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Senator Ralph Yarborough Meets With Area Co-op Delegates Here

Senator Ralph Yarborough visited Merkel delegations in the Taylor Electric Auditorium, Saturday afternoon, October 12, on a personal visit to cities throughout West Texas.

Senator Yarborough was invited to meet with directors and managers of Rural-Electric Co-ops of this area. He made special reference to a letter from Henry R. Roberts, president of the Taylor Electric Co-op, Inc. of Merkel, and Sam Butman, Jr., secretary-treasurer, blasting the Republican administration's proposal to raise REA interest rates

and the policy in general toward light money.

A delegation of the Merkel Chamber of Commerce was on hand to discuss the need for low-income housing here. The need was substantiated by the fact that some 51% of the present houses in Merkel are sub-standard.

Lester Dorton, General Manager of Taylor Electric Co-op, Inc. of Merkel, and Senator Yarborough discussed informally general interests of the Southwest. Mr. Dorton expressed his thanks and appreciation to the Senator for spending so much time in Merkel in spite of his tight schedule for visits in other key cities.

Forward Program In Progress At Baptist Church

The First Baptist Church, Merkel, is now on the threshold of the busiest part of their Forward Program. Rev. Sewell, pastor, stated that the schedule for the next month was not only intense, but strenuous.

"May I personally request of my people to give much attention to prayer as we present to our church next Wednesday night the largest budget of our entire history," continued Rev. Sewell. "As we look forward to our church-wide Loyalty Dinner on the 14th of November, our Pledge Day on November 17th, and Victory Day on November 24th, let us have a spirit of unity and spiritual emphasis that will be God-honoring and Christ-exalting."

The purpose of this campaign is not to JUST RAISE MONEY. It is as Paul says in the closing epistle to the Philippians, "Not because I desire a gift; but I desire fruit that may abound to your account." The importance of this campaign is for the good of God's people, their peace of mind, and the glorious privilege of their sharing in missions, in missionaries, in thousands of souls around this old globe.

Directors of the Taylor Electric Co-op were well represented including the president, Mr. Roberts, and the secretary, Mr. Butman. The chamber of commerce delegation were: Orville Roland, manager; Nolan Palmer, director; John Hammond, housing committee; Bert Jones.

Mr. Yarborough expressed his appreciation for the Merkel people's support in all his previous campaigns for public office and in turn pledged his support to them for any legislation affecting their well-being.

Northwest Texas Pastors To Move

Thirteen Northwest Texas Methodist Conference ministers will be serving new appointments effective Nov. 1. These appointments were made necessary by the death of Rev. Orion W. Carter, pastor of the San Jacinto Methodist church, Amarillo. Bishop William C. Martin of Dallas, presiding officer of the Dallas-Fort Worth Area, The Methodist Church, announced the new assignments.

Rev. Vernon N. Henderson, who has been serving as superintendent of the Brownfield district, will take the San Jacinto post. Rev. Dallas D. Denison of First Methodist church, Abilene, goes to Brownfield district. Abilene will be served by John A. English, pastor of Asbury Methodist church, Lubbock. English is being replaced by Don R. Davidson, pastor of the Andrews Methodist church. Tilden B. Armstrong of Floydada, will move to Andrews; H. DeWitt Seago to Floydada from Forrest Heights Methodist church, Lubbock; W. A. Appling to Forrest Heights, Lubbock, from St. John's Methodist church, Stamford. Newton Starnes goes to St. John's, Stamford, from Wesley Methodist church, Borger. O. A. McBrayer, Paducah pastor, moves to Wesley church, Borger. From Vega, Jim T. Pickens goes to Paducah. Bruce Parks of Texas Street Methodist church, Vernon, goes to Vega. From Estelina, E. H. Costin goes to Texas Street church, Vernon. W. O. Rueker, Jr., Goodlett pastor, will move to Estelina. Goodlett is to be supplied.

Stith Halloween Carnival To Be Saturday Night

The Stith community will hold their annual Halloween Carnival in the Community Center at 7:00 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 27.

Entertainment for the evening will include a spook house, bingo, spinning wheel, dart throwing and many other games as well as plenty of eats and drinks.

A quilt will be given away at 11:00 p.m. with proceeds going toward payment on the building. Everyone is invited to attend, according to members of the Stith community.

Open House Honors Couple

Mr. and Mrs. Sam L. Hooper are being honored with open house at their home in Noodle from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., Sunday, October 27, on their Golden Wedding Anniversary.

Otis Gatewood Is Guest Speaker At Church Of Christ

Otis Gatewood, former Church of Christ minister in Frankfort, Germany, was guest speaker at the Merkel church of Christ Wednesday night.

Mr. Gatewood is married to the former Alma Morgan, who once taught in the Merkel schools.



HOUSING COMMITTEE of the Merkel Chamber of Commerce are pictured with Senator Ralph Yarborough during his visit to Merkel recently. They are left to right: Nolan Palmer, Senator Yarborough, John Hammond, Bert H. Jones and Lester Dorton. Senator Yarborough attended a meeting of REA officials from this area in the Taylor Electric Auditorium, Saturday at 3:00 p.m.

Local Girl In Scottish Rite Hospital

Mary Linda Myrick, 10-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Claude C. Myrick of Merkel, was admitted on Wednesday, October 16, to the Scottish Rite Hospital for Crippled Children in Dallas.

Texas Scottish Rite Masons founded the hospital thirty-three years ago in an effort to provide a chance at a normal life for the handicapped child. The hospital which has accepted more than 100,000 children for treatment since 1925, is supported by public contributions and bequests.

An expert staff, plus exceptional physical facilities and dedication to the welfare of the child, make the Scottish Rite Hospital an outstanding treatment center which serves the entire state.



YARBOROUGH AT TAYLOR ELECTRIC CO-OP. — Officers and directors who met with Senator Yarborough Saturday are from left: John Ammons, general manager of Mid-West Co-op in Roby; Lester Dorton, general manager of Taylor Electric; Henry Roberts, president of Taylor Electric Board of Directors; Jeff Anderson, Taylor Electric Board member; and Sam Butman Jr., Taylor Electric secretary-treasurer.

Girl Scouts To Have Carnival

The Merkel Girl Scouts will sponsor a Halloween Carnival from 7:30 to 10:00 p.m. Thursday, October 31, at the Community Center.

There will be plenty of homemade candy, popcorn balls, sandwiches and other good things to eat, as well as entertainment for the whole family, according to Mrs. Woodrow Patton, Merkel Neighborhood Chairman.

Cub Scout Pack To Meet Monday

A Cub Scout pack meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m., Oct. 28, in the school cafeteria, according to O. H. Griffin, cubmaster.

Mr. Griffin urges all boys who have not joined the Cub Scouts and their parents to attend this meeting.

Baptist Y.W.A.'s Attend Retreat

The Y. W. A.'s of the Merkel Baptist Church went to Phantom Lake for a retreat to study for the aims of advancement.

After a picnic lunch they inspected the old Fort Phantom Hill.

Fishing, hiking and games were part of the activities.

These participating were: Donna Scott, Sue Bond, Sara Salter, Annette Boney, Virginia Criswell, Linda Winter, Kay Perry. Counselors were Mrs. Clyde Bartlett and Mrs. George T. Moore.

LOCAL YOUTH'S FATHER DIES IN CAR WRECK

D. D. Burden, father of Dewel Pike Burden, was killed instantly in a two-car accident near Lamesa Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 16.

Funeral services were held Friday morning in Higginbotham Funeral Home in Lamesa. Burial was in Avery, Mr. Burden's birthplace.

