

Deer hunting hasn't been too profitable for some of the minods this year, but there is still to go, and there are still ods of hunters who'll get ino the woods before the season is over. We thought if any group brought back the venison, it would be the bunch that went down to the ranch in the Big Bend country, but we understand that Joe Cypert and Bill Conference Hays were the only ones out of ten that could get anything to bring back home. Buster Hester, ne of the unfortunate hunters, eported that the weather was so ot in the Big Bend country that you could hunt early in the norning in shirt sleeves. They bethere are plenty bucks in area, but they were hard to get at. Others on this hunting party during the past week were Booth Warren, Jake Massey, Paxton Hays, John Reister, Craig Humphries, C. K. Russell, Raymond Ferguson and the chief, H. Robertson.

M. B. Bell, A. B. Ptaterson and Homer Patterson were down in the Junction territory hunting deer for the second time this season. They get two the first time out, )t we haven't heard what fuey did this week. Nolan Palmer and Lester Palmer are also in on the lease, but Nolan hasn't been down there since early in the season.

If anyone ever had his day in lerkel, it was Newt Logan the ay after Thanksgiving. Newt had en taking it pretty hard in the ay of kidding from the Aggies nd the others not for the niversity of Texas. But he sufered through the Texas-Oklaoma game, the Texas Christian-Is game and then came time er Collinsworth and others were bbing Newt right up to game me. Newt had his day afterward fter Texas had literally called halt to the rampaging cadets. lifted an "Aggie Crying wel" in the drug store for his ggie friends, and most of them ere ready to use it. Things just p't gone right since Thanks-

The scout finance drive is pected to be cleaned up by this week and if you haven't been called on or haven't given your part this year, do so today. Already a Cub scout pack has been organized with torge Epperson as Cub Master and Odit Griffin as chairman of the committee. Plans are underway to get two troops for Scouts running within a short time. Do your part and send in your money today.

We hope that the business ms of Merkel will get behind is Christmas promotion and rge the people to come to Merel to trade. Competition for the pending dollar is keen, but m all indications this Christwill see more money spent at any time before.

Add to the list of no-luck hunts the name of Quanha Dudley who has just returned from a rip to the San Antonio area here he racked up the "no ill" sign. We told you things re tough all over.

A petition asking the city counto consider the possibility of alling a bond issue for the purose of voting on park improvements and swimming pool may be resented to the council at he next meeting. The petition as many signatures on it, but ffort of the Chamber of Comerce and business men, efforts e moving along this winter to et something toward a swiming pool before summer rolls

ddenly in Fort Worth Saturay, members of the family imately started through the ed Cross to contact his son who ham radio operator in Arizona icked up the message, and call- was 470. the family here that he'd reay further details when they beme available.

Hats off to the West Texas Utiles again. The Christmas lights e up, and they look good. They re up in time for the Santa aus Day event in Merkel Wedesday.

Ralph Bartlett, student at h Texas State College at on, visited his parents, Mr. \$11,387; tithers numbered 750. Mrs. Ralph Bartlett over Per capita giving was about \$50. ksgiving holidays.

# THE MERKEL MAIL

IN THE FRIENDLY TOWN

MERKEL, TEXAS, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1955

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Merkel was host to about 500 Methodist ministers, church workference meeting Monday at the Cloyd Lyles acting as host pas- Kermit Rutledge; tenage friends Dwain Wade.

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Delegates from the Abilene district which includes both large and small churches throughout the area began arriving early, and were treated to a turkey dinner at the church at noon.

One of the highlights of the meeting was a report which showed a growth of 618 members gained in the conference during the ed in the conference during the last five months.

of \$236,833 was raised for all denominational purposes, including Mrs. Eldon Hicks will be station-\$50,713 for pastors' salaries. The ed for the day from 9:30 to 5 p.m. district has about 30 pastoral

The auditorium of the First Methodist Church was packed throughout the day's sessions with pastors, local preachers, retired ministers, lay and alternate lay delegates - about 250 of them, supplemented by about 200 visitors.

Aldersgate Methodist Church of Abilene will entertain the 1956 probably a year hence. Another contender was Clyde. The Rev. Jack Fielder, Aldersgate pastor, invited for his church and the Rev. A. B. Armstrong, Clyde pastor, for his church.

During the forenoon session several speakers were heard. The Rev. David W. Kinkley, Fairmont Church, Abilene, was elected secretary of the conference. Invocation was by the Rev. R. L. But-

ler, retired minister, Sweetwater. The Rev. C. N. Tunnell, representing the Texas Mission Home and Training School, San Antonio, made a report on rescue work among unfortunate girls and care of children born in the institution. The Rev. Edgar Irvine, Canyon, director of Methodist Campgrounds, told the conference of progress in recreation activities at Ceta Canyon and Madge But-

man Camp southwest of Merkel. The Rev. Charles Lutrick. Lubbock, chairman of the Conference Board of Christian Education, pointed out need for increased educational work among youth. "Methodism needs 1.200 new recruits to the ministry every year and apparently we're getting only about 900," he said. "We must encourage our youth to take a step for the ministry when called."

