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By M. L. G.

I have been crushed. My veracity has been questioned by my superiors.

It all started the first week I wrote this column. I was told that only my initials would be used but I had to give my full name for the record. When the paper came out and there wasn't a middle initial I was told it wasn't used because that couldn't be my middle name—that no female had a first last or middle name like that. They agreed to put it in this time but still think it isn't so.

Seems that everybody and their dog are downtown Thursday evenings — having fun too. Merkel stores are not only staying open late for the convenience of the shoppers but are offering free prizes and special bargains as well.

I see where parents will confer with high school teachers as well as elementary teachers this year. It's a "new" for Merkel and a good idea. Surely we need to observe the progress our child is doing in high school as well as grade school. As for problems a lot of them could be avoided in this way. Many parents have no idea their child is a problem in school until conference time.

The second story of Wooszy's Cafe has been taken off—the first step to a remodeling job we hear.

Mrs. Walter Frazier says she has a sweet potato that weighs eight pounds. He planted a sweet potato in some water for the fillage and it was from this she planted the seed or sprout (what do you plant to get a sweet potato) in her garden which grew to be the eight pounder. I wonder if this might be a record for this area?

Little is known about the former career of Herman Carson, local groceryman, but unconfirmed reports have it that he started his business life as a banker, and found it doubly difficult to make the change-over to his present mode of livelihood.

After having worked as a banker for many years he decided to retire to the quiet life and enormous profits of the grocery business. All went smoothly for several days, and finally a customer came in. Herman greeted him, smiling and rubbing his hands (a carryover from banking days.)

With an awkward flourish he began dusting the canned goods unconsciously following the customer to the meat department. There he overheard him tell the butcher "Let me have four of those large T-bones." Herman frowned for a moment, pulled at his ear absentmindedly, and then walked over to the customer and said (from force of habit) "Four T-bones? Don't you think you could get along with two?"

I refuse to vouch for the veracity of such a story, but that's how I heard it, and far be it from me to manufacture an incident about anyone at any time.

We have received the most beautiful painting from H. Latrobe Vaughan of South Gate, Calif. We will have it framed and put in the office where all can see it. Look for his letter telling the story of the picture, which is about the early days in Merkel, in next weeks issue.

When this paper is so full of ads that you don't have room to put in the news of an addition to your own family that is unusual. Look for the details of that next week.

I asked the boss if he didn't feel bad about having a paper so full of ads and so little news. He said, "Yes, I do," and he cried all the way to the bank.

Huntsville Rodeo To Feature Co-Star Of Wagon Train

The old saying "The Show Must Go On" was never truer than when Robert Horton, co-star of the popular TV series "Wagon Train," agreed to replace Actor Ward Bond here at the October 19 performance of the 27th Annual Texas Prison Rodeo.

Bond was forced to cancel his scheduled personal appearance on the advice of his physician, who declared, "Under no circumstances can I permit Bond to travel to Huntsville."

When Horton, who plays the role of Flint McCullough, scout of the television series, heard of the cancellation, he readily informed prison officials, "I'll be happy to appear at the Rodeo to help this worthy cause which in turn aids inmates' welfare program."

Horton is rated as one of the most versatile actors in Hollywood today. The rugged, tall, handsome young personality has made a name for himself on stage, screen, and television. What's more, he is an accomplished singer, with numerous songs to his credit in several musicals.

In "Wagon Train," Bob Horton alternates with Ward Bond as the principal characters of the weekly hour-long episodes.

He also has learned to do nearly all of his stunts for the show. He has done falls, mounts and dismounts from a galloping horse, and refuses to use a stuntman in his fight sequences.

Convict contestants added, "We know of Bob Horton and his appearances at some of the best rodeos in the nation. But we promise Horton and rodeo fans that our show will top any in the world."

H. H. Coffield, Rockdale, Chairman of the Texas Board of Corrections, says, "There are plenty of good reserve seats available at \$2.40 and \$4.40 each."

"They may be had by writing Rodeo Ticket Office, Huntsville, Texas, enclosing check or money order."

Tommy Jones Feted At Party

Tommy Jones, who left Saturday night for Fort Chaffee, Ark., was honored by members of the First Methodist Church of Trent with a farewell party.

Tommy was presented with a duffel bag filled with useful articles by the group.

Refreshments of cake, coffee and punch were served.

New Award Winning Style Fords Go On Display Here Friday

Thunderbird-inspired 1959 Fords will go into dealer showrooms Friday with the plaudits of a World's Fair committee behind them.

The Comite Francais de l'Elegance awarded the new model a gold medal for styling at the close of the Brussels international exposition.

The new Fords will be on display here at Merkel Motors with free coffee served throughout the day.

J. O. Wright, Ford Motor Company vice president and Ford Division general manager, said the new Ford is new in both concept and style.

"The styling theme is in good taste," he said, "a result of consumer demand for more elegance and dignity in automotive styling."

New engineering features include engines designed for greater fuel economy, and a new, lighter Fordomatic transmission with 105 fewer parts than in 1958.

Economy of operation is boosted by improved engine performance in normal driving ranges,

High School Parent-Teacher Conferences Too, This Year

Parent-Teacher conferences will be held at Merkel High as well as the elementary schools on Thursday and Friday of this week.

Regular conferences have been held in the elementary schools for the past 11 years, but this is the first time the high school has been included in the program.

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

Student Council Officers Named

The President, Vice-President, and Secretary of the Merkel High School Student Council were elected by the student body in an election held on September 24. The students elected were President, Joe Neill, senior; Vice-President, Mary McKeever, junior; Secretary, Dana Durham, senior.

Two representatives from each class serve on the council. Joe Neill and Dana Durham are the senior representatives, and Mary McKeever is one of the junior representatives. The others were elected by the individual classes.

Those elected were: Larry Seymour, junior; Phil Seymour, sophomore; Maxine Patterson, sophomore; Eugene Hester, freshman; and Carolyn Anderson, freshman.

To raise money for council operation, the members are selling stickers for car bumpers advertising the Merkel Badger football team.

Burleson Shows Champion Calves

Dale Burleson, ranch manager of the Jack Lehnard Ranch, McAlister, Okla., exhibited the Grand Champion Polled Hereford Bull, Pawnee Mischief 5th, at the Oklahoma State Fair.

Pawnee Mischief 5th is a winter calf. Burleson's calves also took first place in his "get of sire" entry. This is described as the top prize most cattlemen reach for, for it demonstrates consistency in reproduction.

The female entry, Miss Domestic Mischief 122, was named reserve Grand Champion.

At the Tulsa National Polled Hereford show Pawnee Mischief 5th was named Reserve Champion Polled Bull. Later this month he will be shown at the American Royal show, Kansas City, Mo., and in November he will be shown at the national polled show in Louisville, Ky.