SON OF FORMER TRENT COUPLE IN HOSPITAL

Pat Carriker, 7, son of Mr. and Mrs. Doug Carriker, is in Children's Hospital in St. Louis, Mo. for treatment.

The Carrikers are former residents of Trent.

Badgers, Yellowhammers Tie 13-13 In Conference Game Friday Night

The district 6-A conference game between the Rotan Yellowhammers and Merkel Badgers ended in a 13-13 tie when the Yellowhammers came through to score in the final two minutes of the game.

Rotan opened scoring in the first quarter when quarterback Todd Baugh scored from the 15 on a rollout around right end, climaxing a 66-yard drive. Buba Edwards missed for the extra point which made the score 6-0.

In the second period, a Rotan fumble was recovered by Badger Gary Reeger. Pat Patterson ran 57 yards and Joe Neil, quarterback, kept for five yards to score. Manly Denton's try for the extra point failed which left the score 6-6 at halftime.

After a scoreless third quarter, Denton passed to Riley Seymore, halfback, for 74 yards and then again for 11 yards and a touchdown for Merkel. Denton kicked the extra point and the Badgers were out front, 13-6.

With less than two minutes remaining in the game, Rotan's Wilburn Taylor, fullback, went a round right end for 15 yards and

the score. Baugh passed to Edwards for the extra point to tie the game at 13-13.

STORY IN FIGURES

| ROTAN | MERKEL |
|----------------------------------|---------|
| 12 First Downs | 8 |
| 181 Rushing Yardage | 88 |
| 8 Passing Yardage | 148 |
| 1 of 8 Passes Comp. | 4 of 10 |
| 2 Passes Intercepted | 0 |
| 4 for 34 Punts, Avg. 2 for 28 | |
| 3 for 45 Penalties, Yds. 1 for 5 | |
| 1 Fumbles Lost | 0 |

Methodist Church To Celebrate 75th Anniversary

The 75th anniversary of the First Methodist Church will be observed here Sunday, Nov. 3, when former pastors and members, with the present pastor and members, meet in an all-day service at the church.

Dr. Marvin Boyd, a former pastor, and now district superintendent of the Lubbock District, will preach at the 11:00 A.M. service.

A covered dish luncheon will be served at noon in the Fellowship Hall of the church. Turkey for the meal will be furnished by the church.

The afternoon program will include an informal gathering where former pastors and members will be given an opportunity to speak.

Several former pastors have already indicated that they plan to attend and an overflow crowd is expected to be present, according to Rev. Cloy Lyles, pastor.

J. W. Reynolds Dies At Home

John Wesley Reynolds, 78, died at his residence at 9:10 p.m. Saturday after a lengthy illness.

He was born May 1, 1879, in Robertson County and moved to Comanche County in 1905. He lived in Taylor County since 1925 and was with Higginbotham-Bartlett Lumber Co. for several years before his retirement.

Funeral was held at 3:00 p.m. Monday in Calvary Baptist Church with the Rev. Wayne Davis officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery under the direction of Starbuck Funeral Home.

Survivors include the wife; two sons, Oscar of May and Lee Mack of Fabens; five daughters, Mrs. Gertrude Peterson and Mrs. Lillie English, Merkel, Mrs. Elizabeth Arnold of Kermit, Mrs. May Callahan of Delano, Calif., and Mrs. Fannie McKay of Brownfield; four sisters, Mrs. Frank Wright of Houston, Mrs. Susie Elliott of Tyler, Mrs. S. Stanley Wyatt of Houston, and Mrs. Ola Johnson of Ira; one brother, T. T. Reynolds of Crockett; 23 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

Let's Gear Efforts To Community Needs

By ORVILLE ROLAND

This is the time of year when the chamber of commerce takes count of itself, not just to see what it's done but to see what needs to be done for the next year's work. It needs to gear its efforts to community needs and direct efforts of its members to those needs in making this community a better place in which to live and earn a living.

The chamber has many ideas as to community needs but those ideas may not be what you want most for your community. Therefore the chamber must rely on your suggestions, ideas, and formulate a work program incorporating your knowledge with city planning to accomplish those objectives.

This method is known as the Program of Work. It has been quite successful in obtaining ideas best suited for the community.

Officers Elected For Sixth Grade

Mrs. Oletha Orsborn's room met Oct. 15, for the purpose of electing officers for the second six weeks term.

Following is a list of those who will serve: Barbara Ann Gregory, president; Jack Mansfield, vice-president; Mary Dunagin, secretary; and Frosty Winter, reporter.

Russom Named Board Chairman

Tom Russom was re-elected chairman of the Middle Clear Fork Soil Conservation Board of Directors at a meeting held last Wednesday. Russom is serving his seventh year on the board.

Holland Teaff, who has been on the board for three years, was re-elected secretary-treasurer.

Public Hearing At Noodle Oct. 29

A public hearing as prescribed by the Federal Air Highway Act of 1956 is to be held in Noodle, Texas at the Noodle High School Cafeteria at 2:00 p.m., October 29, 1957 for the purpose of informing the Citizens of Noodle the route and design of proposed F. M. Highway 1812 within the City Limits of Noodle.



REPRESENTING TEXAS TECH at the American Royal Livestock Exposition in Kansas City were these members of the Tech Livestock Judging Team. Left to right (front row) are Coach Stanley Anderson, associate professor of animal husbandry; Bob Anthony of Dimitt; Randall Grooms of Brownwood; Jacky McAninch of Merkel; and Sidney Long of Goldthwaite. Atop the station wagon are Rob Brown of Throckmorton and Richard Ligon of Loving. The team judged all classes of livestock Saturday October 19 in Kansas City.—(Texas Tech Photo)

Senator Johnson Visits Abilene

Senator Lyndon B. Johnson arrived in Abilene Wednesday morning for a day and a half of speaking engagements and meetings.

His main appearance there was as principal speaker at a banquet held in conjunction with McMurry College's Conference of Petroleum Land Management at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday.

Thursday morning, the senator will be honored at a breakfast in the Petroleum Club, where he will meet with REA officials from this area.

CEMETERY FUND

The following persons contributed to the Merkel Cemetery Fund:

- John Collins
- Mrs. W. J. Hayes
- Mary E. Johnson, Estate
- Mr. and Mrs. Carl Carey
- Mrs. Emma Adcock
- Mr. and Mrs. R. A. McCollum
- Mrs. Etta Abernathy

HOSPITAL NOTES

The following persons were admitted to Sadler-Clinic Hospital this last week.

- Mrs. Preston Henry
- Mrs. W. C. Lee
- Keith Glaze
- June Blackburn
- Carolyn Ward
- Katie Hunter
- Beth Dunagin
- Mrs. Billy Ray Nail
- Bob Ward
- Sherry Martin
- Mrs. Vancil Jones
- Mrs. Clovis McMurray
- Mrs. T. L. Holloway

The following persons were dismissed from Sadler-Clinic Hospital this last week:

- Mrs. Newt Logan and baby boy
- Mr. Alvin Smith
- W. C. Preston
- H. J. Kegans
- Mrs. Robert Stephan and baby girl
- Mrs. Buster Horton
- Mrs. Pete White
- Mrs. Martha Green
- Mrs. W. H. Leamon
- Buster Tarpley
- Ghronda Tarpley
- Mrs. Roy Green
- Mrs. Preston Henry
- Mrs. W. C. Lee
- June Blackburn
- Carolyn Ward
- Katie Hunter
- Beth Dunagin
- Mrs. Billy Ray Nail and baby girl
- Bob Ward

A Halloween Dessert



Halloween is a big night for the youngsters. They all look forward to some sort of celebration. Even the tiny tots adore the traditional Halloween decorations of witches, pumpkins and black cats which make parties so simple and colorful.

