

Merkel Wins First In Literary Meet

Merkel High School won the District 11-A literary meet held here Saturday with a total of 143 points.

Rotan ranked second with 99 points, Colorado City third with 45, and Hamlin fourth with 25 points.

Ed Read, Merkel High School principal and director of the meet, said all first place winners, except those in one-act play will go to the regional meet in Brownwood April 22 and 23. The Rotan one-act play team will go to bi-district before meeting regional competition.

Both first and second place winners in slide rule and ready writing are to go to regional, and winners of the first three places in typing and shorthand will meet competition there, Read said.

Winners in Merkel Saturday, listed in order of their rank, are as follows:

Senior boys declamation — Glen Hargrove, Merkel; Jim Watson, Rotan.

Junior boys declamation — Joe Cunningham, Merkel; Erell Rutledge, Merkel; Ernest Bickerstaff, Rotan.

Senior girls declamation — Barbara Aldridge, Rotan; Elsie Ward, Merkel; Margaret Chancey, Merkel.

Junior girls declamation — Lynne Byerly, Rotan, and Michael Miller, Merkel.

Boys poetry reading — Weldon Griffin, Rotan; Homer Payne, Merkel; Jerry Templar, Rotan.

Girls poetry reading — Imogene Thomas, Merkel; Betty Patton, Rotan; Patsy Melton, Merkel; Linda Smith, Rotan.

Slide rule — Jimmy Jenkins, Freddie Boone, both from Merkel.

Typing — Laverne Williams, Colorado City; Joyce Bigham, Hamlin; Nelda Thurman, Colorado City; Barbara Durham, Hamlin; Sonja Horton, Merkel.

Shorthand — Bobbie Walding, Colorado City; Wanda LeWallen, Colorado City; Amanda Freeman, Hamlin; Jeannine Curlee, Rotan.

Girls extemporaneous speaking — Paka Newby, Merkel.

Boys extemporaneous speaking — James Simpson, Merkel.

Ready writing — Jim Watson, Rotan; Betty Templar, Rotan; Glenda Petty, Merkel; William Stallo, Merkel.

One-act play — Rotan, first, Merkel, second.

50TH ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Turner, pioneers of Mulberry Canyon now living in Merkel, are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary Easter Sunday, April 10, here at the Community Center from 2 to 6 p. m.

Hostesses will be their children, Mrs. Marvin Frazier, Mrs. John Frazier and Mrs. Howard Maserang of Pecos, Mrs. E. J. Patterson, Mrs. Wade Ensminger, Merkel, Mrs. Vada Coats and Virgil Turner of Abilene. The public is invited.



REV. BILL UHLMAN
... evangelist

Baptist Revival Starts Monday

The revival at the First Baptist Church will start at 7:30 p. m. Monday, April 11. Rev. Bill Uhlman will be the evangelist. Rev. Uhlman is pastor of the First Baptist Church, Llano.

Rev. Sam E. Tullock, pastor, will lead the singing.

The revival will continue through April 24 and will be held every day at 7:30 p. m.

"Brother Uhlman is an outstanding minister of the gospel," stated Rev. Tullock. "You will thrill to his preaching."

The public is invited.

WATER RATES UP

Effective with the May 1 first mailing of bills the city water rates will be increased from a minimum of \$1.50 to \$2.50 for the first 3,000 gallons.

From 3,000 to 10,000, the rate is 75 cents per 1,000; from 10,000 to 20,000, 60 cents per 1,000; all over 20,000, 50 cents per 1,000. The old rate was 50 cents per 1,000 after the minimum.

The city council made the raise at the last meeting because the city was paying on the water bonds since last September and not enough revenue has come in to pay for them.

HOMER J. DUNN

Homer J. Dunn, 57, died April 4. The funeral was held in Abilene Wednesday and burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery. Mr. Dunn was a barber and was rearrested here.

JAMES A. HAGGARD

Funeral for James A. Haggard, 74-year-old Weatherford resident, who was killed Sunday morning in an automobile accident near Strawn was to be held at 2 p. m. Thursday in Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel in Merkel. Burial was to be in the Dudley Cemetery.

Final arrangements were pending the arrival of relatives from California.

FIRE NOTICE!

The fire department has made a number of runs within the last two weeks to trash and grass fires, no damage and no loss has resulted. We want to keep this record up. So, if the fire begins to spread please call the fire department at once to prevent property damage.

WAYMON ADCOCK
Fire Chief

TO \$925.83

The total in the Red Cross drive reached \$925.83 this week, reported Chairman Johnny Cox.

200 AT RALLY

About 200 persons attended the Assembly of God Christ Ambassador rally of the San Angelo section held here Monday night. San Angelo won the banner.

CIVIL DEFENSE MEET

About 50 persons were present at the civil defense meeting held Tuesday night at the school cafeteria. The Red Cross officials were unable to be present as they were at the Stamford disaster.

Fred Starbuck, Merkel coordinator and director, outlined the plan for emergencies and Sgt. Bailey of the Abilene District Highway Patrol, told the part that the department of Public Safety will play in civil defense.

DOLLAR DAY NOTE

As next week's issue will carry Dollar Day Specials it will be appreciated if the ads are made up early.

EASTER

An Editorial

Sunday is Easter. It is the time of the resurrection. It is the time of the awakening of a new spring, the awakening of a new hope, the awakening of a new life.

The world is born again. Man is born again. Faith is born again.

And in a world that is sorely tried by fearful frustrations and hazards of hydrogen bombs Easter has a timely message... a message of life eternal, of life everlasting, of life lit up by hope that is endless.

