

# Scoop

# THE MERKEL MAIL

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This is National Newspaper Week. It is a week when editors all over the country are calling attention to the newspaper of the community, from the smallest weekly to the largest daily. The newspaper profession in general has long been lax about calling attention to the newspaper itself, the part it plays in a community, and what a community would be like without its own newspaper. Most generally the editor is ready and willing to call attention to the good of the chamber of commerce, the Lions, the churches, civic organizations, schools and everything that goes to make a community a wonderful place to live. He seldom comes out and blurts about the newspaper as a product and as a part of a community.

So during National Newspaper Week, you will read not only in this paper, but all the papers you read about newspapers, the profession and how to preserve the freedom of the press. The freedom of the press is taken for granted in this country, and you must look only to the countries behind the iron curtain, if you are to wonder what it is like not to get any news except that which the government wants you to have. In Russia, for instance, an illness of the premier is seldom told, unless the government wants the citizens to read it. The people in the U. S. often read about events which are not published behind the iron curtain. There are no sports pages, and you do not read about your favorite team in your local paper. And, more important, there are no church news, no news of Sunday School class meetings, or even home demonstration club meetings. The fact that most newspapers publish these items makes Americans take it for granted that such items are published everywhere. But they are not.

The Merkel Mail has been in operation some 66 years, under several ownerships. During that time, for the most part, it has been a part of the community. It has pledged itself to the welfare of anything that will help the most people in Merkel. The present owners have pledged themselves to give Merkel the best paper in any town its size in Texas. To do this the newspaper must be newsy, as well as contain a proper share of advertising in order to give free to organizations, churches and individuals what many people term as "write-ups." We realize that it has been difficult for many people to return to their home newspaper, if they had been charged for a news item, or an announcement, or a wedding, or a notice of a club meeting. This newspaper believes that such items are worthy of mention free of charge, for a newspaper's revenue comes only from its advertising on the inside pages. Naturally, the amount of advertising a newspaper receives depends upon the size of the paper. The larger the paper the most news and pictures that can be published without charge.

Someday we hope to be able to publish more pictures of events than we are doing now. We hope to have correspondents in every community. We hope that all citizens will feel free to send us news items about their guests, or any other event. These things are part of a public service of the newspaper, and only the people in the community can make a newspaper successful. How often have you wondered why an editor didn't print that item about Mrs. Jones, yet had another about Mrs. Smith? How often have you seen printed an item about one organization, yet another organization did the same thing and it was never mentioned? The editor of a small town newspaper must be a jack of all trades, and it is impossible for him to "cover" the town. The people must volunteer such items, and he prints those submitted to him. So the next time before you criticize the editor, think whether anyone in your organization called his attention to the event you have in mind.

As far as the Merkel Mail is concerned, we must rely more than ever on other people for our news. However, there are certain limitations which only the printer and publisher can appreciate. For instance, often an item that occurred a week previously is

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AT THE SHRINE CIRCUS — Tony Hyde, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hyde, and Wilma Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Smith, were caught by a cameraman as they spent the afternoon at the Suez Temple Shrine Circus at Blue Sox Park in Abilene last Thursday. They were one of a group of children who took in the circus as the guests of the Merkel Mail.

## C. F. CURB AND SON MEET AFTER BEING APART FOR 15 YEARS

It was a happy reunion this week for C. F. Curb, local Gulf distributor, when his son, George Curb, who has been with the U. S. Engineers in the Canal Zone came home for a reunion with his father after being gone for 15 years.

Young Curb, who attended school at Mt. Pleasant near Merkel, joined the U. S. Engineers, and has been stationed in various areas around the Canal Zone one for many years.

Young Curb flew to Mobile, Alabama, from the Canal Zone, and arrived in Merkel by train Sunday morning "just in time for breakfast."

"I thought perhaps I would be able to get him out of bed," the son commented, "but he already was up and ready to eat breakfast."

When Curb stepped off the train for the first time in 15 years, he walked across the street and met an old friend of the family's, Homer Patterson, who took him into the house.

Curb was amazed at the growth of Merkel, and the removal of "some of the old landmarks." He recalled that when he went to the Canal Zone the last time, there was no paved road between Merkel and Abilene. Now there is a three-lane highway, which will be turned into a double road freeway soon.

"It was hard to get accustomed to the climate down there," Curb recalls. "The temperature varies only about 10 to 15 degrees the whole year."

He told of the heavy rainy season where the Pacific side of the zone gets 150 or 160 inches of rain a year, and the Atlantic side gets some 140 inches.

Curb, who gets the Merkel Mail, has kept up with the folks around Merkel through the paper, and he and Mrs. Curb, who is in New York visiting her family, have noted that grocery prices down there are about 8 percent higher than they are in Merkel stores.

"There's not much beef in the Canal Zone," he recalls. One of the meats that is jokingly called "Panamanian chicken" is an Iguanodon, or a lizard which is about 4 or 5 feet long.

He says it is prepared like fried chicken, as chickens are pretty scarce in the zone, except for a high price.

"We always know what they are serving when we get that dish," Curb says, "and we jokingly inquire 'where are the wings.'" It is difficult to get American-made suits and other clothing in that area, he declared.

A great many Americans are in the Canal Zone, and the place he lives is Curundu, Canal Zone, which is located on the outskirts of Panama City.

There are American schools in the zone, and even a junior college.

"But there are no great football or baseball games in Panama," he added. "There are some football and baseball games in the college."

The Panamanian universities do not go in for sports, he said.

The "Natives" of Panama raise little produce or food products, and their principal food is rice. No coffee is raised in Panama, but only a short distance away in South America there is plenty of coffee, but "it is more than a \$1 a pound down there."

Curb plans to be around Merkel for a month, and his wife is expected to join him here next week.

## Firemen From District Will Hold Convention

The 34th semi-annual Midwest Fireman's convention will be held in Merkel next Thursday, October 13, Fire Chief Waymon Adecock announced today.

Firemen from Central-West Texas will converge upon Merkel for the one-day affair, which will be held at the Texas Theater.

Principal speaker during the afternoon will be Harry Dobbyn, of Abilene, coordinator of defense.

"Because of the importance of this talk," Adecock said, "we are inviting all Merkel citizens to attend this part of the convention. His talk will be at 1:30 p.m. in the Texas Theater, and we invite everyone who is interested to come in and hear Mr. Dobbyn."

Low Holle, director of disaster emergency in Abilene Civil Defense program, will speak on "Self Preservation of Cities and Towns."

Mrs. Marie Hudson, fireman's pension commissioner, will speak to the group during the afternoon.

Registration will begin at the fire station at 10 a.m.

Ray Luck, president, will call the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. Following this Leonard Henderson will lead the allegiance to the flag, and Captain Whorton will lead "America." Rev. Joe P. Self Jr. will give the invocation and Mayor Fred Starbuck will deliver a welcoming address.

The response will be given by Mr. Self. Roll call will follow by James C. Ashbury, secretary-treasurer.

There will be some races north of the fire station at 4:30 p.m. At 6:30 p.m. there will be a barbecue dinner at the school cafeteria.

## Shrine Circus Enjoyed by Class

The seventh grade class, taught by Mrs. Andy Shouse, attended the Suez Temple Shrine Circus at Blue Sox park last Thursday as the guest of Fred Starbuck, who furnished the tickets.

The room was accompanied by Mrs. C. E. Mewborn, Mrs. W. R. Cypert, Mrs. Austin Petty, Mrs. Gwen Lattimer, Mrs. J. D. Sandusky, and Mrs. Shouse.

The 27 pupils in this class are James Ayas, Ronny Barnett, Ruth Corder, Sharon Cypert, Berth Doan, Janie Dudley, Bobby Ford, Walter Harris, Gary Keese, Billy King, Joe Massey, Pat Mattingly, Mary Beth Mewborn, Bonny Pack, Jack Petty, Haroldine Reynolds, Alan Tittle, Kay Wallace, Betty Watson, Don Williams, Carolyn Windham, Patsy Ruth Morgan, Rosa Biera, Lupe Duran, Fernin Hernandez, Pedro Ybarra and John Labano.

