

POST SCRIPTS
BY UNCLE NED

FROM THE STATE — Texas will spend \$1,000 for an effective drought relief program, according to a message from Gov. Shivers to Secretary of Agriculture Benson. He suggested a three-point program . . . 1. commodity grain certificates with \$1.50 or more per hundred in approved areas. 2. roughage or hay certificates issued on comparable bases in certain areas, and 3. a long-time low interest rate refinancing program.

OMAR BURLESON wired the Merkel Mail last Thursday that Taylor County would definitely be included in the drought disaster relief program and aid would be administered as soon as possible.

STOCKMEN were assured an extension on federal credit. This would allow more credit to those already borrowed under the program.

SHORN WOOL DOWN — Shorn wool is estimated to be one percent less than ten years ago.

FARM EXPORT rates were ten per cent greater in dollar value than last year. If cotton were excluded the increase would be about 26 per cent. Cotton declined 55 per cent due to lower priced fibre abroad but is expected to rise this year due to government action in reducing the export price on its surplus stocks.

FIRST OIL SHOW for Taylor County will be staged at the exhibition grounds October 11, 12 and 13, in Abilene. This will give the general public a chance to first hand inside the oil industry. There will be no charge for admission.

COUNTY DEMOS strengthened party loyalty by adopting resolutions to support only loyal Democrat candidates who have not forsaken the party, at the county convention in Abilene Saturday.

REPUBLICANS held their convention in Abilene Saturday night and endorsed Nixon for vice president, approved the Bricker amendment and sent 31 delegates to the state convention in Corpus Christi August 28.

SUEZ CANAL — The issue may take a more serious aspect than presently indicated. This international waterway must remain open to all nations and if a self-styled "dictator" says he would "fight if necessary" may be deciding his own fate. The Egyptian crisis is the fuse to the Israel-Arab powder keg. These ancient nations have been at each other's throats since biblical times. They are just itching for an excuse to get into a full scale war. The United Nations have been the only bearer to separate them. As sure as the UN uses force to open the waterways, this bearer will drop.

ATOMIC REACTOR PLANT — Plans for the first atomic reactor power plant have been approved for construction with some scepticism. The safety of such a reactor is the main factor to be the plant is secured. Science is considered. Permission to operate out front with answers but are trailing with consequences.

Merkel Woman's
Daughter Dies
In Abilene Thurs.

Mrs. James Strickland, daughter of Mrs. Laura B. Davis of Merkel, died in Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene Thursday morning. She was 44.

Mrs. Strickland was born in Ennis, Texas in March, 1912. She was married to James Strickland of Abilene in 1951.

Funeral services were held in the Bethel Missionary Baptist Church Saturday afternoon with Rev. J. M. Stringer, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Elmwood Memorial Park with Laughter-North Funeral Home handling the arrangements.

Survivors include her husband; three sisters, Mrs. Lola B. Williams of Trent, Mrs. Nellie Faye Clay of Petersburg, and Mrs. Ida Mae DeWitt of Abilene; her mother, Mrs. Davis and several nieces and nephews.

THE MERKEL MAIL

IN THE FRIENDLY TOWN

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AND THE WALLS CAME TUMBLING DOWN could be the title of this picture of the First State Bank of Tuscola as workmen pulled the hull down after fire gutted the building early Wednesday morning. Most of the records and cash were locked in the vault and were intact. Offices were opened in a feed store and opened promptly at 9:00 — Abilene Reporter-News Photo.

His Wife Is a Good Sleeper

Some fellow in New Quay, England was folating on his back out in the water while his wife took her beauty nap on the beach. A bystander saw him floating alone and thought he was in trouble. The Royal Air Force Rescue Service was notified and they sent a helicopter to the scene. The swimmer was snatched out of the water and carried to near-by hospital where doctors were dumbfounded. The swimmer showed no signs of being a victim of drowning. The embarrassed airman rushed the victim back to the beach here he resumed his swim—after it was explained that the so-called victim had been a member of the Royal Life Saving Society since he was eleven years old. His wife was still asleep.

Merkel Man Hurt In Dallas Blast

A Merkel man, F. M. Cox, 28, was injured in a butane explosion in Dallas Monday afternoon while having his car filled with a butane-gasoline mixture for fuel. He was admitted to Methodist Hospital with first and second degree burns. However, his condition was not considered serious. Three other persons, all of Dallas, were also hurt in the blast. They were Wesley Dunbar, 49, Roy Warnell and his 11-year-old son.

The explosion occurred at the Dallas Butane Service Co. in downtown Dallas. Cox and Warnell were having the butane tank filled on Cox's car.

Cox and Dunbar, an employee of the butane company, were filling the tank when the blast happened. Flames knocked them off their feet and set fire to their clothes. Warnell and his son were standing nearby. They suffered face burns. The boy, who was wearing a bathing suit also received body burns.

The rear seat of the car was blown out of the side windows. Cox's two daughters, Candy, 5, and Peggy, 3, had been on the rear seat but had climbed onto the front seat moments before the blast. Firemen later said the girls' move probably saved their lives. The back of the front seat cushioned the explosion and the girls were uninjured.

Cox and his family had been visiting the Warnells in Dallas while on vacation and were preparing to leave for New Orleans at the time of the accident.

ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL — Mrs. L. S. Low of Abilene, mother of W. E. Webber of Merkel, was admitted to Sadler Clinic last week. Her condition was not thought to be serious at this time. Mr. Webber has been working in Colorado and has just returned to Merkel recently.

SWIMMING POOL TO OPEN IN MERKEL SOON

Merkel's dream of a swimming pool is coming true.

Dr. Don W. Warren, president of the Merkel Swimming Pool Association, Inc., said the firm which has been cleaning up and sand blasting the pool completed its work this week, and began painting the inside of the pool.

Dr. Warren said the pool would be open to the public by next week end.

After bonds for a swimming pool were voted down several months ago, Merkel citizens rallied behind the swimming pool association and raised enough money through sale of stock to open the pool this summer.

The pool is located one mile north east of Merkel.

It was an old pool which had attracted thousands of swimming fans several years ago, but was later abandoned.

It is located on the Shannon place. The Shannons contracted a lease with the swimming pool association, and in addition tossed in several acres of land which will be used for a park.

The City Park board has some funds available and this money was spent on the project.

The association set a goal of

\$7,000, but was able to open the pool for a lesser amount, but sale of stock will continue, as improvements will be made on the pool next year.

The association was able to build a bath house and a concession stand, clear off and plant grass on the park, build benches for spectators and give the area a general cleaning up.

Dr. Warren said the painting was scheduled to begin Tuesday afternoon, and a target date for this weekend has been set for completion, however, if there is a delay, it will be because enough paint was not received in the shipment.

Hope Church Holds Revival Meeting

A revival meeting will be held at the Hope Church of Christ August 12 through 19 with Dale King doing the preaching and Manly Denton directing the singing.

Services will be held at 8:00 p.m. each evening. Everyone is invited.

NEWS HIGHLIGHTS AND COMMENTS

MCKEON TRIAL — Staff Sergeant Mathew C. McKeon of the United States Marine Corps was ordered discharged in disgrace and sentenced to nine months imprisonment for ordering the march into the swamp when six recruits were drowned. The Marine Corps was on trial, not Sgt. McKeon. The Marine Corps was on trial for using rugged tactics in their recruit training.

SOME FORM OF NEGLIGENCE — was certainly on Sergeant McKeon's part when the youth drowned, but not on the part of ordering the march. This was customary, as brought out in the trial, to enforce discipline and aid physical endurance.

THE MARINE CORPS maintains that the act was in order but the results were highly irregular. Then why punish Sgt. McKeon?

SOMETHING ELSE comes to light when this is brought up. Why did so many youth refuse patriation from the communists at the end of the Korean war? Many have stated it was from lack of proper training. Was it? It seems to be the logic answer. Weakness in character is bound to show up when the going is tough. Should this show up in "boot" training, chances are such people would never found themselves face to face with the enemy. Mothers would rather see their sons endure rugged training in "boot camp" than see them break in the hands of the enemy.

SGT. MCKEON may not have been morally right by drinking in front of the recruits before ordering the march, but he was right in trying to discipline the men placed in his care for such training.

