IN THE FRIENDLY TOWN

# MERKELBEATSMUNDAY

# Spirit of Thanks Thrills Folks At Community Rite

Merkel 20 Years Ago

TAKEN FROM THE 1934 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

The worshipers poured forth mon and prayer at the Community

Rev. S. E. Tullock, pastor of the ought to give us more. First Baptist Church in his ser-

quartet sang "Blessings of God we should be thankful for the of Heaven." The First Baptist their labors behind for us. Church sang "Blessing of Christ." And the Methodist Church quartet sang "Blessing of Having a cause we live in a time where the Living God."

Rev. Dan Cozart of the New Live Oak Baptist Church directed the greatest. the choir. Mrs. Paul Honeycutt played the organ.

was read by Rev. H. S. Earp of viduals and as a nation. the Assembly of God Church. The "The future with God holds" benediction was pronounced by hope, peace and prosperity. For Calvary Baptist Church.

quarter, the Badgers pushed over

Friday on the Tiger field. Led by

staged a comeback in the last

COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE

Operation of the compulsory

school attendance law in the

Merkel Independent School Dis-

trict becomes effective next Mon-

day, Dec. 3. On that date all

children living within the bounds

of the Merkel Independent School

District who are 8 years old and

"Stockmen in drouth areas who

cannot obtain credit from other

sources will continue to be eligi-

ble for emergency feed loans for

their foundation herds this winter,

provided they keep their credit in

good standing and show their in-

tention of repaying the loans,"

W. I. Meyers, governor of the

Farm Credit administration, Dal-

In the November election Char-

les E. Christopher, a former

yet under 15 must be in school.

BUYING CATTLE

las, has announced.

WINS JUDGESHIP

The final score: M 7, S 0.

"Thankful for What?" was the their gratitude in song and ser- theme of address by Rev. Tullock. "The Pilgrim Fathers with so Thanksgiving service held Tues- little put us to shame who have day night at the First Methodist so much," asserted the minister. They felt that God had been good "For this we give thanks," said to them and we think that He

"Our heritage stems from the mon. And the theme was carried priceless works of poets, dramathrough the prayers and the tists and sculptors, composers and philosophers of all ages," con-The Calvary Baptist Church tinued Rev. Tullock in saying why Dying on the Cross." The Assem- past. "Men of genius in every SANTA WRITES! bly of God quartet sang "Blessing century have left the fruits of DEAR KIDDIES:

> "We ought to be thankful for the present," he went on, "beopportunity to have something, go somewhere and be somebody is

"We can be thankful for the future IF, and that IF is becom-The invocation was given by ing bigger with each passing day. Rev. Aubrey F. White of the IF we link our lives vitally, and Methodist Church. The Scripture unbesitatingly with God as indi-

Rev. George H. Epperson of the this we give thanks," concluded Rev. Tullock.



MISS FRANKIE SULLIVAN ... 4-H Gold Star Girl

As I cabled you last week I will be in Merkel for sure. And tant cashier. I will bring my beautiful reindeer for sure. Won't that be great? It will be lots of fun!

gifts for all of you, Johnny, Bobby, Janie, Susie and EVERY-ONE of you kiddies. So, come out.

I will be there at 5 p. m. Friday, Dec. 10. Oh, kiddies, it will be lots of

SANTA CLAUS

office here.

# 1st Merkel Child

Mrs. Evadine Carpenter died Perris, Calif., Oct. 30.

Mrs. Carpenter was the first here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Vaughan, two sisters, Madge (Butman) and Edna (Shangles) and two brothers,

They all lived in the depot here until they were able to build a house. After Evadine had grown up a little she played the organ in the little, but only, band which entertained at all social affairs in the young but fast growing town

The band consisted of Trobe (snaredrum or organ), Edna (organ or piano), Evadine (brass drum or organ), and Emzy Borroughs, who played simultaneously all and any musical instrument that could be fastened on to him. but usually french-harp (harmonica), held to his mouth by a wire,

**BOY TO JAMES LINERS** the parents of a son born in Anson hospital November 23.

the parents of a girl born in the Sadler Hospital November 23. R. SMITHS HAVE BOY

pital November 21.

A girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. turned to his home after a visit Bobby Martin at the Sadler Hos-

born at the Sadler Hospital Nov.

emergency appendectomy at the Sadler Hospital Nov. 22. He is

# Merkel Bank Anniversary

The Farmers and Merchants National Bank has reached its golden anniversary. It opened for business Thursday morning, Dec. 1,

The articles of association bear the date of Nov. 14, 1904, and named as directors J. T. Warren, G. F. West, Ed S. Hughes, Thos. Johnson and Henry James. The charter was dated Nov. 18, 1904.

The initial capital was \$25,000. The officers were: J. T. Warren, president: G. F. West, vice president; Henry James, vice president, and Thos. Johnson, cashier. On Dec. 13, 1904, J. T. Howard was employed as bookkeeper and on Jan. 10, 1905, was made assis-

The earliest statement of the condition of the bank is dated Jan. 11, 1905, and reflects deposits of Remember, too. I will have \$38,403.72 and loans of \$15,068.55. On Oct. 1, 1919, the deposits stood at \$576,496. The loans were \$226,973.

On Dec. 3, 1919, the deposits reached \$1,067,273.31 and loans of \$360,706.47.

The deposits jumped to \$2,166,-056.49 on Dec. 30, 1944, to \$3,050,-212.06 on Dec. 31, 1946 and \$4,-122,536.64 on Dec. 1, 1950.

Last week he underwent brain Thompson of Missouri, who was 7:30 p.m. surgery at the Baylor Hospital made active vice president Sept. in Dallas. Tuesday he talked ov. 12, 1919. Mr. Johnson resigned company Dr. Forderhase to Merer long distance telephone to his Dec. 1, 1919, and Mr. Thompson kel and assist him. All who are took his place as cashier.

Booth Warren, son of J. T. War- invited to come and attend. ren, became associated with the bank as bookkeeper in 1917. On hase and his staff of workers will Jan. 13, 1920, he became assistant be available for special confercashier and was made a director ences with any person desiring to of the bank.

10, 1925, and Booth Warren suc- to music. ceeded him as cashier. When the elder Warren passed away on Friday, Sept. 6, 1940, he was succeeded by his son, Booth Warren, on Jan. 14, 1941.

The value of the stock has jump-

ed twice during the 50 years. On Jan. 13, 1920, the capital stock was increased from \$25,000 died at 11:50 p.m. Wednesday in to \$50,000 by declaration of a 100 a Big Spring hospital. per cent stock dividend. Again on declaration of a 50 per cent stock hospitalized four months. dividend.