## Rains Slow Harvest. But Aid Planting

Heavy rains over the weekend slowed up cotton harvest around Merkel during the past week, but farmers who were getting ready to plant small grains and other spring crops were elated at the moisture coming at this time of year.

Merkel measured approximately an inch of moisture during the weekend, but some sectors got much more. Practically the whole area is water soaked at the present time.

Some farmers were able to plant small grains following the rain, and the moisture will give them a good start. Grass is looking better than it has in years in this area.

Nearly every tank in the area is filled, and assures ranchers plenty of water for their stock during the winter season.

Cotton farmers are moaning over not being able to get into the fields, but damage was expected to be light from the rains. In fact some of the late June cotton was greatly benefitted by the rains. The late feed crops also benefitted greatly.

The Soil Conservation Unit reports that farmers in the area are busy planting cover crops.

With good moisture now a reality, farmers in the Merkel area are extremely busy planting cover crops. Austrian Winter peas are being planted in between rows of cotton and grain sorghum with the idea of leaving crop residues standing on the land to prevent water and wind erosion while at the same time improving the soil from the standpoint of plant nutrients and moisture penetrations. Other farmers are sowing peas in with the small grains.

Farmers who have planted peas or are planning to do so in the near future are Allen Agnew, Allen King, Roy Orsborn, A. H. Murphy, Tom Russom, A. L. Moore, Holland Teaff, Bill Teaff, O. R. Douglas, Bill Largent, T. J. Bird, Buster Horton, Loyd Gilmore, Joe Hartley, W. D. Ramsey, Fred Johnson, H. H. McLeod, and Roy Largent. These farmers will plant approximately six hundred acres to this soil improving legume.

Terraces have been completed recently on Cramer Reynolds, one mile northwest of Merkel. In addition to six miles of terraces, Cramer has also built 1200 feet of waterway to prevent gulleying and to carry off excess water.

## BADGERS SLAM EASTLAND, 33-7 ANSON IS NEXT

Completing 16 of 18 aerals, the Merkel Badgers swept past the Eastland Mavericks in a rough and tumble game at Eastland Friday night, 33-7, and put themselves up as a dangerous competition in league play.

The game was rough and at times appeared to get out of hand. It was marred by 16 penalties, of which 11 were against the Badgers for 115 yards.

Outclassing the Mavericks in every department, the Badgers took an early lead, and then kept piling it on on the sharp flipping of Philip Pursley until he left the game in the fourth period.

End Robert McLeod, heralded as a great line-backer and pass catcher, came in to quarterback the Badgers to another touchdown with his crazy-legged running.

Guard Edwin Mewborn grabbed an Eastland fumble early in the first period to give the Badgers possession on their own 33 yard line.

From there, the Badgers started moving, with Pursley hitting Kermit Rutledge for 26 yards. Larry Joyce picked up four yards, and Pursley shot another pass to McLeod for 23 yards, who was finally downed on the 12. Two plays later, Rutledge scampered over from the 7 yard line, giving the Badgers a 6-0 lead. He then kicked point, making it 7-0.

Lupe Herrera intercepted one Pursley pass, and raced over to score, making it 7-6. J. C. Jarrett kicked the point and everything was tied up.

The Badgers kept the Mavericks backed up during the next few minutes after McLeod had kicked deep within the 10 yard line, but the ball was brought out to the 20 because it was killed within the 10. A holding penalty put Eastland back on the 5, but they moved back to the 20 before being forced to kick.

With only minutes left in the half, Pursley caught Russell for a 13 yard pass. Following the kickoff, Pursley intercepted a pass, and then rifled another for 30 yards to Russell to give the Badgers a 19-7 lead at halftime.

After that the Mavericks were never in the game, except for some excessive roughing that brought a flare of tempers on both sides, and cost both teams some yardage penalties.

The Badgers moved in for another scoring opportunity, but it was marred when End David Wiloughby pounced on a fumble.

When Pursley went out of the game in the fourth, McLeod took over and directed a drive that saw him sweeping 15 yards to score, making it 25-7. The kick by Rutledge was good.

Russell intercepted a pass on the 40 and raced down to the 13 before he was finally downed. McLeod on a keeper crashed his way to the 2 and then went over on the next play to give the Badgers a 33-7 victory after Rutledge kicked the point.

The Badgers looked better than they had all season, although most of their yardage was made in the air. The Mavericks had pretty well kept the running game battle up during the early parts of the game.

Guard Carl McKeever, McLeod and Fullback Larry Joyce were instrumental in breaking up many Maverick plays on the defense.

Ends Jerry Miller and Jimmy Neill also came in for some nice playing, and tackles Barry Scott and Tommy Swinney and Center Chester Collinsworth kept the Mavericks in trouble much of the time and offered excellent protection for the Badger throwing game.

Dale Slatton and Benny Bates were the outstanding lads on the offense for the Mavericks.

The Badgers go to Anson this week for another game, and they might find the going a little rougher than it was last week.

McLeod came up with a big blister on his foot, and his speed and deception is somewhat hampered, although he played an outstanding game against Eastland.

## Ross Pratt, 43, Dies in Abilene

Services were held at Abilene for Ross Pratt, 43, formerly of Merkel, who died in an Abilene hospital following surgery. Mr. Pratt lived in Merkel 10 years before moving to Abilene last January. While in Merkel he was active in the A.F. and A.M. and Eastern Star. He was field superintendent of the Redden Operators.

In addition to his wife, Mrs. Pratt, he is survived by a brother, Donald Pratt, of Merkel.

Masonic rites were held for Mr. Pratt.



FREDDIE GAGE



JIMMIE SNELEN

## Services Held For Thompson

Funeral services for D. B. Thompson, 93, of Lubbock, were conducted here Friday afternoon, with burial in the Merkel Cemetery.

Thompson died Wednesday in a Lubbock hospital.

A retired rancher and farmer he had lived in Lubbock since 1943.

He was a member of the Central Baptist church in Lubbock for seven years, being Baptized at the age of 91.

He is survived by three daughters, Mrs. B. W. Lane and Mrs. Frank Wallace of Lubbock and Mrs. Ollie Fox of Merkel; seven sons, H. C. Thompson of Fort Worth, E. L. Thompson of Van Nuys, Cal., O. D. Thompson of Spur, W. A. Thompson of Avenal, Cal., Carl Thompson of Sunland, Cal., H. B. Thompson of Corcoran, Cal., and O. H. Thompson of Bakersfield, Cal., and a sister, Mrs. Cora Fulcher of Abilene.

## Senior 4-H Girls Name New Officers

Martha Perry was elected president of the Merkel senior 4-H club for girls at a meeting Sept. 27 in the Elementary school.

Plans for the coming year were discussed. Other officers are Carole Perry, vice president; Mary McKeever, secretary-treasurer, and Janice Windham, reporter.

## First Baptist Revival Will Start Friday

Evangelist Freddie Gage and his Gospel singer Jimmy Snelen, of Waco, will hold a three-day revival at the First Baptist church Friday, Saturday and Sunday, the Rev. Sam Tulloch, pastor, announced today.

"This is one of America's most outstanding revival teams," said Tulloch.

The pastor said Gage was saved from a life of sin by God and was called to preach. He has preached in 156 Southern Baptist churches in five states and has conducted 92 revivals with thousands of decisions being made for Christ.

Gage, before his conversion, was arrested for marijuana, many misdemeanors and felonies which were filed against him. He has a testimony that glorified Christ.

Services will begin at 7:30 each night.

