Newspaper

SCHOOL BONDS WIN APPROVAL

IN THE FRIENDLY TOWN

Onis Crawford Is Now Manager Of Merkel C of C

manager of the Merkel Chamber when he returned to Hamlin to of Commerce. He took over the make his home. He has been in management Monday.

1954 and resigned, effective May merce position.

Hamlin. However, while still a lad for many years. He was a memhis family moved to Stamford ber of the First Baptist Church



. . . new secretary

Mrs. R. McKeever **New Secretary** of Merkel City

Mrs. Robert A. McKeever is the new secretary of the City of Merkel. She was appointed April 28 by the City Council and took office

Monday, May 2. She has had 16 years of book keeping experience.

Onis Crawford of Hamlin is the where he remained until 1941, the dry goods business most of Mr. Crawford has been secre- that time. He also was an automotary-treasurer of the Hamlin bile salesman for a short while be-Chamber of Commerce since June fore taking the chamber of com-

Mr. Crawford has been promi-Mr. Crawford is a native of nent in civic and church affairs and the Lions Club. He has served for several years on the board

of trustees of the Hamlin Consolidated Independent School District. He and Mrs. Crawford have three children: Jimmy, 9, Robert 6, and Mignon, 3.

Mr. Crawford was busy Monday getting his office in order at the post office building.

"The plan that Merkel has outlined is a good one," said the new secretary. "The work of the committees and members of the chamber of commerce is the most important part of a chamber of commerce and determines whether it is a success or not.'

FREE SHOW AT PIONEER

The Pioneer Drive-Inn Theatre will open Thursday May 12 with a free show, announced Robert Hodge, manager. Robert promises lots of fun.

On Friday and Saturday, May 13 and 14, "White Witch Doctor" will be shown and also "City of Bad Men."

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT Joe Corransa accidently shot himself in the chest while cleaning a gun Sunday. He was taken to the Sadler Hospital for treat-

BOY TO TOMMY ELLISES

Mrs. Tommy Ellis at the Sadler Hospital on April 28. other.

Merkel 20 Years Ago TAKEN FROM THE 1935 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

RAIN: POSTPONED!

Merkel entertained a bounteous rain last Saturday which was the date for the second rodeo of the season, sponsored by the Merchants Trade Extension Association of Merkel, and this visitor, "Old Man Rain," took all precefrom surrounding communities to enjoy the rodeo and ball game.

IT'LL BE FUN

Friday night, May 10, beginning at 8 o'clock in the Merkel High School gymnasium, one of the out- pointed Dee Grimes, R. A. Burgess standing events of the year takes place when the senior play, "Intruding on Horace," is presented by the members of Senior Class, coached by Mrs. R. B. Irvin.

RAIN FALLS HERE

9c

5c

Rainfall, amounting to 11/2 inches fell here during the early hours of five times up. Saturday morning, following a siege of dust and sand and bringboth planting and pasturage, as a girl May 5; Mr. and Mrs. Ernest well as for crops already planted. Hendricks a boy May 8.

PLAY AT CASTLE PEAK

"This Thing Called Love." comedy in three acts, will be presented Friday, May 17, at the Castle Peak School at 8 p. m. by the following cast: Neva Malone, G. W. Hughes, Novis J. Whiteaker, Tommie Patterson, Mrs. M. A. Dunn, dence over other guests invited M. A. Dunn, Flora Patterson, Sarah Malone, Mrs. J .D. Sandusky.

> AT THE LIONS CLUB As a committee to nominate club officers for thet ensuing year Lion President Charlie Jones ap-

> and Dr. W. T. Sadler. In Monday's game of the Inter-Noodle hammered out a 12-8 victory over Stith. Sharp, Noodle

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. Otis Westing much needed moisture for brook, residing northwest of town,

This Happened in Merkel Forty Years Ago

TAKEN FROM THE 1915 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL C. Club met on Monday Bob Burroughs, who motored out them Miss Merle Clark at 6 a. m.

cng officers were and Mae Adams, elec' Belle Meeks.

> EAST ON HIW And Mrs. Will

C. V. Bigham of the Trent county sent his compliments along Merle Clark, with a sample of barley from a five-acre field he has to the Merkel Mail. The stalks exhibited here measured three feet in length with well developed heads.

Homer Jobe of Ft. Stockton sent a box of beautiful cut flowers to his mother, Mrs. A. L. Jobe, illie for Mother's Day."





BILLIE FRYE



Our reception in town has been wonderful. And we'll do our dead level best to give the people of Merkel and vicinity one of the best papers we know how to publish.

Of course, it's going to take A boy was born to Coach and some time for us to get the names of these fine people straight, but we'll master it in one way or an-

We think Merkel is the finest town of its size in Texas, and from all we could find out about it before we came here the future is ex-

An active chamber of commerce. Lions club and other organizations blended together and working together will make no project too big for the citizens to handle. The improvement of the schools will go a long way toward bringing new fine folks highly to you. industry, and the additional water supply is a must for any new business coming to a town.

In our past years in small towns, we have seen so many of them lose what could have been a nice little industry for the lack of water. Merkel is fortunate that so many citizens were far-sighted enough to go ahead and master the water situation.