Burleson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Burleson.

Merkel's Denton Flattens Roscoe In 36-6 Victory

Manley Denton found the range with two touchdown passes and added three more from the ground Friday night to give Merkel a 36-6 victory over Roscoe in non-district high school football action.

Merkel scored a touchdown in each of the first two quarters, then closed out with a 22-point burst in the fourth for the victory. Denton ran eight yards for the initial tally and hit Ronny English for 21 yards for the second-quarter score. Joe Neal ran the point in the second.

Roscoe tallied to open the fourth on a 12-yard pass from Bob Berry to Jerry Bourland to make the count read 14-6. But Merkel roared back on a quarterback sneak by Denton, a 10-yard pass from Denton to English, and a sparkling runback by Denton of an intercepted pass on the last play of the game when the Merkel back scamped 67 yards in a sparkling exhibition of broken field running.

Merkel racked up 265 yards rushing and 17 first downs compared to Roscoe's 67 yards on the ground good for nine first downs.

MERKEL	6	8	0	22	-63
ROSCOE	0	0	0	6	-6

Senior Class Chooses Motto

During the first six weeks of school, the seniors of Merkel High School held several class meetings in which the class motto, colors, and flower were chosen. For the motto, the class selected the Latin phrase, Aegis Fortissima Virtus—which means, Virtue is the strongest shield. The colors chosen were turquoise and silver. The gardenia was selected as the class flower.

For Homecoming week, the class voted to put up a sign downtown welcoming the ex-students. A committee was elected to make and put up the sign. Those on the committee were Sarah Salter, Ann Benson, Linda Leach, Virginia Criswell, Don Wilson, Jim Horton, Jerry McLeod, and J. R. Mashburn.

There are forty-nine on the senior class roll this year.

Service Guild Starts New Study

The Wesleyan Service Guild met in the chapel of the First Methodist Church Monday night, October 13.

The meeting was opened with the hymn "In Christ There is No East or West."

Miss Betty Tittle gave the devotional and prayer.

Hallie Burden introduced the Mission study, "Christian Concerns of a Continent," which will be presented at the following three meetings.

Mrs. Pat Dudley, president, presided at the business session.

Mrs. J. A. Cooley said the closing prayer.

Sunday night guests of Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Hicks were Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Freeman and daughter, Sandra, of Trent, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hale and Linda and Mr. and Mrs. Royce Smith, Gary and Larry, all of Roby.

Students To Have Bake Sale Oct. 16

Mrs. Shouse's seventh grade room will sponsor a bake sale in front of Mellinger's on Thursday, Oct. 16, beginning at 3 p.m.

Cakes, fried pies, cup cakes, candy, cookies and pop corn will be sold with the money made to be used for the Junior Red Cross, flower queen, leather tooling supplies and other things that might be needed during the year.

New officers in the room for the second six weeks are Jimmy Haley, president; Philip Doan, vice president; Joe Duran, secretary; Beth Patton, treasurer; Billie Ruth Ford, reporter.

H-SU Sets Record In Enrollment

Equaling the largest freshman enrollment in Hardin-Simmons University's history the 1958 fall freshman class totaled 602. The record of 602 was established in 1948 when many veterans were enrolled, according to university officials.

The large fresh enrollment helped boost the overall enrollment to 1541 which is over 10% gain compared to 1957 figures.

The total of freshman registering for the first time in any college was approximately 475, based on reports from freshman testing officials. The 1958 figure for beginning fresh was 351.

Men's dormitory accommodations of 410 beds are completely full and the 432 beds in the women's dormitories are about 90% filled. These facilities recently completed at a cost of about 2 million dollars were planned to be sufficient dormitory space until 1962. However, student inquiries already on file in the university indicate that the men's dormitories will be overflowing next fall and there will be a crowded situation in the women's dormitories.

Choral Club Elects Officers

The Merkel High School Choral Club, sponsored by Miss Glenda Givens, met Wednesday, Oct. 8, to choose music to work on and elect officers for the coming year.

Officers elected were Joan Byrd, president; Virginia Criswell, vice-president; Annette Boney, secretary-treasurer; and Penny Gardner, reporter.

'59 Chevrolet With Space Age Influence On Display Thursday

A complete styling transformation, along with more safety, comfort and performance, was announced today for the 1959 Chevrolet passenger car line.

The new models will be on display at Badger Chevrolet Thursday, Oct. 16. Coffee and doughnuts will be served.

Chevrolet has not neglected other phases of engineering in its bid to continue the sales registered by the company in 1958.

In shape and in detail the new styling reflects the influence of a space-conscious age. Lines sweep rearward in a virtually level plane. Tops are flatter and visibility is dramatically increased.

The 1959 Chevrolet body increases passenger room with five inches more width and a five and one-half foot front feet. With 20 percent greater capacity, the trunk has been increased up to 32 cubic feet.

Sedans have been reduced in height one inch and sport models two inches. Through lower body mountings and a new roof, the advantage has been accomplished without sacrifice, and in some cases an actual gain in headroom.

Here are some of the 1959 mechanical highlights:
A new six-cylinder engine,

Bill Horton Gets Military Honor In H-SU ROTC

Bill Horton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Buster Horton, Route 3, Merkel, has been named a Distinguished Military Student by the Reserve Training Corps at Hardin-Simmons University.

Horton, a cadet Lieutenant colonel, was chosen for the award on the basis of his outstanding leadership ability. Students who qualify for this award must be in the upper one-half of their class scholastically, the upper one-third of their military science class and must have successfully completed the ROTC summer camp at Fort Hood, Texas.

ROTC students who receive the Distinguished Military Student award and continue doing outstanding work will be designated as Distinguished Military Graduates. They may then apply for regular Army commissions, while other ROTC cadets may apply only for reserve commissions.

Horton is also a member of the Math Club, Science Club Cowboys for Christ and Students Council at H-SU.

Gleaner Meet In Shurley Home

Mrs. Mason Shirley assisted by Mrs. Herbert Patterson and Mrs. Ruby Grimes hosted a social for members of the Gleaner Sunday School class of the First Methodist Church in the home of Mrs. Shirley on Wednesday, Oct. 8.

Fall cut flowers were used throughout the house.

Mrs. Denzel Cox brought the devotional from Romans 12. Mrs. Lou Petty led the prayer.

Mrs. Ross Ferrier, president, presided at the business session. Members voted to dispense with the sending of Christmas cards to friends in town, enclosing money spent for cards and postage instead in a Christmas card to be sent to the Methodist Orphanage.

This will be in addition to the offering sent by the class each year to the Home at Waco.

Refreshments of sandwiches, gingerbread topped with whipped cream and spiced tea were served to twenty members.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Burleson accompanied by their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles McArthur and children, visited their son and brother, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Burleson of McAlister, Okla., last week.

