

ing against one of the pine fances in east Texas the other day while we inquired about land and trees in that area, near Quitman, where Charley Bennett, the sweet pitato and oni wizard, had taken us to look a und.

"Where dija get them coons?" an inquiring voice

"I keth 'ef in the back," the woodsman said. "It's easy, Ya jest gotto know whatsha you're doin.

In the back were big coons and little coons. The woodsman goes hunting in the pines every day, just looking. 'I wuz out in the pines tother

day," he continued, "and I run upon this mama coon. She looked at me, and blinked when the sun hit her eyes as she looked up.

"I sez, 'Now, coon, what is you doin out. I jest think I'll take you home with me'. But the ole coon replied 'now you ole hillbilly, what you think you want with me. I ain't done nathin.' "But coon, youa look pretty

good in my cage." "I don wanta go to no cage. got kids to take care of," the

coon replied. "I don't care," the woodsman added. "If you don't quit moving away from me I'm going to take this shotgun, and ram the butt right over you head, and then I betsha you'll come with me.

"Now Mr. Woodsman, don't do that, but you ain't going to take

The coon fled to a hollow log, and the woodsman said he followed.

"I wuz pretty irritated to have that coon insult me by walking off," he added.

"But I just built a fire at at the end of the log, and you should seen that coon and four little coons come a running out for air."

"I just laughed and sez 'coon you can get away from me. I'm going to take you home'."

"No you ain't," the coon replied. "If you think you is so smart, why don't you quit talking and try it."

"That made me mad," and I took that butt of the old shotgun and rammed it on top of the head of that coon picked her up and throwed her into the sack. Then I picked up them four little coons, slung the sack over my shoulders and came home."

"Then I put the coon in the cage, and sez 'Coon, when I sez I is going to ram you head, take you and the little coon home, I mean it.

"You shore do," the coon replied as she rubbed the back of her head.

That's the way the East Texas woodsmen talk to their game in the woods, and if you don't believe it, just drive up and honk at the Bennett farm.

Ira Cross has promised to let building last week to help formus use some of the lures his son, ulate a history of Merkel in the Milton, makes and catches fish. early days. Ira says 20 throws and you have | The Chamber of Commerce is we'll try it some days.

It'll soon be baseball time around here, and the Little League or pictures should take them to is getting ready for play. A meet- the Chamber of Commerce office. ing of the group has been called for 7:30 Tuesday night at the school cafeteria.

## Livestock Group Meets Thurday

A meeting of Merkel Live-stock Association will be held at 9 a.m. Thursday (Feb. 23) at the Chamber of Commerce office for the purpose of electing officers and directors for the year, Onis Crawford, manager of the Chamber of Commerce, announced.

The group also will decide on how much money it will put into the fund to subsidize the purchase of livestock at the Abilene Stock Show.

It is eventually planned to build a livestock barn and hold a fat stock show in Merkel.

## Kin of Mrs. Foster Is Dead

Mrs. E. R. Foster, of Merkel, died Weighs 7 pounds and 10 ounces. Albany. Pursley had the best Little League Sunday in Dallas. Funeral was Born February 15. held from the Marrs-Mundy-Quill Funeral Home with Rev. Thomas and Mrs. H. J. Deen, Trent. coe. This is based on 10 or more Meets Tuesday J. Shipp, officiating.

Burial was made in Hillcrest Born February 18. Mausoleum.

# THE MERKEL MAAIL

IN THE FRIENDLY TOWN

MERKEL, TEXAS, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1956

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Newspaper



BADGERS CLOSE SEASON - Philip Pursley and Robert McLeod, two of the five Badgers who played regularly, are shown here. They were leaders in many of the games this season. McLeod has often been mentioned for all-state honors.

While Merkel was making

1,589 points during the sea-

son, their opponents got

only 1.130. Merkel averaged

61.12 points per game and

The leading slorer was

Robert McLeod with 707 to-

tal points for the season, with

Rutledge was second fith 288

Other scorers for the Bad-

27.19 average per game.

their opponents 43.46.

## BADGERS POUR IN 1598 Masons Will POINTS DURING SEASON Hold Annual The Merkel Badgers, winners date, came in with 20 points.

of second place in District 8-A. looked back on the season today, kell, 83-23. and any team that can pour in 1,589 points in 26 games can play way: McLeod 20, Kermit Rut- birthday banquet will be observin anybody's league.

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The Badgers closed their season Friday night beating Haskell Indians, 42-37, for their 21st triumph in a season that saw them lose only five games, two of them to Throckmorton, which won the district 8-A championship, a honor Merkel gave up after being the kingpin for two years.