At the present time the Capital Stock is \$75,000, the surplus \$75,- Home Chapel. Rev S. E. Tul-000 and undivided profits \$83,690.- lock, pastor of the First Baptist 88 The bank's records indicate Church, officiated, assisted by that it has paid total dividends on Rev. George Epperson of the Calits common stock of \$300,750 since vary Baptist Church. its organization.

The bank has always been in its | tery present building. It used to be a ance about 1915.

Present board of directors consists of H. C. West, mayor of Mer- They came to Merkel in 1934. kel; Wm. T. Sadler, Sadler Clinic Mr. and Mrs. James Liner are and Hospital; W. S. J. Brown, Noodle Hereford Ranch, Paul W. West, grocer, and Booth Warren.

> West, vice president; W. S. J. Brown, vice president; ;Geo. T. Mrs. N. M. Keith of Grandbury, Moore, cashier; Miss Mary Collins, Mrs. G. N. Leath of Escondido, Betty Jane Tittle, teller; Mrs. Aileen Knight, Mrs. Mattie L. Wozenbookkeepers, and Will Means, jan-

"The bank does not contemplate any formal celebration of the golden anniversary," said Mr. Warren. 37 great-grandchildren. "It will be just another day of service in the bank's history.

#### SHOOT CONTINUES

A great number of folks at tended the turkey shoot Sunday one mile west of Blair. The turkey shoot will continue at 1 p. m. Sundays, Nov. 28, Dec. 5, 12 and 19. It is sponsored by the VFW and is for the benefit of children's Christmas

# Benson's Badgers Reaches Golden Defeat Moguls With 13-12 Score

The educated toe of George English kicked the extra point that over-balanced the scales to Merkel give Merkel a 13-12 victory over the Munday Moguls last Friday night on the local field.

Phil Pursley and Robert Mc-Leod chalked up the touchdown

The co-captains were Gene Hargrove and Billy Mac Gilbert. Les-

## School of Music To Start Sunday At First Baptist

music secretary of the Texas General Baptist Convention, will conduct a school of music at the First Baptist Church beginning Sunday, Colorful Show Nov. 28, at 2:30 p.m. The school Thos. Johnson sold his interest of music will continue through John Hammond is improving, in the bank in 1919 to L. R. Dec. 1 with services each day at

> Two other state workers will ackel and assist him. All who are interested in singing are cordially invited to come and attend.
>
> And Favorites

Throughout the day Dr. Forderknow something about their voice L. R. Thompson resigned Dec. or any other matter pertaining

# Dies Last Week

Mrs. Crawford, a Merkel resirose from \$50,000 to \$75,000 by health for three years. She was

Friday in the Starbuck Funeral

Mrs. Crawford was born March two-story building but was later 16, 1879, in Johnson County. She remodeled to its present appear- was married to W. H. Crawford of Kerrville, and the couple moved to the Noodle community in 1922.

Mr. Crawford died May 31, 1951, in Merkel.

C. and W. D. Crawford of Mid-The officers and employees are land: eight daughters, Mrs. S. C. Booth Warren, president; H. C. Keith and Mrs. Wright Disham, Keith and Mrs. Wright Dishman. assistant cashier; Miss Mildred California, Mrs. L. E. Taylor Hamm, assistant cashier; Miss of Big Spring, Texas, Mrs. E. H. Benningfield of Dublin, Mrs. C. L. Hawkins of Quemado, and Mrs. craft and Mrs. Gladys Breaux, C. L. Thomas of Pecos; four brothers, John Parsley of Kennedale, Arthur of Cedar Hill, Jim Parsley of Burleson and Sid Parsley of Fort Worth: 30 grandchildren and

Pallbearers were Tullis Bailey.

Munday First Downs 136 .. Net Yards Running .. 159 Passes Attempted 1 for 23 Passes Completed,

Yardage .. 3 for 58 Passes Intercepted By .. 1 1 Enemy Fumbles Recovered 4 5 for 42 .. No. of Punts, Average .. 4 to 34 3 for 15 .. No: of Penalties,

Yardage .. 6 for 60 over the Taylor Electric PA system. Holt Vaughn was technician.

Merkel spotter was Jack Russell. The crowd was about 450. The air was chilly and a strong wind blew from the west.

Those in the Merkel starting lineup were Freddie Boone, Dr. V. F. Forderhase, church Philip Pursley, Larry Joyce, Ker-

# For Sweethearts

and favorites in a colorful cere- day got a Badger fumble. mony at the half time in the game last Friday at the football stadium.

The pep squad girls formed a a flag routine the band played "Let Me Call You Sweetheart."

"Entering from the east end of the field in a new 1955 Chevrolet." announced Mrs. Fry, "are the escorts for tonight's presentation.

"Next arriving in a beautiful 1955 Pontiac is the pep squad sweetheart for this year. He is George English, a junior in Mer-Nov. 30, 1949, the capital stock dent since 1934, had been in ill kel High. He is escorted by Miss Clydene Eager. The mascot, little Miss Joyce Butman, is presenting George with a tan leather billfold inscribed 'Sweetheart 1954-55.'

> "Arriving now in a 1955 Ford," continued Mrs. Fry, "are Miss Britta Kay Denton, senior and solo clarinet player, and Kermit Rutledge, sophomore and solo baritone player, the 1954-55 favorites of the Badger Band. They are being escorted by Larry Joyce, band president.

They are being presented with white mums and identification | Terry, Kermit, Boone to the 43. bracelets inscribed 'Band Favorites 1954-55.

"Now, ladies and gentlemen." she announced, "entering the field in a 1955 Chevrolet is the football sweetheart, Miss Patricia Butman. She is escorted by the cocaptains of the Badger squad, M 12. Gene Hargrove and Billy Mac Gilbert. Miss Butman is now presented with a bouquet of red roses.

"The automobiles you have seen here tonight," concluded Mrs. Fry, were furnished through the courtesy of the Badger Chevrolet Company, Palmer Motor Company and Paul Honeycutt Motors."

#### CEMETERY FUND

donated to the Cemetery Mainten- them on the 28. Gail, Phil and ance Fund. Anyone wishing to Robert held them as they neared contribute to this fund may leave the 21. Badger took over, Kercontributions at the Farmers and mit and Boone tried here but Merchants National Bank. The Merkel soon kicked out again donors are:

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Eager \$5.00 M. R. Hail ..... 5.00 Mrs. T. T. Carey ...... 2.00 ed.

mit Rutledge, Gail O'Brien, George English, Wesley Marton, Grady Knight, Carl McKeever, Robert McLeod and Billy Mac Gilbert.

