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## Pros And Cons Of 'NO Toll' Service Told To Telephone CO-OP Members

Board members of Taylor Telephone Cooperative, Inc., met with a representative group of citizens from South Taylor County to discuss the possibilities of securing extended area service for the exchanges at Tuscola, Lawn, Buffalo Gap, Bradshaw, Noodle and Nubia to Abilene.

The request for the extended area service or "free toll" was made at the annual membership meeting on Sept. 23.

Coy McDougald, field representative from Lubbock, met with the group and compared the costs of toll charges and the increased extended area service charge would automatically go into effect if the exchanges are provided with the service.

Mr. McDougald said that 100% of the members of a particular exchange would have to agree before REA would advance funds for any additional equipment. He pointed out that should Bell Telephone agree to grant EAS to Buffalo Gap, Tuscola and Lawn they will probably require that free calls be eliminated between these

exchanges.

It was reported at the meeting Monday that a telephone poll was made of the Bradshaw exchange asking what additional rate increase they would accept for extended area service into Abilene. Replies of 24 members out of 38 were as follows: 11 would not pay any additional rate; 8, no more than fifty cents; 1, would pay 75 cents more; 2, \$1 more; 2, \$1.50 more.

G. C. Cross of Ovalo made a motion that a three-man committee be organized to explore the possibility of getting reasonable rates for the EAS to the exchanges which now are without the service. The motion was approved. Committee members include Frank Boulter, C. A. Fomby, both of Tuscola, and Lance Smith of Lawn. Serving as alternates are Fred Aylen of Tuscola and Cross of Ovalo.

Representative members complained that subscribers to the independent exchanges threatened to have phones taken out if the price of service is increased.

Other subscribers were more than willing to pay a set rate for the extended area service so as not to have to pay for toll charges within the would-be service bounds.

Three factors will determine the charge of telephone service, John Hardesty, manager of the co-op, said. The connecting company's charge, the cost of additional equipment, and the loss of net toll to the co-op would be added together and divided by the number of people on the exchange to determine the payment of each member.

It was suggested by several members that the installation charge of telephones to homes which would require no additional poles, cables, etc., be dropped to the \$10 deposit which is already required.

The board chairman, C. T. Myatt claimed other subscribers who had paid the regular installation charge of \$50 would not stand for it.

Show of Hands

The members replied with a show of hands that proved unanimous in saying the project should be given a try so the telephone rates would have a chance at being reduced to the present members as well as the new subscribers.

Committee members will contact Bell Telephone Company and ask for an estimate for the extended service.

The estimate will be presented to the members of the exchanges concerned at local meetings to be set by the committee. It will be presented with the thought in mind that subscribers may accept the proposition or turn it down.

Hardesty suggested that more subscribers to the exchange would mean lower rates for everyone concerned for the EAS when and if the extended service is put into effect.

Current Setup

At present, Hamby, Hawley and Potosi are on the extended area with the Abilene exchange and Lawn and Buffalo Gap are with the Tuscola exchange. Sweetwater and Nubia are on the Sweetwater hook-up and Noodle and Nubia exchanges are connected with EAS to the Merkel exchange.

McDougald pointed out that there would be no free toll service further than Abilene if the extended service was brought in because Bell Telephone would have control of the calls and not the local exchanges.

Hardesty pointed out that an increase in rates was likely to come into effect anyway because of the increased payments that must be made every year to the government on the loan which made the co-op possible.

The co-op has a present debt of \$1,025,000 to the government.

Hardesty explained that this debt is not delinquent but it is kept up to date each year with the payments increasing with every year.

## JOIN NOW!

Join the Merkel P-TA and help your child's school room win a prize. The membership drive starts Friday and the room in each building getting the most members will receive \$5.

## Former Merkel Resident Dies In Vancouver

Mrs. Emmett Patterson, 65, died in Vancouver, Washington, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Hal Koski, Tuesday, Sept. 23, after an illness of several weeks.

Funeral and burial were both in Vancouver.

Mrs. Patterson, formerly resided in Merkel, but for the past fifteen years had lived in Vancouver. She was the former Della McClain.

Her husband preceded her in death.

Survivors include one son, Raymond Patterson, and the daughter, Mrs. Hal Koski; three brothers, Oscar, Rex and Call McClain, all of Merkel; three stepsons, Jake Patterson, Friona; Owen and Elmer, Merkel; two step-daughters, Mrs. Julia Lawson, Abilene, and Mrs. Dutch McClain, Merkel.

Oscar McClain, Jake Patterson, Mrs. Lawson and Mrs. McClain were among those attending the funeral.

## Merkel Woman's Mother Dies

Mrs. J. H. Lloyd, 89, mother of Mrs. Bill Sledge, died Friday night, Oct. 3, in a Brownwood Hospital as the result of an injury sustained when she fell on Wednesday.

Funeral was held Sunday in the Sweetwater Baptist Church, of which Mrs. Lloyd was the last charter member.

Burial was in Coppras Creek Cemetery, Comanche County.

Mrs. Lloyd was born in Louisiana but came to Texas with her parents when a small child. She had resided in Comanche for a number of years.

Her husband died several years ago.

Survivors include three sons, A. J. of Big Spring; Garner, Brownwood, and W. H. Clyde; six daughters, Mrs. J. W. Johnson, Mrs. R. M. McGinnis, and Mrs. H. C. Smith, all of Brownwood; Mrs. O. D. Henley, Novice; Mrs. Earl Norwood, Clyde, and Mrs. Bill Sledge, Merkel; 28 grandchildren, 51 great-grandchildren, and 5 great-great-grandchildren.

## Merkelites' Kin Dies In Austin

Dr. Merrill L. Hutchins, 39, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alva H. Hutchins of Weatherford and formerly of Sweetwater, died in an Austin hospital at 9:15 a.m. Thursday.

He was the grandson of Mrs. Minnie Hicks and nephew of Robert and Vestal Hicks of Merkel.

Dr. Hutchins taught theology, was pastor of the only English church in Guatemala at one time, received his A. B. degree from Hardin-Simmons University, his M. A. degree from Washington University, the D.D. and Doctor of Philosophy degrees from the University of Chicago.

Funeral services were held in Austin Friday.

Survivors include his wife and three sons. His family home in Austin is at 2608 Thomas Drive.



**SMALLEST HOOPER** — Three-year-old Judy Carol Shields stole the show at the football game recently when children with hula hoops performed during the half time. Judy Carol is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Shields. (Staff Photo)

# BADGER'S 28-26 VICTORY THRILLS HOMECOMERS

## Mrs. Mae Lee Crowned Queen

Mrs. Mae Lee was named Merkel High School Homecoming Queen by ex-students when they met for their fourth annual reunion last Friday.

The Queen, a member of the class of 1901, was presented a bouquet of red roses when she was crowned at the school cafeteria after the football game Friday night.

Mrs. Lee, the former Mae Derstine, has lived in the Merkel area since she was eight years old. When she started to school here there were two schools, one on the north side of town and one on the south.

In 1906 she went to work in the Merkel Post Office where she later became assistant postmistress.

The crowning of the queen climaxed the day's activities for the ex-students. Other events on the program included a business session, pep rally, dinner and football game.

Earl Watts was elected president of the ex-student association at the business meeting. He succeeds Bobby Tom Hodge.

Other officers elected were Dr. Don Warren, vice president; Mrs. W. R. Cypert, secretary; Mrs. Horace Boney, treasurer.

## ACC Approves Credit For TV Physics Course

A physics course which will be presented on a national television hookup has been approved for credit at Abilene Christian College.

The course consists of two parts for 3 hours credit each. The first part, "Mechanics, Light and Electricity," will begin Oct. 6 over the NBC network and Abilene station KRBC-TV. The second half, "Atomic Physics and Nuclear Physics," begins Feb. 11. The course will be aired from 6:30 to 7 a.m., Monday through Friday.

Dr. Moody L. Coffman, associate professor of physics at Abilene Christian College, will hold a critique each Saturday for students who enroll in the course for credit at ACC.

The courses are primarily designed to meet the needs of high school teachers of science, but enrollment is not limited to those people.

The TV series will be taught by Dr. Harvey White, vice-chairman of the Department of Physics at the University of California. The series is being sponsored by the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Toliver of Cisco were guests of his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Toliver, Saturday.



**PIE FACE**—Lynn Knight (pie in the face) is the lucky fellow who "stood in" in the absence of Sylvan Mellinger, losing team captain in the Merkel Quarterback Club membership drive. Winner Norman Winter does the honors at the homecoming game Friday. (Staff Photo)

## New 'Most Advanced' Pontiac To Be Shown Here Thursday

Pontiac has made the most progressive change in the division's 51-year history. S. E. Knudsen, general manager of Pontiac Motor Division and a General Motors Corporation vice president, announced Saturday.

