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How About an Easter Lily?—Pictured above are representatives of the groups that will assist in the Easter Lily Drive here Friday and Saturday. From left to right is Boy Scout Keith Wilson, Mrs. Dale Litton, president of BSP, Girl Scout Sherry Davis and Mrs. Eldon Hicks, chairman.

## Nationally Known Quartet To Appear Here April 3

The Plainsmen Quartet, one of the newest names to become nationally known in the gospel singing world, will appear for a concert in Merkel on April 3 at the high school auditorium.

The Plainsmen, formerly known as the Stamps Quartet, have made several recordings on their own label as well as the TNT label of San Antonio and the Word label of Waco.

Each of the Plainsmen have musical backgrounds, well trained voices and unsurpassed personalities that have made them known as one of the top gospel singing quartets in the nation.

Members of the quartet are Joe B. Davis of Alabama who sings bass; Jack Mainord of Arkansas, lead singer; Charles "Rusty" Goodman of Alabama, who has sung on network television with the Martha Carson troupe, baritone; Eason Napier of Oklahoma, who was pianist for the All American Quartet before joining the present group as emcee and pianist; and Howard Welborn, of Georgia, manager and first tenor.

## Jackie Harris Home On Leave

Jackie Wayne Harris, airman apprentice, U.S. Navy, is home on leave visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Harris of Merkel. Harris enlisted in the Navy in August 1957, and received recruit training at San Diego, Calif. On completion of his leave he will report to the Naval Air Station at Norman, Okla., to have five weeks of airman preparatory school training and then will go to the Naval Air Station at Memphis, Tenn., for additional training.

## Hospital Patients

The following persons were admitted to the Sadler Clinic-Hospital this past week:

Mrs. M. H. Jones  
Mrs. Lewis Perkins  
Mrs. Sally Moore  
H. K. Farr  
M. E. Perry  
Mrs. H. L. Tittle  
Mrs. Lupe Rivera  
Mrs. Bowman Barlow  
Mrs. Donald Logston  
Pat Patterson  
Mrs. J. W. Hammond  
Lyle Cade  
George Smith  
Mrs. Mason Shurley  
W. M. Loflin  
Billy Lucas  
Bill Springer  
Mrs. Weldon Blackburn

The following persons were discharged from the Sadler Clinic-Hospital this past week:

Mrs. H. Fennell  
Mrs. M. H. Jones  
Mrs. B. R. Fincher  
C. B. Lucas  
Alvin Byrd  
Mrs. Lewis Perkins  
Mrs. Gaston Gregory  
B. W. Woodard  
Mrs. A. B. Harris  
Mrs. Sally Moore  
Mrs. Milton Kelley  
H. K. Farr  
M. E. Perry  
Mrs. Lupe Rivera and baby boy  
Mrs. Bowman Barlow  
Mrs. Donald Logston and baby girl  
Pat Patterson

## No Overcharge Items Bought in Precinct 2

County Commissioner Grover Nelson of Abilene charged Monday that overcharges, unnecessary purchases and failure to buy on bid-contracts cost Taylor County taxpayers about \$24,000 in 1956 and 1957.

The survey showed that none of the items on which overcharges are alleged were purchased in Precinct 2 (Merkel) of which Rufe Tittle is commissioner.

Nelson's charges were brought in his report of a two-year audit made by him of gas, oil, grease and wood preserver products in all four county road precincts.

As a result of his report and the survey, the court agreed to have specifications written and call for bids on selling all motor fuels for the county. The court also indicated that it would probe the possibility of buying on bid-contract other items such as culverts and grader blades.

Tittle was cool to the idea of buying on a bid-contract basis. This would remove the purchases from local taxpayers and might be inconvenient, he said.

## Exhibition Games To Be Held At Noodle March 28

The feature attraction of the year will be held at the Noodle High School gymnasium, Friday, March 28, 7:30 p.m., when some of the old favorites of the hardwood perform.

Such trick experts on ball handling as Josephine Maxwell, the sharp shooting of Odell Ueckert, the dribble to perfection demonstrated by Hubert Sullivan, and the magic passing as done by A. D. Hill will be seen.

There will be two games. Beginning at 7:30 p.m. it will be Josephine Maxwell's Magicians vs. Odell Ueckert's Sharp Shooters. The Magicians will be composed of local women and organized by Josephine Maxwell, and the Sharp Shooters will be composed of school board members wives and women teachers and organized by Odell Ueckert.

The second game will begin at 8:30 between the Jennings Jumpers and the Hill Hoppers. The Jumpers will be school board members and men teachers, organized by each Gerald Jennings, and the Hill Hoppers will be fathers of students and former students of Noodle School, organized by A. H. Hill.

Admission will be 25c and 50c and the proceeds will be used to help buy jackets for lettermen and to buy equipment for spring activities.

"Come out and enjoy an evening of fun and relaxation," invites W. E. Pistole, superintendent of the Noodle school.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Blair spent last weekend in Longview and Tyler visiting friends.

## KNOW YOUR SCHOOL AND THEIR PROBLEMS

Just how much do you know about your local high school?

You know that they have outstanding basketball and football teams that you may well be proud of and that you are in District 6-A. These are the things most publicized everywhere and may be part of what is wrong with school systems all over the country...too much emphasis on sports and too little on academic achievements.

What you may not know is that Merkel High School is a member of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, a regional accrediting agency. The Southern Association standards are summarized as follows: The school shall be operated on democratic principals, provide for personal growth and development, have adequate resources, a schedule of at least 175 days of instruction, a staff with degrees and training in subjects they teach in addition to twelve semester hours in professional educational courses, \$3,000 or more annual salary for teachers, a teaching load of less than 150 pupil-periods per day with one free period, and suitable buildings, grounds, supplies, and equipment.

There is no honor roll in your local high school this year yet. They have had one in previous years and it is important that they keep it up. An honor roll is one way a school can recognize good students and it gives them the incentive to try to make good grades. A good student deserves as much recognition as a good athlete.

The local high school has had discipline problems just as a lot of schools do. Many schools find that a student council is effective where discipline is concerned. Your local high school has no student council this year. They do have a Future Teachers Club that is active and a good thing but all good students are not necessarily going to be teachers and the ones who are can not very well speak for the student body or take the place of a student council. Having a student council with a good sponsor may eliminate having to call in the police for school discipline.

Your local school board is composed of seven men good men. Two will be replaced in an election coming up soon. A lot of thought should go into the selection of a school trustee. It takes men who are not only good and capable but men who care—care enough about the future of our children to do what is best for them.

The public educational system can be efficient and effective only to the extent that local citizens in every district desire to make it so. The advice and council of well informed citizens are invaluable to school boards and school administrators in the solution of many school problems.