"That's the way I see it."

CONGRATULATIONS are in order for Bill Frye on his unselfish plea for aid to the families of the firemen who were killed in the Dumas oil fire last week. The story was a fine tribute to this newspaper and to the citizens of Merkel.

Mr. Waymon Adcock, local fire chief, has reported that the local fire department will receive all donations for the Dumas-Sunray emergency. Just make your checks payable to Dumas Firemen Benefit Fund and mail or bring in to the local fire department. Thank You!

TUSCOLA BANK BURNS TO GROUND WEDNESDAY

Brave Lad Needs Your Help

One of our local youth needs your help.

He was stricken with polio and needs treatment. He can't walk and it's a long way to Abilene. That's where treatment is given. At the new rehabilitation center on South 14th.

Buddy Carey can do lots of things for himself and getting better is one of them, but he needs someone to help him get better by taking him to get his treatments each Wednesday afternoon. The Merkel Lions are sponsoring the project but are having trouble finding fellow Lions who can get away at that particular time.

If someone could volunteer their services to take Buddy into Abilene it would certainly help a lot. So far only six have volunteered and their turn comes around every six weeks. If more would offer their services, they may not have to do this but once every six months.

These treatments are necessary to help Buddy help himself. Won't you lend him a helping hand? Contact a member of the Lions Club or the Merkel Mail and get your name on the list.



NEW STEWARDESS—Jo Denton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Brown of Merkel, has won her wings as a stewardess with American Airlines after a course of training in Chicago. She will operate on flights in the Dallas-Fort Worth area. A native of Big Spring, she attended Merkel High School, Wayland College and the University of Texas.

Olin Culberson Urges Firemen Give To Fund

An appeal to all firemen in the state of Texas was mailed from the State Firemen's and Fire Marshals' Association by Olin Culberson, secretary-treasurer, Austin, Texas, urging participation through local fire departments in donations for families of the fifteen firemen killed in the letter urged all firemen to contribute "to the limit of their ability" and that the need for assistance to their loved ones was urgently needed now.

"All these fellow firemen left families, wives and children. All were average workers like all of us and had very little, if any, protection for their loved ones," the letter pleaded.

The local fire marshal, Waymon Adcock, stated that contributions may be turned into the local fire department where they will be channeled direct to the disaster area. The urgency of the appeal indicated that donations must be turned into the fire department this week not later than Saturday noon, Mr. Adcock stated.

Equalization Board to Hear Tax Protests

The equalization board will meet Thursday night, August 10, for the purpose of hearing any complaints on the increase in valuations on property in the City of Merkel.

Last week the Mail quoted Mayor Fred Starbuck as saying the new tax rate would be \$10.00 per \$1,000 valuation, but actually Mayor Starbuck said:

"We will be able to reduce the rate based on the new valuations and I HOPE that we will be able to reduce it to \$1.00 per hundred."

The old rate was \$1.50, and if the rate is not reduced, Merkelites will be required to pay additional taxes in proportion to the increase in valuations.

All indications are that the equalization board will have a number of persons appearing before it to question the increases in valuation which in some cases were as much as half again the present valuations.

Almer D. Barnes Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Dayal Barnes, 210 Ash St., is spending a week vacation with Johnny Fulton of Lovington, New Mexico.

On the Broadway
of America

The First State Bank of Tuscola caught fire early Wednesday morning and burned to the ground.

The fire was noticed by an oil truck driver who sounded the alarm around 4:30 a.m. Wednesday.

Doyle Taylor, executive vice president who lived a few blocks away, appeared on the scene a few minutes later and began removing records.

The local fire truck arrived and almost had the fire under control when it ran out of water.

A well, located at the rear of the bank, used for this purpose was dry and the truck had to go elsewhere to refill. By the time it returned, the fire had broken out and completely enveloped the building.

Fire departments from Abilene and Winters arrived and managed to prevent the fire from spreading. McIntyre's grocery next door was slightly damaged.

Reports indicated that the wind was calm or the whole town might have gone up in smoke. Usually, the wind is high at that time of morning and could have caused more damage.

Residents from near-by communities arrived in short order and helped in any way they could. Floyd Tate, county commissioner from Buffalo Gap, arrived with the county's water hauling truck and Wayne Allen from Lawn arrived with his company's water hauling trucks and were still battling the smoldering fire at 10:30 Wednesday morning.

Temporary offices were set up under heavy guard in the old cafe building next to Vaughn's Grocery and Market. Most of the money and records were carried from the building in good order.

Reporters and photographers from the Abilene Reporter-News and representatives from both radio stations in Abilene and Don Wilson from KRBC-TV were on hand to get a first hand look at the situation.

Damage was estimated upward of \$50,000, according to Doyle Taylor.

Only the hull of the building remained by 8:30 a.m. Joe Brockert, co-owner of the B & G Construction Co. recently located there from Corpus Christi, used his trucks and winches to pull the walls down before they fell and caused unnecessary injuries to workers and spectators.

Merkel Students Attending H-SU During Summer

Two Merkel students are among those enrolled at Hardin-Simmons University for a second term of the summer session. They are Barbara Joyce Sandersky, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Sandersky, of 407 Yucca, and Carroll Elton Hays, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hays of Route 3.

The second semester of summer school officially got underway July 16 at H-SU. Summer school will close August 24 with baccalaureate and commencement exercises for the graduating seniors.

Oxygen Loss Hits Fishes

AUSTIN — Lack of oxygen from natural conditions has taken a heavy toll of rough fish in shallow inland waters along the Gulf in the Houston area, reported the Assistant Executive Secretary of the Game and Fish Commission.

He said ninety per cent of the dead fish were menhaden, shad and such species.

The Assistant Executive Secretary said investigation showed that an unusually heavy growth of algae plus concentrations of ordinary toxic wastes caused the loss which had first been blamed to possible pollution of the bay waters from chemicals.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To any Sheriff or any Constable

GREETING:

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

Proposed Constitutional Amendments to be voted on at an election to be held on November 6, 1956.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 11 proposing an amendment to Article I of the Constitution of the State of Texas by adding thereto another section, to be designated as Section 13-a, providing for the payment of a fee for the commitment of persons of unsound mind, and authorizing the Legislature to provide for trial and commitment of such persons and for waiver of trial by jury where the person under inquiry has not been charged with commission of a criminal offense.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. That Article I of the Constitution of the State of Texas be and the same is hereby amended by adding another section thereto following Section 13, to be designated Section 13-a, to read as follows:

"Section 13-a. No person shall be committed as a person of unsound mind except on competent medical or psychiatric testimony. The Legislature may enact all laws necessary to provide for the trial and commitment of persons of unsound mind and to provide for a method of appeal from judgments rendered in such cases. Such laws may provide for a waiver of trial by jury, in cases where the person under inquiry has not been charged with the commission of a criminal offense, by the concurrence of the person under inquiry, or his next of kin, and an attorney at law appointed by a judge of either the County or Probate Court of the county where the trial is being held, and shall provide for a method of service of notice of such trial upon the person under inquiry and of his right to demand a trial by jury."

Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this State at an election to be held throughout the State on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1956, at which election all ballots shall have printed thereon:

"FOR the Constitutional Amendment requiring medical testimony for commitment of persons of unsound mind, and authorizing the Legislature to provide for trial and commitment of such persons and for waiver of the right of trial by jury in a person alleged to be of unsound mind or his next of kin, and his attorney at law."

Each voter shall scratch out one of said clauses on the ballot, leaving the one expressing his vote on the proposed amendment. In counties where other subdivisions using voting machines the above provision for voting for and against this Constitutional Amendment shall be placed on said machines in such manner that each voter shall vote on the machine for or against the Constitutional Amendment.

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State of Texas shall issue the necessary proclamation for said election and have the same published as required by the Constitution and laws of this State.