Claud Rosson, 59, Killed In Wreck

Funeral service for Claude Rosson Sr., 59, was held in Taft Tuesday afternoon at 3 p.m. Burial was in a Taft cemetery.

Mr. Rosson, who was a passenger in a car belonging to Buddy Mayo, also of Taft, was killed instantly when the car in which he was riding was involved in a head-on collision with another car. Mr. Mayo died several hours later.

The two men were en route to Marlin where Mr. Rosson was to undergo treatment.

Mr. Rosson formerly lived in the Shiloh and Noodle communities but had resided in Taft for about 30 years. He was engaged in the gin business there.

He married the former Ida Pomroy here in 1918.

Survivors include his wife, one son, Claude Rosson Jr., also of Taft and two grandchildren who have made their home with their grandparents since their mother was killed in an accident several years ago.

Mrs. Rosson's mother, Mrs. S. E. Pomroy, and a niece, Mrs. Leon Walker are Merkel residents.

Lions To Receive Awards Tuesday

At the regular meeting of the Merkel Lions Clubs this coming Tuesday noon, October 21, twenty members of the club will receive service and achievement awards, according to Carroll Benson, president.

Special achievement awards will go to Earl Hughes, Kent Satterwhite, Don Warren and Carroll Benson.

Ten Years Service Awards will be presented to David Gamble, Horace Boney, Edwin Read; Fifteen Year awards to Nolan Palmer, Frank Breaux, Charles Curb, J. W. Hammond; Twenty Year Awards to E. O. Carson, Chester Collinsworth, Meyer Mellinger, Nolan Palmer, Charles Curb; 30 Year Charter Member Awards to Dr. W. T. Sadler, Booth Warren and S. D. Gamble.

Featured on Tuesday's program will be a vocal quintet composed of Manley Denton, Joe Neill, Jerry McLeod, Annette Boney and Linda Leach.

Meals are now being served by the Eastern Star.

Jacky Russell Gets Promotion

The professor of Military Science and Tactics at Tarleton State College in Stephenville, Texas, Lt. Colonel L. W. Sherrard, has announced the promotion of Cadet Pvt. Jacky Russell of Merkel, Texas in the ROTC Corp of Cadets to the grade of Cadet M/Sgt. The newly appointed cadet is the son of Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Russell of Ira, formerly of Merkel Texas and is a graduate of Merkel High School.

Barbecue Supper At Clyde Friday

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Clyde Voluntary Fire Department are sponsoring a barbecue supper Friday, Oct. 17 at the Clyde community center from 5 p.m. 'til football game time.

Price for the meal will be \$1 including drink. There will also be homemade pie for 15 cents per slice.

Members of the auxiliary extend a special invitation to Badger fans who will be in Clyde for the game.

GOODMAN HD CLUB

The Goodman Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. Karl Bonneaux on Friday, October 10.

The program was on "care of clothing." Plans were discussed for a basic sewing shop.

Mrs. Bonneaux, president, presided. Roll call was answered with "which 1957 demonstration helped me most."

Refreshments were served to five members.

Jaycees Search For Outstanding Young Farmer

The Texas Junior Chamber of Commerce's annual search for the year's "outstanding young farmer" is now underway, and Jaycees over the state are urging

communities to nominate local farmers between 21 and 35 years of age who they feel deserve special recognition. Any Texas farmer within the proper age limit is eligible for the "outstanding young farmer" title, and any community group can sponsor any young man of their choice for the honor. Basis of judging in the state-wide contest will be progress in farming, soil and natural resources conservation practices and personal efforts

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From community nominees, a panel of judges will select the Outstanding Young Farmer next February. The winner will be guest of honor at a state Jaycees-sponsored banquet and will receive an all-expense trip to the National Awards Program in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, next April, where the nation's four top young farmers of 1958 will be selected. The national program is sponsored by the U. S. Junior Chamber of Commerce and the American Petroleum Institute Committee on Agriculture.

Outstanding Young Texas Farmer for 1957 was Johnnie E. Stefka of Caldwell, a cattle, dairy, cotton and grain farmer.

Further information on the young farmer contest can be obtained by contacting any local Junior Chamber of Commerce office or by writing to Mr. Joe Smetana, Chairman, Agriculture Committee, Junior Chamber of Commerce, Perry-Brooks Building, Austin, Texas.

Special Offer Made Enlistees

The U. S. Army has announced the opening of an enlistment option for assignment with the 4th Armored Division, now stationed in Europe.

Only men with high mental and physical qualifications are eligible. Those meeting the high standards will receive their training at Fort Hood, Texas, the home of the 2nd Armored Division. Upon completion of basic and advanced training the men will depart for duty in Europe.

This special Regular Army enlistment option guarantees vol-

unteers they will be a member in one of the Army's elite units, and will know prior to enlistment where they will be stationed.

Additional information regarding this special offer may be obtained from your local U.S. Army Recruiter, M/Sgt. Leonard M. Evans at 900 N. 3rd St. or by phoning OR 3-2576 or OW2-4838.

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OCTOBER 20

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Cornbread muffins
Butter
Milk
Devil's food cake

OCTOBER 21

Pimiento-cheese sandwiches
Green beans
New Irish potatoes with cream sauce
Milk
Banana cup cakes