Sometimes the problem in a school is that of injustice and inequity. The sense of justice is intuitive. It awakens early and a student reacts accordingly. If this problem exists in any school it is demoralizing to the whole system and something should be done about it.

A person may be aware of a condition he knows warrants looking into but will be afraid if he goes to the school board his children will suffer for it in school. Surely, the citizens of a community or a school board, would not tolerate a teacher in a school who would "take it out" on a child.

Although good administration and many other factors enter into making a good school, the deciding factor is the progress made by the pupils. To realize the most benefits from their educational opportunities, our children must have good teachers—teachers who will give them guidance, help and understanding. It is your duty to see that you have and keep good teachers.

Schools are one of the most important institutions in our community and institutions, basically, are people. The teachers and administrators of our school not only represent the school but are the school to the community. Citizens of a community believe in the schools until given what they consider to be definite reasons for not believing in them. One act by any staff member can lead to the denunciation of the whole school. The tendency of human nature is to jump from a specific conclusion to a general one. A disgraceful display of temper by one teacher may easily become "The teachers in our school have uncontrollable tempers." One teacher may be unjust and the talk will be "The school is unjust in their punishment."

Learn firsthand about your schools. The teachers will not only welcome you anytime you want to visit but they will be stimulated by your interest. Talk with other parents. If citizens become acquainted with the schools and their problems, they are more likely to enlist themselves in efforts to improve their schools.

The education of our young citizens remains the most challenging of all public responsibilities, and it deserves no less than the active participation and support of all our citizens.

## Four to Seek Alderman Post

One new name has been placed on the ballot and three will seek reelection when voters go to the polls to name three aldermen on Tuesday, April 1.

Newton Logan, local pharmacist, is the new candidate and Clyde Eager, Odie Griffin and Ben R. Hicks will seek reelection.

The election will be in the welfare office from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., according to Andy Shouse, election judge. Absentee voting is held not more than 20 days or less than three days prior to April 1.

Mrs. Walter Frazier had as guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. George Frazier and sons, David and Danny, of Aspermont. Mrs. W. A. Wade and son, James, of Fort Phantom Hill and Mrs. Goldie Malone.

## Lloyd R. Warren At Sheppard AFB

Airman Basic Lloyd R. Warren, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Warren of Merkel and husband of the former Miss Elvia M. Cox of Goree, has recently entered training at Sheppard AFB, Wichita Falls, in the aircraft hydraulic repairman course.

Airman Warren is a 1957 graduate of Noodle High School. Prior to enlisting in the Air Force Jan. 18, 1958, Airman Warren was employed by Beasley Oil Well Service in Hawley.

Hugh Fronsbarger, of Ft. Worth, was a recent visitor with his sister, Mrs. O. B. Boden and niece, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Baze. Mr. Fronsbarger also attended a banquet in Big Spring for T. & P. employees, with whom he was employed for 55 years.

## Merkel Man's Father Hurt In Accident

Two Abilene men were injured when the car they were in was in collision with a 1951 Ford driven by Jimmy Neill, 19, of Rt. 10, Abilene.

Willie Springer, 47, of Abilene, father of Max Springer, Merkel, was hospitalized at Sadler Clinic-Hospital with neck and head injuries.

A. R. (Red) Elam of Elam Drilling Co. of Abilene suffered a fractured pelvis. He was taken to Hendrick Hospital in Abilene by a Starbuck Funeral Home ambulance. Neill was treated and released at Sadler Clinic.

The accident occurred at 7:45 p.m. Tuesday about 10 miles south of here on FM 126, according to Highway Patrolman James Wood. He was assisted in the investigation by Patrolman Jack Holmes.

Elam was in a 1958 Pontiac driven by Springer when it collided with the Ford which had stopped at the intersection of two roads, the highway patrolman said. The road curves at that point, and Neill had stopped to let the other car go by.

Springer, partially blinded by the lights of the Ford, thought the Neill car was on the farm to market road, and started to go to the right. Realizing his error, he pulled back, but the Pontiac skidded on the gravel shoulder, hit the Ford and overturned, the officer said.

## First Baptist Spring Revival Starts Easter

The First Baptist Church is preparing for an all-out effort in their forthcoming Spring Revival which is set to begin Easter Sunday and continue through Sunday, April 13.

Dr. Franklin E. Swanner, missions secretary for District 9, which is the Lubbock and South Plains area, will be the evangelist and R. B. Hall, Jr., music director for the church will be in charge of the music for the week.

The "Pack-a-Pew" program for reaching the people for service attendance is being used. It is a plan whereby each separate pew in the sanctuary is assigned to a certain family. That family is responsible for filling it with people for each night, Sunday through Wednesday.

The revival will continue through Sunday, April 13, and the Rev. C. G. Sewell, pastor, has expressed his hope that the high attendance level set the first part of the week will continue to the close.

## Lions Birthday Banquet Tonight

The Merkel Lions Club will celebrate their 30th anniversary with a banquet in the school cafeteria at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, March 27.

An evening of fun built around a "Laugh Fiesta" is being planned for the occasion, according to Charles Hogsett, program chairman.

The menu for the banquet will include baked ham, candied yams, waldorf salad, broccoli with cheese sauce, cherry cobbler, rolls and coffee.

"We would like for everyone to come and help us celebrate our birthday," says Herman Carson, president, "there will be good food and lots of fun for everyone."

Tickets may be bought at the Merkel Drug, Merkel Mail or from any Lions Club member.

## BASEBALL SCHEDULE 1958

### MERKEL BADGERS

March 26. At Cisco — 4:00  
March 31. At Divide — 4:00  
April 1. Jim Ned — 8:00  
April 8. Divide — 8:00  
April 12. Pre-Season District Tournament at Rotan Throckmorton — 1:00  
April 14. At Abilene "B" — 4:00  
April 17. Abilene "B" — 8:00  
April 21. At Jim Ned — 4:00  
April 22. Rotan — 8:00  
April 24. At Anson — 4:00  
April 25. Clyde — 8:00  
April 29. At Throckmorton 4:00  
May 2. At Rotan — 8:00  
May 5. Anson — 4:00  
May 6. At Clyde — 8:00  
May 9. Throckmorton — 8:00  
May 13. Cisco — 8:00

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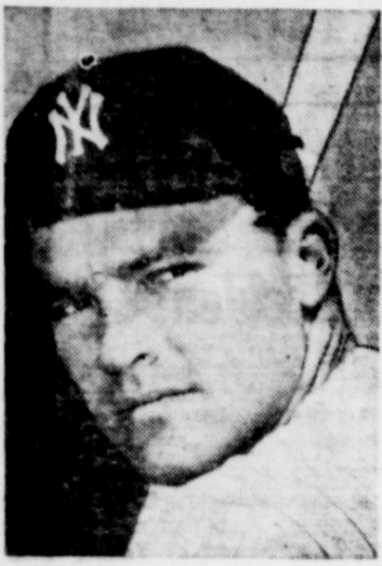
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# SPORTS CORNER



## Here N' There

Claude (Monk) Simons, hero of the first Sugar Bowl football game, is new president of the New Orleans Mid-Winter Sports Association, sponsor of the annual event.