The 1959 models, carrying 65 new features, will be shown to the public Thursday, October 9 at Palmer Motor Co. in Merkel. Coffee and doughnuts will be served and there will be souvenirs for the children.

"We are confident that the public will hail the 1959 Pontiac as one of America's really new cars," said Knudsen.

From every angle the car reflects ultramodern design. Unprecedented styling innovations, resulting in a lower, wider car, give the 1959 Pontiac a dramatically new appearance.

Among the 65 new features are

an all-new body, tread nearly five inches wider, a new high-performance Tempest 420-V-8 engine, new, heavier true contour brakes, and a completely redesigned chassis frame.

There is simplicity in styling, with flat surfaces and intriguing angles of simplicity and beauty. There is 37 per cent greater glass area, and 60 per cent greater visibility.

Pontiac will offer 14 models in three series, four Bonneville, three Star Chiefs and seven in the new Catalina series.

The Catalina series will include a convertible coupe, two-door sport coupe, four-door Vista hardtop, two-door sport sedan, four-door sedan and two and three-seat four-door Safaris.

This year Pontiac added a station wagon to the luxurious Bonneville series and two to the Catalina series for the economy minded buyers.

Greatest safety improvement is the wider tread of nearly five inches, which is a greater distance between the left and right wheels. It provides for smoother riding, easier driving and safer steering.

## Noodle P-TA Meet Set For Oct. 13

The Noodle Parent Teachers Association will meet Monday night, October 13. Plans will be completed for the Halloween Carnival which will be held on Friday night October 31.

The program for Monday night will be furnished by Mrs. Katherine Segrest and the 5th and 6th grades. Also, on the program, James Segrest, husband of Mrs. Segrest, will show slide films of his tour with the United States Track Team to Moscow, Russia; Warsaw, Poland; Budapest, Hungary; and Athens, Greece. The trip was made this past summer.

## Bobby Stillman Leads Singing

Bobby Stillman, graduate assistant in the H-SU School of Music, led the singing at the First Baptist Church here Sunday.

Mr. Stillman conducts the two chapel choirs and is in charge of music in the chapel services of the university. For the last two years he has served as the minister of music for the Southside Baptist Church in Abilene.

Mrs. Stillman, who accompanied her husband to the services here Sunday, is a sophomore in the School of Music at H-SU.

Merkel and Anson were engaged in a seesaw battle here Friday night, with the home team ending on the upswing, 28-26. The win capped off Homecoming activities.

The lead changed hands three times before Merkel grabbed a 28-18 advantage, and even then the scoring wasn't over, as the Tigers came back with 25 to go.

Anson went ahead 6-0 in the middle of the first quarter, recovering a fumble on the Merkel 23. Two plays later, halfback Bennie Cox skirted left end for 25 yards and a touchdown.

Early in the second quarter tailback Joe Neill did the honors from the one after 62-yard drive. A Manley Denton to Jerry McLeod pass connected for the conversion. The Badgers added to the two-point margin, recovering a fumble on the 12 and making short work of the TD. Denton sneaked over from the one.

Late in the first half, Anson came back with a scoring effort. Ronnie Ryan took a pitchout from David Propst and scampered 19 yards.

The Bengals continued their comeback surge after the rest period and moved ahead on a fumble recovery on the Merkel 10. Dave Propst hit Delbert Wilson with an aerial from the eight. This upped the tally to 18-14.

Tokyo Moreno, Merkel fullback, ran around left end for eight yards and the touchdown that moved his team back in front. Joe Neill ran across two more points and it was 22-18.

With less than two minutes to play, Denton heaved one to Pat Patterson in the end zone from the 29 for what appeared to be a good measure play.

However, it turned out to be the ballgame, as Propst put on a passing exhibition which resulted in a TD. Ryan caught one, the play covering 40 yards to make it 28-24. Propst to Ryan made it 28-26.

## Baptist Leaders Have Banquet

A. L. Tucker of Hardin-Simmons University was guest speaker at the banquet for the officers and teachers of the First Baptist Church Monday night.

The opening prayer was led by Alvin Wozencraft. Howard Carson led the group in songs with Mrs. Comer Hayes accompanying at the piano.

The Rev. C. G. Sewell introduced the speaker who spoke on "The Importance of Being Trained."

Pep talks were given by Perry Davis and George Sparkman. "Kick off for the new year" was the theme used for the banquet.

## Grade School To Name Queen

The Merkel Elementary School will name a flower queen on Oct. 16 from candidates submitted from each room in the building. Votes will cost one cent with the money collected used to purchase plants and shrubs for the Decoration and Beautification Committee to plant.

At the request of the Health and Sanitation Committee students will have displays in the school showcases on the prevention of colds and flu.

Each room in the elementary school will present its own assembly program during the school year.

## Junior Red Cross Elects Officers

Mrs. Johnny Cox and Mrs. Carroll Benson met with the American Junior Red Cross members Friday, Oct. 3, at which time officers were elected.

Officers are Andria Adcock, president; Sherry Hull, vice-president; Sarah Harris, secretary; Brenda Doan, reporter.

## Unwelcome Guest 'Bumped Off' At Youth Club

By Penny Gardner

The poor, rejected little visitor of the Youth Club must have felt terribly unwanted Monday night when he innocently approached the Community Center. He was probably lonely and attracted to the building by the sound of music and laughter. This was a dreadful mistake, though, for he was greeted by a party of hostile Youth Club members and met his fate. The bloody battle didn't last long for the poor little fellow was greasily outnumbered and soon went down. The hero, or I should say heroine, of the week was Mrs. Nolan Palmer, better known as "Fearless," for she dealt the fateful blow.

All this may seem cruel to you, but after all, the rejected visitor was a rattle-snake whose good intentions were probably misunderstood.

## Parent-Teacher Conferences Set For Oct. 16-17

The first Parent-Teacher Conferences of the current school year for grades 1-12 will be held next Thursday and Friday afternoons, October 16-17.

For the first time, parents of high school pupils will have an opportunity of conferring with the teachers at regular intervals, to see some of the work done by the pupils and to discuss common problems.

School will be dismissed at noon on both of these days and all buses will run at this time. Parents are invited to visit their child's room at any time on either afternoon.

Regular parent-teacher conferences have been held in the local elementary schools for the past 11 years, but this year will be the first time that the high school has been included in this type of program.

## P-TA To Stage Talent Show

Plans for a community talent show were made when the executive board of the Merkel P-TA met Tuesday to discuss plans for the coming school year.

The talent show, with individual and group entries, will be held on November 13.

Entries may be sponsored by any club, business firm, or civic organization. Entry fee is fifty cents per person and names may be given or mailed to Mrs. Sam McLeod, Elementary School, Merkel, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Stockbridge spent the weekend in Breckenridge with Mrs. Stockbridge's mother and sister, Mrs. Nannie Glenn and Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Collins.

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**gabby doodle from noodle says:**

DEAR MISTER EDITOR:

My sermon this week is on buttermilk. I took this text on account of what happened to me in town last Saturday. I had me a meal at one of them public eating places and when they bring the buttermilk, it tasted like it was made of talcum powder and lemon extract. I asked the lady about it and she said it was aged. The law in most states now to serve the old fashioned butter-

milk like we made in the churn. "It ain't healthy," she said. "It's got to be pasteurized."

Now I ask you, Mister Editor, ain't that a fine howdy-do! It's legal in some places to sell beer but it ain't legal to sell churned buttermilk because it ain't healthy. I reckon that's why these old farmers around here die off when they git to be 85 or 90, just drinking too much of that churned buttermilk. I knowed a pres-

cher cut this way once that used to drink a quart of that stuff at a meal, then git up and say he guessed he'd be stepping over to see brother Smith. And then he'd walk ten mile to brother Smith's house. But that churned buttermilk finally go him in the prime of his youth, about 88 he was when it happened.

When I was knee-high to a puddle duck we used to keep the buttermilk in the spring house, and it wasn't fitten to drink unless you had to spoon off a frog or two from the top.

Of course, I reckon a feller could git some bootleg buttermilk in them big cities. He could give the waiter a wink and git some churned buttermilk if he'd

take it off the premises to drink. And this brings up the question of what they would do with a feller if they caught him driving under the influence of churned buttermilk. I can hear him now telling the Judge, "Listen, Your Honor, I just had a couple glasses, and so help me, it was pasteurized and I drunk it on the premises." And the Judge would give out the customary sentence. "Another one of them just two glasses fellers, huh? Lock him up, officer, and I hereby and herewith, under the authority granted me by this great sovereign state, order the churn confiscated and destroyed." In another ten year Mister Editor, it'll be illegal and un-

healthy for a farmer to drink water from his own well out of a gourd. When you stop to take note of these things, it's easy to

see why them tranquilizer pills is selling so good.