From time to time we'll try to schism." write this column, and we hope to do the things that are constructive Community League, postponed in an effort to make this town the Community League, postponed in an effort to make this town the from Saturday because of rain, Noodle hammered out a 12-8 vice month before the rest of our fam. month before the rest of our family gets here, but in the meantime. second baseman, hit four times out there'll be "Billie and Bill" as we are known, and we hope you'll come down and see us anytime.

CEMETERY FUND

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

\$5.00 Mary Kate Campbell V. D. Herron \$5.00 J. M. Herron Mrs. B. F. Forrester, Lubbock

"BRING 'EM UP!"

"Bring 'em up, don't run 'em down!" In these words, E. C. McFadden of Dallas, president, Texas Safety Association, made a plea to Texas motorists to watch out for children in traf-

The Bill Fryes Are New Owners Preliminary Plans Of Merkel Mail

by Mr. and Mrs. Bill Frye of Clovis, New Mexico, from Mr. and Mrs. Hy White. The new owners took over last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frye have two sons. Watie, 16, will be a junior next term in high school. He is a football player.

Bob, 21, next semester will be a senior in journalism at the University of Oklahoma at Norman, Okla., and is specializing in country journalism and advertising.

Mr. and Mrs. Frye are experienced newspaper folks. Mr. Frye has been advertising director of the News-Journal, a daily at Clovis. New Mexico. Prior to last summer he was publisher of the Wagoner, Okla., Tribune and the Wagoner, Okla., Record-Democrat for five years. He spent several years on the Vernon, Texas, Daily Record after serving in the Navy during World War II in the Pacific.

At one time he was court house reporter for the Tulsa, Okla., Tribune prior to the war.

Mr. Frye attended the University of Oklahoma and also the Oklahoma A. & M. College, Mrs. Frye attended the Texas Christian University at Fort Worth.

Mr. Frye belongs to the V. F. W. the Lions Club, the Masonic Lodge the Shrine at Muskogee, Okla., the Elks Lodge and is active in chamber of commerce work. They are members of the Presbyterian hurch.

Their hobby is fishing. Mr. Frye clamis to be the best fisherman in Eastern Oklahoma. (Get him to tell you about his biggest!)

"The Fryes are very friendly folks," said Mr. White. "They are cheerful persons with happy dispositons and will be glad to meet "The Mail has always strived to

work for the best interests and progress of Merkel and its area. It believes in better churches and better schools. "Mrs. White and I have tried in

our humble way to give the readers the best paper possible. We are happy to have had a hand in voting in a better supply of water and in voting for the better school. And we thank all for their kind Latin-Scientific diploma. cooperation

"I know that Mr. and Mrs. Frye will carry on the long tradition of The Mail and give Merkel and area a paper it will be proud of and will work for the betterment of the community. We recommend these

"By working wholeheartedly with them you will get a paper that is truly representative of this friendly town and community.

"Our plans are indefinite. First we will take a much needed rest. We both need it. In closing may I add my final-'WHITE-ICISM'

"That's ALL - and the Sage of Figfield adds that in parting their is no wit in White-icism - only

Joe Cypert's Half **Of Grocery Store**

Joe Cypert has sold his half-in- | number of West Texas towns, bapterest in the Campbell Grocery tized quite a number and preached Company to his partner, Ray Wil- funerals for others, most of them son. This took effect Monday old timers whom he had known for morning.

Joe and Ray have been in partnership since 1944. Joe stated that children: three sons and one he had no plans as to the future. daughter, 18 grandchildren, in-

\$5.00 | SON OF ROBERT SLEDGES Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sledge of ter of the Church of Christ at El Paso have a new son born Mertzon; the second son, Oscar, is \$5.00 April 25, named Rickey Wayne, an elder of Oaklawn Church of Robert is the son of Mr. and Mrs. | Christ in Fort Worth; the youngest

Bill Sledge.

CEMETERY WORKING There will be an all-day cemetery working at the White Church Cemetery Tuesday, May BADGER SCHEDULE
10. Basket lunch will be served Thurs., May 5, at Ha

Made by Architect Named Director Of F. & M. Bank

Are Now Being

Dr. Don W. Warren, son of Mr. and Mrs. Booth Warren, was appointed as director Tuesday night by the F. & M. National Bank, Merkel, directors to fill the unexpired term of Paul W. West, deceased. Booth Warren is president of the

Dr. Warren was born Oct. 12, 1922, and is a graduate of Merkel High School class of 1939. He worked in the bank her from 1939 to 1940 as teller. In 1941 he enrolled in the Texas A. & M. College. He was in the Air Force from At Lions Club

DR. DON W. WARREN

Oscar Adcocks, Sr.

To Observe Golden

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar J. Adcock.

anniversary on May 8 at their

home, 1112 South 9th street.

County in the fall of 1884.

Academy at Belton and received a

He taught country school for 4

years in Bell Countyy from 1901-

1905, and then came to Taylor

County in 1905. In 1907 he began

delivering mail on rural route 5

Merkel, in December. On June 1,

1926, he became post office clerk

and on March 27, 1927, he became

active postmaster when the old

His permanent appointment as

postmaster was effective Dec. 16,

1927. He retired January 31, 1936.

Five months later he returned as

money order clerk and served un-

til the last of February 1946 when

Mr. Adcock served as chairman

of the Merkel School board from

He has been an active church

he became a member of the

Church of Christ. He served as

talks in his younger days, became

Mr. and Mrs. Adcock have four

cluding two great grandchildren.