In the 1935 Sugar Bowl game Simons led Tulane to a 20-14 victory over Temple. His 85-yard kickoff return for a touchdown started a Tulane rally after the team was behind 14-0. The feat still stands as a Sugar Bowl record . . . Jack Curtice, who left Utah to become head coach at Stanford, has announced that Wayne Hansen and Andy Everest will join him as assistants . . . Gopher Bob Tolski thinks the new Caribbean tour could be developed into the next major league of golf. Three tournaments were held this year and more are expected next winter. Tolski won the two tournaments he entered . . . The first jumping race for horses in the United States was a hurdle contest in 1834, held at the Washington (D. C.) Jockey Club Park "for gentlemen riders."

ANOTHER MANTLE? . . . Yankees' prize rookie is Deron Johnson, 19. He hit .329 for Kearney, Neb. in 1956, and .303 and 26 homers for Binghamton, N.Y. in 1957. He plays both infield and outfield.

## UP THE CANYON

By TOM RUSSOM

The farmers of the Canyon got in a lick or two between showers with their farming. They got a me of the land plowed.

Some of the farmers are taking livestock off their wheat fields. This could be the year for a grain crop.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Vitek and two daughters, Lura and June of Granger spent the weekend in the home of Mrs. Vitek's brother, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brnovak.

J. Bryan Bradbury, Abilene Attorney, spoke at a community gathering in the Fellowship Hall of Pioneer Church Tuesday night. Bill Tippen, his law partner was also a visitor here.

Tommie Neill and son of Merkel attended church at Pioneer Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewell McLean accompanied Tommie Neill and son to their home in Merkel Sunday for dinner and a visit.

Some of our boys from the Canyon rang the bell at the Track meet in Trent Saturday. Riley Seymour won four medals and Joe Neill won two first place medals.

These boys are good at any job; lamb feeding, track meets or most anything they undertake to do.

Tom Russom, stockman, took a load of sheep to the San Angelo market Saturday. The sheep run was very light.

Frank Brnovak marked his lambs up this week and reported though he had a light loss due to the snowstorm he still had a hundred percent lamb crop, due to the number of twin lambs born.

Mr. and Mrs. Odell Anderson of Kansas, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Anderson and Mrs. Pomroy of Merkel visited friends here and in Nolan Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Odell Anderson will return to their home in Kansas April 5, after an extended visit with relatives and friends here and in Merkel.

The Taylor and Jones County 5th Sunday singing convention will be held Sunday afternoon in the Trent High School auditorium. Joe Nalley says, "We would like to see everyone in and around Trent and Merkel attend this convention. Singers from a wide area will be there."

We understand the well on the Will Butman place is down to 4600 feet, the contract depth calls for 6200.

Donald Ray Russom says that if anyone has a male bulldog puppy to give away he would like to have one. Phone Nubia 4163.

We talked to Cramer Reynolds this week and he reports that cattle prices are still very high. He believes they will continue to

be high for some time and states that cattle runs at the Auction commission are light.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Toombs of Merkel spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mrs. Toombs parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Demerie.



HEARTFELT KISS . . . Senate majority leader Lyndon Johnson (Texas) kneels to kiss Kathleen Burns, aged 21 months, who was named "Heart Sunday Sweetheart" in Washington, D.C. ceremony.

## Payton Scott On Tech's Livestock Judging Team

Texas Tech's livestock judging team placed second in intercollegiate competition held at the annual Fat Livestock Show here.

First in the eight-team field was Oklahoma State University.

Representing Tech in the contest were Payton Scott, Merkel; Don Mankins, Dundee; Billy Weatherby, Miles; and Dudley Arnett, Lubbock. Louis Heinze of Miles was alternate.

The Red Raiders placed first in hog judging, third in cattle and fourth in sheep and in horses. Arnett was fifth high individual judge and Weatherby was first in horse judging.

Other students making the trip included Dale Herring, Talpa; Myron Hillman, Goldthwaite; Newton Klutts, Richardson; Edward Robertson, Breckenridge; and Don Bell, Lubbock. Livestock judging coach is Stanley Anderson, associate professor of animal husbandry.



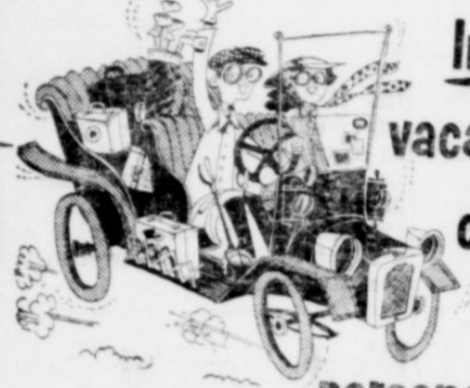
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When you sit down to compute your income tax this month, carefully list items for deduction. Then study your instruction form and add items you may have missed and scratch off those which do not qualify. Then be very sure you have a cancelled check or receipt to verify each claim. Your cancelled checks, along with the built-in bookkeeping of your check book, provides a real helper. When you pay your tax, be sure to pay by check . . . the sure way to protect you and your payment.

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These people helped Mother bake the cake and cook the party food. They helped freeze the ice cream, sew Mary's dress, and wash and iron it. They helped heat, light and clean the house for the party.

These busy people are the men and women who supply electric service for Mary's house. It's hard to imagine life without the electricity they provide — for everyone depends on electricity for dozens of jobs all over the house.