Boone delivered the ball to the Badger 38. Merkel fumbled. Munday recovered the ball and

by steady gains went from the Merkel 38 to a touchdown with Gene, Gail, Terry O'Brien, Larry and Phil doing the tackling. Terry blocked the kick for extra point

The Badgers next took the bell and made it pay. They traveled by slow stages from their own 33 totern Dorton did the announcing the Munday 8 with the ball being carried by Boone, Pursley. Larry and Kermit. With perfect blocking, Phil ran around right end with no hand laid on him for the TD and then George made the extra point that was to win the

Munday had the ball on its 34 as the quarter ended: Badgers 7,

Munday marched firmly along for another touchdown with George, Larry, Gene, Terry doing the tackling. No conversion.

The ball changed hands fast in most of the rest of the quarter. The Badgers traveled to the Munday 35. Munday got a fumble and made little gain Gene, Larry, Gail and McKeever putting up the wall. The Badgers failed in passing and Munday soon took over. Marton stopped them on their 29. Phil sponsor, presented the sweethearts recovered a Mogul fumble. Mun-

Wesley held them, so did George and Larry, Gene threw them for a loss and later Kermit interheart and while they were doing cepted a pass with the ball, after his 40-yard run, on the Munday 25 yard.

Badgers had a loss to the 39. A beautiful pass from Terry found the eager, waiting hands of Robert who had his back to the goal line. Robert danced backward and easily for the touchdown. No

Munday took the ball but Terry intercepted a pass and the Badgers had the ball on the Mogul 31 as the half ended: B 13, M. 12.

Munday tried hard and went its 48 to the Badger 38 with tackling being done by Billy Mac Gilbert, Gail, Phil, George and Carl. The Badgers there intercepted a pass. A fumble gave the ball back to the Moguls.

Munday tried again, traveling from the Badger 33 to the 12, with blocks being set up by Marton, Gilbert, George, Kermit and Robert. The Badgers there took over. The ball was carried by

Munday intercepted a pass and Terry trapped the fleeing Mogul on the Badger 21. George held them for no gain. And the Badgers took over on the 12 and kicked out. Gilbert had them on the Munday 28 as the quarter ended: B 13,

Munday's passing was no good. Pursley put the punt on his own 42. Kermit and Boone carried the ball but Merkel had to kick. Mun-day got nowhere with Robert holding them on the 35 and then quickly knocking down an attempted pass.

The Badgers had the ball on their own 10. Terry made lit advance and the Badgers kicked out. Marton tackled Munday on his own 38. McKeever stop

Munday got nowhere and kicked back. The Badgers delivered the ball to their own 31 and slow 2.50 stripe to the Munday 48 with 2.50 Pursley and Boone alternating in

## This Happened in Merkel Forty Years Ago

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places in Merkel. The Goodfellow movement this year will be unstrong and John Sears.

roughs were among those who vacation and advantage of cheap Bob McDonald. took advantage of the excursion to rates to El Paso where he was a El Paso. While there they crossed guest of the family of T. J. Cog- DWAIN HAS OPERATION the border and took an extensive gin, former residents of this city.

Miss Esther Williams and broth-er Charlie returned to Abilene Monday to re-enter Abilene Chris-the Cozy Theatre on Saturday.

with the families of Arthur and pital November 21.

We neglected last week to make BOY TO DISMUKES C. Williams, R. L. Bland, J. L. mention of the fact that Dee Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Dis-Harris, E. P. McMillen, M. Arm- Grimes, the popular young drug- mukes are the parents of a boy gist and manager of the Grimes Ernest Rogers and Ebzi Bur- Drug Store, was taking a two days 14. Her Parents are Mr. and Mrs.

A capable company is present-

Opening a drive in the fourth and brother of Mrs. Len Sublett. touchdown that beat Snyder DISTRICT WMS MEET

The Harvest Day Program of Adcock, who passed the last 15 the Abilene District of Methodist be held in Hamlin on Friday, erside, Calif., and was buried at half and played great football. Dec. 7. The meeting is to include members of the societies in all four zones of the Abilene Dis- child to live in Merkel, arriving trict. Mrs. R. A. Burgess is chair-

man of the west zone.

TO SHOW HISTORIC FLAG An American Flag, its folds stained with the baptismal waters of the Atlantic on Admiral Byrd's flight across the Atlantic -Flag which has flown over both the North Pole and the South Pole - will be shown by Lt. Chas. E. Lofgren during his appearance in Merkel on Dec. 20, at 11:15 a.

#### m. at the Merkel High School.

BRING BACK BLACK TAIL P. H. Douglas and Hob Robertson returned Saturday night from the Davis Mountains where they had gone on a secondary hunting trip, after having participated with some eight others from this section in an earlier hunt in Kendall County. Hob Robertson

brought bask a 7-point black tail. Merkelite, was elected judge of 10-POINT BLACK TAIL

#### San Gabriel township, Alhambra, S. P. Nesmith, manager of the Calif., over his Republican op- Queen Theatre, brought back a 10point black tail from a hunting ponent, who had held the office continuously for 34 years. Char- trip to Madera Canyon in the les is the son of T. H. Christopher Davis Mountains.

TAKEN FROM THE 1914 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL This year, as in years gone by, "Goodfellow Boxes," open for donations, will be placed in public place but lately of Dallas, has reder the supervision of Mesdames F. Sears. J. Warren, H. F. Groene, H.

## Dies in Calif. yards to Higgins, the Badgers Woman's Missionary Societies will Oct. 28 at Memorial Hospital, Riv-

George and Trobe.

of Merkel.

and the violin.

GIRL TO G. HAFFORDS Mr. and Mrs. Gene Hafford are

A boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Smith at the Sadler Hos-

Dwain White, son of Rev. and Mrs. Aubrey F. White, had an

# Mrs. L. F. Crawford

Mrs. Lena Francis Crawford, 75.

Funeral was held at 3 p.m. last

Burial was in Rose Hill Ceme-

Her survivors are two sons, J

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Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Graham of Trent were to celebrate their Mrs. H. A. Deavers ...... 5.00 moved forward past the m 60th wedding anniversary with Mrs. M. F. Hand ..... open house on Thursday after Mrs. Ella Neeb ..... noon, Nov. 25, from 2:30 to 5:30 Mrs. M. G. King ...... 2.00 carrying the ball as the game endp. m. at their home in Trent.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Grimes have as visitors their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Mussel, and son Stevie of Arlington.

Mrs. Paul Marr of Stephenville visited over the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Braggs.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Buchanan of Lubbock were weekend visitors of his sister, Mrs. Chester McWilliams, and family and brother, y and family.

