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MERKEL, TEXAS, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3 1954.

Yarborough Wins But Loses Votes In Merkel Run-Off

his lead was cut down over the Cypert. one that he had above Gov. Shiv ers in the primary.

Locally Yarborough got 348 votes while the Governor received 230erotes.

In the primary Yarborough led by 2 to 1, capturing 358 votes while Gov. Shivers got 166. The lead in the run-off was cut down to about 11/2 to 1. Taylor County gave Gov. Shiv

ers 5,832 while Yarborough got

There were 579 votes cast here. Adding the absentee ballots made a total of 591.

In the race for supreme court, Merkel votes while Scott took 127. and Scott received 98. Davidson, for court of criminal

appeals, got 577 Merkel votes. The voting here was steady throughout the day, stated Bob Hicks, presiding judge of the local

By 9 a. m. 72 votes had been cast. At other periods the votes were: 10 a. m. 153, 11 a. m. 235, 12 noon 281, 1 p. m. 313, 2 p. m. 416, 4 p. m. 450, 5 p. m. 517.

The election officials were: Presiding Judge Bob Hicks, Judge Andy Shouse and Judge Earl Baze; clerks - Mrs. W. D. Hutcheson, Mrs. F. Y. Gaither, Mrs. T.

The 1934-35 session of the Mer-

mal opening, to include all stu-

dents, their parents and friends,

that the Merkel Schools have no

The football boys will have hot

showers this season. At the meet-

ing of the school board this week

Supt. Burgess submitted a bid of

the gas company for installation

of hot showers in the bath house

and the board decided to install

three showers, using equipment

that can later be transferred to

the new gymnasium without loss.

Miss Mamie Walker won third

place in the fourth annual Ameri-

in a field of 16 contesting cowgirls

last Tuesday night. The champion

horsewoman was Mrs. Ardeth

Copeland of Blackwell. Only three points separated the five leading

MERKEL GIRL WINS

TO COACHING JOB

track coach.

auditorium of sufficient size.

FIRST GAME SET

Though Yarborough won last | . Grimm, Mrs. Andy Shouse, Mrs. Saturday in the run-off in Merkel Raymond Ferguson, Mrs. William

> GINNINGS TO TUESDAY Total ginnings are 28 bales: Merkel Farmers Coop 19

Morris B. Smith Home Is Struck By Lightning Mon.

place 1, Brewster received 374 Morris B. Smith at 3 p. m. Monday. It hit the TV antenna, burned In the primary Brewster got 278 the TV up, scattering it over the

> The curtains, that were fire resistant, were scorched, the floor was burned. There were cinders all over the house.

The Smiths were not at home and the house was closed.

CROPS — GOOD AND BAD!

Mr. and Mrs. Cramer Reynolds and sons and O. C. Blair of Levelland visited last week in Sumter, South Carolina, with Lt. and Mrs. Oris Reynolds. They also visited in Gasden, Ala., with her relatives. They saw some good crops and they saw some not so good.

GOVERNOR ALLAN SHIVERS elected to third term in run-off

Local Explorers Get Third Place In Swim Meet

able to take third place in the 1954 Explorer Swim Meet held at

with a large number of boys competing, were able to enter more events and piled up a lead in points and took first place.

The others who entered Explorer Post No. 9 of Abilene and the Explorer Post of Winters. The Winters Post took second.

Owen Gregory.

Clarence Gregory.

Third in underwater distance, R. D. Gregory.

were Johnnie and Dean Martin.

will take up his work as assistant football and head basketball and to a strong wind, the Dee Grimes home just north, was in line of For Transients the path of the blaze but escaped

Stith, Blair and Noodle up to kel Public Schools will open on Wednesday night were 1,252 bringon Monday morning, Sept. 10, at | ing the total for the season to 1,667 9 o'clock. A short opening pro- bales. Only five gins are now opgram will be given at the high erating in Merkel, the Texas Cotschool building for high school ton Growers Gin having shut down students and their friends. A for- Thursday of last week.

at five local plants and at those at

RECORD BIRTHS will be impossible due to the fact

Merkel 20 Years Ago

TAKEN FROM THE 1934 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sev. mour a boy Sept. 1, Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Stribling of Trent a boy Sept. 3, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lucas a girl Sept. 3, Mr. and Mrs. Vick Stewart of Mt. Pleasant a boy Sept. 6.

FORMER RESIDENT DIES

Friends of the family here have been advised of the death of Mrs. J. W. Daniels last Saturday in Hay ward, Calif. Mrs. Daniels formerly lived here, the family home having been on the site of the present T. G. Bragg residence.

SISTER SUCCUMBS

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hayes and can Legion-Labor Council rodeo family attended the funeral of his sister, Mrs. Mollie Dodd, in Weatherford Thursday. Mrs. Dodd, who had frequently visited her brother here, died of a paralytic stroke Wednesday morning.

FIRE DESTROYS RESIDENCE The large frame house, belongorigin at 2:30 a. m. Tuesday, Owing

with only slight damage, mostly

GININGS TOTAL Chanings for the current week blistering of the paint.

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

Mrs. E. Henderson and daughter Mrs. B. A. Cox. om an extended visit in with Mrs. Henderson's

Mrs. Austin Boyd was in Abilene Saturday visiting her parents.

Among some of the visitors to Ablene Wednesday were H. C. Wyst, J. A. Provine; Byron Thomas, M. M. Rose, H. M. Warren, Chas. Hughes, T. H. Spears, W. D. Woodroof, J. D. Gaither and R. L. Bland. A. E. Wyman of Los Angeles

Miss Zora West is at home from Abilene where she visited her cousin, Miss Mins Con. Miss West was the hondres at a beautifully served 6 offices lancheon Friday evening at the base of her auht, with a surprise breakfast Tuesday morning. The morning was spent with tennis and joy riding. in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. GIRL TO COCHRANS Warren on Rose St., was honored with a surprise breakfast Tuesday Mrs. Gene Cochran at the Sadler morning. The morning was spent Hospital Augut 29.

With only five boys entered the local Explorer Post No. 19 were

Tonkawa Sunday afternoon. Coleman Explorer Post No. 31,

The local boys placed: First in hair carry rescue,

Owen Gregory. Second in underwater distance,

Third in 50-yard free style

swim, Clarence Gregory. Third in tired swimmer rescue,

Other local boys who entered

"For the first time in these events the boys did very well," commented Dr. James H. Chaney scoutmaster. "They plan to do better next year."

HAS MAJOR SURGERY

Shirley Benningfield underwent major surgery at the Sadler Hospital August 25. She is improving nicely and has been discharged from the hospital.