The oldest son, Elmer, is minis-

son. Waymon, is a faithful worker

in the Merkel Church of Christ.

The daughter is Mrs. A. A. Better-

Thurs., May 5, at Haskell

Tues., May 10, Rotan.

he again retired.

number of years.

ton of Midland.

postmaster, Taylor Davis, died.

minister

school there.

Wedding Sunday

1942 to 1946 as B25 bombardier navigator and discharged as first

vas an employee of the Colleg Station Bank. Following graduation he was an assistant national Sr., will hold their golden wedding bank examiner under Chief W. A. Sandlin in this district.

They were married May 7, 1905, cal Branch of the University of in Oglesby by Parson Norton, a retired Primitive Baptist Church he was a summer employee in Mrs. Adcock was born Cora L. 1948, 1949 and 1950 of the City Na-Bankhead in Corvell County on tional Bank, Galveston, He substi-

Dec. 3, 1880. She attended high tuted for regular employees in every department while they were Mr. Adcock was born in Navarre County on Feb. 25, 1880, near Daw-Dr. Warren interned in the U. S. son. He lived in Hill County in 1881-1882, in McLennan County

Public Health Service from June 1951 to June 1952 when he came in 1883-1884, moving to Coryell here to be associated with Dr. W. T. Sadler in the Sadler Clinic-Hos-Mr. Adcock attended Wedemeyer Acamedy, also known as Belton

The new director married Miss Patty Ganter of Galveston and they have three boys.

Annual Pre-School Conference to Be **Held Thursday**

The annual pre-school conference for the parents who will have children in the first grade of the local primary school next September will be held next Thursday May 12, in the school auditiorium at 7:30 p. m.

At this conference parents will find out what a first grader should know and be able to do in order to get off to a good start next fall. worker. When he was 15 years old Parents will have an opportunity to meet their child's teacher and to ask question concerning the song leader and made some public curriculum, school rules and regulations, etc.

a deacon in the Merkel Church All parents, both mothers and about 1909 and and elder about dads, who will have a child in the first grade here next fall are urg-Though he never claimed to be a ed to attend this meeting. preacher he has filled pulpits in a

SAW FIRST EDITION! He saw the first edition of The

Merkel Mail when it came of He is C. A. Craven of Paducah.

Texas

His father. D. M., was in the grocery business here at that time. C. A. left here in 1906. Tuesday he was in town visiting Lige Gamble and was a guest of Mr. Gamble at the Lions Club and told the story about as a boy he worked in a drug store where the Community Center is now standing.

CAR WASHING

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

Dr. Don Warren | carried last Saturday almost 3 to 1. There were 158 votes cast for the bonds and 59 against appropria the bonds and 59 against, announced Presiding Judge Andy Shouse. By 9-a, m. 15 had voted. At 10 a. m. 35, 11 56 votes, noon 76, at 2 p. m. 113, by 4 p. m. 153 and at 5:30 p. m. 190 had been cost, stated Mr.

There were 217 votes cast in all. The date for bids on the bonds has as yet not been set, stated Supt. Mack Fisher. The architect is working on preliminary plans. The state has agreed to refunding of the old bonds, amounting to \$116,00, he said.

2 New Arrivals Are Introduced

Two new arrivals in Merkel lieutenant. Then he returned to A. were introduced at the Lions Club & M. College and graduated in luncheon Tuesday. They were 1947 with a degree in marketing Onis Crawford, the new manager of the Chamber of Commerce, and While a student at A. & M. he Editor Bill Frye, the new publish of The Merkel Mail.

Isadore Mellinger, president, presided, Principal C. A. Farley presented the audit report, showing a net balance in the treasurery of In 1947 he enrolled in the Medi- \$163.06. President Mellinger analyzed the report stressing the loss Texas at Galveston and graduated the Community Center sustained in 1951. While in Medical College last year in the rental of the build-

The club approved the appointment of the new directors to investigate this matter and to recommend any changes they see fit.

"The chamber of commerce is an organization for the greatest good for the greatest number of people in civic business, industry and transportation affairs," asserted Mr. Crawford. He pointed out the need for all the members to cooperate and to work in unison.

Editor Frve delighted the club with his remark about Merkel being the fastest growing town he had ever been in as in 24 hours it had increased in population by eight - his family of four and the new manager's family of four! The editor offered his cooperation to the club and to the town.

DOLLAR DAY NOTE

As The Mail will carry Dollar Day ads next week it will be greatly appreciated if the ads are made ready early.

WANTED - RAIN!

Rain wanted, not particular about the kind of rain, just so it comes down in quantities. Anytime within the next day or so will be all right, adv.

M. RAINSES HAVE BOY Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Rains have a boy born at the Sadler Hospital

SINGING AT PIONEER The regular second Sunday singing will be held at 2 p.

at Pioneer Memorial Church May 8. Everyone is urged to come and take part. The new officers are Mac Seymour, president; Patricia Butman, secretary treasurar.

A workers' conference of the Sweetwater Baptist Association will be held in the Baptist Church here Thursday evening May 5.

AN INVITATION

We could not mail cards to everybody. So if you read this take it as a personal invitation to call at our home Sunday (May 8th) between 3 and 5 p. m. We are celebrating our Golden Wedding

Anniversary Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Adcock

ANDY SHOUSE -Real Estate-115 KENT ST.

