MERKEL, TEXAS, FRIDAY, JANUARY 24, 1958 - EIGHT PAGES

## Merkel Boy To Have Entry In Stock Show

steer department. Cash awards line his platform of almost \$200,000 will be offered Ratliff declared

son, Kay Holloway, Wilborn Holl- 24th District.'

sy Papasan of Goldsboro. A special feature of this year's held in December of 1954. The rodeo will be the appearance of 24th Senatorial District is commovie and TV Star Gail Davis in prised of thirteen West Central her famous role of Annie Oakley. Texas counties. An expert horsewoman and ex- The Stamford lawmaker was pert sharpshooter, Miss Davis is elected three times as a member also a trained singer and will be of the House of Representatives accompanied by a top musical before being elevated to the Sengroup at each of her 20 rodeo ate. Ratliff is owner and operator

the downtown business district of say the confidence placed in me Fort Worth will officially open by the people of this district who the 1958 Show Friday. (Jan 24)

## Merkel Man's **Father Dies**

John Abel Lee, father of Dee Lee of Merkel, died in Exeter, BOSS Must Calif. on Jan, 9, at the age of 92. Mr. Lee was born in Missouri but his parents, Mr. and Mrs. ISSUE Form W-2 Abe Lee, migrated to Stephens County in North Central Texas By January 31 where, in 1871, they were attacked by Indians who had run off from a reservation.

After the parents and one girl the mother and then fled taking the boy and his older sister with them. The girls were released afthem. The girls were rectangled them the state of the sta He was six years old at the time. Lee lived in New Mexico, where he was in the well drilling busi- Honored At 100

have celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary Jan. 26th,

Funeral services were held on Monday, Jan. 13 in the Hadley Chapel with burial in the Exeter attended a party in honor of the Cemetery.

Survivors include his widow, seven sons, one daughter, 12

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Amason cf

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and Mrs. Howard Ramsey children of Abilene attended rvices at the First Baptist

Church here Sunday night,

### HOSPITAL NOTES ADMITTED

Tom Largent Mrs. H. G. Garrett Miss Ona Spence G. C. Smith D. B. Dubose Mrs. Myrtle Byrum Mrs. M. C. Graham Mrs. M. F. Conlin Earl Palmer O. B. Tatum H. Estep Carl Mashburn Ramona Ybarra Rickey Herring Brenda Combs Mrs. B. D. Williams Mrs. Waymen Hicks Mrs. Willie Mae Derrington Mrs. Carlton King James Clift Irs. Dicky Pack Irs. Franklin Mashburn

Mrs. J. B. Sedlacek Mrs. Wesley Gregory DISMISSED Tom Largent Mrs. Charles Reddin Mrs. Dee Teaff O. C. Mller Frank Woodrum Mrs. A. J. Hartley Mrs. Earl Baze Robert McKeever

Mrs. H. G. Garrett Mrs. G. H. (Bill) Williams and Ona Spence
Mrs. M. F. Conlin Earl Palmer O. B. Tatum Carl Mashburn amona Ybarra Rickey Herring Mrs. Carltoun King

Archie Lee Black

## Ratliff To Tour 24th District

State Senator David W. Ratliff of Jones County, has announced plans for extensive visits within the 24th Senatorial District dur-Karl Irvin of Merkel will be a- ing the next few weeks. Ratliff mong the exhibitors in the Junior revealed that he would tour the Steer Show at the 1958 South- district with the avowed purpose western Exposition and Fat Stock of talking with as many citizens Show in Fort Worth, January 24 as possible to obtain grass roots opinions. From the information His entry will be among 293 an- obtained, the West Texas lawimals competing for premiums makers intends to formally antotaling \$3,761 in the Junior nounce for re-election and out-

in the other livestock, rodeo and construct a legislative program in horse show events at the Fort the best interests of the people of my district and the State of Other Taylor County exhibitors Texas after obtaining the grass roots thinking of a large cross Ronnie M. Bowyer, Jackie Hen- section of the citizenry within the

oway, Wayne Irvin and Brenda Ratliff was elected to fill the Whiteaker all of Abilene, and Pat- unexpired term of the late Harley Sadler in a special election

of a radio station in Stamford.

An all-western parade through "I appreciate more than I can selected me to fill the unexpired term of Senator Harley Sadler, Ratliff stated, "and I will be forever grateful for the wenderful friendships and the splendid cooperation I have enjoyed in this

Employers were reminded today that their employees are entitled were killed, the Indians scalped holding Statement," Form W-2 on or before Friday, Jan. 31.

been a resident of the Starr Rest He and his wife, Annie, would Home here for the past two years celebrated his 100th birthday Fri-

eight of his nine living children,

Smedley, who lived in Oklahoma when it was Indian Tergrandchildren and 11 great-grand- ritory, has many vivid memories each geographical area of the Lou Holle, secretary-treasurer of last fall. of the past, and enjoys telling state will be completely covered Winters High School; Juanita The 6-3, 195-pound signal caller about them.

One of his most vivid was an etwater were guests Thurs- ccasion in his home state of of his father, T. J. Amason.

Alabama on which he witnessed the hanging of a hired killer who got the wrong person.

The killer had been paid \$25 by an enraged husband who wanted wife of a man named "Al" rather Feb. 11. than the intended target, the wife

in Clay County, Ala, and married Mary Rowe Oct. 20, 1881. The Smedleys moved to Arkansas then to "Indian Territory." They left there in 1892 to move to Adleft there in 1892 to move to Admiral, Tex., then to Rowden in Noodle Beats 1901. He farmed and ranched near there until retiring. Mrs. Smedley Jueders 74-36 died in 1946.

His six sons, Lonnie, Lester Odie, Jimmie, Wylie and Robert were all at the Friday birthday party, as were daughter Ima and could not be present.

served at the celebration.



NOAH SMEDLEY



LAMB SHOWMANSHIP - Jimmy Neill, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Neill of Merkel, left, was presented a sterling silver belt buckle by Bob Rankin at Friday's sale of Abilene show animals. The trophy is provided by Rankin, who has served as superintendent of the lamb show for many years. An unannounced committee of judges picked Jimmy as the outstanding lamb showman among hundreds of junior exhibitors in the big regional lamb show.

## Texas Methodists Schedule State-Wide Census January 26

Great numbers of unidentified from such church organizations and potentially Methodist families as Methodist Men, the woman's are expected to be located on Sun- Society of Christian service an lay, Jan. 26, when active Metho- the Methodist youth fellowship dists in all sections join forces to take one of the most complete ed. surveys ever attempted by the de-| This is also the time for a nat nomination on a state level, accord ion-wide Methodist census, ing to Quay Parmer, director of the year long Tell Texas About Christ evangelistic campaign Teenage Library Year's Eve.

Parmer says that the census ASS.n. Holds akers will be seeking information concerning persons with no church preference, Methodists Meet In Winters who have no relation to a church in the city where they reside and

Preparation for the census has been in progress since December. hout 300 West Texas librarians on pected to develop into a top hand Texas is divided into 47 Metho- the subject "Careers in the Li- for the Indians in the 1958 seaay.