Mrs. W. C. Church of Slaton is visiting with her mother, Mrs. W

P. Mashburn, in Stith. Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Church and children of Plainview visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A Dudley, over the weekend. Mr. and and Mrs. Dale Dudley and son

David of Abilene were also here. Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hicks and family were in Lubbock for the weekend, visiting her mother, Mrs. J. R. Stratton.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Walters spent the weekend in Crawford. visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Sadler.

Mrs. Sally Moore of Lamesa was here Sunday visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Shouse. The rest of the family were present.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Patterson and Mr. and Mrs. Clesby Patterson were at View Sunday attending the funeral of Harry Drummonds

Ollie Fox and J. D. went to Fort Worth Saturday night and returned Sunday with his father-in-law, D, R. Rader) Thompson.

Mrs. A. B. Harris accompanied her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Allamon, to their home is Barksdale, La., where she will remain awhile.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Baze and her mother, Mrs. O. B. Boden, were in Fort Worth over the weekend, visiting his sister, Mrs. Beulah Callahan. She returned home with them. They all visited his uncle, D. P. Baze, in Hico.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Berryman and baby of Midland were here Sunday evening, visiting her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Rutledge.

#### **Fencing Group** Is Organized Here By Bill Brazzil

group, was organized here Nov.

Bill Russell, captain; Harry dum, secretary; Edwin Mewburn, naster-at-arms; John Thomas, reporter: Pat Patterson, attendantat-arms; Butch Palmer, herald; Bobby Malone, treasurer, and Don

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Wilson, lieutenant to the instruc- he was in the Army. He has been national fencin organization, with a member of the Abilene Swords- headquarter in Paris, France.

man Team for three years and was The local youngsters have been recently elected to the Federation learning fencing from Mr. Brazzil Internationale D'Escrieme, inter- since February.

NEW CORN HYBRIDS

Two new corn hybrids have been Experiment Station. They are Tex- -A. & M.

as 17W, a white hybrid and Texas 32, a yellow hybrid. Seed for planting in 1955 will be available released by the Texas Agricultural through established seed dealers.

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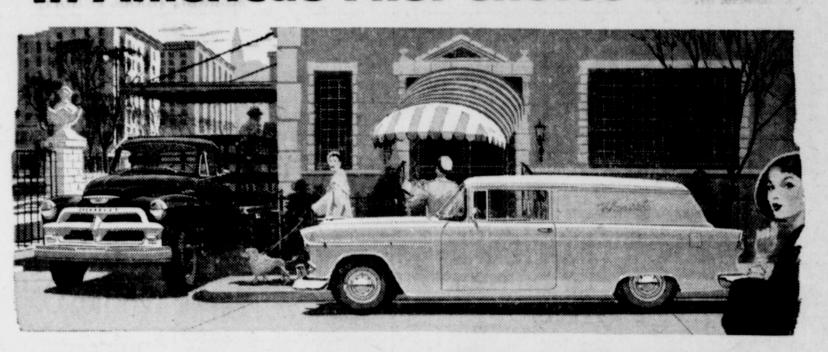
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Roughage in some form should be available to livestock at all times. This doesn't necessarily mean it must be of the highest quality but he higher the feeding the principal defendant, George value the better. Roughage very low in nutritive value can be fed with success if supplemented with about two pounds of cottonseed meal per day. -A. & M.

#### LAYING FLOCK

The laying flock will stay on the job during the winter if ventiliation, lighting, litter and watering and feeding facilities are handled properly. — A. & M.

THE STATE OF TEXAS To any Sheriff or any Constable

within the State of Texas -Greet-

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each twenty-eight days before the return day thereof, in a newspaper the accompanying citation, of which the herein below following

is a true copy. CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: Barney Morrison, Defen-

dant, Greeting: YOU ARE HEREBY COMMAND-ED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor in Abilene, Texas, by filing a writ- W. Walling, Jr., and all successive ten answer at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next af- DEFENDANTS. ter the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 13th Trespass to try title wherein O. B. day of December A. D. 1954, to Adams is plaintiff, and George W. Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 29th day of October A. D., 1954, in this cause, numbered 20,152-A on the docket of said court and styled Billie Morrison, Plaintiff vs. Barney Morrison, De-

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, towit:\* Plainaiff and defendant were legally married on or about 15th day of September 1946, and lived together until on or about November 1st, 1952, Plantiff shows there were no children born of said

Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of cruel treatment and Four-Way Cut today? asks that property purchased by Plaintiff, being Lot No. 4, of the Helen Reese Subdivision of the Lot No. 5, Block No. 16 ,in Edgmont a subdivision out of the N. 1/4 of Survey No. 64, to the City of Abilene, be set aside as her separate property and estate as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition | Phone 201 for appointments 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 di-

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene. Texas, this the 29th day of October, A. D. 1954.

Attest: R. H. Ross Clerk, 42nd District Court Taylor County, Texas By Irene Crawford, Deputy. (SEAL) Adv. —Nov. 12, 19, 26, Dec. 3.

#### LEGAL NOTICE

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

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 petited 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: George W. Walling, Jr., if living, and if dead, the legal representatives of said named defendant, and the unknown heirs of said named defendant; the legal representatives of the unknown heirs of said named defendant, if the unknown heirs of said named defendant are dead; the unknown

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heirs of the unknown heirs of said | tion to the City of Abilene, Taylor named defendant, if the unknown County, Texas is in issue all subsequent grantees if any, of W. Walling, Jr., and all successive Grantees of such grantees if any

DEFENDANTS, Greeting: YOU ARE HEREBY COMMAND-ED to appear before the Honorable 104th District Court 104th Judicial 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 20th day of December A. D. 1954, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 1st day of Nov. A. D., 1954, in this cause, numbered 7587-B on the docket of said court week for four consecutive weeks, and styled O. B. Adams, Plaintiff, the first publication to be at least vs. George W. Walling, Jr., if living, and if dead, the legal representatives of said named defenprinted in Taylor County, Texas, dant, and the unknown heirs of said named defendant; the legal representatives of the unknown heirs of said named defendant, if the unknown heirs of said named defendant are dead; the unknown heirs of the unknown heirs of said named defendant, if the unknown heirs of the unknown heirs of said defendant are dead, and any and all subsequent grantees if any, of county at the courthouse thereof, the principal defendant, George

> A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:\* Walling, Jr., et al, are defendants, wherein title and right to possession of a certain unumbered lot in Block No. 26, North Park Addi-

Grantees of such grantees if any

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of its issuance, it shall be returned make due return as the law lene, Texas, this the 1st day of November A. D., 1954. Attest: R. H. (Bob) Ross Clerk 104th District Court