Funds Are Needed Blanton McLeau, former Merkel ing to J. A. Stanford and located High and Sul Ross athlete, left in South Merkel, was totally desaugust 29 for Fabens where he troyed by fire of undetermined By Local Ministers

The money that was donated Service last November to help transients amounting to \$75, is all used up. More is needed to take care of others if they arrive. Donations may be made to Rev. Aubor the M. & F. National Bank, deposited to the Ministerial Alliance Fund.

ed by the fund. A full report will be made at the next Thanksgiving Is Moving From Service in November when a new offering will be taken

BOY TO C. PETERSONS Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Peterson announce the birth of a boy born Aug. 30 at the Hendrick Memorial

STORES TO CLOSE

closed Monday, Sept. 6, Labor local schools have reported results City Drug And Day. This is one of the five reg. of their drives.

To 102 Degrees, Lots of Wind, 2 Drops of Rain

here Monday afternoon.

At 1:25 p. m. the thermometers at the Eager Feed Store, and the West Company hit 102 degrees. Bank, Thirty-five minutes later it shot down to 90 degrees.

At that time the wind began to blow hard, the clouds became black and shadows fell everywhere. It whipped up a dust storm from the west.

Thunder was heard and lightning began to flash. A little later the lightning struck th TV antenna of the Morris B. Smiths.

And the rain? Well, a few drops of moisture fell, but not enough to be register-

ed in the rain gauge. The wind stopped, the dust stopped, the rain stopped. And a calmness fell upon the face of the

Child Photograph **Contest Will Be Held Tomorrow**

The Child Photograph Contest will start tomorrow, Saturday. Winston B. Lucas of Irving will be in Merkel Sept. 4 from 10 a. m. to 6 p. m. to take pictures in this vicinity. His studio will be located at The Merkel Mail office.

All pictures will be printed in The Mail. All children will also be competing for \$18 in prizes which are being offered for the at the Community Thanksgiving three best photographs made during the day.

There will be no charge for making the pictures and no charge for printing them in the Mail. Full information about the conrey F. White, Rev. Sam E. Tullock test is printed in an ad in this issue of The Mail.

over 50 persons have been help- Nook Grocery Highway No. 8

The Nook Grocery is moving now from its location on Highway 80 to Ash and 4th on Blair High-W. D. Webber stated that he

GIRL TO HOMER NEWBYS Mr. and Mrs. Homer Newby the parents of a girl born at Sadler Hospital September 1.

hoped to be open September 5.

ment Tuesday of 679. Last year it March of Dimes

Drive Over Quota Reports Farley

kel. Trent and Noodle schools are

under or about the same as that

Merkel schools had an enroll-

of last year at the same time.

communities have exceeded their quota of \$500 for the Eemergency cipal C. A. Farley, director.

On Monday of this week, Mr. Farley reported that \$564.03 had been donated.

This makes the third consecu-

has surpassed its quota. It is expected that the local go over the \$600 mark, since not F. C. McCue Buys The stores of Merkel will be all of the rural communities or

ular closing days, The Farmers Last Friday night the Mothers' Is Now in Charge and The Merkel Mail will be highly successful. Approximately 25 ladies, under the direction of Mrs. Carroll Benson, collected has bought the City Drug and is \$322.02 in the residential section

The Merkel Girl Scouts, directed by Miss Viola Allred, did a wonderful job last Saturday on Highway 80, collecting \$109.18 at

the traffic lights. Stith reported \$23.56 and Mt. Pleasant and Castle Peak \$25.67; Salt Branch \$12.70, Mulberry \$14.-80 and Union Ridge \$26.10. \$30 has been deposited at the F. and M.

STILL VERY ILL

Sam Butman, Sr., is still too ill to be moved to his home. Mr. Butman recently had major surgery at the Hendrick Memorial

Dee Moore Named On County Group At Monday Vote

ASC committeeman from Community B. (Precinct No. 2) are: Ford Smith, Merkel, chariman; Dee Lavern Moore, Merkel, vice chairman; Leroy Teaff, Tye, first second alternate; and Clyde Newton, Merkel, member.

Clint Stewart of Rt. 4, Abilene was re-elected chairman of the Taylor county convention Monday. Selected to serve with Stewart wore: James E. (Buck) Smith, Winters, vice chairman; Frank salad, new whole potateos, cake Boulter, Tuscola, member: Dee and tea. Moore, Merkel, first alternate;

Floyd Watts, Abilene, second al-

Delegates attending the convention were: Ford Smith, Jr., Merkel; John W. Stockton, Tuscola; and Alton Robert, Bradshaw. The committeemen will take office September 1.

DAUGHTER HAS OPERATION Mrs. J. O. Armstrong has returned home from Hawley where she has been with her daughter. Mrs. Rupert Woodard, who had an operation August 11. The daughter is doing fine.

CROPS LOOK GOOD!

Mr. and Mrs. N. J. McKenzie in Washington, D. C., where Dick and daughters spent last week is a feature writer for the United in East Texas and Galveston va- Press cationing. They did some fishing in the Gulf. Crops looked good at Sugarland and the neighbor-

THEY HAD RAIN!

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Reynolds mr. and Mrs. Harold Reynolds and family visited over the Virginia looked nice," he continumented with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Cook, in Morten. South Carolinas and the other southern states things looked bad, cotton looked very small, dried up, or West, "event the

BULLETIN!

AndNoodleIsDown

School Enrollment

At Merkel, Trent

Mrs. N. E. Wood, Sr., died at 7:03 p. m. Wednesday. She was 83 years old. Funeral arrangements were pending, but will probably be today, Friday.

was 691, stated Supt. Mack Fisher. Trent schools had 175. This is a few under last year, reported

Supt. W. B. Williams. Noodle counted 141. This is about the same as last year, said Supt. A. J. Hill.

In Merkel Primary School there were 262 enrolled and in the ele- killed in a head-on collision at mentary there were 244 reported 5:45 p. m. Monday about four March of Dimes, announced Prin- Principal C. A. Farley. This is a total of 506 compared to 510 last

In the Merkel High School Principal Edwin Read counted: freshmen 52, sophomores 50, juniors 37 tive polio drive in which Merkel and seniors 34. This totals 173. Last year there were 181.

F. S. (Mack) McCue of Pyote

now in charge. Mr. McCue is married and has one daughter, Benina, 20. Benina is attending Draughon's Business College at San Antonio.

Mr. McCue has the Pyote Drug and has been there for 12 years He is justice of the peace at Pyote and Greyhound agent.

Inspiring Sermon Delivered Here By Dr. Pollard

An inspiring address on evangelism by Dr. Ramsey Pollard was the highlight of the Association Evangelism Stewardship Conference of the Sweetwater Baptist Association held here on Tuesday of last week at the First Baptist Church. Dr. Pollard is pastor of the Broadway Baptist Church at

Knoxville, Tenn. About 250 persons attended the

conference, stated Rev. S. E. Tul-Dr. Pollard's text was from the Gospel of John, "He must increase, I must decrease," spoken by John the Baptist "This is the alternate: John J. Rister, Merkel, true motive for serving Jesus,' as-

serted Dr. Pollard. There were representatives present from Texas, Georgia, Alabama and Tennessee.