OCTOBER 22

Steak and gravy
Cream potatoes
Tomato wedges
Milk
Bread
Fruit Salad

OCTOBER 23

Chili
Red beans
Fresh onions
Pickles
Lemon pie
Crackers
Milk

OCTOBER 24

Hamburgers
Potato chips
Milk
Fresh grapes

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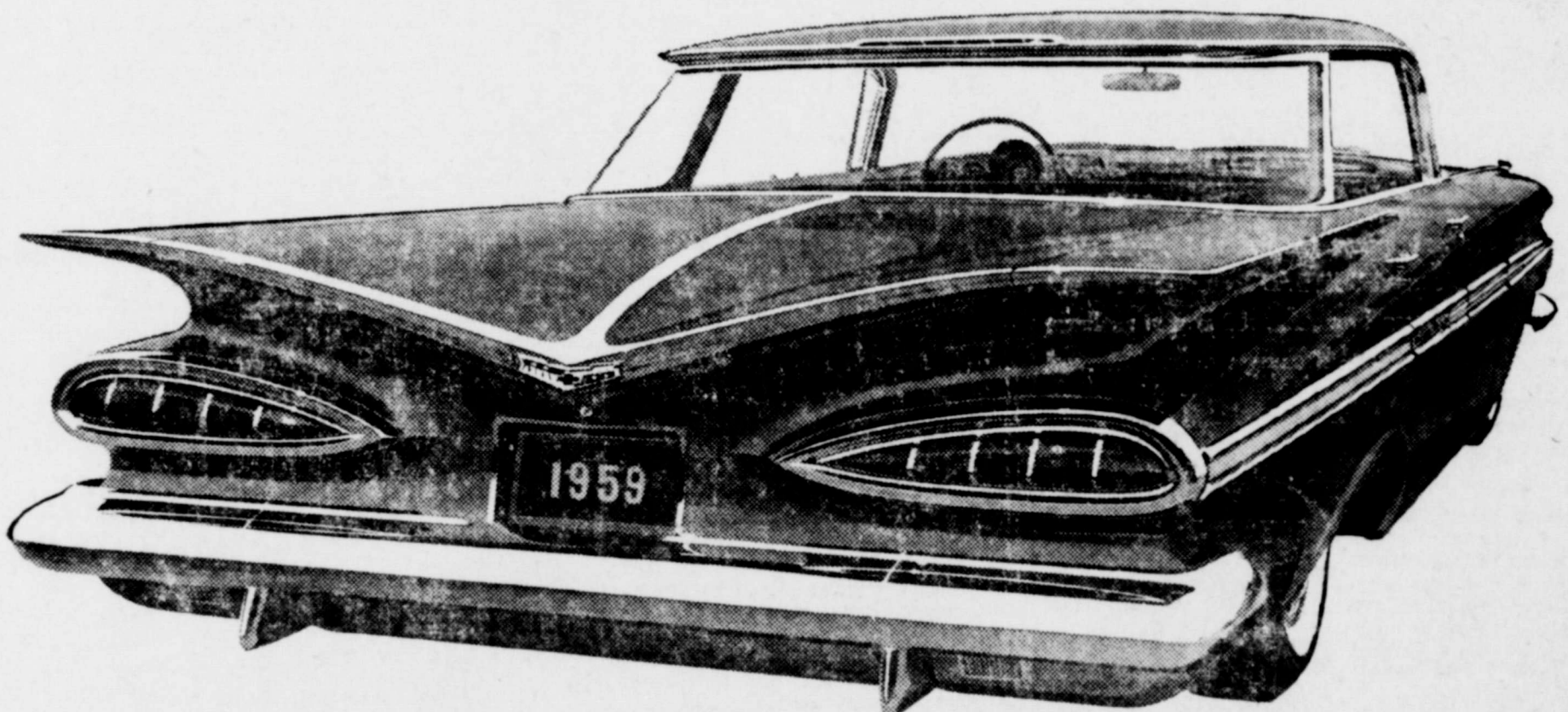
We go into the last quarter of 1958 — an exciting year with sputniks, moon talk, election year politics, record breaking wheat crop, a touchy international situation, hula hoops, the World Series, and we could go on at great length. On the local level, we say it has been a good year so far. This community is making progress. This bank is growing, not only in size, but in capacity to serve. With safety for your funds assured by sound management and insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, with complete facilities and services to meet ALL your banking needs, and with a personal interest in you and your financial progress... we are ready to meet your growing demand for dependable banking service. So come in often, use all of our services, make the F&M your complete financial headquarters.

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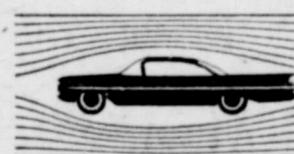
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DEAR MISTER EDITOR:
These new 1959 cars they is putting out remind me of a razor-back hog in reverse. I've saw many a razor-back hog that was so front-heavy you had to tie a rock to his tail to keep him from tipping over in front. These new cars has got so much fin-tail hardware on the back that they'll have to tie a rock to the engine to keep it from gitting airborne.

to the point of distraction because his tractor won't run, he just picks up his phone and calls a mechanic.
If cussing was bad fer religion, I reckon the pore old mule will have to take most of the blame. My preacher, I'm afeared, is confusing the scarcity of mules with the increase in religion.
I see by the paper this morning where one of them junketing Congressman asked a Arab what the chief industry of his country was. "Foreign aid," replied the native. At least, them Arabs tell the truth.

yours truly,
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stubbornness and cussedness of a mule would make a feller rip off cuss words that could he heard three and four farms down the road. A farmer, mad at the contrariness of his mule, would cuss until his face got purple and he fell in the hog trough in a fit. Naturally, his wife and children would hear all this cussing and they would turn out to be pritty good cussers themselves.
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Thursday—Winner	R. L. Binkley	-----	\$100.00
Thursday—Winner	Terrie Chancey	-----	\$10.00
Friday—Loser	A. D. Moore	-----	\$5.00
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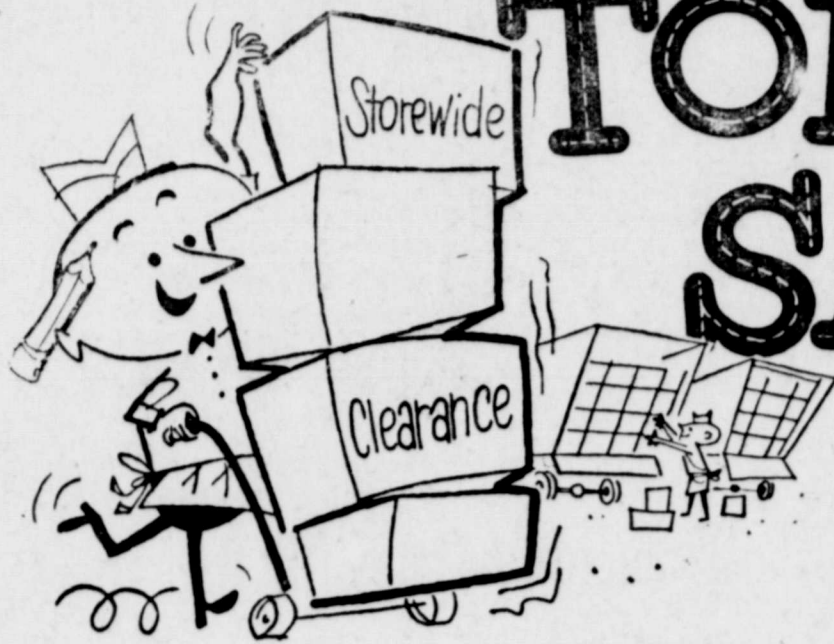
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DOLE—Pineapple 46-Oz. Can
JUICE - - 3 for \$100

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PREM - - 2 for \$100

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CABBAGE - lb. 5¢

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APPLES - - lb. 15¢

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CARROTS - bag 9¢

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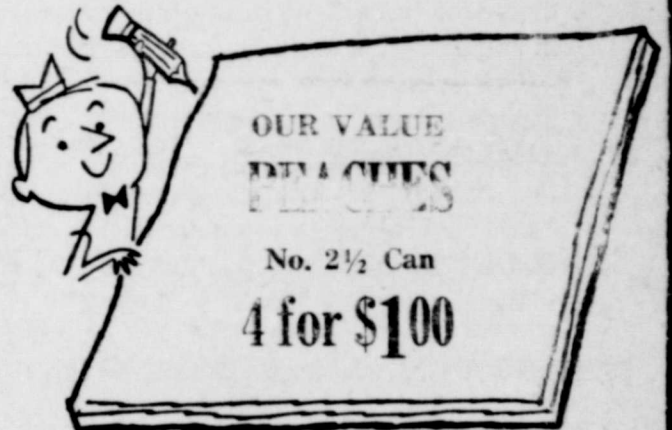
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JAM - - - 3 for \$100