Dr. Hubert Thomason, district superintendent who presided, presented to the conference Dr. and Mrs. Orion W. Carter, Big Spring district superintendent, and the following retired ministers: The Revs. J. A. Bell Sr., O. P. Clark, C. A. Long, R. L. Butler, Arthur J. Jones, W. C. Hinds Frank York and N. A. Lineweaver, the latter a member of the Baltimore (Md.)

Conference. Clyde Smith, pastor of the San Jacinto Church, Amarillo, in an inspiring message on missions preached just before the close of the morning session. He deplored that most churches give only onenore may be needed. Through the twelfth of their collections to outside mission work.

Statistics on district progress since June 1 were given by the Rev. Richard Payne, Wylie pastor and statistician. - It showed 141 members had been received on profession of faith, 434 by trans-When O. B. Boden Jr. died fer, 43 from other denominations. with net gain of 250. Fifty-four infants and 87 adults were baptized. Church schools enrollment is 8,420, with average attendance of stationed in North Africa. A 4,524; and 1,513 were in vacation e of days later, on Monday, Bible schools and average Methodist Youth Fellowship attendance

The report showed \$50,713 was paid for pastors' salaries; \$3,777 to the bishops' fund; \$5,840 to retired ministers' fund; \$2,652 was paid in for pension endowment fund. bringing total for the Abilene District to date \$10,315. Paid in McMurry Living Endowment, \$2,892; McMuprry College Development Fund, \$39,845; World Service, \$10,137. Raised by WSCS, \$5259; by Sunday Schools,

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### JUNIORS TO STAGE ONE-ACT PLAYS AT AUDITORIUM FRIDAY NIGHT

The Junior Class of Merkel | Schoolroom" with Raby Sims as at 7:30 P.M.

staging a birthday party in the haunted house — Betty Redding Irene Dishman, and Jocille

High School will present the fol- the teacher and the following as lowing one-act plays in the students: M. H. Ely, Patty Eakin, school auditorium, December 2, Twyla Jo Moore, Lois Campbell, Leta Hester, Travis Swinney, "The Uninvited Ghost" whose Tommy Swinney, Lloyd Shugart, cast consists of the ghost by Mar- Watie Frye, Jimmy Neill, Charers and lay men at a district con- garet Chancey; the real estate les Jacobs, Edwin Mewborn, agent, Canon Bradley; a couple Jacky Harris, R. D. Ayers, Jerry First Methodist church with Rev. of lovers, Imogene Thomas and Patterson, Barbara Sylvester, and

"The Great Joan" with Jo An-Janell Seymore, Robert McLeod, Jerry Miller, Janice Rutledge, "Professor Herbert Boner's Janey Owen, and Elsie Ward.

**Funeral Held** 

Wednesday For

at Fort Worth Saturday, were

held at the First Baptist church

Burial was in Rose Hill ceme-

The services were conducted

the Rev. Homer G. Ritchie, First

Baptist church of Fort Worth;

the Rev. Elmbert G. Peak, Cor-

the Rev. Sam Tullock, First Bap-

At the time of his death, Mr.

Boden was employed by the Bell

Aircraft Corp. as a fireman. He

had spent Thanksgiving in Mer-

kel, and appeared well at that

He had left his home to go af-

ter his laundry, and was loading

it on his pickup truck when

In addition, he is survived by

two sisters, Mrs. Earl Baze, of

Merkel, and Mrs. Oscar Morris, of

The Planesmen, publication at

All editorial content, pictures

He also is commander of Vet-

Brumbeau was made a prison-

Lola and David Loflin were in

the hospital Friday for a tonsil-

lectomy they both are doing fine.

Terrell and Abilene.

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0. B. Boden Jr.

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the Red Cross.

Wichita Falls.

## Poll Taxes Can

Merkel residents can pay their During the same period a total poll taxes for next year Saturday at Wilson's Food Store where Persons desiring to pay the poll tax without having to go to Abilene can do so by visiting the poll tax booth at Wilson's.

### Rev. Jack Walker **Gets Church Call**

The Rev. Jack Walker, who has been employed at Dudley Electric of Merkel has accepted a call to become pastor of the Merriman annual conference of the district, Baptist church at Rangr, Texas.