A buffet supper was served to the guests by the local church. The menu consisted of ham, peas,

CROPS ARE GOOD!

Mr. and Mrs. Quannah Dudley and family spent the weekend with her sister, Mrs. J. E. Jaynes and fmaily in Tucumcari, New lis, of Stamford; two sisters, Mexico. Crops looked good out there.

Trent had 122 in the elementary school with 53 in the high school, reported Supt. Williams. Noodle had 96 in the elementary school and 45 in the high school, announced Supt. Hill.

Charles Allred Is Killed in Head-On Wreck

Charles G. Allred, about 52, was

miles north of Abilene. His brother Clyde, 40, who was with him, was unconscious and in critical condition at the Hendrick Memorial Hospital Tuesday.

The man in the other car, R. W. Bowlin, 33, of Houston and James Penn, Jr., 30, son-in-law of Charles who was in the car with Charles both received serious injuries.

Funeral for Charles was held in the Zion Chapel of the Compere Presbyterian Church Wednesday at 3:30 p. m. The Rev. E. S. Neel, pastor of East Texas Larger Parish at Timpson, offici-

Charles Ailred was born in Mc-Kinney on Dec. 19, 1902, and moved to Jones County with his family at an early age. He had lived and farmed in the Compere community most of his life.

His home is located about 15 miles southeast of Anson and 15 miles northeast of Merkel on Merkel Route 1. Mr. Allred had been a member

of the Presbyterian Church since early in his life. Survivors include his wife; four children, Mrs. R. W. Bowlin of Houston, Simie Allred of Abilene. and James and Alva Allred, both of whom live at home; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Allred. Merkel Route 1: one sister. Mrs. Alice Osborn of Hamlin; brothers, Harvey and Clyde Allred, both of Compere community, Gene Allred of Waco, and William

grandchildren. Miss Viola Allred, who teaches in the Merkel school is a niece of

Allred of San Angelo; and four

O. L. Haynes Dies **Of Bullet Wound Last Saturday**

O. L. Haynes, 46, was buried here Monday afternoon in the Rose Hill Cemetery. He died of a bullet wound Saturday morning in Odessa where he lived.

The funeral was held in Starbuck Funeral Chapel and Rev. Aubrey F. White officiated. He is survived by a brother, Hol-

Northern Part of the Country

In Better Shape Says Mayor Henry West Mayor and Mrs. Henry C. West returned Friday from a three-week trip to the east coast. They visited their son Dick and family bad."

"What impressed me on my trip," stated Mayor West, "was that the northern part of the counline, is in better shape as to financial, business and crop conditions.
"Kentucky, Virginia and West

It rained while they were in Washington, D. C., and it was cool and pleasant, he comme it got hot as a firecracker," a ed the mayor. "We hit rain at Lit-

"In the east the bad conditions extended farther south than they did in the middle states. For example, Kansas and Misosuri were

"I'm glad to be back," said Mag-

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proofs from which you may choose the pose you wish entered in the contest

and your child is automatically entered; and at this time you may order

photographs for gifts or keepsakes if you wish - but this is entirely up to

you. WINSTON B. LUCAS, of Irving an expert child photographer will be

here to take pictures, with all the necessary equipment to take nice por-

traits for this exciting event. There is no age limit to this contest - even

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NEWVS ABOUT TOWN

here last Friday visiting her and Mrs. C. R. Tittle and other daughter, Mrs. Don Dudley, and relatives and friends. Mrs. Tittle

Mrs. Orion Tittle, Peggy Lou,

JAMES H. CHANEY Chiropractor

211 Oak St. - Merkel PHONE 18

and children are from Eagle Pass Peggy Lou is a student at Sul Ross College in Alpine: Weldon Tittle. from Washington, D. C., arrived Sunday for a two-week visit with OFFERS \$183,677 his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. R.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Baze over the wekend were his sisters, Mrs. Ira Callahan, and husband and Mrs. Vera Brewer of Fort. Worth

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hodge went to Midland Monday and pick ed up his brother, J. Howard Hodge, and then they all went to Ruidoso, New Mexico, to spend the Labor Day holiday and to close their cabin for the winter

Mrs. Earl Graves was here for a visiting her sisters, Mrs. Adcock, and husband and

Mrs. J. F. Merritt had all of her children, some of her grandchildand great grandchildren home Sunday. Those present were V. L. Merritt, San Francisco, Calif., Mr nd Mrs. Ollie Bigham, Jerry and Kayla, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Merritt, Sandra and Jerry, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hayes, Ross Merritt, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Lucas and Ha row Tucker.

Mrs. Floyd Green and daughter Blenda returned last week from San Diego, Calif. They were gone

Miss Mary Collins visited the J. Collins family of Plainview over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Barnett visited in McCamey while on his vacation with their son Forest and family. Their grandson, Ronnie Barnett, accompanied them. Mr. and Mrs. Troy Roland and

baby returned Saturday from a trip to New York and visited his sisters, Mrs. Ed Clemens, in Caledonia, also visited his uncle, Lee Baker, in Lowell, Ark. Mrs. Gordon Pursley and Mrs.

Bob Fowler recently visited Mrs. Pursley's sister, Mrs. Dug Chancey, in Rockwall and Mrs. Fowler's mother, Mrs. J. H. Hobbs, and family at Grand Prairie.

Mrs. Ben Hicks and son Garry visited in Lubbock last week with her mother, Mrs. J. R. Stratton.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Spratlin of Galveston were visitors of her sister, Mrs. J. H. Martin and husband, Sunday. Other weekend visitors in the Martin home were Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Martin and Mrs. Bessie Martin of Sweetwater.

Roland Collins of Grand Prairie spent the weekend visiting his mother, Mrs. Esther Collins. He will attend the General Motors Institute in Flint, Mich. Roy Doan, of Bell Flower, Calif.

visited the Doan brothers and sisters, Mrs. Hugh Campbell and Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Farmer and family, of the Butman Community for the past week

Mr. and Mrs. Preston Doan and family of Abernathy visited his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Doan, Saturday

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Doan made a pueasure trip to Stamford to visit their children, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Chenault and Mr. and Mrs. Don Doan, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Avens and sons, Steve and Bennie, of Temple, Okla., visited Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Smith and Terrye over the week-

Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Fox visited

with her uncle, G. D. Fox, in Portales, New Mex., who is very ill. Her niece, Patsy Wallis, of Lubbock returned home with them for a week's visit.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Bradgwitz of Temple were weekend visitors of her sister, Mrs. M. L. Walters, and

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Miller of Boerne were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Miller last week. Mr. and Mrs. Don Wood and sons returned to Edna Saturday

where he is supervisor of music in the school system. Recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Patterson were Mrs. Kemp Hinch and two sons of Oklahoma City, Okla., and Mr. and Mrs. Jack

Patterson and children of Hous-Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Renfro of Monahans stopped here last week on their return from their vacation in Kerrville to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Renfro.

Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Toombs and son Jerry T. and Joe B. Toombs were in Dallas over the weekend and visited with their sister, Mrs. Jewell C. Haskins

Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Fox had as

their guests Friday night and Saturday their daughter and husband Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Walker, of Lubbock and his niece and husband and daughter of California. Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Gentry and Patricia spent their two-week va-cation in West Texas visiting rela-

R. P. Vessel and family Houston spent last week here attending to business and visiting friends. Mr. and Mrs. Vessels for-

merly lived here.

ORIGIN OF MAIZE Archeological evidence strongly indicates maize, one of the world's most important food plants, origi-

a University of Texas researcher reported. Scientists have recovered fossilized grains of wild maize from drilling 20 feet below Mexico City, Miss Dee Ann Suhm of Houston, graduate student in anthropology, says. The fossils are estimated to be at least 60,000

The greatest total of cash awards - \$183,677 -in the history of the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show will be offered at the 1955 show, dates of which are January 28-February 6.

ANYTHING FOR A DRINK!

If the heat and dry weather continue, Mrs. Violet Appl of Leoti, Kan., will either have to buy some extra-thick garden hose or stand guard over her present supply. Three times this summer Mrs.

Appl has purchased new lengths of plastic hose. Each time it developed leaks. A night vigil gave the answer.

Thirsty cats clawed the hose. ripping holes in the plastic to get a drink during the extreme

MELON COSTS VENDOR \$80

Jackie Levine of Chicago, a watermelon vendor, says he's going to be careful what he keeps under his hat henceforth. Levine was holding a big

melon in both hands when a man snatched the vendor's hat off his head and ran. Levine's wallet, containing \$80, was in

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the accompanying citation, of

which the herein below following

To: Henry R. Thompson, Defen-

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMAND-

ED to appear before the Honor-

able 42nd District Court of Taylor

County at the Courthouse thereof,

in Abilene, Texas, by filing a writ-

A. M. of the first Monday next af-

ter the expiration of forty-two days

from the date of the issuance of

this citation, same being the 13th

Plaintiff's Petition filed in said

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dant, Greeting:

Suspense, Mystery In 'Valley' Story **At Queen Theatre**

A story combining romance mystery, suspense and adventure, laid against Egypt's fabulous monuments of antiquity, brings Robert Taylor, Eleanor Parker and Carlos Thompson to the Queen screen in "Valley of the Kings," on Sunday and Monday.

The new M-G-M drama, filmed in color, is the first Hollywood produced picture to have been made on location in Egypt, and filming of scenes for production took place at the actual spot where the discovery of Pharoah Cheop's funeral boats stirred world-wide excitement a few weeks ago.

Stirring Drama **Stars Miss Booth** At Queen Theatre

Inspired performances, brilliant production and an absorbing adult story are masterfully blended in Hal Wallis' penetrating dran, "About Mrs. Leslie," which open. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at the Queen Theatre, Starring Shirley Booth and Robbert Ryan, the Paramount picture is mature, provocative and intensely moving. Incidentally "About Mrs. Leslie" marks Miss Booth's first screen appearance since her powerful Academy Award-winning performance in another Wallis' film, "Come Back, Little Sheba." Deftly related in flashback form, "About Mrs. Leslie" sensitively

The Bowery Boys **Pack Great Terror** At Pioneer Theatre

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1954 OPEN SEASONS FOR MOURNING DOVES

both days inclusive. Shooting hours 12 o'clock noon to sunset. SOUTH ZONE-Oct. 1 to Nov. 9, both days inclusive. Shooting hours 12 o'clock noon to sunset. SANCTUARY-Unlawful to take chachalaca south of U. S. Highway 83, formerly State Highway 4.

NORTH ZONE-Sept. 1 to Oct. 10,

McMULLEN COUNTY-Open season by state law Nov. 1 to Dec. 15; by federal law Oct. 1 to Nov. 9.

KAUFMAN COUNTY-Dove season closed in Combine Community.

SHOTGUNS must be plugged permanently to three-shell capacity, may not be larger than 10 gauge. Hunting doves with rifles prohibited.

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They plunge into trouble when they call at a house far out in the country, seeking the owners of a FOR WOMEN ONLY vacant Bowery lot to get permisoccupied by four humans weird

One is a scientist building an Leo Gorcey and Huntz Hall go electronic man who will obey all through a day and night of terror orders transmitted to it through in "The Bowery Boys Meet the a miscrophone. Another is a broth-Monsters," their new comedy hit er planning to transplant a sub-

at the Pioneer Theatre Friday and normal human brain into the cra- purposes and consideration there- the first publication to be at least decides that Hall is just the right therein stated. man for his purpose.

A glamorous new half-million sion to use it as a neighborhood dollar building devoted to activiball field. The house, they find, is ties of interest to women is being completed for the 1954 State beyond the imagination of an Ed- Fair of Texas Oct. 9 through 24. Completely air-conditioned, the new Women's Building will be the third largest exhibit hall at State Fair Park. It will be one of the largest air-conditioned buildings on any fairgrounds.

Legal Notices

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF TAYLOR

We, the subscribers, have this the capacity therein stated. day entered into a limited partnership agreeably to the provision of AND SEAL OF OFFICE. This 23 the Revised Statutes of the State day of August, A. D. 1954. Texas relating to limited partnerships; and do hereby certify that the terms of our said partnership are as follows, to-wit:

The name under which said THE STATE OF TEXAS partnership is to be conducted is COUNTY OF TAYLOR LYNN LEE LUMBER COM-

Abilene, Texas: F. A. Lee, special partner, Law-

ton. Oklahoma. The amount of capital which to the common stock, to-wit, the the aforesaid said special partner has contributed to the common stock is \$12,600.00 in cash.

Said partnership is to exist for the term of five (5) years from the date of these presents. This 16 day of August, A. D.

/s/ Lvnn A. Lee Lynn A. Lee, general parnter

/s/ F. A. Lee F. A. Lee, special partner THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF TAYLOR

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and for the County of Taylor, State of THE STATE OF TEXAS Texas, on this day personally appeared Lynn A. Lee, known to me within the State of Texas to be the person whose name is GREETING: subscribed to the foregoing instru-

Abilene, Texas

nium of a gigantic gorilla and who in expressed, and in the capacity

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE, This 16 day of August, A. D. 1954. /s/ Ellison F. Gerlach

Notary Public in and for Taylor County, Texas THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

COUNTY OF COMANCHE BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and for the County of Comanche, State of Oklahoma, on this day personally appeared F. A. Lee, known to me to be the person ten answer at or before 10 o'clock whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed, and in day of September A. D. 1954, to

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND court, on the 30th day of July A.

