

# BOND ELECTION IS TOMORROW

## Paka Newby Wins 1st Place

Paka Newby won first place in girls extemporaneous speaking at the regional U. I. L. meet at Brownwood last Saturday. This entitles her to go to the state meet to be held at the University of Texas May 5-7.

Gene Hargrove won third place in senior boys declamation and Joe Cunningham won third place in junior boys declamation.

### GREAT FISHERMAN?

Clyde Bunch stated that he read what Mrs. Jack Bagby said about fishermen and he added, "Jack is a fisherman, a good fisherman. He can catch fish even when there isn't any."

### ENDORSE BONDS

The Chamber of Commerce has approved the school bonds. The Lions Club has endorsed the proposed school bonds.

### BOY TO J. C. HARWOODS

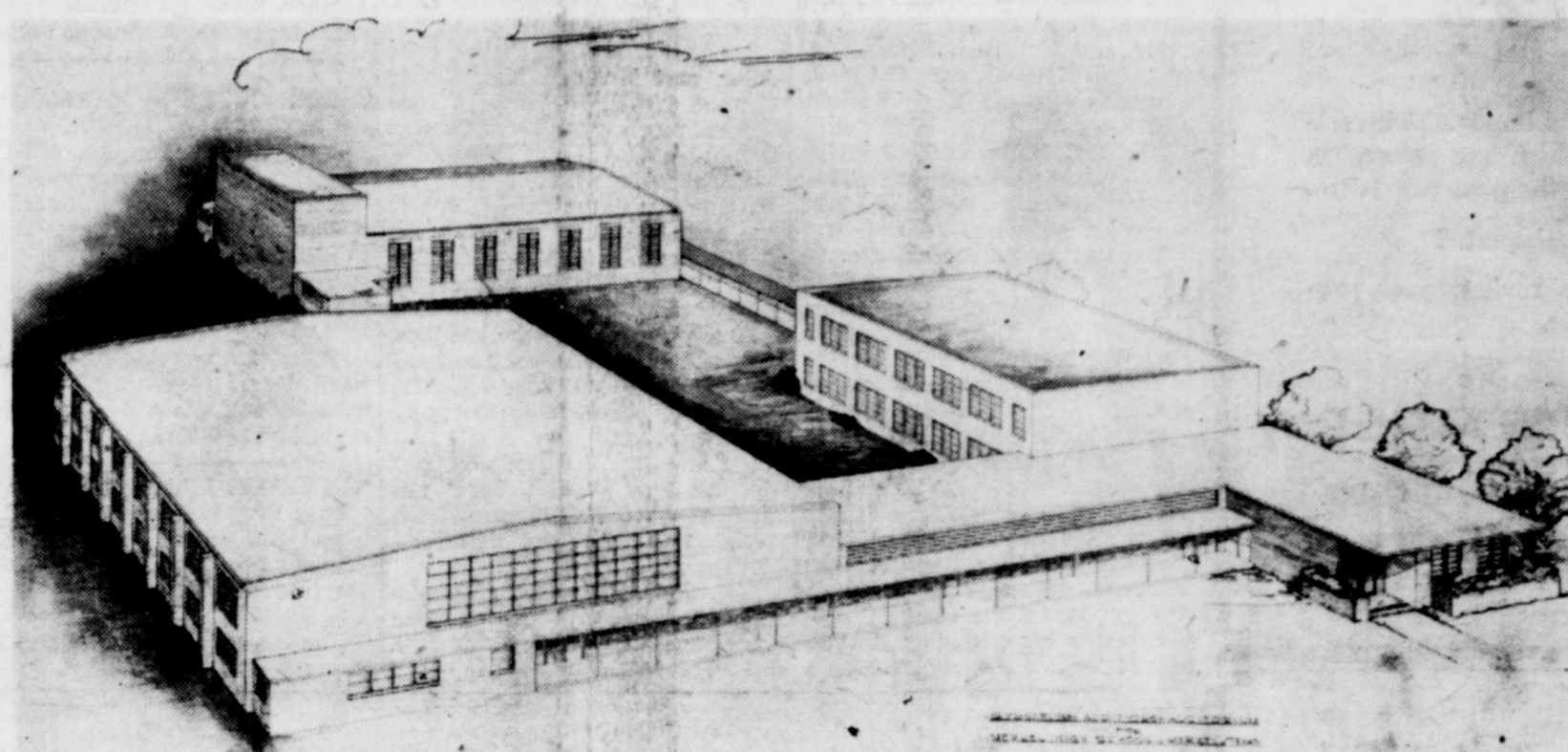
Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Harwood of Winters are the parents of a boy born April 29. She is the former Miss Hortense Reeder, daughter of Mrs. M. G. King.

## Jeanette Lucas Wins 1st Honors

The Noodle High School players took second place at the Regional 2 U. I. L. meet at Brownwood last Saturday.

Jeanette Lucas won first actress honors.

The play was "Dark Wind." The other players were James Allred, Judy Spurgin and Clara Hill. Hervey Latham is director.



This is the architect's design of the proposed Merkel High School new buildings. At left is the gymnasium to hold from 800 to 1,000 spectators. In center front is the agriculture and the science departments.

At the extreme right are the offices, health room and text book room. Behind them is the present high school. A covered passage way leads to the auditorium at the rear, which holds 750 persons.

The auditorium faces north, fronting on third street.

## BULLETIN!

J. T. (Uncle John) Biggs, 91, died at the home of his son Ben in Midland Tuesday night. The funeral is to be held at 2 p. m. Thursday, April 28, at the Merkel Church of Christ with burial in the Rose Hill Cemetery. Minister Ector R. Watson will officiate.

### RAINS 2 INCH

The rain that fell last Friday night measured 2.9 inch, reported Harry Woodrum, weather observer.

The strong wind made it impossible for the Tex Carson Circus to show. One elephant stampeded and left the ground but was found three blocks away. The wagon with the lion cage blew over. A boa constrictor was killed. Three camels found the sandstorm to their liking; they kept right on eating grass.

### WARNS PUBLIC!

Tommy Odum, manager of the Merkel Telephone Company, warns that imposters are representing themselves as telephone inspectors and getting into homes. They have done this here, in Rising Star and in Cross Plains.

"So far no unlawful acts have been committed," said Mr. Odum. "If they come to your home report them at once to the telephone company or the sheriff's office."

### BILLY HOLMESES HAVE GIRL

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Billy Holmes of Anson at the Sadler Hospital April 23.

## Southend Water Tower Is Repaired

The water tower at the southend of town is being repaired. It has been scaled on the inside, the rivet heads and all seams have been re-welded. It is now in the process of being repainted on the inside and relined. Then it will be repainted on the outside.

"This was all done because the tank had begun to leak real bad," said Mayor Fred Starbuck.

### CAR WASHING!

Palmer Motor Company has its own water system and will wash your car any time.—Adv.

# Citizens to Vote On Better Schools

The school bond election will be held tomorrow, Saturday, April 30.

It will be held from 8 a. m. to 7 p. m. at the Welfare Office on Kent Street.

Any eligible taxpayer who has rendered for taxation either personal or real estate property may vote. This includes persons in Jones or Taylor county who are in the Merkel Independent School District and have the above qualifications.

A majority is needed to carry the bonds. The people will vote on the proposed \$300,000 new schoolhouse.

The New Live Oak Baptist Church at North Third and El Paso will hold a revival from May 2 to 9. The evangelist will be Lewis Cass.

Prayer meeting will be at 7:30 p. m. and evangelistic service at 8 p. m. There will be gospel singing and gospel preaching. Visitors are welcome, said Pastor Dan W. Cozart.

## Seven Candidates File for Aldermen

F. C. (Mac) McCue was the last person to file as a candidate for alderman, making a total of seven. The others are Mrs. G. C. McConnell, W. D. Webber, Clyde Eager, O. H. Griffin, T. H. Odum, B. W. Merritt.

The closing date for filing was April 26. The voting date is Saturday, May 28.

## Badgers Blast Rotan 12 to 3

Coach Tommy Ellis' Badgers blasted the Rotan Yellowhammers 12-3 Tuesday night on the local field.

Robert McLeod tossed a three-hitter in five innings, the length of the game. Gail O'Brien caught. Kermit Rutledge paced the Badgers at bat, slamming out a grand slam homer in the first inning and a double in the fifth.

The Badgers lost to Haskell at Haskell Thursday of last week 9-5. Robert McLeod and Barry Scott pitched while Gail caught.

### BADGER SCHEDULE

Fri., April 29, Haskell  
Tues., May 3, Colorado City  
Thurs., May 5, at Haskell.

## Dr. J. H. Chaney Is Named Chairman For Posture Week

Dr. J. H. Chaney is city chairman of Correct Posture Week. Correct Posture Week in Texas is sponsored annually by the Chiropractic Public Health Committee of Texas and will be observed May 1-7. During the period the chiropractors of this area will stress the importance of good posture and its relationship to good health in the hopes of correcting postural faults.

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## Farmers Co-op Elects Officers

The officers of the Farmers Co-op Society No. 1 of Merkel re-elected its officers Dee Teaff, president, M. H. Ely, vice president, L. S. Tipton, Jr., secretary-treasurer.

Two new directors were elected: A. G. Stephens and W. R. Cox. One director was re-elected: L. S. Tipton, Jr.

Morris B. Smith was re-hired as manager. The annual report was read. About 40 persons were present.

## F. C. McCues Had Silver Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. McCue celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary Saturday. They had a big wedding cake for the occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. McCue were married April 23, 1930, in Kalamazoo, Mich., and they came to Texas 17 years ago from Iowa. They had two daughters. One died when six years old. The other daughter is Benina.