Snelen, who conducts the musical program, was formerly soloist for the world famous Cowboy band of Hardin-Simmons University.

Mr. and Mrs. B. J. White of Pearsall visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. White and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Green last weekend. Billy Joe is teaching manual training in the Pearsall high school.

STATEMENT OF CONDITION  
**FARMERS & MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK**  
 MERKEL, TEXAS

AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS SEPTEMBER 30, 1955

RESOURCES	
Loans	\$ 832,822.47
Overdrafts	1,718.36
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	6,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	2,500.00
<b>AVAILABLE CASH AND QUICK ASSETS</b>	
Certificates of Interest	\$ 47,172.44
1955 Cotton Producer Notes	4,422.94
United States Bonds and Securities	1,000,000.00
Other Bonds & Warrants	573,581.88
Cash and Due From Banks	875,980.03
	\$2,501,157.29
Total	\$3,344,198.12
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock	\$ 100,000.00
Surplus	100,000.00
Undivided Profits	30,840.88
DEPOSITS	3,113,357.24
Total	\$3,344,198.12

The above statement is correct.  
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**HODGES**

Mrs. **NORMA SLOAN**  
 Bob McCoy is at home after spending a part of last week in Sadler Clinic at Merkel with a wrenched back.

Hodges W.M.U. met last Tuesday morning at nine o'clock, quiet a few members were present. Mrs. W. M. Bruton had charge.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Trott of Abilene will be at the Hodges Baptist Church the 12th of Oct. to show slides of a recent trip abroad. Mrs. Trott will install new officers of the W.M.U. Also Mrs. Trott has jurisdiction over 167 churches.

Visiting Mrs. M. A. Pair last week were her son, Joe of Brady and his daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Gilmore of Santa Barbara, California.

The sister of W. C. McCoy and Mrs. Buster Jones had surgery last week. She is Mrs. J. W. Humphries.

Quiet a few farmers of Hodges had their cotton sprayed with an airplane last week for leaf worms.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sloan, Larry and Derrell and June Terrell visited the R. W. Reynolds family of Putnam on Sunday.

**STITH H. D. CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS**  
 Mrs. Marvin Walters was elected president of the Stith Home Demonstration club at its regular meeting last Wednesday.

Other officers named were Mrs. O. B. Leach, vice president; Mrs. J. C. Brown, secretary-treasurer; and Mrs. W. M. Loflin, reporter.

Secret pals were revealed at the meeting. A demonstration on roasting by Mrs. Elbert West and Mrs. Paul Bradley, food leaders, was enjoyed by the 15 members present.

A Halloween carnival is being planned by the club to be held at the Stith tabernacle. Christmas cards were ordered by members of the club. Proceeds from each go into the club fund.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Billy Ray Browning on October 12.

Calling at the E. L. Tarpley home last Wednesday were Mrs. Joe Dell Gregory of Merkel, Dave Tarpley, of Merkel, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Maxwell and D. V. of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Fincher and Jeannie of Abilene and Mrs. Stella Tarpley, of Abilene.

**GHRONDA TUPLEY HAS 5TH BIRTHDAY**

Ghronda Tupley was honored with a birthday last Wednesday on her fifth birthday. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Tarpley.

After playing games and opening gifts, refreshments were served to Kathryn Sue Creswell, Wayne and Becky Holloway, Lor-

el and Joe Loflin, Lee Ann and Rusty Holloway.

Mrs. Wilmer Criswell, Mrs. Freeman Holloway, Mrs. Marvin Geordil Holloway, Ghronda and David Tarpley, Rodney Mashburn was invited, but was unable to attend, but he sent a gift.

Colonel Wallace, who spent three weeks home with his par-

ents between semester at the University of Texas, has returned to school where he was pledged to Alpha Phi Omega fraternity at the University. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Wallace.

Mrs. E. M. Elliott had as her guests Sunday her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Elliott, of Dallas.

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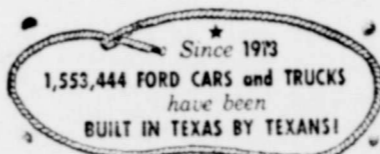
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**Fruit Nectar** - tall Can - 7 for \$1.00  
1 CAN FREE

LIBBY'S - TALL CAN  
**Pineapple Juice** - --- 7 for \$1.00-  
1 CAN FREE

LIBBY'S  
**Tomato Juice** - 303 can 9 for \$1.00  
1 CAN FREE

LIBBY'S  
**POTTED MEAT** - --- 11 for \$1.00  
1 CAN FREE

LIBBY'S  
**New Potatoes** 303 can 5 for \$1.00  
1 CAN FREE

LIBBY'S  
**Garden Peas** - 303 can - 5 for \$1.00  
1 CAN FREE

LIBBY'S GOLDEN  
**CORN** - -303 can - - - 5 for \$1.00  
1 CAN FREE

LIBBY'S  
**KRAUT** - 303 can - - - 7 for \$1.00  
1 CAN FREE

LIBBY'S - CRUSHED or SLICED - No. 1 Flat  
**PINEAPPLE** - - - - 5 for \$1.00  
1 CAN FREE

LIBBY'S - 16-oz. Jar  
**PICKLED BEETS** - - - - 4 for \$1.00  
1 JAR FREE

LIBBY'S - 303 Can  
**SLICED BEETS** - - - - 5 for \$1.00  
1 CAN FREE

LIBBY'S  
**SPINACH** - 303 can - - 5 for \$1.00  
1 CAN FREE

LIBBY'S DEEP BROWN  
**BEANS** - - - - - 7 for \$1.00  
1 CAN FREE

LIBBY'S  
**VIENNAS** - - - - - 5 for \$1.00  
1 CAN FREE

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**OLIVES** - - - - - 4 for \$1.00  
1 JAR FREE

LIBBY'S  
**APRICOTS** - 303 can - - 2 for 45c

LIBBY'S CUT - 303 Can  
**GREEN BEANS** - - - - - 2 for 45c

LIBBY'S WHOLE - 303 Can  
**GREEN BEANS** - - - - - 2 for 49c

LIBBY'S  
**Peaches**

Sliced or Halves  
303 Can **2** for **45¢**

LIBBY'S  
**Fruit Cocktail**

303 Can **2** for **49¢**

LIBBY'S  
**Pineapple Juice**

46-oz. Can **2** for **59¢**

LIBBY'S  
**Tomato Juice**

46-oz. Can **4** for **\$1**

LIBBY'S  
**PEACHES**  
SLICED OR HALVES  
No. 2½ CAN  
**3 for \$1.00**

LIBBY'S CRUSHED  
**PINEAPPLE**  
NO. 2 CAN  
**4 for \$1.00**

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**PICKLES**  
SOUR OR DILL  
22 OZ. JAR  
**3 for \$1.00**

LIBBY'S SWEET  
**PICKLES**  
15 OZ. JAR  
**4 for \$1.00**

**FROZEN FOODS**

DONALD DUCK  
**ORANGE JUICE** - 2 cans - - - - 35c  
DONALD DUCK  
**CHICKEN POT PIES** - 2 for - - 49c

BAKERITE  
**SHORTENING**  
3 Pound Can  
**69c**

**GIANT-TIDE**  
Box  
**69c**

MORTON'S  
**FRUIT PIES**  
LARGE  
**55c**

MORTON'S  
**FRUIT PIES**  
SMALL  
**29c**

THOMAS  
**CUT CORN**  
2 pkgs. **35c**

KEITH'S BLACKEYE  
**PEAS**  
2 pkgs. **49c**

**MEATS**

CHOICE  
**FRYERS** - - - - lb. - 45c  
PICNIC  
**HAMS** - - - - lb. - 39c  
SLICED  
**BACON** - - - - lb. - 45c  
FANCY  
**CHUCK ROAST** - lb. - 42c  
TENDER  
**BEEF RIBS** - - lb. - 23c  
LEAN  
**PORK CHOPS** - lb. - 59c

**VEGETABLES**

TOKAY  
**GRAPES** - - - - lb. - 10c  
IDAHO RUSSET  
**SPUDS** - 10 lb. mesh bag 47c  
FRESH PINK  
**TOMATOES** - - - lb. - 17c  
CRISP  
**CARROTS** - cello bag - 11c  
JONATHAN  
**APPLES** - - - - lb. - 15c  
EAST TEXAS  
**YAMS** - - - - lb. - 7c

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**NOODLE**

MRS. GEORGE COOPER  
Correspondent

Mrs. Davis Beasley of Brownfield visited in the Lile Code home recently. Mrs. Code accompanied her to View and Abilene to visit relatives. Mrs. Beasley and Mrs. Code are sisters.