Yes, Sunday is Easter, the time of the resurrection, of life renewed, revived, of life now and forever.

SUNRISE SERVICE

A sunrise service will be held at 6 a. m. Sunday at the Presbyterian Church. The public is invited.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY

The local school Easter holiday is Thursday and Friday.

J. G. Wilks Wins Co. School Post

In a write-in vote J. G. Wilks of Trent was re-elected county school trustee.

Merkel had 42 write-in votes and all went to Mr. Wilks. Precinct 2 at Tye which includes the west part of Tye, gave him 15 write-in votes.

Here in Merkel 46 votes were cast in the school election Saturday. J. W. Hammond was re-elected by 46 votes, and M. H. Ely by 42 votes.

The Trent Independent School District had a total of 36 votes cast. L. P. Halbrook was re-elected with 33 votes and Nolan Duncan was elected as a new member of the board with 22 votes. Charles Hogan was runner-up with 17 votes. There were two members elected.

Two members of the Tye school board, Walter McCartney and Earl Dumas, were re-elected with D. N. Warner being elected trustee for the first time.

Merkel Net Team Captures 3 of 4

Members of the Merkel tennis team captured three of four District 11-A championships here Saturday and earned berths in the regional tournament at Brownwood later this month.

Terry Thomas and Jerry Jones of Colorado City defeated Merkel's Terry O'Brien and George English 6-4, 6-2.

Kermit Rutledge defeated Colorado City's Bud Hart, 6-1, 5-7, 6-2, for the boys' singles crown and Gwen Hagar bested Hamlin's Lulara Dean, 6-0, 6-1, for the girls' singles title.

Nadine Middlebrook and Glenda Pangle teamed to win the girls' double title by defeating Hamlin's Carolyn Barnett and Lavada Teichelman.

It was one of the finest showings and Taylor Refrigeration Cooperatives Badger netters are coached by Gene Bagley.

Teams competing in the district meet were Hamlin, Rotan, Colorado City and Merkel.

Opens Its Heart To Stranded Folks

The friendly town of Merkel revealed its soft heart last week. A man, his wife and three boys were stranded here on Friday when his car broke down. The man had been injured in a mine explosion and was on his way from Arizona to Pineville, Ky.

The Downtown Bible Class contributed \$21, the Methodist Men's Bible Class gave \$10, Rev. H. S. Earp and his Assembly of God Church donated \$10 toward buying bus tickets for the family to go to Pineville.

Bob McDonald cut one boy's hair free, Rev. Aubrey White and family gave the folks lunches, baths, haircuts and gathered clothing and sent them on their way.

Carson Grocery Buys Five Calves

Carson Grocery bought five calves at the show sale in Abilene last week and will have them on sale next week. The calves are being aged two weeks.

Fred Starbuck Is Elected Mayor

Fred Starbuck was elected Mayor Tuesday by voters who cast 204 of 331 votes for the new mayor.

Mayor H. C. West received 104



FRED STARBUCK
... new mayor

Identification Tags Available

Fred Starbuck, Civil Defense director of Merkel, today announced plans for making official Civil Defense identification tags available to all children and adults in this community.

The identification tags are authorized by the Federal Civil Defense Administration and are an important safety measure for everyone, Mr. Starbuck said. They provide quick identification which would be helpful in case of accident, sudden illness or any emergency, including air attacks.

Each tag is permanently stamped with the wearer's name plus the name and address of the person to be notified in an emergency. The wearer's birth date and religious preference also are stamped on the smooth metal tag which is carried on a non-tarnishable chain.

Through special arrangements, instructions for ordering official Civil Defense identification tags may be obtained at displays in grocery stores soon, Director Starbuck said.

He also reported that Civil Defense has tried to put this project into effect for three years but has been blocked by lack of personnel and funds. Recently, however, FCDA secured the help of a large food manufacturer, Pet Milk, in distributing official identification tags on a nation-wide at-cost basis.

Adult tags are 25 cents each. They are 20 cents each for children through the schools.

Presiding Judge Andy Shouse

BULLETIN!

John McKinzie has bought the Ford dealership and took over management Wednesday morning. He is married and has a daughter Donna, 8 years old. He was formerly associated with the Hamlin Motor Co. Paul Honeycutt plans to enter the used car business in Abilene.

Phil Pursley Hurls 2-Hit Game

Coach Tommy Ellis' Badgers, behind the two-hit hurling of Phillip Pursley, defeated the Roby Lions, 4-0, here Monday in a non-district baseball encounter.

While Pursley was gaining the mound decision, Roby's King took the loss by giving up six hits to the Badgers.

No player on either team collected more than one base hit, but it was a two run double by George English in the fourth inning that proved to be the game's big blow with the score all tied at 0-0.

BADGER SCHEDULE

Tues., April 12, Abilene B
Thurs., April 14, Colorado City
Tues., April 19, at Rotan
Thurs., April 21, at Haskell
The Abilene game is non-conference the others are conference games.

Outline Program For Zone Meeting

W. S. Wagley, former president of the Abilene Lions Club, and J. D. Perry, also member of the same club, spoke before the Lions Club here Tuesday on the zone convention of District 2E to be held May 1 and 2 at Abilene.

In the absence of President Isadore Mellinger, Vice President Booth Warren presided.

Vice President Warren appointed a nominating committee: Horace Boney, chairman, Supt. Mack Fisher and Lester Dorton.

The visiting Lions outlined the program for the zone convention and offered books of tickets for registration and activities at \$10 each.