About 30 persons, including dists districts and six annual conferences. Each district superingular children by the club to benefit the local by the club to be loca by Sunday. February 2. when the Murray. reporter, San Angelo was the Tribe's top passer at the census will be closed. Reports are High School; Claudette McInnis, end of the 1957 season, A former the hanging of a hired killer who Friday, Feb. 7, and to Parmer for Frazier, sponsor, Winters High pected to be key man in the In-Bishop A. Frank Smith of the School. Houston-San Antonio Area, and Bishop William C. Martin of the his wife dead. Through a mis- Dallas-Fort Worth Area, who head understanding the killer got the Texas Methodists, by Tuesday,

Local church commissions on membership and evangelism have Smedley was born Jan. 17, 1858 planned and will direct the campaign for their own congregations with assistance from volunteers

Noodle's cagers crushed the pir-Hettie. Another daughter, Lola, ates Friday night, 74-36, in district 17-B action. They head the Cake, coffee and punch were district with a 2-0 record. Wayne Deen's radar-like ac-

curacy led to his team's wide victory. Deen captured scoring honers for the night, pumping in 11 field goals and eight free shots for a total of 30 points.

Jerry Smelly led the Leuders scorers, meshing 13 points.

In the girls action Leuders took Culver led the Leuders sextet with 27 points but had to surrend-

The box: LEUDERS: Berryhill 2-1-5:

Uniform census cards will be us

Miss Mabel E. Willought some relationship to a church be- Jan. 18, at a convention of District head coach Tommy Ellis. ness, until 1928, when he moved ness, until 1928, when he moved to Exeter an employed to Exeter an employed to Exeter an employed to Exeter an employed to Exeter and the family take part in Sunday in the family cause one or more members of III of the Teenage Library Assoc-

each church or circuit in each dis- Other officers of the convention a tough defensive player.

## Receives Football Letter At TSC

Jacky Russell

Stephenville, Jan. 22,—Jacky Russell, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Russell of 1605 South Third St. was awarded a football letter Thursday at Tarleton State Col-

The letter was presented by Coach H. A. (Sandy) Sanford at the annual Tarleton Football Awards Banquet.

Russell, a graduate of Merkel High School, played half back for the Plowboys during the 1957 sea-

He is a freshman physical education major at Tarleton State.

## C-C Plans To Be Told At Annual Banquet

The Chamber of Commerce banquet set for 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 6, is to be a banquet with a purpose, says Bill Wood, entertainment chairman for the

The program is designed to be nformative and to help stimuate interest in Chamber of Comnerce work. Ideas will be preented that have been advanced o improve and interest people in Merkel. Dr. W. R. White, president of

Baylor University, will be the main speaker at the banquet which will be held in the school cafeteria.

Tickets are \$2 and are on sale at the Chamber of Commerce office, Merkel Drug and Carson

## Merkel Athletes Among Top Men On Indian Squad

who were standout players on the The District, 6-A trophy will is soloist at the Merkel Methodist y, Har- McMurry College football team be

fall. Miss Willoughby addressed a- The 6-5, 200-pound tackle, is ex-

rict. They have attempted to include Dana Durham, vice- pres- O'Brien, a sophmore, also won clearly define boundaries so that ident, Merkel High School; Betty his first numeral for the Indians

dians 1958 campaign.



## At Overseas Base

Sembach Air Base, Germany, landing situation indeed. a 61-56 verdict from Noodle, Rose Jan. 7th First Lieutenant James Noodle, who ripped the cords for at Sembach Air Base, Germany

this proved futile, thus indicating actual system failure. This left him without speed brakes, wheel brakes, and flance a very poor brakes, and flaps- a very poor Lt. Harris remembering well Light Bulbs

I Harris a member of the 302nd his numerous safety lectures lower fame honors to Sue Sipe of Tactical Recompsiseeres Squadron ered his landing gear with the Texas, regear-up lines thus became availing to Leon Walker, chairman of 82nd Birthday Garvin 2-2-6; Burkman 0-1-1; Oltat lighting never strikes twice the landing flaps and speed brakes. When these two systems that even if it does, a pilot who the locked both of the landing flaps and speed brakes. When these two systems were extended, he locked both of the landing flaps and speed brakes. When these two systems were extended, he locked both of the landing flaps and speed brakes. When these two systems were extended, he locked both of the landing flaps and speed brakes. When these two systems were extended, he locked both of the landing flaps and speed brakes. When these two systems were extended, he locked both of the landing flaps and speed brakes. When these two systems were extended, he locked both of the landing flaps and speed brakes. When these two systems were extended, he locked both of the landing flaps and speed brakes. on 3-3-9; Sinelly 3-3-15, 20-11-13-5.

NOODLE: Deen 11-8-30; Law is well "grounded" need not fear the neutrals and came in to land. The RF-84F touched down and Harris held the nosewheel off as long as possible before coming to a safe step by using the emergency air brakes. Nineteen days later he did it again. Two strikes are pre-tested and are offered at a saving.

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## Roy Largent, Local Hereford Breeder, Honored At Fort Worth Stock Show

"The Roy L" Hereford Show is has not missed a Texas Hereford what the Hereford division of the Association banquet since 1919. 1958 Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show at Fort Worth will be called this year in honor and Mrs. C. M. Largent. He startof Merkel's Roy R. Largent.

in the country, has attended the Fort Worth show for 50 consecutive years.

of the Texas and Southwestern place north of Merkel. Cattle Raisers Association, on Jan.

nual Texas Here crd Association City for 6 years and during 1961



ROY R. LARGENT

## 200 Expected At Quarterback Annual Banquet

About 200 persons are expected In addition to his regular acato hear Chuck Moser, Abilene demic work, he took voice and High Ceach, speak at the annual did so well he could have been a Quarterback Club banquet at professional singer. He chose the 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 23, ac-Hereford business and he is re-

presented to the Merkel school church. persons who are not members of din-Simmons University Librarian, last fall, were among the 23 leta local Methodist church, but have was the main speaker Saturday, termen announced recently by les for the best lineman, best sons; Rust Jr., and David. Both A junior, Hargrove won his er. Barry Scott, senior, will make their father. David is in charge of

## **Local Scouts** To Start Polio Drive Here Sat.

The Merkel Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts will be working for designed to raise money for the since Wednesday with pneum campaign according to Cal Farley, local Chairman.