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No need to hesitate! We can put Goodyear Tubeless Tires on the wheels of your present car - no extras of any kind are necessary. And what's more, you don't have to buy a complete

Start changing over now! Don't lose any time getting extra blowout and puncture protection, plus longer, safer mileage from Tubeless DeLuxe Super-Cushions. Best of all, they'll cost you no more than standard tires with tubes . . . and you'll find our large trade-in allowances make the initial cost low! We'll buy all the unused miles in your present tires!

EASY TERMS: Pay as little as \$1.25 a week! MORE PEOPLE RIDE ON GOODYEAR TIRES THAN ON ANY OTHER KIND

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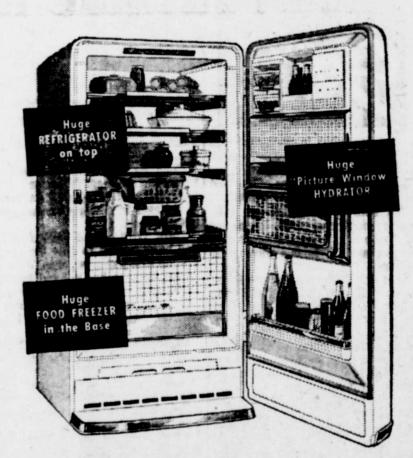
MRS. JAMES C. EUBANKS ... the former Miss Laurel Sherrell

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. DeMoss and daughter Dottie of Dallas were weekend visitors of Mr. and Mrs. ents, Mr and Mrs. Dent Gibson. Booth Warren. Mr. DeMoss is vice DeMoss is the former Jess Cox of | will be gone about a month.

A. B. Tittle of Brownfield spent weekend with Commissioner Rufe Tittle and also visited other elatives and friends

Miss Denta Gibson of Pampa spent the wtekend with her par-Mr. and Mrs. Henry West left president of the Mercantile Nation- Wednesday morning for Washingal Bank of Dallas. Mrs. DeMoss and ton, D. C., where they will visit Mrs. Warren are first cousins. Mrs | their son Dick and family. They

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Farmers and Merchants National Bank

MERKEL, TEXAS Member Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest G. Barnett | visited her daughter, Mr. and and family of McCamey spent the Mrs. Vaughn Doan, and daughter weekend with his parents, Mr. and Sharon Lee Wednesday. Mrs. Harry Barnett.

Weekend guests in the L. A. Dudley home were Mrs. Mary Stan- daughter, Mrs. George Petrie, and ton and Mrs. Pearl Clark of Lub- family. bock. The ladies are cousins of Mr. Dudley. They are the former Mary and Pearl Dye.

Mrs. Gordon Howell of Trent Toombs.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Coop spent

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the weekend in Dallas with their

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Toombs of San Angelo were Sunday guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W.

We Don't Meet COMPETITION

1955 Chevrolet 4-Door Bel-Air

Right off the dealer's show floor. Has Air Flo heater, two-tone paint, directional lights. Tinted glass. Service policy.

\$1,988

1952 Chevrolet 4-Door

Has radio, heater, seat covers, power glide, white sidewall tires, new car trade-in. Drive it and you will buy it. A Super Value.

\$788

1952 Buick 4-Door Special

Has radio, heater, new seat covers. Runs and drives like new. Better Hurry.

\$844

1955 For 4-Door Custom V-8

Has Magic Air heater, foam rubber Cushions, Clock, directional lights. Service policy.

\$1,966

1953 Chevrolet 4-Door Bel-Air

This car has radio, heater, power glide, power steering, tinted glass. I sold it new to a school teacher. Like New.

\$1,288

1942 Chevrolet Club Coupe

If you have been looking for a good work car, come and take a look at this one. Bargain.

\$145

1947 Mercury 4-Door

Has radio, heater. Just a fair car at a fair price.

WE HAVE BEEN SELLING LOTS OF REMEMBER WE SELL ANY MAK

CALVIN PETERSON

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, Middle Clear Fork Soil Conservation News



Kelso, who has heard Clinton

program worked out to plant win-

Soil Conservation Service em-

prospect for 1955. Many farmers

maximum nitrogen fixation on the

Army Pfc. Billy G. Reid ,whose

wife. Margarett, and parents, Mr.

and Mrs. H. C. Reid, live in Mer-

kel, recently arrived in Japan and

is now a member of the IX Corps.

Gilchrist Drilling Co., of Abilene

staked No. 1 A. W. Ely as a 2,600-

foot rotary wildcat three miles

LEGAL NOTICE

We, the subscribers, have this

day entered into a limited partner-

ship agreeably to the provision relating to limited partnerships; and

do hereby certify that the terms of

our said partnership are as fol-

This is to certify tht the under-

signed are forming a limited part-

nership, and the undersigned rep-

A. The name under which the

partnership is to be conducted is

E. M. Bailey, Contractor, Limited.

business to be transacted is gener-

C. The names of all of the gen-

eral and special partners interest-

ed therein, distinguishing which

are general and which are special

B. The general nature of the

roots of the growing guar.

PFC. BILLY G. REID

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ON ARMY DUTY

OIL NEWS

west of Tye.

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF TEXAS

resent the following:

al concrete contracting.

COUNTY OF TAYLOR

Guar again promises to be an benefits resulting from the guar important crop in the Merkel- growing ahead of the cotton.