Well, Mister Editor, I got to knock off now and go hide my old lady's churn. I see a couple

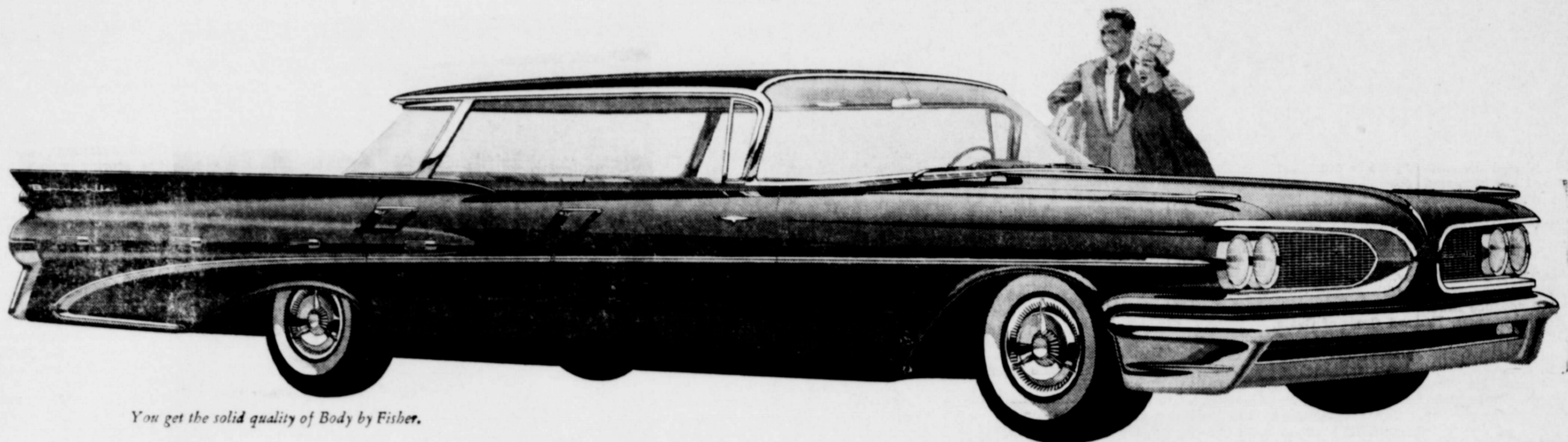
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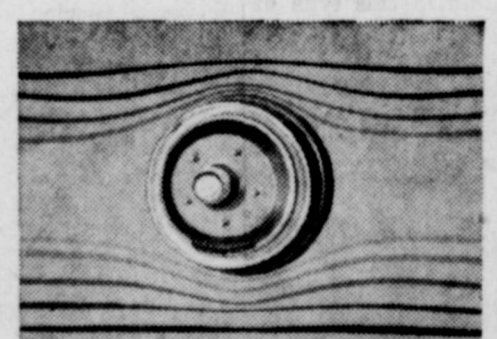
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# Spotlight on HEALTH

Science Features

## Is Fat A Medicine?

Recent research into the body's use of fats indicates that certain kinds of fat may be essential not only to produce energy but to support body chemistry very much as vitamins do. In fact, such fats have been called "essential fatty acids," and they are even being incorporated in multi-vitamin and mineral formulas for older persons and children.

One of the first scientists to suggest the importance of these fatty acids was Dr. Arild Hanson, a professor of pediatrics at the University of Texas School of Medicine. Dr. Hanson, who has been studying fatty acids for years, recently reported that mother's milk is much richer in one of these substances than is cow's milk. Noting that certain skin conditions seen in infants may result from a lack of essential fatty acids, Dr. Hanson suggested that it is desirable for infant formulas to contain as much of them as breast milk.

Another similar study carried out in New Jersey indicated that asthma in children may, in some cases, be relieved by addition of the essential fatty acids to the diet. Since these — like the corn oil, peanut oil and fish oils which are the best sources — are unpleasant to take day after day, pharmaceutical manufacturers have incorporated them in capsules for easier administration. One such capsule, called Lenic, has been formulated to contain eleven vitamins, ten minerals and appreciable amounts of all five essential fatty acids.

One of the most interesting areas of research relates to the possible role of unsaturated fatty acids in prevention of heart disease. (All "essential" fats are unsaturated, which merely means that the fat molecule does not contain all the hydrogen it is capable of holding.) A number of reports indicate that the unsaturated fats can help reduce blood cholesterol levels and thus fight the accumulation of fat-like scales on inner walls of arteries. Such clogging, in arteries that feed the heart and brain, is believed responsible for many heart attacks and "strokes."



Because of these preliminary findings, there is at present intense research in pharmaceutical laboratories directed toward determining precisely how the body uses fat. The liver plays a very important role in absorption of fat from the intestines and a number of complicated chemical processes are involved in bringing fat out of the tissues where it is stored and transporting it through the bloodstream to areas where it is burned to produce energy.

One recommendation made by all doctors concerned: overweight persons should cut down their food intake, but should not exclude from their diet any of the factors needed for nutritional balance. These elements include protein, carbohydrate and fat. While pharmaceutical companies are pursuing this complex area of research, there is one recommendation made by all doctors concerned: overweight persons should reduce; a balanced diet under the guidance of a physician is one of the most important first steps in protecting against heart disease.

## UP THE CANYON

By TOM RUSSOM

The farmers are beginning to get back into the fields after so long a wet spell.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Patterson of Merkel were Midland visitors Saturday.

Tom Russom and Joe Swinney were visitors in the Jess Russom home in Odessa the past weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Malone and Mrs. Harrison Malone of Eunice, N. M., state that they enjoyed reading the Canyon news. They are all former Merkelites.

Ray Martin and a friend from Okla., were weekend visitors with Ray's parents, Rev and Mrs. E. A. Martin of Pioneer church.

Mrs. Garrie Latimer of Abilene

visited in the Dewel McLean home over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Riney and sons were weekend visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin McCoy of Muleshoe. They report Melvin is recovering nicely from his recent operation.

The attendance at Pioneer Church was up Sunday.

Allen King, Canyon stockman, is working sheep at his place this week. He is delivering the lambs to Jack Boyd of San Angelo.

Livestock trading is slow at this time, and no leasing for oil.

The people of the Canyon are trying to keep what residents we have in our community, and to encourage others to come. We are trying to assist in finding places for those who will have to move after Jan. 1. We need them in our community.

## JACK POT WINNERS and LOSERS THIS WEEK

TUESDAY—LOSER	Mark Williamson	85.00
WEDNESDAY—LOSER	George Finlon	90.00
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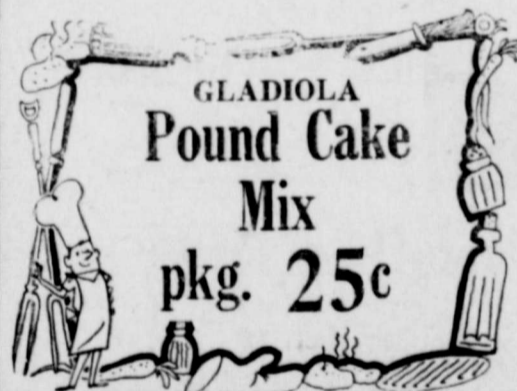
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## JANET THOMAS TO WED JOHNNY WAYNE JOHNSON

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Thomas are announcing the approaching marriage of their daughter, Janet, to Johnny Wayne Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Johnson. The ceremony will be performed in the home of the bride-elect's parents Saturday, October 11.

## Jo Denton Feted At Linen Shower

The home of Mrs. George Smith was the setting for a linen shower honoring Jo Denton, bride-elect of Captain L. V. Bryant. Mrs. Smith greeted guests and presented the honoree, her mother, Mrs. Bill Brown, and two sisters, Mrs. L. B. Gibson and Mrs. Royce Joplin of Lubbock. Mrs. Kent Satterwhite registered guests. Mrs. Walter Whizent and Miss Ann Rabblioli presided at the refreshment table. Arrangements of roses were used throughout the house. Hostesses were Meses. George Smith, Joe Cypert, Otis Bagby, Royce White, Ellen McReynolds, Carroll Benson, Howard Carson, Kent Satterwhite, Dent Gibson and W. T. Sadler.