### **Hospital Notes** Medical

Billy Ray Browning, Merkel Mrs. Wayne McLean, Trent Mr. D. G. Thompson, Tye Mrs. H. B. Chambless, Merkel Mr. W. M. Wheeler, Bangs Mrs. L. R. Brazzil, Abilene Mrs. R. L. Newman, Merkel Mrs. Millie Sandusky, Merkel Mr. R. E. McClure, Merkel W. H. Kelso, Merkel Karen Sue Case, Abilene Kyle Tullock, Merkel

Mrs. J. S. Swann, Merkel Mrs. Bill Frye, Merkel Surgery Rachel Tarpley, Abilene Charles Palmer, Merkel Lola Lofflin, Merkel David Loflin, Merkel Weldon Reece, Merkel Robert Wilson, Merkel L. M. Ewing, Merkel

W. H. Olson, Abilene

Mrs. G. N. Davis, Abilene

### NEW ARRIVALS

Allan Lee Tucker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Tucker, Merkel, born Nov. 22, 8 pounds, 5 ounces. Carlton Leon Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Smith, born Nov. 24, 7 pounds, 3 ounces.

Mrs. W. A. Henager, Merkel

Marvin Whitaker, Trent

Delia Hathaleen Chancy, Sweetwater, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Chancey, born Nov. 24, six pounds, 13 ounces.

Brenda Dell Hallford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Hallford, Trent, born Nov. 25, weight 7 pounds, 3 ounces.

### DEBRA GAIL HICKS HAS 2ND BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Eldon Hicks entertained with a party in honor of her daughter, Debra Gail Hicks, on her second birthday, Tuesday.

Games were played and re first issue is principally the work freshments served to Mrs. Yates of Lt. Krum, a native of Florida, Sipes and Cresta, Mrs. Wayne who is assistant information of-Watson and Patricia, Mrs. Pat ficer at the base. Beasley, Lon and Jan, Brenda vertising, and its support will be juan, Derrille Mark Hicks and and publishing of the paper. Mrs. Ethel Hicks.

man and Mrs. Ellis Freeman, and

and families, Mr. and Mrs. El- World War II. mer Adcock, their daughter, Niday and son, Dwain of Mertzon erans of Foreign Wars in Abilene, CARD OF THANKS and Mr. and Mrs. Waymon Ad- which is the largest post in the cock and children and Wayne Andrea and Gary and Mrs. Petterton, daughter and her son Joe of Midland and Mrs. A. J. Petter- after landing almost at the doorton and little son Jay of Big

Spring. Visiting Tuesday of this week, Mrs. Adcock's brother, E. L. Bankhead, of San Angelo, and his son, Raymon Bankhead, minister for one of the Churches of Christ

## Christmas Cards Begin

Postmaster Wren Durha announced today that there has been a steady increase in the flow of Christmas cards and packages through the Post Office the past few days. He said he was glad to see that many people are getne Malone as a great actress at- ting their Christmas gifts for dis-Carl McKeever, Gus Jackson, tending a house party with the tant points into the mail this ther who was accidentally shot Joyce McLean, Linda McLean, following: Chester Collinsworth, week pointing out that packages to death at Trent Friday night, er states should all be mailed be- the Trent Baptist Church. fore December 5th and those for

> Stressing the need for every. Paine of Merkel. one to cooperate on his 1955 "Mail Early for Christmas" campaign, Postmaster Durham says that by following these three simple rules, you're certain to have your gifts delivered before Christmas Day: Wrap them se-Services for O. B. Boden Jr., curely, Address them correctly, 44, well-known former Merkel and mail them early. resident, who died unexpectedly

He went on to say, "Of course and gifts is a big factor in getcareful packing and correct addressing is equally important. Every year many poorly wrapped packages break open despite careful handling and we often have inth Baptist church, Abilene, and are incomplete or simply cannot be read at all."

He urged that patrons ask for free copies of a new publication, "Packing and Wrapping Parcels for Mailing," now available at for the mails and making sure W. B. Thomas. that all addresses are legible and complete will prevent disappointstricken. He died immediately. He had lived in Fort Worth

unusual size or bulk, better check with the Post Office before at-2 1-2 years, but kept his home He was the son of Mr. and tempting to mail them," the Post-Mrs. O. B. Boden of Merkel, both master warns. "The limits on size of whom survive, in addition to and weight of packages varies, dehis wife. A son Leonard Boden. now stationed in North Africa package from." with the army, was denied leave Some Post Offices cannot acto come home to attend the fun-

cept packages that are more than eral. Arrangements were held up 72 inches in combined length and for two days, pending word from girth, nor more than 20 pounds him, which was relayed through in weight. In Merkel the limits go up to 100 inches in combined length and girth and 70 pounds in weight.

### **Rites Held For** W. H. Wheeler Funeral services were held

Wednesday at the Starbuck Funeral Home here for William Hen-County resident, who died at 7 p.m. Monday at Sadler Hospital.

the SAC base between Merkel and The Rev. Jimmy Renfro. pastor Abilene, makes its debut Friday of the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, officiated. Burial was The new publication, slated to in Fairview Cemetery near Grosserve 6,000 airmen and 2,000 civilvener community in Brown Counians at the air force base, is being ty.

printed in Merkel by the Frye Mr. Wheeler, who had come to the Sadler Hospital when he be-Dave Brumbeau, former Sunday came ill, was the grandfather-ineditor of the Abilene Reporterlaw of Mrs. J. L. Flowers Jr. of News, is publisher of the new Sagerton who lost her life Sunnewspaper, which is edited by the day in a fire near Sagerton. He public information staff at the was the great-grandfather of Mrs. Air Base. Working shorthanded Flowers' two small children who until new personnel arrives, the also were burned to death.