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 23 proposing an amendment to Section 9 of Article VIII of the Constitution of Texas, to provide that the Commissioners Court in each county may levy whatever sums may be necessary for general fund purposes, permanent improvement fund purposes, road and bridge fund purposes and jury fund purposes so long as the total of these tax rates does not exceed Eighty Cents (\$0.80) on the One Hundred Dollars (\$100) valuation in any one (1) year, and providing further that the Commissioners Court shall not incur any outstanding bonds or other obligations, providing for the necessary election and form of ballot, and providing for the necessary proclamations and publications.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. That Section 9, Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

"Section 9. The State tax on property, exclusive of the tax necessary to pay the public debt, and of the taxes provided for the benefit of the public free schools, shall never exceed Thirty-five Cents (\$0.35) on the One Hundred Dollars (\$100) valuation, and no county, city or town shall levy a tax rate in excess of Eighty Cents (\$0.80) on the One Hundred Dollars (\$100) valuation in any one (1) year for general fund, permanent improvement fund, road and bridge fund and jury fund purposes, provided further that at the time the Commissioners Court meets to levy the annual tax rate for each county it shall levy whatever tax rate may be needed for the four (4) constitutional purposes; namely, general fund, permanent improvement fund, road and bridge fund and jury fund so long as the Court does not incur any outstanding bonds or other obligations and so long as the total of the foregoing tax levies does not exceed Eighty Cents (\$0.80) on the One Hundred Dollars (\$100) valuation in any one (1) year. Once the Court has levied the annual tax rate, the same shall remain in force and effect during that taxable year; and the Legislature may also authorize an additional annual ad valorem tax to be levied and collected

Taylor County, Texas, the accompanying citation, of which the herein below following is a true copy.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To T. H. Johnson, and the unknown heirs of said T. H. Johnson, and the unknown devisees of said T. H. Johnson, and the unknown legal representatives of said T. H. Johnson, and Mrs. T. H. Johnson (wife of said T. H. Johnson), and the unknown heirs of said Mrs. T. H. Johnson, and the unknown devisees of said Mrs. T. H. Johnson, and the unknown legal representatives of said Mrs. T. H. Johnson, and J. T. Baker, and the unknown heirs of said J. T. Baker, and the unknown devisees of said J. T. Baker, and the unknown legal representatives of said J. T. Baker, and Mrs. J. T. Baker, and the unknown heirs of said Mrs. J. T. Baker, and the unknown devisees of said Mrs. J. T. Baker, and the unknown legal representatives of said Mrs. J. T. Baker, and the unknown owners of the land involved in this suit, and all adverse claimants owning or having any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the land involved in this suit, Defendants, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County Texas, at the Courthouse of said County, in the City of Abilene, Texas, and answer 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 10th day of Sept., A.D. 1956, to Plaintiff's petition filed in said court on the 13th day of April A.D. 1956, in this cause, numbered 21,275-A on the civil docket of said court and styled Jack Moore, Plaintiff, vs. Sam Donnell et al, the said Jack Moore being the plaintiff in said suit, and Sam Donnell (who is same person as Sam W. Donnell) and T. H. Johnson, and the unknown heirs of said T. H. Johnson, and the unknown devisees of said T. H. Johnson, and the unknown legal representatives of said T.

H. Johnson, and Mrs. T. H. Johnson (wife of said T. H. Johnson), and the unknown heirs of said Mrs. T. H. Johnson, and the unknown devisees of said Mrs. T. H. Johnson, and the unknown legal representatives of said Mrs. T. H. Johnson, and J. T. Baker, and the unknown heirs of said J. T. Baker, and the unknown devisees of said J. T. Baker, and the unknown legal representatives of said J. T. Baker, and Mrs. J. T. Baker, and the unknown heirs of said Mrs. J. T. Baker, and the unknown devisees of said Mrs. J. T. Baker, and the unknown legal representatives of said Mrs. J. T. Baker, and the unknown owners of the land involved in this suit, and all adverse claimants owning or having any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the land involved in this suit being the defendants in said suit.

A brief statement of the nature of said suit is as follows, to-wit: said suit is a suit of Trespass to Try Title brought by plaintiff to recover of defendants jointly and severally the title and possession of that certain parcel of land and premises situated in Taylor County, Texas, and being all of Lot No. Seven (7) in Block No. Two (2) in Sayles' Subdivision of Lots Nos. 1 and 2 of Block No. Five (5) in the B. Austin Survey No. 91 (lying West of Meander Street) in Taylor County, Texas, according to map of record at Page 291 of Vol. 1 of Plat Records of said County; plaintiff alleges he was lawfully seized and possessed of said premises and that defendants unlawfully entered thereon and ejected him; therefrom, and for second count plaintiff alleges he has good title to said land against defendants under the twenty-five year statute of limitation of Texas and he alleges in the alternative that he has good title to said land against defendants under the ten

years statute of limitation of said State; plaintiff prays for judgment for title and possession, for writ of restitution and general and special relief, as is more fully shown by plaintiff's petition on file in said suit. It is 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 mandate hereof, and make due return as the law directs. Defendants claim fee simple title to said land. Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court

at Abilene, Texas, this the 25th day of July A. D. 1956.

Attest: R. H. Ross,
Clerk of the District
Courts of Taylor County,
Texas.

(SEAL)

BAPTIST CHOR

MET AUGUST 1

At a business meeting of the Choir of the First Baptist Church, Wednesday, August 1 the following officers were elected: President, Wanda Bradley; Vice President, Elizabeth Cunningham; Secretary Treasurer, Mrs. Alpha Miller; Social chairman, Sue Mew-

born; Attendance committee, Elizabeth Cunningham, Lucy Ford, Kay Lynn Perry; Librarian Joe Cunningham; and reporter, Blanche Campbell. The officers were elected for 1957.

Correspondent Mrs. Blanche Campbell.

J. J. Russell Jr. of Wichita Falls, Texas was house guest of his mother, Mrs. J. J. Russell Sr. this past week.

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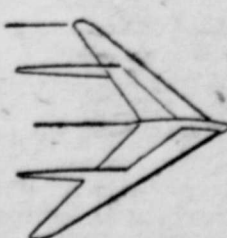
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ALL MEAT BOLOGNA - - - lb. **39¢**

Crisp Rite BACON - - - lb. **37¢** Armour Star FRYERS - - lb. **37¢**

RED SEAL POTTED MEAT - - - can **5¢**

RED SEAL VIENNAS - - - 2 cans **35¢**

TIP-TOP SPINACH - 303 can - - - 2 for **19¢**

CARNATION MILK - - - 2 tall cans **25¢**

AUSTEX SPAGHETTI - 303 Can - - 2 for **29¢**

COLONIAL VANILLA WAFERS - - - 2 pkgs. for **39¢**

DIAMOND DILL or SOUR - - - quart **25¢**

PRIDE OF OZARK YAMS - Squat Can - - - 2 for **35¢**

KIMBELL'S PORK & BEANS - 303 Can - - 3 for **25¢**

AUNT JEMIMA MEAL - - - 5 lb. bag **39¢**

SUN SPUN OLEO - - - 2 lbs. for **45¢**

DOUBLE COLA 6 Bottle Carton **15¢ plus dep.**

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JELLO 3 Pkgs. **25¢**

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Florida Gold - 6-oz. Can Orange - - 2 for **35¢**

100% Pure - 6-oz. Can Fruit Punch - - - **19¢**

Still Well's - 16-oz. Pkg. Strawberrys - - **39¢**

Stokley's Breaded - 10-oz. Pkg. Shrimp - - - **59¢**

Stokley's Chicken 8-oz. Pkg. Pot Pies - - - **27¢**

Fall seeding is best for establishing alfalfa stands. A soil test will show what fertilizers are needed by this favorite forage crop. The seedbed should be firm, clean and moist and only certified seed should be planted, says E. M. Trew, extension pasture specialist.

CARD OF THANKS

I would like to express my sincere thanks and appreciation for the offering that was given by the people of the Methodist Church and Frank Carr for the piano.

Mrs. Mary Outlaw

Proposed Constitutional Amendments to be voted on at an election to be held on November 6, 1956

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5 proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas, amending Section 48a, Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas, so as to authorize needed changes in and revision of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas; providing that this section shall not amend, alter, or repeal Section 48a, Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas as adopted November 1954, or any enabling legislation passed pursuant thereto; providing for the necessary election, form of ballot, proclamation, and publication.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. That Section 48a of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended so as to read as follows: "Section 48a. In addition to the powers given the Legislature under Section 48, Article III, it shall have the right to levy taxes to establish a fund to provide retirement, disability and death benefits for persons employed in the public schools, colleges and universities supported wholly or partly by the State; provided that the amount contributed by the State to such fund each year shall be equal to the aggregate amount required by law to be paid into the fund by such employees, and shall not exceed at any time six per centum (6%) of the compensation paid each such person by the State and/or school districts, and shall in no one (1) year exceed the sum of Five Hundred Four Dollars (\$504.00) for any such employee; and provided that no person shall be eligible for retirement who has not rendered ten years of creditable service in such employment, and in no case shall any person retire before either attaining the age fifty-five (55) or completing thirty (30) years of creditable service, but shall be entitled to refund of moneys paid into the fund."