Mr. and Mrs. Durlee Farmer and daughter, Vickie of Tuscola accompanied by her mother, Mrs. A. L. Farmer of here, are visiting for an indefinite time with their son and brother, Mr. and Mrs. Etzel Farmer and children of El Paso.

Capt. Noel Addy of Warwick, Virginia, was a weekend visitor in the home of his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Mathews Sr.

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Teddy Byrd  
Mrs. James Shaw  
Lloyd Mayhugh  
E. L. Palmer  
Mrs. Lee D. Williams  
Etta Sargent  
Mrs. William A. Harris and baby girl.

Mr. Johnny Bradshaw of Odessa attended the Ex-student homecoming here Friday and was a guest in the home of her aunt, Mrs. W. M. Elliott. She was joined here Saturday by her husband and two children and from here went to Cisco to visit her mother, Mrs. Nettie Shelton.

Mr. and Mrs. Billie D. Doan and children of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Doan and children of Stamford and Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Doan and children were dinner guests of their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Doan, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Higgins and daughter, Betty Lu, of Corpus Christi spent the weekend in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Irven Thompson and attended the school homecoming.

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## San Angelo Club To Host District Garden Club Meet

The Senisa Garden Club of San Angelo will be the hostess club for the fall meeting of District VIII of Texas Garden Clubs, Inc. on Oct. 22. Approximately 200 garden club members are expected for the event which will be held at the San Angelo Country Club.

Highlight of the day's program will be an illustrated talk by Mrs. Ruth Zant of Fort Worth on "Horticultural Pilgrimage." Mrs. Zant has been actively engaged in gardening and garden organizations for the adult years of her life. She has wide experience in speaking to Texas clubs, and has held the position of chairman of lectures for the state during the administrations of past presidents, Mrs. Will Lake and Mrs. C. B. Beavers. She has also served as chairman of lectures for the South Central Region of the National Council of State Garden Clubs, Inc. At present Mrs. Zant is first vice president of the Fort Worth Garden Club, a job that entails program planning, and she writes for the garden page of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

Coffee will be served by the Senisa Garden Club members during the registration from 8 a.m. to 9:15 a.m.

The business meeting, which will begin at 10:00 a.m. will be conducted by Mrs. E. G. Thornton, Dist. VIII Governor. Officers will be elected to serve for the next two years.

Theme of the Senisa Garden Club display of flower and table arrangements will be "Fall Fiesta."

A buffet luncheon will be served at noon.

## Junior Badgers Meet Anson Here Tuesday, Oct. 14

Coach Leon Walker's Junior Badgers will open their home football season against the Anson Tiger Cubs here next Tuesday, Oct. 14 at 7:00 p.m.

Admission will be 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for students. The local eleven got off to a low start by losing to Hamlin 42-0, but improved greatly by holding the big Albany team to a 30-0 score. In fact, the Junior Badgers are the only ones to make a first down against Albany juggernaut this season.

Based upon their recent improvement the locals are expected to give the Jones County lads a run for their money.

Coach Walker's squad is made up of:

**MERKEL JUNIOR BADGERS**  
Coach: Leon Walker  
Colors: Purple and Gold

No.	Name	Pos.	Wt.	Grade
10	Tim Martin	C	100	8
0	Frosty Winter	C	100	7
6	Keith Wilson	G	135	8
33	Alan Doan	G	90	8
32	Van Gauthe	G	115	8
1	Freddy Toombs	G	75	7
25	Carvel Clark	G	85	7
31	David Scott	T	130	8
23	David Loffin	T	130	8
9	Joe Biera	T	140	8
27	Douglas Gladden	T	130	8
17	Rutch Winter	T	150	8
8	Mack Mansfield	E	135	8
3	Wayne Hester	E	115	8
22	Wayne Jackson	E	95	7
20	Johnny Whisenhunt	E	95	7
27	Steve Herring	E	75	7
36	Jack Mansfield	E	85	7
7	Roger Moore	B	115	8
25	Craig Jones	B	115	8
11	Larry Owens	B	105	7
12	D. n. Parmelly	B	105	8
14	C. B. Brown	B	125	7
19	Chas. Russell	B	120	8
5	Bob Benson	B	100	7
30	Jack Chancey*		75	7
15	Mike Doan*		85	8
26	Chas. Tuckey*		80	7
*	Reserve			

Mrs. Dent Gibson and husband, who is employed by an aircraft factory in Fort Worth, have returned from a two-weeks vacation spent with their children Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Gibson and children of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Lindsey and daughter, of Larado; Mr. and Mrs. David Gibson and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Gibson, all of Lake Charles, La. They also visited Mrs. Gibson's brother, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ash, of Joaquin, and Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Dowdy of Fort Worth.

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## Steadman, Garner Engagement Told

Mr. and Mrs. Foy Steadman of Trent are announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Judith Kay, to Richard L. Garner, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Glenn Garner of Lubbock.

The wedding will be October 31 at the home of the bride-elect's parents.

A 1956 graduate of Trent High School, the bride-elect attended Hardin-Simmons University and Texas Technological College. She is employed by Snook and Aderton, Inc., of Lubbock.

The prospective bridegroom, a graduate of Lubbock High School, is attending Texas Technological College and is employed by Cagle Bros. Furniture Co. of Lubbock.

## SCHOOL LUNCH ROOM MENUS

OCTOBER 13th - OCTOBER 17th	WEDNESDAY
<b>MONDAY</b> Fried sausage - gravy Candied sweet potatoes Green black eyed peas Sweet pickle Rolls Butter Milk Ginger bread	Beef roast and gravy Steamed rice Tomato wedges Apricot cobbler Rolls Milk
<b>TUESDAY</b> Salmon loaf English peas with butter sauce Oven baked Irish potatoes Sweet pickle Rolls Butter Milk Lemon pudding	<b>THURSDAY</b> Sloppy Joes Red beans Veg. Salads Milk Cake
	<b>FRIDAY</b> Hamburgers Potato chips Milk Ice cream cup

## Mrs. Butman Wins In Heinz Contest

Mrs. Pauline B. Butman, R.F.D. No. 4, Box 65, Merkel, Texas, has discovered that it pays to write poetry.

In a national contest sponsored by H. J. Heinz Company, she has just won a "Big Boy" barbecue grill, a set of "Wilson" golf clubs and a golf bag, and a "Schwin" bicycle.

She won this Heinz contest with her suggestion for the last line of a limerick on the Heinz "Relish Twins." Hamburger Relish and Hot Dog Relish. The relationship of these Heinz foods to outdoor eating and to sports suggested the barbecue grills and sports equipment given as prizes in the Heinz contest.

Mrs. C. W. Guthrie and daughter, Mary Lynne and Ernie Turner, all of Big Spring were weekend visitors in the home of Mrs. Guthrie's mother, Mrs. Gertrude Pee, and other relatives.

Miss Mamie Ellis of Abilene spent the weekend with friends in Merkel and attended the homecoming of Merkel Ex-students and teachers.



## Jr. 4-H Club Names Officers

Members of the Merkel Jr. 4-H Club received their yearbooks and elected officers at a meeting Thursday, Oct. 2.

Officers are Ann Smith, president; Ann Tipton, vice-president; Lois Givins, secretary; Nancy Watts, reporter; Cherry Davis, committee delegate; Jean Hooks, vegetable demonstrator; Jo Lynne Bunn, bedroom demonstrator; Ruth Cooley, vegetable leader; Karen Ray, bedroom improvement leader.

## UNION RIDGE HD CLUB

Mrs. Wynona Scoggins was hostess to the Union Ridge Home Demonstration Club in her home Thursday, Oct. 2.

A covered dish luncheon was served buffet style from a table laid with a pink linen cloth. Centerpiece was an arrangement of assorted fruits surrounded by burning candles.

Miss Loreta Allen, county agent, gave a talk on "you and your clothing problems."

Mrs. Denzel Cox, president, presided for the business session. There were ten present.

## Come Hear

A Prophetic Message

by

Pastor

Wayne Davis

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7:30 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 12

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 30th day of September, 1958.

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Horace O. Boney (My commission expires June 1, 1959)

## Mrs. W. T. Sadler Presents Program For Lambda Betas

Mrs. W. T. Sadler spoke to the members of Lambda Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi on "Poise and Charm" when they were guests in her home Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Sadler used various members of the sorority to illustrate charm in action. Examples of charm in the home, appearance, mannerisms and business were given. She concluded her program by introducing a musical number "Bless This House," sung by Mrs. Homer Patterson with Mrs. Brandon Wade accompanying her at the organ.

After a report from Mrs. Nolan Palmer, chairman of the welfare committee, members voted to buy school lunches for four children instead of three as has been the custom in the past.