The party might be just a regular meal with table decorations and a Halloween dessert. This one, made with orange soda, and garnished with black licorice cats, is sure to make a hit. Better double the recipe and make extras for the ragamuffins who ring your doorbell demanding "trick or treat."

Halloween Icticles

- 1 6-oz. can frozen concentrated pineapple and orange juice
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 2 1/2 cups Canada Dry orange soda

Combine all ingredients. Stir gently until sugar is dissolved. Pour into six 4-oz. waxed paper dishes. Freeze. Serve with wooden spoons.

VA Helps

Q—When I started college under the Korean GI Bill, my objective was BA degree, with English as my major. I recently decided to change to engineering and get a BS degree instead. Would this be considered my one-and-only change allowed by law?

A—If no extension of time is required to complete work for your new objective, you would not be charged with a change of

course. If a time extension is necessary, you would be charged with a change.

Q—I am receiving retirement pay from the armed forces. Is it possible to pay my GI insurance premiums by having the Government deduct the required amount from my retirement check each month, saving me the trouble of taking care of it myself?

A—Yes. Veterans receiving service retirement pay may arrange for payment of GI insurance premiums by allotment. Authorization must be registered with your branch of service.

Q—I want to sell my GI home, allow the buyer to take over my GI loan, and get a release from liability. My wife signed the note when the loan was made. Will she also be released from liability?

A—Yes. If you are released from liability, she also will be released.

A dead person may vote, legally, if he mails an absentee ballot and then dies before election day.

It's The Law In Texas

On November 5, 1957, three proposed constitutional amendments will be submitted for approval to the voters of Texas. One of these, House Joint Resolution No. 2, would provide increased payments from State funds to needy aged persons (over 65), needy blind, and needy children (under 16). Total authorized State expenditures for these purposes would be increased from \$42 million to \$47 million per year.

The maximum payment out of State Funds to each needy aged person could be as much as \$25 per month, a \$5 increase over the present \$20 limit. But State payments could not rise above \$21 per month unless matched by Federal funds.

There is no individual limit on amounts paid to needy blind or needy children under our present constitutional provisions or under the proposed amendments.

Under present laws, the maximum payment of old age assistance to any individual in which the Federal government will share the costs with the State is \$60. The immediate effect of increasing the State's per person limit would be to provide this full \$60 amount, instead of the \$58 limit now in effect.

According to figures published by the Texas Industrial Conference, for the fiscal year 1956, these three programs cost the State \$41,996,045, while the total State and Federal cost for Texas was \$130,669,700.

Under the proposed amendment, as under present laws, no payments may be made to needy aged or needy blind persons while

an inmate of any state supported institution.

An additional requirement is that such persons must have actually resided in Texas for at least 5 of the 9 years immediately preceding the filing of an applica-

tion for assistance. And they must have resided in Texas for 1 year preceding the application.

A needy child over 1 year old must have resided in the state continuously for 1 year preceding application. Or if the child is

less than a year old, its mother must have continuously resided in Texas for 1 year preceding the application for assistance.

(This column, prepared by the State Bar of Texas, 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.)

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RESOURCES

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| Loans | \$ 637,811.64 |
| Overdrafts | 761.37 |
| Stock in Federal Reserve Bank | 6,000.00 |
| Furniture and Fixtures | 1,250.00 |

AVAILABLE CASH AND QUICK ASSETS

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|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| CCC Grain Producers' Notes | \$ 10,499.58 |
| U. S. Government Securities | 938,666.61 |
| Municipal Bonds | 599,737.70 |
| Cash and Due From Banks | 1,052,415.60 |

2,601,319.49

TOTAL RESOURCES

\$ 3,247,142.50

LIABILITIES

| | |
|-------------------------|---------------|
| Capital Stock | \$ 100,000.00 |
| Surplus | 100,000.00 |
| Undivided Profits | 54,368.76 |
| DEPOSITS | 2,992,773.74 |

TOTAL LIABILITIES

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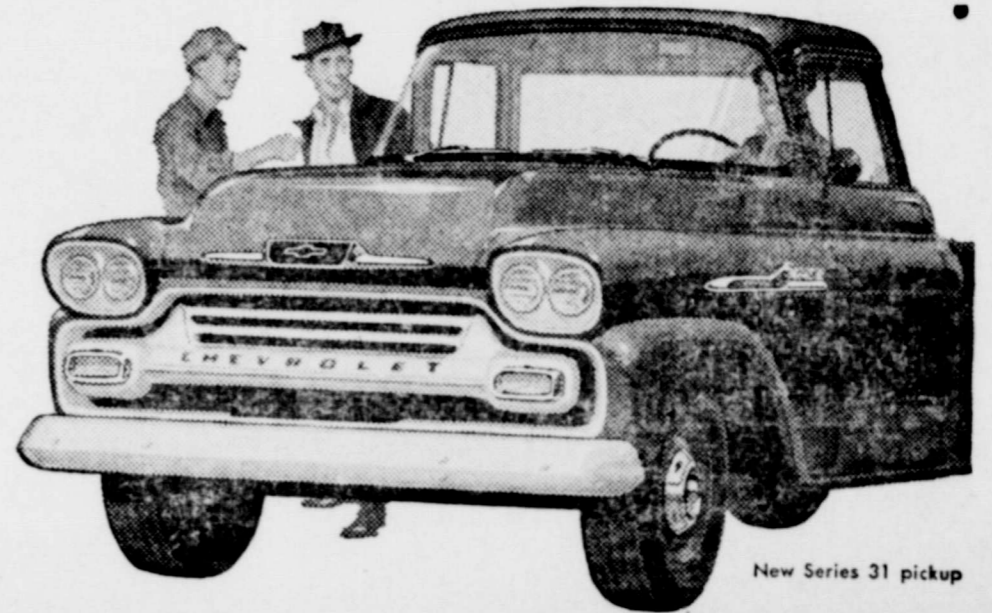
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New Heavy-Duty Spartans

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Mrs. Denzel Cox Leads WSCS Study

The WSCS of the First Methodist Church met at its regular meeting time at the church Tuesday morning, Oct. 22.

Mrs. Denzel Cox was leader for the study, "Christ, the Church, and Race," which was completed at this meeting.

Mrs. Tom Largent led the group in prayer.

A dialogue, titled, "No One Asked," scripture for which was taken from the book of Genesis, was presented by Mrs. W. R. Cypert, Mrs. Largent, and Mrs. Cox. Another feature of the meeting was a talk given by Miss Sandra Patterson, student in McMurry College, Abilene, in which she gave the highlights of a month's stay at Bethlehem Center, Chattanooga, Tenn.

The next meeting of the Society

will be held jointly with Trent and Pioneer Societies when "Week of Prayer" will be observed. Each society will present a part on the program, which will be held in the Pioneer Memorial Church at Butman.

Members of the Merkel Society will leave the church Tuesday morning, between the hour 11:00 to 11:30 a.m. Transportation will be provided for all who wish to attend.

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| THURSDAY—LOSER | Robert O. Payne | 20.00 |
| FRIDAY—LOSER | Mrs. E. A. Mattingly | 25.00 |
| SATURDAY—LOSER | Rose Mary Jones | 30.00 |
| MONDAY—LOSER | Mrs. Billie Patterson | 35.00 |
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CHEESE - - - lb. 49¢

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MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

Awards announced Wednesday at the American Royal Livestock show in Kansas City included: Hereford heifers calved between Jan. 1 and Apr. 30, 1936—C. M. Largent and Sons, Merkel, Texas, first.