The Fortnightly Study Club is now serving the dinners.

FILLS PULPIT

Dr. W. C. A. Ashford, former pastor of the Abilene Southside Baptist Church, filled the pulpit again last Sunday for Dr. Milford A. Jenkins who was unable to preach. Rev. Sam E. Tullock, pastor, returns April 9 from a revival in Rome, Ga.

reported that the number of votes cast in the election was very large. By 10 a. m. 110 votes had been cast, by 2 p. m. 211, by 4 p. m. 263, by 5 p. m. 304.

14th Coop Meet To Be Thursday

The 14th annual meeting of the Taylor Electric Cooperative, Inc., and Taylor Refrigeration Cooperative, Inc., will be held Thursday, April 14. The meeting will be in the newly completed annex of the cooperative building.

Registration will begin at 9:30 a. m. and the talent contest will start at 10 a. m. From time to time there will be a drawing for attendance prizes.

Special entertainment will be provided through the noon hour by Red Fox and the Fox 4-7's.

The business session will begin at 1:30 p. m.

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

There will be an election of directors to serve through the coming year.

There will be displays of the very latest electrical equipment and appliances.

The finals in the talent contest will take place at 2:30 p. m.

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

OUTSTANDING STUDENT

Fernando Moreno was selected as the outstanding student of the 5th, 6th and 7th grades for 1955. He is from Mrs. Andy Shouse's seventh grade.

TO STATE POST

John D. Coats and daughter Connie of Austin visited over the weekend with his sister, Mrs. Reece Hail, and Mr. Hail. Mr. Coats has been appointed special assistant to State Attorney General John Ben Sheppard. John was born and reared here.

Firemen's Meet Is Next Thursday

The Midwest Texas Firemen's Association semi-annual meeting will be held in Roby on Thursday, April 14. J. Parker Sharp, who formerly was secretary for about 10 years, plans to attend.

Others from here also plan to go.

About 28 officials of the association met here a few nights ago to plan the program for the meeting.

Champion Lamb Sells for \$175

Barry Scott's Hampshire lamb champion brought \$175 at the sale on Wednesday last week at the show in Abilene. The Lydick-Hooks Roofing Company of Abilene bought the champion.

Jimmy Neill sold his second place winner Hampshire lamb for \$150.

Other Merkel buyers of premium stock were the F. & M. National Bank of Merkel, Clyde Eager, Harry Bullock, Merkel Chamber of Commerce and Cramer Reynolds.

Merkel Lobos To Start Training

The Merkel Lobos will start baseball training next Sunday at 1:30 p. m., announced Juan Beria. The Lobos had a very good season last year.

CEMETERY FUND

Below are those who recently donated to the Cemetery Maintenance Fund. Anyone wishing to contribute to this fund may leave contributions at the Farmers and Merchants National Bank. The donors are:

Mrs. Fred A. Baker \$5.00
Mrs. Ray Spurgin \$5.00

Merkel 20 Years Ago

TAKEN FROM THE 1935 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

PLAN BIG PARADE

A street parade of gigantic proportions, starting at 10 a. m. from the rodeo grounds, will inaugurate the 1935 summer program of free rodeo and baseball under the sponsorship of the Merchants Trade Extension association of Merkel on Saturday, April 20.

WOMAN BURNED TO DEATH

Funeral rites for Mrs. Clarence Duncan, whose charred body was found in the burning ruins of a five-room house a mile and a half south of Trent early Wednesday morning, were held in Trent Wednesday afternoon. The residence was destroyed shortly after 4 a. m.

PROJECT WORK STARTS

A work project, employing about 20 men part time for three weeks or more, will start Monday on the school grounds, according to details released Thursday by Assistant County Relief Administrator Tom Durham.

TO GET PRIZES

Rural schools will win prizes by their representations in the big parade. O. R. Dye is parade chairman. He will be assisted by the officers of the association, Henry West, Booth Warren, Dee Grimes and C. J. Glover, as a general committee.

ARE GIVEN A PARTY

The Merkel Grammar School Choral Club was given a party by their director, Miss Morgan, in the

home of Mrs. Mathews Saturday afternoon. Miss Morgan was surprised by a shower of gifts from the club.

BREAKS LEG IN ALL

Woodrow Rogers, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Rogers of Union Ridge, suffered a painful accident while playing ball Wednesday. In a collision with one of his playmates, he fell and broke his leg.

WORK CEMETERY

The mayor's proclamation asking the business houses to close 2 hours, from 5 to 7 Tuesday afternoon, met with loyal response and from 100 to 150 men gathered at Rose Hill Cemetery with hoes, rakes and shovels to give the cemetery a working.

MEET NO OPPOSITION

O. J. Adcock and Fred Hughes were re-elected as members of the board of trustees of the Merkel Independent School District in Saturday's election. Roy F. Reid was elected as a new member to succeed J. E. Richardson, who did not stand for re-election.

RE-ELECT FIRE CHIEF

N. A. Dowell was re-elected chief of the Merkel Volunteer Fire Department at the annual election held Monday night. Ross Ferrer was elected assistant chief; Bill Cox, foreman, hose company No. 1, and Floyd McCoy, foreman, hose company No. 2.

This Happened in Merkel Forty Years Ago

TAKEN FROM THE 1915 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

RETURNING FROM CHINA

Shanghai, March 6, 1915
Mrs. J. H. Counts,
Merkel, Texas.