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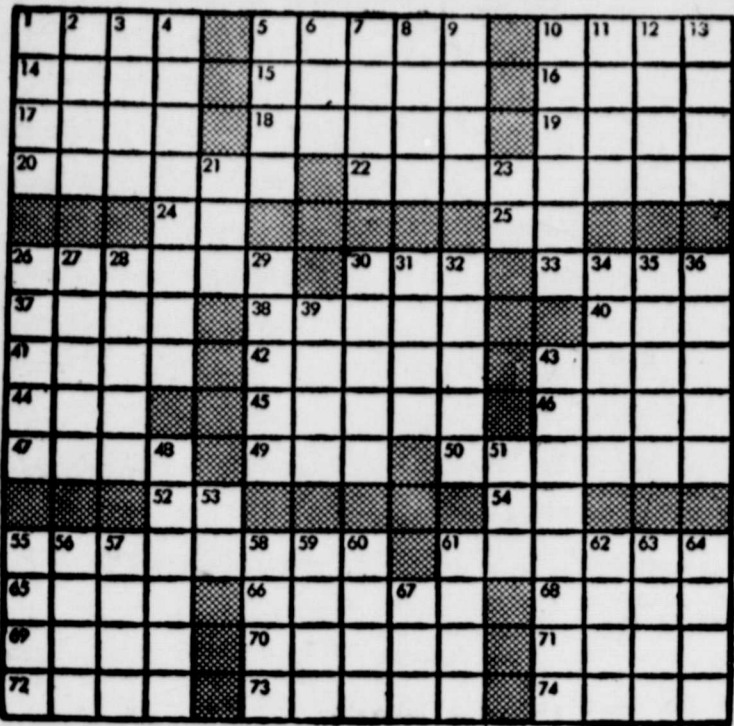
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  - 20 Cotton cloth like percale
  - 22 Cuddling
  - 21 Buddhist monk
  - 23 Prefix: pot
  - 28 Burns with boiling water
  - 30 A new
  - 33 Disposed of for price
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  - 42 Turkish decree
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  - 47 Feminine name
  - 48 Raised transportation lines
  - 50 Tea cakes
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  - 55 Shakes with fear
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  - 70 Growing out
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  - 1 Harvest
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  - 11 Persian eld
  - 12 Seaport in Algeria
  - 13 Flavor
  - 21 Incline the head
  - 23 Kind of palm
  - 25 Steps, over fence
  - 27 A color
  - 29 Gazelle
  - 29 Spout for drawing sap
  - 30 Genus of S. African garter snakes
  - 31 Passing fancies
  - 32 Woody plants
  - 34 Body of water
  - 35 United
  - 36 Small depressions
  - 38 Spoken
  - 43 A drudge (pl.)
  - 44 Serpent (pl.)
  - 51 Sounder
  - 53 Fundamental mass of life's tendencies
  - 55 Fruit of blackthorn
  - 56 Residence
  - 57 Russian mountains
  - 58 Danish weight (pl.)
  - 59 City in Nevada
  - 60 Cooky
  - 61 The sweet-appeal
  - 62 Masculine name
  - 63 Roman goddess of fate
  - 64 Obtains
  - 67 Goddess of infatuation

Answer to Puzzle No. 490

# SPRING VALUES

SPECIALS FOR THURS., FRI. SAT. MARCH 27-28-29

LIBBY'S  
**PEACHES**

(LIMIT)

**25¢**

No. 2 1/2 Can

**CRISCO** 3 lb. can - - **89¢**

WHITE SWAN

**COFFEE** Lb. - - - - **79¢**

BETTY CROCKER

**CAKE MIX** 3 pkgs. - **89¢**

FOLGER'S INSTANT

**COFFEE** 2 oz. jar **39¢**

HUNT'S

**CATSUP** 14-oz. bottle - **15¢**

ARMOUR'S CLOVERBLOOM

**OLEO** Lb. - - - - **25¢**

KRAFT'S VELVEETA

**CHEESE** 2 lb. box - - **79¢**

SUPREME 2 Lb. Box **CRACKERS** - - - **49¢**

LIPTON'S 16 ct. bags **TEA** - 1/4 lb. pkg. **39¢**

SWIFT'S JEWEL

**OIL**  
Qt. **59¢**

HI-C 46-Oz. Can **ORANGE ADE** - - **25¢**

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DELICIOUS **APPLES** - - - lb. **12¢**

TEXAS **ORANGES** - - lb. **12¢**

CRISP Cello Bag **CARROTS** - - **8¢**

FRESH GREEN **CABBAGE** - - - lb. **5¢**

WHITE **ONIONS** - - - - lb. **9¢**

GLADIOLA Pkg. of 24 **ROLLS** - - **25¢**

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**CORN** - - - - 2 for **35¢**

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**Pineapple JUICE** - - - **29¢**

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**PICKLES** - - - qt. **25¢**

ZESTEE - Grape  
**JELLY** - - - - **25¢**

GLADIOLA  
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**TUNA** - - - - can **19¢**

JIF - 12-Oz. Jar  
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MATCHLESS  
**BACON** - - - - lb. **53¢**

**SALT JOWLS** - lb. **29¢**

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**STEAK** - - - - lb. **89¢**

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Helen Burloro - - - - 55.00
- THURSDAY-LOSER  
Dot Swafford - - - - 5.00
- FRIDAY-LOSER  
Lilly Milligan - - - - 10.00
- SATURDAY-LOSER  
A. C. Shook - - - - 15.00
- MONDAY-LOSER  
L. B. Vineyard - - - - 20.00

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### Y.W.A.'s Have Mexican Supper

Senoras George T. Moore and Clyde Bartlett entertained the Vaughnville Y.W.A. with a chili supper Wednesday evening at the Bartlett hacienda.

Senora Bill Mauldin of Tye, District Y.W.A. Director, gave the devotional "A Challenge to Prayer Life." Another guest,

Senora C. G. Sewell, led in prayer.

The Mexican food was served from tables with authentic Mexican appointments. Colorful straw sombreros were favors.

Senoritas attending were Virginia Criswell, Kay Lynn Perry, Kay Teaff, Bette Flo Smith, Linda Winter, Annette Boney, Jane Lollar, Sue Bond, Donna Sue Scott and Muchacha Melinda Murphy.



### The Plainsmen Quartet

formerly known as the STAMPS QUARTET will be in MERKEL for a

### CONCERT Thursday, April 3

At The HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM.

The Plainsmen are sponsored in Merkel by the Assembly of God.

Admission: Adults — \$1.00  
Students — 50c

Curtain Time 7:30 p.m.

The Plainsmen Quartet may be heard on KPAR-TV each Wed. at 6:30 p.m. Advance tickets may be purchased by calling any of these numbers 352-W 349 339-M 18

### Goodman HD Club News

Mrs. Jennings Winter brought the program on "Wardrobe planning" when Mrs. D. L. Butler hosted the Goodman Home Demonstration club at the community center, Friday, March 14.

Mrs. Carl Bonneaux, president, presided, and roll call was answered with "One way we can improve our club."

Mrs. Dan Butler offered the opening prayer.

Mrs. Cal McAninch directed recreation.

Refreshments were served to eight members.

Mrs. Don Deen Deen and children, Diane and Steve, and Mrs. Jack Chensault and daughter, Vickie, of Stamford, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Deen Tuesday.



OPERATION QUICKSTEP . . . 300 British troops embark at Idris, Tripoli, to take part in combined RAF-army mobility exercise.

## ACROSS the DESK

From the Vista Press, Vista, California: Accidentally across a newspaper from deep in the Ozarks, which carried an interesting cross section of the type of lives these people live.