The Bcy Scouts of Troup 20, di- He had been in the wrecking b rected by Lynn Knight, a troop iness about five years and committeeman, will conduct street previously been in the live blockades at three stragetic loca- business in Abilene. tion to solicit funds for the March He was born Aug. 17, 1907, h of Dimes. Polio Passes will be is Banty, Oklahoma., but had live sued to all drivers when they con- in Texas almost all of his life and tribute the very first time. Block- in Taylor County about 34 years. ades will probably be thrown up Funeral for Mr. Harrison was on Oak Street, Blair highway and held at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the on the Ncodle Highway, Mr. Far- Elliott's Chapel of Memories with ley said.

the direction of Mrs. Woodrow lating. Burial was in Elmwood Patton, Neighborhood Commiss- Memorial Park. ioner, will sell miniature tin crutches on the streets all day on are his wife; two sons, Don of Saturdayp, January 25th.

zero. He immediately attempted day night, Feb. 1st, between the to operate his speed brakes to Bodgers and Colorado City will Rogers of Eagle Pass and Mrs. check for gage malfunction but also benefit the March of Dimes. Elgin Riggan of Wickenburg,

The Merkel Lions Club have at Sembach Air Base, Germany emergency pneumatic system. Enough hydraulic fluid from the Bull Sale Day" in Merkel, accordTo Celebrate

Mr. Largent was born in Mer-

ed attending the Fort Worth Largent, one of the best known show with his father when he was and best liked Hereford breeders just a youngster and started help ing show cattle at an early age

Roy went into business for him self in 1929 and moved to Brown annual luncheon sponsored by County. He was down there 12 The Cattleman, offical publication years and then came back to his

He was member of the board of directors of the American Largent has not missed the an- Hereford Association at Kansa business meeting since 1921 and he was president of the association. He served three terms as president of the Texas Hereford Association. He was president of the West Texas Hereford Association with headquarters at Abilene. He was the first President of the Brown County Hereford Association, currently he is a member of the board of directors of the Southwestern Exposition and fat Stock Show at Fort Worth. He is a director of the West Texas Fair at Abilene, the Sand Hills Hereford Show at Odessa and an honorary vice president of the State Fair of Texas.

Cattle from the Roy R. Largent and Sons herd have been shown at Fort Worth, Dallas, El Paso, Houston and San Antonio; Phcenix, Denver, Ogden. San Francisco, Lexington and Louisville, Ky. Shreveport, Baltimore, Md., Chicago and Kansas City. There will not be any cattle shown by Roy R. Largent & Sons this year, but some cattle they have bred will be in the show

Roy married Miss Hazle Harkrider in Merkel on Aug. 12, 1923. Her father was a drygoods mer-

Largent attended Texas Christian University in Fort Worth after graduating from Merkel High. Gene Hargrove and Terry O'- cording to Newt Logan, ticket ported to have said that he has never regretted his decision. He

> back and most conscientious play- are members of the firm with the cattle near Alpine, registered Tickets for the affair are \$2 and commercial, and David is per plate and can be bought from manager of the Herschedes Heremy member of the Quarterback ford Ranch near Hereford, Ariz.

Davd married Miss Freta Sherwood, Crosbyton, and they have two sons, David Steven Jr., 7 and Mark Sherwood 5.

## Elmer Harrison Dies At 50

the March of Dimes here Satur- Elizabeth Harrison of Merkel. day, Jan. 25. This will be the be- died at 10 p.m. in an Abilene bosginning of a series of local events pital. He had been hospitaline Mr. Harrison was owner Harrison Wrecking Co., Abile

ey said.

The local Girls Scouts, under University Baptist Church, offic-

Survivers besides his mother Abilene, and Bill of Alexandria, A basketball game here Satur- Va.: three sisters, Mrs. John Sweeney of Merkel, Mrs. D. W. Ariz.; four brothers, Levi of Fort Worth, J. W. of Brownwood, Clovis of Monahans and Lynward of Colorado City.

## Mrs. Chas. West

our commercial fisheries.

in any advancement of the com- For those who live in the coastmercial fishery industry. Waters al areas it might be well to keep

often overlock the importance of daily, particularly by shrimpers. Some protective legislation has In fact, we bitterly resent some been passed to keep commercial of the tactics of commercial fish netting out of Laguna Madre, and to control shrimping and oyster It must be remembered, how gathering in other Gulf areas ever, there are millions who do This is very necessary to protect not fish who can only have fish this wildlife resources. The Texas Game & Fish Commission has a The Bureau of Commercial Fish- marine laboratory at Rockport, eries of the U. S. Fish & Wildlife and suboffices at other places al-Service, has established four new ong the Texas coast where daily regional offices and a new south- studies are made. These offices ern California program office. work very closely with the Fish The purpose of these new regional & Wildlife Service in protecting offices will be to implement the our supply of marine fish. They expanded commercial fishery pro- are important both to commercial

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weed control can be harmful to practicing.

mont-Port Arthur area to provide this year to cover both new and oviding such foods. You might

duce food for migratory water-

One phase of this project is the esting of various herbicides to find which will eliminate noxious weeds without injuring wildlife values. Your county argicultural agent also can be most helpful

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Incidentally, this backyard practice is good for the whole family. Take a couple of Junior's old bicycle tires. Set up your casting distance and then start to work few hit or miss licks. This practice will pay off well before the seaso

Of course on Sunday afternoons ou might put on a real lure and stand on the lake bank. It's fun to

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in mind this spring that some catch a bass when you are just tools, metallic sights, and custom and foreign guns.

It also ocntains many interes-Gun Digest Expanded If you haven't seen a copy of ting how-to-articles by noted writ-The Game & Fish Commission the new 1958 edition of the Gun ers. So it furnishes mighty good recently completed purchase of Digest, better lock it over. The reading, as well as ready informaadditional marsh land in the Beau-book has been greatly expanded tion.

refuge for water fowl. Carful modern arms and ammunition. It! A black and white wash draw studies are being made of seed- has information on ballistics, ing of Canada geese feeding in a roducing weeds that ducks and scopes, choke devices, loading cornfield has been chosen as a CONTRACTOR OF THE PROPERTY OF

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design for the 1958-59 migratory so few of these beautiful bir bird hunting stamp. Leslie C. in existence. Kouba, a Minneapolis artist, was the designer. This will be the 25th stamp issued in the Federal duck stamp series. This stamp is required of all persons who hunt migratory waterfowls.

Speaking of stamps, have you bought any of those whooping crane stamps? First sale of these stamps begun at Corpus Christi recently. Corpus is only a short distance from the Aransas Wildlife Refuge at Austwell, where 31 of these whoopers wintered.

The stamps are beautiful and effective reminders that there are

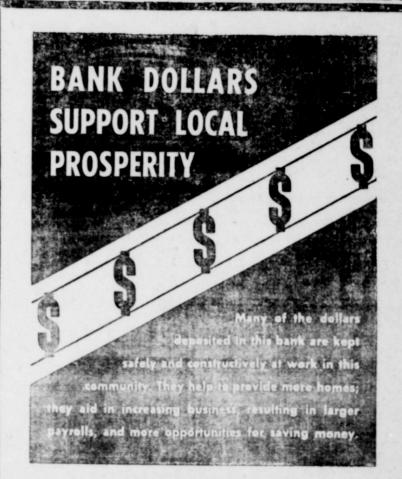
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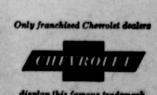
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## **Starr** Rest Home

By MARY OUTLAW

news last week. Some times

Mrs. Linda Sipe from Trent had a heart attack Wednesday morning and was rushed to the Sadler Clinic where she is doing fine at hope that he has several more this time. We hope she will soon birthdays. be at home with us again.

Uncle Jack and Mrs. Cannon sent Friday evening. the patients some apples and or-

Mrs. Albert Chancey from the week Church of Christ came last Friday week and visited each pat- have returned to their home in ient. We appreciate her very much for when she comes she always spreads cheer and sunshine. Hartley,

We want to thank Frank Carr for bringing the Rest Home some of the largest turnips any one has ever seen. They are just as good day. as they are large.

inside was green so we are painting it pink, a requirement each

pinkest house she ever saw.

land of Noodle for the canned the nice mustard greens she gave plums, the cheshaw and fresh on- the home ions, mustard greens and turnips. We invite her to see us again and

Gene Cade of Abilene visited the bathrooms. his mother, Granny Cade last

birthday Friday Jan. 10. Her brother, Elbert West of Stith came by in the afternoon and brought her a gift which made her the bit helps. We want to thank very happy. We wish for her Jennifer Smith for coming over many more birthday.