"The Legislature may authorize all moneys coming into such fund to be invested in bonds or other evidences of indebtedness of the United States, or of this State, or any county, city, school district, or other municipal corporation or district of this State; or in such other securities as are now or hereafter may be permitted by law as investments for the Permanent University Fund or for the Permanent School Fund of this State; provided a sufficient sum shall be kept on hand to meet payments as they become due each year under such retirement plan, as may be provided by law; and provided that the recipients of such retirement fund shall not be eligible for any other State pension retirement funds or direct aid from the State of Texas, unless such other State pension or retirement fund contributed by the State, is released to the State of Texas as a condition to receiving such other pension aid; providing, however, that this section shall not amend, alter, or repeal Section 63 of Article 16 of the Constitution of Texas as adopted November, 1954, or any enabling legislation passed pursuant thereto."

Sec. 2. The foregoing constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this State at an election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1956, at which election each ballot shall have printed thereon the following words: "FOR the constitutional amendment empowering the Legislature to revise the existing Teacher Retirement System and to broaden the benefits to employees of public schools, colleges, and universities supported wholly or partly by the State, authorizing that the State's contributions for such purposes shall equal contributions by such employees and providing that they do not exceed six per centum (6%) of the compensation paid each such employee by the State or school district or the sum of Five Hundred Four Dollars (\$504.00) for each year for any such employee, regulating the eligibility of such employees for retirement benefits and prescribing the manner of investing money accruing to the retirement fund."

"AGAINST the constitutional amendment empowering the Legislature to revise the existing Teacher Retirement System and to broaden the benefits to employees of public schools, colleges, and universities supported wholly or partly by the State, authorizing that the State's contributions for such purposes shall equal contributions by such employees and providing that they do not exceed six per centum (6%) of the compensation paid each such employee by the State or school district or the sum of Five Hundred Four Dollars (\$504.00) for each year for any such employee, regulating the eligibility of such employees for retirement benefits and prescribing the manner of investing money accruing to the retirement fund."

Each voter shall mark out one of said clauses on the ballot, leaving the one expressing his vote on the proposed amendment. If it appears from the returns of said election that a majority of the votes cast were in favor of said amendment, the same shall become a part of the State Constitution and be effective from the date of determination of such result and the Governor's proclamation thereof.

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State of Texas is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for said special election and shall have the same published as required by the Constitution and laws of this State.

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HODGES

Mrs. Ada Lowe of Mart, Mrs. Lizzie Williams and Mrs. Tennie Sloan of Abilene have been visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Vantrees and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Mundy and Lynn of San Antonio are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Pete Walsh and friends in Arkansas.

Ed Cooley is in Hendrick Hospital at Abilene suffering from a back injury.

Mrs. Fred Daniels is at home after recent surgery in an Abilene hospital. She is doing fine.

Mrs. Della and Mabel Cook attended a class reunion party at the home of Mrs. Nick Barros of Abilene, Saturday night and Sunday.

The Hope Church of Christ will have a revival starting on Sunday August 12 Dale King of the Hawley Church will do the preaching.

Derrell Sloan visited last week with his cousin, Billy Sloan of Noodle.

Mr. L. McCaleb spent about seven days visiting relatives in Lawrenceburg, Tenn.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Reagan Hay have bought a house at Hawley and will move in about a month.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Reese and family of Eastland and Miss Willie Cox of Abilene spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Cox.

Charlie Keene is in the veterans hospital in Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Smith visited relatives at McGregor over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Daniel of Baird spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Rob Daniel.

The Baptist Church in Hodges closed their meeting with an all day service and dinner at the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis McCaleb of Seymour visited relatives in Abilene last week.

FIRST BAPTIST

T.E.L. CLASS MET

The T.E.L. Class of the First Baptist Church met in the home of Mrs. Earl Laster on Wednesday with Mrs. Willie J. Largent as co-hostess.

Opening prayer was given by Mrs. S. G. Sewell; devotional was given by Mrs. Dollie Jones; the committee elected officers for the year of 1957.

A dainty refreshment plate of frosted cake, sandwiches, and olives were served to eleven members.

Mrs. Hugh Campbell Correspondent.

GWEN HAGAR WILL WED

CLYDE ANTWINE SEPT. 8

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Hagar of Clyde are announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Gwen, to Clyde Antwine of Fort Worth.

The couple will be married Sept. 8 at 8 p.m. in the Clyde Church of Christ. Holland L. Borling Jr., associate minister from Brownfield Church of Christ, will officiate.

Antwine is a junior in Abilene Christian College and she will be a freshman. She is employed at Andrews Appliance Store in Abilene. Antwine has been minister for the Cheaney Church of Christ.

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held their annual reunion at McKinsie State Park in Lubbock Sunday, August 5. The grandson, Woodrow W. Barnes and family of Bakersfield, California were unable to attend.

Those attending were: Mr. and Mrs. John Fulton and children; Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Summed of Lovington, New Mexico; Mrs. Irene Barnes and a friend, Kirby E. Todd from Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Blair Sr.; Mr. and Mrs. Warren Blair and children; Mr. and Mrs. Johnny K. Blair and children from Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Patterson and daughters; Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Patterson and children; and Mr. and Mrs. Dayal Barnes and children of Merkel.

Hunters Bid For Antelope Hunt Permits

AUSTIN — Field reports of favorable antelope herd conditions coincided with a rush of applications for the estimated eleven hundred permits to be issued this fall, according to the Chief Clerk of the Game and Fish Commission.

Range conditions have improved in both the antelope ranges West of the Pecos and in the Panhandle, stated wildlife biologists, with the result that the pronghorns should be in prime condition for the October shoot.

The Chief Clerk said "mail inquiries about the two hunts has been 'substantial' since he announced last week that formal applications are ready for issuance to persons writing him at the Game and Fish Commission headquarters in Austin.

He added that more than ordinary interest concerned the provision that hunters may apply in groups so that their parties, providing they qualify, may hunt together.

When persons write in about the antelope season, they are forwarded a regular application from containing all pertinent information about the conducted shoot.

The Chief Clerk pointed out that if the applications exceed the number of antelope earmarked for harvest, public drawings will be held in the Commission's Austin headquarters to determine the licensees. Separate drawings would be held for West of the Pecos, where approximately seven hundred head of both buck and doe antelope have been declared surplus, and in the Panhandle where the excess population scheduled for reduction aggregates four hundred head.

The deadline for applications is midnight August 31. The hunts will begin October 1 and continue October 19.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth L. Dismuke and children, Debra Sue and Towner, of Lytle visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob McDonald over the week end. Mrs. Dismuke and children remained here while her husband attends the coaching school in Lubbock. He is the football coach in Lytle. Mrs. Dismuke will teach Home Economics there this year.

Fan Message Says, "Come Hither!"



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WELCOME TO MERKEL

Staff Sergeant and Mrs. R. A. McClure moved to Merkel last Friday and the Merkel Mail joins the citizens of this community in welcoming them to this fair city.

Sergeant McClure is stationed at Abilene Air Force Base and has just returned from his vacation. They have two children,

Terry 18, and John 3 1-2. Terry is a Junior in high school and looks forward to playing football at Merkel High.

A Veteran of World War II, Sergeant McClure was recalled to active duty during the Korean War and decided to make a career in the Air Force. He and his wife, Stella, live at 111 Marian.

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GRANDMOTHER FORD RECALLS OLD DAYS AT GAP REUNION

Five generations were again privileged to attend the tenth annual reunion of the family of Mrs. Jonnie T. Ford and the late Mr. Ford, Aug. 4 and 5, 1956, when they met at Buffalo Gap State Park.