The publication is from a county seat and is almost entirely filled with personal items, some of which are worth repeating, others demonstrate the simplicity to which these citizens are accustomed. One for instance tells about Mr. and Mrs. Jones showing up in town, she shopping while he sold a calf at the stock auction. Another tells about a woman who dropped her birthday pennies in the box at church. One country correspondent wrote: "Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Knox were over from Ofskee county last Saturday to shop in the Succor capital of the world." We couldn't help but wonder if the word "succor" was correctly spelled.

The advertising was highly interesting, and almost made us want to move to that country: Steaks, lb. 59c; apple cider, gallon 59c; (hard cider is not quoted—neither was white mule); all brands of coffee sell for 85c per pound; (guess these people don't have to pay for the Cadillac the



TRIPLETS . . . Wm. H. Williams of Grady, Pa., poses with his 3-year-old Hampshire ewe and her three lambs, 2 days old.

### Trent Baptist Enter Program Of Achievement

The First Baptist Church of Trent is participating in the 1958 Texas Baptist Church Achievement Program sponsored by the Central Baptist Convention of Texas.

Designed to stimulate interest in "small church work," the program recognizes outstanding achievements by pastors and churches in areas of church, community and world improvement.

More than 235 Texas Baptist town and country churches participated in the program last year. Each church participating in the program sets up goals for advancement in the three areas. An inventory questionnaire furnishes suggestions for projects, such as health education, community recreation, citizenship training, race relation studies and world missions.

Individual churches, however, select their own projects for the program.

### Home Demonstration Notes

By LORETA ALLEN

Taylor County Home Demonstration Agent



When we do have a pretty spring day, we kinda have that spring house cleaning fever.

Some of your varnished pieces may be dull looking, sticky or soiled. If so, here's a "face-lifting" and cleaning:

- In a double boiler combine 1 qt. hot water
- 1 tablespoon gum turpentine (to cut the dirt)
- 3 tablespoons boiled linseed oil, or lemon oil (to lubricate, feed and polish the wood)

Keep the mixture hot in a double boiler while you work. Dip a soft cloth in the solution, wring out excess moisture and apply to furniture doing only one part of the piece at a time. Rub the wood, keeping moisture away from the joints as much as possible. Fine steel wool may be used to rub the solution on badly soiled surfaces. Wipe the surface immediately with a dry cloth. Polish with a woolen cloth.

The weeds must be getting the best if some of the people of the Union Ridge Club as last week they wanted to sing the "Song of the Hoe."

Don't forget the coffee and style show Tuesday, April 1st at

West Texas Utilities Auditorium on Lytle Lake. Come anytime between 10:00-11:30 A.M.

The 4-H boys and girls are having a recreation school at Lawn this week. Miss Lucille Moore, Recreation Specialist, is conducting the school for Taylor County and Coleman County 4-H'ers.

### Be good to your car...

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### 4-H'ers Set 1958 Achievement Goal In Project Work

Achievement is the goal of every 4-H Club member in the state. Whether it be in raising chickens, growing crops, making a dress, or baking a loaf of bread, the boys and girls want to "make the best better," which is the 4-H way.

Again this year, members will have an opportunity to enter their records of accomplishments in the national 4-H Achievement program, according to the State 4-H Club leader. The 4-H'ers will be judged on project achievement, and on leadership, personal development, and community service as well.

Club members entering their records in the achievement program, will vie for valuable awards provided by the Ford Motor Co. Six boys and girls chosen for national honors will each receive a \$400 college scholarship plus a trip to the 1958 National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago, Nov. 30 - Dec. 4. The state winner will also go to the Congress with all-expenses paid. A blue award group of four in each county will be given the gold-filled medal of honor.

During the National 4-H Congress the top achievement boy and girl in the nation will be

selected for special honors, and each will be presented with a beautiful silver trophy, an award from the President of the United States.

To be eligible for state and national honors, members must be 14 years old and have satisfactorily completed three years of 4-H Club work, according to the State Extension office. Further information may be obtained from local 4-H leaders, and the County Extension agent.

### NEWSPAPER

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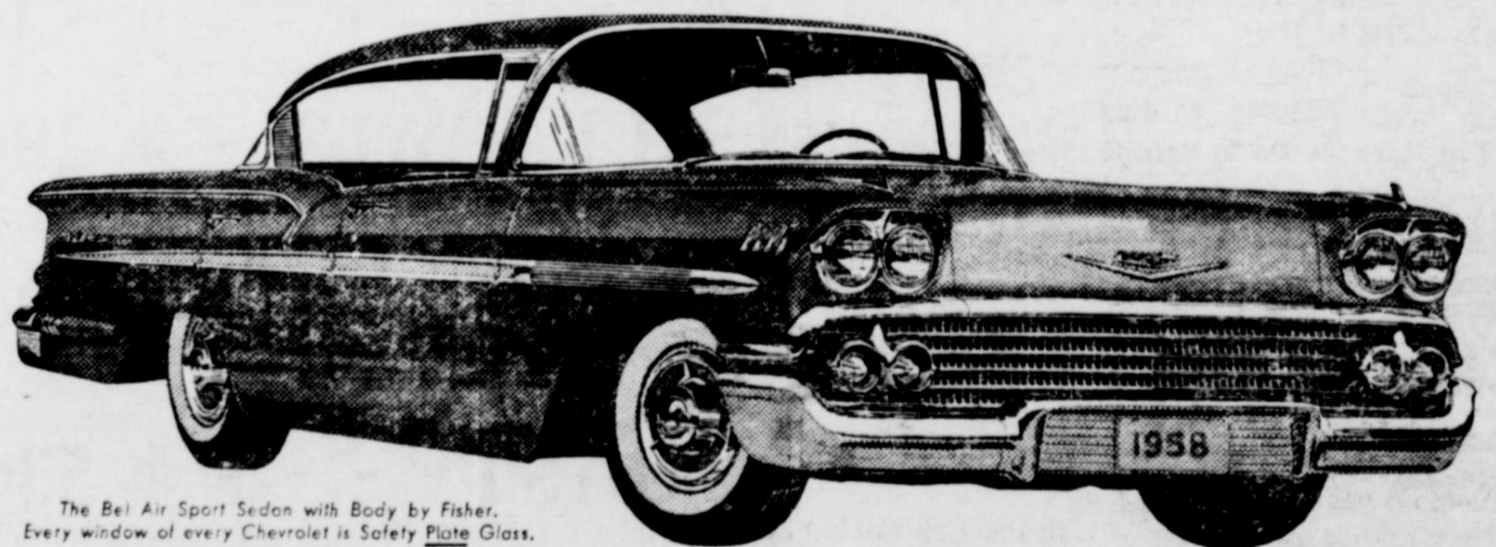
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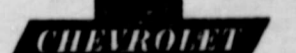
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### Mrs. J. Hardesty Named President Of RSP Chapter

Mrs. John Hardesty was named president of Lambda Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi at a meeting in the Taylor Electric Auditorium Tuesday, March 18. She succeeds Mrs. Dale Litton.