So fergetful of me, but I want to thank The Missies Florists for the beautiful flowers she sent for the piano also the pretty cosage. They were really appreciated.

but we miss them very much.

sweet patient. We hope she will and he will receive a letter before them all as forty came, I am glad be very happy here with us.

Mr. Orland's family visited him view with Mrs. V. Garner, city, his visit. visited Mrs. Hartley Friday even-

edist Church came Sunday Jan. Mail and keeps in touch with the Taylor County Home Demon-12 and conducted the services, home. Those present from Tye were We want to thank Charles Curb We had real good attendance with Mrs. Thorp. Mrs. James Barley, for coming into our home and all clubs being represented for Mrs. Orvil Elv. Jeffie Lee Stegnor, playing the piano for the patients the first meeting in 1958. Mrs. R. Billy James Barley and Mac Dum- Saturday morning. We all enjoy- F. Morgan is chairman, Mrs. Roy is. We enjoyed the service and in- ed it and invite him again soon. Manahan vice-chairman, Mrs. Ri-

for the fresh sausage she brought half ice cream they brought the The 4-H Girls Committee met

children were present except his high we must keep it full.

was a hugh white cake trimmed enjoyed it so much. We will be health of the blood vessels. Eat 

PAGE FOUR with pink Icing and Happy Birthday Papa on your one hundreth birthday He received lots of

gifts. Cake and punch and coffee were served to over 30 people and each patient had a slice of We are sorry we didn't have cake. A photographer came from the Abilene Reporter News and are so busy we can not get took his picture. Bob Gardner, Reporter for Abilene Reporter News came in the evening and interviewed him. Mr. Smedley was a tired little boy when we put him to bed after the party. We

A. L. Cade. Abilene, Route 4, We are still having Christmas, visited his mother, Granny Cade

Mrs. Gertie Jones of Stith visanges for which we are grateful. ited his sister. Hettie West last

> Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Hartley Plainview after having spent cver a month with his mother, Mrs.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cole of Abilene visited in our home Thurs-

for the beautiful gladiolas she You remember our rest home sent Mr. Smedley on his birth-

year. Hettie West says its the Texas our old home town where our children grew up and went Frank and Ethel Carr came as to Church Sunday morning and usual Sunday and sung for the came back that afternoon. It was nice to see old friends again. We want to thank Mrs. Outlaw for ents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Math

Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Merrick of We also want to thank her for Willow City visited her mother, being transferred from Foster A

Jainey Smothers last week. We want to thank Irene and Homer Beard for helping us paint

We also want to thank our son, Wallace Doan for helping with Hettie West celebrated her 69th the painting (f the Rest Home, in fact he and I are doing the painting, our granddaughter, Brenda Doan is helping us also. Every litand washing the paint off the floors. She is a good Girl Scout I appreciate her help.

We haven't written to Trobe Vaughn in a long time. He has Mrs. Gafford and Mamie return. been so nice to the Home to give morning. I wondered if any home til soft, then cool. Remove pits James Cherry spent the weeked to their home at Trent. We us the beautiful paintings. He demonstration club women would and stuff with nuts and dip in end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. hope they will be happy at home lives at South Gate California and make it to the clothing prework melted milk chocolate. The prunes C. B. Lucas. Mr. Cherry has re-We have a new patient, Mrs. Rest Home news each week. We and everyone had come, I don't Hartly. She is a very nice and do appreciate what he has done know where we would have put long. to see so much interest in the

Paul Wheeler visited our home clothing workshops. last week. Although Uncle Bennie We had such pretty spring Mrs. Elmer Criswell of Plain- is gone we still look forward to weather last week that it made me want to get some gardening

We also had a nice card from done. I got the garden plot plow-Mrs. ed and it will soon be ready for Uncle Bennie's daughter, Bill Ward. She takes the Merkel planting when the time comes.

We want to thank Mr. and Mrs. ley Miller, secretary, and Mrs. V We want to thank Nettie Harris Joe Hartley for the gallon and B. Reeves, treasurer. last Saturday. They also had very

A. Smedley celebrated his We have a few vacant rooms if good attendance. I'll bet if you 100th birthday in the Rest Home any one knows of any one we watch the 4-H girls next month Friday Jan. 17. It was a great oc- might get, would you drop us a you'll be doing some Swedish casion for him as well as the rest card? We would sure appreciate weaving as they thought it was who attended. All of his nine it. Remember our overhead is so fun to do.

daughter Lola of New Mexico. The Church of Christ Minister. Do you bruise easily? A vita The table was decorated with Lewell Williams from Trent came min C. deficiency might be reswhite Mums and Daises and Red into our home Sunday and filled ponsible. Oranges, grapefruits Glads that Misses Florist sent his appointment. We had a nice and other citrus fruits are rich in him for the occasion. His cake service and every one said they vitamin C important to good

looking forward to their next visit. Those that came to sing were Jim Wilk, Elis R. Ritche, Mrs. Lula Barnes, Betty Sue Haynes, Linda and Garvin Wilks.

## TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

CARD OF THANKS

We extend deep appreciation to all our friends who did so much for us during our recent bereavement. The many beautiful expressions of sympathy were most helpful.

The family of Mrs. Tom King

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> Capt. and Mrs. Noel Addy and children were guests of her parews Sr., here and her brother Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mathews of Abi-F. B., Victoria, to Langley A. F. B., Virginia. The Addy's left for their destination Saturday.

> > Home Demonstration Notes

By LORETA ALLEN

Taylor County Home Demonstration Agent

When I looked out Monday | Steam prunes over hot water un-

### Party Menu Stars New Beef Stroganoff



WHY NOT GO GLAMOROUS for your St. Valantine's Day party. Treat the guests to a buffet arrayed with sophisticated fare in a setting of candlelight and flowers. The food may be served "chafing dish" style. For the piece de resistance, feature Beef Stroganoff, a dish of international note.

The Beef Stroganoff is made with California Dip, a delectable combination of sour cream and onion soup mix. The Dip simplifies the preparation of this recipe so that it calls for only 9 ingredients which is less than other Stroganoff recipes.

### BEEF STROGANOFF

2 pounds chuck, cubed 1/4 cup shortening 1 tablespoon Worcestershire 1/4 cup flour

1 teaspoon salt 1/4 teaspoon pepper

Sauce 3/4 cup water 34 cup "California Dip"

Mix flour, salt and pepper together and roll meat in this until well-coated. Melt shortening in heavy skillet and brown meat. Add Worcestershire Sauce and water. Simmer  $1\frac{1}{2}$  to 2 hours or until meat is tender. Heat "California Dip" to boiling while whipping with rotary beater. Stir hot broth from meat into the "California Dip". Pour sauce over meat and heat. Turn into a serving dish and garnish with chopped parsley. Serve with buttered noodles, mashed potatoes or fluffy rice. Makes 8 servings.

