AFFAIR

On August 8 a Washburn reunion was held at the Abilene State Park. Plans were made to have an annual reunion on the second Sunday in August. Those attending were from Odessa, Seminole, Trent, Blair, Merkel, Abilene, Anson, Sweetwater, Breckenridge, El Centro, Calif., Aransas Pass, San Angelo, Cottonwood. There were 56 present.

MRS. ETTA TUCKER ATTENDS REUNION AT HENDERSON

Grandmother's old table with its many memories of tasty dietary delights formed the festive board last Wednesday for a reunion of relatives of the late Tom Clinton when they gathered for lunch in the Curtis Clinton home in Henderson.

The occasion for the gathering was instigated by the presence of Mrs. Etta Tucker of Merkel, who is the daughter of the late Tom Clinton and who moved away 69 years ago. Mrs. Tucker was in Henderson with her son, Rev. Charles Tucker, of Bowie who assisted in a revival there. During the week Mrs. Tucker visited with a host of old friends and relatives.

MAYBE 'TAS RAIN!

Notes on the passing Merkel scene.

Place: Anywhere in town. Time: 4:45 last Sunday. Dark clouds.

"Somebody's spitting on me!" shouts the husband standing outside.

"Spitting on you?" exclaims his wife.

"Yes," he replies, "spitting." She looks outside. "Aw, that's rain."

"So?" chirps the husband "If that's rain, why ain't it raining. That's spit."

TOM RUSSOMS ARE HOST AT MAXEY REUNION

Native East Texans met under a native East Texas sycamore tree in the Tom Russom's yard in Mulberry Canyon August 7 and 8. The occasion was a reunion of the late F. M. Maxey and Lizzie Owens Maxey of deep East Texas.

Direct descendants of the couple are B. J. Maxey, Wichita Falls, Mrs. J. H. Gleaton, Rawlett, J. T. and D. J. Maxey, Electra, all of whom were present.

There were 64 people at the reunion. Some of the cousins met for the first time in 20 years.

IS ILL

Mrs. Esther Collins is ill at home.

GAME CANCELLED

The Merkel Lobo-Abilene A game was cancelled Sunday as the A's have quit for the season.

AT LIONS CLUB

Mr. and Mrs. Clesby Patterson returned home Monday of last week from a 5,000-mile trip to the east coast. They traveled through 21 states and two provinces in Canada. Clesby attended a Lions Club meeting in Quebec.

VERA LEE WILLIAMS DIES

Mrs. Vera Lee Williams, 39, died Saturday afternoon at her home. She was buried Monday at Rose Hill Cemetery with Starbuck Funeral Home in charge.

MOVE TO HOUSTON

Mr. and Mrs. David Beathard who has been living here for the past eight months moved to Houston Wednesday. Mrs. Beathard was Lois Hannah and formerly lived at Blair. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Doug. Hannah and they are now living in Coolidge, Ariz., and were here on a visit about 10 days ago.

LOSES CAR, FINDS CAR

Recently Ray Orsborn left his car standing on First Street near Bragg's. When he returned he found the car gone. He remembered leaving his car key in the ignition. It was several hours later that his car was found in front of Dr. C. B. Gardner's office, minus the key.

AT JUNIOR CAMP

Nine persons from here attended the junior camp of the Methodist Church of the Abilene district held at Buffalo Gap this week.

CHILD DIES

Marie Garcia Gonzales, 4, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Gonzales of Tye, died unexpectedly at 11:30 p. m. Thursday of last week following an illness of less than one day.

BUS SCHEDULE

Eastbound	Westbound
2:20 a. m.	12:10 a. m.
3:36 a. m.	12:15 a. m.
4:22 a. m.	1:21 a. m.
6:32 a. m.	2:39 a. m.
6:47 a. m.	5:54 a. m.
11:40 a. m.	7:52 a. m.
11:45 a. m.	9:09 a. m.
2:37 p. m.	11:40 a. m.
3:01 p. m.	1:01 p. m.
5:00 p. m.	1:25 p. m.
7:57 p. m.	4:19 p. m.
11:52 p. m.	8:17 p. m.
9:01 p. m.	4:57 p. m.
	9:07 p. m.

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LODGE CALLS

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LEGAL NOTICE

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: Henry R. Thompson, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 13th day of September A. D. 1954, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 30th day of July A. D. 1954, in this cause, numbered 19,937-A on the docket of said court and styled Ima Gene Thompson, Plaintiff, vs. Henry R. Thompson, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married on or about October 3, 1927 and lived together until on or about the first day of October 1937. Plaintiff shows there is no community property to be adjudicated and no children born of said marriage. Plaintiff sues for Divorce on grounds of Cruel Treatment, 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 30 day of July A. D. 1954.