The above photo shows a group Harbers discuss his program for in October, 1954. From left to right low organic matter and in poor Merkel in Taylor County, Texas, lication shall be not less than ten are: Nelson Estes, chairman, board physical condition cannot be of supervisors, Middle Clear Fork brought back to high production Soil Conservation District, Elm- in one or two years. Kelso said dale; J. B. Harlan, soil conserva- recently that he believed from five tionist, SCS, Abilene; Ed Gist, dis- to seven years of intensive legume trict supervisor, Hamby; Kelso; cover cropping, stubble mulching Tom Russom, district supervisor, and good mechanical treatment Butman; and Ottis Armstrong, would be necessary to get land field planning engineer, state soil back to its virgin state. He has a conservation board, Temple.

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This "soybean of the south- ter peas in the fall in part of his west," tried for the past two years cotton and feed, guar on part of in this area, has been received his land each summer and he is inwith varying opinions by growers. creasing his blue panic acreage by Kelso and a number of other double. He expects to eventually

growers reported that the money double production by good soil and income per acre was several times water management by increasing that of sorghums last year. In fact. organic content of soil, developing Kelso had several acres of milo in good soil condition and by keepthe same field with his guar and ing a good cover on the ground. did not harvest any for grain or Kelso, along with his negihbors, fodder. The guar, despite drought has demonstrated in the past two and "high cutting" owing to grav- years that good stubble mulch will el on the land, averaged about control blowing and add to the 225 lbs. per acre and brought \$3.25 | moisture retaining ability of the per hundred in Merkel. land.

O. B. Leach and Fred Baker, Jr., said that lacking \$25.00, 14 ployees of the Merkel office report acres of guar made as much return | that a large acreage of guar is in as 150 acres of maize.

Ernest McCreight produced are preparing to plant non-allotabout 900 lbs. of guar per acre in ment acres and small grain acre-1953, with only a little over 2 inch- age that has gone out due to the es of rain after planting. He found drought to guar. Many are workthat the guar land did not blow ing the crop into a long-time soil near so readily and plowed much building and soil improving proeasier .Although he did not run a | gram. controlled test on cotton produc- Local seed dealers have plenty tion following the guar, he feels of guar seed and inoculant availcertain that cotton production was able. Inoculation of seed is advis-

Kelso, like numerous others, re gards guar more as a soil building and soil conditioning crop than as a cash crop. He has bedded his guar land in the middles, throwing soil up on the stubble and will plant cotton this spring directly back into the guar root zone. He will have a check area of cotton following cotton in the same field in order to check any



For Mother's Day

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of residence, are: E. M. Bailey, general partner, of

Abilene, Taylor County, Texas;

Mary Earlene Bailey Kent, spe-cial partner, of Rollo, Missouri. D. The amount of capital which each special partner has contributed to such partnership is \$3,000.00

E. The period of the partner ship is to be from the 1st day of April, 1955 to the 31st day of

/s/ Mary Earlene Bailey Kent Thurman H. Kent, Jr.

E. M. Bailey /s/ Bobby Gipson Bailey Adv. — April 22, 29, May 6, 13.

AFFIDAVIT OF LIMITED

PARTNERSHIP

We, the subscribers, have this by certify that the terms of our Docket of Taylor County, together said partnership are as follows:

Art Carmichael, as special part- ed from said Guardianship. ner, and John McKinzie, as gener-

partners, in their respective places known as John McKinzie Motors, days hereof, May 9, 1955 ina News ing automobiles, automobile parts,

> John McKinzie, general partner, and the profits and losses, if any, and Application will be acted upon shall be shared proportionately to he 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 day entered into a limited partner- having filed in our County Court ship agreeably to the provision of his Final Account of the condition the Revised Statutes relating to of the Estate of said G. N. Robinlimited partnerships; and do here- son numbered 4015 on the Probate with an application to be discharg-

YOU ARE HEREBY COMexamining a field of guar growing building and conditioning soil, al partner, on April 6, 1955, enter- MANDED, That by publication of on the Roy Kelso farm near Stith agrees with Harbers that land in ed into a partnership business at this Writ one time and said pub-

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MERKEL, TEXAS

for the purpose of buying and sell- paper printed in the County of Taylor you give due notice to all accessories, et cetera, which part- persons interested in the Account Bobby Gipson Bailey, special nership is to continue for five for Final Settlement of said Estate, rartner, of Abilene, Taylor County, years. to appear and contest the same if That Art Carmichael, special they see proper so to do, on Monpartner, contributed \$14700.00 and day the 9 day of May A. D. 1955, at the Court House of said County, in contributed \$15.300.00, all in cash, Abilene, Texas, when said Account 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 Hutcheson 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 Writ now in

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

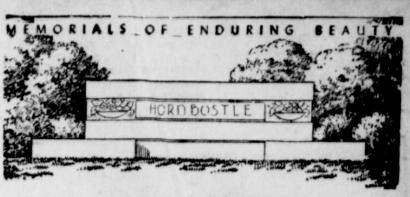
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Dr. and Mrs. E. Brady Cox and family visited in San Antonio the first of the week. While there Dr. Cox attended the Texas State Dental Convention.

OH. FISHERMEN!

What's come over the fish ermen of Fishermen's Row? Ira Cross went fishing and reported that he caught a fish only six inches long and a sunburn. Ross Ferrier, Sr., also went fishing and reported that he caught some fish . . . but not much.