CALIFORNIA DIP:-Combine 1 pint sour cream and 1 package Lipton Onion Soup Mix just as it comes from the package. For one cup of mix use 1/2, pint sour cream and 3 tablespoons (1/2 package) well-blended Onion Soup Mix.

## NOODLE NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Spurgin of Dallas and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Spurgin of Merkel visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Spurgin Sunday.

Mrs. R. L. Coldwell of Anson spent last week end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Caldwell.

he told me in a letter he read the shop. If it had been a pretty day will furnish some of the iron cently been transferred from a base near Shreveport, La.

were friends of the Lucas' daughter and husband and Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Warren.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Benningfield recently were Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Benningfield and children and little Kathy Gardner, all of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. John Winter of Abilene visited his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Cox last week.

Mrs. V. A. Liner has returned home after spending several days in the hospital in Merkel.

Mr. and Mrs. Dock Callaway spent Sunday evening with the J. E. Touchstones. Also visiting the Touchstones were Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Garrett and family from Lubbock.

Mrs. Harold Bales and baby are guests of her parents, Mr. and Troy Sloan.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrel Sloan visited in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Troy Sloan Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Poplin spent a few days last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. R. Just-

Dyess A. F. B. and his wife will lice. The Poplins are moving from soon join him in Abilene. They Hobbs, N. M. to Breckenridge.

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## Clifton Smiths To Be Honored On 50th Anniversary

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stration Council met last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifton L. Smith of Route 1. Merkel, will be honored with a reception on their golden wedding anniversary from 2 to 6 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 26. in the home of their daughter, Mrs. Mar-

vin Freeman of Trent. Mr. and Mrs. Smith met while both were in school at White Flat in 1905. They were married on Jan. 26, 1908, at the home of Mrs Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Blankenship, A close riend of the family, who was both preacher and family physic-

ian performed the ceremony. Mrs. Smith was born Hazel Gay Blankenship on March 6, 1889, at McKinney in Collin County. She was the third of eleven children.

Mr. Smith, still active in farming, was born July 28, 1888, at Lexington in Lee County and was the third of three children.

His mother died when he was 6 months old. His father later remarried and had seven more

Six of the seven children born to Mr. and Mrs. Smith are living. One son died in infancy. They Mrs. Freeman of Mrs. Bert Hale, Roby; Charlie of Sweetwater; Millard, Powell Wyoming: Royce, Roby; and C. L Smith, Jr., Belleville, Texas. They have 14 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The Smiths are members of the Trent Methodist Church.

## Badgers Defeat Coahoma 56-36 To Rack Up Their 4th District 6-A Victory

they won an easy 56-36 victory squad-Riley Seymore. Tuesday night.

The Badgers beat the Roby is a sophomore. Lions 45-37 in Roby Friday night | Among the top prospects on the

are well on their way to repeat ny Reeger, 5-11. as loop champions. They won last years title with a 10-0 record, then lost to Ropesville in bi-dis- Stanton 58, Coahoma 48 trict, 51-49.

Coach Don Loyd lost five of his top six men last year-Robert Mc-Leod, Kermit Rutledge, Jacky

## Fifty-Year Pin Given Member Of **Woodman Circle**

Members of the Merkel Grove 563 Woodman Circle met in the Rotan at Merkel school cafeteria in a regular Roby at Coahoma monthly meeting, Thursday, Jan. Roscce at Stanton

Mrs. Maggie Renfro, president, presided, and presented Mrs. Ida Rotan at Roby McCandless with a fifty-year pin. Plans are now underway to entertain the Krebbs District Con-

vention here in March. Captain Lillian Mathews and her drill team have been invited Coahoma at Rotan by the Abilene Grove to assist them in an initiation ceremony in their hall Monday evening, Jan.

## Bluebonnet Club **News Items**

The Bluebonnet Home Demonstration club met in the home of Mrs. Joe Seymore, Tuesday, Jan.

Mrs. Seymore (pened the meet-

Miss Lottie Butman, president, presided. Roll call was answered with "What Attracts You First About a Community?" The most popular answer was "Painted

Mrs. Seymore gave a council report, and THDA recommendations for 1958 were read and approved.

Miss Butman was elected delein San Angelo.

vak, Tuesday, Feb. 4.

seven members. The next meeting will be held

Walt Disneys

for the great Badgers on their Chester Collinsworth. This year ACC Receives way to the District 6-A crown as there is only one senior on the

from the Coahoma Bulldogs here Lettermen who will be back next season are Manley Denton, Top Scorer for the Badgers was 6-2; Bud Patterson, 6-3; Jerry Manley Denton with 18 McLeod, 6-3; Tokio Moreno, 5-10; points. Mac Robinson scored 13 and Lanny Perry, 6-2. All are for the lesers. juniors, except for Moreno, who

to win their third district game. B team who are ready for action Riley Seymore was high scorer are juniors-Ron English, 6-1; for the Badgers with 17 points John Thomas, 6-3; Walter Grimand Billy Moore high for Roby mett, 5-11; and Joe Neill, 5-8; sophomores-Doug Toliver, 6-1; The Badgers are the only un- Jerry Phillips, 5-10; and Larry beaten team in the district and Seymore. 5-8; and freshman Ron-

DISTRICT 6-A SCHEDULE TUESDAY, Jan. 7

Rotan 28, Roby 17 Merkel 67, Roscoe 42 FRIDAY, Jan. 10 Rctan 41, Coahoma 40 Merkel 61, Stanton 51

Roscoe 53, Roby 42 FRIDAY, Jan. 17 Stanton 54. Rotan 21 Merkel 45, Roby 37

Roscoe 54, Coahoma 41 TUESDAY, Jan. 21 Coahoma 36, Merkel 56 Stanton 43, Roby 38

Roscoe at Rotan FRIDAY, Jan. 24

TUESDAY, Jan. 28 Stanton at Coahoma

Merkel at Roscoe FRIDAY, Jan. 31

Roby at Merkel x-Colorado City at Roscoe TUESDAY, Feb. 4

Merkel at Stanton Roscoe at Roby FRIDAY, Feb. 7

Stanton at Rotan Roscoe at Coahoma x-Roby at Abilene Christian High 6. & 7. Grants of \$3,300 and \$1. TUESDAY, Feb. 11

Merkel at Coahoma Roby at Stanton Rotan at Roscoe FRIDAY Feb. 14

Roby at Coahoma Stanton at Roscoe TUESDAY, Feb. 18 x-Hamlin at Merkel

x-Denotes non-district games.

## **Guesso Circle Honor Member** With Shower

A surprise "pink and blue" gate to the District T.H.D.A. meet shower was given for Mrs. Neva Hicks by the Guesso Circle in still in the hospital, but is ex-Refreshments were served to the home of Mrs. Sue Tucker on pected to be home soon.

Wednesday, Jan. 8. The group drew names for "Sec-

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TOMMY SANDS in SING BOY SING

lene Christian College in 1957 to 10 totalling \$439.340. Mrs. F. E. Gardner of Cleburne Tex. gave to the College a Navarro County farm valued at \$110,000 in November. The gift, set up on an annuity basis, consists of 440

future meetings

Tucker and the honoree.