Attest: J. Neil Daniel, Clerk, 42nd District Court Taylor County, Texas. By C. Bower, Deputy. (SEAL)

Adv. — Aug. 13, 20, 27, Sept. 3.

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FOR SALE — New 3-4-ton Crosley Refrigerated Room Air Conditioner. Only \$249.95. Badger Chevrolet Co. tf22c.

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FOR SALE — We will sell at a bargain our 4-room House, built in Garage. Close to town, good condition for only \$2500. D. J. Klassen, Box 231, Merkel, Texas. 3t22p.

FOR SALE — Repossessed Whirlpool Automatic Washer, practically new. \$199.95. Badger Chevrolet Co. tf22c.

FOR SALE — Divan, makes into an extra bed. Almost new. Will sell at a bargain. Contact the Merkel Mail.

FOR SALE — New Crosley Electric Range, 3-burners, deep fry, clock, lamp, etc. \$249.95. Badger Chevrolet Co. tf22c.

FOR SALE — Several used air conditioners. SNO-Breeze, 2500 CFM. See Ray Wilson. tf21c.

FOR SALE — Used 8 MM Movie Camera, good as new. One-half price. Phone 192J, C. A. Farley, 812 Oak. tf19c.

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**Middle Clear Fork Soil Conservation News**

Farmers going on the tour of four outstanding grass reseeding and range improvement projects north of Merkel were particularly amazed at the results of a 15-acre patch of blue panic on the K. A. Goza place.

Goza's cattle have grazed the grass extensively all year, but five acres that were seeded in the spring of 1953 was waist high and still furnishing a lot of grazing.

The other 10 acres were seeded last spring and is greener than the older grass but much smaller.

Both plots were in better shape than any sudan patch in that area, indicating that blue panic is possibly more drought resistant than sudan.

"Sudan just won't furnish the grazing and hold up as well," said Orvel Hill, one of the Golan farmers making the tour.

When Goza told the group that he started grazing the blue panic before he could even plant sudan and grazed it longer, one farmer was heard to remark: "Then why is everyone still planting so much sudan instead of blue panic?" A good question.

One answer seems to be that it is much more difficult to get a good stand of panic than sudan. "If you can get it up to a good stand, you've got it made," said Goza.

An outstanding example of range improvement through reseeding was seen on Edgar Boaz's stock farm.

A plot seeded to a mixture of little bluestem, sand bluestem, sideoats grama, sand lovegrass,

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**4 FAMOUS HORSE SHOWS**

Four of the most famous horse shows in the nation will brighten the schedule of livestock events at the 1954 State Fair of Texas, Oct. 9-24, in Dallas. These four nationally recognized shows will be the Quarter and Palomino horse classes, the open cutting horse contest and the Shetland Pony show.

**NEW BULLETINS RELEASED**

Dairying and wheat are the subjects of new bulletins released by the Agriculture Extension Service. Copies may be obtained from local county agents or by writing to the Agricultural Information Office, College Station. Ask for B-241, Dairy Handbook or B-226, Wheat . . . A Major Cash Crop in Texas. — A. & M.

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Research workers of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station have found that two gallons of spray per acre containing the recommended amount of insecticide controlled boll weevils and bollworms as well as 6 and 14 gallons when measured in terms of yield and insect infestation. Time and labor are saved because of the smaller amount of water needed. — A. & M.

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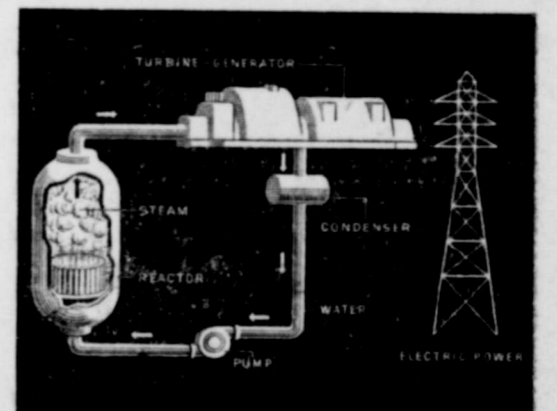
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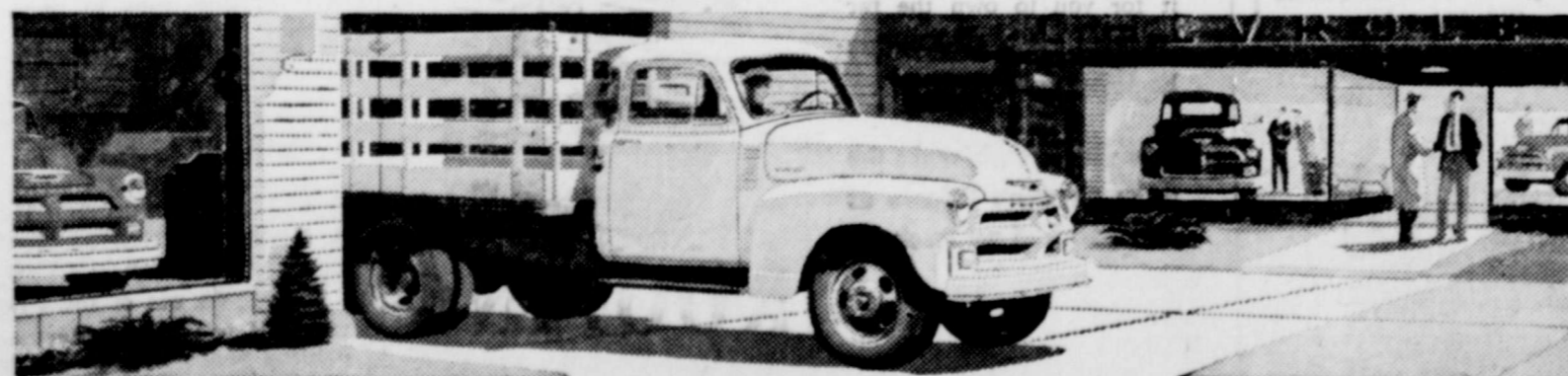
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**EDITORIAL**