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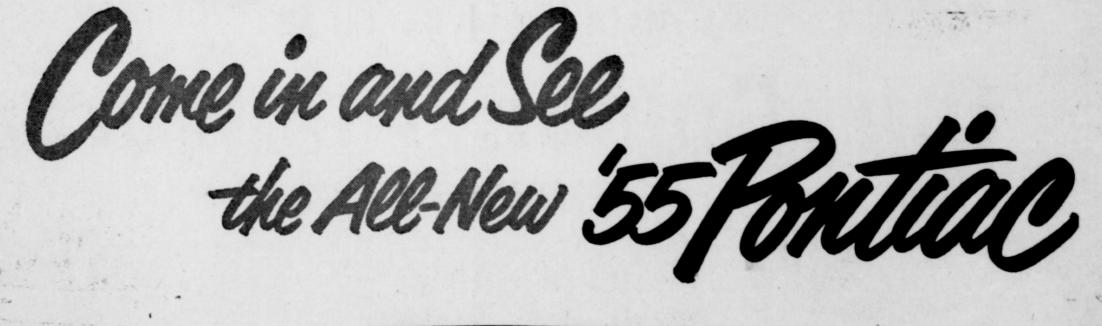
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The Christ Ambassadors of the Good crowds came to admire the Assembly of God Church held a replica of the 50th millionth car produced by General Motors in the evening and also at Sweetwater United States at Flint, Mich., stat-Sunday afternoon. Robert Smith ed Jack Miller .The gold Motorapreached and Miss Shirley Moore mic Chevrolet was displayed here at the Badger Chevrolet Motor Company Tuesday. Coffee and doughnuts were served here at the LOCAL TEACHERS AT open house.

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TAYLOR COUNTY MEET The meeting of the Taylor Coun-Teachers was held in Abilene DAD GETS 5-POINT High School Nov. 18. Those attending from here were: Supt. and Mrs. Mack Fisher, Principal C. A.

Farley and others. Mrs. Ellen McReynolds, president, presided. The guest speakers were Sam Culpepper and E. L. Galyean of the T. E. A. Both speakers explained teachers' retirement and recent laws of educa-

The Teachers convention will be held November 25, 26, and 27 with miles south of Junction last week. headquarters at the Texas Hotel The weather was hot and they got in Fort Worth.

Mrs. Judd McReynolds is a delegate to the convention.

#### DAN SORRELLS MEETS VOTERS HERE MONDAY IN SENATE RACE

Dan Sorrells of Abilene went about meeting the voters here Monday in behalf of his race for state senator. Mr. Sorrells is a lawyer and as overseas veteran of World War II.

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#### CHRIST AMBASSADORS PREACH AND SING HERE AND AT SWEETWATER

Mrs. Grif Barnett was hostess to the Beta Sigma Phi sorority last week, Nov. 16. The meeting was held in the club room at the Comstreet meeting here Saturday munity Center, Mary Hargroves gave a very interesting talk on "Love's Miracle in Marriage."

MRS. GRIF BARNETT HOSTESS

There were 12 members present. The next meeting will be Dec. 7 in the club room. Marie Leverich and Mrs. Mack Springer will be hosts.

#### KEITH WILSON, AGE 9, GETS 3-POINT BUCK.

Mr. and Mrs. Rev Wilson and sons, Don, 14, and Keith, 9, went hunting at Hondo last week. Keith shot a 3-point buck and Ray got a 5-point buck.

#### LOCAL MEN HUNT. DO NOT SHOOT AT BUCK,

THEY GET NO BUCK Horace Hargrove and Nolan Palmer went hunting about 25 no shot at a buck. Score 0-0.

#### LOCAL HUNTERS HAVE NO LUCK, GARY COOPER GETS 8-POINT BUCK

Raymond Ferguson, Billy Joe White, Alf Walla, Jimmy Jones, Buster Hester, Ellis Harris and son Jimmy, John Rister and Quannah Dudley went hunting last week at Junction. No luck. In the same vicinity Clark Gable and Gary Cooper were hunting. They had luck Gary got an 8-point buck

#### CUB SCOUTS TO MEET

The Cub Scout Pack meeting at the school cafeteria. All cub scouts are urged to be present and must be accompanied by played. parents. Also boys, aged 8, 9 and 10, wishing to become Cub Scouts may attend.

#### DEER HUNTERS ASKED TO GIVE HIDES OF KILL TO TB PATIENTS

Deer hunters are asked again this year to give TB patients in the state hospitals the hides from their season's kill. The buckskin provided in this way last year is now going into Christmas gifts the patients are making for their famlies at home.

The hides should be lightly salted, marked "charity", addressed to the Austin Taxidermist Studio. 2708 South Lamar, Austin and shipped by motor freight. If this procedure is followed, most of the notor freight lines in Texas will transport the hides free of charge. Under their direction, the paients are converting the buckskin into such items as baby shoes, gloves, belts, purses, moccasins for their own use of the Christmas

### **Highway Patrol** To Start Using Radar Meters

The Texas Highway Patrol will start using radar speed meters during November to bring high speed drivers on Texas highways under control.

The radar speed meter is the outgrowth of the radar used by American Armed Services during World War II and the War in Ko-

"Speed stands alone as a common factor that determines severity of accidents," stated W. J. El-

liott, chief, Texas Highway Patrol. In Texas, during the last five years. Texas has had 11,729 people killed in motor vehicle traffic accidents. Now 8,557 (72 per cent) of these victims were killed on rural

These 8,557 traffic dead were killed in 6,934 rural fatal accidents. In 60 per cent of these accidents only one driver was involved. And in 37 per cent of these rural fatal accidents, the drivers did not collide with anything. For the most part they simply

ran off the roadway or turned over in the roadway. BEEF CATTLE OUTLOOK

Very little change in price and

## production is the beef cattle outlook for 1955. Demand for all

meat products next year will be about the same as this year. Beef consumption is expected to be about 78 pounds per capita. - A. & M. MORE TURKEYS

An abundance of high quality turkeys at lower prices is available for the holiday season. The attrac tive prices should encourage consumers to buy and store turkeys for later use. - A. & M.

A cow nursing a calf will need about 60 pounds of corn or grain sorghum silage or 20 pounds of Johnsongrass hay fed with two pounds of cottonseed meal or cake daily for winter maintenance.

#### LAYING HENS

Laying hens need plenty of fresh air but chilling drafts can cause trouble. Ventilate the laying house to prevent cross-ventilation. -A.

## NEWS ABOUT TOWAY

Mrs. Edna Horton and daughter and Mrs. M. McDonald Sunday. Sonja Sue made a pleasure trip to her sister, Mrs. Jesse Wilson, and husband of Seymour Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Miller, Jr., and daughter Stephenann of Abi-Mrs. Ralph Miller, Sr., and Mr. and family of Trent. and Mrs. Harris over the weekend.