Gifts Or Grants

Two major gifts-one for \$110,

sum of gifts and grants to Abi-

\$439,340 In

dowments for the new South Wing of the Administration

Building. Mr. and Mrs. E. J. (Jack) Wick er of Midland, Tex., donated \$15, 000 in December, to be used as a student loan fund. Wicker attended ACC from 1930 to 1932 and has been a board member since February, 1956. In making the gift to President Don H. Morris, Wicker wrote, "It has been our pleasure to observe the operation of Abilene Christian College for several years. . . We have been especially impressed with the emphasis placed on teaching the Bible, Christian principles and the

American way of Lofe." The ten gifts or grants in 1957: . Ford Foundation check for \$149,500.

2. A gift of land by Mr. and Mrs Kenneth Bozeman, Lubbock, yal

ued at \$80,000. 3. Land, note and stock by Mr and Mrs. S. J. Bozemand, Am herst, totalling \$43 540.

4. A gift of land by Billie Sol Es tes. Pecos. valued at \$8,000. 5. A \$20,000 interest in an Abilene warehouse by Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Bacon.

000 from the Research Corporation for two projects in the Chemistry Department 8. A grant of \$9,500 from the

Coe Foundation of New York for the American Studies Program. 9, The F. E. Gardner gift of \$110, 000 in land. 10. The E. J. Wicker gift of \$15.

By TOM RUSSOM

Light rains fell over the Canyon Saturday night and Sunday. The farmers were saying, "This will be fine on the oats we have

At this time A. L. Farmer is

Small grain is not furnishing much grazing for stock at this in the home of Mrs. Frank Brno- ret Pals" following which a time, however with some warm discussion of hobbies and pro- weather it would grow qute well.

> Little Brenda Barnett of Abilene visited with her grandpar ents, Mr. and Mrs. Dewell Mc. Lean the past weekend. After church Sunday they went to Ab lene to be with their grandson and brother, Ronnie, who underwent surgery there last week. He

s reported to be improving. Mr. and Mrs. Melvin McCoy Muleshoe were weekend visitors in the home of Mrs. McCoy's par-

ents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Seymore The Regional showmanshir award of the Fat Stock show in Abilene last week went to Jim mie Neill, and the Taylor County award to Lanny Perry. The a wards were sterling silver belt

buckles. "Congratulations boys." Some of the farmers who had not soil banked their cotton land found out this week that Uncle Sam had run out of money, so they are out of luck. At least for while.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Demerie reported a good snow fell at their ranch place which would be very beneficial.

We note the Scott and Neill boys are contacting some sheep growers out of the state and raising some of their own club lambs

We regret to hear of the death of Elmer Harrison. He lived in the Canyon as a young boy and had many friends here

Holland Teaff, Merkel, and Ton Russom have Neturned from Corpus Christi where they attended the State Soil convention of Soil Conservation districts last week. The 172 districts of Texas were all epresented with a large number n attendance. This district reeived one of the ten awards for

outstanding work. Joe Seymore has returned from Ft. Stockton where he went to look over a lease. He stated the expense of putting the well and pump and other improvements in order would be too much, He says there is still plenty of cctton in the fields in that section of the country, some averaging as high as three bales per acre. R. E. Clemmer states that he had planned to stock his place but finds that cattle prices are

extremely high. His place has laid

was out for a year and should be fine shape this spring.

A number of the stockmen are Refreshments were served to: Betty Satterwhite, Jo Ann Smith, needing stock to put on their Louise Du Bose, Loretta Young, places. Bobbye Tarpley, Mary Boone, Bet-ty Sloan, RoJean Hicks, Sue

## Japanese Theme Carried Out In **WSCS Luncheon**

iety of Christian Service and guests met in the Fellowship Hall of the First Methodist Church Tuesday, Jan. 21, for a Japanese 000 and one for \$15,000-in Novemluncheon and program. ber and December brought the

Mrs. John Shannon offered the proyer for the meal which was served and eaten in the traditional Japanese style. Items made in Japan, including kimenos, dolls. chop sticks, scuffs, tea sets and other pieces of china were dis-

Miss Lott Butman, president, acres near Frost, Texas, The proppresided and read a letter from erty is to be established as an en-Mrs. C. O. Bragg, district presi-

Announcement was made of the sub-district meeting to be held a.m. at Caps, Tuesday, Jan. 28, at 10 About 50 FFA and 4-H Club a.m. Theme of the meeting will be "The Master Calls." Mrs. W. R. Cypert of here is the sub-district contest. leader. A sack lnuch will be ser-

The group sang the hym. "Holp Somebody today, " following which Mrs. Eldon Hicks, study leader, gave two chapters from the study course, "Cross and Cris is in Japan.'

Present were: Mmes. John Shannon, Bud Haley, Ray Wilson, W R. Cypert, H. N. Odum, Blake Davis, Lu Petty, W. S. J. Brown Denzel Cox, Eldon Hicks and Miss. es Mabel McRee and Butman, members; Mrs. Pete Morgan. Mrs. Clarence Shawartz. Mrs. R. E. Gardner, Mrs, L. M. Touchstone and Mrs. Hallie Burden, visitors.

## **Public Invited** To Take Plants To Stock Show

Fort Worth-The general public will have an opportunity to learn more about plants that grow on their property during the grass judging contest at the 1958 Southwestern Expositon and Fat Stock Show.

"Every farmer, rancher and landowner has some plants on his place that he wants to know more about," states Rollans Hill, Soil Conservation District Supervisor from Antelope. Hill is superintendent of the grass contest.

He pointed out that specialists from Texas A&M College and the Soil Conservation Service will be presented to identify and discuss any pant brought to the stock

A display of 100 different plants from all sections of Texas also will be on exhibit. Discussion will begin at 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 1 The grass judging contest for high school students will be held at 8

teams from Texas and Oklahoma are expected to compete in the

The stock show oppens Jan. 24 and runs through Feb. 2

## **ACC** Enrollment **Includes 15** Merkel Students

dents from Merkel are enrolled in

Abilene Christian College, They are: Billy Bob Cannon freshman, 1109 S. 8th; Billy Gilbert, Sophmore; -LaNelle Hodge,

## San\_Ratliff Named Chairman of Scout Expansion Program

ford has accepted the position of supplement their own prog Chairman of the Chishelm Trail Council, Boy Scouts of America 1958 Together We Organize Pro-

tions will participate in this pro- Fisher and

to invite the heads and a repre-chairmen are: information on how the Boy Scout water.

meeting on Monday evening, Jan uary 20. Garden Room of the The Together We Organize pro-Windsor Hotel in Abilene. These gram is a program to expand Organizers and Commissioners Scouting to many more boys in will come from all of the 914 the Chisholm Trail Council by counties that make up the Chisorganizing several Boy Scout holm Trail Council. These coun-Troops, Cub Scout Packs and Exties are Haskell, Jones, Shackleplorer Posts simultaneously. It is ford, Taylor, Callahan. Coleman anticipated that about 35 Institu- North Half of Runnels, Nolan.

This program is designed so as District Together - We - Organize sentative committees from several Truett Latimer. Abilene: Judge churches, P.T.A.'s, Service Clubs, Ben Charlie Chapman, Haskell: Citizens Groups, etc., to a dinner Representative A. J. Bishop. Winmeeting where they will receive ters and Ralph Wallace, Sweet-

senior; Bill Herton, Junior, Bt., Coy, Sophmore, Rt. 3. 3; Charles Jacobs, freshman, Rt.

on Kelso, freshman, Rt. 3; Jeanette Lucus, sophmore, Rt. 3; Jeanette Lucus, sophmore, Rt. 3; Jeanette Lucus, freshman; Charlene Mechester St.