Hereford heifers calved between May 1 and Aug. 31, 1936—C. M. Largent and Sons, Merkel, Texas, first.

Postmaster and Mrs. Wren Durham and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Collingsworth drove to Ft. Worth for the T. C. U. -A&M game last Saturday.

Phi Psi Omega, an honorary speech fraternity on the Hardin-Simmons University campus, has elected Miss Pauline Tiner, of Trent as a new member.

Funeral rites for Ralph Bigham, 40, who was born in Merkel and grew to manhood here, were held at 4:30 Monday afternoon from the Methodist church.

Mr. Bigham, who had been an appraiser for the Federal Land bank at Houston for four years, died at 7:20 Sunday morning in an Austin hospital.

Mrs. Joe P. Self opened her home to members of the Fortnightly Study club Tuesday afternoon. The president, Mrs. W. W. Haynes, was in the chair for the business meeting and Mrs. Tom Largent was leader for the study course.

"The East Side" of New York was given emphasis by the song, "Sidewalks of New York," sung by Christine Collins with Johnnie Sears playing her accompaniment.

Eighty-nine Lions, including representatives from Albany, Abilene, Roscoe, and Sweetwater, besides the host club, gathered at the Lions hall Tuesday night for the quarterly meeting of group 5, district 2-E.

A notable trio of speakers were present for Tuesday night's banquet: Supt. Ross L. Covey of the Sweetwater schools, immediate past district governor; Dr. R. N. Richardson, vice-president of Hardin-Simmons University and deputy district governor; and Congressman Clyde E. Garrett of Eastland.

MERKEL 40 YEARS AGO

L. C. Patton and Eli Case and little son, Milton visited the Merkel Mail office last Saturday. Both are readers of the Mail. Mr. Patton renewing his subscription while here.

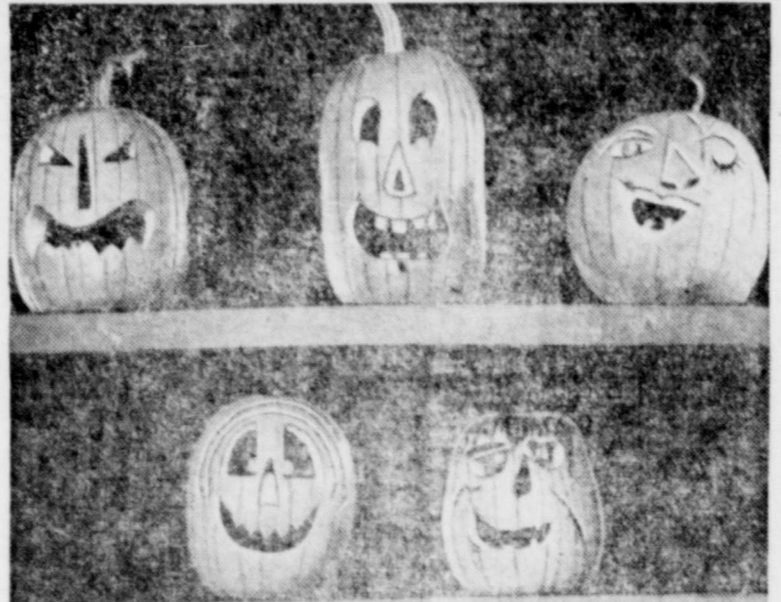
Roy B. Mefford, principal of the High School has been denied his appeal and will have to report for military duty. Mr. Mefford was called to Stephenville a few days ago on account of the serious illness of some of his relatives. It is supposed that he will

have to report at once. Mr. Mefford is an efficient High School man and athletic instructor, and the work here will doubtless be hampered by his withdrawal.

Even if we are suffering from drought, we know that we have as rich farming land as can be found in the world, and complete failure is hardly ever recorded. Would it not be business for some of our Eastern neighbors to come here and buy land at from \$20 to \$40 per acre than to pay

See Anyone You Know?

SNAGGLE-TOOTHED and roguish of mien, the gay group below is the vanguard of millions of Jack-O'-Lanterns soon to gleam from the windows of America as citizens again take knife in hand in the annual move to carve these symbols of Halloween.



HALLOWEEN'S MYSTERY is reflected in this youngster's eyes as she wondrously contemplates arrival of "the witching time."



THE OMINOUS threat, "Trick or Treat," again will echo across the land as adults pay nervous tribute to stave off disaster.



PUMPKINS, the golden fruit of frosty autumn, are loaded into an International truck to begin the trip to market. Some will become pie fillings, others will be given the more romantic assignment of appearing as grinning Jack-O'-Lanterns.

Dorcas Class Meets With Mrs. Swann

The Dorcas class of the First Baptist Church met in the home of Mrs. Sam Swann, teacher, Thursday, Oct. 17.

The class was called to order by Mrs. Lon Stevens, president. Prayer was offered by Mrs. J. O. Castles.

Mrs. Swann brought a devotional from 1 Peter, and closed it with a prayer.

Roll call was answered by twelve members, following which a business session was held with these officers being elected: Mrs. Josie Shanks, president; Mrs. J. O. Castles, vice-president; Mrs. R. H. Mathews, secretary; Mrs. Charlie West, social secretary.

A refreshment plate consisting of sandwiches, olives, potato chips, cookies, punch and coffee, was served to: Mmes. W. O. Boney, W. M. Hays, O. R. Boden, Ema Wheatley, E. O. Carson, Pearl McDonald, A. H. Zollinger, J. J. McNeice, Castles, Stephens, West, M. F. Head, visitor, and the hostess.

Mrs. Carson said the closing prayer.

Jones County HD Council Meets

The Jones County Home Demonstration Council met Wednesday, Oct. 16, with twenty-four members from twelve clubs answering roll call. There were also two visitors present.

Each club gave reports of its year's work. Committee reports were also given.

Mrs. Harvey, chairman of health and safety, had received the report from the Auto Visual Survey, which was held earlier in the year. The percentage for the ones who took the test was: Acuity, 10%; glare recovery, 15%; depth perception, 25%; reaction, 33-13%; and field of vision, 33-13%.

The Christmas party will be held in the Memorial Hall in Anson on Dec. 10. It will be in the form of a luncheon with the exchange of gifts. There will also be gifts for a hospital.

Officers elected for the year are as follows: Mrs. W. L. Williams, chairman; Mrs. J. E. Hudson, vice-chairman; Mrs. Howard

Roberts, secretary; Mrs. H. H. Windham, treasurer.

Reports show a good year's work.

Mrs. C. G. Sewell and Mrs. Josie Shanks attended the District 17 Convention at Eastland, Thursday.

Mrs. F. J. Melton is a guest in the home of her son, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Melton and family of Andrews.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete White of Midland are visiting Miss Sallie Orr for an indefinite time.

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SCHOOL MENU

The luncheon menu for the Merkel school cafeteria, October 24 - Nov. 1.

THURSDAY

Corn dogs
Navy beans
Potato Salad
Cherry Pie
Bread
Milk

MONDAY

Fish sticks
Cream peas
Tomato wedge
Home made rolls
Peach preserves
Butter
Milk

WEDNESDAY

Steak and gravy
Cream potatoes
Carrot curls
Rolls
Milk
Fruit Salad

FRIDAY

Hamburger
Potato Chips
M. Lasses drop cookies
Milk

TUESDAY

Sandwiches
Vegetable soup
Crackers
Milk
Blackberry pie

THURSDAY

Fried Sausage
Navy Beans
Congealed Salad
Home made rolls
Jello

FRIDAY

Hamburgers
Potato chips
Fresh grapes
Milk

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Starr Rest Home

By Mary Outlaw

Our Patients are fair at this writing.