Albert Code of Kermit and family visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lile Code last weekend.

Dr. and Mrs. A. L. Massey of Tucson, Ariz., and Mrs. J. L. Lantrip of Anson visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Cooper. Mrs. Massey and Mrs. Lantrip are sisters of Mrs. Coopers.

Mrs. W. D. Clement and two sons, Jackie and Maurice, spent last weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Caldwell.

Mrs. Margie Ross and son, Bennie, have been ill, but are better now.

Grandma Williams, mother of Mrs. John Dooley, is also ill at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Latham had as their guests Sunday his parents.

Mrs. Clayton Dillard visited her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Mays last weekend at Dublin.

Mr. and Mrs. Naith Maxwell and Joan visited in Aspermont Sunday.

Mrs. Earnest Spurgeon and son, Carol, visited Mr. and Mrs. Ray Pope in Abilene recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Dell Eoff and Mr. and Mrs. V. R. Justice had as their guests recently, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Spurgeon, of Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Jackson had as Sunday dinner guests Chester and Jeannet Lucas, Mrs. Cox and Ida Beth Adkins of Anson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Adkins of Anson and Dee Lucas of Fort Worth were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Newell Lucas Sunday.

Mike and Marsha Tarpley spent a few days with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Doc Calloway and Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Wheeler.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Pack and Raymond spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Duke Pack near Merkel, where they enjoyed a family reunion.

Mrs. Dock Calloway received a letter from her son, Keith Tarpley in Germany that he was waiting for orders to leave for home where he will get his discharge in November.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Barbee, Mr. and Mrs. Dock Calloway and Mrs. Leta Fay Touchstone attended the funeral of Radar Thompson in Merkel.

Ray Len Dixon spent a few days in the hospital last week where he had the flu.

**STITH**

By MRS. W. M. LOFLIN

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin L. Walters spent the weekend in Monahans visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Wells and Jerriene Faye.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Evans had as guest Sunday their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Evans, Kate and Joe from Caps and Mrs. Jewel Dunagin of Merkel.

Up to Monday the Stith gin had ginned 101 bales of cotton. We received 1-2 inch rain over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Red Katcham of Santa Fe, New Mexico visited Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones Sunday. Mrs. Katcham is Mrs. Jones' niece.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Patterson had their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Patterson and children of Big Spring, Mrs. Tom Seymour and children of Merkel for a visit this week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Bailey have received word that they are grandparents again. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bailey of Harrisville, West Va. are the parents of a boy, weighing 8 lbs. 2 ounces whose name is Michael Wayne.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Tarpley and children visited Mrs. Tarpley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Gregory of Colorado City, on Sunday.

Mrs. Lou (Grandma) Mashburn is visiting her daughter Mrs. Clark Church in Slaton.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Mundy of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hudson, visited with Miss Louise Hudson, Bab and Hollis, on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Blanton of New Mexico, Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Browning, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Harris and children visited with Mr. and Mrs. John Browning on Sunday.

**Huffs Still In Arkansas Hospital**

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Huff, who were injured in an automobile accident near Russellville, Ark., while enroute to visit relatives, must remain in St. Mary's hospital at Russellville for about six more weeks, their son, James Huff said.

Both are recovering nicely, and Mrs. Huff's leg which was fractured is healing nicely.

**Hubert L. Berry Is Conservationist**

Hubert L. Berry, formerly of Rising Star, has joined the staff of the soil conservation unit in Merkel as World Conservationist. Berry will move his family to Merkel next week. They have rented the Brown property.

His family consists of Mrs. Berry and two children, Lynn, 5, and Chris Lea, 2.

**TRENT**

By CHARLES BRIGHT  
Correspondent

The Trent M.F.T. met for the regular fun night Monday. A business meeting was held first to decide where to have a Halloween carnival. Plans were made to have one, and a called meeting will be held to discuss plans. Officers were named to carry out the year's work. After the business session games were played in the gym. They were brought by Mrs. Lena McWilliams, Mrs. Marie Estep and Mrs. Zed Bright. Everyone went on a uranium hunt, and there were picks, shovels and all the other things that are needed. The groups were divided into teams, Dodgers and Yankees. The Yanks won the gummy ack filled with paper and candy suckers. What a riot and what fun. Be with us for the next fun night the next first Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Estep and Jane Williams visited in San Angelo Saturday with Jerry Estep who is in college there. They went to Paint Rock Saturday night and spent the weekend with Mr. Estep's brother, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Estep.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Williams went to Brownwood for the weekend. Mr. Williams and Jerry went to Waco to see the Maryland-Baylor game.

Mr. and Mrs. James Strawn and children were home over the weekend visiting Mr. and Mrs. Earl Strawn of Trent and Mr. and Mrs. Hale McKee of Abilene.

Mrs. Zed Bright's mother, Mr. C. E. Seago, is in Austin taking her state Beauticians examination. She will be with Ann Bright at Ann's Beauty Shop at 611 Yucca in Merkel.

Lots of Sweetwater and Merkel boys and girls were skating Saturday night. They're always welcome.

Mrs. Minnie Hale and Lulu Woods mother is ill in the Abilene hospital.

Plans are under way for a Trent second annual high school homecoming November 4 and 5.

Little Frankie Duncan spent Sunday in the hospital, but is better.

The vocational agriculture boys and the homecoming girls met Monday night for a watermelon feed.

The Trent band is making tunes now, and everyone is proud of them. The Juniors are trying to catch the larger group.

Mrs. Bill Jones and Annett of Florey visited in the home of Mrs. M. L. Jones and W. G. Graham of Abilene.

Ida Mae Graham and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Reed attended the auction at Abilene Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Hallie Jones are moving into their new home in Trent.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Edwards are moving into their new completed home.

Dane Ambrose of Denton is planning on coming to Trent October 14.

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**MERKEL**  
**Co-op Station**



ADDRESS ADMEN—Newspaper advertising salesmen will hear two Texans and an Oklahoman discuss the tremendous power of advertising on the October 15th advertising convention of the Texas Press Association at the Baker Hotel in Dallas. Roy Cowan (left above) will deliver a talk on selling advertising. Jack McCollum (center) will speak on merchandising. And Louie Freeman (right) has been assigned the subject "Humor in Advertising." Cowan is with the Southwest Printing Company in Dallas. McCollum is a member of the retail firm of McCollum & Gresham in Huntsville. Freeman is an agricultural teacher at Jenks, Oklahoma. It will be the 5th Annual TPA Ad-Meet.