## 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:

J. D. (Davis) Beasley . . . \$10.00  
Mr. and Mrs. Pete Morgan 5.00  
In Memoriam for H. B. Leeton . . . 5.00  
Mrs. Fred Hall . . . . . 5.00

## SCHOOLS AND SCIENCE

An Editorial  
There is an urgent need, a vital need for our nation to have plenty of scientists, chemists, physicists, engineers, technical graduates.

Senator Anderson of New Mexico, member of the atomic energy committee, expresses his concern in regard to this lack of scientists. Gen. Thomas D. White, vice chief of staff of the Air Force asserts the United States is "perilously close" to losing its technical leadership.

Russia is NOT asleep. She is awake! She turned out 53,000 engineers last year while the United States graduated just 20,000! Is the United States going to meet the challenge for her own survival? Are the American schools going to do their part?

At present we do not teach physics or chemistry. But we can. We can vote for the school bonds and get the scientific laboratories that will give our students the basis for becoming scientists and technicians that will help our nation maintain its lead, its supremacy in the atomic age.

## Emergency Water Rates Set

Emergency water rates have been set by the City Council and are effective immediately and until further notice.

The rate is \$2.50 for the first 3,000 gallons and is the same as the present rate. It is no increase. For each additional 1,000 gallons the charge is \$2.50. This is an increase.

The city is now receiving five tank cars of water daily six times weekly from Abilene until the water line to Abilene is completed. Mayor Fred Starbuck stated that the cars carry about 8,000 gallons to a car for a total of about 40,000 gallons daily.

## Questions and Answers Concerning OUR PROPOSED SCHOOL BONDS

Question (1): Will the proposed \$300,000 New Schoolhouse Bonds and the refunding of the presently outstanding \$116,000 bonds of the Merkel Independent School District raise the taxes paid by the District's taxpayers?  
Answer: No the present tax rate of the District for bonded indebtedness which is 50 cents will more than take care of the new bonds and the refunding bonds.

Question (2): Why is it necessary to refund the District's present indebtedness of \$116,000?  
Answer: The present debt now matures in the years 1955 through 1959, and is too "short" to allow additional bonds to be issued since the tax levy limit for bonds is 50 cents and the present requirements use up this amount. For example: The 1953 total present requirement is \$37,010.00 and a 50 cents tax on the 1954 assessed valuation of a \$7,884,630.00 raises at 90% collections a sum of \$35,480.84.

Question (3): What is the present % debt of the Merkel Independent School District and how does it compare with other local school districts?  
Answer: The ratio of debt to assessed valuation of Merkel Independent School District is one of the lowest in the area. It is 1.47% at this time.

Question (4): What is the above figure for other area schools?  
Answer: According to the latest published information of the Texas Bond Reporter, in this area there are five over 6%, four over 5% and four under 5%.

Question (5): What will be the debt ratio of Merkel Independent School District if the proposed new issues of \$300,000 is voted?  
Answer: The debt ratio will be 5.27%, which is below the aver-

age. Question (6): Will the issuance of the proposed \$300,000 new bonds effect the operation of the school?  
Answer: Actually the refunding program and new bonds, as proposed, will leave the District with more maintenance and operation funds than it now has since the average annual requirements of the combined refunding and new issue will be somewhat less than the present requirements and a bond tax of approximately 35 cents (based on the 1954 assessed valuation) will service the total combined requirements.

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## Truett Thompson Invited to See Pres. Eisenhower

Twelve American soldiers accepted an invitation from a Soviet soldier group to celebrate in Moscow the 10th anniversary of their link-up on the Elbe River in World War II. This story appeared on the front page Monday of daily papers.

Truett Thompson, office manager of the Taylor Telephone Co., was a member of the 69th Infantry Division that met the Russians on the Elbe River and was a buddy of Joseph Polowsky, Chicago, secretary of the group wanting to make the Moscow trip.

Truett has a letter from Mr. Polowsky inviting him to come to the 10th anniversary reunion in Washington, D. C., this week of the American Veterans of the Elbe River Link-up. He wrote to come and "see the President in the White House Monday."

## Merkel 20 Years Ago

TAKEN FROM THE 1935 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

### 4,000 AT FREE RODEO

Fully 4,000 people were present Saturday to enjoy the first of the series of free rodeos and ball games, sponsored by the Merchants Trade Extension Association of Merkel, and both the rodeo and ball games furnished plenty of thrills.

### USE NEW CHAIRS

Wednesday afternoon at the one o'clock hour Roby High School gave a program in the high school gym. Their program was an excellent one and was well received. For the first time in many years the entire student body of the Merkel Schools were assembled in one auditorium. The board had recently bought 500 new steel folding chairs.

### SIX-BLOCK LONG PARADE

The summer entertainment program of free rodeos and ball games, sponsored by the Merchants Trade Extension Association of Merkel was ushered in with a parade at 10 o'clock Saturday morning six blocks long.

### BROTHER DIES

C. J. Shannon, 74, brother of W. Z. Shannon, died at 7 p. m. Wednesday of last week at his home in Crawford. The brother had gone the previous week to be at his bedside.

### RECORD BIRTHS

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Brown of Blair a girl April 29. Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Johnson of

Stith a girl April 29.

### SWIMMING POOL OPENS

Shannon's Swimming Pool, one of Merkel's beauty spots and West Texas' playground opened for the season last Sunday.

### ON A.C.C. HONOR ROLL

Marshall Stalls, graduate of Merkel High School, who is attending Abilene Christian College, was one of those who made the honor roll, which means a grade of 90 or more, in Bible. His record shows that he is also doing satisfactory work in all other subjects.

### UNION, TYE WINNERS

Union beat Trent 4-2 and Tye won over Divide 7-6 in Saturday's games which marked the opening of the 28-game schedule of the Inter-Community League, sponsored by the Merchants Trade Extension Association of Merkel.

### MRS. M. A. MASSEY DIES

Mrs. M. A. Massey, 82, died Thursday at her home in Stith. After the death of her husband near Bonham, Mrs. Massey moved to this section in 1906 and had resided at Stith ever since that time.

### FRESHMEN IN SPORTS

The freshmen are certainly setting new records in athletics this year. Eight are in suits. They are: K. Pangle, V. Barnett, Duran, G. Barnett, West, W. Adcock, Berryman and Gullion. The first three had first string berths.

## This Happened in Merkel Forty Years Ago

TAKEN FROM THE 1915 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

Saturday afternoon Miss Ruth Jones celebrated her birthday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Jones, on Elm Street. Cake and cream were served.

The playmates enjoying the party were: Ruby Harris, Cora Johnson, Ouida Shannon, Tina Moore, Loel Merritt, Ruth Jinkens, Sybil Evans, Lenora Williams, Loyce Dry, Mollie Sears, Lucile Simmons, Eula Frederickson, Ruby Evans, Ina Mae Adams, Nellie Sharp, Alva and Hazel Bullock, Ruby Lee Warnick.

A conference and teachers meeting of the Presbyterian Church was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. McMillen Thursday evening. Mr. and Mrs. "Mack" invited guests to meet them at Queen's where tables had been reserved.

### YOUR VOTE IS URGENTLY NEEDED! VOTE!

An Editorial  
No doubt the people are overwhelmingly for the school bonds. But you must vote if it carries. If you stay home you may lose the election. Vote yourself and get your neighbors to vote. Your vote is important!

## H. Newby Opens New Barber Shop

Homer Newby opened up his new barber shop Monday. He is located at the corner of the post office building. He invites everyone to come in and see his new shop.

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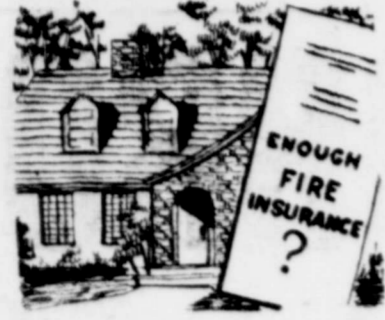


**PICK-UP CATCHES FIRE**  
The fire department made a run to a pick-up that was on fire near

**ANDY SHOUSE**  
—Real Estate—  
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west of Trent at 11 p. m. Sunday. "It was a total loss," stated Fire Chief Waymon Adecock.

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TOMMY ODUM, Manager

**personals**

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Spratlen and Royce visited over the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Spratlen and the Grady Bishops.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Spratlen and Carroll visited his nephew Hershel Gilchrist and family in Hamlin Sunday.

Postmaster and Mrs. Wrenn Durham, Dana and Penny visited her mother, Mrs. Earl Clements, in Brownwood over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Deen of Stamford visited Mr. and Mrs. Homer Newby and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Omar Bishop and family of Andrews and Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Clyburn of Austin spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Truett Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Baker, Jr. visited in Kerrville over the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Melcher.

Mrs. T. C. Elkins of Stephenville spent the weekend with her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Ferguson.

Miss Marka Barnes and George Rowland visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Schwartz, in Dallas, her aunt Mrs. R. K. Richerson, in Fort Worth, and her aunt, Mrs. R. L. Holder, in Santo over the weekend.

Mrs. Bonny Church and three children and Mrs. John Miller of Abilene visited Mrs. E. B. Wallace Tuesday of last week.

Mrs. Beulah Callihan of Fort Worth visited her brother, Earl Baze, and wife over the weekend.

W. T. McAninch went to Fort Worth with his daughter, Mrs. Ed Clappitt, after she visited here a

week. Mr. McAninch spent a week with her and then went to Quitman where he visited three days with another daughter, Mrs. J. M. Taylor. He returned by way of Dallas and stayed there until Sunday with his daughter, Mrs. E. E. Slitter.