Merkel wound up with a 10-2 record in 8-A play, while Haskell finished third with 8-4 record. The 42 points Merkel score points for an average of 11.08 over Haskell was the smallest per game. total they made all season. Rob-

Any old timers having stories

Those admitted to the Sadler

Hospital Clinic during the past

Mrs. Jim Kuykendal, Merkel

Mrs. Dan Deen, Stamford

Mrs. Bob Dye, Merkel Mrs. Sam McLeod, Merkel

Mrs. Ester Corbin, Trent

Mrs. J. H. Matthews, Abilene

Mrs. Jeanette Smith, Snyder

Martin Hernandez, Merkel

Mrs. F. F. Johnson, Sweetwa-

Mrs. Joe Winter Sr., Merkel

David Young, Houston, surgery

Mark Huber, Merkel, surgery

Mrs. W. H. Laney, Merkel sur-

Frankie Doyle Teague, son of

**NEW ARRIVALS** 

Mrs. S. Y. Reese, Ovala

Kenneth Duncan, Trent

Jackie Watts, Hawley

W. E. Miller, Merkel

Pat Patterson, Merkel

Joe Hartley, Merkel

Gaylon Brnovak, Merkel

Hospital Notes

kel in June.

gers during the season and their averages: Philip Pursley 244 and 9.46 average: **Old-Timers Tell** Jackie Russell 178 and 6.85: Carl McKeever 95 and 3.65; Manly Denton 50 and 2.08; Chester Collinsworth 12 and 1.09; Jimmie Neill 6 and .43; Jerry Miller 5 and 1.20; David About 25 old-timers in the Pursley 2 and average .50; Merkel area met in the REA

and Buddy Tittle 2 and .67. Best rebounder was McLeod who grabbed 394 for a per game average of 15. Rutledge was next a fish. That's a good overage, so collecting information for use in with 160 rebounds and pursley the Jubilee celebration in Mer- was next with 110.

The best field goal percentage was held by Pursley who barely nosed out Mc-Leod by .22 of a percentage point Pursley hit 101 of 197 for 51.26 percent while Mc-Leod made 269 of 527 attempts for 51.04 percent. Two other Badgers hit over 40 per cent of their field shots. Russell had 45 percent on 67 of 150 tries and Rutledge had 41 percent on 114 of 218

attempts. The best free throw percentage was held by Freshman Manly Denton who only shot 20 times George Cooper, Sunday. but hit 14 for a 70 percent average. Very close behind was Mc-Leod with 69.83 percent as he counted 169 out of 242 attempts, and next was Carl McKeever who had 69-21 percent on 27 of 39 tries. Others above 60 percent were Pursley 65 percent on 42 of 65, and Rutledge 61 percent on 60

of 95 attempts. The Badgers scored the most points in one game against Roscoe, counting 90. The fewest Donna Bland, Abilene, surgery points was secred in the final game against Haskell, only 42.

Most points hit by any player in a single game was 42 by McLeod against Albany. In nine games this season McLeod scored 30 or more points in each game.

McLeod had the most rebounds Mrs. Georgia Merideth, sister of Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Teague, View. in any one game with 27 against field goal percentage in one Randy Dale Deen, son of Mr. game with 12 of 14 against Ros-Weighs 6 pounds and 8 ounces. attempts.

Best free throw percentage in Thomas Monroe Dunagin, son of a game was McLeod with 93 per-5 1-2 ounces. Born February 21. Itempts.

# The Merkel girls lost to Has- Banquet Friday

Scoring for Merkel went this The annual George Washington

> more years of continuous mem- is being set up at Sweetwater. bership with the lodge. J. M. Martin, of Abilene will

be guest speaker. All Masons are invited to bring their families and enjoy the ban-

### NOODLE

Miss Spurgin, from Midland, was guest Sunday of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Vessie Justice. . . .

Miss Christie Touchstone spent Sunday night with her aunt, Dorothy Redd, in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Dock Callaway were dinner guests of the O. L. Justice's last Wednesday.

Roy Dixon was out of school few days last week with a cold.

Mrs. John Beaver was in Wais ill, and passed away Sunday Jack Miller, owner of Miller Im- attend a meeting with the regular morning.

Nelda Farmer of Abilene spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Jeffery.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Jackson spent several days last week in Jal, New Mexico, visiting her brother and sister-in-law.

H. L. Brewer of Merkel visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs.

Jane Cliff spent the night with Ruby Caldwell Saturday night.