BOY SCOUTS TROOPS N N NO. 19 ENJOYS SWIM AT LAKE TONKOWA

Boy Scout Troop No. 19 enjoyed swim at Camp Tonkowa Sunday afternoon. There were 12 boys, Dr. James H. Chaney, scoutmaster, and John Wheeler, committeeman and their wives.



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MR. AND MRS. O. J. ADCOCK ... on their Wedding Day

Abilene visited in the home of his mother, Mrs. J. G. Herron, Sunday. They also visited his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. R. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Self of Wingate and Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Self of Abilene visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Denson at Ft. Phantom Lake during the week

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Turner ere weekend guests of Mr. and M. E. Mayfield of Abilene and Billy Jones and Buzz Fredericks of Las Cruses, N. M., visited in the home of Mrs. J. W. Mayfield while Sunday. Billy and Buzz, students at New Mexico A. and M.

Mrs. Sally Moore and Mrs. J W. Mayfield visited in Abilene

participated in the rodeo at Abi

Albert Fudge and Miss Clara Corning of Abilene were Sunday visitors of Mrs. Elliott.

uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Char-

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Havnes and son William of Albuquerque, N. Mexico, are the guests of their parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. T. Sadler and Mr. and Mrs. Comer Havnes. for an indefinite time.

Mrs. Josie Shanks spent

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past week with her mother, Mrs. E. E. Kuykendall of Abilene.

E. E. Pierce, Oklahoma City, was visitor at the Merkel Mail office this week. He visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Frye.

UNION RIDGE CLUB MEETS WITH MRS. J. H. CLARK

Ridge Home Demonstration Club and three visitors attended a meeting in the home of Mrs. J. H. Clark Friday April 15, to hear Mrs. O. E. Harwell and Mrs. Beauford Buntin | ied Tuesday. She is the sister of speak on "Naturalization Laws and Mrs. H. R. Chancey, Mrs. Chancey Duties of Citizens."

Miss McRee, president, presided. | al.

Minutes were approved. Roll call was answered with "What I'd do with the 25th hour in a day." Mrs. Buntin led the singing. Mrs. Clark led the prayer.

The treasurer's report was given by Mrs. Pee. Refreshments were served. The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. M. L. Douglas Friday, May 20, at 2:30 p. m. Miss Nine members of the Union Loreta Allen, county agent, will be present.

> Mrs. H. C. Bartlett of Myrtle Springs died Sunday and was burand son Albert attended the funer-



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· · The New Trent Exchange

The Trent exchange will change over to a dial system soon. This will go into effect Saturday, May 14.

Full preparations have been made to take care of this change. A new building to house the new exchange has been erected, new dial equipment has been installed, new dial instruments have been placed in every home, new poles, wires and cables have been placed in the entire Trent area.

AL VEDUBY Although the company has gone to great expense in making all these changes there will be only a slight increase in telephone rates of a few cents a day to take care of this.

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pause to pay our respects to her.

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She is who gives us individuality and stability and confidence four times up. and ideals and dreams. And when she is gone the sweet-

light for our future way of life. If your mother is alive tell her that you love her Sunday - and her reward remember her kindly, J. R. DYE IN JUNE lovingly Sunday - and every day

Hospital Notes

Admisisons to the Sadler Hos

pital the past week were: As medical patients - Mrs. Josephine Miller Mrs. Francis Cox, Mrs. Tommie Smith, Chester Cox. J. O. Manning, David Loflin, Mrs. F. H. Russom, Berneil Teaff, Odell Freeman, Mrs. Joe K. Castle, Mrs. H. J. Holley, Henry Howard, T. J. Pargament, Dickie Morris.

HAS MAJOR SURGERY

R. E. McClure underwent major surgery Monday at the Sadler Hospital. He is getting along

Uncle John Biggs Dies Last Week At Age of 91

J. T. (Uncle John) Biggs, 91, WILLING WORKERS CLASS died at the home of his son, Ben, in Midland Tuesday night of last

dent of the Merkel area. He was last week at the home of Mrs. J born Sept. 19, 1863, in Mississippi, R. Walling. and he came to Texas 61 years ago, first settling in Delter County. In 1915 he moved to a farm near Merkel in 1945 he retired and he had moved to Midland to be with his son, Ben. Mr. Biggs had been a farmer and rancher.

While living here he also ran a

wife, Mrs. Hannah Ripley Biggs, died in 1939.

Funeral was Thursday of last Church of Christ with Ector R. Watson, min- county agent, brought a demonister, and Rev. Aubrey White offic-, stration on "The Background of iating. Burial was in Rose Hill the Kitchen," following the last

Survivors in addition to the son chen" by Mrs. Chester Fikes. Midland include another son, Henry, of Odessa; two daughters, Mrs. Ida Mashburn when a book Mrs. Marvin Douglas of Merkel review will be given. and Mrs. Odessa Barber of 502 Polar St., Abilene; eight grandchildren and five great-grandchild-

W. W. Webb Dies Of Heart Attack At Roswell, N. Mex.

W. W. Webb, 70-year-old retired oil man, died at 8:30 a. m. Tuesday of a heart attack as he stepped from a bus in Roswell, New Mex.