Mrs. Edwin Thorn of Albuquerque, New Mexico visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rex Martin over the weekend.

Visitors Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob McDonald were Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Dismuke and children of Ira.

Visitors Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Campbell were Mr. and Mrs. Lon McDonald of Lamesa.

Miss Denta Gibson of Pampa visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dent Gibson, over the weekend.

D. C. Johnson of Memphis, Tenn., visited Monday with his mother, Mrs. Ada Mae Johnson, and aunt, Miss Delia Kuykendall.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Fisher, Billy Allen and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Butman visited in Portales, New Mexico, recently with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Prentiss.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Metz of San Antonio spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Reidenbach. Also Mrs. Reidenbach's sister, Mrs. B. Holland, of Abilene is visiting her this week.

Mrs. W. H. Laney who has been visiting her son Howard and family and a grandson, Robert Bickley and family of Pecos returned home Tuesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dunning and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Reeder and Mike of Fort Worth spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. G. D. McConnell.

Mrs. Z. E. Rainwater of Maplewood, Mo., is the house guest of her granddaughter, Rev. and Mrs. S. E. Tullock, and son Kyle.

Mrs. Bill Uhlman of Llano joined her husband, Rev. Uhlman, here for the revival at the Baptist Church for the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Doan of Abernathy visited their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Price Melton, over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Horton of Abilene visited his mother, Mrs. Hugh Campbell, Sunday.

Bill McDaniel and mother of Midland were Sunday guests of his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. David Hendrix.

Weekend guests of Mrs. Homer Shanks were her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Elvie L. Clemmer, and three children, Elva, Myrna and Lloyd of Stockton.

Carroll Kuykendall of Clyde visited his sister, Mrs. Homer Shanks Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Clemmer of Butman community visited his brother, Elvie L. Clemmer, Friday night at the Homer Shanks home.

**AGNES GOOCH IS MARRIED TO HAROLD W. MOORE**

Harold W. Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Moore, and Agnes Gooch, daughter of Mrs. Gooch of Abilene, were married last Friday at 5:30 p. m. in Weatherford. They will make their home in Abilene.

The couple got their blood tests in Abilene, their marriage license in Baird, got married in Weatherford after a long search for a minister and spent their wedding night in Ft. Worth.

**NEPHEW DIES**

Mrs. W. H. Laney received a phone call last Friday that her nephew, Gib Mearl, of Willpoint had passed away.

You can sure bump into trouble trying to dodge duty.

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**Farmers & Merchants National Bank**

of Merkel in the State of Texas, at the close of business on April 11, 1955 published in response to call made by Comptroller of the Currency, under section 5211, U. S. Revised Statutes.

**ASSETS**

- Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance and Cash items in process of collection . . . . . \$1,416,866.34
- United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed . . . . . 1,000,000.00
- Obligations of State and political subdivisions . . . . . 509,657.38
- Other bonds, notes, and debentures . . . . . NONE
- Corporate stocks (including \$6,000.00 stock of Federal Reserve bank) . . . . . 6,000.00
- Loans and discounts (including \$355.83 overdrafts) . . . . . 643,167.42
- Furniture and fixtures . . . . . 2,500.00
- TOTAL ASSETS** . . . . . \$3,578,191.14

**LIABILITIES**

- Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships and corporations . . . . . \$3,051,768.90
- Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings) . . . . . 21,530.20
- Deposits of State and political subdivisions . . . . . 274,473.41
- Other deposits (certified and cashier's checks, etc.) . . . . . 170.52
- TOTAL DEPOSITS** . . . . . \$3,347,943.03
- TOTAL LIABILITIES** . . . . . \$3,347,943.03

**CAPITAL ACCOUNTS**

- Capital Stock:
  - (c) Common stock total par . . . . . 100,000.00
  - Surplus . . . . . 100,000.00
- Undivided Profits . . . . . 30,248.11
- TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS** . . . . . 230,248.11
- TOTAL LIABILITIES and CAPITAL ACCOUNTS** \$3,578,191.14

**MEMORANDA**

- Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and for other purposes . . . . . 104,000.00
- (A) (1) Loans to farmers directly guaranteed and redeemable on demand by the Commodity Credit Corporation, and certificates of interest representing ownership thereof . . . . . 47,172.44

I, GEO. T. MOORE, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

GEO. T. MOORE, Cashier

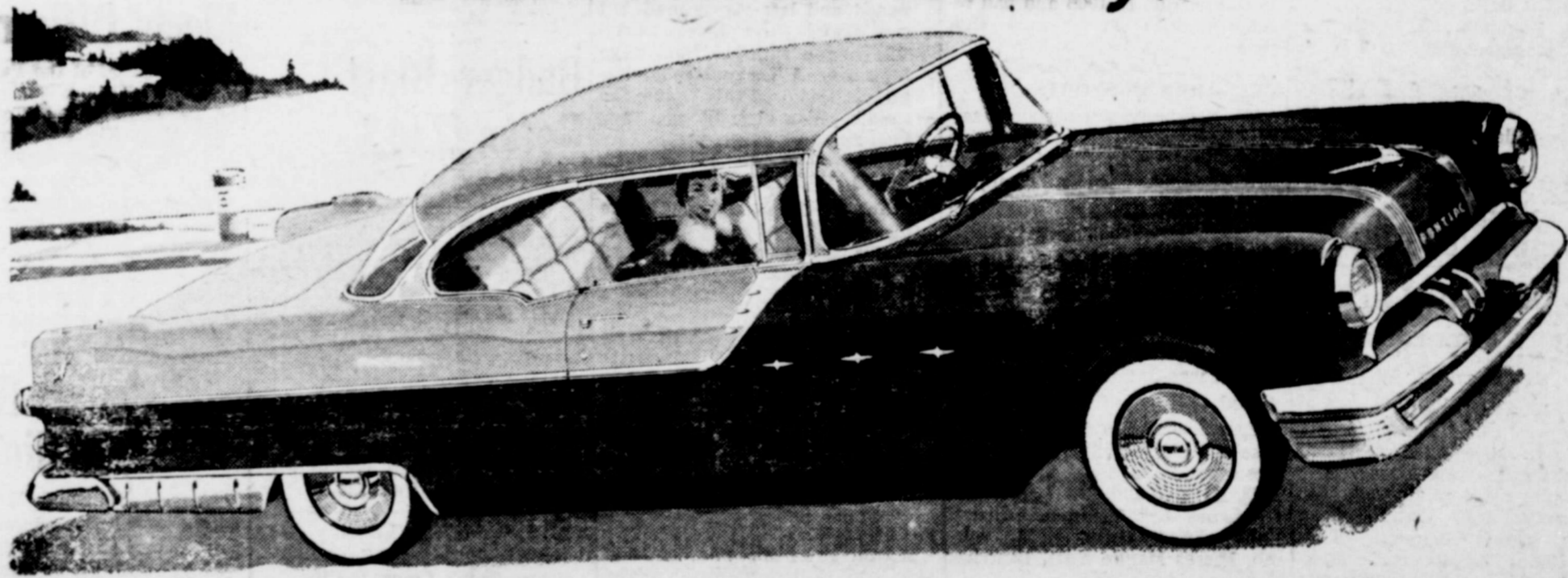
**CORRECT—ATTEST:**  
H. C. WEST  
W. S. J. BROWN  
BOOTH WARREN  
Directors

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF TAYLOR, ss:  
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 18th day of April, 1955, and I hereby certify that I am not an officer or director of this bank.  
(SEAL) BETTY JANE TITTLE, Notary Public.  
My commission expires June 1, 1955.

**JR. R. A. OF TRENT WITH REV. JERGENSEN IN CHARGE**  
The Trent Jr. R. A. met Tuesday of last week at 3:30 p. m. at the church with leader, Brother Gene Jergenson, in charge. The group had 10 present for its program. At the close of the program they played baseball.  
All boys from 9 through 12 are invited to these mission programs.  
Last year, one out of every three pints of blood donated to the Red Cross was provided for national defense use.

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# Let's Make Our Community Better by Our VOTE FOR SCHOOL BONDS

Do you love your children enough to want the best kind of schools for them? Do you want them to have the best that an educational system has to offer?

Do you want our community to have the kind of school system that will attract families here and hold them here, and make Merkel a better place in which to live?

Then vote for the school bonds, bonds that will provide Merkel and this community with schools we need and should have for the progress of our area and for the proper growth and education of our children.

A vote for the school bonds is a vote for our children and a better community. Let's vote for the bonds.