Mrs. John Hardesty, president, outlined the Beta Sigma Phi convention program to be held at the Sands Hotel in Abilene on Oct. 25-26. The Merkel chapter will be in charge of the closing ritual Sunday afternoon.

Prospective pledges were guests at the model meeting. The rush season started last Thursday evening when rushees were guests of the sorority at a dinner at the Abilene Elmwood West Club.

Rushees are Mrs. Jack Roone, Mrs. Kent Satterwhite, Mrs. Glen da Drewery, Mrs. Billy M. Dunnagin and Mrs. Mary Elizabeth West.

The rushee tea will be held in the home of Mrs. Earl Hughes at 4 p.m., Sunday, October 12.

## Mrs. Ira Moore Hosts TEL Class

Mrs. A. D. Fulton was named president of the T.E.L. Class at a meeting in the home of Mrs. Ira Moore.

Other new officers are Mrs. Jennings Winter, vice president; Miss Selena Teaff, secretary; Mrs. Austin Robertson, Mrs. Ira Moore, and Mrs. Dave Anderson, group captains; and Mrs. Myrtle Walker reporter.

Mrs. E. W. King led the group in prayer and Mrs. Lucy Ford brought the devotional.

Lemon pie and coffee was served to the 11 members present by Mrs. Moore and Mrs. Pick Allen, co-hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Adams of O'Donnell were among the Merkel ex-students attending the homecoming.

Mrs. Leah Hand and son, B. F. of Trent visited her uncle, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hamp Campbell, Saturday.

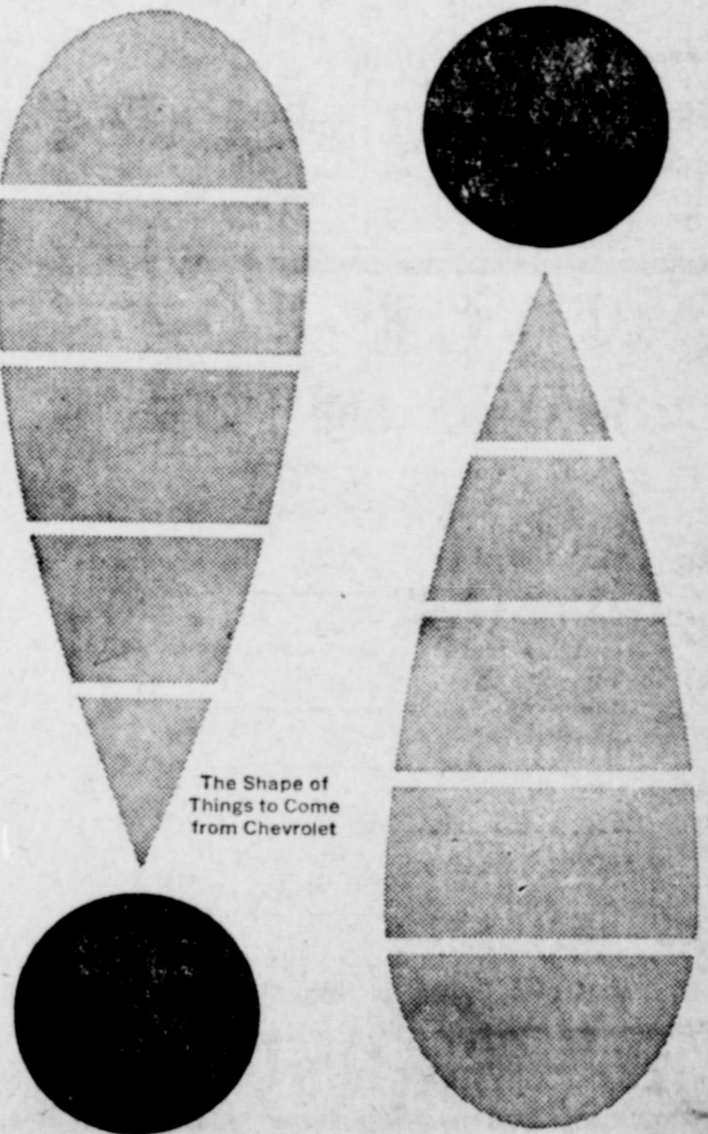
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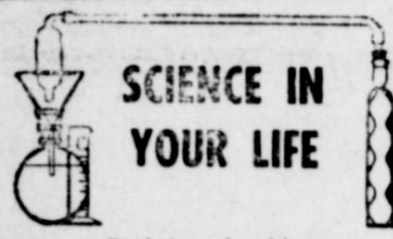
**"I REMEMBER"**  
BY THE OLD TIMERS

By Carl E. Hadley, Barry, Illinois: I remember, as a child, my grandmother and my aunt taking time out every spring to make the family soap for the coming year. They would take a log about 6 feet long and hollow a trough on one side. Boards were put up in a frame, slanting into the trough. This box-like affair was lined with straw and filled with wood ashes. The "ash-hopper" was then ready for business. Water was poured on the ashes as long as they would hold it, then allowed to drain down through the ashes and run down the trough into an iron kettle. Iron had to be used as nothing would stand this concoction but iron or pottery.

When they had accumulated several gallons of this lye, it was poured into a large iron kettle into which had been put the soap-grease. This consisted of all scraps of meat or fat that was of no other use. A fire was then lit under the kettle and the whole thing boiled for several hours, then allowed to cool thoroughly.

A hard mass, about three inches thick, would form on top. This was cut into cakes and laid out to dry for "hard soap." The residue at the bottom, a thin sirupy mass, was used as "soft-soap." And was it potent stuff! It would take dirt out of anything and everything. And no need for "commercials" to enumerate its virtues.

(Send contributions to this column to The Oldtimer, Community Press Service, Box 39, Frankfort, Kentucky.)



**SCIENCE IN YOUR LIFE**

Fighting the Air

Each time you drive your car in a big city or smoke a cigarette or light a fire you add to a problem that is creeping over the nation: smog damage.

Millions of dollars are currently being poured into research—both public and private—to find out just what smog is and does and what can be done to prevent it. At present, nobody knows the full answers to these questions.

A variety of dusts and smokes and vapors are being tested in our cities to find out what the principal agents of smog are. The word itself comes from a combination of smoke and fog.

But people do know something about how it affects them—citizens in and around smog-ridden cities complain of eye and nose and throat irritations. Sick people seem to feel sicker. In air pollution disasters, people have died.

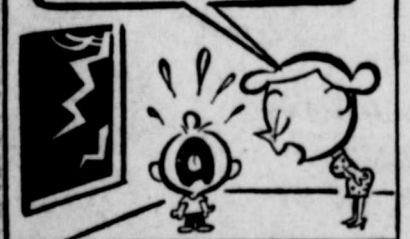
Smog soils the clothes you wear and the laundry hanging on the line—cleaning bills for building and clothes and cars soar. Damaged crops and gardens are another way that air pollution takes its toll. In Southern California, for example, smog costs growers an estimated \$5 million a year in crop damage.

But a new plant spray called Ozohan just developed may effectively reduce these crop losses. The successful culmination of laboratory and field research at the University of California's Agricultural Experiment Station, the spray helps prevent the burning and bronzing of leaves usually caused by smog.

In the future, similar results of research may put worries of smog-damage behind us.

**WORDS or Just Being Human**  
by Brad Anderson **THOUGHTS**

MY GOODNESS—ALL THIS CARRYING-ON OVER A LITTLE ELECTRICAL STORM



...BUT LET'S FACE IT!

Wish I could crawl under the bed!



Mr. and Mrs. Bill Nutt and children, Pam and Roger Lenn, formerly of Plainview, now residing in Marlin, were weekend visitors in the home of her mother, Mrs. Edna Horton, her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Toliver and children Larry and Galusie, and grandmother, Mrs. Hugh Campbell.

**Patsy Ann Herring, Billy Joe Rogers Exchange Vows In Church Ceremony**

Marriage vows were exchanged by Patsy Ann Herring and Billy Joe Rogers in the Stith Baptist Church at 6 o'clock Sunday evening, Sept. 28.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Herring, Merkel, and Mrs. C. R. Rogers and the late Mr. Rogers of Stith.

Jesse R. Swindell, pastor, performed the double ring ceremony before a yellow altar, flanked by lighted tapers and palms. The archdiocese was centered under an archway of large mums.

Given in marriage by her brother, Jimmy Lee, the bride wore a dress of ivory embossed faile fashioned princess style. Her hat was of matching material trimmed in seed pearls and sequins. She carried a bouquet of white

rosebuds atop a white Bible.

Mrs. Jackie Rogers of Lubbock was matron of honor. Her dress was of mint green taffeta with white lace overlay. She carried a bouquet of yellow daisies.