The group reverted to "Pioneer Days" and roughed it for the two day reunion, by camping out and cooking on the camp fire. It was the first time to sleep out under the blanket of twinkling stars for some of the young generation, and to cook a meal for around a hundred people they thought would be impossible. But to grandmother Ford, who is 88, this was nothing uncommon. She related tales of the "Real Pioneer Days," where they traveled

all day in a covered wagon, cooking their meals on the camp fire and sleeping out under the stars at night.

It's good for folk to go way back into the past she recalls and it's nice to go way forward into the future also. The air conditioned car she slept in was not quite as comfortable as her air conditioned bedroom at home, but she would not have missed a single minute of the reunion for as she says who knows what God has in store for us, we may not all be permitted to be together next year at the reunion.

All of grandmother Ford's 9 living children were present with the exception of two, Mrs. Betty nee Days, where they traveled

Hamilton, Anson; and Mrs. Mag-

gie Talley, of Corsicana. Mrs. Hamilton had sickness in the family and the terrific heat and distance kept Mrs. Talley away.

Children present were: Mrs. Alf Holtzclaw, Dallas; Mrs. Edmond Bayless, Anson; Mrs. J. P. Spivey, Lubbock; Mrs. Ford Smith, Merkel; Neely Ford, Donder; Wade Ford, Anson; Lawton Ford, Denton.

The give generations were: Mrs. J. T. Ford, Anson; her daughter, Mrs. Ford Smith, Merkel; her grandson, Morris B. Smith, Merkel; her great granddaughter, Mrs. E. A. Conley, Snyder; Kaye Lynn and Ricky Conley, Snyder; great great granddaughter and grand son.

The group enjoyed dominoes, card games and singing. String music was furnished by the Ford Smith family of Merkel, with special cornet, trombone and guitar numbers by Kenneth Hogan.

See GRANDMOTHER on Page 5

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(Published in the Merkel Mail July 27, Aug. 3, 10, 17, 1956)
THE STATE OF TEXAS
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You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for four consecutive weeks, the first publication to be at least twenty-eight days before the return day thereof, in a newspaper printed in Taylor County, Texas, the accompanying citation, which the herein below following is a true copy.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Oather Thomas, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A.M. on the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 3rd day of September A.D. 1956, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 16th day of July A.D. 1956, in this cause, numbered 21,491-A, on the docket of said court and styled **Annie Mae Thomas Plaintiff, vs. Oather Thomas, Defendant.**

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shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 6th day of August A.D. 1956.
(SEAL)

Attest: R. H. ROSS, Clerk,
104th District Court, Taylor County, Texas,
By Mrs. Jesse Swindell, Deputy

GRANDMOTHER From Page 4

Sammy Smith and Mrs. Ford Smith. Two vocal duets were rendered by Wilma Smith and Ann Smith.

Fried chicken and all the trimmings was enjoyed by the group on Sunday. The invocation was given by Lee Bayless of Anson.

Those registering for the reunion were: Mrs. Jonnie T. Ford, Anson; Lawton Ford, Denton; Mr. and Mrs. Ford Smith, Merkel; Mr. and Mrs. Lee Bayless, Anson; Miss Mary Jo Bayless, Anson; Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ford, Helen and Billy Dan, of Denton; Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Spivey, Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Morris B. Smith and Sammy, Merkel; Mrs. E. A. Conley, Kaye Lynn and Ricky, Snyder; Mr. and Mrs. Neely Ford, Loyse and Don, of Pender; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bayless, Anson; R. V. Bayless, Anson; Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Archcraft and children Clyde; Mr. and Mrs. Ben Mangrum and Donna, Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Wade Ford, Anson; Glen Ford, Denton; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Wood, Abilene; Miss Katie Bolton, Pender; Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Holtzclaw, Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Henslee and Johnny Ford, Merkel; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hogan and Kenneth, Merkel;

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Mrs. Seymore Rites at Merkel

Funeral for Mrs. Laura Florence Seymore, who died Tuesday morning at Sadler Hospital in Merkel, was held at 3 p.m. Wednesday at the Merkel Presbyterian Church.

The Rev. John Ferguson of the Butman community and the Rev. C. G. Sewell of the Merkel Baptist Church officiated with burial in the cemetery under the direction of Starbuck Funeral Home.

Mrs. Seymore was born in Tennessee on October 14, 1872, and was married to the late E. E. Seymore on Oct. 15, 1893. The couple moved to West Texas, settling in the Tye community in 1906, then moving to Mulberry Canyon in 1924.

Mrs. Seymore's home was on a farm eight miles south of Merkel.

Survivors are four sons, W. B. Seymore of Seymour, E. B. Seymore of Chowchilla, Calif., Joe and Tom Seymore, both of Merkel; four daughters, Mrs. T. R. McDonnell of Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Birdie Woods of Belton, Texas; Pearl Toland of Abilene, Texas; K. I. Adams of Fort Smith, Ark.; one brother, W. H. Flippin of Friona; three sisters, Mrs. Ada Perry of Brownfield, Mrs. Eula Weatherford of Levelland, and

Mrs. Nanie Quinn of Trezvant, 30 grandchildren, 51 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.
Grandsons were pallbearers.

Soil Conservation District News

Now is the time to prepare your land for planting blue panic grass this fall.

It is anticipated that a number of farmers in the Merkel-Trent area will participate in the conservation reserve of the soil bank program which is being worked out at the present time. As this is a long range program involving three years or more, a perennial grass such as blue panic will fit in well with this program.

Whether you plan to enter the conservation reserve or not, planting blue panic in the late Summer or Fall has two distinct advantages. First, weed competition is much less in the Fall than in the Spring of the year. Also high winds which beat the small seedlings in the Spring are not so high in the Fall, allowing the small plants to anchor down more quickly.

Land preparation involves throwing up beds and waiting for rain which will firm the beds and provide a good seedbed for planting. If rains come in September, as it normally does, one should get ample growth on blue panic to survive the winter. These plants would then have adequate root systems to produce early grazing next Spring if you choose to graze them.

Due to the extreme drought conditions, proper handling of cropland at this time is very important. Barren land should be chiseled or cloddy tilled in some way so as to prevent playing and to make effective use of rain when it comes. Crop residues on grain and sorghum stubble should be handled so that all residues will be left on the surface for cover and protection of the land.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our many thanks and appreciation for the many kindnesses, words of sympathy, flowers and food extended to us during the illness and death of loved one.
Jack Benningfield
Vera Gardner and children

New Patridge Test Observed

The experimental release of the Pakistani bred partridges in the Palo Duro Canyon area in the Panhandle was accomplished with the loss of only four birds, stated the Director of Wildlife Restoration.

Sixty-four birds, including forty-three Seesee partridges and twenty grey partridges all imported from the dry areas of Pakistan, were turned loose. "They were quickly swallowed up by the good growth of cover in that area," reported Wildlife Biologist A. S. Jackson. "We may get a reading on them later when the vegetation recedes." Jackson said only four birds were lost after they arrived by plane. Three died and one was beheaded by a night-prowling varmint that reached through the wire netting around the holding pens.

Mr. and Mrs. George Rowland were in Fort Worth and Dallas over the weekend visiting in the home of Mrs. Cora Richardson and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Schwartz; aunt and parents of Mrs. Rowland. Mrs. Richardson has been in Merkel the past two weeks visiting the Rowlands.

Colonel and Mrs. Chester A. Rowland of Tucson, Arizona and Father Thomas Rowland of St. Patrick's Cathedral El Paso, Texas were overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. George T. Rowland Tuesday and Wednesday. The Rowlands are the foster parents and brother of George Rowland and on their way to Europe for a two month tour of Italy, France and Holland to be highlighted by an audience with Pope Pius XII at Rome.

Mrs. George Rowland was elected President of The Society of Our Lady of Guadalupe at Our Mother of Mercy Catholic Church in Merkel; Sunday at a meeting of the Society; other officers are Mrs. Fermin Hernandez, vice-pres., and Mrs. Frank Duran, secretary-treasurer. The Society sponsors a Bingo every other Sunday at the church grounds at p.m. and other projects of the church to raise funds for needed improvements.

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Fox Rabies In W. Texas Under Control

Fox rabies epidemics in several West Texas Counties have apparently been controlled for the rest of the summer, State Health Commissioner Henry A. Holle reported today.