Betty Largent spent Sunday night with Paula Saldwell. Rev. John Hamilton of Abilene

will be pastor of the Baptist Rev. Hamilton and Rev. James Brandon were dinner guests in

Dooley, Sunday.

Mrs. Jerry Gardner.

A meeting of persons interest-

#### 1 with Johnny Cox in charge. Cox also has been appointed nightly club. It was served after head of the drive in Taylor coun- the program had been given. The ty outside of Abilene, embracing stew consisted of President Eisenall of the territory not in Abi- hower's famous recipe.

START IN MERKEL MAR. 1;

RED CROSS DRIVE TO

Hodge, who heads the Red Cross in Taylor county, outlined The Lions club program many of the accomplishments of the Red Cross in this area, pointing out that the Taylor County Red Cross chapter is one of the strongest in the country.

time secretary, were here But he said that for the past from Abilene, and Johnny seven years the chapter had not Hamner was representing reached its kuota in the fund drive, and we feared that many

ditions.

#### The annual Red Cross Drive: The meal at the Lions club of the activities of the Red Cross will commence in Merkel March was an "Eisenhower Stew" pre- in this area would be curtailed. pared by members of the Fort- if the quota is not met in 1956. Hodge pointed out that

1955 was a big year for the Red Cross, and the Disaster Fund was depleted in September when floods hit the west coast and the eastern states.

"All of this took big amounts of money," he said. "It was necessary for us to raise emergency

Hodge said the Red Cross is the official agency designed by congress to act in case of disaster. He told of the big amounts of money the Red Cross spent in the disaster struck areas to help rehabilitate the victims.

Last year the Red Cross spent more money for disaster relief than at any time in the 75-year

Todd, president of the First State Bank of Abilene, who will head up the drive for all the county, said every effort will be made to get as many contributors as possible this year.

He said the goal was \$38,000 for Taylor county, and he expected somewhere between \$1,00 and \$1,500 from Merkel.

Todd said about \$5,000 already had been raised in Abilene because a group of workers were contacting big contributors first, so thatt all the time after March 1 could be devoted to getting everyone in the county to contribute something.

In Merkel, Cox announced the Corps — the condition that would following teams to help with the

Several volunteers will be need-Business area: ed in setting up the GOC in Mer-Clyde Bartlett and Oddis Grif-

Clyde Hughes and Bill Frye. Isadore Mewwinger and Ben Robert Hicks.

Fred Starbuck and Herman Carson.

Cyrus Pee and Raymond Fergu-

Ray Wilson and Wren Durham. Lester Dorton and John Hardes-

Truett Perry and Don Dudley. Fortnightly study club, Mrs. W. D. Gamble, president.

Public Schools Week, according to Mack Fisher, superintendent Garden Club, Miss Christine of the local schools, is planned Collins, president. Sewing club, Mrs. Horace Harfor the Merkel schools March 5

grove, president. Patrons and parents are urged Beta Sorosis sorority, Mrs. to visit the schools during this Ralph Russell, President.

Firemen's Auxiliary, Mrs. Pat special week to see the schools Cypert, president. Plans are being made by high

#### high school students will participate in civic meetings during the Pioneer, Dies Sponsors in the elementary

activities in observance of the Mrs. Mary Ida Sharp, 74, Taylor County resident since 1899, On Friday and Saturday, March died Friday in Sadler Hospital. 9-10, the Merkel faculty will at-Funeral was held Saturday in Starbuck Funeral Home chapel. Officiating was the Rev. S. E ... Tullock, a student at the University of Texas. Burial followed at Rose Hill Cemetery under direction of Starbuck Funeral

Mrs. Sharp was born in McLennan County on April 28, 1881. She moved to Taylor County in 1899. She was married to G. M. Sharp in 1936 in Merkel. He died in 1940. She was a member of the of the year - their class play, First Baptist Church and a member of the Merkel chapter of the Eastern Star.

> Survivors are two sisters, Mrs. E. L. Nelson of Bangs and Mrs. A. C. Walsh of Abilene; one brother, Sam McClure of Abilene; three step-daughters, Mrs. D. C. Barnes of Plaindealer, La., Mrs. Joe Owen of Abilene, and Mrs. H. P. Crimm of Merkel; two stepsons, George Sharp of San Angelo and Dallas O. Sharp of San Antonio.

Pallbearers were Robert Lee. R. U. Clark, H. P. Crimm, Miller Hostesses were Mrs. Hollis King, J. E. Boaz, Horace Boney, Mitchell, James Russell, Lonnie Chester Collinsworth, and Nor-

Mr. and Mrs. Otha Castle and Refreshments of Valentine son, Jimmie of Odessa were Mrs. E. R. Foster and her son, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Dunagin, cent on 13 or 14 against Hawley, ed in the Little League baseball daughter, Judy, of Perryton have cookies, candies, coffee, and cokes guests of his brother, Mr. and ing to Bakersfield, Calif.