Jackie Rogers attended his brother as best man. Glenn Bicknell of Abilene and Kenneth Mattingly of Tye lighted the candles and served as ushers.

Wedding music was presented by Mrs. Norman Winter, pianist, and Mrs. Jesse R. Swindell, soloist.

After a wedding trip to Colorado, the couple will reside at 907 Avenue H in Anson. Mrs. Rogers is employed by the Anson General Hospital and her husband operates his mother's farm near Stith.

**ALWAYS THE GAMBLER**

By Lyle Pace

THE town of Cedar Gulch was sleeping when Matt Latham rode his mare down the main street. It wasn't much of a town, he thought, but it would do until he got a stake again. He noticed a sign in the moonlight, the biggest sign in town, advertising the Half Crown Saloon. Matt knew there'd be a saloon, there always was. But supposing there hadn't been one?

He felt grimy after his long ride and was anxious to sleep again on a bed. He'd been four days on the trail. Four days too long.

He registered at the small desk and arranged for the care of his mare. He found his room, washed up and collapsed on the bed, almost asleep before he hit the blanket.

He slept until eleven. When he'd dressed in his change of suit, he left the hotel and headed for the Half Crown.

It wasn't much, as bars went, he told himself. Probably not more than a hundred dollars among the lot. He took his glass and wandered over to the poker table.

"A quarter better," one of the men said, tossing in a coin. "I got you licked, Jake, and you know it." He smiled good naturedly, and fingered his cards.

"Beats me," Sam said, throwing in his cards.

"King high straight," the better said. Jake threw down his hand.

"Three aces. Can you tie that, Sam? Three aces for the first time in weeks, and he pulls a straight on me." He stood up and walked to the bar.

"I guess that breaks up the game, Tom," Sam said. "Two playin' is no fun." He paused and looked at Matt. "Say, now about you, young fella? Know how to play poker?"

Matt smiled and sat down. It was almost too easy.

Matt soon got the stakes higher and now there were tens and twenties in the pot. But that had been

all he'd succeeded in doing. Although Matt had lost steadily in the past hour, as was his usual procedure, both Tom and Sam were not raising to the bait.

"Well, guess I'll get back to work," Tom said. "Comin', Sam?"

"Yep." He turned to Matt. "Thanks, stranger. Thanks for the contribution."

The two men sauntered to the door and disappeared into the street. Matt slumped in his chair, not quite believing what had just happened.

"Welcome to the Half Crown, mister," a friendly voice said behind Matt. He whirled in his chair, looked up at a tall, heavy set man who was grinning widely. The big man extended his hand. "Name's Morgan, Jeffrey P. Morgan, owner and manager. At your service, Mr.—"

Matt got to his feet and took the hand. "Latham," he said. "Call me Matt."

"All right, Matt. How about a drink on the house." He guided Matt to the bar.

When the drinks were brought, Morgan lifted his glass. "To your health, Mr. Latham. I mean Matt."

Morgan downed his glass and set it on the bar. "How was the game?" He nodded to the table.

"Get your money's worth?" "Matt shrugged. "Live and learn," he said. "They nearly cleaned me."

Morgan chuckled. "Sure. I could have told you that. Nobody in their right mind will play poker with Sam and Tom Brewster." Morgan's eyes narrowed slightly. "No professional gambler will, anyway."

"And what does that mean?" Matt said.

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511 Ash. 28-3tc

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heifer calves. Weight about 400  
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Sam Swann, Merkel, Texas.  
Phone 52. 30-1tc

**WANTED**—To buy a volunteer  
Stock plant. Tel Trent 2-9293.  
30-1tc

**NOTICE MASONS**  
State meeting of Mer-  
kel Lodge No. 710, A.F. &  
A.M. Thursday, Oct. 9  
7:30 p.m. All members are urged  
to attend. Visiting brethren cor-  
dially invited.  
Othell O'Kelly, W. M.  
C. B. Rust, Secretary.

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**FOR RENT**—3 room furnished  
house. \$45 per month and bills  
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**FOR RENT**—House, 4-rooms and  
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Phone 78 or 222. 29-1tc

**FOR RENT**—Furnished house  
with modern bath. Close in.  
206 El Paso Street. 28-3tp

**FOR RENT**—3-room house with  
bath. 305 Thornton. See T. K.  
Marshall at 301 Thornton.  
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Wilson at 173. 13-1tc

**FOR RENT**—Furnished garage  
apartment. 112 Oak Ph. 140.  
28-3tp

**FOR RENT** 2 or 3 rm unfurnish-  
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**FOR RENT**—Bedroom with pri-  
vate entrance and bath. Mrs.  
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## Abilene Livestock Auction Comm.

**SALES EACH TUESDAY & THURSDAY**  
Hog Sale — 9:30 a.m. — Cattle Sale 10:00 a.m.  
East End North 7th — Abilene — Phone OR. 3-7865  
References: Citizens National Bank  
First National Bank  
F&M National Bank, Merkel, Texas  
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## LEGAL NOTICE

Oil Well Service Company, a partnership composed of Fay Beidleman, Beulah Beidleman, and Wynn H. Beidleman, shall incorporate and continue business as a corporation, under the name of Oil Well Service, Inc. With the named partners as principal stockholders. 27-28-29-30

## 4-H'ers Offered New Scholarship

Texas 4-H'ers have an opportunity to apply for a new \$800 scholarship which will be given for the first time this fall to a college junior majoring in agricultural economics, and who is particularly interested in grain marketing, according to the National Committee on Boys and Girls Club Work. The award is provided by the Board of Trade of the City of Chicago in cooperation with the Extension Service.

To be eligible, the candidate must have completed three years of 4-H Club work. Records will be reviewed by Floyd Lynch, State 4-H Club leader. The best one will be sent to the National Committee where a group of Extension judges will determine the final winner. College scholastic standing and all-around 4-H achievement will be considered. Deadline for submitting the candidates' records is October 20.

The State 4-H office will also select two young men for state honors who have demonstrated marked ability in grain production and marketing in connection with their 4-H Club work. These 4-H'ers accompanied by a chaperon will spend three days at the Chicago Board of Trade next January where they will see and hear experts in the grain business.

In addition to the pair of state grain marketing winners, four county champions will be named to receive handsome gold-filled medals. All are judged on individual application and activities. The Board of Trade provides the state and county awards.

Last year's state winners were: Olen Bailey, Wichita Falls; Terry Harman, Tulsa. They were accompanied by County Agricultural Agent, E. T. Haws, of Wichita Falls.

## Starr Rest Home

By MARY OUTLAW  
Everyone is feeling fine since the cool weather started in. Uncle Jim Smith is improving nicely. Ernest Fowler and sons of Anson visited his mother, Frankie Fowler, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Brown of Sweetwater visited her mother, Mrs. Hicks, last week. Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Outlaw have returned home after visiting in our home several days. Mrs. Johnnie Barbee and daughter, Mrs. Head of Abilene, visited Mrs. May Fields Sunday.

Rev. Sewell filled his appointment here Sunday. We were glad to have him back. There were a large number of ladies who came and sang for the Home. Everyone enjoyed the services. Mrs. Minnie Mashburn visited her mother, Mrs. Fields, last week. We have a new patient, Mrs. May Perkins from Rotan. We are glad to welcome such a nice little lady in our home and hope she will be happy here.

Gene Cade of Abilene visited Granny Cade Sunday. Doc Hastings of Abilene visited Uncle Jim Smith last week. We want to thank Patsy Herring for the yellow mums she sent from her wedding. We send congratulations and hope she will be very happy. Patsy was very thoughtful for she was always coming and visiting our old folks and they loved her very much. We want to thank Mrs. James Patterson for the fruit jars she gave the home. Mrs. B. T. Brown of Trent visited her mother, Mrs. Sarah Carr, last week. Aunt Pearl Wiggins has a new permanent, which makes her look so much better. Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Smith of Sweetwater visited his father, G. C. Smith, Sunday. Mrs. Minnie Meyers two daughters from Abilene visited her Monday evening.



## Kenny Foundation Increases Medical Scholarship Grants

Minneapolis, Minn.—To help meet the drastic need for medical and paramedical personnel in the field of rehabilitation, the Sister Elizabeth Kenny foundation has increased its emphasis upon educational and training procedures, according to Marvin L. Kline, national executive director.

Thirty-five scholarships for study at medical centers and universities throughout the nation were announced by the Kenny foundation recently.

Kline explained the purpose of the scholarships is to encourage universities to interest young medical students to specialize ultimately in physical medicine and rehabilitation.