Dr. Holle said his optimistic estimate of the worrisome situation in Presidio, Kinney, Brewster, and Schleicher Counties was based on a decrease in the number of fox heads coming into the State Health Department laboratory for diagnosis, and the fact that local health authorities in the counties have all reported "excellent" cooperation in county-wide rabies control campaigns.

Meanwhile, two South Texas counties — Starr and Hidalgo — are meeting dog rabies outbreaks head on.

Increasing incidence of fox rabies in the wide open spaces of West Texas began early this spring. Prior to that time the area had been practically free of the infection.

Human exposures to rabid foxes have occurred, and livestock losses have been reported.

Local health officials in the counties involved, acting under terms of the state rabies control law, declared emergencies as the threats to human health became acute. Each county invoked dog vaccination programs, stray dog

pickups, and fox population reduction campaigns.

Dr. W. H. Stover, Presidio County health officer, in a report to the State Department of Health, said 350 dogs had been vaccinated in the county, and additional strays had been impounded.

"We have noted tremendous reductions in the number of foxes sighted," Dr. Stover said.

Brewster County officials, in cooperation with local veterinarians, vaccinated 480 dogs, and a tentative report from Schleicher County indicates about 250 dogs vaccinated there.

Kinney County reported 515 dogs and cats vaccinated in a three-day period with very good coverage of ranches. Seven thousand poison baits were distributed to ranchers for use against foxes with "excellent killing results."

Meanwhile, a May outbreak of dog rabies in Starr County appears to be abating said Dr. K. D. Quist, a State Health Department veterinarian. Quist said the county had treated 1725 dogs against the infection.

Hidalgo County, preparing to fight a current epidemic, has laid plans for a vaccination drive, Dr. Quist said. The local health department reported 15 persons were exposed to a single rabid dog earlier this month.

State Health Department animal morbidity reports indicate that more counties are involved in fox rabies outbreaks this year than last. The disease is endemic in East Texas.

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UP THE CANYON

By TOM RUSSOM
The people of the Canyon enjoyed the watermelon feast at Pioneer Church last Saturday night. Fifty people turned out for the program.

John Oliver and family of Midland visited his parents of the Canyon over the weekend.

Evangelist Cliff Mayo and song leader H. Tyronne are helping with the revival at Pioneer.

Earl Watts of Merkel spoke at Pioneer Church Sunday.

Joe Swinney sold a load of lambs to a Bronte buyer last week. The lambs were the best in the Canyon. The average weight

was 80 pounds per lamb, price 15c per pound.

John Commer of the Canyon had a load of sheep on the San Angelo market this week. The lambs sold for 15 1/2c per pound.

W. T. and Loyd Perry attended the boat sale at Kerrville last Friday. Loyd bought some registered goats.

Mr. and Mrs. John Brandon of Plain View visited his sister, Mrs. F. R. Demere of the Canyon and they attended the home coming at Nolan, Sunday.

There were 14,000 sheep on the San Angelo market Saturday.

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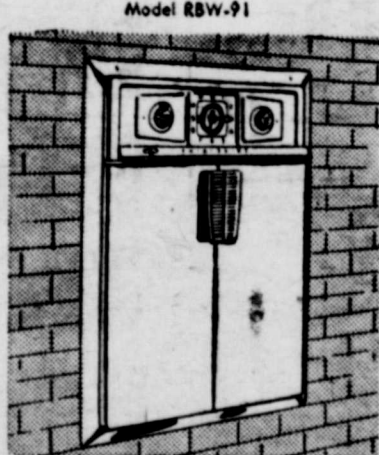
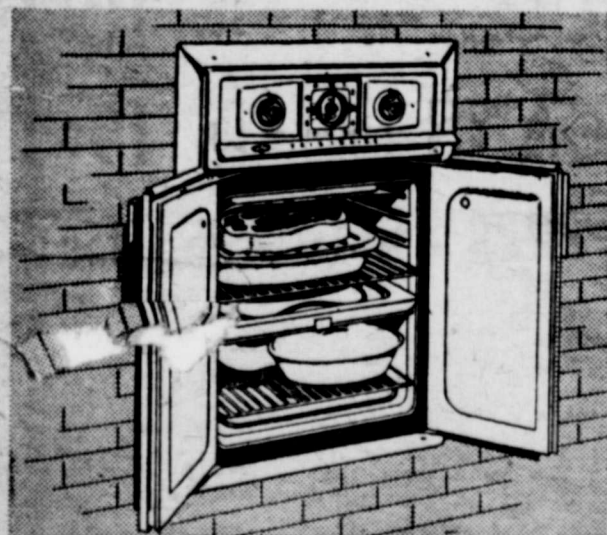
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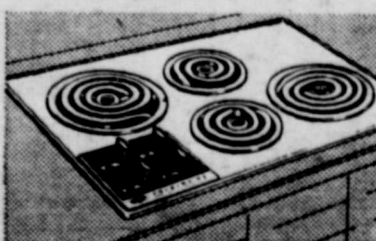


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Today's favorite riddle among Capitol seers is: "How will the new legislature 'go' — Conservative or Liberal?"

First primary voting results assured substantial turnovers in both houses. Fifty-four newcomers are certain in the 150-member House. At least seven "freshmen" are assured in the 31-member Senate.

Second primary returns could boost the turnover to 65 in the House, 11 in the Senate.

One astute, non-partisan observer hazarded a guess that the 55th Legislature will be "slightly more liberal." But he emphasized this was only a guess, necessarily based on campaign statements. Many things can happen to change these positions.

Only way to be sure, he commented, is to "watch 'em vote a few times." This is especially true, he pointed out, for the newcomers.

Senate newcomers include three men who defeated incumbents outright. They are Charles F. Herring of Austin, who won over Sen. Johnnie B. Rogers; Henry R. Gonzales of San Antonio, who defeated Sen. O. E. Latimer; and Hubert R. Hudson of Brownsville, victor over Sen. Rogers Kelley.

In the Lubbock area, Ex-Rep. Preston Smith and Rep. Carroll Cobb are in a runoff after both edged out Sen. Kilmer Corbin.

Two other senators are in run-offs. They are Sen. Doyle Willis of Fort Worth, contested by Rep. Joe Pyle; and Sen. William Shireman of Corpus Christi, opposed by Bruce Reagan.

Rep. Floyd Bradshaw of Weatherford won the post of the late Sen. Wayne Wagonseller.

Two other senators did not run again. Sen. Gus Strauss of Hallettsville will be succeeded by Club Krueger of El Campo. Sen. Warren McDonald will be replaced by Rep. Bill Wood of Tyler.

Long-range guesses are that the conservative-liberal balance in the Senate will be "about the same as before." But the House is termed "still a jigsaw puzzle." Both conservative and liberal forces in the House will be without some of their staunchest advocates in past sessions.

Forty-three representatives returned. Among them were such liberal leaders as Reps. Dolph Briscoe of Uvalde, Maury Maverick Jr. of San Antonio and D. B. Hardeman of Denison. Twenty-eight men have been elected to fill vacancies; 15 are yet to be decided in the second primary.

Eleven incumbent representatives were voted out in July. Casualties included such known conservatives as Reps. J. O. Gillham of Brownfield, W. G. Kirklin of Odessa and Stanton Stone of Freeport. Other conservatives were among the 11 incumbents involved in runoffs.

This year's House turnover is only slightly larger than the average of one-third. Largest in recent history was in 1939, the year W. Lee O'Daniel first became governor and the House got 91 new members.

POLIO VACCINE FOR ALL — The lid is off on polio vaccinations.

State Health Commissioner Henry Holle reports that federal allocation of Salk vaccine had ended. Shots are now available commercially for any person of any age. More-than-adequate supplies make the change-over possible.

STATEWIDE RAIN MAKING BACKED — A statewide rain making effort may be launched to combat Texas' prolonged drought.

EMPLOYMENT DOWN AFTER PEAK — Rain and strike settlements are the twin keys to Texas' unstable employment outlook.

Texas jobholders hit an all-time high in June. More than three million, said the Texas Employment Commission. But by July the drought and the steel strike had dragged the figure down.

WESTERN SUPERROAD — A superhighway to El Paso is being considered under the new federal-state building program.