**Hospital Notes**

Patients at the Sadler Hospital clinic during the week included: Margie Carey, Merkel, surgery. A. V. Dick, Merkel, surgery. Mrs. Leona Newton, Abilene, medical. Mrs. Jerrold Butman, Merkel, medical. Lola O'Kelly, Trent, medical. Mrs. B. L. [redacted], Merkel, baby. Mrs. Jim Rhymes, Trent, medical. J. L. Holmes, Merkel, medical. Nellie Sandusky, Merkel, medical. Mrs. Frank Duran, Merkel, medical. Roy Lynn Dixon, Merkel, medical. Mrs. Don Doan, Stamford, baby. Jeannette Lucas, Merkel, surgery. Mrs. W. C. Hunter, Merkel, medical. Leon Toombs, Merkel, medical. O. B. Hamm, Midland, surgery. Bill Case, son of Milton Case, Abilene, medical. Joan Bennett, Abilene, medical. Kay Beasley, Trent, medical. Dr. Don Warren, Merkel, surgery. Mrs. Joe Lerra, Merkel, baby. A. H. Hennington, McCaulley, Texas, medical. M. J. Conlin, Abilene, medical. Mrs. G. E. Davis, Sweetwater, medical. Mrs. Dan M. Pannell, Abilene, baby.

Read the Want Ads!

**Merkel Bees Play C-City Thursday Nite**

The Merkel B team will play Colorado City freshmen Thursday night at Colorado City. Coach Carroll Benson announced today. The B team originally was scheduled to play Clyde, but Clyde notified the coach the team would be unable to come over for the game. Among those who likely will see action for Merkel are Manly Denton, halfback; Buddy Tittle, quarterback; Riley Seymore, halfback; Larry Perry, halfback; Lloyd Shugart, fullback; Joe Neil, halfback; Eddy Higgins, center; Watie Frye, guard; Gus Jackson, guard; David Pursley, tackle; Charles Jacobs, tackle; Ronnie Toombs, end; M. H. Ely, end; Jerry McLeod, end; Skippy Hicks, center; David Melton, guard; Benny Melton, guard; J. R. Mashburn, guard, and John Thomas, end.

**New Officers of Month Elected**

The sixth grade, taught by Mrs. Mack Fisher, elected officers for the month of October, Monday. The new officers are Carolan Anderson, president; Kenny Ho-

gan, first vice president; Jeff Smith, second vice president; Mary Jane Horton, secretary; Carolan Ann Bond, treasurer; Reuben Perez, reporter; Kenny Hogan and Sammy Smith, patrolmen; Stanley Harris and Sandra Hunter, annual staff workers; Farris Neill and Patsy Holmes, Red Cross.

**Three From Merkel Join U. S. Navy**

Three youths from Merkel were among those joining the U. S.

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**REAL DRY CLEANING**

Don't be fooled about your dry cleaning. When you want real, genuine dry cleaning with your clothes coming home extra fresh, just call **PICK UP AND DELIVERY ADCOCK CLEANERS** Phone 68

Navy at the Navy recruiting station in Abilene recently. They are: John William Martin, minority enlistment, father, Rex O. Martin, Merkel. J. B. Price, 4-year enlistment, wife, Shirlene Price, 508 Edwards, Merkel. Bobby Lee Pippin, 4-year enlistment, father, Frank Pippin, Merkel. These men were enlisted at Abilene and sent to Dallas. From there they were sent to San Diego, Calif., for recruit training.

**MODERN BEAUTY SHOP**

It's the cut that makes the hair pretty, so why not a **Four-Way Cut today? SHOP CARE . . . IS PROFESSIONAL CARE . . .** Mrs. Dent Gibson Mrs. Clarence Perry Operators

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Two appliances in one—a real food freezer and a big, automatic-defrost refrigerator! With famous G-E Revolving Shelves that put all foods at your fingertips and a host of other wonderful features! Butter-conditioner; two big vegetable drawers; removable, adjustable door shelves.

**Special—R.S.V.P. trade-in allowances—limited time only!**

Your old refrigerator may never be worth more than it is right now, when you buy a new General Electric in our giant Refrigerator Value Parade! Come in right away and see for yourself—biggest trade-in values in town!

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**FUNERAL SERVICE INSURANCE**  
\$100.00 to \$500.00  
MERKEL, TEXAS  
**STARBUCK LIFE INSURANCE CO.**

**Do your chores FASTER, EASIER in a BUTLER steel building**  
Butler rigid-frame steel buildings' post-free interiors give you room for time and labor-saving stanchions, milking parlors, self-feeders, movable feed bunks, grain chutes, overhead bins—where you want them. There's room to maneuver your tractor, spreader, manure loader. COME IN, get complete information.

**BUTLER** STANFORD ENGINEERING CO.  
Ask for Bill Hyde  
P. O. Box 687 Phone 3-4721  
Abilene, Texas

**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 an 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: Lois Nell Franklin and J. B. Franklin, Defendants, Greeting:  
 YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 17th day of October A.D. 1955, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 30th day of August A.D. 1955, in this cause, numbered 20,796-A on the docket of said court and styled Terry Dodd and wife, Trubah Dodd, Plaintiffs, vs. Lois Nell Franklin and J. B. Franklin, Defendants.

A brief statement of the nature

of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Trespass to try title and remove cloud from the following:  
 Being the West 140 feet of the South 4.25 feet of Lot No. 2, and the West 140 feet of the North 46 feet of Lot No. 3, in Block No. 1, Sayles & Hughes Subdivision of Lots 1 and 2, Block 5, B. Austin Survey No. 91, (lying West of Meander Street), in the City of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas; as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.  
 The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.  
 Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this 30th day of August A.D. 1955.  
 (SEAL)  
 Attest: R. H. Ross, Clerk, 42nd District Court, Taylor County, Texas.  
 By Clayrene Long, Deputy.

**Merkel Band Is Listed for Clinic**

The seventh annual Band Clinic is scheduled to be held at H.P.C., Brownwood. The most colorful program in the history of the clinic has been set up by the director, W. R. Parker.

Parker reports the following bands are to be present for the Comanche, Lampasas, Belton, Burnet, Llano, Goldthwaite, Coleman, Junction, Sonora, Menard, Santa Anna, Bangs, Cross Plains, Sweetwater, Merkel, Snyder, Cisco, Gorman, Mason, Lakeview, Breckenridge, Early, and Stephenville.

**NEWS**  
*County Home Demonstration Agent Texas A & M. College Extension Service*

Leaders from ten home demonstration clubs attended a leader training meeting on storage in the living room. Many suggestions were given on ways to provide more storage. Go to the club nearest you for some ideas. The following women attended the meeting:  
 Dorothy Farr, Mrs. W. C. Taylor, Wylie Club; Mrs. Blanche McCarty and Mrs. Clint Stewart, Pleasant Hill Club; Mrs. Tom Ransom, Bluebonnet Club; Mabel Mc-

Ree and Mrs. Clyde Newton, Union Ridge Club; Mrs. C. A. Fomby, Ovaio Club; Mrs. Joe Albro, Tuscola Club; Mrs. Jack Nix and Mrs. Elmo Jones, Lake Abilene Club; Mrs. Casey Moore and Mrs. C. G. Smith, Hamby Club; Mrs. Clarence Hollingshead and Mrs. Riley Miller, Potosi Club; Mrs. J. N. Lawrence and Mrs. L. M. Lilly, Shep Club; Mrs. Beth Everett, Assistant County Home Demonstration Agent.

**State Fair Opens Friday**

The best of "made in Texas" fashions will be modeled in 37 free style shows during the 1955 State Fair of Texas, Oct. 7 through 23.  
 The third annual Texas Fashion Round-up of prize-winning entries of Texas apparel manufacturers will be presented in the new air-conditioned Women's Building at the State Fair. There will be shows at 2 and 4 p.m. daily, with a 7 p.m. showing added Saturdays and Sundays.