"The specialist in physical medicine is essential to the conduct of comprehensive rehabilitation programs," he said. "If effective rehabilitation programs are to be made available to all of the victims of neuromuscular disabilities, a greatly-accelerated training program for specialists in physical medicine and rehabilitation is essential now."

He pointed out that the Kenny foundation, now conducting its 1958 annual fund appeal, is extending its training and education programs to all fields of rehabilitation, including psychology, social work, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy and vocational counseling. Public contributions make this program possible, he declared.

## 20 YEARS AGO IN MERKEL

Watts Food Store, owned and operated by Earl Watts, opened for business Monday morning as the successor to the McDonald grocery store at the corner location formerly occupied by E. M. McDonald, as results of negotiations for the sale pending several weeks ago.

Two '38 M. H. S. Seniors, Ben Robert Hicks and Marvin Hunter, have been selected as members of the McMurry College theatre this year. Only fifteen new members are admitted each year, which is quite an honor for the Merkel boys.

Jannell Black and CeVene Daniel, former members of the Merkel High School band, have been selected as two of the 22 new members of the Wildcat band of Abilene Christian College, of which D. W. Crain is director.

Celebrating her 83rd birthday last Sunday, Mrs. S. W. Sheppard, one of Merkel's beloved pioneer women, had the happy privilege of hearing a poem written by a granddaughter, Mrs. Sid Foy of Baird, and dedicated to her over KABC, Abilene, during the half hour program of Bro Mings at noon.

Juanes Jones of Merkel has been elected as a member of the Tarleton chorus at John Tarleton College. On Sept. 24 Miss Jones took part in the WBAP broadcast from the Tarleton auditorium as a member of the octette that sang the Tarleton Color Song. Mr. and Mrs. Odie Latimer and

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## Farmers and Merchants National Bank

REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE  
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Sept. 24, 1958 PUBLISHED IN RESPONSE TO CALL MADE  
BY COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY, UNDER SECTION  
5211, U. S. REVISED STATUTES.

ASSETS	
1. Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection	1,114,015.98
2. United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	1,011,671.88
3. Obligations of States and political subdivisions	606,893.87
5. Corporate stocks (including \$6,000.00 stock of Federal Reserve bank)	6,000.00
6. Loans and discounts (including \$241.08 overdrafts)	671,959.40
7. Bank premises owned \$20,318.75, furniture and fixtures \$ None	20,318.75
12. TOTAL ASSETS	\$3,430,859.88

LIABILITIES	
13. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$3,084,976.84
15. Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	16,760.93
166. Deposits of States and political subdivisions	48,199.67
18. Other deposits (certified and cashier's checks, etc.)	2,220.97
19. TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$3,152,158.41
24. TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$3,152,158.41

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
25. Capital Stock:	
(c) Common stock, total par	100,000.00
26. Surplus	100,000.00
27. Undivided profits	78,701.47
29. TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	278,701.47
30. TOTAL LIABILITIES and CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$3,430,859.88

**MEMORANDA**  
31. Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and for other purposes 150,000.00  
33.(a)(1) Loans to farmers directly guaranteed and redeemable on demand by the Commodity Credit Corporation, and certificates of interest representing ownership thereof 28,918.74  
1. Geo. T. Moore, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief

GEO. T. MOORE, Cashier,  
CORRECT—Attest  
H. C. WEST  
W. S. J. BROWN  
BOOTH WARREN  
Directors

State of Texas, County of Taylor, ss:  
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 3rd day of October, 1958,  
and I hereby certify that I am not an officer or director of this bank.  
(SEAL) Horace O. Boney, Notary Public.  
My commission expires June 1, 1959.

## REPORT OF CONDITION OF HOME STATE BANK OF TRENT, TEXAS

Report of condition of "Home State Bank" of Trent, Texas at the close of business Sept. 24, 1958, a State banking institution organized and operating under the banking laws of this State and a member of the Federal Reserve System. Published in accordance with a call made by the State Banking Authorities and by the Federal Reserve Bank of this District.

ASSETS	
1. Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance and cash items in process of collection	\$228,909.11
2. United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	312,000.00
3. Obligations of States and political subdivisions	1,895.04
5. Corporate stocks (including \$2,700.00 stock of Federal Reserve bank)	2,700.00
6. Loans and discounts (including \$210.41 overdrafts)	253,101.50
7. Bank premises owned \$6,500.00, furniture and fixtures \$5,680.00	12,180.00
11. Other assets	8,000.00
12. TOTAL ASSETS	\$818,785.65

LIABILITIES	
13. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships and corporations	682,377.61
15. Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	3,375.00
16. Deposits of States and political subdivisions	2,690.44
19. TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$688,443.05
23. Other liabilities	8,000.00
24. TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$696,443.05

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
25. Capital*	\$ 25,000.00
26 Surplus	65,000.00
27. Undivided profits	32,342.60
29. TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	122,342.60
30. TOTAL LIABILITIES and CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$818,785.65

\*This bank's capital consists of:  
Common stock with total par value of \$25,000.00  
I, James V. Ross, Cashier of the above-named bank, hereby certify that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
James V. Ross.

CORRECT—ATTEST:  
DIRECTORS  
T. H. WILLIAMSON  
DOW WILLIAMSON  
JOHN C. CRAIN  
STATE OF TEXAS, County of Taylor, ss:  
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 1st day of October, 1958.  
(SEAL) BETTY HAMNER, Notary Public  
Taylor County, Texas

## THE STORY OF REHABILITATION

A heart stopped beating. It stopped during a minor operation on a young woman, mother of four small children. Instantly, the surgeon opened the chest, massaged the heart. Three minutes later it began to beat and again life pulsed through the slender form on the operating table.

However, in those three minutes, the sensitive brain tissues suffered severe damage. When this young mother awoke she was unable to remember how to talk, write or read.

Fifty years ago, her case might have been thought hopeless. Today she talks, reads and writes and enjoys her children again.

Her story, she would tell you, is the story of rehabilitation.

A two-year-old boy's back was broken in an automobile accident. The spinal cord which carries

messages from the brain to the lower half of his body was cut in half, leaving him with no normal feeling in his body below his waist. There was a time when he would have faced a life spent in bed, unable to care for himself.

Today this youngster has been taught not only to use a wheelchair, but to walk with the aid of crutches and braces. He can take care of himself and will be able to earn a living.

His story, his parents will tell you, is the story of rehabilitation.

Although the treatments and accomplishments of these two individuals were different, rehabilitation has meant the same thing to both of them. It has meant for them not just life, but a life worth living. Both of them have built a new life by making the most of what they had left. The mother used undamaged brain tissue to relearn what had been blotted out. The boy uses his strong arm muscles to support him as he walks again.

And yet, rehabilitation is not just a physical thing. More than crutches are needed to walk if you don't know where your feet are. You have to have courage and a belief in your ability to overcome the handicap.

To accomplish both physical and emotional rehabilitation requires the coordinated efforts of a large, highly trained team of specialists. According to Time Magazine, only a few places have the team and equipment to carry out this total rehabilitation program. One is the Institute of Physical

AMERICANA

Cities to See

### Springfield—Chosen City of Abe Lincoln



Lincoln Home—Springfield, Ill.

THERE are two things about Springfield, Illinois, that are known to virtually every American; Springfield is the capital of Illinois and the chosen city and final resting place of Abraham Lincoln. These are separate distinctions, but both eventualities are a part of the heritage of the great President.

During the 1836-37 session of the Illinois General Assembly, one of the chief matters at hand was the selection of a new site for the Capitol. Five cities were under consideration. Abraham Lincoln, a young lawyer representing Sangamon County, introduced a bill providing for removal of the Capitol of Illinois to Springfield. He was backed by eight fellow members who with him were known as the "Long Nine," because all were over six feet in height. Springfield was selected (Vandalia had been the Capitol) and the State Legislature first assembled in Springfield in 1839.

The Capitol at Springfield was completed in 1853. It took 15 years to build and cost \$260,000. Constructed of cut stone brought from a quarry six miles away, it was considered one of the architectural

wonders of the State. The present Capitol, completed 1887, cost more than \$4,500,000.

Tourist attractions include the Capitol Group—principal buildings of State Government. In addition to the Capitol, are the Illinois Centennial Building, commemorating the admission of the State to the Union in 1818; the Illinois Supreme Court Building; State Armory; and a new \$11,000,000 State Office Building completed in 1955.

No visit to Springfield would be complete without viewing Lincoln's Home and Tomb.