Other officers elected were Mrs. Lynn Knight, vice president; Mrs. John McKenzie, recording secretary; Mrs. Homer Patterson, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Charles Hogsett, treasurer; and Mrs. Brandon Wade, extension officer. Mrs. Earl Hughes is sponsor for the sorority.

Mrs. Billy Jones, fashion coordinator for Marcus in Abilene, gave a program on "Charm." She was introduced by Mrs. Horace Hargrove who was in charge of the program for the evening. It was reported that members of the sorority collected \$100 for the Red Cross Drive now in progress.

Mrs. Ronnie Leveridge of Abilene and Mrs. H. P. Crimm were visitors for the evening. Hostesses were Mrs. Lester Dorton and Mrs. John McKenzie.

Mr. H. P. Alderman and children and Mrs. Warren Shaw and family of Texas City were weekend visitors with their parents and grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dean and children.

Recent visitors in the home of Mrs. W. H. Laney were Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Davis of Colorado City, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bickley, Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Homer Laney of Tye.

### Union Ridge HD Club News

"Planning your landscape" was the topic discussed by Miss Loreta Aien, County agent, at the Union Ridge Home Demonstration Club when it met in the home of Mrs. J. C. Walton, Friday, March 21.

Miss Allen suggested that one make plans in order to simply time and work in the yard. She also stated that flower and shrub roots do not do well together.

The meeting was opened with the club creed and prayer followed by group singing. Roll call by Mrs. Clyde Newton, secretary, was answered with "What I would do if given \$100 to spend foolishly."

Mrs. Denzel Cox, president, presided for the business session and Miss Mable McRee gave the council report.

A county-wide coffee will be held at the West Texas Utilities Auditorium in Abilene, Tuesday, April 1, from 10:00 to 1:30 a. m. when members of the various clubs will model dresses they have made.

Refreshments of pink and yellow chiffon pie and iced tea with favors of filled Easter baskets were served by the hostess to three visitors, Mrs. Sallie Gant, Mrs. Mable Dorton and Miss Allen and seven members.

County extension agents in Texas reported to B. G. Hancock, extension horticulturist, that 499,910 home vegetable gardens were grown last year by Texas families. Hancock said 268,000 of these gardens were grown in towns and cities.

### Mrs. W. S. J. Brown Speaks To Garden Club On Mulching

Mrs. W. S. J. Brown spoke on the "Advantages of Mulching" when the Garden Club met in the home of Mrs. A. H. McElmurry March 20.

Mrs. Brown said that mulching is next in importance to fertilizing you garden in West Texas because of its ability to hold moisture.

Mrs. Dee Grimes presided for a business session during which members voted to sponsor a sale of large stones for \$10 each to help complete the stone fence at Rose Hill Cemetery. Anyone interested in buying the stones are urged to buy Garden Club members or Booth Warren at the bank.

Mrs. Dale Litton, program chairman, reported that the club members would order iris at the next meeting.

Mrs. Brown and Mrs. John Shannon were appointed to make plans for a flower show to be held in April.

After the meeting adjourned the club members worked on the Red Cross Drive, collecting \$54.75 from the section of town they were assigned by local chairman Leon Walker.

### this week's patterns... BY AUDREY LANE



Dress pattern No. 1422—for the woman who is not so tall—a good looking button front dress that doubles as a sun dress or jumper. No. 1422 with PHOTO-GUIDE is in sizes 12½, 14½, 16½, 18½, 20½, 22½, 24½, 26½. Size 14½, 35 bust, dress, 3½ yards of 35-inch blouse 2½ yards. Needlework pattern No. 155—Cute Mrs. Ducky at work makes a delightful embroidery for a set of kitchen towels. P. 5. A wonderful gift for the bride-to-be! No. 155 has hot-iron transfer—7 motifs, color chart. Send 35c for each dress pattern. 25c for each needlework pattern to AUDREY LANE BUREAU, Dept. "NWNS," 367 West Adams St., Chicago 6, Illinois.

Dr. Billy P. Smith of Hardin-Simmons University was guest speaker at the First Baptist Church here on Monday and Tuesday evenings, March 17, 18, speaking to the young people on the subject "Christ is my career."

A healthy herd is essential to efficient, profitable dairy production, says A. M. Meekma, extension dairy husbandman.

### Trent G. A.'s Ritual Held

The first coronation service of Girls Auxiliary was held at the First Baptist Church, Trent, on Wednesday night, March 19.

Mrs. A. H. Williams gave a brief history of G. A. work and directed the coronation service.

Participating in the service were Floydell Ross, Phyllis Mayhugh, Stephanie Hogan, Jane Steadman, Sue Howard and Joyce Howard, maidens; Brenda Tittle and Sherry Heatly, ladies-in-waiting; Candy Higgins, princess; Sue Bankston was crowned queen.

Also participating in the service were five primary Sunbeams, and seven beginner Sunbeams. Mrs. Geta Williamson is G. A. Counselor. The service was well attended by members of the church and several guests, including Mrs. Vaughn Doan and a group of G.A.'s from the First Baptist Church, Merkel.

Preceding the Coronation ceremonies ladies of the church sponsored a supper for all G.A.'s, YWA's and Sunbeams of the church.

### Dale Moore Circle Meets

The Dale Moore Circle of the First Baptist Church met in the home of Mrs. George T. Moore Tuesday, March 25.

Mrs. Ted McAninch, president, said the opening prayer and Mrs. G. D. McConnell gave the Mission study.

Seven members were present. Mr. and Mrs. Adren Farmer and granddaughter, Lelani of the White Church community visited Mrs. Hugh Campbell Thursday.

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### TRENT NEWS

Several in the community are ill with measles.

Mrs. Henry Lee Tittle underwent surgery in the Sadler Clinic last week and is reported to be recovering rapidly.

Robert Hail and son, Bobby, of Odessa visited his mother, Mrs. Frank Hail and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Taylor and children Sunday. His mother accompanied him upon his return for a visit.

The Couples Class of the Methodist Church entertained a group at a luncheon Thursday night.

Mrs. Elmer Hall, Littlefield, and daughter, Mrs. Don Ramsey of Snyder were guests in the L. W. Ross home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hub Kegans and son, Eugene, spent the weekend with their son, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kegans and children of Wichita Falls.

The annual rabbit drive will be held Friday and Saturday, March 28-29. All men interested are requested to meet at the school building at 8:30 a.m. Shells will be available at a reduced price. Women are urged to bring pies and cakes as lunch will be served in the school lunch room.