Notary Public in and for Comanche County, Oklahoma

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and The general nature of said busi- for said County, Texas, personally ness is retail and wholesale lum- came and appeared on this 16 day ber and building supply business. of August, 1954, Lynn A. Lee, The names of all the general general partner in the firm of and special partners interested LYNN LEE LUMBER COMtherein, and their respective PANY, LTD., referred to in the places of residence, are as follows, preceding certificate, who, being by me first duly sworn, upon his Lynn A. Lee, general partner, oath deposes and says that the sum specified in the said certificate to have been contributed by the special partner therein named

> good faith paid in cash. /s/ Lynn A. Lee SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME, by the said Lynn A. Lee, this 16 day of Auggust, 1954, to certify which witness my hand and seal of office.

sum of \$12,600.00, by the said F.

A. Lee, has been actually and in

/s /Ellison F. Gerlach Notary Public in and for Taylor (SEAL) County, Texas. Adv. - Sept. 3, 10, 17, 24

LEGAL NOTICE

To any Sheriff or any Constable

You are hereby commanded to ment, and acknowledged to me cause to be published once each that he executed the same for the week for four consecutive weeks, D. 1954, in this cause, numbered within ninety days after the date 19,937-A on the docket of said of its issuance, it shall be returncourt and styled Imo Gene Thomp- ed unserved. son, Plaintiff, vs. Henry

Thompson, Defendant. A brief statement of the nature | cording to requirements of law, of this suit is as follows, to-wit:* Plaintiff and Defendant were mar- make due return as the law diried on or about October 3, 1927 rects. 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

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same acand the mandates hereof, and

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 30 day of July A. D. 1954.

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

If this citation is not served Adv. - Aug. 13, 20, 27, Sept. 3.

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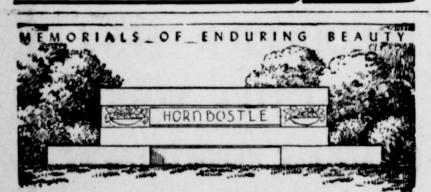
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The District Seven 4-H Dress

Mistress of Ceremony was Lynn Presswood, a Hamby 4-H Club guests to the gift room where a member. She welcomed and intro- beautiful array of gifts were shown duced the guests. The special by Mrs. Lawrence Hewitt. Records guests were Maurine Hearn, state of soft music were played by Miss home demonstration leader: Nena Denta Gibson, and Miss Sandra Roberson, specialist in clothing; Pursley said the goodbyes. Thelma Casey, district home demonstration agent; Mrs. Bob Potter. secretary of the Texas Home Demonstration Association; Mrs. Maynard Gaines, state recreational leader: and Shella Thornton of Thorton's Department Store.

Food and gifts courtesy of West | Texas Utilities and Thornton's Department Store. Gifts of the girls in the senior division were scissors and girls in the junior division received hem markers.

The division of senior girls was made up of Floran Allsup, Bandera County; Mary Beth Schooler, Coke County; Virginia Faith, Coleman County; Joyce Barker, Concho County; Kathryn Smith, Gillespie County; Geraldine Spenrath, Kerr County; Joanna Gray, Llano County: Glenmanda Nash, McCulloch County: Cyrella Smith, Nolan County; Lawanda Vinson, Taylor County; and Bonnie Payne, Tom Green County.

The division of junior girls was made up of Betty Jane Laskowski, Bandera County; Mary Frances Wylie, Coke County: Anna May Beaver, Coleman County: Pat Hester, Concho County; Sandra Schaefer, Gillespie County; Donna Lichty, Kerr County: Marilyn Smathers, Llano County; Diana Myers McCulloch County: Wanda Nell Crain, Nolan County: Dorianne McGregor, San Saba County: Kay Sharon McAdams, Taylor County; and Jane Blackburn, Tom Green

Many Persons View New Bus **Sunday Morning**

A large number of persons came | HEART ATTACK AND to see the new Greyhound Lines' IS IN HOSPITAL Scenicruiser Sunday morning at the Ferrier Filling Station. The people were invited to view the inside of the new bus.

The Scenicruiser has a raised observation deck, huge picture windows in the roof, washroom facilities and perfected air condition-

A few of these new buses will be put on the road here and it is expected by January to have a new schedule, a speedier schedule father, L. E. Bell, of Trent who made possible by the improvements in the new bus.

Produces Slightly Greater Gains With Guar Beans

A daily ration of 3.5 pounds of rolled guar beans per weaner steer produced slightly greater gains per head and more "bloom" than a standard daily steer ration of 2 pounds of 41 per cent cottonseed pellets. This preliminary information was obtained during the 158-day winter grazing period, Nov. 13, 1953, to April 20, 1954, at the U. S. Southern Great Plains Field Station, Woodward, Okla.

The steers were wintered on open range and dry grass. It is planned to continue this study for ATTENDS FUNERAL at least another two years to ob OF HER BROTHER tain more conclusive information.

Guar is a summer - growing. drouth-resistant, annual, legume. that conditions the soil and adds

Guar is now being grown as a cash and soil improvement crop Friday on a limtied commercial scale in Texas and elsewhere. Preliminiary feeding trials indicate that guar might find wide spread use as an efficient additive to winter forage in addition to its present role as a cash crop and soil improving le-

gume.
The local SCS employees and the Middle Clear Fork Conservation District are particularly interested in this crop on account of its soil building and cash crop possibilities. It fits wel linto cotton and feed rotation and lends itself to the acreage control prosince 1906 and were charter memself to the acreage control pro-

OIL NEWS

Fred Goodstein of Casper, Wyo., SPENDS LAST WEEK staked location for a new Taylor AT INSURANCE SCHOOL County wildcat two miles south-west of Trent. It will be his No. 1 week in Mineral Wells at the Bak-Mayme Hogue slated for 5,640 feet | er Hotel, attending a State Farm

MRS. CHANCEY IS HONORED

WITH GIFT TEA Mrs. Doug Chancey, formerly Miss Patsy Anderson, a recent bride, was honored with a gift tea given in the home of Mrs. Otis

The table was covered with a beautiful lace cloth over blue satin. A miniature bride and carnations were used in the decora tions for center of the table.

The guests were received by Miss Betty Foster who presented Revue was held during a luncheon the bride who in turn presented sa, Okla. at Richards in Abilene, Friday, her sister, Mrs. Gordon Pursley August 27, 1954, at 12:45 p. m. and mother-in-law, Mrs. Clyde The place favors were minature Chancey. Miss Bobbye Foster regdolls and the backs of the pro- istered the guests at the brides grams were covered with the same | book. The guests were served by material that the dolls dresses Misses Sue McLeod and Jan Le mens.