New Salem State Park, a half-hour's drive from Springfield, is an authentic re-creation of the village where young Lincoln clerked in a store, chopped wood, enlisted in the Black Hawk War, served as postmaster, deputy surveyor and legislator, and met Ann Rutledge.

sical Medicine and Rehabilitation in New York where Roy Campanella is fighting back from paralysis incurred in a car crash.

Another is the Texas Rehabilitation Center, the largest and most comprehensive in the Southwest. Begun as a polio center, this non-profit, non-sectarian hospital has been supported through the dimes and dollars Texans have contributed. Here both adults and children are assured complete

comprehensive rehabilitation care, regardless of their ability to pay. Today, more than 4,500 can tell their own stories of rehabilitation at Warm Springs.

In effect, the Texas Rehabilita-

tion Center is an insurance policy for all Texans—not just for life, but for a life worth living.

### Abilene SSA Office In New Building

The Abilene office of the Social Security Administration will be in its new home—203 Fannin at N. 2nd—on Monday morning, Oct. 6, according to a report from R. R. Tulley, Jr., District Manager.

The new location will provide more ample parking facilities for office callers, and will also afford more room inside for reception and interviews with claims representatives than was possible before at the old location.

Persons planning to call at the Abilene office of the Social Security Administration are urged to take note of the new address above to save the inconvenience of going first to the wrong place. The mailing address, changed a few weeks ago, remains Box 5168.

Fire prevention is the best defense against fire. By not giving fire a place to start, reports the Texas Farm and Ranch Safety Council, the nation's annual farm fire losses of about \$150 million can be cut in half.

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## IT'S THE LAW In Texas

### PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS AFFECT LOCAL OFFICIALS

Some of the proposed amendments to the Texas Constitution, to be voted upon at the General Election on November 4, will, if adopted, affect officers and employees of cities, counties and precincts. The changes will mainly involve length of terms of office and retirement, disability and death benefits.

Proposed Amendment Number Two authorizes each county to establish, following a majority vote of its voters, a retirement, disability and death compensation fund for appointive officers and employees of county or precinct. Elective officers may also be covered if the voters approve. The fund would be made up of contributions from the income of each officer and employee, plus contributions made by the county. The county's part must at least equal the amount paid in by the individual, but cannot exceed 7½% of the individual's salary. Accumulated money in the fund would have to be invested in federal, state, county or municipal bonds. Those receiving benefits from the fund would not be eligible for any other pension retirement funds or direct aid from the state, unless the entire fund is first released to the state.

Proposed Amendment Number Three would in many instances change the length of time for which the county commissioners court can appoint persons to fill vacancies in the offices of County Judge and Justice of the Peace. Now such appointments can be made "until the next general election for such offices." If the amendment is approved, such appointments may hereafter be made only "until the next succeeding General Election," as is already the case in appointments made by the Governor to fill vacancies in district and appellate courts.

Proposed Amendment Number Four provides an "automatic resignation" for any district, county or precinct official serving a four year term who announces his candidacy for a different office while he still has more than one year of his term to serve. The provisions cover announced or actual candidacy for "any office of profit or trust" under the laws of this State or the United States other than the office then held.

Vacancies created by such "automatic resignations" are to be filled in the same manner as other vacancies for the particular office are filled.

Proposed Amendment Number Five would allow Home Rule Cities to amend their city charters to set up longer terms of office, not to exceed four years, for their elective or appointive officers, or both. Other cities, operating under the general laws rather than the Home Rule provisions, could do the same thing by majority vote of their qualified voters.

This amendment also contains a provision for "automatic resignation" where the holder of one office announces for or becomes a candidate for another office while he still has more than one year to serve of a term originally longer than two years.

There is one restriction on cities setting up the longer terms for their non-civil service officers. All members of their governing bodies must be elected by the voters, and vacancies in such governing bodies must be filled by special election rather than by appointment.

Other proposed Constitutional Amendments will be discussed next week.

(This column, prepared by the State Bar of Texas, is written to inform—not to advise. No person should ever apply or interpret any law without the aid of an attorney who is fully advised concerning the facts involved, because a slight variance in facts may change the application of the law.)

### TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

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### CARD OF THANKS

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Light Crust  
10 lb. bag - - -

79¢

SALAD DRESSING

MIRACLE WHIP

Quart - 49c

Sunshine  
CRACKERS  
lb. 23c

Sunshine  
CANDIES  
cello 29c

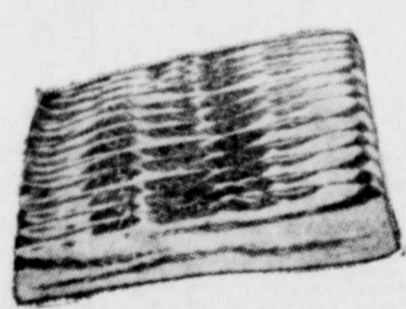
NABISCO  
RITZ  
box 25c



DEL MONTE  
TUNA

CAN 25¢

★ **Finest Quality MEATS** ★



SWIFT'S PREMIUM  
BACON  
Lb. 59¢

SWIFT'S COUNTY FAIR  
SAUSAGE 2 lbs. \$1.19

SWIFT'S PREMIUM—Picnic Canned—Ready-To-Eat  
PICNIC 3½ lb. can \$2.69

CHOICE HEAVY BEEF  
Round STEAK lb. 93¢

Choice Heavy Beef  
SIRLOIN STEAK - - - lb. 89c

Fresh  
GROUND BEEF - - - lb. 39c

Fresh Country Style  
SPARE RIBS - - - lb. 43c

Kraft Elkhorn  
CHEESE - - - lb. 49c

CATHEY'S GRADE "A"  
FRYERS Fresh lb. 33¢

APPLE SAUCE Win All 303 Cans—2 for 25c

TOMATO JUICE Ring Gold 46-oz Can 19c

KRAFT DINNER 2 Boxes 29c

LIPTON  
TEA

¼ lb. 39¢

PARKAY  
OLEO

2 lbs. 49¢

KEITH FROZEN  
FISH STICKS - - 2 for 59c

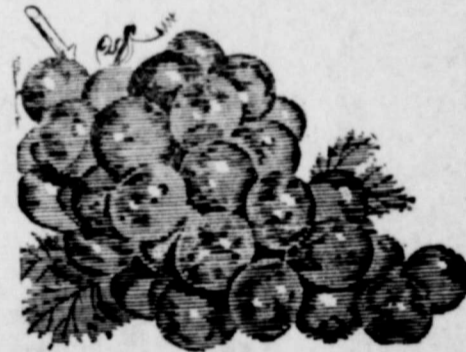
KEITH FROZEN—24-in  
DINNER ROLLS Pkg. Cello 23c

LOG CABIN  
WAFFLE SYRUP 24-oz. JAR - 49c

HERSHEY'S  
INSTANT  
COCOA  
MIX

2½ lb. CAN 89¢

Garden Fresh VEGETABLES



TOKAY  
GRAPES  
Lb. 10¢

ROME BEAUTY  
APPLES - - - lb. 10c

CRISP  
LETTUCE - - - lb. 12c

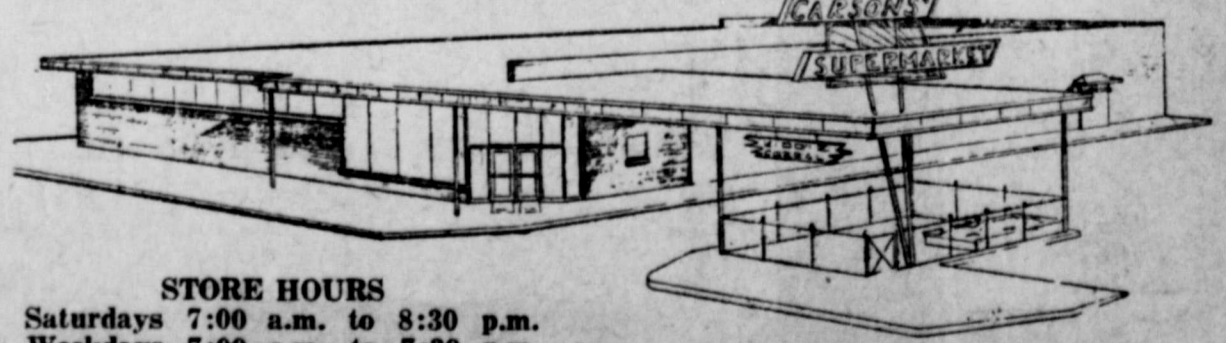
Fresh  
CELERY - - - lb. 9c

Fresh  
CRANBERRIES - - - lb. 32c

Yellow  
ONIONS - - - lb. 5c

RUSSETS NO. 1  
SPUDS - - 10 lbs. 49c

CARSONS' SUPERMARKET



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