Weekly Meditation—Proverbs 3:5-6. "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths."

Whitt Farmer of Ira was a visitor here the past weekend with his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Etzel Farmer and children, and his father-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hamp Campbell.

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**MELLORINE ½ gal. 39c**

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**BANANAS - - - - lb. 12c**

K. B.  
**OLEO - - - - - lb. 19c**

CAL-TOP — No. 2½ Sliced  
**PEACHES - - - 2 for 49c**

K. B. GRAPEFRUIT — 46-oz. Can  
**JUICE - - - - - can 25c**

**JELLO - - - - - 3 for 25c**

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# WANT ADS

## MISCELLANEOUS

**LOST**—Youth Club key. Return to Mrs. J. C. Walton or Mrs. Robt. Malone. 2-4tp

**WANTED**—House painting, Repairing, Remodeling, Building. Big or little jobs. Hour or contracts. Lee Ward, Phone 195-J, 511 Ash. 23-tfc

**WANTED**—Used complete set of World Book, Book of Knowledge and Encyclopedia Britannica. Call 61 or write box 428.

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

## NOTICE MASONS

Stated meeting of Merkel Lodge No. 710, A.F. & A. M. Saturday, Mar. 29 7:30 p.m. All members are urged to attend. Visiting brethren cordially invited.  
T. J. Bird Sr. W. M.  
C. B. Rust, Secretary.

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## FOR RENT

**FOR RENT** — 2-room furnished apartment. Ideal for a middle-aged lady. Mrs. Johnny Cox, 212 Cherry. 51-tfc

**FOR RENT**—Modern unfurnished 4-room duplex. See Ray Wilson at Wilson's Food Store. 47-tfc

**FOR RENT**—4 rooms and bath large walk-in closets, on school bus route 1½ miles north of town. C. K. Russell. 9013 J-2 1-tfc

**FOR RENT**—5-room modern furnished house. See at 304 Orange 2-tfc

**FOR RENT**—Furnished house. Call 13-R. 2-tfc

**FOR RENT**—Bedroom. Mrs. J. T. Moran. 311 Cherry. Tel. 304-J mornings 2-3tc

## FOR SALE

**FOR SALE**—24, 26 and 28-inch International Disc plw blades 26-inch, \$12; 26-inch, \$11; 24-inch, \$10.

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**FOR SALE** — The Mrs. J. S. Swann, two apartment house near church and school at 1207 E. 4th Street. Will Finance. Contact Sam Swann, Phone 52. 18-tfc

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**FOR SALE**— Man's heavy stock saddle. G. B. Green, Rt. 1. Tel. Trent 2-2683. 52-tfc

**FOR SALE**—Plenty of certified Northern Star cotton seed. Also Western Prolific and Lan-kart No. 57. Toombs & Moore. 52-tfc

**FOR SALE**—Leonard Electric range. Excellent condition. To see call 120-J after 6 p.m. 52-tfc

## POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

(The Merkel Mail is authorized to make the following announcements of candidates, subject to the action of the Democratic party primary, July 26.)

County School Superintendent (Give Please) (re-election)

**FOR SALE** in Trent—15-room house with bath. 7-25ft. lots. W. C. Matthews, Real Estate Trent. 52-tfc

**FOR SALE**—2 Hereford Bulls 14 mo. old. Also registered Duric hogs, 7 mo. old. See W. T. LEDBETTER 1½ mi. S.E. of Stith. 1-3tp

**FOR SALE**—Two nice residences in Tuscola, priced reasonable, also a few rentals. Earl Parmelee Real Estate. Tuscola. 2-2tc

**SPINET PIANO** — Responsible party can arrange most attractive purchase of fine spinet piano. Small monthly payments. Write before we send truck. McFarland Music Co., 722 W. 3rd, Elk City, Okla.

**FOR SALE**—1947 Chevrolet truck. See at 108 Orange

**HOUSE FOR SALE**—Call 357-W 2-1tp

**LOTS OF TOMATO PLANTS**—to sell at domino hall. Free book exchange. 2-3tp

## Legal Column

**THE STATE OF TEXAS**  
To any Sheriff or any Constable within the State of Texas —

**GREETINGS:**  
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: Betty Holmes, Defendant.

**GREETING:**  
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County at the Court-house 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 the issuance of this citation, same being the 28th day of April A. D. 1958, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 15th day of January A. D. 1958, in this cause, numbered 22,725-A on the docket of said court and styled Sidney Holmes, Plaintiff, vs. Betty Holmes, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and defendant were duly and legally married on or about 1942, and separated on or about Sept. 1956. Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of harsh and cruel treatment. Plaintiff alleges that there are no children of this marriage and

no community property to be adjudicated as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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

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

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 11th day of March A. D. 1958.

(SEAL)  
Attest: R. H. Ross, Clerk, 42nd District Court Taylor County, Texas.  
By Irene Crawford, Deputy.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS  
TO: Vermel Hill, Defendant.

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court and styled Henry A. W. Hill, Plaintiff, vs. Vermel Hill, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and defendant were duly and legally married on or about the 1st day of July, 1952, and became permanently separated on or about March 1954.

Plaintiff alleges that no children were born of this union and no property accumulated, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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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 19th day of March A. D. 1958.

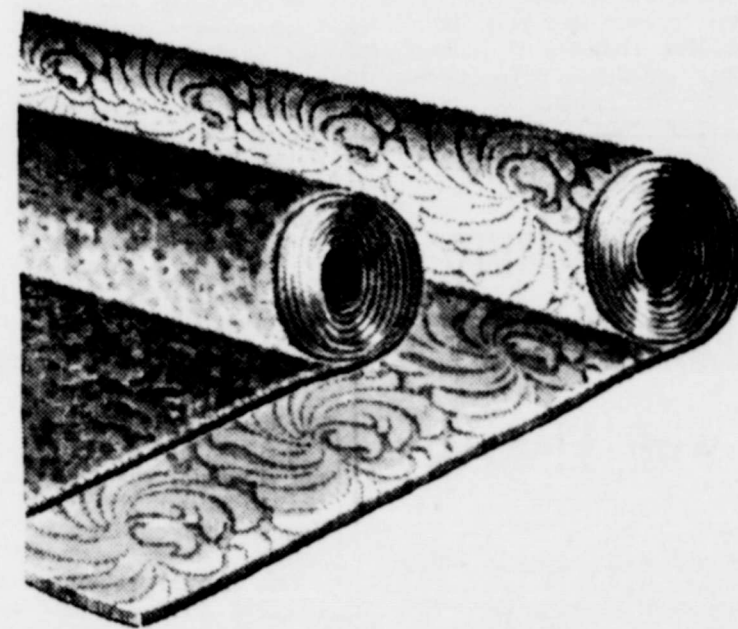
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"If you own U. S. Saving Bonds you must report interest on them," A. E. Fogle, Jr. of Internal Revenue Service, Abilene, Texas, said today.