Mr. Wheeler was born July 2, Brown County in 1875. He was married in 1892 to the former O. Cypert and Wayne, Mrs. Andy The newspaper will carry ad- Bessie Fry. The couple lived most of their lives in Brown County. Morgan, Garon and Kathy Baze, from that source. Brumbeau will He was a member of the Saban-Mrs. Donald Douglas and Cleo- be in charge of the advertising, no Baptist Church and had been retired since 1933.

Surviving are three sons, Char-Sweetwater, Mrs. Marvin Free- the command of Col. Jack Brown. Wingate: three daughters, Mrs. Brumbeau has been on papers J. H. Tabor of Bangs, Mrs. H. L. the honorees' little brother, Stan at Austin, Houston, Palestine, Havner of Winters, Mrs. L. C. Jones of Anson and Mrs. J. L He was a member of the fam-Flowers of Sagerton: 41 grand-Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Adcock had ous 100th Bomb Group better children, 81 great-grandchildren for lunch Thanks day their sons known as the Clay Pigeon of and three great-great grandchil-

We wish to express our appreciation to each and everyone for Mrs. Amy Sears, Abilene . 25.00 the nice food; also for the floral er of war at Munster, Germany, offerings and all the kindness and comforting words in our hour way of the Munster city jail. He of sadness by the loss of our dear holds the air medal, purple heart one. May God's richest blessings and is a member of the Methodist be on each and everyone.

Billy Glenn Young Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Gaines. and family Mr. and Mrs. Otis Young,

## YOUNG TRENT WIFE KILLED IN GUN ACCIDENT

Funeral for Mrs. Billy Glenn | kel was in charge of arrange-Young, 19-year-old expectant mo- ments. addressed to folks living in oth- were held Monday at 10 a.m. in A verdict of "death by acciden-

nearby points before December tal gunshot wound" was rendered by Justice of the Peace O. W.

Mrs. Young was shot about 7 p.m. Friday when a .38 caliber gun being examined by her husband, Billy Glenn, 21. accidentally discharged. The accident occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Otis Young, parents of the husband.

mailing of all Christmas cards day was the Rev. Gene Jorgen- Friday to give birth to the son, pastor at Trent. He was as- couple's first child, according to ting everything delivered before sisted by the Rev. Harvey L. Pin- Taylor County Sheriff Ed Powell, Christmas. Keep in mind that ner of Abilene. Burial was in Abi- who investigated the shooting. lene at Elmwood Memorial Park. Mr. and Mrs. Young had recent-

Heatly, Leon Dudley, Leroy Arm- Young's parents until the baby strong, and Aancel Armstrong. was born. Young works for a to puzzle over addresses which Starbuck Funeral Home in Mer-

Mrs. Myrtle Beene of Comanthe Merkel Post Office. Advance che, Texas, is visiting her daughcare in preparing gift packages ter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs.

"If you have any articles of her mother, Mrs. E. L. Wilson, Betsy and I'll load her up."

Kansas, visited his parents, Mr. pending on where you mail your and Mrs. A. J. Armstrong of room. Trent, and attended the funeral of Mrs. Billy Glenn Young.

Mrs. Levia Fugat of Abilene, and Miss Mary Collins spent Thanksgiving with Mrs. Fugat's niece, and family, Mr. and Mrs. Kemp Hinch in Odessa.

Jimmie Bourn, student of Rice Institute of Houston, visited his grandmother, Mrs. J. P. Nash on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Dismuke and children Debora Sue and Towner Leon, of Stanton, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob McDonald, over Thanksgivry Wheeler, 89, lifelong Brown ing. Dismuke is football coach at Stanton, a city that will be in Merkel's district next year.

> Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Fox had as their guests over Thanksgiving Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Walker and Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Lee, all of Lubbock, and Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Fox and family, of Abilene.

> Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Denham and children, of Houston, visited her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Joyce, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Cross, of Hobbs, N.M., are the parents of a daughter, born Nov. 17. The 1866, in Missouri and moved to grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ira Cross, of Merkel.

home of Mr. and Mrs. Allen D. King over Thanksgiving were Other out of town guests were and other features will originate lie Clinton of Odessa Ike Isaac Athol Holder, Raymond and Jer- White House Conference on Mrs. Lanier Hicks and Delora of at the air base, which is under of May and Johnnie Henry of ry, of Tulsa, Okla., Mrs. O. W. Highway Safety called by Presi-Sweetwater.