"Aunt Pearl Wiggins is improving slowly after a broken shoulder."

Sunday, October 13, Rev. Cannon, Church of Christ, Minister was away on business so a group of his young folks, Lon David Allen, Jimmy Neill, Mike Farley, Ronny Toombs, Margaret Chaney, and Elsie Jones came and sang and brought a devotional. Our folks enjoyed it and we appreciate them coming and invite them back again.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ward of Ft. Worth visited her father, Uncle Bennie Wheeler last week end.

Mrs. Ruby Barbian and son Jmeyer and Mrs. J. W. Newberry visited their mother, Mrs. Minnie Meyers last week.

We want to thank Mrs. Maude Hendricks for the nice tomatoes she brought the home.

Mr. and Mrs. K. E. Orand and sons visited Mr. Orand last week end.

Mrs. Clyde Jones of Stith visited her sister Hattie West last week end.

Mrs. W. V. Cross of Noodle came and played the piano for the old people. We appreciated her very much and invite her back again.

Thanks to Uncle Tom Bagby for the nice greens he gave the home. There is nothing the old folks like better.

Mrs. Edd Burks of Trent visited Mrs. Sipes and Mrs. Gafford and Mamie last week.

Paul Wheeler visited his father Uncle Bennie on the week end. Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Reeder of Weatherford, visited his sister Cora Reeder Sunday.

Allen Fowler of Stanford visited his mother Mrs. Frankie Fowler Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Cade and Mrs. Day of Abilene visited Graney Cade Sunday.

Rev. Lyles, pastor of the Methodist Church, Merkel filled his appointment Sunday, October 20th. Those that came to help sing and play were Fred Starbuck, Ben R. Hicks, Mrs. Shouse, and Mrs. Rowland. Everyone enjoyed the services. The old people always say they know they are going to have some good singing when Brother Lyles brings his singers. We invite them back again.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Gafford and Sons of Hobles, New Mexico, visited Mrs. Gafford and Mamie Sunday.

We have really enjoyed the nice green peas that the people from the Country have brought us and we want to take this time to thank each and every one

whether we have mentioned your name or not but we do want you to know that we do appreciate them because with the cost of living so high each and everything helps so much.

Mrs. Leo Smith from Alpine visited her mother Mrs. Hill last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cole and daughter Carolyn of Abilene visited Mrs. Pearl Wiggins last week.

Hettie West is looking so pretty nowadays with her new permanent.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Merrick of Abilene visited his grandmother Mrs. Smothers Sun, night.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Price of Baird Route 1 brought our home some nice greens, green peppers and radishes. We wish to express our thanks to them.

Mrs. Pearl Wiggins and Mrs. Frankie Fowler wants to express their thanks to Mrs. Mary Bagby and Mrs. Joyce Doan for the flowers that they brought and sent them.

Thanks to Mrs. Mossie Sears for bringing Mrs. Goza a beautiful bouquet last week. The old folks always appreciate you remembering them in any way.

Thanks to Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Outlaw of Dublin for the two bushels of pears and the green tomatoes that they gave the home also the ripe tomatoes.

Thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Waddle, friends of Uncle Jack Rogers who passed away in our home recently for his clothes. We appreciate them very much.

Mr. Fisher of Buffalo Gap brought us a large box of clothing from a person who had passed away. We appreciated them very much and we want to thank Mr. Fisher for bringing them. This Mr. Fisher we don't know his given name but we do know he is the Mr. Fisher at the Fisher Laundry here in Merksels father. Sorry we can't remember names and initials.

Uncle Bert Chambers has been on the sick list but is improving. Uncle Jim Smith celebrated his 83rd birthday last week. Mrs. Willie Jones brought him a nice yellow cake which he shared with the other patients. We want to thank Mrs. Jones for her kindness.

and we hope that Uncle Jim has a lot more birthdays to come. Thanks to Mrs. John Mensfield for the nice chow chow she brought to us.

We want to thank the man at Noodle who was so nice to let us go out and pick so many peas. We put a lot in the deep freeze also canned them in jars. They are going to taste real good this winter.

Our two deep freezes look like Fibber and Maile McGee's closet we can't open them unless something falls out but for working all Summer we have them full for which we are thankful.



HEAVY FORAGE PRODUCTION—Tom Russom, left, explains to Mr. and Mrs. John F. Downs, Hamby ranch couple, how he increased the grass production on his Mulberry Canyon ranch by having it root plowed and seeded to blue panic last March. From practically no forage from native grasses, he said he now has around 5,000 pounds to the acre.

Home Demonstration Notes

By LORETA ALLEN

Taylor County Home Demonstration Agent



When I started home today I noticed a truck loaded with pears. I stopped and looked at them wishing that I had time to put some up. Fresh or canned and pickled for later use, they will add variety and appeal to year-round meals.

When you buy pears keep these things in mind. Look for fruit that is firm or fairly firm but not hard. Choose clean, but blemished fruit that is well shaped for the variety.

Color is not a reliable guide to ripeness in pears. Some varieties are in prime condition when green or greenish yellow, while others may be yellow and yet not ripe enough for eating.

If pears are not fully ripe when purchased, let them ripen in a cool place for a few days. Place them in a fairly tight container. Store them in a fairly humid place at about 60 to 70 degrees F., if possible. Check the pears often for some ripen faster than others. Do not store fully ripened pears too long for they may lose some of their delicate fresh flavor. I guess I'll buy some to eat fresh.

The versatile pear fits into any meal. Use in fruit cups and gelatin salads. For refreshing salad combinations, top pear halves with shredded cheese, cranberry sauce, peanut butter, minced chicken, or shrimp. Pears may be stewed, baked or broiled.

Plan for future use. Pears canned or pickled now will taste good next winter, too. We have two bulletins with good recipes

using pears. One is L-119. It's Pear Time and the other is B-200 Sweets for the Family Table. Write or come by for these bulletins at my office 317 Pecan St. Abilene.

You can go to school at home. enroll in the 26-week television series, "Adventures in Education," which begins on 16 Texas television stations between the dates of September 26 and October 12. These stations, Texas schools, colleges and universities, and the Texas Education Agency are cooperating to make this opportunity available to you. Write TV, Texas Education Agency, Austin for complete information.

Paul Easton, ministerial student at ACC and pastor of the Noodle Church of Christ, received word that his father is ill in Nampa, Idaho.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stanford and son, Phil, of Odessa visited their mother, Mrs. Earl Stanford, and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Derrick.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Morton of Baird visited the Lewis Sprattens the past week.