# Todd, drive chairman, and Mattie Bell Newberry, execu-**GROUND OBSERVER** CORPS TO BE FORMED

The study, known as "Eex-

ercise Skyscan, 1955", which

covers the entire nation,

shows that GOC has an ex-

tremely good capability in de-

tecting aircraft flying at low

altitudes and, what is more

significant, it has this capa-

bility under unalerted con-

In other words, the GOC's

The sixth observance of Texas

city officials on March 5. Other

schools are also planning special

The Merkel community will

soon be given their first oppor-

tunity to see their 1956 seniors

featured as a group. On the night

of March 2, they will present one

of their most important programs

prevail in a sneak attack.

Merkel Will

through March 8.

week.

in normal operation.

A Ground Observance Corpsi was revealed recently in a new will be formed in Merkel to work nationwide study. with the radar system of defense and the Air Force, it was disclosed today.

was devoted to the Red Cross

Tuesday noon. Paul Hodge,

county chairman, Briggs

lene proper.

A similar group already has been formed at Trent, and a representative of the GOC from Fort Worth will come to Merkel in the neat future to set up a Ground Observer Corps here.

Ahe obvious connection between the GOC and radar is chances of spotting and reporting ledge 5. Kenneth Pursley, 3; ed by the Merkel Lodge 710 A.F. gained through the association of surprise air attack upon this Carl McKeever 4, Jackie Russell, and A.M. at the school cafeteria. the GOC with those radar sta- country is extremely high, for Twenty-five year pins will be tions with which it is directly this year's Skyscan was run withgiven to all members with 25 or connected. A station of this type out any advance warning to the

Aircraft detection is one of the four basic functions of air defense, and is the first important step in alerting the

nation to an enemy air attack. Similarly it is the trigger for the entire weapons system of air defense.

The Ground Observe Corps, as Observe Texas part of the air defense system. is primary detection agency supplementing and backing up the radar detection net. Just how im-School Week portant this phase of GOC activity is and how well the Corps does

## John Deere Day Set For This Saturday

Farmers of the Merkel trade territory are invited to attend the school sponsors to select a Mayor John Deere Day dinner and show, for a Day and a City Council to plement Co., announced today.

A special announcement of the event appears elsewhere in the Merkel Mail.

The latest John Deere equipment will be shown, including power steering tractors and draft control hitch.

Dinner will be served from

11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. A film on "Oddities in Farm- tend the Oil Belt Teachers Asing" will be shown at 2 p.m. and sociation meeting in Sweetwater. "What's New for 1956" will be shown along with a feature film. MERKEL HIGH SENIORS Miller said he hoped that all the farmers in the Merkel area INTRODUCE "MISS MINNIE"

will be able to attend and bring their families. "We will have plenty of entertainment and food for everyone,"

## **PERSONALS**

New Mexico is visiting her moththe home of Mr. and Mrs. John er, Mrs. Ada Higgins, for an in-

#### "Life at Aunt Minnie's." This three-act comedy portrays life in a small town, which might just Mrs. E. W. Lamb from Dora, as well be Merkel. Announcement of the cast will appear in next

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Benning- Charles Patterson of Kermit, BRIDAY SHOWER GIVEN field and grand children went to Texas, David Doan of Abernathy,

Houston last wee-end to see their Texas, were visitors in the home daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and of their aunt Mrs. Hugh Campbell Saturday. Mrs. May Williams of Mrs. Walter Earl Whisenhunt, of Blair, Miss Mary Newborn, Leo aHrris. Miss Donnie Riney, Miss Beth Ann Doan and Frances Doan were also guest in Mrs. Campbell's home over the week-end.

ents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Pinckley. guests. Several sent gifts.

## FOR MRS. WHISENHUNT

week's Merkel Mail.

Abilene, Miss Maxine Patterson February 14, in the home of Mrs.

A bridal shower was given for

Beair, Charley Seago, Clarence man Winter. Newton, Jr. Clark, S. G. Russell, Ralph Russell and Leo Harris.

Clyde, attended the services at Jacksboro. Weighs 10 pounds and This is based on eight or more at- will be held at 7:30 Tuesday, Feb. gone home after visiting her par- were served the honoree and 40 Mrs. T. R. Melton. They are

## Article in Reader's Digest Reveals Jittery Pre-Menstrual Tension Is So Often a Needless Misery!.

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The wheat is a big question in our minds. We could make a lot of grazing or we could make some Swinney, has entered college at church at Pioneer. wheat if the rains come and the Canyon. Up the Canyon is now growing season is good.