> MERKEL CEMETERY FUND Mrs. Ruth Rice, North

Hollywood, Calif. ..... Mrs. O. E. Clark, Dallas, Tex. 5.00 to this S-D Day and appeals to Mrs. A. R. Toombs, Merkel 5.00 all citizens drivers and pedes-Mrs. Neel Groene, Merkel .. 3.00 trians alike, to demonstrate that John R. Collins, Merkel . . 10.00 Ernest Dixon, Merkel ..... 5.00 safely.

### Merkel V.F.W. **Turkey Shoot**

The Merkel Veterans of Foreign Wars post will hold a turbeginning this Sunday and con- to eat with us. tinuing the next three Sundays.

Mrs. Voung was born in November 1936 in Red River County to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Edward Lee Fuller. She lived with her parents. in Abilene until her marriage July 11, 1953. She then moved to Trent where she finished high school.

She attended McMurry College for one year, 1954-55.

Mrs. Young is survived zy her husband; her mother and stepfather, and two brothers, Bobbie Joe and Horace Can, all of Abi-

Mrs. Young had been expected Officiating at the services Mon- to go to the hospital Thursday or

Pallbearers were Bobby Fred ly moved to Trent from Abilene Barnes, Denton Yandell, J. M. where they planned to live with gas plant near Merkel, Powell

Otis Young and his younger son, Tommy, 15, said tha tthey, Mrs. Young and Billy Glenn and his wife, had all been in the living room watching television prior to the shooting.

Tommy, according to Powell, had been examining a .38 caliber pistol which he had laid on the coffee table. Otis Young then said Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hale of that Billy Glenn picked the rement to sender and receiver a- Dallas were week-end guests of volver up and said, "Give me old

About that time, the father related, the elder Mrs. Young an-Ansel Armstrong of Manhattan Mr. and Mrs. Otis Young and Tommy started into the dining

The father said just as he stepped into the dining room he heard the shot and returned to the living room to find his daughter-in-law, who had been lying on the couch, dy-

The slub had struck her thumb she had her hand on her forehead while watching television) and then entered her forehead. Powell was accompanied in his investigation by Merkel City Marshal A. D. Fulton and George Morrison, agent of the Abilene Liquor Control Board.

### Central American Pictures at Church

The Young People's Depart-ment of the Pioneer Momorial church will sponsor the showing of colored pictures at 7 p.m. Saturday of a trip made to Central America last Summer by a group of Texas Tech students, including Allen D. King Jr.

Others in the group of students were Rogers Williams, Richard de la Vegas and Rolland Ponce. The public is invited to the show-

### Cpub Aids Safe Thanksgiving visitors in the Driving Day

In response to the call from their son, Allen D. King, Jr., of the General Federation of Wom-Texas Tech, and his class mate, en's Clubs for cooperation with Edward Quevedo, Mr. and Mrs. those attending the February Reed and Georgie Mae Reed, dent Eisenhower, the Fortnightly Study Club pledges its support to the Crusade for Safety.

President Eisenhower has proclaimed Dec. 1 as S-D Day. The \$5.00 Study Club calls your attention Americans CAN drive and walk

It has been with the Crusade for Safety in mind that the Study Club has dominated the proceeds of a Thanksgiving Turkey Dinner project to help finance a muchneeded traffic light near the Primary School for the safety of our school children.

The light is now installed, and key shoot each Sunday afternoon our thanks go out to all who came

Remember Safe-Driving Day!

UNION RIDGE HAS

H. D. C. HOLIDAY SUPPER onstration club entertained fam- 42 were played after the supper. and Mrs. Doyle Seifried and chililies and former club members with a Thanksgiving supper in party will be held in the new the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde home of Mrs. Beauford Bunten

There were 41 present, including the following guests, Mr. and Try a classified ad the next Amarillo.

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Mr. and Mrs. Horace Boney Mrs. Bernard Clark and family, and daughter, Annette, were The Union Ridge Home Dem- Miss Gladys Newton. Games of Thanksgiving guests of Captain

> end with Mrs. Dorothy Weston and daughter, Darlene Tyler in

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Toombs spent the holidays in Houston visiting their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. James D. Dinison. They returned home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman English and daughters of Big Spring spent Thanksgiving with her mother, Mrs. Norma Bond and her sisters Sue and Carolyn.

Mrs. Sally McKeever had as her guests over Thanksgiving her daughter, Mrs. Pat Green, of Victoria, Texas, and Mrs. Green's daughter and son-in-law of Pampa, Texas.