My Dear Precious Mamma:
For several weeks I have wanted to write but have been in such an unsettled state of mind that I wanted to wait until I could write something definite. However, I wrote Maude and Lydia and also Lou, telling them I was expecting to leave-etc, but at the last moment I failed to catch the boats I was telling them about, as they were full up.

So now, here is the latest information which cancels all other letters. I will sail tomorrow at 6 p. m. on the N. Y. K. Company's steamer, "Mishima Mars," a nice large liner, but under the Japanese flag, and the following points I will pass on my way to New York: Shanghai to Hongkong, Singapore, Penyano, Colombo, Bombay, Suez, Port Said, Marseilles, Paris,

London and then New York.

When I pass through Suez, I expect to stop over in Egypt and go to Cairo and visit the pyramids and then to Palestine where Christ was born and then possibly stop over in Italy.

This will be fulfilling at least one of my ambitions and you need not worry one minute, for I am as safe as can be and perfectly happy and have all of my American passports fixed so no one can stop me. I'll be home in about two months —never to leave again.

Will write you a card or letter along the way. I'll be half home when you get this. I'm so very happy to realize that I'm actually ready to start "home" and be with you and papa that I can't hardly wait. May God protect you all until we meet again.

Your loving son,
Earnest.

NEWS ABOUT TOWN

Mr. and Mrs. Lige Gamble were in Houston over the weekend visiting her mother, Mrs. Bettie Chenuault.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Toombs and Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Demere visited Sunday in Colorado City with Mr. and Mrs. Leon Toombs, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sledge and family spent Sunday in Comanche with her mother, Mrs. J. H. Lloyd. Mrs. Nolan Palmer and Patricia spent the weekend in Austin visiting her sister, Mrs. Dorothy Lloyd. Patricia attended athletic events on Saturday at the University of Texas.

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M. Salter and Miss Sara Aue Salter.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Walters were in Monahans Sunday visiting her sister, Mrs. C. E. Wells, and family.

Harold W. Moore and Miss Agnes Gooch of Abilene visited Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Moore.

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Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Campbell, children and grandchildren of Ft. Stockton visited over the weekend with his mother, Mrs. Lorinda Campbell.

F. C. McCue was in Pyote from Thursday to Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Bowen visited in Ft. Worth Sunday with their son Billy and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Barnett and three children, Katherine, Tommy and Alan of McCamey are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Barnett, over the week end.

TRENT WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION MEETS MARCH 29

A business meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union, First Baptist Church, Trent, was held Tuesday, March 29, at 2:15 p. m. in the church. Mrs. Heatly led in the opening prayer. Mrs. J. D. Manning, president, presided over the business session.

As community mission this month the ladies fixed 10 boxes of homemade sweets and took them

to shut-ins whom they visited. Those present for the meeting and those who visited were Mesdames Heatly, Coper, Y. Sipe, S. Griggens, J. D. Manning, Carl Edwards, Daphne Watson.

The next meeting was to be held Tuesday, April 5, at the church. An invitation was extended to all ladies. A nursery worker was to be provided.

NEWS
County Home
Demonstration Agent
Texas A. & M. College
Extension Service
By YLORETA ALLEN

Mrs. Elmer Patterson, Mrs. Arthur Moore and Mrs. D. I. Davis of Blue Bonnet Club attended a leader training meeting for the program on civil defense. The role of the rural women in civil defense was one topic of discussion. This included such things as what one could do now before disaster strikes, what to do about emergency sanitation at home and fire fighting for the home.

The agent set up an exhibit of food needed each day for three days. Each day's food was checked against the Texas Food Standard to see if it would be a balanced diet.

Don't forget the 4-H "Share the Fun Festival" which will be at Butterfield school Tuesday, April 12, at 7:30 p. m. There will be a senior and a junior division. Club that will have entries are Lawn, Butterfield, Ovalo, Wylie, Elm-dale, North Park and Trent.

The public is invited to attend. The senior club that has the best entertainment will compete with other counties in a district contest May 7 in San Angelo.

MAKE THE MOST OF RICE
Rice is a source of excellent vegetable or incomplete protein, so team it with meat or other animal foods in order to get its full nutritional value.

Breakfast dishes that team these foods together are rice pancakes, rice cooked in milk, rice muffins or plain rice served with an egg or meat.

For dinner or supper, there are dishes such as oriental chicken pilaf, meat sauce and rice, pork chop casserole, rice pudding, rice and fish soup, and many others that combine the cereal and animal proteins.

For a "meal in a soup bowl" try

this rice and fish dish: in a large saucepan or soup kettle, mix together 1 cup uncooked white rice, 1 8-ounce can tomato sauce, 1 1/2 cups uncooked fresh, frozen, or canned mixed vegetables, 1 pound unthawed frozen fish fillets cut into inch long pieces, 3 teaspoons salt, 1 1/4 teaspoon black pepper, and 3 cups water.

Bring the mixture to a vigorous boil. Turn the heat as low as possible. Cover with a lid and leave over this low heat 20 minutes. Add water if a thinner soup is desired.

COMPERE H. D. CLUB MEETS WITH MRS. BETTYE CHANCEY

The Compere Home Demonstration Club met with Mrs. Bettye Chancey on March 24 for its regular meeting. Mrs. Walter Kelso, president, presided. Mrs. Dillard Williams led in singing "America". Mrs. W. S. Allred offered the prayer.

Roll call was answered with a shopping hint. Mrs. Vernon Stanley, secretary, read the minutes and the finance report. She also gave the council report.