Mr. Webb was married at Vera where he and his wife lived before moving to Roaring Springs. They later lived in Abilene and Clyde before coming to Merkel. Webb died August 28, 1953.

Survivors include four daughters. las and Mrs. Bill Brown, Jr., all of Roswell, and Mrs. Marion Hays of and William, both of Merkel. Char- Merkel. Blythe, Calif.; four sons, Oliver A.

ed the body here. The funeral is Public Schools in Sealy, as teachto be held at the Starbuck Chapel er of home economics. The groom at 3 p. m. Thursday with burial in and bride-elect are graduates of Rose Hill Cemetery. Officating the University of Texas.



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Badgers Tied Sunday is Mother's Day and we For First Place With Rotan Team

shield and protect us through in with Rotan in the conference, fancy and childhood and even af- winning four and losing 2 each. Coach Tommy Ellis' Badgers beat Haskell here last Friday 8-2. Phillip Pursley pitched and Gail O'Brien received. Terry O'Brien led the hitting with two hits out of

The Badgers won from Colorado City Tuesday here 7-4. Robert Mcness of her remains - a beacon Leod hurled and Gail caught. Kermit Rutledge slammed out a homer with two on.

every day. If she has passed on to PATRICIA PARKS TO MARRY

Miss Patricia Parks, daughter of Mrs. Joseph L. Cross of Del Rio, will be married in June to J. R. Dve. her mother announced. Miss Parks is a graduate of Del Rio High School.

Her finance, a staff sergeant at J. R. Laughlin Air Force Base. is from Merkel. He has been at the base three years and went to Japan two years ago. He is graduate of Merkel High School.

DOLLIE WRIGHT MARRIES **EDDIE AKIN APRIL 30**

Mrs. A. J. Wright announced the marriage of her daughter, Dollie, to Eddie Akin of Victoria. They were married at Austin April

BLUE BONNET H. D. CLUB **ENJOYS "42" PARTY**

There were 42 adults and 13 children at the Community Tabernacle for the "42" party given by the Blue Bonnet Home Demon stration Club. Refreshments of cakes and punch were enjoyed by

MEET WITH MRS. J. WALLING The Willing Workers Class of the Presbyterian Church had a Mr. Biggs was a long-time resi- fellowship meeting Thursday of

STITH H. D. CLUB MEETS WITH MRS. W. M. LOFLIN

Thirteen members, six children moved: into Merkel. More recently and four visitors were present Wednesday April 27, for the regular meeting of the Stith Home Demonstration Club in the home of Mrs. W. M. Loflin, Mrs. Marvin mattres factory for a number of Walters led the group in singing 'America." Prayer was repeated

by all. One game was played.
One new member, Ms. A. W
Patrignana, was welcomed. Lou Wainscott Miss Jimmie program meeting of "A Safe Kit-

The next meeting will be with

TYE METHODIST SOCIETY MEETS WITH MRS. NUNN

The Tye Methodist Women's Society met with Mrs. H. C. Nunn Tuesday, April 26, to elect officers for the following year.

Mrs. M. H. Ely was named president with Mrs. Theo Kincaid vice president, Mrs. Orval Ely was named promotion secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Homer Laney secretary missionary of education service, Mrs. Weir Joiner secre tary social relations and local church activities.

The next meeting will be May 3 in the home of Mrs. M. H. Ely.

MISS MORELLE McCOY

TO MARRY JACK MILLER The engagement of Miss Morelle McCoy to Jack E. Miller, son of Mrs. Dolly Kempf of Kilgore, is announced by her mother, Mrs. Mrs. Lena Ball, Mrs. Barney Doug- Luteenie McCoy, of Anton. The wedding is planned for Aug. 27 in the First Methodist Church in

When discharged from the serv ley of Lubbock and Tommy of vice in June, Mr. Miller will go in-Dlendale, Calif. to the field of advertising. Miss Starbuck Funeral Home return- McCoy is now employed by the

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BLUE BONNET H. D. CLUB MEETS WITH MRS. BUTMAN

The Blue Bonnet Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. James Butman in Merkel O. E. S. NOTICE Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. R. G. Toombs presiding.

Opening exercises were a song led by Mrs. Arthur Moore and prayer by Mrs. Joe Seymore. Roll call was answered with "Humor in tend. Visiting sisters and brothers the news.'

Mrs. R. G. Toombs, one of the Taylor County delegates to the district T. H. D. A. meeting in Kerrville, gave a very interesting report on the convention. The club voted to pack a box

containing flower and garden seed, material, needles, thread, etc., to be sent to Korea for use in the 4-H clubs there. Taylor County Home Demonstra-

tion Agent Loreta Allen gave a very interesting and educational program on buying living room furniture, illustrating her talk with colored slides.

Recreation was directed by Mrs. Allen D. King. Refreshments were served to nine members, Miss Allen and three children. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Kenneth Ray on May 17.

PIANO RECITAL AT BAPTIST CHURCH IS WELL RECEIVED

The piano recital of the pupils of Mrs. T. T. Earthman and Mrs R. J. Miller at the First Baptist Church Monday and Tuesday drew good crowds both nights. The pupils played in a creditable manner and the audience was very at-

CARD OF THANKS

To those who expressed their sympathy in so many ways during the recent passing of our father, we extend our sincere thanks.

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Una Hays, W. M. Fern Windham, Sec.