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- Campbell's Grocery
- Max Mellinger
- Badger Chevrolet Co.
- Higgins Blacksmith
- Hicks Auto Supply
- Patterson Bros. Plumb.
- Joyce's
- Wilson Jewelers
- Mina Winter Butane Co.
- Burton-Lingo Co.
- Cyrus Pee, Insurance
- Bragg's

**The Farmers and Merchants National Bank**

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| R. O. Anderson          | Mack's Cleaners       | Walker's Sta. & Groc.  |
| McDonald Barber Shop    | Lemens Butane         | Clyde's Garage         |
| J. L. White, Contractor | Miller Implement Co.  | Texaco Service Station |
| Merkel Telephone Co.    | Merritt Plumbing      | Starbuck Co.           |
| Dairy Bar               | Wood Gro. & Mkt.      | W. W. Webb             |
| Mac's City Drug         | Palmer Motor Co.      | Domino Parlor          |
| The Nook Cafe           | Village Inn Grocery   | Perry Conoco Station   |
| Nook Grocery            | C. F. Curb            | White Auto Store       |
| Higgins Barber Shop     | Higginbotham-Bartlett | Merkel Ice & Groc.     |
| Dudley Electric         | Merkel Farm Machinery | Merkel Co-op Station   |
| Lawson Rest Home        | Ben Franklin Store    | Adcock Cleaners        |
| H. & H. Laundry         | The Merkel Mail       | Woozy's Cafe           |
| Missie's Floral Shop    | Pioneer Theatre       | Happy Snappy Laundry   |
| Merkel Drug Co.         | Queen Theatre         | Kimbell Milling Co.    |

**Homer Newby, Barber**

- Higgins and Bunch
- Bill's Garden Shop
- Nell's Beauty Shop
- John McKinzie Motors
- D & D Station, Hwy 80
- Po Po Cafe
- Truett Perry, Conoco
- Hobbs Electric
- Oak Street Station
- DeLuxe Laundry
- James H. Chaney, D. C.
- Calvin Peterson Motors

**SADLER CLINIC HOSPITAL**



### Muron B. Leeton Dies at Age of 65

B. Leeton, 65, of Odessa was held last week on Thursday afternoon at Rose Hill Cemetery. He died Tuesday of last week in Odessa after suffering a heart attack.

Funeral was held Thursday in the Parkview Church of Christ at Odessa.

Mr. Leeton was born in Oxford, Miss., on April 8, 1890, and moved to Arkansas with his family when he was 12 years old. He became associated with the Gulf Oil Corporation in 1915 and remained with that company until he was retired about six years ago.

Immediately after his retirement he became vice president and general manager of the P. L. and B. Well Servicing Corp., Odessa.

He married Miss Mary Isla McDonald in Vivian, La., Jan. 1, 1914. She is the oldest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McDonald, pioneer Merkel residents.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, James Robert of Ft. Worth, Harold Biggers of Laurel, Miss.; two brothers, Paul of Colton, Calif., Doyle of El Dorado, Ark.; a sister, Mrs. Henry L. Reister, San Bernardino, California.

### Bessie Russell Dies in California

Funeral for Mrs. Bessie Russell, 71, former resident of Merkel who died Thursday night of last week in El Centro, Calif., was held at 2 p. m. Monday in El Centro.

Born in Tipton, Mo., she moved to Merkel in 1899, and lived here until 20 years ago, when she moved to the Imperial Valley in California.

Mr. Russell died 15 years ago, and Mrs. Russell went to El Centro to be with her daughter, Mrs. Jewell Rogers.

Other survivors include one daughter, Fay, and a son, Ross, both of El Centro; three sisters, Miss Sadie Woodrum and Mrs. Adah Heeter, both of Merkel, and Mrs. A. V. Dye of El Centro, Calif.; and three brothers, Harry, Frank and George Woodrum, all of Merkel.

### Margaret E. Moore Is Buried Sunday

Mrs. Margaret Elizabeth Moore, 91, died Saturday at 6:30 a. m. at the Lawson Rest Home.

She lived here since 1937. Funeral services were at 3 p. m. Sunday in the Starbuck Chapel.

Elder W. W. Brown of the Abilene Primitive Baptist Church officiated. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

She was born in Robinson County, Tex. in 1864. She was married to the late J. W. Moore, who died in 1934. Mrs. Moore was a member of the Merkel Primitive Baptist Church.

Survivors include two sons, Arch D. Moore of Merkel and W. C. Moore of Sidney; two daughters, Mrs. Vada Healy of Arkansas and Mrs. L. V. Jones of Monahan; a brother, T. J. McDaniels of Hale Center; a sister, Mrs. J. A. Anderson of Frederick, Okla.; nine grandchildren 14 great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren.

### MRS. J. E. HIGGINS' BROTHER DIES SAT. AND IS BURIED MONDAY

Dr. E. R. Barker, a practicing physician for half a century, died last Saturday at his home in Healdton, Okla. Dr. Barker was the brother of Mrs. J. E. Higgins.

Mrs. Higgins, her husband and H. W. Higgins attended the funeral in Healdton Monday.

### OIL NEWS

Four miles southwest of Merkel, Ultra Oil Co., and O. B. Stephens of Abilene staked No. 1 S. D. Gamble as a 3,100-foot rotary test.

Staked as a 2,600-foot rotary wildcat six miles northwest of Merkel was Killroy Co., of Texas, Inc., of Houston No. 1 Mrs. Nellie Sandusky.

### ALBERT CHANCEY ATTENDS BRAKE SCHOOL IN DALLAS

Albert Chancey of the Badger Chevrolet Company attended a Chevrolet Brake School in Dallas at the General Motors Training Center last week.

### FELDT MFG. COMPANY TO HOLD OPEN HOUSE AT STAMFORD MAY 7

The Feldt Manufacturing Company has moved its factory from Temple to Stamford. Its formal opening is May 7. An invitation has been extended to Max Feldt, president, to citizens of this community to "enjoy the festivities of this day."

Groups and students are invited on guided tours through the plant at any time during the year.

### MISS LAUREL SHERRELL MARRIES JAMES EUBANKS

Laurel Sherrell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Sherrell, became the bride of James C. Eubanks of Baird Saturday evening in the First Methodist Church.

Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. George Eubanks of Baird.

The double ring ceremony was performed by the Rev. Sam Tullock, pastor. Twin candelabra burning white tapers flanked an archway backed with greenery. The arch was decorated with white carnations. Two baskets of yellow gladioli and white statice were featured at the altar.

Mrs. Brandon Wade played organ wedding selections and sang "Whither Thou Goest" and "Because."

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a chantilly lace and net over taffeta dress. Her strapless bodice was topped with a waist length fitted jacket of lace.

Her double tiered veil of net edged in lace scallops was attached to a tiara of net and seed pearls. She wore a gold pin more than 100 years old that belonged to Mrs. W. S. J. Brown. The bride carried white gardenias and yellow statice on top a white Bible.

Bobby Foster was maid of honor.

Flower girl was Christi Touchstone of Hawley.

They went on a short wedding trip to San Antonio.

They will live at 1521 South Third St., Abilene.

A pre-nuptial party honoring Laurel Sherrell was hosted by Mrs. Dwain Jones, 3110 Highland St., Abilene, during the Easter holidays. Mrs. Clyde Bartlett was co-hostess.

### BILLY V. MOSER MARRIES MISS FAY GLEGHORN

Billy V. Moser, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Moser, and Miss Fay Gleghorn of Houston, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Gleghorn, were married in the home of Rev. Tharp of Houston April 19. The bride is employed by the S. W. Bell Telephone Co., of Houston and the groom is serving aboard the U. S. S. K. D. Bailey which is now docked in Boston, Mass.

At present they are visiting his parents for a few days after which they will return to Houston and the groom will leave for Boston.

### TRENT JR. G. A. MEETS AT CHURCH ON TUESDAY

The Trent Jr. G. A. met at 3:30 p. m. Tuesday of last week at the church with leaders, Mrs. D. Watson and Lola Mae Beebe, on the first program. There were 17 present.

The Jr. J. A. will meet each Tuesday at 3:30 p. m. at the church. All girls from 9 through 12 are invited to come and study mission work.

### BLUE BONNETT CLUB MEETS IN HOME OF MRS. J. OLIVER

In the absence of Mrs. R. G. Toombs, president of the Blue Bonnet Club, the vice president, Mrs. Joe Swinney, presided. Mrs. Adrian Farmer, a former member, was honored with a song.

Roll call was answered by each telling what he would do with the 25th hour of the day.

Family fun night was planned for Thursday, April 28, at the Butman Tabernacle, honoring all the old club members and their families.

The club met Tuesday, April 19, in the home of Mrs. John Oliver. Refreshments were served to nine members and two visitors. Mrs. Adrian Farmer and Mrs. W. H. Ensminger, and four children.

The next meeting will be May 3 at the home of Mrs. James Butman.

### N. PALMER ATTENDS CAR RECONDITIONING CLINIC IN ODESSA

Nolan Palmer attended the Pontiac used car reconditioning clinic in Odessa last Friday.

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### QUESTIONS—

(Continued From Page One)

Question (7): Who owns the bonds that are proposed to be refunded?

Answer: The Texas State Board of Education owns them in the interest of the school children of Texas in the State Permanent School Fund.

Question (8): Will the State agree to such a refunding?

Answer: Through its investment counselor, Mr. Vane C. Burnett, it has indicated that it will.

Question (9): What is necessary to refund or exchange State owned bonds?

Answer: Application must be made on an application form provided by the State for "PERMISSION" to refund the bonds.

This permission must be granted first, although the bonds are not actually refunded until action is taken and order passed by the Board of Trustees of Merkel Independent School District.

Question (10): Who will receive the refunding bonds?

Answer: Under the State Constitution the State cannot release State owned bonds for re-sale and therefore they must be returned at the same rate of interest they now bear to the State. This provision is Article 2789.

Question (11): Will the refunding bonds be optional?

Answer: Yes. A 10 year call option is being proposed in the refunding bonds so that the District will have the right to call bonds as surplus money is available.

Question (12): Are the present bonds that are proposed to be refunded optional?

Answer: No.

Question (13): What would happen if oil valuation should drop off appreciably?

Answer: Under the proposed program the assessed valuation could drop off to a value of some \$4,850,000 before the District would reach a point that the needed income to pay the bonds would drop below \$24,250.00 annually. The lower average annual principal and interest requirements under the proposed refunding and new issue therefore offers protection against the District's becoming too nearly obligated up to its maximum limitation of a 50 cents tax for bonded indebtedness.

Question (14): What could the District's protections be in the case that the assessed valuation should possibly fall below a value of \$4,850,000?