"Modeling Our Easter Frocks" in the form of a tacky party will be carried out by each member at the next meeting on April 7 when the club meets with Mrs. C. S. Childers. The time of meeting has been changed from the 14th to the 7th due to the REA meeting falling on the regular club date.

"Using the Kitchen" will be the program by the kitchen leaders, Mrs. Vernon Stanley and Mrs. Bettye Chancey.

Karen Ervin and Nancy Hunter, two Noodle 4-H girls, gave a demonstration on "Cheese Dip" and "Mint Chocolate" which makes a wonderful TV snack.

Mrs. Stanley had charge of recreation. The hostess gift went to Mrs. Kelso. Refreshments were served to five visitors, Karen Ervin, Nancy Hunter, Mrs. Ervin, Mrs. W. S. Allred, Christy Touchstone and club members.

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When heaven comes closer

—AN EASTER MESSAGE

At the Easter Season, Heaven seems to be nearer to earth and the faith and hope of many grows stronger and more vital. It is as if, for a moment, the curtain of worldliness is swept aside, allowing us to see and understand God's mercy and His infinite goodness.

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TO SOUTH AMERICA

Texas cattle brands are becoming a familiar sight in South America.

More and more fine breeding stock from herds in the Lone Star State is being shipped to Latin American countries to upgrade native cattle. A substantial movement was noted in the fall and winter months.

Latin American cattlemen brought to Texas by the State Fair of Texas and the Houston Fat Stock Show proved good customers, made many purchases of top bloodlines.

FOR HOME LAWNS

Home lawns receive an added "punch" if treated in the spring with a complete fertilizer. A 2-1-1 or 1-1-1 ratio fertilizer is recommended. — A. & M.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To any Sheriff or any Constable within the State of Texas — Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for four consecutive weeks, the first publication to be at least twenty-eight days before the return day thereof, in a newspaper printed in Taylor County, Texas, the accompanying citation, of which the herein below following is a true copy.

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To: Thomas Lopez, Defendant. Greeting: YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor

County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 16th day of May A. D. 1955, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 29 day of March A. D. 1955, in this cause, numbered 20-447-A on the docket of said court and styled Dana Lopez, Plaintiff, vs. Thomas Lopez, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and defendant were married on or about December 5, 1952 and lived together until on or about July, 1954. Two Children were born, plaintiff asks for custody of children and a reasonable amount of child support. Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of cruel treatment, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 29 day of March A. D. 1955.

Attest: R. H. Ross Clerk, 42nd District Court Taylor County, Texas By Christine Bower, Deputy. Adv. — April 8, 15, 22, 28.

or disposing of same in a manner to the best interest of the partnership.

The names of all the general and special partners interested therein, distinguishing which are general and which are special partners, and their respective places of residence, follows:

Landrum W. Stanford, Trustee for the Stanley McMurry Trust, special partner, place of residence, Memphis, Hall County, Texas; Helen McMurry, a widow, general partner, place of residence, Abilene, Taylor County, Texas.

The amount of capital which each special partner has contributed to the common stock is \$3,000.00, in cash.

The period at which the partnership is to commence is the 22nd day of March, A. D. 1955, and the period at which it is to terminate is the 6th day of June, A. D. 1958.

This 26 day of March, A. D. 1955. Helen McMurry Landrum W. Stanford, General Partner Landrum W. Stanford, Special Partner. Adv. — April 8, 15, 22, 28.

Legal Notices

THE STATE OF TEXAS

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: W. D. Anderson, his wife, Minnie Louise Anderson, Calude David Anderson, Eunice Pearl Anderson, Della Agnes Anderson, Ethel Clarice Anderson and Edith Clara Anderson; if living and if deceased, their unknown heirs, Defendants. Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two

days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 2nd day of May A. D. 1955, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 14th day of March A. D. 1955, in this cause, numbered 20,411-A on the docket of said court and styled D. W. Harwell and wife, Lucy Harwell and Wylie Harwell and wife, Barbara Ann Harwell, Plaintiffs, vs. W. D. Anderson, his wife, Minnie Louise Anderson, Claude David Anderson, Eunice Pearl Anderson, Della Agnes Anderson, Ethel Clarice Anderson and Edith Clara Anderson; if living and if deceased, their unknown heirs, Defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Trespass to Try Title as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 14th day of March A. D. 1955.

Attest: R. H. Ross, Clerk, 42nd District Court Taylor County, Texas By Irene Crawford, Deputy. Adv. — March 18, 25, Apr. 1, 8.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: May M. Hall, a widow; May M. Hall and husband, if any; or the unknown heirs of May M. Hall, deceased; her heirs, legal representatives assigns or devisees, Defendants. Greeting: YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable

104th District Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 18th day of April A. D. 1955, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 21st day of April A. D. 1953, in this cause, numbered 7218-B on the docket of said court and styled Ida Blair McNeil et vir Emmitt W. McNeil, Plaintiff, vs. Maud Snyder et vir Edwin Richard Snyder, May M. Hall, a widow, Mary Josephine Eresch and husband Frank R. Eresch, Edmund V. White, Jr., W. L. White, Faye C. Perkins, Leon M. Lyon, Eva Mary Lyon, a feme sole, and Jim Horton, Defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Suit to establish the ownership and a partition of the following described property situated in Taylor County, Texas:

Being 78 acres out of the South side of Survey No. 17, Block 18, T&P Ry. Company Land; and 31.7 acres out of the North end of the E. R. Hill Survey No. 12, Block 18, T&P Ry. Co. Land; and 71.5 acres out of the West side of Lot or Subdivision No. 32, League No. 148, Grimes County School Land, being the same property conveyed by Vol. Martin to Mary Ella Martin by Deed, dated November 27, 1928 and recorded in Volume 209, page 572 of the Deed Records of Taylor County, Texas.