NOTICE MASONS

Special meeting of Merkel 4 lodge No. 710, A. F. & A. Friday, May 6, at 8:00 p. m. All members are urged to attend. Visiting brethern cordially invited.

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PERSONAL

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Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Doan were in his sister and hunsband, Mr. and Pecos over the weekend visiting Mrs. A. H. Hutchins, south of friends and ran into a good rain. Sweetwater Sunday. They were acof Perrin Air Force at Sherman B. A. Walters. spent the weekend with his par-

ents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Butman. Mr. and Mrs. Homer Newby and family were in Colorado City Sun-

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his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. went down.'

32 Below Zero, Blizzard Blowing No Frost Bites

When Mr. and Mrs. Ed Merritt left here after visiting relatives and were returning to their home Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hicks visited in Eastend, Saskatchewan, they ran into 32 degrees below zero weather and trouble. In her letter Airman 2/c Billy Sam Butman companied by Mrs. H. R. Hicks and to Mr. and Mrs. David Tarpley, Mrs. Merritt tells about her experience. David is her brother.

Mr. and Mrs. John Young and They got to Willow Creek Canson visited Sunday with his grandadian Port about 4 p. m. Friday, mother, Mrs. T. O. Young, in Hamstayed with Ed's sister Verna until Saturday afternoon and left Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Walton have about 11:30 p. m. for home, Verna and her husband went along in their car. They got stuck in the Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Reagan and snow about 2 p. m. and sat there baby of Abilene spent Sunday with until 6:30 p. m. when the wind knew not what was almost unbear-

Verna's husband walked about

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two and a half miles and got a man able. We were lucky to get back to the Port)," she wrote . He got frost bites. The man who brought back to the car with the team at the sleigh put in a bale of hay for ting the shelter. By this time it of the sleigh and brought an was 32 below zero and talk about Army overcoat and an old fur being cold!!

wards. While we were sitting in have had some frozen spots. the car waiting for the wind to go down, so they could get help, there were times that the chrome on the top of the hood of the car was barely visible. It was a real old blizzard.

'We figured we had enough gas to keep the cars warm until noon of the next day if we just ran one at a time, so we all sat in one car and would turn off the motor as soon as the car was warm. We still had better than a quarter of a tank at 9:30 that night.

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with a team to take us home (back to shelter without anyone having 9:30 and we were until 11:30 get us to sit on and hay on the bottom coat, lots of blankets and a horse "We shook for an hour after- hide auto robe, else we would

"The men didn't get the cars out of the drifts until Tuesday noon and we got home Tuesday night about 9.

CAUGHT A MESS

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Walker and children spent the weekend at Possum Lake and caught a mess of fish for dinner.

Most every man knows his own business, but it is often difficult to make his neighbors believe it.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS To: Fred Gann, Defendant, Greeting

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMAND-ED to appear before the Honor-County at the Courthouse thereof, County at he Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 13th day of June A. D. 1955, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 25 day of April A. D., 1955, in this cause, numbered 20,505-A on the docket of said court and styled Cora Etta Gann, Plaintiff.

vs. Fred Gann, Defendant. A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wito: Plaintiff and defendant were married on or about February 28, 1952 and Plaintiff and Defendant separated on or about April 21, 1952. Plaintiff sues for annullment on ground of incompatibility, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law di-Issued and given under my hand

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and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 25 day of April A. D. 1955. (SEAL)

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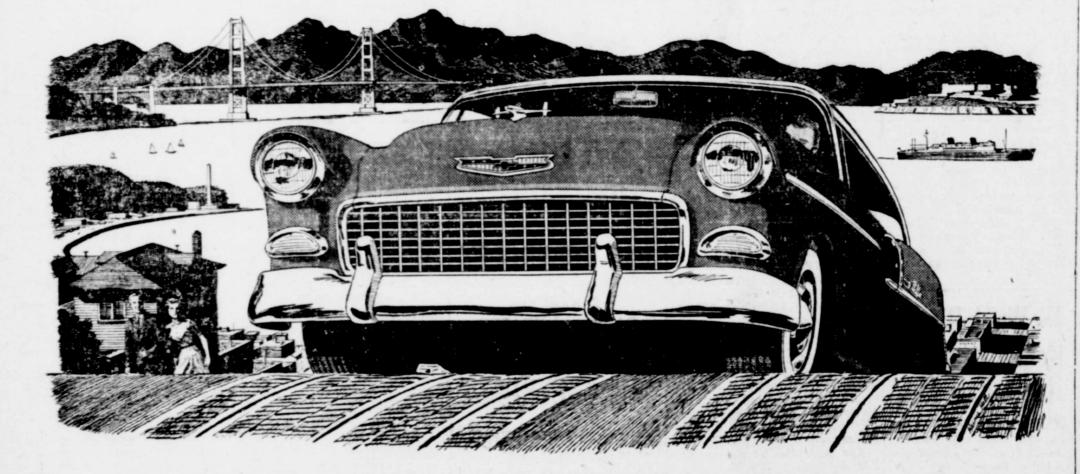
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two nations.' According to Charles A. West, publisher of "Between the Lines," Joe is trying to keep that vow. Every day for 10 years he has taken time off from his job to devote his energies to realizing this

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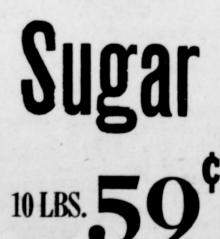


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