"We've been looking for a long time for an East-West alternate route to U. S. Highway 80 through far West Texas," says DeWitt Greer, state highway engineer. "And our chances are increased with all this new federal money."

al money interstate and defense highways."

VETERANS' LAND JUDGMENTS — State recovery of veterans' land funds eventually could total \$3,000,000.

An Austin district court has just awarded the state \$112,742 from a South Texas dealer. This brings the present recovery total to \$1,770,000.

Still pending are suits involving another \$1,130,000.

PARK IMPROVEMENTS SUGGESTED — Local community management and better fire-fighting equipment have been suggested for the state parks system.

In his annual report of the State Parks Board, State Auditor C. H. Cavness observed that fire-fighting apparatus generally "seems to be inadequate."

He also called attention to "several parks, including certain historical parks, that we think would better serve their communities if given to the communities for complete operation and management."

LEGAL COLUMN

WRITE A LETTER TO YOUR HEIRS

Every person should, of course, make a will, so that his wishes for those he cares for may be carried out after his death. Our courts will then see to it that his wishes are put into effect.

But as a rule your will is too important to clutter with detailed facts and advice to your survivors. It is not the place to tell them where you keep your important papers, although your survivors should know. They might need these papers in probate proceedings or to carry on your business. Some of these papers may bear on your survivors' actions.

So put these vital facts in a letter to your survivors:

Where is your will? In a safety deposit box? At your office? Or tucked away some place for safe keeping? You might have hidden it so that nobody can find it. It might be destroyed by accident. Your will is no good unless it can be found.

Who is your executor — the person or institution you want to carry out your will? To whom do you look for sound business advice?

Where do you bank? With whom do you deal at the bank? Some persons have a savings account in one bank and checking accounts in others. Where are your safety deposit boxes? Do you keep important papers in other places? List these places. — Where do you keep all your

insurance policies — life, health, car, accident, others? They may cover your family as well as yourself. Your family may wish to continue them.

Where are your personal account books? Letters about your business affairs? Your cancelled checks and receipts? These facts will protect your estate from false claims.

Do you own real estate? Where are the deeds and abstracts or title insurance policies? You your records show a capital gains basis for your real estate and what you invested in any piece of real property? Tell your heirs what you think they should do about your real estate and other property.

Do your records show which property is separate and which is joint? The division of your property may rest on these records. Besides, good records may save tax dollars.

Besides current bills, do you have any debts? If so, list them and your creditors. Where are the copies of your income tax returns? Your car title?

Note these subjects: Old age and survivors' insurance, pensions, profit-sharing plans, group insurance, club memberships, royalties, estates and trusts, and joint ventures. Put down your social security number.

These are just a few things to cover in the letter you leave. You will think of others. Give your heirs every bit of pertinent information about your properties and business activities.

(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 is fully advised concerning the facts involved, because a slight variance in facts may change the application of the law.)

State Fair To Show Soil And Water Benefits

Have you ever wondered about the miracle of the modern farmer? How in the midst of his weary acres, lacking in the soil fertility they once had, he has been able to produce enough crops to feed nearly all the free world?

The full story of this miracle — how soil and water conservation farming systems are spurring Texas soils into producing a third more of all crops — will be presented by the State Fair of Texas in its huge Agriculture Show, Oct. 6-21, at Dallas.

Featuring growing plants and live animals in exhibits staffed by specialists, the 1956 Agriculture Show will stress soil, water, plant and wildlife conservation.

Major divisions of the show will include an exhibit of thirty of the state's most important native grasses, an information center on how the state's 172 soil conservation districts function, miniature farms depicting the exploitation and misuse of cropland in the past and illustrating how correct conservation practices are bringing the land back into balance with the forces of nature, a model of a small water-

shed under proper soil and water conservation management and an exhibit of live deer, quail and fish to illustrate how wildlife fits into the conservation program.

Cooperating with the State Fair in producing the show are Texas A&M College System, Texas State Soil Conservation Board, Association of Texas Soil Conservation District Supervisors, U. S. Soil Conservation Service, Farmers Home Administration, Agricultural Stabilization Committee and Texas Game and Fish Commission.

Accuracy Is Necessary For Social Security

Employers, employees, and self-employed persons should not overstate or understate income for social security purposes. That caution comes from R. R. Tuley, Jr., District Manager for the Social Security Administration.

"Because of the increased benefits provided by the 1954 Amendments to the law, there could be a temptation to misrepresent earnings," Tuley said.

"For one thing, because larger wages or net profits could mean larger benefit payments, some people might be tempted to overstate their income in order to build up higher social security benefits. A self-employed person, for example, might want to omit allowable business expenses so that his net would be larger than the correct figure."

"On the other hand, someone already receiving benefits might be tempted to understate earnings so that receipt of such benefits would not be suspended. Anyone making a false statement or misrepresenting a situation in connection with Federal old-age and survivors insurance (social security) is actually committing a crime punishable under Federal laws," Tuley added.

In some few cases recently, according to records in the Abilene office, it was necessary to adjust income earnings figures as shown on tax returns and advise the Internal Revenue Service of the misstatements discovered.

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Proposed Constitutional Amendments to be voted on at an election to be held on November 6, 1956.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 31 proposing an amendment to Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas by adding thereto a new Section to be known as Section 51-c, providing that the Legislature may grant aid and compensation to persons who have been fined or imprisoned under the laws of this State for offenses of which they are not guilty.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: Section 1. That Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by adding thereto a new Section, to be designated as Section 51-c, which shall read as follows: "Section 51-c. The Legislature may grant aid and compensation to any person who has heretofore paid a fine or served a sentence in prison, or who may hereafter pay a fine or serve a sentence in prison, under the laws of this State for an offense of which he or she is not guilty, under such regulations and limitations as the Legislature may deem expedient."

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Proposed Constitutional Amendments to be voted on at an election to be held on November 6, 1956.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2 proposing an amendment to Section 45-b, Article III of the Constitution of Texas, so as to change the membership of the Veterans' Land Board, so that the total amount of bonds or obligations that may be issued by the Veterans' Land Board shall be increased to Two Hundred Million Dollars (\$200,000,000); providing for the issuance of said bonds or obligations on the conditions relating thereto and the use of the Veterans' Land Fund; providing for an election and the issuance of a proclamation therefor.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: Section 1. That Section 45-b, Article III of the Constitution of Texas, be amended so that the same will hereafter read as follows:

"Section 45-b. There is hereby created a Board to be known as the Veterans' Land Board, which shall be composed of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, and two citizens of the State who shall be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. The Governor shall biennially appoint one such member to serve for a term of four years, with the initial appointments to be made under this section to be for terms of four and four years, respectively, and all subsequent appointments to be according to provisions of this section. One such appointive member shall be well versed in veterans' affairs and the other such appointive member shall be an expert in finance. The Commissioner of the General Land Office shall act as Chairman of the Board and shall be the administrator of the Veterans' Land Program under such terms and restrictions as may be now or hereafter provided by law. The compensation for said appointive members shall be as fixed by the Legislature, and each shall receive in such amount as may be prescribed by the Legislature. The Veterans' Land Board may issue not to exceed One Hundred Million Dollars (\$100,000,000) in bonds or obligations of the State of Texas for the purpose of creating a fund to be known as the Veterans' Land Fund. Such bonds shall be executed by said Board as an obligation of the State of Texas, in such form, denominations, and upon such terms as are now provided by law; provided, however, that said bonds shall bear a rate of interest not to exceed three per cent (3%) per annum, and that the same shall be paid for not less than par value and accrued interest."

"In the sale of any such bonds, a preferential right of purchase shall be given to the administrators of the various Teacher Retirement Funds, the Permanent University Funds, and the Permanent School Funds; such bonds to be issued as needed in the opinion of the Veterans' Land Board. The Veterans' Land Fund shall be used by the Board for the sole purpose of purchasing lands suitable for the purpose hereinafter stated: (a) lands owned by the United States, or any governmental agency thereof; (b) owned by the Texas Police System, or any other governmental agency of the State of Texas; or (c) owned by any private firm, or corporation."