The Defendant, May M. Hall, owns no interest in this property, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 5th day of March A. D. 1955.

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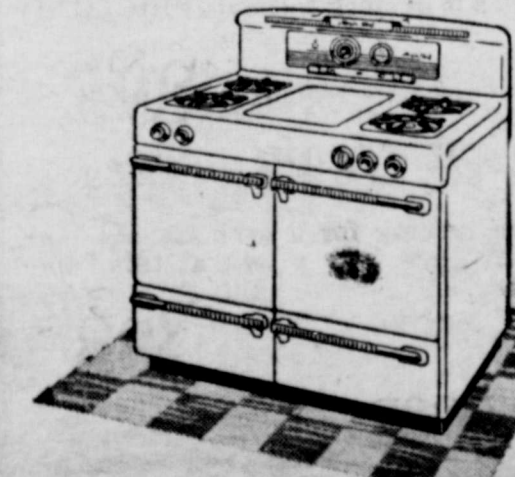


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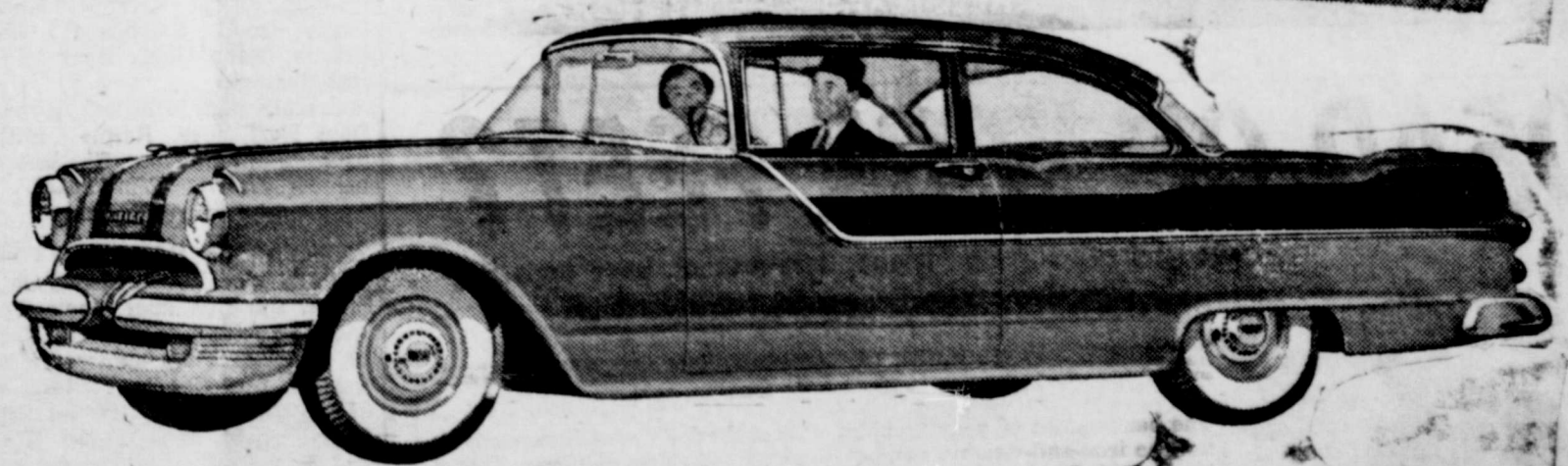
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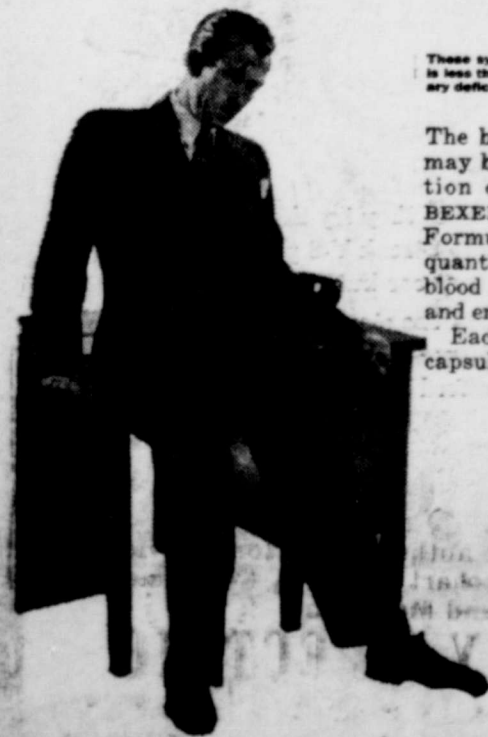
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Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Honeycutt and son Gerald left Wednesday for Denver, Colo., where they will visit her sister, Mrs. Cash Wilemon, and Mr. Wilemon. They will be gone a week.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Clark and daughter, Mrs. Henry Logan, of Yellville, Ark., visited last week with her sister, Mrs. Reece Hall, Mr. Hall and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Clemmer and Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Conley and children returned Monday from a trip to Florida. They visited the Clemmer's son, Capt. W. W. Clemmer, wife and daughter. He is stationed at Orlando, Fla.

Mrs. Bill Nutt and two children of Plainview spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. Edna Horton, and sister Sonja Sue. Mrs. Nutt also visited her grandmother, Mrs. Hugh Campbell, and Mrs. Sallie Moore.