Robert McLeod, Freshman, Cevene Neil, Sopnmore, Rt. 4; Darrell Kelso, senior, Rt. 3; Le- Jimmy Neil, freshman, Rt. 4; Mar-

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C. B. Rust, Secretary.

STATED Meeting for Eastern Star Chapter 212 will be Jan. 28, 7:30 p.m. for initiation Allie Butman

Worthy Matron Estelle Humphreys Secretary

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FOR RENT - 2 room house tition filed in said court, on the furnished, private bath - all 14th day of May A.D. 1957, in modern. See R. N. Mosier, 401 this cause, numbered 22,141-A on 43-3tc the docket of said court and styl Taylor - Tel. 394G

FOR RENT - Furnished apart- vs. Bobbie Zed Reddell, Defend ment. Also bedroom with pri- ant. vate bath. 301 Oak, Tel.-63-W | A brief statement of the nature 44-1t of this suit is as follows, to-wit:

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FOR RENT—4room unfurnished of this control of this rock duplex apartment. E. O. plaintiff sues for as is more fully 42tfc shown by Plaintiff's Petition on

FOR RENT-3 room nicely fur- file in this suit. nished apartment. Available If this citation is not served first of February, 601 Oak. 43-3tc of its issuance, it shall be return-

FOR RENT-2 large rooms un- The officer executing this writ furnished. Prefer elderly cou-shall promptly serve the same acple. Rent very reasonable. Mrs. cording to requirements of law, Bert Melton. 1412 S. 5th St.

44-3tc make due return as the law di-POR RENT-41/2-room unfurnished house with bath. Garage attached. Own water system. John Brown. 1402 S. 11th. Tel 9012-M Abilene, Texas, this the 19th day 44-tfc of December A.D. 1957.

FOR RENT - 3-room and bath furnished apartment. Bills paid. District Court, Taylor County. R. T. Smith. 818 Yucca St Texas. By Irene Crawford, Dep-

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PAGE SIX tives, Defendants, Greeting:

day of December A.D. 1957, in application on file in this suit. 45-1tc this cause, numbered 22,679-A on Barrow, Plaintiffs, vs. P. C. Hark. ed unserved. less, or if he be dead, the Unegal representatives.

FOR SALE—Set of cattle boards for Ford or Chevrolet, 1/2 ton of this suit is as follows, to-wit: directs. pickup. Good used feed mill and A suit filed under and by vir-44-2tp amended, Acts 1951, 52nd Legis- day of December, A. D. 1957. ature, page 460, Chapter 287, Section 1, which suit has as its purnear Merkel two spinet pianos, pose the appointment of a receiver for and on an undivided count before shipping to Dallas. one-fourth (1/4th) interest in the G. H. Jackson, wholesale Dept., oil, gas, and other minerals in and 3313 Ross Ave, Dallas Texas" under the West 37 acres of a 57 Telephone Taylor 1-0955. tfc acre tract of land out of the southeast part of the Leonard Bowerman Survey No. 83. Taylor County, Texas, said 57 acre tract beout fixtures. Will have to see to ing described in deed from A. G. appreciate. At Hawley - turn Hamilton to W. R. Walker, dated Vol. 57, page 101 of the Deed within the State of Texas-Records of Taylor County, Texas, GREETING: here referred to, and more part-FOR SALE-55 Ford, 4-door, Ra-

YOU ARE HEREBY COM. lease on the above described un- of which the herein below follow-MANDED to appear before the divided mineral interest upon ing is a true copy. Honorable 42nd District Court of such terms and conditions as may Taylor County at the Courthouse be prescribed by the Court. No thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by fil. special pleadings are relied on ing a written answer at or before by plaintiffs other than those al-10 o'clock A.M. of the first Mon. legations contained in plaintiffs' day next after the expiration of application and petition on file forty-two days from the date of herein which are necessary to the issuance of this citation, same maintain said suit and invoke being the 10th day of February the jurisdiction of the court A.D. 1958, to Plaintiff's Petition under said statute, as is more filed in said court, on the 20th fully shown by said petition and ing a written answer at or before District Court of Taylor County

the docket of said court and styl- within ninety days after the date forty-two days from the date ed Riley G. Maxwell and A. B. of its issuance, it shall be return-

known Heirs of P. C. Harkless, shall promptly serve the same deceased, and their heirs and according to requirements of 3rd day of January, A. D. 1953, in A brief statement of the nature and make due return as the law

Issued and given under my John Deere 10 disc one-way tue of Article 2320b, Revised Civil hand and the seal of said court plow. T. L. Holloway. Rt. 8, Statutes of the State of Texas, as at Abilene, Texas, this the 23rd (SEAL)

Attest: R. H. Ross, Clerk, 42nd District Court of Taylor County, Texas, by Deputy.

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YOU ARE HEREBY COM-MANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by fil-10 o'clock A. M. of the first Mon- Texas. If this citation is not served day next after the expiration (f of the issuance of this citation same being the 24th day of Feb The officer executing this writ ruary A. D. 1958 to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court on the law, and the mandates hereof, this cause, numbered 22,706-A on the docket of said court and styled

Joe Brooks, Plaintiff, vs. Geneva

Brooks, Defendant.

A brief statement (f the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff sues defendant for di orce, and as grounds therefor al leges they were heretofore married to each other, that such relation still exists, that platntiff is entitled to divorce because of cruel treatment of plaintiff by defendant, that such treatment of such a nature as to render their living together intelerable, that two children, namely, Michel Joe Brooks, age 3 years, and Shirley Ann Brooks, age about 8 months were born of said marriage and are in defendant's possession plaintiff prays for divorce and that the court, if deemed advis-

If this citation is not served

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

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 10th day of January A.D. 1958. (SEAL)

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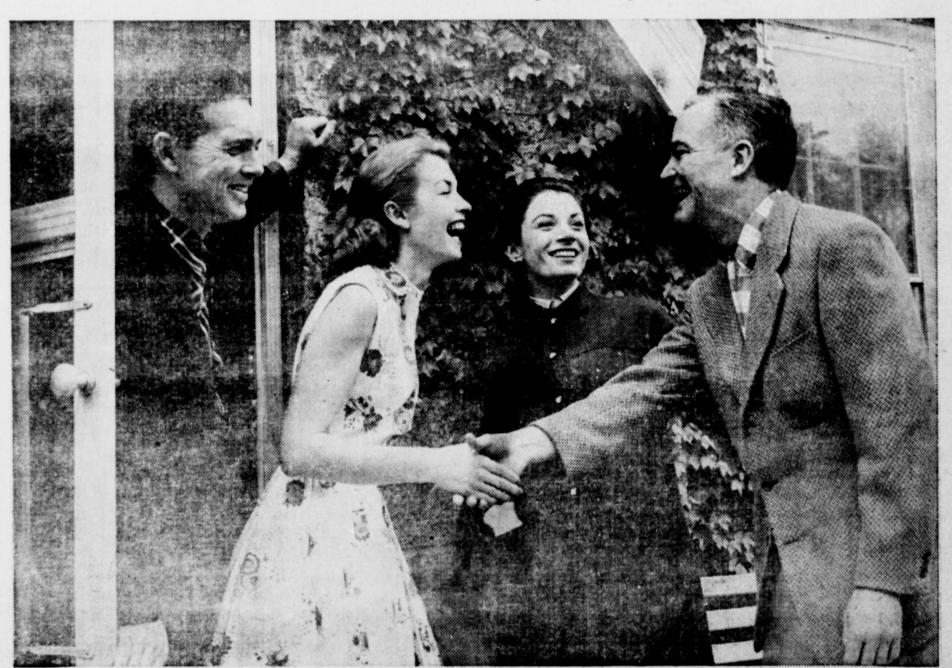
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## Merkel Chamber of Commerce Accomplishments of the Year 1957

board of directors appointed a for the Youth Club. The club was committee to tudy the Low-in- opened on the first of September come Housug Project under the with some 40 active members. poirt a local housing authority. obtained some 60 members. Al-