W. T. Perry just on top of the divide reports an inch rain at his place. That was the heaviest in boys spent Sunday with Mrs. spiritual classics. Everyone is wel-

good start in Abilene this week. is able to be up sotme now. t is the largest show yet to be held, both county and district. It

ext year. Why not? The Canyon sick but is better. hat will help promote the show, a while Be thinking about it and be ready

boasting of 3 boys in college. Mrs. Hallie Burden is conduct-Good luck, boys!

Riney's sister, Mrs. E. R. Brown come to come and hear these and family, in Big Lake. Mrs. studies. The livestock show got off to Brown has been critically ill, but

Everyone in the Canyon was the Canyon visited Mr. Demerie's Mrs. Winnie Coit of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin O. Melhappy to read that the home brother, Clarence, in Abitene Sun- Texas, is house guest of her moth- ton from Odessa, Texas, are house own is planning a stock show day afternoon. Clarence has been er, Mrs. J. T. Warren, for the guests of his mother, Mrs. T. J.

and have farmers and ranchers Toombs, of Synder, Texas, for

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Miles had all of their children home over J. B. Swinney, son of JoJhn H. the weekend. They all attended

ing a study at Pioneer Church which will run through four Sun-Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Riney and day nights. The study is five

Mrs. Tom Russom's Sunday San Butman St. has been sick School class of 9 boys and 7 top Castle Peak. All had a nice

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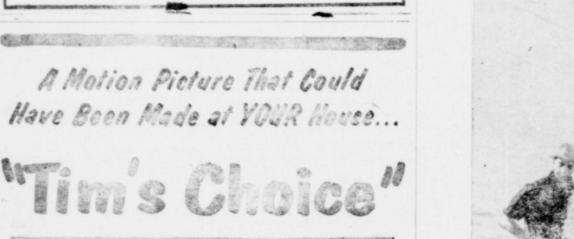
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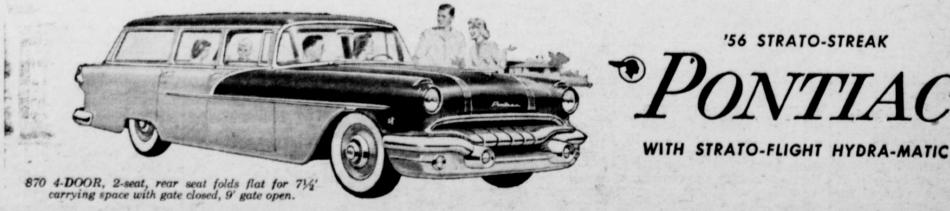
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Mr. and Mrs. L. McCaleb visited Mr. and Mrs. Lewis McCaleb and family of Ranger recently. They also stopped at Putnam and visited Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Reynolds and family, who formerly were from Hodges.

also showed some very pretty pic-

Billy Wayne Sloan of Noodle would notice it enough to rid would not have been fired had spent the weekend with his vourself of it. cousin, Derrell Sloan.

Judy of Perryton and Mr. and But this must eventually be done been fired had they not been at Mrs. J. S. Pinckley of Merkel if a better way cannot be found. | hand.

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ulate sheriffs and bad men, out- Friend We Have in Jesus." practice the fast draw. They are definitely gun conscious. They not afraid of guns.

What is more natural than for neighborhood gang. Death to most M. L. Douglas, Denzel Cox, D. H. so lightly and seen so often that Martha Jackson, and the hostessit seems almost unimportant.

They do not realize the potentialities of grandpa's old thumb buster or Daddy's automatic, a war souvenir.

But they learn. They learn The tragedy touches you lightly unless you know the boys. But you read about the boy, the eager, lively, good looking American boy who is suddenly terrified and sick when the gun goes off and his neighborhood playmate lies bleeding and gasping and dying.