Mrs. Jimmy Smith invited the

Livestock Report

By TED GOULDY

Movement of cattle and calves to market at Fort Worth and all friends they hadn't seen in years. around the market circle this was again seasonally heavy. The drouth continued to pinch larger and larger portions of the South west and this condition brought 'shipping day" to more and more farms and ranches.

their slaughter is running far be- W. P. McAninch. hind a year ago at Fort Worth and other Southwestern packing cen-

er and feeder cattle and calves. folks. Orders buyers and dealers at Fort Worth said they could use many more high quality stockers and feeders than they are getting in ins, in Roscoe. the runs, and it appeared that

season would be at a heavy rate. feeders had a good year last year and Wednesday. with estimated profits by the David Carter returned last Frier costs and fat cattle prices has of Noodle. narrowed somewhat this year, the

see a favorable margin still. feeder channels.

L. E. BELL SUFFERS

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd E. Bell, Jr. and wife of Hobbs, New Mexico. Jimmei D. Bell and family of Lenoir City, Tenn., Vernon Bell and family of Sweetwater. Bernard Bell and family of Midland, and a daughter, Mrs. Lee Rhynes, and family fo Midland attended the funeral of their grandmother. Mrs Maud Hunter, and are remaining here for a while to be with their suffered a heart attack on Thursday of last week and is in the Sadler Hospital. Mrs. Bell Crawford of Midland, a friend of the L. E. Bell family, is also here.

MR., MRS. LEON TOOMBS MOVE INTO NEW HOME AT 708 LOCUST

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Toombs have moved into their new home at 708 Locust. The home is beautiful with Austin stone veneer trim on one side of the front and Shakes on the other side. The home is finished in sunset rose, darkened with

The inside rooms are spacious. The open garage has space in which to store things and can be closed with doors. J. L. White was the contractor.

Mrs. Lucy Ford, with her broth er, J. H. Bridges, of Lamesa and her sister, Mrs. Ida Campbell, of Roby attended the funeral of their brother, George E. Bridges, 70, a retired farmer, in Whitesboro last

Mrs. Daisy Diggins, another sister, was unable to attend the

MRS. C. P. STEVENS' SISTER DIES AUG. 18 AFTER LONG ILLNESS

Mrs. W. L. Cash, sister of Mrs. C. P. Stevens, died August 18 at Hamlin after a long illness. Mrs. Stevens had been with her sister since March 1, taking care of her. bers of the First Baptist Church.

BILLY JOE TOOMBS

Insurance School.

mother, Mrs. L. A. LaPeyre.

Mr. and Mrs. Salis Stevens and son of San Antonio visited with his mother, Mrs. C. P. Stevens, last weekend, also her grandmother, Mrs. Marletta Stevens, of Tul-

Sharon Cypert visited in Lamesa from Tuesday of last week to Monday with her cousins, the Tracy Campbells.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Irvin and Jean have returned home from

Mr. and Mrs. Preston Henry had as visitors over the weekend Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Henry and famly of Cdessa, Mrs. Helen Gregory and children and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Derden and grandson Gary of Waxahachie.

Mr. and Mrs. George Cooper pent the weekend at Clifton and Meridian visiting relatives and attended open house held at the home of her sister, Mrs. Rachel Parker, at Meridian. They met old

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Clement and boys of Snyder visited in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Caldwell, last weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Taylor of Quitman were visitors in the home | W. D. Ramsey's home for its reguf her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. For the most part the packers McAninch, over the weekend. Also president, presided. were singing the blues over the Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Slater of Dalcondition of the dressed meat las were visitors over the weektrade and the fact that currently end of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ab Hunter, Jr., read the minutes

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Owen had Plans for the club exhibits visitors the past week from Mid- Anson Sept. 18 were discussed. land. Andrews. Lubbock. Snyder. Norfolk, Va., Bakersfield, Calif., not shared by the buyers of stock- St. Louis, Mo., Odessa and local Sept. 11 at Hamlin. The VFW Post

> Mrs. W. O. Boney returned Monday after spending several days | County, Jones Stonewall and Fishwith her sister, Mrs. Mary Hark-

Mrs. W. J. Rector of Temple feeding of cattle in the 1954-1955 and Kenneth Porter of Cleburne. niece and nephew of Mrs. W. O. Corn Belt and Western States Boney, visited with her Tuesday

USDA running between \$30 to \$40 | day from a visit to Corpus Christi, per head. While this was above San Antonio and Austin. He is the belts average, the spread between feed- son of Mr. and Mrs. Tip Carter Mrs. Royce Eiland and children

feeders were apparently able to of Folsom, New Mexico returned home after a visit with her par- stone and the hostess. This served to take thousands of ents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Largent. calves and yearlings out of packer Mrs. Ethel Eiland of Snyder was channels and into stocker and also a guest in the Joe Largents Mr. and Mrs. Kirby Beckett of ARE FIRE HAZARDS

past week with her sister, Mrs. ard. - A.&M.

and Mrs. Jack Smith and R. B. C. Howell, and Mr. Howell family spent the weekend in in Plainview. Uvalde where they visited her W. J. Largent returned home

from a business trip to Folsom, N. Mex., and was accompanied home by Rev. J. W. Saffle who had been visiting in the home of his granddaughter, Mrs. Royce Eiland, and Mr. Eiland.

WRS IV. W. WEBBER ATTENDS DAUGHTER'S STORK SHOWER Mrs. W. D. Webber visited her daughter, Mrs. Bill Orr, in Amarillo this week where she attended a stork shower for Mrs. Orr.

BETA SIGMA PHI ENJOY SOCIAL WITH MRS. PERRY

Members of the Beta Sigma Ph Sorority met last Friday morning in the home of Mrs. Truett Perry for the last social of the summer A delicious breakfast was served to 10 members and one visiting member, Helen Barlow, of Sal Lake City, Utah.

The first regular meeting of the the year will be Sept. 7 with Janice Russell and Mary Helen

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

The Compere Home Demonstration Club met August 26 in Mrs. lar meeting. Mrs. Walter Kelso,

Roll call was answered with "A Hint on Growing Pot Plants." Mrs. in the absence of the secretary.

Compere Club plans to sponsor a queen and an amateur number 6014 is cooperating with the Chamber of Commerce to make the Tri

er County, program a great event. The program on "Mental Health" will be in cooperation with the Goodman Club. Place and date will be announced later.

Mrs. Walter Cook of Hodges gave a demonstration on making copper pictures. Mrs. I. B. Ray demonstrated tooling leather Men's Downtown Bible Class

The hostess' gift went to Mrs Ray. Refreshments were served to WOMEN FOR OVERSEAS Mesdames Cook, Ray, Kelso, Hunter, Touchstone, Christy Touch-

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Don Wright on September 9.

Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Coit | Half the homes in America need and their two grandchildren, Dick- larger wires or more circuits to speech, and art. Women interested ie Andrews and Mary Ann Coit, take care of increased electrical in receiving further information of Dallas were guests of their equipment used, such as air con- on these openings should write to mother, Mrs. J. T. Warren, this ditioners, television, home freez- the Director of Personnel Service, Mrs. W. J. Largent spent the cuits or wiring pose a fire haz- National Red Cross, 4050 Lindell

Attend The Church of Your Choi-

Merkel First Baptist Church Sunday School Morning Worship. . 11:00 a. m Training Union 6:30 p. m. Evening Worship ... 7:30 p. m. Wednesday Prayer Service 7.30

W. M. U. Mon. 9:30 a.m. Merkel Church ot Christ

unday: Bible Study......9:45 a. .n. Morning Service 11:00 a. m. Young People's Bible Class 6.30 p. m. Evening Services 7:30 p. m. once.'

Merkel Calvary Baptist Church Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Morning Service ... 11:00 a. m. Evening Bible Class. 6:30 p. m

Evening Worship .. 7:00 p. m. Primitive Baptist Church Meeting time first Sunday in 11 a. m. ach month ...

Saturday preceding .. 8 p. m.

Merkel Assembly of God Sunday school 10 a. m. Morning Service 11 a. m. A.'s (Young People) .. 7 p. m. Evening Worship ... 7:30 p. m. Tuesday W. M. C. 2 p. m.

Wed. Prayer Service . . 7:30 p. m. Merkel Grace Presbyterian Church sunday School 10:00 a. m. Worship Service 11 a. m. Merkel First Methodist Church

Sunday School 9:50 a. m Morning Worship 10:50 a. m. M. Y. F.6:30 p. m. Evening Service 7:30 p. m.

Compere Baptist Church Sunday School. 10.00 a. m. Morning Worship, 2nd and 4th Sunday 11 a. m.

New Live Oak Baptist Church Sunday

Sunday School ... 10:00 a. m. Morning Worship . . 11 a. m. Training Union 6:45 p. m. Evening Worship ... 7.30 p. m.

Noodle Baptist Church

Sunday School 10:00 a. ni Morning Worship 11:00 a. m. Young People's Class 6:30 p. m Svening Services 7:30 p. m.

Sunday 8:44 a. m.

Opportunities for immediate placement as recreation workers in the American Red Cross overseas club program are now open for young women between the ages of 23 and 28. To be eligible, women must have college training or special aptitude in recreation, ers, etc. Overloaded electrical cir- Midwestern Area Office, American

Boulevard, St. Louis 8, Mo.

Trent First Baptist Church

Sunday: Sunday School 10:00 a. m. Morning Worship .. 11:00 a. m. Training Union 6:30 p. m. Evening Services 7:30 p. m.

Intermediate G. A.'s 3:45 p. m. W. M. U., Brotherhood, Jr. G.

A.'s, R. A.'s and Sunbeams 7:00 p. m. Prayer Services 7:50 p. m. "You are a stranger here but

Trent Methodist Church .

Sunday School 10:00 a. m Evening Worship 7:30 p. m. Morning Services . . . 11:00 a. m. M. Y. F. Services 6:30 p. m Vednesday:

Prayer Services 7:30 p. m Pioneer Memorial Chapel

Sunday School.....10:00 a. m. Morning Service....11:00 a. m. Evening Services 7:30 p. m Wednesday: Evening Prayer Service ...7:30

Noodle Church of Christ Sunday: Bible Class 10:00 a. m

Morning Worship Service 11:00

Young People's Service 6:30 Evening Worship ... 7:30 p. m Tve Methodist Church Sunday: Sunday School 10 a. m. M. Y. F. 7:00 p. m.

Prayer Meeting 7:30 p. m. Morning Service....11:00 a. m. Merkel Catholic Church Sunday Mass 10:30 a.m.

Amity Baptist Church Morning Service - 11:15 a. m Sunday School-10:30 a.m. Evening Bible Class 6:30 p.m Evening Services 7:30 p. m Tye Baptist Church Sunday

Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a. m. Training Union.....6:45 p. m. Evening Services 7:30 p. m Hebron Baptist Church Sunday School 10:00 a. m

Training Union 7:00 p. m Evening Worship ..., 7:30 p. m. Wednesday: Evening Prayer Services

..... 7:30 p. m

Morning Worship .. 11: o'clock

Trent Church et Christ

..... 11:00 o'clock Bible Class 10:00 a. m. Morning Worship . 11:00 a. m. Svening Services 7:30 p. m. Ladies Bible Class. 4:00 p. m.

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SUSPOPITAL NOTES

admissions to the Sadler Hos pital the past week were: As medical patients E. W. King, Robert Campbell, Mrs. Alice A. Wood, 84, who fractured her hip.

HARRY WOODRUM IS HOME Harry Woodrum returned home Sunday from the Sadler Hospital. He is feeling fine.

FIRE THREAT

Fire is a constant threat during the cotton harvesting and ginning season. Farmers and ginners can help each other by the farmer keeping fire hazards out of the unginned cotton and the ginner by maintaining adequate fire control equipment in the gin, training employees to handle fire emergencies He had been there for seven days. and keeping the gin plant reasonably clean. - A. & M.

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By VERN SANFORD

Texas Press Association Texas voters, in record-shatter in numbers, went to the polls Saturday and re-elected Governor Alan Shivers for an unprecedented

Shivers claimed more than 53 per cent of the votes, which total-

ed higher than 1,460,000. Apparently the Shivers group will be in control of the state Democratic party convention, to

Essentially, although there were centered on four locations. many issues, the campaign was a fight between the conservatives tween the three and ten-mile lines. and the liberals.

Liberals vowed to defeat Shivers for his support of President are now underway, Eisenhower as opposed to Adlai Stevenson.

Schools

Texas schools will open to face last year's problem — a shortage of teachers and school rooms. Research Director E. L. Galyean

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of the Texas State Teachers Asso- THANK YOU CARD ciation said that although the state stands 47th in the number of teachers with degrees, 'there is an school teachers.

Increases of teachers and classrooms have not been able to keep pace with a rapidly rising state enrollment figure, he said.

Farmers

Central Texas farmers this week completed the election of new committeemen to the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee for Texas.

The Committee administers much of federal programs for farmers. New community elections were part of a revision of ASC community personnel as drawn up by the U. S. Agriculture Depart-

Tidelands

Texas will lease additional tracts of its oil-rich tidelands Sept. be held in Mineral Wells Sept. 14. 7. Current oil-drilling activity is

The lease sale will include three continuation of the long-running tracts totaling 1,440,000 acres be-Besides present drilling, two other preparations for drilling

Oil Increase

An increase of 62,415 barrels Texas fields has been ordered by the Railroad Commission.

The increase, putting at least a temporary halt to state sagging production totals, will mean a permissive flow of 2,787,456 barrels

A 15-day producing schedule makes possible the production jump. Daily figures will rise because there is one less day in September than in August.

STITH H. D. CLUB MEETS WITH MRS. W. MASHBURN

The Stith Home Demonstration Club met Wednesday, Aug. 25, with Mrs. Wesley Mashburn. Club prayer was given by Mrs. M. F. West. Roll call was answered by 'Hints on Growing Pot Plants.'