**RELIGIOUS MEETINGS**

The front page of The Merkel Mail last week looked like a church page. It listed many revivals and gospel meetings. It carried the pictures of three ministers.

There was the story of the First Baptist Church of Merkel revival. There was the story of the First

Baptist Church of Trent revival. It told of the Calvary Baptist Church revival. It told of the gospel meeting to be held in the Noode Church of Christ. It related about the revival to be held at the Baptist Church of Noodle and the gospel meeting at the Hope Church of Christ.

Then also on the front page was the story of the night vacation Bible school at the Assembly of



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TOMMY ODUM, Manager

God Church. There were in all seven stories of the churches on the front page. What does it mean? Simply this: That the people of Merkel and area are interested in their churches and it is reflected in the newspaper. It has been said that a good town is known by its good churches.

**LEAGUE CHAMPIONS**

Our local Little League season is over and the Willie Wired Hands are the champions. Our heartfelt congratulations to every member of the team and to Manager Walter Whisenhunt and his assistant manager, Bob Hook. The season as a whole has been good and the fans as well as the boys have had lots of fun.

**WATER PROGRESS**

How are we getting along with the water proposition? The City Council has signed a 31-year contract with the City of Abilene to buy water from Abilene at 25c a thousand gallons. Abilene has approved and signed the contract. The financial company is going ahead with the making of the bonds as soon as the state attorney general approves the bonds. The engineers are at work on the project. Progress is being made on the water proposition.

**WATERMELON**

Now we come to a subject that we can put teeth into! It is the

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matter of watermelons. The Dallas Morning News carried an editorial on the subject 'Eating Watermelon.' The editorial writer comments that there is no etiquette book on watermelon eating and that he is not an authority on the subject.

Well, may we modestly state that we are an authority on watermelon, at least "farmer style."

The Dallas editor did state that he was an authority on how it was eaten years ago. And then he goes on to tell how kids approached a farmer's field, made sure nobody was looking, grabbed the ripest and fattest one, etc.

Well, we give no such advice. The farmer style technic is entirely different. We know. We wrote the story of eating watermelon farmer style and sold the story to the St. Louis Post-Dispatch after the Kansas City Star rejected it. In fact, the St. Louis paper gave us a by-line on it.

Here's how it came about. A farmer friend of ours invited us out for a watermelon supper. We thought that he would be very generous and perhaps serve us a few slices, like Clesby Patterson does.

BUT this friend had an entirely different technic. He gave us half a watermelon and told us to try it out. Before we knew what was what he had given us another half and told us to throw away the other. He kept doing this for some time.

"What's up?" we finally inquired. "What do you do with the unfinished watermelons?" "Oh, we throw them to the hogs," he replied. "Just eat the heart of the watermelons."

And that, dear friends, is how to eat watermelon, farmer style.

**"WHITE-ICISM"**

That's ALL — and the Sage of Figfield adds that the farmer folks may get the heart of the watermelon but the city folks are satisfied with the rest.

**13,000,000 Rats Are Running Loose In State of Texas**

Typhus fever continues to make its appearance in various counties of Texas, says Dr. Geo. W. Cox, state health officer. Like typhoid fever, most cases appear during the summer and fall and all citizens are urged to help control the spread of typhus by assisting in exterminating rats.

"There is only one way in which Typhus can be controlled," Dr. Cox said, "and that is by, as nearly as possible, completely exterminating rats in the State, since fleas from infected rats transmit the disease to man. We can begin to visualize the extent



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