Mrs. Myrtle Walker has returned home after an extended visit with her son Francis and family of Burbank, Calif.

Mrs. Nannie Glenn of Caddo is the house guest of her daughter, Mrs. W. A. Stockbridge, and husband. Other guests Sunday were a brother, Angie Glenn, and wife of Big Spring and a sister, B. F. Collins, and husband of Abilene.

Mrs. Edna McGee was at the flower market in Dallas and Fort Worth over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hodge of Odessa visited here over Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Perry and Lanny, Mrs. Melvin Arrington and daughters, Brenda and Cathy, visited their sister and aunt, Mrs. Owen Hanks, and husband of McCamey over the weekend.

GORDON ELDON PRICE MARRIES MARY JO JONES

Mary Jo Jones was married to Gordon Eldon Price of Ft. Bliss, Texas, formerly of Merkel, March 27, at the First Baptist Church in Hobbs, New Mexico.

The bride's father, Rev. Jesse Jones, read the double ring ceremony.

His parents are Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Price. She is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Jones of Hobbs.

The bride wore a gown of chintilly lace over taffeta. Seed pearls outlined the round neckline. Her fingertip veil of illusion was attached to a tiara of lace and orange blossoms. She carried a white Bible topped with a white orchid.

The couple left on a wedding trip to Ruidoso, New Mexico.

After June 1 they will live in Baltimore, Md.

The bride is a fourth grade teacher at Will Ropers School. She was graduated from Haskell High School and Hardin-Simmons University in 1954. She did graduate work at Colorado State College at Greeley, Colo.

The bridegroom has been in the Army since 1954. He was graduated from Sylvester High School.

MARKA BARNES ENGAGED TO GEORGE T. ROWLAND

Mrs. Leo Schwartz is announcing the engagement of her daughter, Marka Barnes, to George T. Rowland, local florist and son of Mrs. Edna McGee. The wedding date has been set for June 10 at 7 p. m. in the First Baptist Church.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION ENJOYS WAGON SUPPER

The Young People's Training Union Department of the First Baptist Church had an old fashioned church wagon supper April 1 at the home of Gloria Teaff. After supper everyone enjoyed games and TV.

Those present were Glenda Petty, Wanda Bradley, Loretta Henry, Peggy Bond, Kay Teaff, Jerry Gibson, Jerry Miller, Jack Miller, Bill Horton.

Carroll Hays, Phillip Pursley, Dale Neff, Mrs. Ralph Miller, training union leader, Gloria Teaff and Mr. and Mrs. Nim Teaff.

MRS. FRANK CARTER ENTERTAINS GOODMAN CLUB

When Mrs. Frank Carter entertained the Goodman Home Demonstration Club on Friday, March 25, three different demonstrations were given: Noodle Senior 4-H Club bringing two and the club foods leaders, Mrs. Gordon Howell and Mrs. Frank Carter, bringing one.

Misses Myrna and Ann Patterson spoke on "Buying Canned Vegetables." The refreshment plate was served to the four 4-H girls, three visitors, Mesdames Jones, Wheeler and Murfee, one new member, Mrs. H. F. Jordan and 13 members.

The president, Mrs. H. H. Windham, presided. Mrs. J. W. Tiner led in prayer. The recreation leader conducted one simple quiz game. Council report was given by Mrs. Frank Carter. Roll call was answered with "A Thought for the Day."

Minutes were approved. It was decided that the club would try and get up a skit to be put on at the REA program on April 14. Pals were revealed and new names were drawn. The next meeting will be on April 18 at the home of Mrs. Gordon Howell.

TO THE VOTERS

I wish to thank all my friends who supported me in Tuesday's election. Your confidence and friendship shall always be appreciated. My principal interest will always be in Merkel and the welfare of its people.

H. C. West

—Adv.

NOTICE

Due to circumstances unavoidable the Howell Reunion will NOT be held at Trent next Sunday. For 20 years we have met at Trent. Around the last five years we have met at the school house and we extend our thanks to the School Board, also to each one who contributed to our pleasure.

We extend a cordial invitation to our friends in Trent and surrounding territories to meet us Easter Sunday at Cobb Park, Abilene, Texas.

Ben Howell
Anna Mowers
Bessie Billings

—Adv.

MRS. BOWMAN BARLOW ELECTED CLUB PRESIDENT

Mrs. Bowman Barlow was elected by members of Xi Beta Club as the coming president of the group in Provo, Utah. Mrs. Barlow is the former Helen Heeter, daughter of Mrs. Ada Heeter.

ENGAGEMENT OF DELORES WIGGINS IS ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Wiggins, 401 Jeanette St., announced the engagement of their daughter, Delores Annette, to Howard Lee Lang, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Lang, 2233 South 23d St., all of Abilene.

They will be married in late August.

Delores is a great granddaughter of Mrs. W. I. Cogburn of Ft. Worth, formerly of Merkel.

STITH H. D. CLUB PLANS SKIT FOR COOP MEETING

The Stith Home Demonstration Club met with Mrs. R. B. Robbins Monday, April 4, for an all-day meeting to plan a skit for the Taylor Electric Coop annual meeting. A sack lunch was enjoyed by all.

Tex Carson Circus Will Play Here

The first big show of the season, Tex Carson Circus will be here in all its glory on East Highway 80 Friday, April 22.