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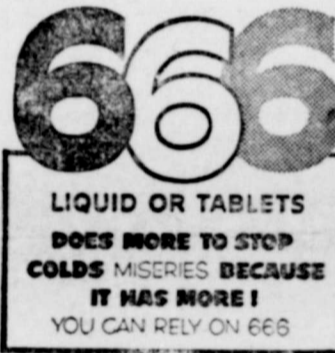
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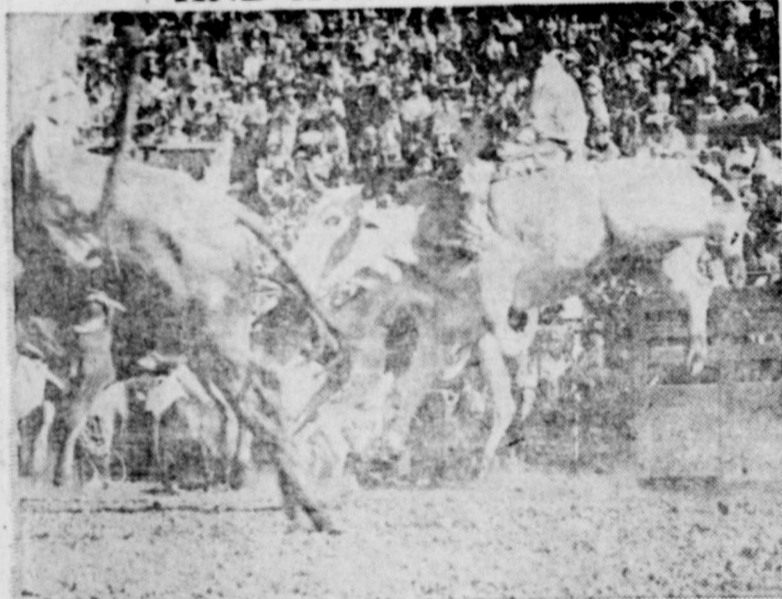
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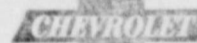
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HIGGINS & MALONE water well drilling, surface pipe set and shallow production. Phone 26, Merkel, Texas. 14-1f

WANTED—Middle aged couple or man to share house with elderly couple. Rent free. Mrs. H. Wren, 6th and Marion Phone 17-M. 33-1tc

AVAILABLE AT ONCE Rawleigh business in Taylor Co. Good opportunity. Experience helpful but not necessary. See Mrs. Mary Williams, Rt. 3, Sweetwater at once or write Rawleigh's, Dept. TXJ-1003-102, Memphis, Tenn. 30-1c

NOTICE MASONS

Stated meeting of Mer kel Lodge No. 710, A.F. & A. M. Saturday, Nov. 2, 7:30 p.m. All members are urged to attend. Visiting brethren cordially invited. T. J. Bird, Sr. W. M. C. B. Rust, Secretary.

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—Kent St. store building by Nov. 1 or as soon as Wood's Store is vacated. Irven Thompson, Phone 47 or 224. 31-1c

FOR RENT—Nice modern 4 room house—2 miles north of Merkel. — Tel. 9013-J2—C. K. Russell. 31-1c

FOR RENT—3 rooms and bath furnished apartment. — \$55 with utilities paid—\$40 and half the bills. 818 Yucca Street. 31-3tp

FOR RENT—Newly decorated 2 room apartments to lady only. Mrs. L. A. Watts — Phone 97-J 31-1c

FOR RENT — 5 room house. 1 mile north of Trent. Tel. 134. R. E. Dowdy. 28-1c

FOR RENT — Furnished garage apartment. — Apply 112 Oak Street. 32-1c

FOR SALE

FOR SALE — M-Farmall tractor with 4 row equipment. Ernest Spurgin, Rt. 2 Merkel. 31-4tp

FOR SALE—Used 40 gal. G. E. Electric Hot Water Heater. Mina Winter Butane Co. 33-3tp

1953 BEL AIR CHEVROLET by ONLY owner. Powerglide, two-tone, excellent condition, low mileage. Cloy Lyles, Phone 70, 33-1tc

FOR SALE — Wringer-type ABC washer. W. G. Richardson, Tel. 185-W. 1107 N. 4th St. 33-1tc

FOR SALE—6 room house, completely redecorated. Choice location, near school. Priced to sell, small down payment, balance like rent. Phone 75-J. 33-1c

FOR SALE — 5 room house at 103 Cherry Street. Write to Mrs. Alvis Shaw — Box 95 Aledo, Texas. 31-3tp

FOR SALE — 9 cu. ft. Westinghouse refrigerator in perfect condition. — For immediate sale \$35. Johnny Cox, 212 Cherry St. 31-1c

SCHOOL BUSES FOR SALE — Bids being received by Merkel Superintendent of Schools on 1-1946 Ford — 2-1947 Fords. May be seen at school bus barn. 30-1c

WANTED—Someone to sell subscriptions to the Merkel Mail in Tye, Trent, Sylvester, Noodle and Stith, Good Commission. Phone 61 for Details. 30-1c

FOR SALE — "I have stored near Merkel two spinet pianos, will sell these at quite a discount before shipping to Dallas. G. H. Jackson, wholesale Dept., 3313 Ross Ave, Dallas Texas" Telephone Taylor 1-0955. 1c

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HOUSE FOR SALE — 2 large bedroom dwelling with apartment at rear of building. Own water system. Located near high school. Priced to sell. Can be seen by appointment only. Cyrus Pee, Agent. 46-1c

FOR SALE—2-bedroom house on corner lot. Paved street, partly furnished — \$3500. We have several other attractive listings. Come in let us tell you about them. — Dowdy & Toombs. 32-1c

The Statue of Liberty was erected in 1886.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Covering Receipts and Disbursements

Merkel Independent School District

FOR THE PERIOD OF

September 1, 1956 to August 31, 1957

RECEIPTS:

| | |
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| 1. Federal Funds | \$ 8,728.54 |
| 2. State Funds | |
| A. Per Capita | 58,119.75 |
| B. Salary and Operation | 45,725.00 |
| C. Transportation | 15,342.00 |
| D. Vocational | 966.75 |
| 3. County Available | 27.54 |
| 4. Local Taxes and Miscellaneous Sales | 103,893.73 |
| | \$232,803.31 |

Sept. 1, 1956 balances budgeted for 1956-57 operational costs 47,829.93

Grand Total \$280,633.24

DISBURSEMENTS:

| | |
|---|--------------|
| 1. Administrative and Instructional | \$158,157.68 |
| 2. Operational School Services including transportation, lunch room, driver's education, shop, band, physical education, vocational, and extra-curricular costs | 27,489.46 |
| 3. General Operation of Plants | 18,446.73 |
| 4. Maintenance of Plants | 5,724.31 |
| 5. Fixed Charges, insurance, interest on short-term transactions, and tuition to other school districts | 2,763.96 |
| 6. Capital Outlay, including remodeling and improvements of buildings, equipment, payments on school buses, etc. | 4,825.32 |
| 7. Debt Services, bonds and warrants | 27,702.54 |
| | \$245,110.00 |

Closing balances budgeted for 1957-58 operational costs 35,523.24

\$280,633.24

Legal Column

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: Oscar Donley

GREETING:

You are commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 2nd day of December A.D. 1957, at or before 10 o'clock A. M. before the Honorable 104th District Court of Taylor County, at the Court House in Abilene, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 14th day of October, 1957.

The file number of said suit being No. 8318-B.

The names of the parties in said suit are: Jeanne Lee Burk, Bryan Burk, Jr., Reba J. McCarley and F. J. McCarley, as Plaintiffs, and Oscar Donley, E. H. R. Sabens, Individually and as Trustee, Murph Wjison, Claude S. Holley, O. D. Harrison, Cecil Warren, Robert

Hinn, Citizens First National Bank of Tyler, Texas, Trustee, R. M. Skinner, Substitute Trustee and as Temporary Substitute Trustee of the Estate of W. M. Peyton, as Plaintiff, and deceased, William Marcus Peyton, Jr., Harold A. Bateman, William A. Remberg, Jr., Searcy L. Johnson, B. L. Bradley, L. L. Geren, Carl Cannon, Norman F. Peyton, The Youngstown Sheet and Tube Company, Schlumberger Well Surveying Corporation and Spartan Tool and Service Company as defendants.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Jeanne Lee Burk alleges the ownership of an undivided 7-256 and Reba J. McCarley alleges the ownership of an undivided 15-256 of 1-8 of all oil, gas, casinghead gas, gasoline and other minerals, as a royalty, produced or mined from the following land in Taylor County, Texas, to-wit:

Being the EAST ONE-HALF (E. 1/2) of the G. W. Denton Survey No. 446, and being more fully described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit:

BEGINNING at a stake and stone mound the Southeast corner of the Edna Woosley Survey No. 445; THENCE West 1092 varas to a stone in ground; THENCE South 1008 varas to stone in ground; THENCE East 1092 varas to a stake and stone pile with one old witness tree which has been cut down; THENCE North 1008 varas to the place of beginning, and containing 194.82 acres, more or less.