Mrs. Jim Arnett of Anson and Mr. and Mrs. Lon Nixon of Berkley. Calif., were dinner guests of their brother, Comer Haynes, and wife,

#### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH CHOIR HAS SOCIAL MEET

The First Baptist Church Choir social met at the church Monday night. The director, Ben Green, presided. Lovely refreshments of apple pie and coffee were served to the 14 members present.

#### J. L. WILLIAMS HONORED WITH BIRTHDAY PARTY

J. L. Williams was honored with a birthday party Nov. 18 at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Frank Cleckler. Games were played and everyone had a wonderful time. There were folks present from Sweetwater, ACC, Snyder and Mer-

#### MRS. PAUL BRADLEY HOSTESS TO STITH H. D. CLUB

Miss Louise Hudson called the Stith Home Demonstration Club to order Nov. 10 in the home of will be held at 7 p. m. Monday Mrs. Paul Bradley. Mrs. Orval Ely led the song, "Wonderful Words of Life." "Digging for Gold" was

> Roll call was answered with Something club members had made for Christmas." Minutes were approved. The program was gift wrapping, also a demonstration by Miss Louise Hudson and Mrs. J. E. Hudson on "Chicken

> The club welcomed three new members: Mrs. Marvin L. Walters, Mrs. Charles E . Wells, and Mrs. C. B. Rust. Mrs. R. B. Robbins got the hostess gift. Pumpkin pie and hot chocolate was served to 15 members, eight children and three vis

The next meeting was to be Nov. 24 at Mrs. J. C. Brown's. Thanksgiving program was plann

Bobby Toliver and Joe Doan made a pleasure trip to Haskell and returned Sunday with his sister, Miss Glenna Toliver, who spent Thanksgiving with her parlene visited their parents, Mr. and ents, Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Toliver,

Bradley Miles of the University mother, Mrs. J. S. Swann, Tuesday. was the former Ida Stuart.

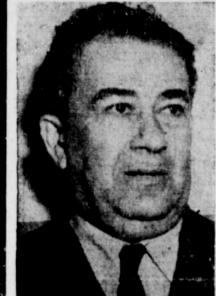
#### HOSPITAL NOTES

Admisisons to the Sadler Hosital the past week were: As medical patients - Mrs. Halo McRee, Jeff Russell, Mrs. H. C. Hamner. For surgery - Larry Logan, Johnny Henslee, Jacky Russell, Mrs. L. M. Riggan, tonsillectomy.

#### MRS. HOKE PROPST DIES

Mrs. Hoke Propst, wife of a prominent Jones County farmer and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Haynes and of Texas, and his mother, Mrs. Car- land owner, died at 3:15 p. m. Sundaughter Kay of Abilene, Mr. and son Miles, of San Angelo were the day in Anson after an illness of guests of their grandmother and 12 months. She was 54. Mrs. Propst

### CECIL LOTIEF ANNOUNCES FOR STATE SENATOR



Mr. Lotief is now serving as Mayor of his town, Rotan. He has had plenty of exprience in State and local city government, having served two terms in Texas Legislature. He served with Senators Aiken and Moffett and Lt. Governor Ramsey in lower house. He will feel at home in Texas Senate. He stands for the fol-

lowing laws: 1. For honesty in government.

2. For laws to prohibit members of Legislature from accepting retainer fees or an employment from corporations. No

man can serve two masters. 3. To prohibit persons from holding over one office and asking for another one. 4. For a better old age pension, large enough to live

decently with an American standard of living as voted 5. For better schools and better paid teachers in or-

der to prepare our youngsters for better citizenship. 6. For a tax on natural gas pipeline. The other states are getting this resource for their own use. Such revenue will be used for schools, teachers pay, old age pen-

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W. M. U. Mon. .... 9:30 a.m. Merkel Church of Christ Sunday: Bible Study ...... 9:45 a. m. Morning Service....11:00 a. m. Young People's Bible Class Wed. Prayer Service . . 7:30 p. m.

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Merkel Grace Presbyterian Church Sunday School ..... 10:00 a. m. Worship Service ..... 11 a. m.

Men's Downtown Bible Class Sunday ..... 8:44 a. m.

Merkel First Methodist Church unday:	Prim Meetin
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Evening Service .... 7:30 p. m. Sunday School ..... 10:00 a. m. Evening Worship .... 7:30 p. m. Merkel Assembly of God Morning Services....11:00 a. m. Sunday school ....... 10 a. m. M. Y. F. Services .... 6:30 p. m Morning Service ...... 11 a. m. C. A.'s (Young People) .. 7 p. m. Wednesday: Prayer Services .... 7:30 p. m Evening Worship ... 7:30 p. m. Tuesday W. M. C. . . . . . . 2 p. m. Trent First Baptist Church

Sunday School .... 10:00 a. m.

Morning Worship . . 11:00 a. m.

Training Union ..., 6:45 p. m.

Evening Services .... 7:45 p. m.

Prayer Services .... 7:30 p. m.

Trent Church or Christ

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.

Pioneer Memorial Chapel

Sunday School ..... 10:00 a. m.

Morning Service....11:00 a. m.

Evening Services .... 7:30 p. m.

Evening Prayer Service .. 7:30

Sunday School ..... 10:00 a. m.

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Evening Services .... 7:30 p. m.

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Tye Baptist Church

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Sunday:

New Live Oak Baptist Church

Noodle Baptist Church

...... 11:00 o'clock

Evening Services .... 7:30 p. m. Merkel Calvary Baptist Church Sunday School.....9:45 a. m. Morning Service....11:00 a. m. Evening Bible Class. .6:30 p. m W. M. U. 2:15 p. m., Intermediate G. A.'s Jr. G. A.'s 3:45 p. m. Evening Worship .. 7:00 p. m.

Merkel Catholic Church Sunday Mass ..... 10:30 a.m.

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Hebron Baptist Church Sunday School ..... 10:00 a. m Morning Worship .. 11: o'clock Training Union ..... 7:00 p. m Evening Worship ... 7:30 p. m.

Wednesday: Evening Prayer Services ...... 7:30 p. m

#### Former Merkel "You are a stranger here but Football Star Has Winning Team

Jimmy Walker of Mason is foot ball coach of the winning team in that area. They are untied and un- 11: defeated and will play Bastrop at Mason at 7:30 p. m. tonight, Friday, for the bi-district champion

His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Irl Walker and they will attend the game. His sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Cadmus Brown of Jayton will also attend.