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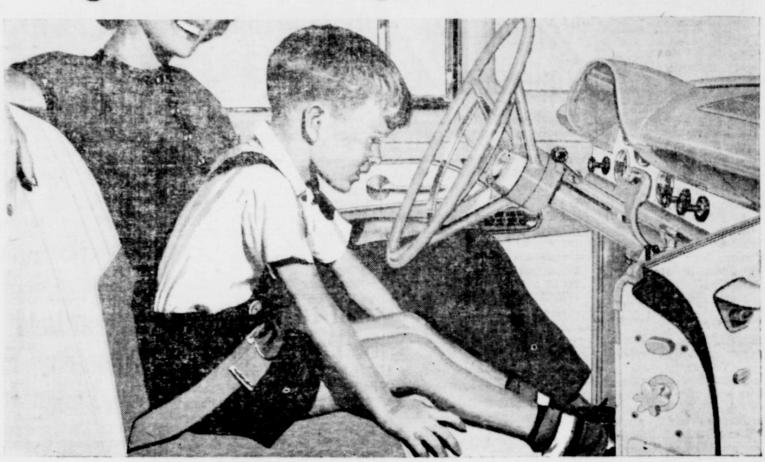
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CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

fendant, Greeting: YOU ARE HEREBY COM-MANDED to appear before the County at the Courthouse there- day of November A.D. 1955. of, in Abilene, Texas, by filing (SEAL) a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of fortytwo days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 19th day of December A.D. 1955, to Plaintiff's Petition Alta Vivian Ratliff, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and defendant were separated on or about the 10th day of January, 1955. Plaintiff would show that there have been no children born and no community property accumulated. cause to be published once each Plaintiff sues for divorce on the week for four consecutive weeks, grounds of cruel treatment as is

> If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be return

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, TO. Alta Vivian Ratliff, De-land the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law di-

Issued and given under my Honorable 42nd District Court hand and the seal of said court 42nd Judicial District of Taylor at Abilene, Texas, this the 3rd

Attest: R. H. ROSS, Clerk, 42nd District Court, Taylor County, Texas.

By CHRISTINE BOWER,

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hester and filed in said court, on the 3rd daughter, Lynn, of Midland, visitday of November A.D. 1955, in ed his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. this cause, numbered 20,933-A on W. Hester, over Thanksgiving. the docket of said court and styl- The elder Hesters enjoyed er H. H. Ratliff, Plaintiff, vs. Thanksgiving turkey with a reunion at the home.

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baby returned from South Carolina where he has been stationed for several months. He received his discharge November 23. They are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Caldwell, also his parents. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wood of

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Whisenant visited with Mr. and Mrs. George Cooper Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Pack visited Carl Jackson recently. her brother, Raymond Owens, in Fort Worth last weekend.

Word reached us Sunday of the death of two of the children of home Saturday, they also visit-Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Flowers, Jr., ed friends while in Noodle.

Mr. and Mrs. Macky Spurgeon

Several from here attended the wedding of Joanne Sloan and Harold Bail, Friday of last week, in the Church of Christ at Merkel.

in the home of Norman's sister,

Mr. and Mrs. Dais Melton and Freida, visited a while Sunday Mrs. Leonard McCoy, Charlene family, of Odessa, en route home evening with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dock Callaway.

Mrs. Ocie Williams and daughter, Dosna, of Antioch, Calif., are here for a three week visit with June Terrell of Hawley. her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Y.

Ozona were visiting in this community Saturday evening.

dinner guests Sunday, her sisterin-law and two daughters and a great granddaughter.

ter and Mrs. Los Story of Union visited in our community Monday

The ladies of the W.M.U. met at Mrs. J. E. Booz, Sr., Tuesday and pieced quilts, each lady took a covered dish.

Mrs. A. L. Farmer left Tuesday



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Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Latham of and the parents were burned and are in the hospital. He is a brother of Sid Flowers, of our community.

> Brenda and Barbara Dooly daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Garland Dooly of Anson, are spending a few days with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Dooly.

> Visitors in the home of Rev. and Mrs. Fred Leverets last week were Mr. and Mrs. Don Perry of Kerrville. They attended the association in Abilene,

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Jackson, Jr. and two sons of Wichita Falls visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs.

Mrs. Ray Satterwhite, Mrs. Tennie Sloan and Mrs. Jispy Riddle visited in the Mr. and Mrs. Troy

Visiting in the Hudson home Thanksgiving were their son, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Hudson of Big

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Maxwell of

Mrs. Lee D. Williams had as

Mrs. Lild Hopper of Sweetwa-

for an extended visit with her son, Mr. and Mrs. Etsel Farmer and family in El Paso, Texas.





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of Sagerton, they were burned to Billie Farmer returned to his; Lu Ann McCoy has been on the death Saturday night when their home with her, after spending sick list but is better at this home burned, two other children | several months with his grand- writing.

> Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Hill of Garland, Texas visited with Mr. and Mrs. Dave Hendrix, Sunday.

Mrs. Edna Horton left Friday for Plainview, where she will spend several weeks with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Nutt. She was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Bobbie

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Pinckley and Mr. and Mrs. Jarrestt Pinckley and daughter Catherine Sue attended a family reunion in Perryton, Texas Thanksgiving day in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Otha Castle. All of the family was present, with 22 members, with the exception of one son-in-law.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Daniell vishave returned from San Antonio, ited in Alberquerque, New Mexwhere they spent their honey- loc over the Thanksgiving holi-

> Durwood McCoy was in Ballinger over the weekend on business.