Ownership and right to possession and unlawful entry and ouster of such possession by defendants is alleged as of October 1, 1957; that the rental value during occupancy by defendants is \$1,000.00 and defendants are justly indebted to Plaintiffs in such amount; that demand has been made and payment refused.

Plaintiffs pray that defendants be cited to answer same; that they have judgement for title and possession of said premises, their damages and costs, as well as all relief to which they may be entitled either at law or in equity.

The Petition is endorsed: "This action is brought as well to try title, remove cloud and quiet title, as for damages."

Issued this 14 day of October, 1957.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this 14 day of October, A.D. 1957.

By Irene Crawford, Deputy.

33, 34, 35, 36

Kenny Foundation Head Explains Rehabilitation, Research Goals

Minneapolis, Minn.—Gradual expansion of a program that originally was concerned primarily with poliomyelitis to one that includes treatment and rehabilitation of victims of other neuromuscular disorders characterizes the work of the Sister Elizabeth Kenny foundation today.



KLINE

This expansion has resulted, too, in growth in medical and research programs, according to Marvin L. Kline, national executive director of the foundation. Doctors in various specialties have been added to medical staffs of Kenny treatment centers, and its medical committees have been enlarged to include scientists, professors and department heads of a number of leading universities throughout the United States and Canada, he added.

"The Kenny foundation's primary objectives include direct treatment and care for persons suffering from poliomyelitis and other neuromuscular diseases and disorders, without regard to race, age, sex, color or creed," Kline declared.

"Training of registered nurses and physical therapists to become Kenny Therapists continues at our international training center in Minneapolis, and we have greatly increased the tempo of research into polio and other neuromuscular disabilities through grants to leading medical schools and hospitals and through provision of fellowships to individual doctors and scientists. Fostering of medical seminars and short courses continues as a major activity of the Kenny foundation."

Kline explained that the over-all program of providing direct patient treatment and rehabilitation is made possible through funds contributed during the foundation's annual nationwide public appeal.

"The Kenny foundation is highly dependent upon generous contributions from the public which benefits from this work, because of its wide demand in terms of highly-trained personnel and its many medical activities and research projects as well as the treatment and medical care it provides at no charge," Kline declared.

lene, Texas, this the 14 day of October, A.D. 1957.

R. N. Ross, Clerk, 104th District Court, Taylor County, Texas. By June Crawford, Deputy. 32, 33, 34, 35

Legal Column

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To any Sheriff or any Constable within the State of Texas—

GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for four consecutive weeks, the first publication to be at least twenty-eight days before the return day thereof, in a newspaper printed in Taylor County, Texas, the accompanying citation, of which the herein below following is a true copy.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Ollie Noble Yarbrough, 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. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of issuance of this citation, same being the 9th day of December A.D. 1957, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 14th day of September A.D. 1957, in this cause, numbered 22,427-A on the docket of said court, and styled Sally Barthenia Yarbrough, Plaintiff, vs. Ollie Noble Yarbrough, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: plaintiff and defendant were married Feb. 6, 1936 and separated on March 1957.

Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of harsh and cruel treatment.

Plaintiff sues for custody of minor children, as is more fully

shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

If citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

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

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 21st day of October A.D. 1957.

(SEAL)

Attest: R. H. Ross Clerk, 42nd District Court Taylor County, Texas. By Irene Crawford, Deputy. 33, 34, 35, 36

Fortnightly Club Meets Tuesday

"Old Roots In a New World" was the theme of the program for the Fortnightly Study Club meeting in the community Center Tuesday.

Roll call was answered with personal ancestral facts. Talks on "My Family Tree" were given by Mrs. Don Warren, Mrs. Andy Shouse and Mrs. Johnny Cox. Folk songs were presented by Mrs. Homer Patterson, vocalist, and Miss Christine Collins, pianist.

Mrs. Judd McReynolds, president, welcomed two new members, Mrs. Vincent Barnett and Mrs. R. E. Gardner.

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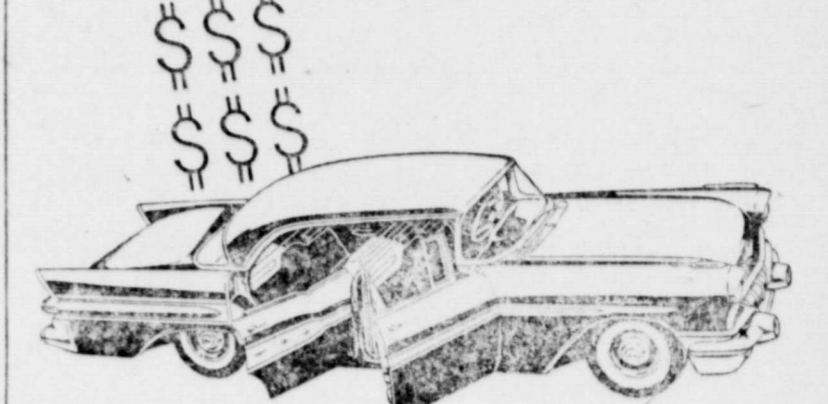
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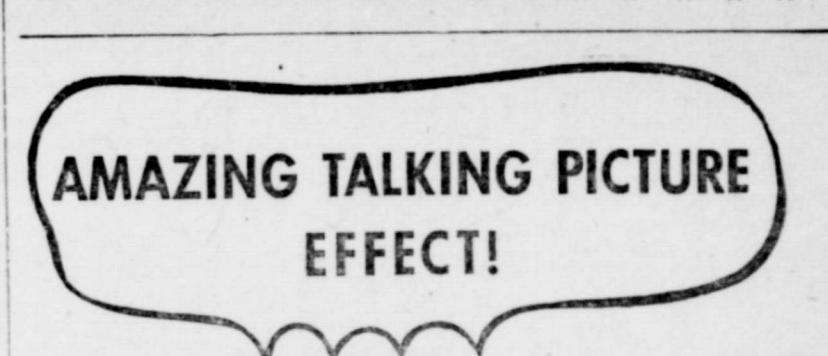
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District Judge Sarah T. Hughes Discusses Juvenile Delinquency

(Ed. Note: This is the first of a series of articles on the state's growing problem of juvenile delinquency by one of Texas' foremost authorities on the subject. District Judge Sarah T. Hughes of Dallas, who has handled more than 25,000 juvenile and family relations cases, along with an even greater number of other civil cases in 22 years on the bench. "Family law is probably the most important phase of the law," says this internationally known jurist, whose work has been honored in Europe and Asia as well as the United States, and whose name was put in nomination for the vice presidency of the United States in 1952. A discussion of a different aspect of the problem will appear every other week.)

Many helpful things can be done to counteract our mushrooming problem of juvenile delinquency—and they must be done by individuals and organizations, as well as by parents.