2. Recreation The board of directors voted Plans are now underway for a available for listings of rental 60 cotton pickers were placed to support a move to organize a nice club house and the nicest 9- property and placed some 60 fam- here. Youth Center in Merkel. This hole golf courset in West Texas. ilies, construction workers and The chamber also tried to re move was being made by a few 3. Rental Service

called meetings, directed the or The Chamber of Commerce ganization and election of officers

Public Housing Administration The Chamber of Commerce who presented their finding to gave support to private interests the City council who veted to ap- in organizing a country club and Application is being processed though this is a private enterfor a temporary lean at the pres- prize, the chamber feels that it will help the community and is worthy of all support it can give.

interested parents. The Chamber made its facilities This was done as a public ser- transit laborers come here until

## Abilene Livestock Auction Comm.

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Air Force personnel in Merkel. 4. City Planning Committee

permanent committee to study to be adopted for 1958. the growth and make recommen- 3. Soil Conservation Field Day dations to the city council. This The chamber was represented councilmen and six leading citi- Days on farms in this area. zens representing a cross section 4. Cash prizes for first bale of

It is the job of the committee to determine "bottle necks" hind- Committee sponsored the first ering this community's growth, bale of cotton to be ginned in this and remove them as economically area contest and awarded cash as possible. They are to determine prizes for the first, second and the areas most likely to develop third bales. and plan an adequate long range program to care for the develop-

The committee held their first meeting in November and pinpointed trouble spots hindering Merkel's growth. They adopted these projects to work on this

The chamber found that the ity doesn't have up-to-date maps f the streets, sewers, water lines utility connections and fire plugs. An effort was made to bring these maps up to date. An engineer was hired and the map was completed in October, However, this new map had several errors and

Public Relations Although public relation is not classified with civic improvements it goes a long way in bringing about a greater understanding of the need for community improvement. The chamber has written some 60 news releases, several in editorial form, used direct mail, and gave a 20 minute radio program. More time and a concentration effort should be given to this field in 1958.

II. Trade Development Committee 1. Commercial growth

A \$125,000 Super Market was completed for the Carson Brothers. This new, modern market gave a brighter appearance to the north side of town and was directly responsible for a floursh of front improvements in that area. The R. O. Anderson building was re-modled and painted and several others have expressed plans along this line.

A recent survey gave Store Front Modernization one of the top projects to work on in 1958. 2. Retail Trade Development

A survey was made to find out why people in this trade area go out of town to shop. Here are the top three reasons they listed:

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These drawings brought large crowds into town every two weeks and was climaxed with a drawing on Monday before Christmas. Reports indicated that sales volume increased proportionately.

The committee gave away almost \$200 cash prizes for the first second and third bale of cetton ginned in the Merkel Trade area. III. Industrial Development

1. Industrial Survey The chamber made a study of community requirements for obtaining industry and designed a work program whereby it will work toward getting this community ready for industry. This program goes in the Work Pro gram for 1958 and centains the very basic things this community must do in order to encourage industrial growth.

The chamber compiled information on this area and listed these advantages in national industrial publications.

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## JAMES H. CHANEY Chiropractor

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The chamber sent the manager to the Southwestern Institute in Dallas, West Texas C of C Managers Short Course in Big Spring, and the Chamber of Commerce Executives Work Shop in Wichita

Several letters were mailed to prospective industries. Two are on ile who are interested in locating

IV. Agricultural Development 1. Livestock Sale

The chamber sponsored the 4 H and FFA Livestock sale for Merkel entries in Abilene to encourage youth work in this field. 2. Laber

The Chamber worked with Texas Employment Commission in trying to determine the number of laborers needed to help the farmers with fall harvests. About

activate the wagon yard to let vice and without charge to any- they can be placed in fields. one. It is estimated that these 60 Many transits move through this families represented a monthly in- area during harvest time and if come of approximately \$18.000. this community could provide a place for them to stay over the The chamber found that this week end, farmers can come into community was badly in need of town and hire them to harvest proper planning which could not their crops. It keeps them off the be provided by the city govern- street and many spend money in ment. It thereby appointed a local stores. This Program needs

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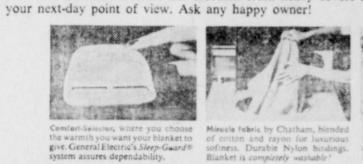
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## New Year Problems



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Critical and challenging problems have been created by a tug of war which has been in progress for many years between such basic conflicting forces as a free enterprise economy and a socialistic planned economy, a free way of life and communistic slavery, peace and war.

The supreme problem facing the people of the world this New Year is that of developing the capacity to solve wisely and well the problems which man, himself, has created.

In spite of the complexity and the gravity of the problems of life, they are essential to human progress. Scientific achievements, material progress and the expansion of human knowledge stem from the moving desire of man to overcome the problems generated by the march of world events.

In the business world, competitive problems have stimulated research, encouraged the adoption of new methods and procedures, spurred man to greater efforts and greater achievements.

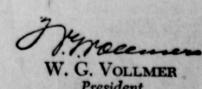
The success or failure of individuals and business enterprises alike is measured by their ability, or lack of it, to solve successfully the personal and social, the economic and political problems flowing from an ever-changing world.

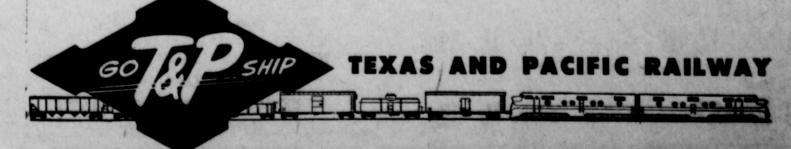
So it has been with the railroads. In their long and useful history, they have encountered a multitude of difficult and complex problems. Many of these problems they solved successfully. Some they didn't.

Perhaps the most critical problem ever experienced by the railroads is the one they face today. It is that of devising ways and means of meeting successfully the competition of various other forms of transportation promoted, and in part financially supported by municipalities, community organizations, state and federal governments.

There is no easy solution of this problem. But there is a solution, for there is a right answer to every problem. And I have faith that eventually it will be found.

Meanwhile, the peace, the progress and the prosperity of 1958 will be measured by the capacity of man to solve wisely the problems ushered in by the New Year.





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