### Class Favorites Are Elected **By Senior Class**

Morning Worship, 2nd and 4th Ruby Stephen and Gene Har grove were elected Senior Class favorites at the last class meeting. Freddie Boone and Raedeen Perry were elected Junior Red Cross representatives. Ruby Stephen is the Gold Star Girl this year. She is president of F. H. A.

Gene Hargrove is student body president of 1954-55, vice presi ient of the Senior Class, presider of the sub-district M. Y. F., presi ient of the local M. Y. F. He is ac tive in football and backethall. He a member of the F. T. A. Sponsors present were Miss Joy Barnett, J. E. Thomas and Gene

M. Y. F. ..... 7:00 p. m. MAYOR CECIL LOTIEF Prayer Meeting .... 7:30 p. m. OF ROTAN HERE IN Morning Service....11:00 a. m. BEHALF OF CANDIDACY

> ecil A. Lotief of Rotan was here Monday, meeting the voters, in behalf of his candidacy for state senator. Mayor Loticf is on gaged in the mercantile business

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#### CARD OF THANKS

Words are inadequate to express our appreciation for the many Morning Worship Service 11:00 deeds of kindness extended dur-Young People's Service 6:30 ing the illness and death of our husband and father, A. B. Harris. Our deepest gratitude goes out to the men who sat up.

> Mrs. A. B. Harris Mrs. J. M. Cox Mrs. O. D. Allamon

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We are sincerely thankful to all our friends and neighbors who extended comforting sympathy and help in the passing of our beloved mother. For the beautiful service, floral offerings, cards and other kindnesses we are deeply grate-

The Family of Mrs. W. H. Crawford

# **POLITICAL**

The Merkel Mail is authorized to announce the following candidates for office, subject to the election to be held Saturday, Dec.

For State Senator 24th District DAVID W. RATLIFF

#### "Broken Lance" Packs Romance

With the ruggealy picturesque Santa Cruz valley in Arizona to give it visual beauty and a cast headed by Spencer Tracy, Robert Wagner, Jean Peters and Richard Widmark to add dramatic characterizations to its story, "Broken Lance," which opens Wednesday Thursday and Friday at the Queen Theatre, turns out to be a very special type of western film. While it has more than the violent action and excitement that a great outdoor picture requires, it also has strong cross-currents of melodrama and a romance of both primitive and tender emotions.

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rade" is matched by a regiment of sterling performers. Hudson demonstrates his dramatic prowess a erson and Bernie Bell went deer | new in a role that demands a unting last week near Kerryille. lover's warmth, and a master-plot-

#### CLASSIFIED AD SECTIO

#### NOTICE MASONS

Stated meeting of Merkel lodge No. 710, A. F. & A. M., Saturday, Dec. 4, at 7:30 p. m. All members are urged to attend. Visiting brethren cordially invited.

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freezers may want to do some cooking ahead of time. HOW TO MAKE FREEZING FOODS SUCCESSFUL

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DO-leave vegetables and macaroni slightly undone for freezing. Otherwise they will be soft when reheated. Vegetables which are fully cooked are also likely to have write for a copy of B-175, "Frozen less color and flavor or be off-

DO-Freeze meat pies or turn-DO-Freeze meat pies or turn-overs with pastry crusts unbaked. Public Fencing Crusts baked after freezing will have fresher flavor and be more flaky tnd tender than those baked and then frozen.

DO-Cool the main dish quickly Set the uncovered pan of food on Held Here Jan. 22 ice or in ice water. Quick cooking stops the cooking and helps to keep the natural flavor, color and texture of the food. It also retards growth of bacteria that may cause spoilage.

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crumb topping to a casserole before freezing. Such toppings are best added when the food is reheated.

DON'T - Hold main dishes too long in frozen storage. For economical use of freezer space and tip roles - if you follow a few sug- top quality two or three months is long enough to hold main dishes in frozen storage.

> For further information on freezing cooked foods come by my office in the Agriculture Building or

# Tournament to Be

A public fencing tournament will be held here Jan. 22, announced Bill Brazzil, fencing instructor. The Merkel Knights will meet the Abilene Swordsmen.

The Abilene group were here Monday of last week and fenced the local boys.

Four of the local Kiights are going with Mr. Brazzil to Lubbock on Dec. 4 to compete at Texas Tech in the A.F.L. tournament: Bill Russell, John Thomas, Harry Odum and Butch Palmer.

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County Home

Texas A. & M. College

Extension Service

By LORETA ALLEN

If you are interested in making

candles. Christmas stockings and

jewelry find out the date that Blue

Bonnet and Union Ridge Clubs

Mrs. Allen King from Blue Bon-

net Club and Mrs. M. L. Douglas

and Miss Mable McRee of Union

Ridge Club recently attended a

Christmas Workshop at Pleasant Hill Community Center. They will

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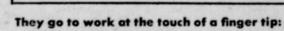
First, America's electric utilities have invested in facilities (\$18 billion in the last ten years!). And the electrical industry has steadily increased the efficiency of power equipment. Turbine-generators made by General Electric, for example, produce 10 times more electricity per pound of coal than Edison's original generators.

Second, appliances have been constantly improved and are mass-produced to bring their price within reach of everyone. The first 60-watt lamps cost about \$1.00 and gave a light equal to 7 candles; a G-E 60-watt lamp today gives a light equal to 67 candles, and costs only 19 cents.

The third reason for progress is our free economy, which has allowed industry to grow, create jobs and produce effectively for everyone's benefit. As we see it, it adds up to a good example of progress in the American way.

Meanwhile, we're hard at work to make the future even better.

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THE GOOD RAIN The good rain came again and it was most welcome.

The rainfall around here measured from 1 to 3 inches. It was a good rain . . . it fell slowly and over a long time and it sunk deep into the ground. It was rain that came and stayed with us. It was rain that would work, work to moisten the ground.

Now the prospects appear brighter.

FRANKIE SULLIVAN

Frankie Sullivan has won a high

She was given the Jones County girls' 4-H Gold Star award at the county's 4-H achievement program. She is a member of the Noodle 4-H Club and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Sullivan.

This award is the highest county award that any 4-H Club member may receive.

Frankie has been a member of the Noodle 4-H Club for six years. She has carried on demonstrations of clothing, cereal products, dairy foods, recreation, junior leader ship and good preparation.

That's not all. She was district winner of the dairy foods demon-



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stration contest for 1954. She was been advocated. one of a team of six to win the district leadership contest. And more, she has won one

bons at county dress reviews. Frankie is to be heartily congratulated on her well earned award.

white, two red and two blue rib-

LIONEL BARRYMORE

Once more a great family of actors grows smaller. Lionel Barrymore's passing leaves only his sister Ethel remaining in an illustrious family.