"If you are on the cash basis, you have an option as to when you may report the interest on your income tax return. You may choose to report interest yearly,

If you do it this way, the amount of interest to be included in income each year is given in the table on the bond."

According to Mr. A. E. Fogle, Jr., the taxpayer may elect to wait until the bonds are matured or cashed before reporting the interest earned. In this case the interest must be included as income for that year. Also, once the taxpayer elects to report interest yearly, he must stick with this method unless he is given permission to change to another method.

Asked about Savings Bonds held beyond maturity, Mr. A. E.

Fogle, Jr., explained that if a taxpayer owned Series E Bonds wishes to hold them beyond maturity they will continue earning interest for ten more years, or until they are cashed, whichever is earlier.

Taxpayers in the Abilene, Texas area are making the four "all-too-common" errors in their tax returns, according to A. E. Fogle, Jr. of Internal Revenue Service, Abilene, Texas. These are:

"Failure to print or write legibly, forgetting to sign, not reporting all income, and mistakes in arithmetic."

Mr. A. E. Fogle, Jr. continued, "Three out of ten taxpayers who make major arithmetic errors pay too much tax, or select the wrong tax from the tax table."

"Unreported income often stems from bank bearing interest; taxpayers with time deposits frequently overlook the bank credits to their account. Also, we find taxpayers forgetting that some of the money received when they cash E bonds is interest income, if the bond has reached interest-bearing life."

Dependency errors, especially those involving working wives, are "all-too-common" on 1957 returns. According to IRS, some wives earning less than \$600 file separate returns to get a refund on their withholding tax. This separate filing actually costs the couple money, because the husband cannot claim the wife's exemption.

"These couples," Mr. A. E. Fogle, Jr., said, "should file joint returns, and when joint returns are filed both parties must sign the joint return."



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As these lines are written, word has come that our Country has launched a satellite that is now traveling around the earth. Someone has asked if there is danger that it may crash with Sputnik in space. Aside from facetious thoughts about space travel, let us consider what may be learned from the satellites circling the world. And how would it do to forget the Russians for awhile, if we can, and give ourselves solely to our own business of making rockets and of learning from them.

finance committee. This was necessary since funds of this magnitude and urgency were not available except through action by the Finance Committee and the Executive Board.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Anderson have taken their son, Andy, to Dallas where he will undergo tests in one of the hospitals.

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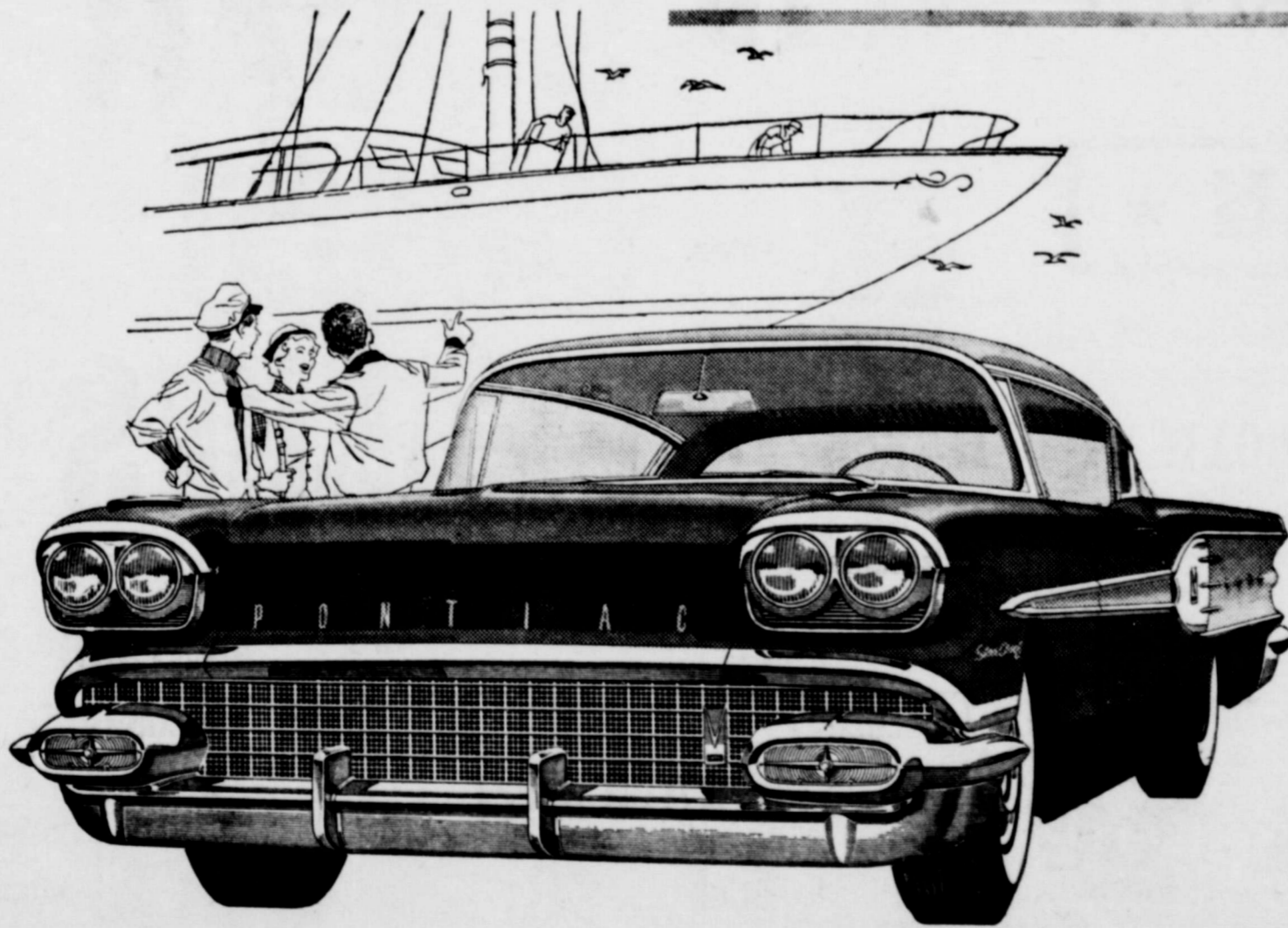
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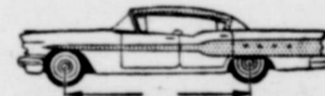
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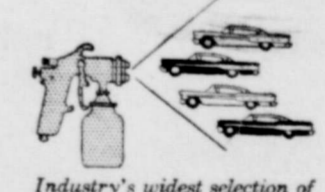
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