Answer: The District, to protect itself against this possibility, has made provision for the new bonds to be optional. Then, in the event the assessed valuation should fall below a figure that is sufficient to pay the indebtedness, the District has the right to call said bonds at par and could refund them to a slightly longer maturity and thereby lighten the requirements.

Question (15): What are the requirements of the State Board of Education with regard to the "eligibility" for bonds for purchase by the State Permanent School Fund?

Answer: The Constitution of the State of Texas gives an option to the State Permanent School Fund to take, at the State Board's option, bonds wherein the total debt, including the new proposed issue, falls below 7% of the total assessed valuation of the municipality and the bonds do not bear less than 2 1/2% rate of interest. This total debt figure for the Merkel Independent School District would be \$551,924.10. Any bond issue falling within the above qualifications is considered to be a good investment for the benefit of the fund, and the State has the option of purchasing or waiving the issue for the State Permanent School Fund.

J. BROWN, D. B. DuBOSE AT 2-DAY MEETING AT TRAINING CENTER

John Brown and D. B. DuBose of the Palmer Motor Company attended a two-day meeting at the General Motors Training Center in Dallas this week.

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### Man Called Peter Is Tonic for All At Queen Theatre

"A Man Called Peter," Twentieth Century-Fox's CinemaScope production of Catherine Marshall's inspirational book which plays Sunday and Monday at the Queen Theatre, is a tonic for your heart and soul.

Everyone who sees it will be a better person for having witnessed this story of a Scottish immigrant boy, whose conscience would permit no compromise with principles who fought his way upwards into the love and affection of the America he adopted, who became famous, but remained humble, and who left the world a better place for his having toiled in the vineyard of human uplift.

It is the story, too, of the girl who loved him and shared an emotional life that will inspire everyone to learn how really deep love can be.

### "Untamed" Packs Power, Passion At Queen Theatre

Produced in CinemaScope with color by DeLuxe and starring Tyrone Power, Susan Hayward and Richard Egan, "Untamed" comes with built-in name power, and will fully impress all who are drawn to it at the Queen Theatre Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

The story of the irresistible passion of a headstrong Irish girl for a leader of the Boers, set in the middle of the 19th century, "Untamed" was largely filmed in its actual South African locations which remain unchanged by time.

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### Hospital Notes

Admissions to the Sadler Hospital the past week were:

As medical patients — R. E. McClure of Sweetwater, Mary Outlaw, Mrs. A. C. Bland, Jr., Mrs. J. S. Thompson, Shown Boyd, 15-month old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Boyd of Abilene, Jan Case of Abilene, Mrs. F. M. Cordell, Lola Loflin, Dan Butler, Mrs. Bill Peterson.



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- 1949 Pontiac "8" 2-Door Black color. Radio, heater, new motor overhaul. Real nice. \$445
- 1951 Plymouth 2-Door Cambridge. New paint, etc. A steal. \$495
- 1951 Kaiser 2-Door Radio, heater. One owner. Only 38,000 miles. \$365
- 1950 Chevrolet 4-Door Heater, good body. Good tires. Only \$395
- 1948 "8" Sedanette Hydromatic drive, radio and heater. Only \$165
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**NOTICE O. E. S.**  
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Una Mae Hays, W. M.  
Fern Windham, Sec.

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**NOTICE MASONS**  
Stated meeting of Merkel lodge No. 710, A. F. & A. Saturday, April 30, at 7:30 p. m. All members are urged to attend. Visiting brethren cordially invited.  
D. R. Butler, W. M.  
Truett Thompson, Sec'y.

**FOR SALE**

FOR SALE — 2 used air conditioners. Size 2500 RPM. See Ray Wilson. **t6c.**  
FOR SALE — Nice 3-bedroom house at \$4,500, one 2-bedroom house at \$3,250. Dowdy & Toombs. **t6c.**  
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**LOST** — One 750x20 spare tire in the Truby community Tuesday morning. Reward. Finder please call 6142 Noodle collect. Noodle School District. **117c.**  
**LOST** — WHITE FACE bull calf. Strayed from place 3 1/2 miles north of Trent. Reward. Mina Winter. **315c.**

FOR BATTERY service, day or night, call 228 or 397R. White Auto Store. **t6c.**

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FOR RENT — The Denson's house, 5 rooms, furnished, close in. Phone Abilene 32057. **117p.**  
FOR RENT — Furnished Bedroom with private bath. 301 Oak St. Mrs. Hunter. Phone 63W. **317p.**  
FOR RENT — 3-bedroom apartment, furnished or unfurnished. Also bedroom for rent, north and south exposures. Mrs. Hester Greene. **316c.**

FOR SALE — Used 9-ft. Servel. Big bargain. \$29.50 phone 255. Calvin Peterson. **315p.**  
FOR SALE — Gas Heater 65,000 B.T.U. Will heat 4 rooms, really throws the heat. Also breakfast table and 2 chairs. Some lumber. Bargain. Merkel Mail. **313p.**

**FOR RENT**

FOR RENT — Two 2-bedroom house, one 3-room garage apartment. Dowdy & Toombs. **t6c.**  
FOR RENT — 3-room furnished apartment. Mrs. Lester Blair, 205 El Paso. **316p.**  
FOR RENT — Duplex apartment, modern, 4 rooms and bath, unfurnished. See Ray Wilson. **t34c.**

WE HAVE SEVERAL repossessed TVs to choose from. Some are real bargains. See them soon at Badger Chevrolet Co. **t11c.**

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FOR SALE — Second hand sheet iron. George Woodrum. **117p.**  
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FOR SALE — Good used tires and tubes. White Auto Store. **t7c.**  
GOOD SELECTION, patterns and colors of linoleum rugs. White Auto Store. **t6c.**  
FOR SALE — I have plenty of Queen Wreath Bulbs. 4 for \$1.00. Mrs. Lee Cox, 404 Locust. **316p.**

FOR SALE — 1 new Kelvinator 15-ft. deep freeze. Below cost. Make us an offer. Badger Chevrolet Co. **t47c.**

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WE have Thank You notes and Thank You Cards. See at the Merkel Mail.

FOR SALE — We are now delivering milk on route 7 days a week. 22c per quart. Would like a few more customers. Phone 9011JL, Higgins and Son. **t11c.**

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**WORTHY GRAND MATRON WILL VISIT LOCAL O. E. S.**

Eunice Connell, worthy grand matron of the Grand Chapter of Texas, O. E. S., will make her fraternal visit to the Merkel Chapter No. 212 O. E. S. May 5 at 8 p. m. in the Community Center.

Other grand officers are expected from far distances. The Merkel chapter will be host for a covered dish luncheon at 6:30 p. m. in Edd's Cafe honoring the grand officers. A program is planned, also a drill by the local chapter.

Merkel chapter has had only two fraternal visits by a worthy grand matron. The last visit was 25 years ago. "It is a great honor to the Merkel chapter to have her make this visit," said Una Mae Hays, local worthy matron.

The worthy grand patron, Chauncey E. Penix of Graham, is also invited.

**BIDS WANTED**  
For Sale — One Aerometer Windmill and Tower, also pipe and sucker rod and cylinder. Bids will be accepted for both or separate. Bids must be in by 7 p. m. Monday, May 2. Send bids to W. E. Williams, Supt., of Schools, Trent, Texas. —Adv. **117c.**

**AFFIDAVIT OF LIMITED PARTNERSHIP**

We, the subscribers, have this day entered into a limited partnership agreeably to the provision of the Revised Statutes relating to limited partnerships; and do hereby certify that the terms of our said partnership are as follows:

Art Carmichael, as special partner, and John McKinzie, as general partner, on April 6, 1955, entered into a partnership business at Merkel in Taylor County, Texas, known as John McKinzie Motors, for the purpose of buying and selling automobiles, automobile parts, accessories, et cetera, which partnership is to continue for five years.

That Art Carmichael, special partner, contributed \$14700.00 and John McKinzie, general partner, contributed \$15,300.00, all in cash, and the profits and losses, if any, shall be shared proportionately to the investment of each party.

Witness our hands this 6 day of April, 1955.

John McKinzie  
John McKinzie, general partner  
Art Carmichael  
Art Carmichael, special partner  
Adv. — April 22, 29, May 6, 13.

**THE STATE OF TEXAS**

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Taylor County, Greeting:

Thelma Mae Jackson, Guardian of the Estate of N. G. Robinson having filed in our County Court his Final Account of the condition of the Estate of said G. N. Robinson numbered 4015 on the Probate Docket of Taylor County, together with an application to be discharged from said Guardianship.

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED. That by publication of this Write one time and said publication shall be not less than ten days hereof, May 9, 1955 in News-paper printed in the County of Taylor you give due notice to all persons interested in the Account for Final Settlement of said Estate, to appear and contest the same if they see proper so to do, on Monday the 9 day of May A. D. 1955, at the Court House of said County, in Abilene, Texas, when said Account and Application will be acted upon by said Court.

Given under by hand and seal of said Court, at my office in the City of Abilene this 12 day of April A. D. 1955.

(SEAL)  
Mrs. Chester Hutchison  
Clerk, County Court Taylor County  
By Maxine Hobbs, Deputy

I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Original Write now in my hands.

Ed Powell  
Sheriff Taylor County  
By V. Wolf Deputy  
Adv. — April 22, 29, May 6, 13.

**PERSONALS**

Mrs. A. L. White of Lamesa is visiting her son, Rev. Aubrey White, and family and will be here until Mother's Day.

E. P. Farmer was in near Lubbock to look over his farm Sunday. It was dry and windy there and irrigation wells were being brought in west of his place.