**STATE FAIR OF TEXAS**  
 Grand and Glorious Exposition presenting  
**THE PAJAMA GAME • ICE CAPADES**  
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**ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE COLLECTION, REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL OF GARBAGE, TRASH AND RUBBISH WITHIN THE CITY OF MERKEL, DEFINING TERMS REQUIRING ALL OWNERS AND OCCUPANTS TO PROVIDE CONTAINERS AND RECEPTACLES, SPECIFYING THE TYPE OF CONTAINERS, PRESCRIBING CHARGES AND TIMES FOR COLLECTION OF THE GARBAGE; PROVIDING A SAVING CLAUSE, FIXING A PENALTY FOR VIOLATION REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**  
 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERKEL:

**SECTION 1:** That the accumulation of waste, refuse and trash on the premises of private residences or commercial enterprises in the streets and alleys constitutes a public nuisance and enhances the danger of spread of diseases and it is imperative and urgent for the preservation of health, safety and sanitation and for the public welfare that adequate regulations be adopted concerning the depositing and collection and removal of garbage at regular intervals.

**SECTION 2:** Garbage and trash, as the terms are used interchangeably herein, shall refer to all wet garbage and waste material from kitchens, residences, grocery stores, butcher shops, restaurants, cafes, or any other animal or vegetable matter and shall include also such rubbish as cannot be burned.

**SECTION 3:** Each owner or occupant using or occupying any building, house, or structure within the corporate limits of the City of Merkel shall provide and maintain garbage receptacles of sufficient number to contain the trash and garbage that will accumulate on the premises.

**SECTION 4:** All garbage and trash receptacles shall be placed in a place easily accessible to the person collecting and removing the garbage and trash.

**SECTION 5:** The City of Merkel shall collect such garbage or shall authorize someone under its direction to collect the garbage from residential dwellings at least once per month and from any business enterprise once per day, with the exception of Sundays and legal holidays.

**SECTION 6:** The fair and reasonable charge for the services shall be as follows:

- (a) For one family residence 50c per month.
  - (b) For any business enterprise \$2.50 per month.
- And the same shall be billed as part of the water bill of the individual concerned.

**SECTION 7:** No person except a duly authorized agent and employee of the City of Merkel or person operating under a permit from the City of Merkel shall empty garbage or trash receptacles or convey or transport garbage or trash on the streets, alleys or public thoroughfares of the City of Merkel for hire.

**SECTION 8:** Any person, firm, association or corporation violating the provisions of this ordinance upon conviction thereof, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined in a sum not to exceed \$200.00 Each day of non-compliance with the ordinance shall be deemed to constitute a separate offense.

**SECTION 9:** Should any part, section, sub-section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase contained in this ordinance be held to be invalid for any reason such invalidity shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of the ordinance, it being the legislative intent that the provisions of this ordinance are severable.

**SECTION 10:** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby expressly repealed.

**SECTION 11:** This ordinance shall be in effect from and after its passage and publication in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas.

PASSED this 19th day of Sept. 1955.

FRED STARBUCK, Mayor  
 ATTEST:  
 FLOSSIE W. McKEEVER  
 City Secretary

The following ordinance was published in the MERKEL MAIL newspaper of general distribution in the City of Merkel on the 7th day of October, 1955.

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 FURNITURE UPHOLSTER  
 123 Kent Street  
**Higgins Blacksmith and Welding Shop**  
 Acetylene and Electric Welding  
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**CLASSIFIED RATES**  
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**THESE RATES APPLY TO ONLY LOCALLY OWNED FIRMS.**  
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Classifieds will be accepted by telephone, but payment must be made before publication.

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**First Issue, Per Inch** 75c  
**Succeeding Issues, Per Inch** 50c

**NOTICE MASONS**  
 Stated meeting of Merkel Lodge No. 710, A.F. & A.M. Thurs, Oct. 13, at 7:30 u. m. All members are urged to attend. Visiting brethren cordially invited.  
 J. R. Mashburn, W. M.  
 C. B. Rust, Secretary.

**FOR SALE**  
 My home at 206 Oak Street. Three bedroom, 100x140 feet lot. Double garage, 20 ft. concrete drive, storage room, priced to sell. Call 21 — Horner O. Boney. 22-4c

**BABY CHICKS**  
 St. run 4-A grade large White Leghorns, Austra-White, Hamp White, B. R., W. R., N. H. and R. I. Reds. Brown Leghorns. Please order now for October delivery.

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**FOR SALE**—We have several new electric ranges to sell below cost. Make us an offer. Badger Chevrolet Co. 11c

**FOR RENT**—Unfurnished apartment, 4 rooms and bath. See Ray Wilson, Wilson's Food Store. 30-11c  
**FOR SALE**—300 Good Cedar fence posts, 6 1/2 feet by 3 1/2 inches and 6 1/2 feet by 2 1/2 inches. Badger Chevrolet. 10-11c

**FOR SALE**—Plenty of 3-5-40 (cut poison) and 40-20 (spray poison). TOOMBS - MOORE FRED STORE, Ph. 273. 21-11c  
**FOR SALE**—One Massey-Harris 14-foot self-propelled combine, also 1949 Cushman motor, good condition. Phone 28. 21-11c

**BARGAINS**—In used TVs \$75 and up Badger Chevrolet Co. 11c  
**FOR SALE**—1-4 room home to be moved. Located at Comere. See Clarence Foster, Phone 110, Merkel. 29-31p.

**MISCELLANEOUS**  
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 We Serve All Makes. Next Time **PHONE 193**  
**DUDLEY ELECTRIC**  
 WATER WELL drilling and surface pipe set. Higgins & Malone Box 267, Merkel. Phone 28.

**FOR SALE**—Seven room modern house and 6 lots. Electric pump. 810 Walnut 30-31p  
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**FOR RENT**  
 FOR RENT: Furnished four room house with bath, also two furnished apartments, Mrs. Bert Milton, 1412 S. 5th, Phone 282. 29-31p.

**FOR SALE**  
 ONE DODGE CAR and parakeet cage, 26 young Oster White chickens, 3 bird cages, Phone 17m. Marion Street, Mrs. H. Wren. 30-11c

**FOR SALE**—Grain elevators in Merkel, Tye, Hawley, and Sylvester. Excellent prospects for big crop of mlo. Must sell to divide partnership. Patterson Grain Co., H. W. Lemens, or Clesby Patterson, Phone 113 or 212, Merkel.

**FOR SALE**—One high power rifle 30-06 Bolt Action, \$35. Nolan Palmer. 27-11c  
**FOR SALE**—Combine, 1950, 6-foot Massey-Harris Clipper, \$350. Nolan Palmer. 27-11c

**BULBS**  
 TULIP & DAFFODEL  
**Bill's Garden Shop**  
 30-31c

**FOR SALE!**  
 160 acres about 5 miles north of Trent in Jones county, 40 acres in cultivation, 25 acres undivided royalty goes to purchaser, producing oil now. Only \$59.00 per acre.

160 acres good land near Comere in Jones county about all in cultivation, quick sale \$65.00 4 room and bath, hard wood floors on large corner lot, close in, a real buy for \$4,500.

We have several nice homes for sale, come in and let us tell you about them.

**Dowdy & Toombs**  
 30-11c  
**FOR SALE**—One 12-gauge pump Winchester; one single barrel 12-gauge Winchester; 1 Marlin 30-30 Carbine; One Stevens 30-30 Bolt Action; One 3-0-3 Rifle; One 8 mm Mauser; One 30-M I Carbine. Mac's City Drug. 27-11c

**FOR RENT**—Porter farm north of town. Mrs. J. D. Porter. 30-11p

**MY-LINE 934**  
**THRIFTY, EFFICIENT**  
**WHITE EGG LAYER**  
 Streamlined for greater profit, Hy-Line 934 at 4 1-4 lbs., lays big white eggs with low feed intake per dozen laid. 934 lays 12 to 14 months and longer. Scarcely any slumps or broodiness. Fewer cuts, better livability. Hy-Line 934 puts more profit in your laying flock. Put Hy-Line 934 on your list for the fall of 1955. We are hatching weekly.  
**WILSON POULTRY FARM & HATCHERY**  
 CLYDE, TEXAS

**FOR SALE**—1—1951 Cushman Scooter \$25.00. A. W. Thomas, 1108 S. 3rd. Phone 296 R. 29-31c.  
**FOR SALE**—Neighborhood Grocery-Snack Bar in connection. Opposite High School, on Farm to Market Road. Nook Grocery, Merkel, Texas. 29-31c.