The club gave Mrs. Orval Ely a vote of thanks for paying postage on gift ribbon. It was approved to ask Mrs. Ely to give a demand to give \$5 to the Emergency March of Dimes

The club will have an ice cream supper Friday, Sept. 3, at the home of Mrs. M. E. West. All club M. E. West won the hostess gift.

Mrs. R. B. Robbins Sept. 8.

Our recent sad loss leaves us with grateful hearts toward all of acute shortage of elementary our neighbors and friends. Their comforting expressions of sympathy and thoughtfulness will always be remembered.

The children, their families and great grandchildren of Mrs. Maud Hunter

CARD OF THANKS

We extend our thanks to the many friends who were so kind in our recent hour of sorrow. With deep gratitude and thankful hearts every kind word and thoughtful deed are acknowledg-

The Family of Joe S. Stalls.

CARD QF THANKS

I am very grateful and thankful to the many friends who sent flowers and cards of sympathy to me during the illness and death of my sister. I pray God's showers of blessings may lighten your burdens as yours did for me. Mrs. C. P. Stevens

NEED OF WINTER PASTURE

The drouth has increased the need for winter pastures in Texas. of oil per day in September from "When planting time comes in your area, plant," advises E. M. Trew, extension pasture specialist, Dusting in the seed is recommended as a time-saver. Use fertilizer

FARM CENSUS SUPERVISOR

Appointment of Walter F. Jackson of San Angelo as the supervisor of the 1954 Census of Agriculture field office to be established at San Angelo was announced by Director Robert W. Burgess of the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce. Mr. Jackson will direct a force of 25 crew leaders and 320 enumerators in 63 Texas counties from the San Angelo of fice, including Jones and Taylor.

FOR FARMERS

"Drying Small Grain," L-201, is the title of a new publication which should be of interest to onstration on bronzing baby shoes farmers who have or plan on-thefarm grain storage. "Range Plants of Texas," should be of interest to livestock producers who are conducting range improvement work. Both publicamembers are urged to come. Mrs. itions are available from the offices of local county agents or The next meeting will be with Agricultural Information Office, College Station, Texas, A&M.

CLASSIE ED AD SECTIO

LODGE CALLS

NOTICE MASONS Stated meeting of Merkel lodge No. 710, A. F. & A M., Saturday, Sept. 11, at 8 p. m. All members are urged to attend. Visiting brethren cor dially invited.

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

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Optimism, that sustaining quality of Texas farmers, is again demonstrated in the expressed intent of several Merkel and Trent farmers to plant winter peas in September provided some rain is re ceived in time. The above photo of R. L. Bink-

ley shows a good growth of winter peas planted in rows in October, 1953, and photographed in April of this year. Mr. Binkley planted the peas in rows, 8-10 lbs. per acre and inoculated the seed for greater nitrogen fixation.

Cotton was planted following the peas on the Binkley farm two miles northwest of Trent. It grew off well early in the season and apparently benefited by extra nitrogen in the soil and improved tilth of the naturally tight, red

Mr. Binkley, a coperator in the Middle Clear Fork Soil Conservation District, has planted vetch and peas for two years and intends to plant more this year.

"My land is depleted in organic matter and nitrogen, and I believe this is the quickest and most inexpensive method to rebuild the land, he said.

Allan Agnew, three miles northwest of Merkel, planted winter peas in the middles of growing cotton last October and wintered four cows on about 20 acres. He estimates that the grazing from the peas saved him about \$125 on cow feed. He bedded land out onto the peas in late March and planted cotton back into the undisturb-

Extreme drought has prevented an accurate estimate of benefits received, but Allan intends to plant about the same acreage in peas again this year. He will plant earlier, the first week in September, if there is sufficient moisture.

Because of the moisture problem in this area, SCS technicians are advocating late August or early September plantings of peas in growing cotton or feed so that growth can be made on fall showers before winter. Land can then be prepared at the regular time and any winter moisture conserv-

ed for spring planting. Clinton Harbers, who farms below Austin, and other soil conservation district cooperators about the state have effectively demonstrated that it is best to knife or disk the legume cover crop, leave the top growth on the surface and plant the following crop in the undisturbed pea or vetch row to get maximum benefits from the soil

building peas or vetch. The Middle Clear Fork Soil Conservation District board has purchased several inter-row seeders for use in planting peas, vetch and other crops in the middles of growing cotton or feed. Tom Russom at Butman or W. D. Ramsey at Compere, both district supervisors charge a small rental fee for use to make replacements and repairs on equipment.

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DROUGHTS

The question often pops into the mind: Will it EVER rain? This is 9-24. true not only in West Texas, it is more or less so in all parts of the be a fabulous display of fine furs. United States.

ter Farming the question is dis- other high-style items appealing cussed authoritatively by I. R. to women, simulating a window-Tannehill, assistant chief of the shopping tour through the world's U. S. Weather Bureau. The article swankiest shopping districts.

is entitled, "More Dry Years

"To put it in a few words," he said, "the country is now in a dry cycle that is likely to hold on for seven or eight years longer. Not all of these years will be dry, and none of them is apt to be dry in all parts of the country. Two or three of them are apt to be fairly wet in most of the states but, as a whole, the block of years extending to 1962 will average consider ably drier than normal.

"In several of these years there will be dust blowing again in the Southwest, especially in the late winter and early spring. Many parts of the country will continue to be plagued by drought at one season or another, most likely in the warmer part of the year.' There's an expert's opinion.

That's ALL - and the Sage of Figfield adds that as the election s over friendships can now be

enewed Washington "As It Looks OMAR BURLESON

(From Last Week)

The 83rd Congress is now history. Unless the President should issue a call for a special session, adjournment will extend to the opening of the 84th Congress in January

Looking back over the activities closed, it is doubtful one could sucof this session of the Congress just | County Old Settlers Reunion with cessfully say it has been a "donothing" Congress. Right or wrong, it has been an extremely busy two years.

Several months ago in this column it was pointed out that legislation as finally passed seldom suits everyone exactly.

There is one criterion I always try to follow: Is it good for America and is it good for all the people? A "victory" for the few, at the expense of the many, is a defeat for all.

The Watershed Protection Act has been signed into law by the President. The law has been enlarged and made permanent providing for flood prevention by the construction of dams on up-stream watersheds.

Incidentally, a provision in the new Tax Bill has a feature of more the teachers open their books to than passing interest to Soil Conservation Districts.

A section of the bill permits farmers and ranchers to charge know why they have to go to off for income-tax purposes expenschool. And again the teacher ditures for certain soil conservawill explain what education means tion practices up to 25% of the gross income derived from farming during the year.

Since the Congress is adjourn ing, and unless there should possibly be a Special Session, this column will be discontinued until the first of the year. I take this opportunity to express my appreciation to the newspapers which carry this report to the people.

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