Mr. and Mrs. Frazee Demere had as guests Sunday her nieces from Sweetwater, Mrs. N. D. Reeves and daughter Jo and Mrs. Ada Hefflin.

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Oliver and daughters, Marilyn and Sherylin, and Don Oliver of Midland visited in the John Oliver home and the Jack Wisenhunt home over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Simpson had as their guests last week Mr. and Mrs. Frank Simpson, Jr., and daughter Debbie of Houston, Mr. and Mrs. James M. Renn of Hope, Va., and Mrs. S. D. Simpson of Bastrop.

Dr. and Mrs. J. T. McRee of Longview visited his sister, Miss Mabel McRee, over the weekend.

**Little League Roster Announced**

The 1955 Little League roster has been announced, stated Norman Winter, president of the league. The managers and their players are:

Bankers — Mack Springer, Mgr., Dwain White, Brown Higgins, Larry Dudley, Johnny Heatley, Phil Seymour, Jimmy Sledge.  
Mack Mansfield, Tim Martin, Stanley Harris, Lonnie Denman, Jimmy Carey, Jerry Greene, Gary Beard.

Craig Jones, Wayne Hester, Eugene Kegan, Johnny Odum, Tommy J. Higgins, Craig Littin, Dewell Burden, Larry Omen, Richard Owen.

Hodge Palmer — Don Dudley, Mgr., Lester Dorton, Robert Higgins, Farris Neff, Glyndol Payne, Danny Doan, Walter Harris, Johnny Swinney.

Pedro Ybarra, Charles Russell, Tommy Hogan, Ronnie Barnett, James Manning, Glynn Melton, Danny Bagby, Alan Doan, Johnny Harris, Gary Hendricks, Richard Manning, Johnny C. Curb, Mack Dorton, Jack Reynolds, Tommy Toombs, Wendell Doan.

Star-Pats — Harold Reynolds, Mgr., Firmin Hernandez, Don Wilks, Kenneth Hogan, Kenneth Hays, Jeff Smith, David Scott, Bob Benson.

Pat Lucas, Larry Lucas, Vernon Wade, Kent Denton, Alan Tittle, Kenneth Duncan, John Tittle, Carvel Clark, Larry Howard, Frankie Luma, Larry Hargrove, Robert Shouse, Weldon Tittle.

Willie Wired Hands — Walter Whisenhunt, Mgr., Gary Keese, Mike Carey, Hollis W. Mitchell, Keith Claborn, David Loflin, Mike Lucas, Raymond Rister.

Jack Chancey, Clarence Harris, Jerry Lucas, Freddie E. Toombs, Keith Wilson, Frosty Winter, David Hammond.

Ricky Keese, Floyd Lucas, Rodney Robertson.  
Boys who were on the 1954 WW Hands Roster and are still eligible will remain on the WW team for 1955.

Mrs. W. D. Clement and boys of Snyder also visited part of last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Caldwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Benny Anderson spent Friday with her brother at Sylvester as it was his birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dell Herring of Hereford visited his sister, Mrs. John Thompson, and niece, Mrs. Robert Wyach.

The P.T.A. put on four one-act

it of the product, the background and experience of the officers.

With the co-operation of Stamford, and the trade territory residents and others, Mr. Feldt stated that the new arrangements would be productive of sufficient working capital to get the company on a larger substantial production basis in a very short time.

**NOODLE NEWS**  
Several from the Noodle Baptist Church attended the workers conference at Bethel, east of Anson, Tuesday night.

Mrs. Bert Nolan, Mrs. Charlie Jones and daughter of Merkel visited Mrs. George Cooper Wednesday.

Mrs. Life Wade visited Mrs. Waldo Cox Wednesday.

Miss Margaret Arnold, nurse from Hendrick Memorial Hospital, spent Thursday night with Joan Maxwell.

Mrs. Daryl Wood, formerly of El Paso, has come to stay with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Caldwell. Her husband has been stationed at Ft. Bliss for 18 months but has now gone to South Carolina.

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- Little Boy Blue (Engelmann) Gayle and Lonnie Harris
- Betty and Bill (Thompson) Ann Tipton
- To and Fro (Allison) Kay Lynn Bagby
- Song of the Seesaw (Risher) Dick Leach
- March of the Boy Scouts (Wright) Johnny Odum
- Mr. Cricket Plays His Fiddle (Arnold) David Loflin
- Fairy Queen Waltz (Raezer) Aleta Scott
- Morning Call (Hanson) Nita Williams
- Waltz Me Around (Woozencraft) Lynn Gamble
- Sweet Violet (Smallwood) Donna Rutledge
- Pomp and Pageantry (Cobb) Patsy Harris
- The Water Mill (Spaulding) Nancy Jack Teaff
- Tommy's New Drum (Preston) Carolyn Bond
- Lily Pads (Locke) Joan and Haroldine Reynolds
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- Dance of the Wood Sprites (Forman) Joan Reynolds
- Esconaise (Beethoven) Betty Odum
- Pattering Raindrops (Anthony) Stanley Harris
- Silver Slippers (Steadman) Janet Thomas
- Vale of Song (Rolfe) Shirley Carey
- Elfin Frolics (Lamont) Kathleen Hagar
- Salute to the Colors (Anthony) Haroldine Reynolds
- The Merry Farmer (Schumann) Gayle Harris
- Valse Petite (Ketterer) Nita Moore
- Dancing Flowers (Holst) Linda, Lola and David Loflin

May 3, 1955, 8 p. m.

- Parade of the Wooden Soldiers (Jassel) Linda and Lola Loflin
- Cadets on Parade (Ketterer) Karen Irvin
- Gertrude's Dream (Beethoven) Danny Harris
- Tango Time (Burnam) Sue Bond
- Le Carillon (Ringuet) Gailyn Steadman
- Cadets on Parade (Rolfe) Becky Ray
- Off to Camp (Eckstein) Edith Bagby
- First Waltz in Eb (Durand) Kay Wallace
- Sonata No. 2, Allegro (Mozart) Ann Benson
- Rippling Waters (Anthony) Martha Perry and Lonnie Harris
- The Butterfly (Merkel) Janie Robinson
- Sad Thoughts of Thee (Alloways) Virginia Criswell
- A Morning in the Woods (Spenser) Linda Leach
- Majesty of the Deep (Hammer) Jocille Thompson
- Sonata in C, Allegro, Andante and Rondo (Mozart) Judy Steadman
- A. Weber's Last Thought (Weber) Janice Windham
- B. Russian Dance (Engelmann) Janice Windham
- Magic Flute (Mozart) Judy Steadman, Jocille Thompson and Mrs. Earthman

**Herbert Gordon To Head Finance Dept. of Feldt Co.**

Herbert Gordon, corporate financier, who has a splendid record of achievement in financing corporations, is in Stamford now to assist the Feldt Manufacturing Co., Inc., in disposing of its treasury shares and bonds, according to Max Feldt, president of the Feldt Manufacturing Co., Inc.

It was pointed out by Mr. Feldt that "Treasury Shares" will be offered first to resident of county and trade territory. Mr. Feldt further stated that Mr. Gordon will act as director of sales in the Securities Division of the Company.

"Mr. Gordon comes to Stamford well recommended," Mr. Feldt added, "having completed several issues in the east and middle west.

"We were very fortunate in securing the services of Mr. Gordon," Mr. Feldt stated, "because he chose the Stamford opportunity over a number of other offers that were extended to him at this time, chiefly because of the mer-

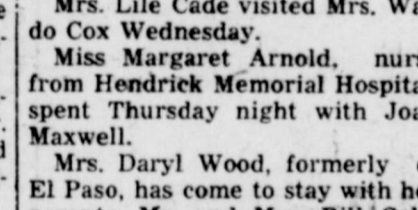
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**MRS. SHOUSE'S 7TH GRADERS ENJOY ANNUAL PICNIC**

Mrs. Andy Shouse's 7th grade held its annual end of school picnic last Friday. The class reserv-

ed the Trent Skating Rink where they skated for almost two hours.

From there they went to the roadside park for a chicken supper. Mrs. Shouse, the room moth-

ers and other mothers accompanied the class. Everyone had a very pleasant time.

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**W. M. U. OF TRENT MEETS AT CHURCH ON TUESDAY**

The W. M. U. of the First Baptist Church of Trent met at the church Tuesday, April 19, at 2:15 p. m. The meeting opened with singing and the prayer was led by Mrs. Y. Sipe.

Mrs. J. D. Manning had charge of the business session. The W. M. U. voted to meet next Tuesday beginning at 3:30 p. m. Mrs. Elizabeth Duncan finished the book "Under the North Star" as the mission book with everyone enjoying it.

Those present were Mesdames Gene Jergenson, A. C. Heatley, Yale Sipe, James Isabell, Elisebeth Duncan and J. D. Manning.

In the old days when a youth started sowing wild oats, father started the thrashing machine.

**LEGAL NOTICE**

We, the subscribers, have this

day entered into a limited partnership agreeably to the provision relating to limited partnerships; and do hereby certify that the terms of our said partnership are as follows:

STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF TAYLOR

This is to certify that the undersigned are forming a limited partnership, and the undersigned represent the following:

A. The name under which the partnership is to be conducted is E. M. Bailey, Contractor, Limited.

B. The general nature of the business to be transacted is general concrete contracting.

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

E. M. Bailey, general partner, of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas; Bobby Gipson Bailey, special partner, of Abilene, Taylor County,

Texas; Mary Earlene Bailey Kent, special partner, of Rollo, Missouri. D. The amount of capital which each special partner has contributed to such partnership is \$3,000.00 in cash. E. The period of the partnership is to be from the 1st day of April, 1955 to the 31st day of March, 1975. /s/ Mary Earlene Bailey Kent /s/ Thurman H. Kent, Jr. /s/ E. M. Bailey /s/ Bobby Gipson Bailey Adv. — April 22, 29, May 6, 13.