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OLIVES - jar 39¢

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Peanut BUTTER 39¢

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POP CORN - - 19¢

WHITE
KARO - - qt. 49¢



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HORMEL
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T-BONE
STEAK - lb. 87¢

DRESSED WHOLE
FRYERS lb. 29¢

HORMEL
HAM butt or shank end lb. 51¢

HORMEL
BACON - - - lb. 63¢

HORMEL
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PICKLES
SOUR or DILL
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Half Gal.
35¢

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for

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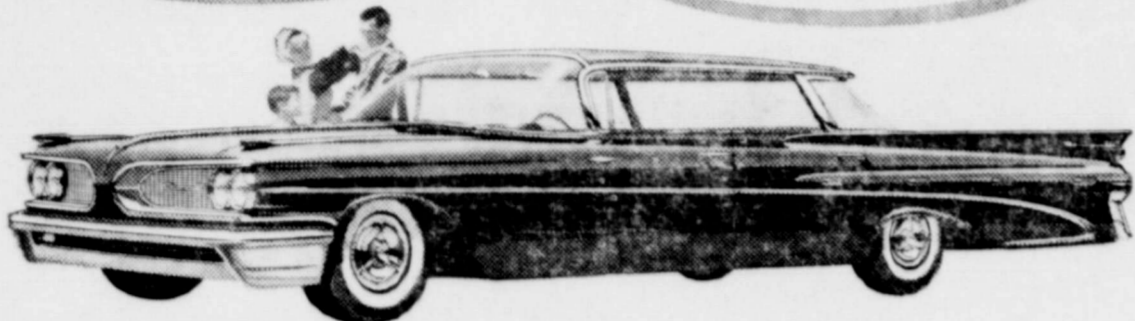
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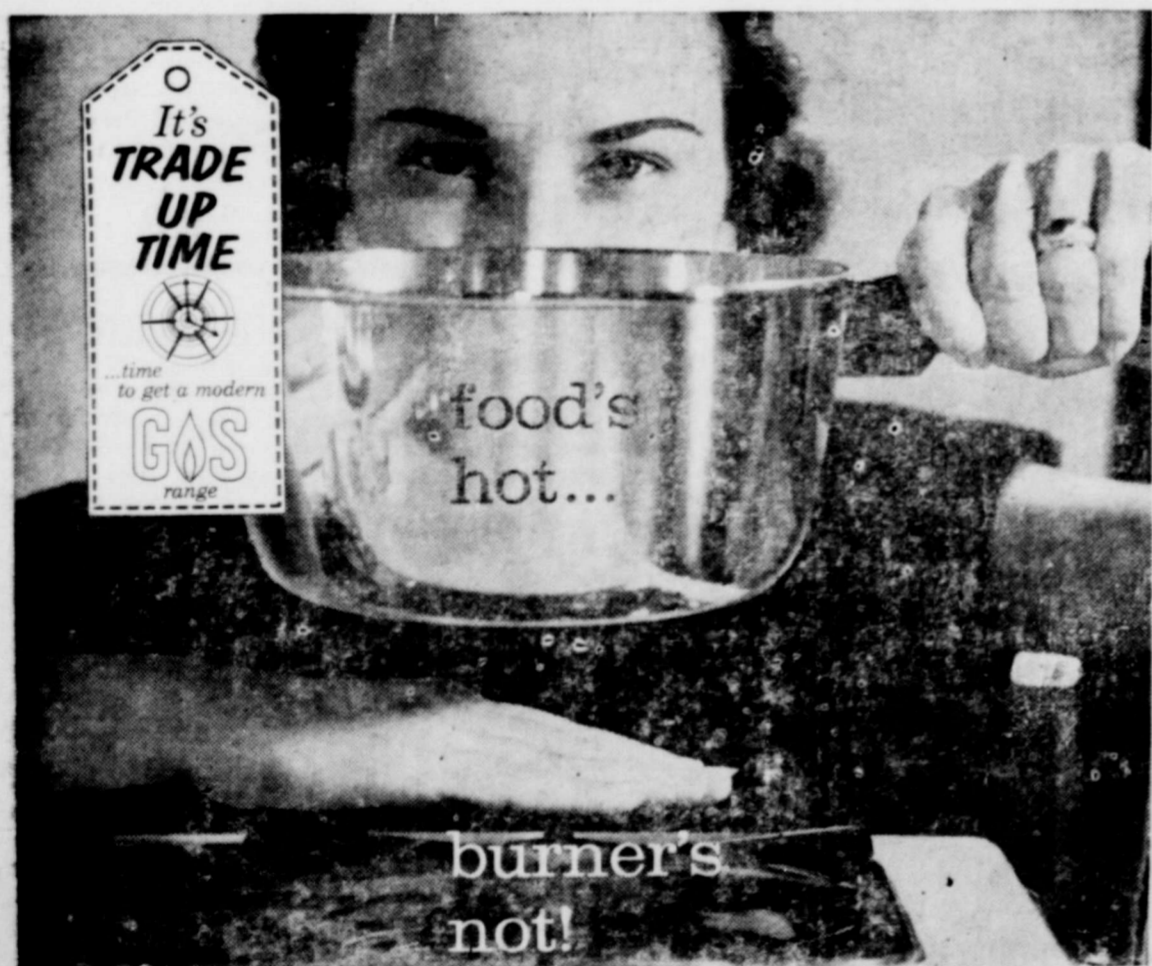
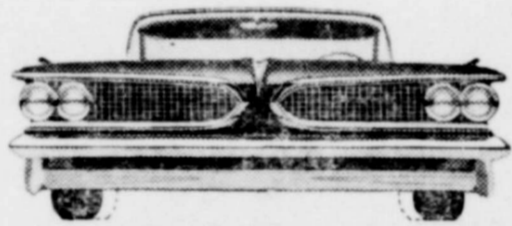
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SPECIALS! SPECIALS! SPECIALS!
OFFERED BY STORES IN THIS AD FOR THURSDAY

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Regular, \$5.95 seller

Stock up on these for Christmas Gifts.

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Each Thursday Night

And Register for Complete Service of 8
In Romantic England China

To be given the fourth week in November.