This is not a TV story. It is not imaginary. They do not run fairy tales on the front page of newspapers, and that is where you see this story all too

Of course there are variations -"Dropped Gun Goes off and Man." "Accidentally Shoots Self With Unloaded Gun, "Crazed Killer Kills Four," "Killer Drunk and Does Not Remember Shooting," "Child Kills Mother With Gun Left Under Pil-

Would you keep a rattle snake, or spread poison around where your children could get it? Do you advise them to play with

Why not rid your home of that gun of death? The least you can do is lock it up out of reach. Don't you agree that we are having too many unnecessary tragedies? I was shocked and frightened when a police detec-

tive of many years service snaphead to crash into the wall. I was sickened not too long ago when refer are the useless and unused the only son of a neighbor was Special guest at the Communi- guns. Quite often they are the killed by a playmate as they exty Club on Tuesday was Mrs. unloaded guns. Do you have a use amined a pistol found in the Hortense Ray of Abilene. She less death weapon in a dresser home. A lasting impression regave a very interesting talk on drawer at home, an almost for sulted from an incident many her stay at Guam while her hus- gotten gun which has lain there years ago when a young child band was stationed there. She unused and unnoticed for months killed his sleeping mother with had as visitors over the week-end, or years? If so, we pray that this the pistol left under his pillow by Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Berry of Colunnoticed potential instrument of his daddy, a police officer whom

unnoticed; unless, of course, you Guns are fired in anger which they not been so accessible. Guns I am not one of those who cry, are fired by sick people, old peo- Ralls, Texas, visiting Mr. and "Do away with guns! Prohibit | ple, despondent people and drunk | Mrs. Powell. Mr. and Mrs. Otha Castle and the possession of a pistol by law!" people which would not have

The lovely home of Mrs. B. H.

relax your vigilance a second and Mrs. Jack Miller gave an inspiring devotional on prayer. Mrs. cops and robbers now. They em- then the group sang "What a

laws and Indians. They have their! Mrs. W. W. Toombs, president, own belts and pistols and they presided for a short business meeting.

Refreshment plates of cherry are interested in guns. They are tarts topped with ice cream, olives, and coffee were served to Misses Bessie Reidenbach, Mabel a boy of nine or ten or even four- McRee, Connie Pogue, Mrs. Herteen or fifteen to want to handle bert Patterson, Lizzie Latham that old forgotten gun in the Lue Petty, Jack Miller, Wade truck or clothes closet or dresser Ensminger, Tom Largent, A. H. drawer, What is more natural McElmurry, Bill Stockbridge than for him to show it to the Leon Toombs, Beulah Stanford of them is something that hap- Vanghn, W. W. Toombs, Mary pens on a TV screen, and it us- Grimes, F. Y. Gaither, Mary Click, ually happens to the bad man, not T. L. Grimes, Bessie Johnson, the good man and is passed over Kenneth Pee, John Shannon,

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By MRS. W. M. LOFLIN The biggest news at Stith is

the planning of a Community Center. A meeting was held last Tuesday night at the C. B. Rust home. The people responded very good. M. E. West gave the community a lot. It is right behind ped his unloaded revolver in the store. The following officers headquarters, the bullet passing were elected; C. B. Rust, presi within inches of his captain's dent: M. E. West, Bob Hudson, Albert Evans, Fletcher Jones, vice presidents: F. J. McDonald, treasurer; and Mrs. John Eakin, sec retary. A few pledges were made. You can now start looking for a Community Center very soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones orado City, Mr. and Mrs. Olin Potts and Sharon Beth of Anson.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Rogers and family spent the weekend in

W.M.U. met Monday at the Baptist Church. Nine members have returned from a cix day trip | Common sense tells me that Your kids live to play. Help were present. Mrs. Alvin Byrd to points in south and central they should be removed from the them to play, to be happy, but gave the lesson on Moses and Gid-A program was planned to give to the Turby W.M.U. in March. A workers conference will be held at Hawley Tuesday. February 28, starting at 5 o'clock.

> Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Rust had as guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Robertson of Abilene and Rev. and Mrs. Jessie Swindell.

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Hollaway Our boys and our girls play Tom Largent led in prayer, and had Mrs. Hollaway's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Byrd, as guest Friday night to celebrate Mr. Alvin Byrd's birthday.

> Mrs. Bradley was reported to be better.

Mrs. Fred Richardson, Mrs. Bob Carter of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hogan of Merkel, and Mrs. Robert Gilmore.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Patterson spent the weekend in Big Spring visiting their son, Mr. and Mrs Bill Patterson.

Mrs. Ralph Yancy and Mrs Charlie Green have been visiting in Oklahoma the past two weeks

### Daniel's Bill To Get Hearing

Senator Price Daniel's bill to prohibit the use of "U.S." and FOR SHERIFF picture of the Capitol in the name of advertising of banking and investment companies has been referred to the Subcommittee on Improvements in the Federal Criminal Code of the Senate Judiciary Committee. This is the subcommittee of which Daniel is chairman and which recently completed the investigation of the illicit narcotics traffic in the United States.