**FOR SALE**—25 Aged Ewes, \$6 per head. See Sam Butman Jr. 30-31p.

**CARD OF THANKS**  
 We wish to thank the many friends of the late D. R. Thompson who were so kind during his recent illness and death. We especially want to thank those who sent floral offerings and offered other acts of kindness during our bereavement.  
 The family of  
**D. R. THOMPSON**

**CARD OF THANKS**  
 We take this means of thanking our many friends for their acts of kindness during our recent bereavement, the death of Ross Pratt, our husband and brother.  
**MRS. ROSS PRATT**  
**DONALD PRATT**

**CARD OF THANKS**  
 We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks and appreciation for the acts of kindness, messages of sympathy, beautiful floral offerings and food received from our many friends and loved ones, also those who helped in other ways. Special thanks to Rev. Jesse W. T. Hamor, and Seth Lawrence, during our sad bereavement in the recent death of our Sons and Brothers, Kenneth and Kyle Kelso. May God Bless each and everyone of you.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Horace Kelso and family.

**CARD OF THANKS**  
 Our recent sad loss leaves us grateful hearts toward neighbors and friends. Their comforting expressions of sympathy and thoughtfulness will always be remembered.  
**MRS. ROY HUNTER**  
 and family and

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# UP THE CANYON

By TOM RUSSOM

Well, the canyon got some more good rain last Saturday afternoon. The east side and the north-west corner of the Canyon received up to three inches and the center of the Canyon only got an inch. Harvesting of cotton and corn was really under way when the rains came, but it was delayed a few days.

The late planted feed and June cotton looks good now, and the late feed will sure be fine. There is a lot of feed

being offered for sale, but the market is slow at this time.

Allen King, stockman on the north side of the Canyon, has planted 800 pounds of winter peas on his place. King also has 30 acres of Blue Panic grass. The Blue Panic is the best grass for this area, some of the farmers think. King has a small herd of registered cows and a small herd of registered sheep on his place.

F. H. Horton has 14 acres of fine Blue Panic grass. He is grazing 12 head of cattle on it. The grass has a fine growth, and he'll pasture the grass on into the winter, thanks to the fine rain; he said.

Sam Butman Jr., who ranches on the south side of the Canyon, just on top of the divide, is having some calls at his place from club boys, some from Hamlin and Stamford for club lambs.

The boys and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Neill of the Canyon have had very good success in feeding lambs for their club work. The daughter placed in the show with her lamb last year, and one of the boys placed with two of his lambs.

For this year they bought some crossbred lambs from Dr. Boyd of Abilene. They purchased some Rambouillet lambs from the Bob Rankin ranch of the divide area. They are also feeding some of their lambs from a small bunch of registered ewes they purchased from the Bradmyer farm of Winters. The boys and girl are feeding 26 lambs for the fall show.

We regret the loss of one of our Canyon stockmen, Roy Hunter, who was killed in an auto-truck accident last week. Roy has farmed and ranched in the Canyon all his life. He and a brother, John Hunter, of Amhurst, Texas, owned the ranch formerly operated by their father, the late A. W. Hunter.

W. T. Perry, one of the Canyon's stockmen, narrowly escaped being bitten by a large rattlesnake last week while fixing a water gap on his ranch. The snake, with 11 rattlers, struck at him and his trouser leg and his boot leg, but with a lot of swift kicking around, he got loose from the snake unharmed.

C. E. Shouse is in the Hendrix Memorial hospital at Abilene. He suffered a heart attack last week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Grimes of Quanah, Texas, spent Sunday with Mrs. Dee Grimes.

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**NOTICE OF EXECUTION SALE**  
THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF TAYLOR

By virtue of an execution issued out of the County Court of Taylor County, Texas on a judgment rendered in said court on the 24th day of May, 1955 in favor of Diamond Ciring, Inc. for the sum of Two Hundred Forty-Six and 30/100 (\$246.30) Dollars, together with interest at the rate of six per cent (6%) per annum in the case of Diamond Ciring, Inc. against Clark P. Chandler in Cause No. 11,753 in such Court, I did on the 30th day of September, 1955 at 10:00 o'clock A.M. levy upon the following described tract or parcel of land situated in the County of Taylor, State of Texas, as the property of Clark P. Chandler:

TRACT NO. 1: 40 acres out of the West 1000 acres of the Andrew Winter Survey, Abstract No. 423, Taylor County, Texas, BEGINNING at a point South 88 deg. West 2640 feet from the Southeast corner of the 1000 tract; THENCE 88 deg. W. 1320 feet; THENCE North 1320 feet; THENCE North 88 deg. E. 1320; THENCE South 1320 feet to the place of beginning, containing 40 acres;

TRACT NO. 2: 80 acres out of the West 1000 acres of the Andrew Winter Survey, Abstract 432, Taylor County, BEGINNING at the Southeast corner of the said 1000 acre tract; THENCE South 88 deg. W. 2640 feet; THENCE North 1380 feet; THENCE North 88 deg. E. 2640 feet; THENCE South 1320 feet to the place of beginning, containing 80 acres.

TRACT NO. 3: All of Blocks Three (3) and Seven (7) in the Borden Haven Addition to the Town of Lawn, Taylor County, Texas,

and being the same property conveyed to Clark P. Chandler by James L. Smith by warranty deed dated 13 May 1955 recorded in Volume 503, Page 215, Deed Records of Taylor County, Texas.

as and On the 1st day of November, 1955, the same being the first Tuesday in said month, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 P.M. on said day, at the Court House door of said County, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction, for cash, all the right, title and interest of the said Clark P. Chandler in and to the property hereinabove described, to satisfy the amount due and owing according to the requirements of the Writ of Execution.

Dated at Abilene, Texas this 30th day of September, A.D. 1955.

ED POWELL, Sheriff of Taylor County, Texas.  
By L. A. ARNOLD.

## Lone Star Offers Prizes for Displays

Lone Star Gas Company is offering substantial cash prizes to gas appliance dealers coming up with the most original window displays during Old Stove Round-Up Time, October through November. Entries should be filed with the local manager for the gas company and the deadline for entries is October 25. The photos also should be turned in to the local manager for Lone Star.

Quality of snapshots submitted is not important, the gas company points out. Windows will be judged on originality of ideas primarily, secondly on clarity of presentation.

Mrs. H. E. Duncan of Fresno, Calif., grandmother of Mrs. E. L. Tarpley spent four days in the E. L. Tarpley home.

Mr. and Mrs. James E. Renssion, of Houston, were guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Toombs last week.

Mrs. Norman Bond and daughters, visited with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Norman English Sunday.

## FORTNIGHTLY STUDY CLUB BEGINS YEAR

With Mrs. Chester Collinsworth as hostess in the Community Center, Tuesday, September 27, the Fortnightly Study Club began the year's study of "Looks at Books" with a lucid dramatization by Mrs. Comer Haynes of a favorite old book, "Parnassus on Wheels," by Christopher Morley.

Mrs. Henry West gave an interesting report on the work of the Federation.

Mrs. W. T. Sadler was named vice president and Mrs. S. D. Gamble, historian, to fill vacancies created by the resignations of Mrs. Brady Cox and Mrs. Judd McReynolds.

The club voted to serve lunch to the Lions Club during the months of February and March.

The following members were present: Mesdames Clyde Bartlett, Chester Collinsworth, Johnny Cox, W. R. Cypert, Mack Fisher, David Gamble, Comer Haynes, S. D. Gamble, Dale Litton, George T. Moore, Homer Patterson, W. T. Sadler, Andy Shouse, Henry West, Ray Wilson, and Wren Durham.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Randell of Vernon, visited with Mr. and Mrs. John West Sunday.