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Trades-Day Specials for Thursday

FROM 6:00 to 8:30

Guaranteed **FIRST QUALITY**, 51-gauge all **NYLON**
hose in the Season's newest shades. An excellent value.
All sizes.

2 pairs for \$100

36 inches wide, heavy weight, and wanted patterns in
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29c per yard

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6 to 8 p. m.

Men's Jaysen Dress Shirts
Interwoven material—stripes and solids
Broken sizes 14to 16½

\$169

Free Redwing Boots

To Be given away Dec. 23.
Men Only register from 6 to 8 p.m.

BRAGG'S

Cotton Piece Goods

Good Assortment

Fall Patterns

THURSDAY ONLY

29¢ YD.

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From—

BILL'S GARDEN SHOP

**Free Christmas
Gift**

16 pc Setting of Imported Stainless Steel Tableware
Skool Pattern by Thaysen

Registration open **O-N-L-Y**

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December 23rd

You do not have to be present to win.

\$25 Discount

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5:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

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Merkel, Texas

Bride Honored At Linen Shower

Mrs. Henry Allison, the former Linda Beard, was complimented with a linen shower in the home of Mrs. S. R. Scott.

Receiving guests at the door was Miss Lora Scott, who presented the honoree, her mother, Mrs. J. H. Beard and Mrs. T. B. Allison and Mrs. Floyd Grimm, both of Abilene, mother and sister of the bridegroom.

Wanda McLean presided at the register. Serving alternately at the tea table were Venita McLean and Mary Allison.

Arrangement centering the tea table featured pink and white carnations.

Hostesses were Meses. J. B. Gregory, John Wheeler, W. S. Agnew, Patsy Byrd, S. R. Scott, and Misses Janie Breaux, Shirley Carey, Venita McLean, Mary Allison, Wanda McLean and Lora Scott.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cox, who have lived in California for a number of years, arrived in Merkel the past week and plan to remain here indefinitely.

DALE MOORE CIRCLE

The Dale Moore Circle of the First Baptist Church met in the home of Mrs. Josie Shanks Tuesday morning, October 14.

Mrs. P. F. Harris gave the opening prayer.

The program was under the direction of Mrs. Ted McAninch, program chairman.

Those present were Meses. G. D. McDonnell, George T. Moore, Howard Carson, Hugh Campbell, Harris, McAninch and Shanks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jennings of Plainview, Olton Route, were Sunday guests of Mrs. Jennings' brother, T. J. Amason and attended services at the First Baptist Church here Sunday night.

Lewis Carson of Seattle, Washington, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Carson, and other relatives here recently. This was his first visit here in eight years and he has the distinction of being the person to come the greatest distance for the ex-students homecoming.

The tire and tube industry in 1957 increased its investment in newspaper advertising by 39 per cent over the previous year.

Rosemary Jones Honored At Surprise Party

Members of the Senior class of Trent High School were guests when Mrs. D. H. Jones gave her daughter, Rosemary, a surprise birthday party at her home, Monday, October 13.

After games the honoree was presented with a number of gifts. Refreshments of ice cream, cake and punch were served to Peggy Mayberry, Tillie McWilliams, Karen Hood, Joy Ponder, Wanda Vinson, Brenda Williams, Janie Yoes, Sandra Freeman, Linda Wilks, Brent Utley, David Clayburn, Lesley Byrom, Gerald Grant, Gerry Williams, Urban Bright, the honoree, her mother and an aunt, Mrs. Hollis Jones, and two children, Johnny and Kathy.

Adren Farmer and son, Fredlyn, spent the weekend in El Paso with their son and brother, Mr. and Mrs. Etsel Farmer and children. They were accompanied upon their return by their wife, and mother, Mrs. Farmer and a grandson.

FACT and FANCY

There is a sign, I have been told, in an unincorporated colored cafe in Georgia which reads: "If you is broke, you is done et."

This puts across a point very nicely and without the coldness that is inherent in the usual "Don't ask for credit" type sign.

I also like the candor of a sign I saw the other day which pointed to a side road and read: "Poverty Lane." This tempted me to drive in to see what sort of place or people I would find there. I just bet you they are folks short on pump and long on the attitude that the Joneses could not possibly have anything they felt impelled to keep up with.

This all set me to thinking about how a system of communications could be developed to prevent or minimize awkward situations resulting from visitors in the home. As you know, for example, housewives are forever apologizing to unexpected visitors because the house is in the shape that any house is being lived in necessarily stays in most of the time.

What I have in mind is a series of removable panels carrying pertinent legends and placed at the front entrance. Think how the pressure would be reduced if you walked up to a home which displayed messages:

"House probably in mess but come in anyway."

"If you are planning to visit, give us time to move Dad to the back room."

"You are welcome to visit at night but we go to bed at 9:30"

"Everything stops for 'Have Gun, Will Travel' at our house."

"Expect man of house to be in foul humor around first of month."

Get the idea? Here is how contributions are processed at the Texas Rehabilitation Center (Gonzales Warm Springs Foundation): The mail is opened by two trusted employees working together who log all receipts immediately. A secretary then makes the receipts in triplicate, mailing the original to the donor. One copy goes to the chief bookkeeper who enters the figures in the appropriate ledger and deposits the money.

Another employee then checks the figure entered by the bookkeeper to see that it conforms with the figures logged by the employees who opened the mail originally. Further spot checking is done by the Foundation auditors, Haskins and Sells.

Merkel Motors extends to you a Cordial invitation to See & Drive The '59 FORD — Today!

Fairlane 500 Town Sedan

Fairlane Town Sedan

Country Sedan 6-Passenger

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We will have the following models on display for you.

F-R-E COFFEE ALL DAY FRIDAY.

Why not enjoy one of your coffee breaks with us.

MERKEL MOTORS

MERKEL, TEXAS

BROWN DOMESTIC

Wide width, smooth quality, and heavy weight. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY—

5 yards for \$100

COTTON BATTS

2-pound roll, fully bleached and fluffy quilt cotton. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY—

\$119 roll

BATH TOWELS

"Cannon" quality bath towels. 20x40 inches in size and all the pastel shades. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY—

3 for \$100

Wash cloths to match these towels ONLY

10 for \$100

BED SHEETS

"GARZA" quality. Double-bed size, fine thread count, and cellophane wrapped. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

\$350 per pair

Pillow cases to match these sheets ONLY

98c per pair

DIAPERS

27x27-inch hemmed and packaged Birds-eye diapers. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

\$179 per dozen

Chenille Bed Spreads

Double-bed size, nice weight, lots of chenille, and fringed edges. All the wanted shades to choose from. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY—

\$350 each

COLORED BED SHEETS

"Garza" quality and double-bed size. All the wanted pastel shades, cellophane wrapped, and first quality. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY—

\$500 per pair

Pillow cases to match these bedsheets ONLY

\$125 per pair

Hob-Nail Bed Spreads

Excellent quality, extra large size, attractive designs and colors. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY—

\$495 each

DOLLAR DAY AT MELLINGER'S MEANS A DAY OF GREAT SAVINGS ON QUALITY MERCHANDISE THROUGHOUT EVERY DEPARTMENT . . . SHOP WHERE YOU WILL FIND YOUR LARGEST SELECTION OF FALL MERCHANDISE.