Those enjoying an outing at Castle Peak on Sunday were Jam-Mr. and Mrs. Norman Bicknell es and Francis Fullbright and and children of Abilene visited Tim and Phyllis Wells of Abilene. Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Odell Eoff, recently. Roddy Metabeth, Janice and Jonell of Putman, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kelso, Leon and Mady, Mr. and ter, Mrs. H. A. Fick and her anne, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Cox, Fick's parents on the Fick ranch. Jimmy and Lora, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sloan, Derrell, Larry and

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis McCaleb, Pat, Molly and Mike spent Saturday and Sunday in the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. L. Mc-

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Keene ate

Thanksgiving dinner in the home of their daughter and family of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Hall. Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Ray and son of Knox City spent the Thanksgiving holidays in the home of their parents. Mr. and Mrs. Mason Barker and Mr. and

Mrs. I. B. Ray. Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Austin and sons have been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter

Mrs. Fate Harps father of Lamesa is seriously ill in a hospital there.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Dillingham are moving to Woodson, near Al

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Dub Mc-Coy recently were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arbry Duncan of

Mr. and Mrs. L. McCaleb had Thanksgiving dinner in the home of their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McCaleb of Abilene.

Guests of the N. C. Palmers ovnell of Putman, Mr. and Mrs. Roy er the weekend were their daughand Betsy, Mr. and Mrs. Loyd from Cushing, Oklahoma, where Reece, Barbara Joanne and Di- they spent Thanksgiving with Mr.

> Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Rogers and sons spent the weekend at Ralls.

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Denta Gibson, bride-elect of lie Knight, Mrs. Alvin Wozen- silver and crystal. In the receiving line were

> Mrs. Dent Gibson, mother of the bride-elect. receiving rooms carried out the guests. Miss Peggy Bond and ture of this suit is as follows, to-

The tea table was laid with a ley Bond, Mrs. Franklin Mash- brown linen cloth and centered burn, Mrs. Hollis Mitchell, Mrs. with an arrangement of small directed the guests to the rooms for materials and parts and for

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sale was of white and bronze mums.

of December 4.

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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 make due return as the law dithe return day thereof, in a rects. 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: Alfred A. Smith and L. C. Lingle d/b/a Smith and Lingle Construction Company, Defend-

ants, Greeting: YOU ARE HEREBY COM-MANDED 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 the issuance of this citation, same being the 2nd day of January A.D. 1956, to Plaintiff's Pe-

Mrs. Nolan Palmer, Mrs. T. J. miniature bride and groom in the 13th day of July A.D. 1955, in Bird, Mrs. Lucy Ford, Mrs. Char-center. Appointments were in this cause, numbered 20,669-A on the docket of said court and styl-Mrs. Palmer, Mrs. Jimmie ed Central Texas Machinery Co., Smith Mrs. Fisher and Mrs. a Partnership, Plaintiff, vs. Al-Mrs. Horace Boney, 1412 Herring Mrs. Boney, the honoree, and Harold Sloan alternated in serv- fred A. Smith and L. C. Lingle d/b/a Smith and Lingle Construction Company, Defendant. A brief statement of the na-

> This is a suit on an account doly verified against the defendants, jointly and severally, assisted by Miss Marylin Lyles ed by plaintiffs for the defendants at their speiial instanie and Miss Gibson wore a blue tulle request during the months of dress with matching blue shoes, June, July and September, 1954, and rhinestone jewelry. Her cor- said verified account being at tached to plaintiff's petition and plaintiff's suit being for the sum The wedding will be an event of \$2,313.70; the suit is also for reasonable attorney's fees in the amount of \$750.00 and for costs of suit; 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

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 17th day of November A. D. 1955. (SEAL)

Attest: R. H. Ross, Clerk, 42nd District Court. Taylor County, Texas. By C. Bower, Deputy.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Nalley had as their guests during Thanksgiving holidays their daughters and husbands, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Reece of Austin, and Mr. and Mrs. Estel Hunter of Fort Worth. and son, Carroll Wayne, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Reece of Abilene of forty-two days from the date visited in the Nalley home Thanksgiving day. In the evening other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Everett Clement and Mr. tition filed in said court, on the lene, and Foy Clement, Austin and Mrs. George Roberson, Abi-

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Baze visited their son, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Baze in El Paso over Thanksgiving, but their trip was cut short due to the death of her brother, O. B. Boden, Jr. The Bazes returned Saturday night and their son came in Sunday night, after se curing leave from the army

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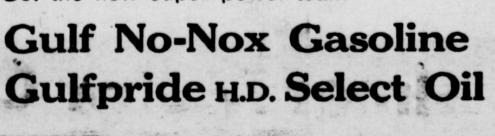


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CITATION BY PUBLICATION tate, and Ella Davis, deceased, and the mandates hereof, and THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: W. D. Shaddix, deceased, heirs of W. D. Shaddix and Ella rects. estate, and Ella Davis, deceased, Davis, deceased, Defendants. estate, and known and unknown A brief statement of the na-

vs. W. D. Shaddix, deceased, es- cording to requirements of law, estate, and known and unknown make due return as the law di-

hand and the seal of said court heirs of W. D. Shaddix and Ella ture of this suit is as follows to- at Abilene, Texas, this the 7th Davis, deceased, Defendants, wit: Suit for condemnation of day of November A.D. 1955.