In fact, I have become somewhat irritated with parents getting much of the blame for this problem. The changed conditions of modern times impose a great responsibility on the community as well as on parents, and we as members of the community must examine the need and get busy providing more of the remedy.

For instance, more boys are arrested for auto theft than for any other crime. Unlocked parking cars are a great temptation for boys who have time on their hands and yearn for a car of their own.

How do the changed conditions of living and of children's growing up effect our youngsters? In the generations immediately past, children had a big place in family life. They had job to do—many important chores around the home and, often, the farm—and so a child had the sense of importance, of his own worth, that all of us must have. There was little time for the idleness that breeds mischief.

Today is marked by the industrialization of cities, the high percentage of cars available to teenagers, movies, picture books, TV (much of all this with subject matter beyond the adolescent's ability not to grasp but to digest properly) and very few chores around the home. So the job of the parent is much more difficult today than it used to be—and much more time-consuming.

What is the responsibility of the community? It is to counteract these changed conditions with all the means that it can muster, in a deeply serious effort. Here are some suggestions I have developed from the thousands of juvenile cases that have come before me in my 22 years of handling civil cases as a district judge in one of the populous areas of our state:

1. We must provide much more thoroughly for the time that young people have on their hands

these days by establishing AND SUPPORTING far more widely and completely than we now do such character-building organizations as Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, YMCA, Junior Achievement, club gardens, etc.

2. We must provide more community centers, "teen canteens," parks, schools, churches. And these youth centers must be organized in units small enough for adequate supervision so that they themselves do not become centers for delinquency.

3. As well as offering organization and leadership in these group projects, the community's individuals must try to make themselves good friends to children on a personal basis, must listen to them, share with them, encourage them, give them jobs.

4. But the community's responsibility doesn't end with the provision of character-building facilities. The community must provide more adequately by far than we now do for those who become delinquent. We must increase detention facilities and raise the number of parole officers, among other things. We have come a long way from 1828 when, in New Jersey, a 13-year-old boy was hanged for theft. But we have a long way still to go.

How we can get on the road will be discussed in my next article.

UP THE CANYON

By TOM RUSSOM

The rainy weather has slowed down cotton and feed harvest up the Canyon the past week and with Tuesday night's rain, we will be shut down for at least another week.

Sowing of small grain was about to get underway when the rain came. However some grain was sown and it is off to a good start.


Some farmers think the grade on cotton will be hurt quite a bit, however some good sunshine would answer that question to a great extent.

Larry Seymore of Merkel visited relatives in the Canyon and


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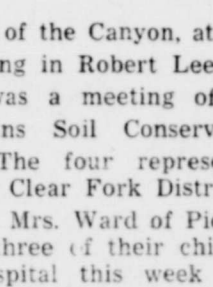
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attended church at Pioneer Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewell McLean visited their children in Abilene Sunday.

Joe Swinney has bought some light weight calves to winter on grain fields.

Holland Teaff and Perry Davis of Merkel and Tom Russom and

Allen King of the Canyon, attended a meeting in Robert Lee this week. It was a meeting of the Great Plains Soil Conservation Program. The four represented the Middle Clear Fork District.

Rev. and Mrs. Ward of Pioneer have had three of their children in the hospital this week with

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The oil leasing has been real good in the West end of the Canyon. Some leases were sold at \$20. per acre, which is very good. The deals were made last week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Tombs of the Canyon visited Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Moore and son of Ft. Worth. They also visited with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Patterson Jr., and family.

Mrs. Sam Butman Jr., has been in San Angelo for the past week with her daughter Ruth and family. Ruth has a new 7 lb. baby girl.

Tax-Man Sam Sez

It pays to keep a record of all the permanent additions and improvements you make on your home. A lot of people pay more tax on the sale of their home than they actually owe because they failed to keep a record of the extra room they added, the new garage, the shrubs, the lawn, etc. In figuring the profit on the sale of your home you can't include repairs, grass, moving expenses, fertilizing your garden and expense like that. You can include the cost of the St. Augustine grass, the fertilizer, and labor, and any other cost you may have had in getting the lawn started. As much as some folks move around nowadays, a good record book on how much you paid for your house, what the closing costs were and what other permanent

additions to the house cost you might come in handy some day.

In tests conducted in Kansas, deep tillage for wind erosion control has been found to be most effective on land where deep sand, 12 to 24 inches, covers a layer of clay, says Jack Barton, extension soil and water conservation specialist. Turning the clay to the surface does help because a rough surface gives the best

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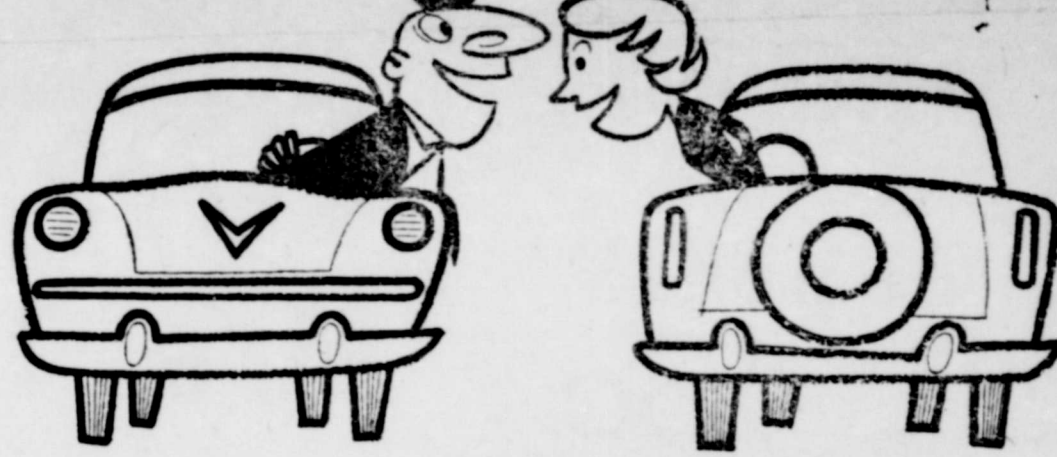


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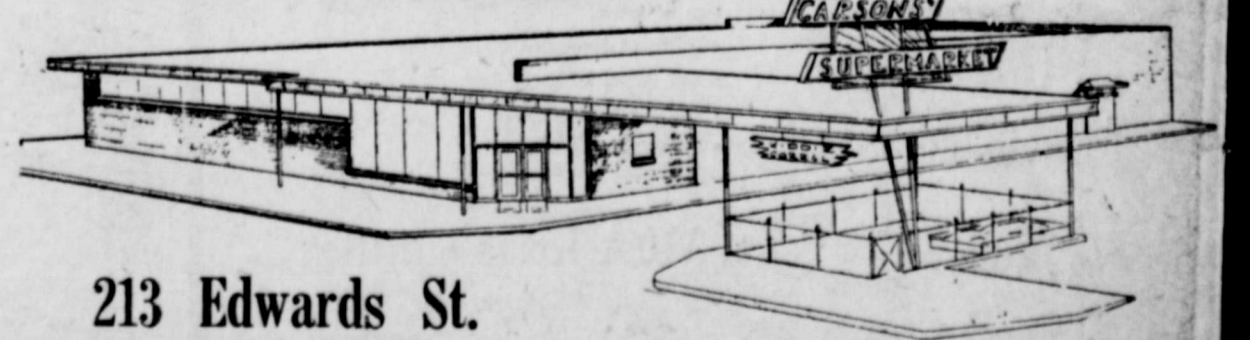
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