It consists of the world's finest acts. Miss Dorothy Anderson, the world's greatest girl horseman with her \$10,000 Liberty Act will give daily an exhibition of her ability. The circus carries with it fifty cowgirls and cowboys. The cowboys are headed by the famous movie picture star and famous rodeo expert, Ponca Bill, with his Wild West and congress of rough riders, aerial and acrobats acts, iron jaw women, jugglers, and contortionists, clowns galore, world's greatest fow makers, trained dogs and ponies, Baby Jumbo that conical performing elephant, conceded to be the best trained by man.

Two performances of the circus will be given, afternoon and evening. Doors open at 2 and 8 p. m.

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B. Hunter, Mrs. M. W. Smith. For surgery — Mrs. J. H. Hobbs, Mrs. S. A. Benningfield, J. D. Hughes, tonsillectomy.

STICKER DEADLINE
The 1955 Texas official auto inspection sticker must be on cars by midnight, April 15. Local auto men are approved by the state as official inspection stations.

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SUNRISE EASTER SERVICE

There will be a Sunrise Easter Service at the Grace Presbyterian Church at 6 a. m. Sunday, April 10.

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NITA MOORE ELECTED PRESIDENT OF 7TH GRADE CLASS APRIL 4
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President, Nita Moore; vice president, Cynthia Mewborn; secretary, Fernando Moreno; treasurer, Mary McKeever; reporter, Edith Bagby; parliamentarian and

critic, Larry Seymore.
In the annual April Fool's Day programs, the class won \$2.50 for the play, "The Kalyin Keewee Show." Players were Tommy Hogan and Gary Gray.
Different members of the class made a papier mache bird as Kalyin. Characters in the play were also names of teachers and janitor of the elementary school.

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ALL ABOUT RAIN
A tabulation of information available on rainfall and water evaporation in Texas is given in a recent joint publication of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and Agricultural Extension Service. The 83-page bulletin, "Water Evaporation Studies in Texas" is available from the Agricultural Information Office, College Station. Ask for Bulletin 787. —A. & M.

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Lusty Action Packs Ranch Story

Universal-International's big, lusty Technicolor action drama "Man Without A Star," is one of the most "different" western films it plays Sunday and Monday at the Queen Theatre.

The cast is headed by Kirk Douglas, Jeanne Crain, Claire Trevor and William Campbell.

The sparks that fly across the wide screen when brawling, untamed Mr. Douglas clashes with beautiful but iron-willed Miss Crain are fiery as a 4th of July celebration.

The story, which dwells upon the not-always-legal cattle ranching of Douglas and Miss Crain, is enhanced by some really beautiful outdoor scenes.



By VERN SANFORD Texas Press Association

Two big proposals for the state's water conservation program won in the Senate.

One is Sen. Dorsey Hardeman's \$100 million state bond issue for aid to local projects. It calls for a constitutional amendment vote in September. The other is an enabling bill to start operations if and when the amendment is passed.

House sponsors on this, and on the Parish \$200 million bond bill to aid local projects have delayed calling for final action. They don't think they have enough votes.

Tax Blank

An openly hostile revenue and taxation committee shunted Rep. Jerry Sadler's \$160 million-a-year gas processing tax bill to subcommittee.

It would levy a 1-cent tax on all Texas gasoline and repeal the 4-cent gas sales tax. Opponents said it would bring a 19-cent cut in crude oil prices, costing Texas \$190 million a year.

The billion and a half dollar House general appropriation bill (for two years) was passed by the Senate which substituted its own version.

When the House refused to concur in Senate changes, the way was opened for a joint conference committee to resolve the differences.

Land Cases

Bascom Giles' legal troubles mounted when a group of San Antonio GIs filed a civil recovery suit in 53rd District Court.

Asking \$33,000 judgment against Giles, the veteran charged that he made that much in "personal profit" out of a veterans land deal.

At the latest count, Giles faced two criminal indictments, charging conspiracy to commit theft of state funds and accepting a bribe; four felony theft charges, and four civil recovery suits.

Twice Giles has refused to testify in court about the veterans land scandals and charges against him.

"Open Door" Bills

Attorney General Shepperd has expressed "deep hope that action will be taken on the Open Door to Good Government bills during this session of the Legislature."

Most of the bills have been reported favorably by House committees, he pointed out, but some still are being held for further committee study.

"They are sound, logical proposals to aid better government in Texas, to give the people a bigger voice and to more quickly reveal official wrongdoing," he said.

Shepperd referred to 13 bills dealing with full public disclosure of public records and funds. All are pending in the House of Representatives.

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Carl Smith is now a policeman in Abilene. He formerly worked as a lineman for the Taylor Telephone Cooperative.

CLYDE BARTLETT ATTENDS LUMBERMEN'S MEETING IN FT. WORTH

Clyde Bartlett was at the lumbermen's convention in Ft. Worth Sunday through Tuesday. This is an annual affair.

OIL NEWS

Duncan Drilling Co. of Big Spring staked No. 5 R. L. Bland as a 2,850-foot rotary project three and a half miles southwest of Merkel in Taylor County.

Apache Drilling Co. of Dallas staked two offsets to its recent Palo Pinto discovery two miles southeast of Trent. Both projects are on the L. C. Orsborn lease.

TESTAMENTS GIVEN

Lester Higgs and T. E. McGinnis of Abilene, representing the Gideons International, were here Tuesday morning and distributed Youth Testaments, including Proverbs and Psalms, to all the 5th and 6th grades. There were 122 Testaments given away.

AT PRESBYTERY

L. L. Murray attended the Abilene Presbytery in Post City on Thursday of last week. "We had the best meeting in a long, long time," said Mr. Murray.

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