(SEAL)

Mrs. Chester Hutcheson, Clerk, Special Commissioners' Court, Taylor County, Texas. By Inez Williams, Deputy.

The officer executing this writ

Issued and given under my

land for right-of-way purposes for Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Woods, Jr. YOU ARE HEREBY COM- US Highway 83, being a strip or were guests of his parents, Mr MANDED to appear before the parcel of land out of Lot 26, Stef- and Mrs. J. P. Woods, Sr., in Abi-To any Sheriff or any Constable Honorable Special Commission- fens Subdivision of the Merchant lene, Thanksgiving day. Mr. and ers' Court of Taylor County at the Pasture of the James R. Ship- Mrs. Ben Parker of Hamlin, par-Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, man Survey No. 86, Taylor Coundents of Mrs. Woods Jr., were You are hereby commanded to Texas, by personal appearance, ty, Texas; as is more fully shown their guests on Thursday even-

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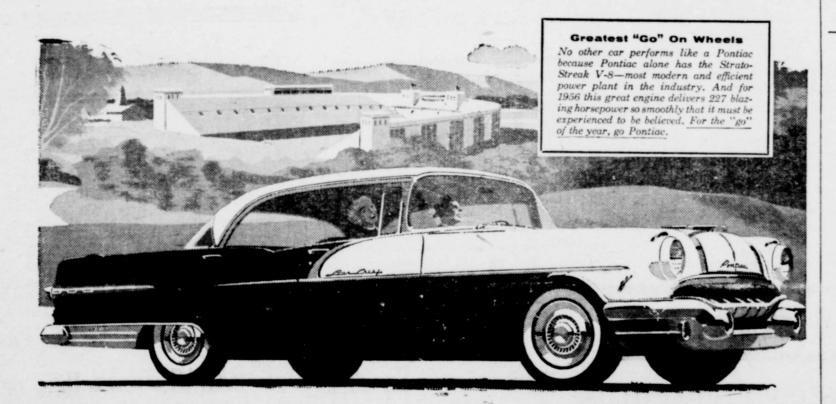
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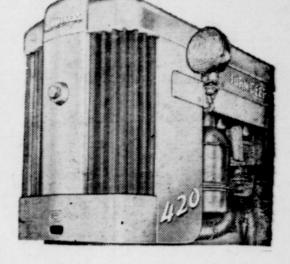


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County of Taylor that by virtue of a certain Order of Sale No. 20,657-A issued out of end. Billy Pat is a student of the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County, on the 2 day of November 1955, by Disarct Clerk of said 42nd District Court, Taylor County, Texas for the sum of Thirty nine thousand, seven hundred fifty dollars & no/ Mrs. Billy Wayne Williams, Sny-100 Dellars (\$39,750.00) and costs der, and Mr. and Mrs. Franklin of suit, under a Judgment, in fa- Brownfield, Marsha and and Jan vor of R. C. Lillard in a certain from Blackwell. cause in said Court, No. 20,657-A and styled R. C. Lillard vs R. S. Griswold et al, placed in my hands for service, I J. D. Woodard, Constable of Taylor County, Texas, did, on the 28 day of November 1955, levy on cretain Real Estate, situated in Taylor County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit:

Lots 1, 2, the north 75 feet of Lot 3, Lot 6, Lot 7 and Lot 8 in Block No. 7, Replat of the Country Club Addition to the City of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas and levied upon as the property of R. S. Griswold, Etta Mae Gris wold, Tom C. Lillard and that on the first Tuesday in January 1956, the same being the 3rd day of said month at the Court House door, of Taylor County, in the City fo Abilene, Texas, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. by virtue of said levy and said Order of Sale and Constable's Notice of Sale, I will sell said above described Real Estate at public vendure, for each, to the highest bidder, as the property of-said R. S. Griswold, Etta Mae Griswold and Tom C. Lillard.

And in compliance with law, give this notice by publication, in the English language, once each week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceeding said day of sale, in the Merkel Mail, a newspaper published in Taylor County.

Witness my hand, this 28 day of November 1955. J. D. WOODARD

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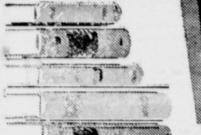
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