ALL DOLLAR DAY PURCHASES MUST BE FOR CASH

FALL DRESSES

One rack of our newest arrivals in Fall dresses—beautiful styles, newest fabrics, and all sizes. Priced regularly from \$6.95 and up. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY—

1-3 off

Slips & Half-Slips

All NYLON construction, well tailored, and all sizes. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

\$199 each

PANTIES

All NYLON, good quality, and all sizes. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY—

2 for \$100

LADIES' HOSIERY

Guaranteed FIRST QUALITY. 51-gauge all NYLON hose in the Season's newest shades. All sizes. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY—

2 pairs \$100

LADIES' GOWNS

A lucky purchase makes this item possible. All NYLON, attractive styles, and all sizes. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY—

\$299 each

PERCALES

New Fall patterns and colors. Ideal for school wear. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

4 yards for \$100

SEAMLESS HOSE

Guaranteed first quality, new Fall shades, and all sizes. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

79c per pair

DRIP-DRY COTTONS

A marvelous value! Dark grounds, neat prints, and a most-wanted fabric FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

2 yards for \$100

CORDUROY

Many, many new Fall colors to choose from. 36 inches wide, pin-well weave, and completely washable. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

79c per yard

OUTING

36 inches wide, heavy weight, and wanted patterns. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY—

29c per yard

Part Wool Blankets

Heavy weight, satin-bound edge, part wool double blankets. All colors, and double-bed size. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY—

\$399

MEN'S PANTS

Made of 8.2-ounce Suntan Army Cloth. Tailored to fit well and last longer. Zipper fly and large belt loops. All sizes. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY—

\$249 per pair

COTTON BLANKETS

Double-bed size double blankets. A nice weight and attractive plaids. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

\$269

Another group of double cotton plaid blankets ONLY

\$298

Men's Work Shirts

Choice of blue or grey chambray. Nice weight, full cut, 2 pockets, and sanforized shrunk. Sizes 14 to 17. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

\$119 each

Men's Work Socks

Choice of either full length or elastic-top ankles. White and colors, and all sizes. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

5 pairs for \$100

MEN'S UNDERWEAR

Either printed, sanforized broadcloth shorts in both gripper and "boxer" styles, and cotton knitted briefs. All sizes. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY—

2 for \$100

Full cut cotton vests with NYLON reinforced necks and arms. Panel ribbed, and sizes 34 to 46. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

2 for \$100

Men's Stretch Socks

Choice of fancies, neat, and solid colors in all NYLON Helanca stretch socks. A quality that usually sells at 75c per pair. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY—

2 pairs for \$100

Men's Dress Shirts

Made of fine quality broadcloth in neat patterns and solid colors. Sanforized shrunk and available in sizes 14 to 17. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY—

\$199 each

Dickie's pants & Shirts

The finest value in work clothing. Made of 8.2-ounce Army Cloth in either Suntan or Postman Grey colors. Well tailored. All sizes. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY—

\$298 per garment

"Dickie's" type I Army Cloth pants and shirts—Suntan color only—available for ONLY

\$398 per garment

MEN'S and BOYS' SPORT SOCKS

Heavy knitted weave and new Fall patterns and colors. Ideal for school wear, as well as for sport wear. Sizes 10 to 13. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

3 pairs for \$100

MEN'S FELT HATS

Our first sale on this quality item was practically a complete sell-out. Another shipment has arrived. Available in dress shape or the ever-popular "Open-Road" block. Colors: Brown, tan, and Grey. Sizes: 6 5-8 to 7 1-2. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

\$499 each

Boys' Blue Jeans

Top-quality "LONGHORN" jeans for boys. Available in regular or "slim" make. Heavy weight, sanforized shrunk, and tight fitting FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

Sizes 1 to 10 \$179 per pr.

Sizes 11 to 16 \$198 per pr

SHOE SPECIALS

GROUP I

Consists of a nice quality Men's ever-popular Wellington pull-on boots in Black leather. A quality which sells for much more. Sizes 6 1-2 to 11. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY—

\$995 per pair

GROUP II

Consists of Ladies' "flats" for dress, sport, or school wear. Available in smooth leathers and neat, dressy Suedes. Black only. All sizes. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY—

\$299 per pair

GROUP III

Consists of Ladies' and Girls' popular Loafers. Available in Black, Brown, and White. "Scamperoo" brand by Star Brand. Sizes 4 to 10; AA and B widths. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY—

\$399 per pair

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MERKEL'S LARGEST DEPARTMENT STORE

Open each Thursday evening until 8:30 pm for your shopping convenience

WANT ADS

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING RATES
Classified ads are 4 cents per word for the first insertion and 3 cents per word for additional insertions. Minimum charge is \$1. Cards of thanks are \$1 for the first 50 words; 4 cents for each word over 50.

MISCELLANEOUS
DEALER WANTED. 200 farm-home necessities — Medicines, Vitamins, Spices, Foods, Toiletory Products, etc., well known in South Taylor Co. For particulars see Mrs. Mary Williams Rt. 3 Sweetwater or write Rawleigh's Dept. TXJ - 1001 - 142, Memphis, Tenn. 10-17-24

SHORT OF CASH?
The big earning season is here! Avon's exciting new Gift line of cosmetics can give you an unusual earning opportunity during the coming Holiday Season. Openings in Hawley, Truby and Noodle. Write District Manager, 1515 Sycamore, Big Spring, Texas.

WILL DO your one-way and sewing. Rex McLean, Rt. 4, Merkel. 31-11p
FOUND — Stray calf in the C. E. Lucas pasture which is located 10 miles north of Merkel on Farm-to-Market road 126, then east of Noodle. Owner may have calf by contacting Bill Lucas and paying for this ad. 31-11c

WANTED TO BUY—60 to 100 acres of land in Merkel area. Box 476, Merkel, Texas. 30-2tp
WANTED—House painting, Re-modeling, Building. Big or little jobs. Hour or contracts. Lee Ward, Phone 195-J, 511 Ash. 23-1fc

NOTICE MASONS
Stated meeting of Merkel Lodge No. 710, A.F. & M., Saturday, Oct. 25, 7:30 p.m. All members are urged to attend. Visiting brethren cordially invited.
Othell O'Kelly, W. M.
C. B. Rust, Secretary.