Daniel's bill, S. 2981, is designed to prohibit the practice of U. S. Trust and Guaranty Company of using "U. S." in the firm or business name and using pictures of the Capitol or other public buildings in the advertising when they would be reasonably calculated to convey the impression that the company had some connection with or insurance by the United States Government. In addition, the penalty for violation is increased from a possible \$1,-000 fine and not more than one year in jail to a possible \$10,000 fine and not less than one year imprisonment.

"We will hold hearings on this bill as soon as the necessary preliminary details have been completed, and I look forward to securing prompt and favorable action both by the subcommittee Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Mashburn and the full Judiciary Committee. had as guests over the weekend! The required reports from the extheir daughters, Mr. and Mrs. ecutive departments which might

Earl Brinlee of Midland, Mr. and have some connection with the enforcement of the bill have been requested and should be forthcoming shortly. The type and extent of hearings which will be necessary will have to be determined after this preliminary work is completed," Daniel said.

# **Political**

**Announcements** Political advertising rates in this column on request.

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The theater seat or a comever get to a courtroom. It's from such a vantage point that most ticket of our ideas come today about court procedures and how a trial

Stage and screen trials normally present only the highlights and est of brevity and audience appeal. Often an attorney is pictur- law.) ed making objection after objection to the questions and answers pompously, or sarcastically necessary - according to the de El Dorado, last weekend. mands of his role, and depending upon whether he's on the side of the villain or the hero. The judge then raps for orders, and gooms out, "sustained," or "overruled," and those of us in the audience usually are at a loss over why he made his decision.

In a real courtroom it's true that attorneys protest agains what's being done or said, as a means of assuring a fair trial, and the judge must allow or disallow each objection.

The principals in the real courtroom are just practicing common sense when they follow the "rules of evidence" in placing facts before the judge and jury. If there's to be a fair trial and a just verdict, there must be true facts.

Evidence in the courtroom may take several forms, but two are most common. Answers to questions from a witness under oath are the best-known type of evidence. Exhibits - written records, letters, "the murder weapon", and other physical objects having to do with the case - are the next most common. "Depositions", or written statements,

from a witness who for some rea- When You Step Out son is unable to appear personal- Does Junior Bawl ly in court, are sometimes ad- Leave Him With Pug mitted as evidence in certain cas-

Perhaps you've heard: "A trial is not a contest of learning, skill, or tact between lawyers, but a proceeding to find out the truth according to the evidence receiv-Too many, some may say, but ed and the law as explained by

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(This column, based on Texas law, is written to inform - not to advise. No person should ever apply or interpret any law without the aid of an attorney who take many shortcuts in the inter- knows the facts because the facts may change the application of the

Mr. and Mrs. DeVarl Teaff and as witnesses testify. He makes daughter, Vickey Dianne, and Mr. objections vehemently, and Mrs. M. L. Douglas visited in the home of the Douglas' daughand often in a voice louder than ter, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Robbins, in

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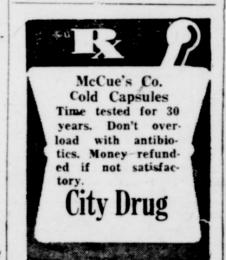
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known heirs of said defendant; A brief statement of the nature the legal representatives of the of this suit is as follows, to-wit: unknown heirs of said named de A suit in trespass to try title infendant, if the unknown heirs of volving Lot No. One (1), Block

ide of said Lot varying in width of said court and styled Willie rom 8.4 feet on the west side to Lee Blackwell. Pisintiff, vs. Texas, she here prays that said of January A.D. 1956. 3.6 feet on the east side of said Samuel Blackwell, Defendant trip; the South boundary line of A brief statement of the na- her separate property. There Attest: R. H. Ross, Clerk, two children Randall and Jane. said strip of land being 40 feet ture of this suit is as follows to from and parallel with the cen- wit: ter line of State Highway No. Plaintiff and Defendant were 158, and containing .027 acres of land more or less in this except- lived together until on or about

wherein defendants are claiming some interest in the above title, and wherein plaintiff claims title by virtue of the Statutes of limitation 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 its issuance, it shall be return-

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 di

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 26th day of January A. D. 1956.

Attest: R. H. Ross, Clerk, 42ndn District Court Taylor County, Texas By Clayrene Long, Deputy.