Land Board. All monies received from the sale of land and for interest on deferred payments on land purchased with the proceeds of the Veterans' Land Fund shall be credited to the Veterans' Land Fund for use in purchasing additional lands to be sold to Texas veterans, as herein provided, in like manner as provided for the sale of lands purchased with the proceeds from the sale of the bonds provided for herein, for a period ending December 1, 1955; provided, however, that so much of such monies as may be necessary to pay interest on the additional bonds herein provided for shall be set aside for that purpose. After December 1, 1955, all monies received by the Veterans' Land Board from the sale of the lands and interest on payments, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay interest thereon, and any of such monies not so needed shall not later than the maturity date of the last maturing bond be deposited to the credit of the General Revenue Fund to be appropriated to such purposes as may be prescribed by law.

"All monies received and which have been received by the Veterans' Land Board as adopted by the people of Texas at the election held on November 13, 1951, and which have not been used for repurchase of land as provided herein by the Veterans' Land Board from the sale of lands and for interest on deferred payments, shall be credited to the Veterans' Land Fund for use in purchasing additional lands to be sold to Texas veterans of World War II, and to Texas veterans of service in the Armed Forces of the United States of America subsequent to 1945, as may be included within this program by legislative Act, in like manner as provided for the sale of lands purchased with the proceeds from the sales of the bonds provided for herein, for a period ending December 1, 1955; provided, however, that so much of such monies as may be necessary during the period ending December 1, 1955, to pay the principal of and interest on deferred payments, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be set aside for the retirement of bonds heretofore issued and to any interest thereon, and any of such monies not so needed shall not later than the maturity date of the last maturing bond or bonds be deposited to the credit of the General Revenue Fund to be appropriated to such purposes as may be prescribed by law. All bonds issued hereunder shall, after approval by the Attorney General of Texas, registration by the Comptroller of the State of Texas, and delivery to the purchasers, be incontestable and shall constitute obligations of the State under the Constitution of Texas. Of the total Two Hundred Million Dollars (\$200,000,000) of bonds herein authorized, the sum of One Hundred Million Dollars (\$100,000,000) has heretofore been issued; said bonds heretofore issued are hereby in all respects validated and declared to be obligations of the State of Texas."

"The additional bonds herein authorized may be sold in such installments as deemed necessary and advisable by the Veterans' Land Board. The Veterans' Land Board shall be authorized to sell such bonds in such installments as deemed necessary and advisable by the Veterans' Land Board. The Veterans' Land Board shall be authorized to sell such bonds in such installments as deemed necessary and advisable by the Veterans' Land Board."

"AGAINST the Amendment to Section 45-b of Article III of the Constitution of Texas to change the membership of the Veterans' Land Board; increasing the Veterans' Land Fund by \$100,000,000; said fund to be used for the purpose of purchasing land in Texas to be sold to Texas veterans of World War II and to Texas veterans of service in the Armed Forces of the United States of America subsequent to 1945. Such funds shall be expended in accordance with instructions and requirements that may be provided by law."

Music Camp To Open At Leuders

Annual Baptist Music Camp for this area of Texas will open at Leuders Baptist Encampment grounds Monday and will conclude following the night service Thursday.

This is the final music camp of Texas Baptists for the summer in which these area camps have been held over the state.

Floyd McCoy, associate of the Texas church music department will be camp director and Rev. Edward Laux, pastor at Pioneer Drive church, Abilene, will be camp pastor.

Campers will be of all ages with classes arranged for different age groups. There will be something doing most of the time, but there will be some free time. Recreation and swimming have been arranged for the afternoons.

Class will be given in many phases of church music: Hymn playing, choir directing, elementary theory, graded choir leadership, choral arranging, vocal technique, sight reading, orchestra, conducting, flutophones, music in the Bible and Christian Hymnody.

Camp personnel will include Dr. Euell Porter, Kent Balyeat, Paul Green, Rod Latta, Joe Rucker, Leon Brown, Mrs. W. J. Beckham, Martha Wagon, Sue Logan, J. Q. Woodard.

Overstock Cuts Down Fish Size

A South Texan has just determined that overstocking of his private pond, and not some mysterious ailment, was responsible for the abnormally small catfish he has been catching.

Communicating with the Chief Aquatic Biologist of the Game

and Fish Commission, the man learned that the seven hundred plus big and little channel cats he placed in his one acre tank originally comprised about four hundred times more than recommended by technicians. He had complained that, after four years, the catfish he was catching were only five or six inches in length.

The Chief Aquatic Biologist explained that planting fifty catfish fingerlings in a tank the same size will produce amazing growth. He wrote to the mystified and owner:

HOSPITAL NOTES

The following persons were admitted to the Sadler Clinic during the past week.

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D. J. Richie
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Harvey William Townzen, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Townzen, Abilene. Weighs 6 pounds. Born August 3.

Susan Laverne Canter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tip Canter, Merkel. Weighs 7 pounds and 10 ounces. Born August.

Roseann Noster, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mansfield Noster, Merkel. Weighs 7 pounds and 15 ounces. Born August 4.

Betty Jo Foulk, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Foulk, Abilene. Weighs 6 pounds. Born August 5.

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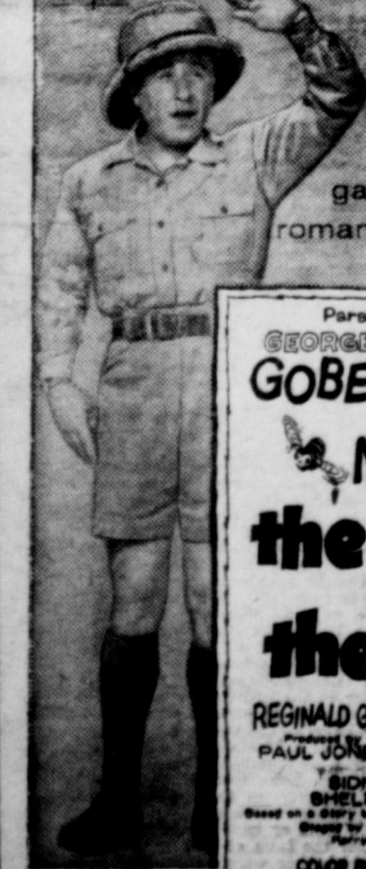
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GOOCH COUNTRY STYLE

Sausage lb. 69¢

ARMOUR'S STAR

Bacon 49¢

COFFEE

Maxwell House

Instant - 6-oz. Jar

\$1.39

PEACHES

Del Monte

2 1/2 Can - - - 2 for

53¢

TOMATOES

RENOWN

303 Can

10¢

SHORTENING

Armour's

3 Lb./Can

63¢

FLOUR

Gold Medal

25 Lb. Print \$1.79

10-Lb.

Bag

79¢

Thrifty FOOD SAVERS

FRUIT C. T. - - Hunt's 2 1/2 Can 33¢

CRANBERRY - Ocean Spray Sauce 2 for 29¢

PINEAPPLE - Del Monte Crushed No. 2 2 for 49¢

Maple SYRUP Log Cabin 24-oz. 29¢

Apple JUICE - Crystal 24-oz. 19¢

CORN - - - - Del Monte 303 Can 2 for 33¢

Pork & Beans White Swan 300 Can 3 for 29¢

SPINACH - - - Del Monte 303 Can 2 for 29¢

SPAGHETTI - Austex with Cheese 2 for 23¢

SARDINES - - Steamboat Tall Can 2 for 25¢

SUNSHINE

HI - HO

Lb. - 32¢

SUNSHINE

CANDY

Cello 19¢

BLEACH

PUREX

Qt. - 19¢

KING SIZE

TIDE

Box - - - - 98¢

LARGE

CHEER

2 for - - - - 49¢

LARGE

JOY

2 for - - - - 49¢

LARGE

IVORY

4 BARS

53¢

Garden-Fresh VEGETABLES

COLORADO

PEACHES - - - - lb. 12¢

FRESH CRISP

LETTUCE - - - - lb. 10¢

FRESH

K.Y. BEANS - - - - lb. 19¢

FRESH

BELL PEPPER - - - - lb. 15¢

FRESH

OKRA - - - - lb. 15¢

FRESH

CELERY - - - - stk. 19¢

WHITE SEEDLESS

GRAPES - - - - lb. 15¢

WHITE CELLO

SPUDS - - - - 5 lbs. 43¢

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