**SHERIFF'S SALE THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF TAYLOR**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That by virtue of a certain Writ of Execution issued out of the Honorable County Court of Taylor County, Texas, of the 9th day of February 1955, by the County Clerk of said Taylor County for the sum of Seven Hundred-Fifty-seven and 75/100 Dollars and costs of suit, under a Judgement, in favor of Charles L. Smith in a certain cause in said Court, No. 11,654 and styled Charles L. Smith vs. Clark P. Chandler, placed in my hands for service, I Ed Powell as Sheriff of Taylor County, Texas, did, on the 25th day of March 1955, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Taylor County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: Tract No. 1—Forty (40) acres out of the West 1,000 acres of the Andrew Winter Survey, Abstract No. 432, Taylor County, Texas, Beginning at a point South 88 Degrees West, 2640 feet from the Southeast corner of the 1,000 acre tract; Thence South 88 Degrees West 1320 feet; Thence North 1320 feet; Thence North 88 Degrees East 1320 feet; Thence South 1320 feet to the place of beginning and containing forty (40) acres.

Tract N. 2—Eighty (80) acres out of the West 1,000 acres of the Andrew Winter Survey, Abstract No. 432, Taylor County, Texas, Beginning at the Southeast corner of the said 1,000 acre tract; Thence South 88 Degrees West 2640 feet; Thence North 1380 feet; Thence North 88 Degrees East 2640 feet; Thence South 1320 feet to the place of beginning and containing eighty (80) acres. Tract No. 3

All of Blocks 3 and 7 in the Borden Havens addition to the town of Lawn, Taylor County, Texas, as shown on the Platt Records of Taylor County, Texas, and levied upon as the property of Clark P. Chandler and that on the first Tuesday in May 1955, the same being the 3rd day of said month at the Court House door, of Taylor County, in the City of Abilene, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said Execution I will sell said above described Real Estate at public venue, for each, to the highest bidder, as the property of said Clark P. Chandler.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Merkel Mail, a newspaper published in Taylor County, Texas, my hand, this 4th day of April 1955.

Ed Powell  
Sheriff Taylor County, Texas  
By V. Wolf Deputy.  
Adv. — April 15, 22, 29.

**THE STATE OF TEXAS**

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

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

which the herein below following is a true copy. CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS To: 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, in 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 filed 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 29 day of March A. D. 1955.

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

**LEGAL NOTICE**

We, the subscribers, have this day entered into a limited partnership agreeably to the provision of the Revised Statutes relating to limited partnerships; and do hereby certify that the terms of our said partnership are as follows: "THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF TAYLOR

This is to certify that the undersigned are forming a limited partnership, and that the name or firm under which the partnership is to be conducted is McMurry & Company, Ltd.

The general nature of the business to be transacted is the trade, business and occupation of buying land and erecting residential houses thereon, and selling same or disposing of same in a manner to the best interest of the partnership.

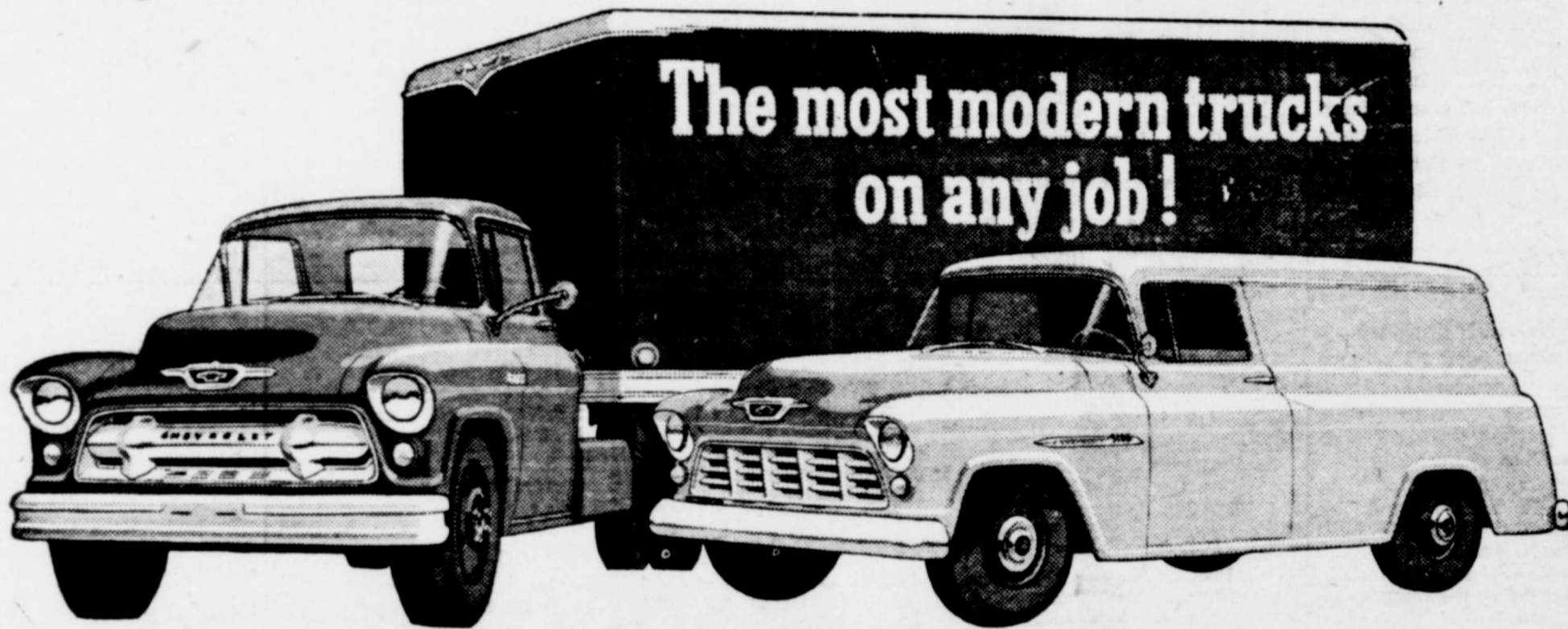
The names of all the general and special partners interested therein, distinguishing which are general and which are special partners, and their respective places of residence, follows:

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.

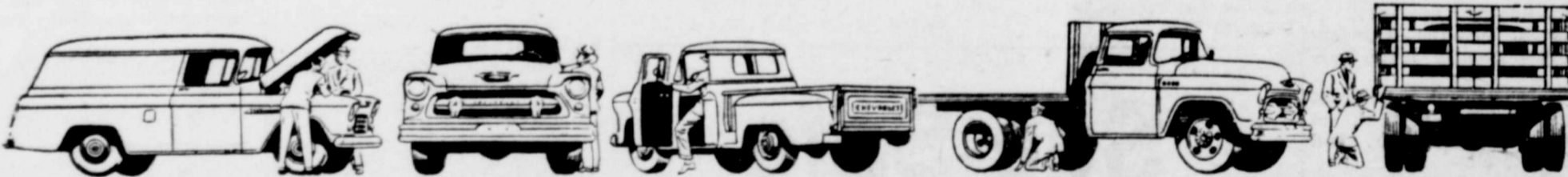
The period at which the partnership is to commence is the 22nd day of March, A. D. 1955, and the period at which it is to terminate is the 6th day of June, A. D. 1958."

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



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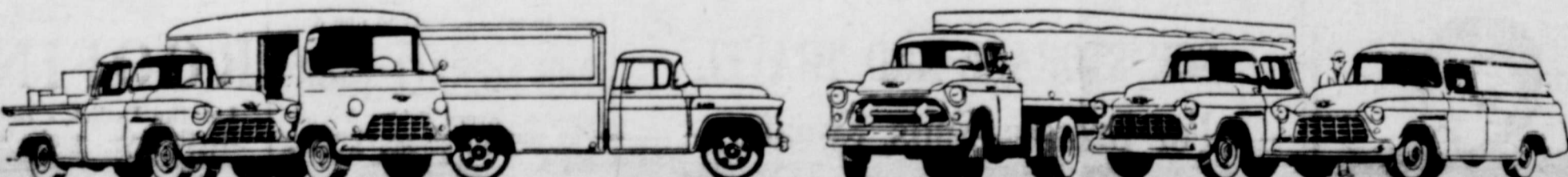
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**EDITORIALS**

**BETTER SCHOOLS**

The citizens of Merkel will have a chance Saturday to vote on whether or not they wish to expand our present school system.

It is proposed that we build a new gymnasium, additions and improvements to the present high school which would add three or four additional classrooms, an auditorium equipped with regular auditorium seats and large enough to meet the needs of the school and community and demolishing the old grade school and keeping most of the lumber and bricks for other building improvements to be made in the future.

There are two questions that arise in considering this expansion of the school system:

- (1) Is it needed?
- (2) Will it raise taxes?

The old gymnasium was put up 20 years ago. You can read about it in the 20-year-ago column. It was good for its time and period. It has been put to good use. But times have changed.

Repairs are sorely wanted. Improvements are cryingly needed. A new gymnasium is the natural answer to this. We advocated this over a year ago when we saw what other school systems were offering.

We are the only school in our district that does not have a modern gymnasium.