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day next after the expiration of

true copy. CITATION BY PUBLICATION TO: Samuel Blackwell, Defendant, Greeting: YOU ARE HEREBY COM-MANDED to appear before the

No. Fourteen (14), of the Con-! forty-two days from the date of January, 1950. inuation of the Campus Addi- the issuance of this citation, same | Plaintiff shows there is no com- marriage. Abilene, Texas, an Addition to 1956, to Plaintiff's Petition filed Plaintiff and Defendant, but that grounds of Cruel treatment and c City of Abilene, Taylor Coun- in said court, on the 26th day of Plaintiff owns as her separate desertion y, Texas, SAVE AND EXCEPT January A.D. 1956, in this cause, property Lots No's. 14 and 15. Issued and given under my strip 140 feet long off the North numbered 21,109-A on the docket Block I, Carver Addition to the hand and seal of said court at Texas, was guest speaker at the

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42nd District Court Taylor County, Texas By Clayrene Long, Deputy.

Rev. Truett Sheriff of Abilene, City of Abilene, Taylor County Abilene, Texas, this the 26th day First Baptist Church, Wednesday night for Prayer meeting. He was accompanied by Mrs. Sheriff and

## Presidential Committee Urges Greater Freedom in Transportation Rate Making

Report Cites Savings to Public

ered is the Report of the Pres- ests to serve or axes to grind. idential Advisory Committee In April, 1955, the Comon Transport Policy. The mittee submitted its Report to Report contains recommenda- the President and shortly theretions for building a sound after he passed it on to Contransportation system to serve gress with his approval the nation in peace and war.

#### More Transportation for Less Money

According to the Committee, the national transportation policy should stress competition, not government regulation, as the determining factor land water carriers to compete this principle of our free enterin setting carriers' charges for for the nation's traffic on an prise system to transportation.

By placing all common carare included in the price of such rates are not unfair. almost every commodity, lowered shipping costs can easily mushroom into tremendous savings to the public.

Comprehensive Study

cial Cabinet Committee to cutting.

port, the Committee selected ... all enjoying the same rights Room 712, Dallas, Texas.

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equal basis.

The Committee recommends The people of our nation aland pass on the resulting savings in lower rates to shippers. and above the cost of provid- the President's Cabinet Com-And because shipping costs ing the services and provided mittee, they will favor its adop-

Prevents Monopoly

The Interstate Commerce power to prevent effectively free economy. Eisenhower appointed a spe- any unjust or unreasonable rate the people.

tion policies and problems and, of the Report, the railroads national transportation policy. in due time, submit its recom- would not have any rights or mendations for his considera- privileges not enjoyed by other Copies Available modes of transportation.

To aid it in making the All of the carriers would be be obtained by addressing The study and in drafting the Re- on an equal rate-making basis Texas and Pacific Railway.

made it possible for one carrier to establish a rate lower than that of some other carrier, it

would be permitted to do so. All the railroads seek, or all they are entitled to, is the right to compete on an equal basis with all other modes of trans-The Report contains many portation. That is what the Resound recommendations . . . all port of the Cabinet Committee designed to promote the public recommends. The consuming interest by making it possible public has everything to gain for the railroads, trucks and in- and nothing to lose by applying

riers on a competitive rate- that each carrier be given the ways have been inherently just making basis, each mode of freedom to offer the public the when they have the facts. If transport will be encouraged to lowest possible rates, so long they are aware of the fairness tion. Equity and justice are on its side

Its strength and its virtue Commission would retain its rest upon the principles of our

any carrier from becoming a Its chief and only purpose is In July, 1954, President monopoly or from engaging in to promote the welfare of all

study our national transporta- Under the recommendations fair and forward look in the

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# County Home

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Mrs. Edgar Holly, County burn easily. Home Demonstration chairman, Mrs. Orville Black ,County Home Demonstration Council Chairman, and Loreta Allen attended a planning meeting in Brady. The purpose of this meeting was to plan District 7 meeting to be at Sweetwater April 11 SETTING OR RE-SETTING

SHRUBS Now is a good time to organize shrubs into screen or foundation plantings around the home. Any shrube that dot the lawn and complicate mowing may be reset at this time.

Consider potential size of the tree or shrub, when choosing a location for setting or re-setting Large growing plant sare not suit ed for planting around the walls or foundation of the average home. They do make excellent screen plantings to give privacy to the work or recreation area of the landscape .Some large plants that require very little water are the althea, ligustrums, Arizona cypress, cherry laurel, crepe myrtle, evergreen sumac and others. Nearly all of the hollies should be used in screen planting rather than placed around the house.

Shrubs for foundation plantings should be in proportion to the size of the house. For the low, ranch type house, which is very popular now, true shrubs, that is shrubs that will not grow over 8 to 10 feet, are best suited. There are many true shrubs that are



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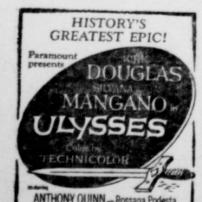
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