His brother John, one of the greatest Hamlets of our time, passed away in 1942.

John was a restless man, giving up wonderful opportunties of success, to follow a whim. He was a great artist.

Lionel was a steady man and also a great artist. He was capable not only as a top-notch actor but also as a painter and musician. He possessed a rich deep-pitched voice. He was a composer of worthwhile music.

It was our good fortune not only to see him on the screen and to listen to him on the radio but also to see him and John act together on the stage in Kansas City, Mo.

The name of the play escapes us but we remember that John and he were antagonists in the play and it gave them both a chance to display their wonderful acting ability

It was our pleasure to always listen to him at Christmas time as he enacted Dickens' crusty "Scrooge." Christmas was not Christmas until we had heard him.

He is gone to a well-earned rest. His memory is engraved on the minds of all those who saw him and heard him act. He gave to his fellowman enjoyment and beauty and entertainment. His life was well worthwhile.

"WHITE-ICISM"

That's ALL - and the Sage of Figfield adds that the depth of a man's life is measured in his deeds toward his fellowman.



By VERN SANFORD

Texas Press Association

Attorney General John Ben epperd's office is engaged in an other investigation. This time it's a multi-pronged

one in which the state auditor, the department of public safety and DeWitt County Attorney Wiley Cheatham are also interested. It has to do with the one hun-

dred million dollar veteran's land Managing Editor R. K. Towery

of the Cuero Record unearthed the story:

He discovered that some Texas veterans in and around Cureo had signed up for what they thought was a free bonus of land, only to learn that they had purchased land with down payments they had

Towery said promoters sold large tracts of land to groups of veterans, that the veterans had never seen the land, had never made a payment on it, and had no means of paying for it.

They are also checking apprais-State Land Commissioner Bas-

com Giles, whose office administers the program, said that he would "stand behind the appraisals in their entirety."

According to Cheatham, the county attorney's investigation revealed "a rotten stinking mess that ought to be aired out before the people.'

**Identical Bids** Another investigation being undertaken by the Attorney General has to do with identical bids for electrical supplies for the capitol

Under scrutiny are identical bids for \$32,122.80 which four firms gave the Austin City Council on underground cable. Radar Roundup

Highway patrolmen, armed with radar, have already nabbed 11 central Texas speeders. Warned were 63 others.

These automatic eyes are being placed on principal highways throughout the state.

Financing Freeways Bond financing to provide needed state highway construction has

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AT THE POST OFFICE BUILDING

Executive Director James E. Taylor of the Texas Motor Transportation Association asked for dedication of one per cent of the present four-cent gas tax for high-

He says the plan would provide immediate construction of 1,000 miles of four-lane freeways.

**DWI** Penalties

Three days in jail is the minimum penalty for drunk driving and the judge may not reduce the sentence.

That was the decision of the Court of Criminal Appeals in the

case of an El Paso man. Held unconstitutional by the de cision was that part of the Texas law which authorized the judge to trophy will be given by the Moncommute the jail sentence in drunk driving cases.

Oil Increase A 64,374-barrel daily increase in Texas oil production for December has been authorized by the Texas Railroad Commission.

FRANKLIN MASHBURN RETURNS TO SAN DIEGO FROM 8-MONTH CRUISE

Franklin D. Mashburn, machinist's mate fireman, USN, was scheduled to return to San Diego

James H. Chaney Chiropractor

211 Oak St. - Merkel

PHONE 18

the Far East.

were off the communist held is- Texas breeders. land of Hainan during the rescue operations of survivors of the downed British Cathay airliner.

were traveled during the cruise. Visits were made to ports in the Philippine Islands, Japan and at Hong Kong.

MONTADALES IN SHOW Montadale sheep will be exhibited for the first time at the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock

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station wagons: the 2-door, 6-passenger Ranch Wagon and Custom Ranch Wagon; the 4-door, 6-passenger Country Sedan (illustrated); the

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### **Trent Farm House Destroyed** by Fire Last Week; Thurs.

off a fire ar 3 p. m. Thursday of last week that destroyed the farm house occupied by the C. C. John son family.

No one was injured. Personal belongings and furniture were lost in the flames.

The house, located about 11/2 miles northwest of Trent, is owned by Mrs. Mary Archer.

### Postmaster Plans Program to Speed Christmas Mail

Postmaster Wrenn Durham announced a three-point program designed to insure delivery of all Christmas cards and gifts pack-

ages by December 25. "I've found," he explained, "it's not enough to slap up posters all over town saying, 'Shop Early,' Mail Early,' That's the main idea of course, but I'd like to be mor

Specifically, the postmaster first urged business firms to mail their regular correspondence before 4 p. m. throughout the Christmas season. They can help even more he added, by withholding all circular and catalogue mail until after the critical period, Dec. 15-25.

"This will leave elbow room at the post office to process the tremendous volume of holiday mail we'll be handling. I'm quite sure it will exceed the all-time record of 75,000 cancellations set here in 1953," the postmaster said.

Then begin by checking your Christmas card list this week Each address should include the full name, street and number, city zone and state, he continued.

After this, visit the post office to order the stamps you'll need, advised Mr. Durham. Lay in a supply of heavy wrapping paper and ply of heavy wrapping paper and strong cord as well.

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MAKES RECORD CATCH W. N. Throop Catches Rec-

ord Tarpon. That was the two-line streamer head in the Florida News of Maderia Beach, Calif. Mr. Throop is an Abilene oil man who leases lots of land in this area. He sent the paper to Royce Dowdy and W. W. Toombs.

HAS MAJOR SURGERY

Mrs. Monroe Harris underwent major surgery at the Sadler Hospital Nov. 22. She is doing fine.

NEW TREASURER

Mrs. Bob Haile was sworn in as Taylor County treasurer at 10:12 a. m. Friday. Mrs. Haile, treasurerelect, was appointed Friday morning by the Commissioners Court to serve out the unexpired portion

Mayor Henry C. West of Merkel addressed 23 goodwill trippers of Abilene in their bus here late Tuesday of last week and told them that he wished for friendliest relations between the

### Mike Dudley Comes Home Last Friday, Sees Band Perform

Mrs. Don Dudley, was brought home from the hospital last Friday. He has spinal polio.

His right leg was paralyzed and has shown slight improvement. He can take a few steps with the aid

of his crutches and brace. Mike likes the school band and last Friday his father brought him over during the half-time to see the band perform. Mike enjoyed it

## Doyle Jones to Be Meet December 31

ccepted an invitation to compete n the elite Sugar Bowl meet at New Orleans on Dec. 31. In 440yard relay will be Doyle Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Jones. The University of Houston relay

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