The local high school has not been offering the science work that other modern schools are offering. The additions and improvements would allow for regular laboratory rooms for the teaching of physics, chemistry and biology. It

would allow for a complete home-making department: a sewing room and a cooking room.

That a new auditorium is needed is self-evident.

Taking the high school freshman class as a yardstick it can be seen that the high school will be overcrowded in 1962 unless something is done NOW.

All this is foreseen without allowing for the natural growth of the town.

The need for the expansion is definite and demanding.

Will it increase taxes? Five major investment companies, who look before they invest their money, said specifically that it will not raise present taxes.

Merkel is bound to grow, to progress, to go forward. The new Air Base will help in this growth. The new Chamber of Commerce will speed this growth. The businessmen of the town are spurring on this growth.

Merkel took the first step in its growth by voting for the new water pipeline. It can take its second step by voting for the new school expansion.

This is not only a vote for a bigger and better school system, it is not merely a vote for a bigger and better Merkel, it is not just a vote for a bigger and better community. It is a vote for our children, giving them the kind of school system modern schools are giving their students.

Vote for the school bonds, vote for the town for the children. Let's build a progressive Merkel—for ourselves, for our children, for everyone.

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**ALBERT EINSTEIN**

With a pencil and a piece of paper Albert Einstein revolutionized the world. This genius, born of middle-class Jewish parents, in Ulm, Germany, gave the world a new way of thinking and he gave it the atomic age and the electronic age. He was the greatest theoretical physicist of all times.

He gave the world the theory of relativity, the fourth dimension. He was a leader in the fields of nuclear fission and electronics.

He was a humble man, a gentle man, a simple man. The death of this famous scientist makes us realize that we live in an age that has produced a genius who ranks with Archimedes, Euclid, Galileo and Newton.

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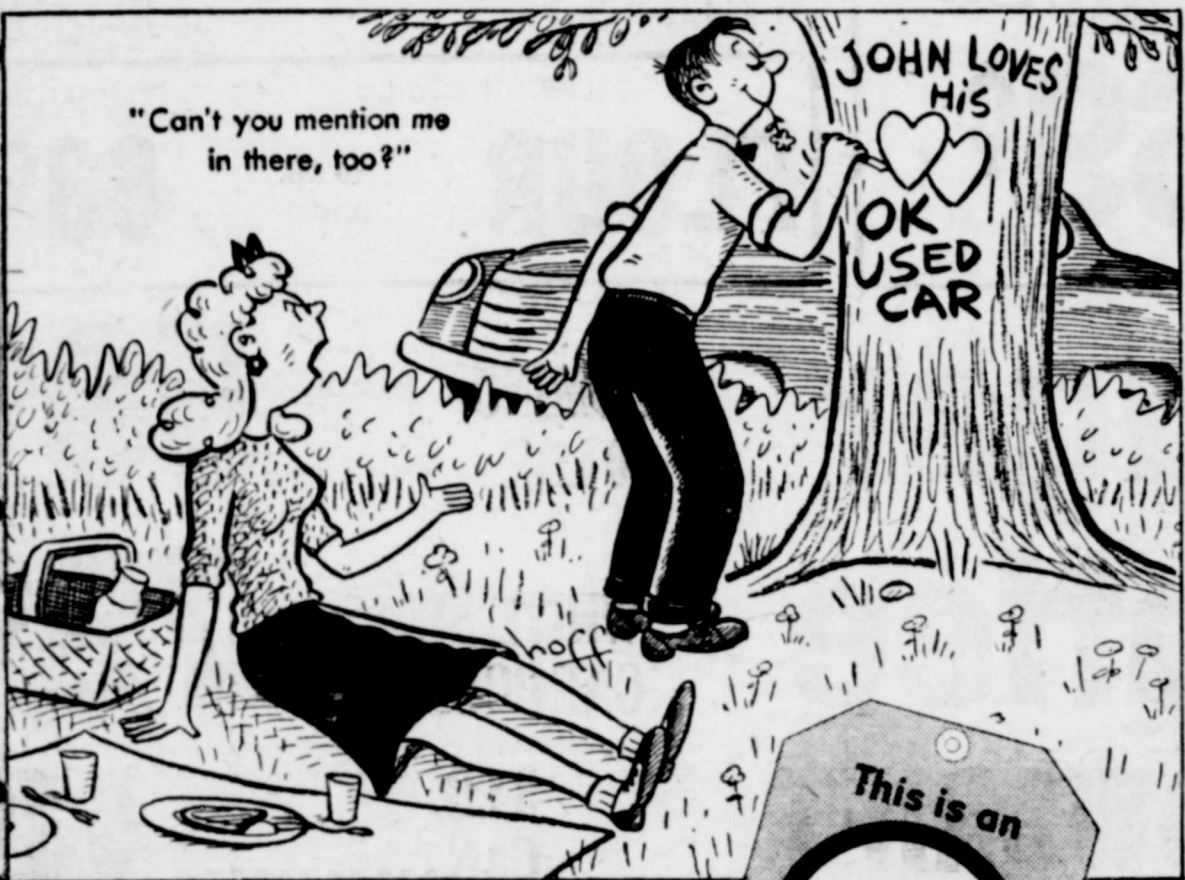
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### Leave Worshippers Enthralled Sunday

The worship service in song at the Methodist Church at 4 p. m. Sunday enthralled congregation. It was presented by the McMurry Chanters of which Cleby Patterson is a member.

The whole service by the 40 singers was directed by Dr. Richard C. von Ende with Prof. Francis Hinkel as accompanist.

The old folk songs of a religious nature were fervently sung while

the spirituals were highly elevating.

The high point of the thrilling service was the closing number a dramatic presentation of the "Creation." It depicted a Negro minister telling the story of creation.

This number was powerfully and movingly given with Jimmy Jay of Sweetwater as the Negro minister, reading the story, while the choir sang an effective accompaniment.

Among the excellent numbers were those of the girl sextet, the Indianaires and the three soloists. The Chanters sang at the Highland Heights Methodist Church in Sweetwater at 7:30 p. m. after leaving here.

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### Bill Brazzil Wins Third Place In Fencing Meet

Bill Brazzil won third place in the Abilene-Merkel fencing tournament held Tuesday of last week at the Abilene Y. W. C. A. between the Abilene swordsmen and the Merkel Knights.

Bill Russell was fourth and Edwin Mewborn was fifth. Bobby Malone won high point medal for the Merkel Team.

Gene Allen won first place and Mike Jenkins won second in the tournament. Both are from Abilene.

Other boys from Merkel in the tournament were: John Thomas, Butch Palmer and Don Wilson.

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KIMBELLS — 303  
BUTTER BEANS --- 4 for 43c

KIMBELLS — 303 R. S. P.  
CHERRIES --- 4 for 89c

KIMBELLS 20 OZ. TUMBLER  
GRAPE JELLY --- each 33c

KIMBELLS — QUART  
PRUNE JUICE --- qt. 29c

KIMBELLS — 18 OZ.  
PEANUT BUTTER --- jar 49c

KIMBELLS  
BLACKBERRIES --- 4 for 89c

KIMBELLS — KIM  
DOG FOOD --- 4 for 25c

### KIMBELLS — SWEET MIDGET — PICKLES 2 PINTS

69¢

## Sugar Coffee SNOWDRIFT

DOLE CRUSHED No. 2  
PINEAPPLE --- 2 for 49c

### ARMOURS

TREET --- 12 oz. 35c

Chopped BEEF --- 12 oz. 29c

Chopped HAM - 12 oz. 49c

SUNSHINE  
CRACKERS --- lb. 23c

WILSON  
OLEO lb. 15c

PET  
MILK 2 for 19c

HALF HILL  
TUNA can 19c

BLEACH  
PUREX

quart 15¢

STORE HOURS  
WEEK DAY 7:00 to 6:30  
SATURDAYS 7:00 to 9:30

EVERY DAY LOW PRICES PLUS WEEKEND SPECIALS

Thursday Fri. & Sat. APRIL 28-29-30

### CHOICE MEATS

CHOICE BEEF  
ROAST CHUCK Pound 39¢

CHOICE BEEF  
LOIN STEAK --- lb. 69c

CHOICE BEEF  
RIBS SHORT Pound 19¢

FRESH  
GROUND BEEF --- lb. 29c

DENISON — GRADE A  
FRYERS --- lb. 49c

CENTER CUT  
PORK CHOPS --- lb. 59c

WILSON CURED  
HAM 1/2 or whole --- lb. 49c

GOOCH SKINLESS  
WEINERS --- lb. 29c

PILLSBURY 25 LB \$1.59  
FLOUR 10 LB. BAG 63¢

DOMINO 10 LBS. 59¢

WHITE SWAN ONE POUND 79¢

3 LB. CAN 53¢

NEW PILLSBURY  
Orange Cake Mix --- box 29c

HANDI 12 OZ. CANS  
SODA POP --- 6 for 49c

GIANT  
TREND --- box 39c

NABISCO  
RITZ --- lb. 32c

SUNSHINE  
CANDIES --- cello 19c

### FRUITS & VEGETABLES

FRESH  
CUCUMBERS --- lb. 12c

FLORIDA  
ORANGES --- lb. 7c

BANANA  
SQUASH --- lb. 12c

FRESH  
CORN --- ear 10c

FRESH  
CELERY --- lb. 15c

FRESH  
CARROTS --- cello 9c

GOLDEN  
BANANAS --- 2 lbs. 25c



### FREE WATCHES

Each Wed.

Be Sure To Register

Each time your in store.

Nothing to Buy — you don't

have to be present to win.

MAKE A BEAUTIFUL

GIFT FOR A GRADUATE.

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MRS. HENRY HOWARD

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