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Miss Jodie Black of Midland visited her mother, Mrs. Erma Black. Mrs. Black took her to Midland Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Peugh and son, Philip, of Plainview, were weekend visitors with Mrs. Ada Mae Johnson and Mrs. Delia Kuykendall. Peugh, who operates a farm near Plainview, says his cotton will make two bales to the acre.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Castles of Houston and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Castles of Lubbock visited the boy's father, J. O. Castles over the weekend. The elder Mr. Castles was celebrating his 86th birthday.

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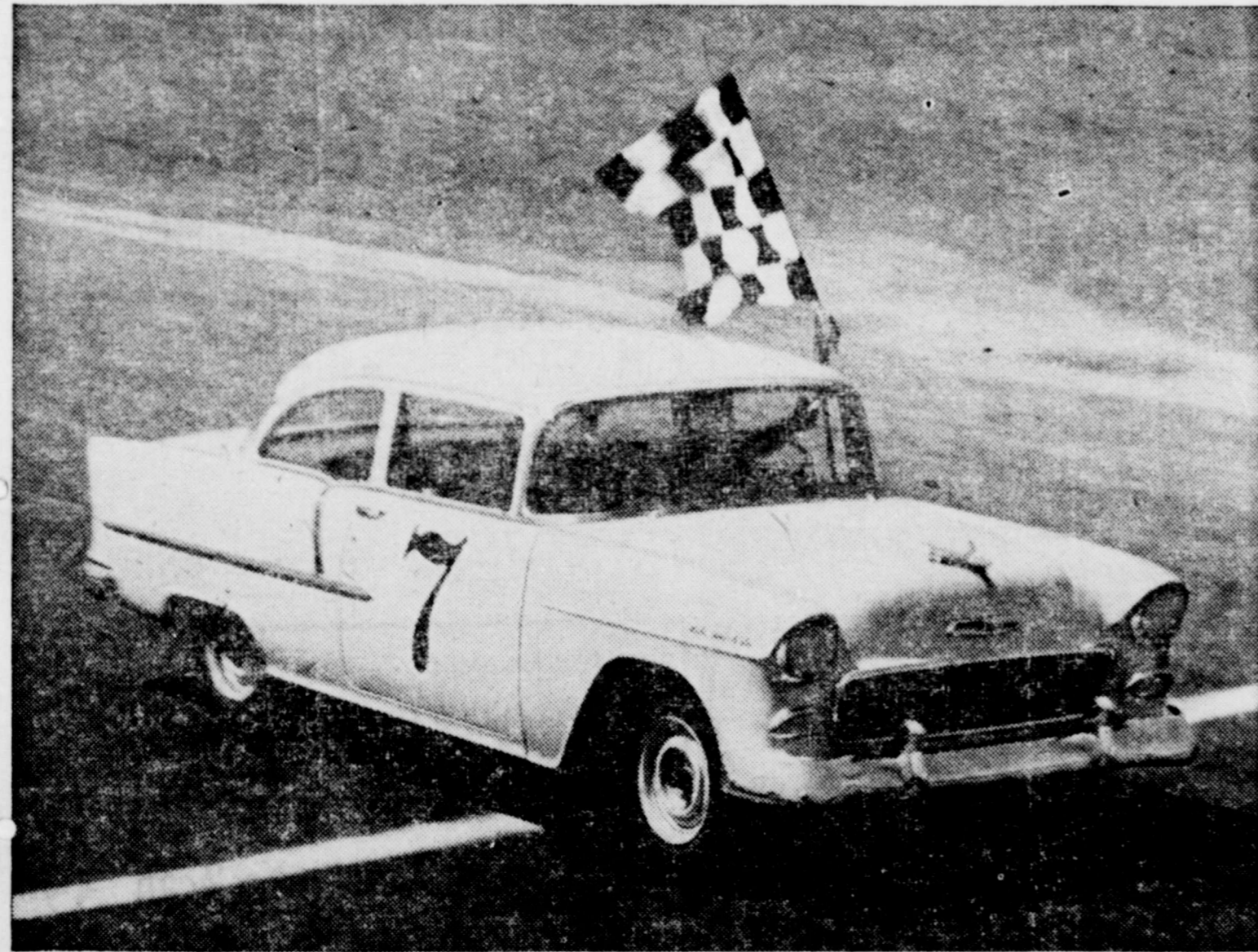
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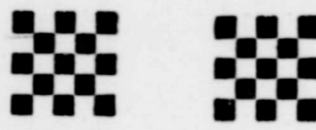
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handed the editor only hours before he is trying to get his paper to press. Such items are of little value, if kept too long. Often club reporters wait a week or two before sending in a report of a club. Often a club reporter will refer to guests as only "Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Jones, etc." when such items are of little news value unless the initials are first names are offered. There are too many people in this world with the same last name for an editor to risk his neck by saying "Mrs. Smith."

The Mail is published Wednesday nights, and is ready for delivery on Thursday morning. The management is happy to have all kinds of news items, but those which arrive Monday and Tuesday are more apt to get printed that week, than some that come in a few hours before press time, especially when the event has occurred a week before.

National Newspaper Week gives the editor a chance once a year to review the work of his paper. We hope you will appreciate the problem; it involves for it is no bed of roses to be in the newspaper business.

This weekend we are taking off for Dallas where it is press day at the State Fair of Texas. This is the day all the editors from the state of Texas and Oklahoma will be in Dallas and, incidentally, it is the day Oklahoma plays Texas in the Cotton Bowl. Coming from Scenerland, it would be nice for us to offer our predictions.

Next week is Fire Prevention Week, and although there are no special observance planned, other than the convention for firemen in Merkel, it would be a good time for the folks to take stock of their trash and get things cleaned up. The city has passed an ordinance, published elsewhere in this paper, which requests citizens to put out sufficient containers to hold their trash and it will be picked up by the trash man. Let's get out and clean up these alleys and other things during fire prevention week.

Allen D. King Jr. and classmate Richard de la Vega of Texas Tech spent the weekend in the Allen D. King home. They showed colored slides made on their recent trip to Central America.

**Seventh Grade Names Officers**

New officers for Mrs. Andy Schaefer's seventh grade were elected at the regular monthly meeting for the month of October. Pedro Ynarra presided at the meeting.

The officers for the month will be Mary Beth Mawborn, president; Walter Harris, vice president; Sharon Sybert, secretary; Carolyn Windham, treasurer; and Bill King, reporter.

At an earlier meeting Alan Tittle, Walter Harris and Luper Duran were named patrolmen; Fernan Hernandez, Jr., lieutenant; Alan Tittle, fire chief; Walter Harris, assistant fire chief; Fernan Hernandez, student council representative; Mary Beth Mawborn, assistant student council representative; Ruth Gorder and Carolyn Windham, annual staff members.

**ENSMINGER HOME FROM LEWISTON, IDAHO**

Mrs. Wade Ensminger has returned home for a short stay from Lewiston, Idaho, where she and Mr. Ensminger were called recently due to the illness of his sister, Mrs. Ruth Sapp. Mrs. Sapp had shown some improvement when Mrs. Ensminger returned by train while Mr. Ensminger remained in Lewiston with his sister. The Ensmingers made the trip to Idaho by automobile. Mrs. Ensminger plans to return by automobile when Mrs. Sapp is able to travel for them to leave.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Green and Libby of Midland spent the week and with her mother, Mrs. Betty Green. The Greens went to Abilene Friday night to attend the Abilene-Breckenridge game. C. F. Curb also attended the game.

L. T. Baggwell of Fort Worth is visiting his cousin, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Smith, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Demere spent the weekend at Midland with their children and grandchildren. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Weston, Stanly, Bill and John. The Demeres reported it is still dry in that area.

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