FOR RENT
FOR RENT — 2-room furnished apartment. Middle aged or elderly couple preferred. 1409 N. 2nd. 31-11p
FOR RENT—House, 4-rooms and bath. 802 Locust. Vivian Davis Phone 78 or 232. 29-1fc
FOR RENT: 4-room and bath unfurnished duplex. Call Ray Wilson at 173. 13-1fc
FOR RENT — Furnished garage apartment. 112 Oak Ph. 140.

FOR RENT—4-room unfurnished rock duplex. E. O. Carson 31-1p

FOR RENT — 3-room furnished house All modern conveniences \$35 per month. R. L. Griffith, Box 584. 31-11p

FOR RENT 2 or 3 rm unfurnished apartments to elderly lady or couple. 402 Edwards. Owner 404 Edwards. 25-1fc

FOR RENT — 2-room furnished apartment with private bath to couple. Mrs. M. R. Hail. 808 Trundy. Tel. 399-W. 30-11c

FOR RENT — Bedroom with private entrance and bath. Mrs. Ina Hunter. Call 63-W. 29-3tp

FOR SALE
FOR SALE — Late model used automatic washers. Palmer Motor Co. 24-1fc

FOR SALE — High Chair, nursery chair, bassinet, and bathing stool, real cheap, together (a real bargain) or separately. Call 70. 31-11c

FURNITURE BARGAINS
2 hot water heaters, bath tub, commode, air cooler, lawn mowers, lamps, utility tables, occasional chairs, end and coffee tables, chests desk, 8 gas heaters, 7 living rm. suites, 6 bedroom suites, 1 baby bed, 3 dinettes, 12 washers, 8 stoves, 5 refrigerators, 10 TV's, 2 metal kitchen cabinets.

MIKE HAMMER FURNITURE OUTLET
210 CHESTNUT OR. 4-1061
FOR SALE—Tru-Cold 16 ft. upright deep freeze. New at a bargain. Merkel Salvage. 928 N. 1st. 7-1fc

BATTERIES CHARGED
29c

WHITE AUTO STORE
Merkel, Texas

FOR SALE — SPECIAL — 2000 C.F.M. air-conditioner complete with pump. \$37.50. Palmer Motor Company. 19-1fc

FOR MONUMENTS CALL TOM COATS
131 MERKEL, TEXAS 16-1fc

FOR SALE—West Star and Quannah seed wheat Also seed oats. 3 miles west of Noodle. W. A. Henager. 29-3tc

FOR SALE—Good used refrigerator at Palmer Motor Co. 17-1fc

REPOSSESSED—G. E. Washer & Dryer combination. \$495.00 Value for \$295.00. Palmer Motor Co.

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45 Bisley Single Action
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HOUSE FOR SALE — 3 bedroom house practically new. Is financed. Can be purchased with a small down payment. Can be seen by appointment only. Cyprus Pee Agency. 28-1fc

FOR SALE — Good clean Wichita Wheat seed \$2.25 per bu. Also seed oats at .75 per bu. Hollis McCoy. Tel. 9014-R2 30-4tc

FOR SALE—Large nice home on Oak street. Close in. Living room and dining room combination. Two large bedrooms, kitchen, storage room and bath. wall-to-wall carpet living room and dining room. This is one of the nicest homes in Merkel. \$11,500.

3-bedroom home. Living room 18x30. Wall-to-wall carpet. Very nice kitchen. Plenty of closet space. Large concrete front porch. 2-car garage. Closed-in back yard. Own electric water system. 80-ft. lot. This home has to be seen to be appreciated. \$13,000.

3-bedroom home. Large living room and dining room. Nice kitchen. 2-car garage. On two large lots. \$6,000.
DOWDY & TOOMBS 31-1fc

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Braune were in Waco over the week-end to visit their daughter and son-in-law, T/Sgt. and Mrs. H. M. Beaird, Jr. They were also met by their son, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Braune and Wanda Kay of Navasota. T/Sgt. and Mrs. Beaird transferred from Goodfellow AFB, San Angelo to James Connally AFB, Waco in August.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Ryan of Paducah were weekend guests in the home of their daughter, Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Cooley and daughters, Ruth and Reba.

20 YEARS AGO

IN MERKEL

John Grable, local Chevrolet dealer and his salesmen, O. C. Shouse and George White, left Wednesday to attend the Chevrolet-pre-showing convention which was held in Fort Worth on Oct. 12.

Joe Holmes returned Friday of last week from a visit to his old home at Milan, Tenn. He made the trip with his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Holmes of Wickenburg, Ariz.

County Commissioner Jack Cannon and Mrs. Cannon accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stanford, returned Saturday from New Braunfels, where he attended the state convention of county judges and commissioners. He reports the meeting the most interesting and successful that he has ever attended.

LaVerne Hughes of Merkel, sophomore student in the home economics division of Texas Technological College was on the program of the Y-M-W-C-A meeting this week and gave humorous readings.

With the Pep Squad and Badger band in uniform a huge Pep Rally will be staged at the Queen Theatre between shown Thursday night "premier" for the Rotar game Friday night. Coach Pat Davis will introduce members of the Badger squad from the stage.

Seventh grade pupils, under the leadership of their teachers, Mrs. Len Sublett and G. W. Wilhite, sponsored the first regular meeting of Merkel's Parent-Teacher Association Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. A group of boys and girls ushered approximately one hundred parents and teachers into the High School study hall, which was attractively decorated for the occasion.

T. H. Haas, who passed his ninth birthday on last March 10, and who had lived in and around

Merkel for 37 years, died at 7 o'clock Tuesday night at the home of a daughter, Mrs. S. A. Coats, in Bettis Heights.

40 YEARS AGO

IN MERKEL

The acquaintances and friends of Oran Edwards were greatly shocked to learn of his death at training camp in Virginia last Saturday, another brave boy given into the hands of the god of war.

Frank Berryman, who resided southeast of Merkel, succumbed to this new disease that is ravaging the country just now. He took sick at Ranger but by the time he reached home he had pneumonia.

The Merkel Red Cross went over the top the past week, as is usually the case. They were called

upon to work Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday afternoons, and in that time they completed 300 influenza masks and 50 pneumonia jackets which were sent to the Abilene Chapter Tuesday.

The following parties returned from government work at Nashville the past few days: M. L. Estes, Roy Miller, J. M. Garrett, Pick Allen and T. F. Compton. Mrs. G. M. Sharp, Mrs. West Edwards and Mrs. Frank Gilmore are to arrive this (Thursday) evening from Midland.

A. O. Hickman, formerly express agent here but now of Burkburnett, was a visitor in the city this week. While here he placed a subscription with the Merkel Mail.

Mrs. W. W. Greenway of Atlanta has been a guest this week in the homes of Mrs. W. M. Hays, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Hester, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hays and Mr. and Mrs. Paxton Hays.

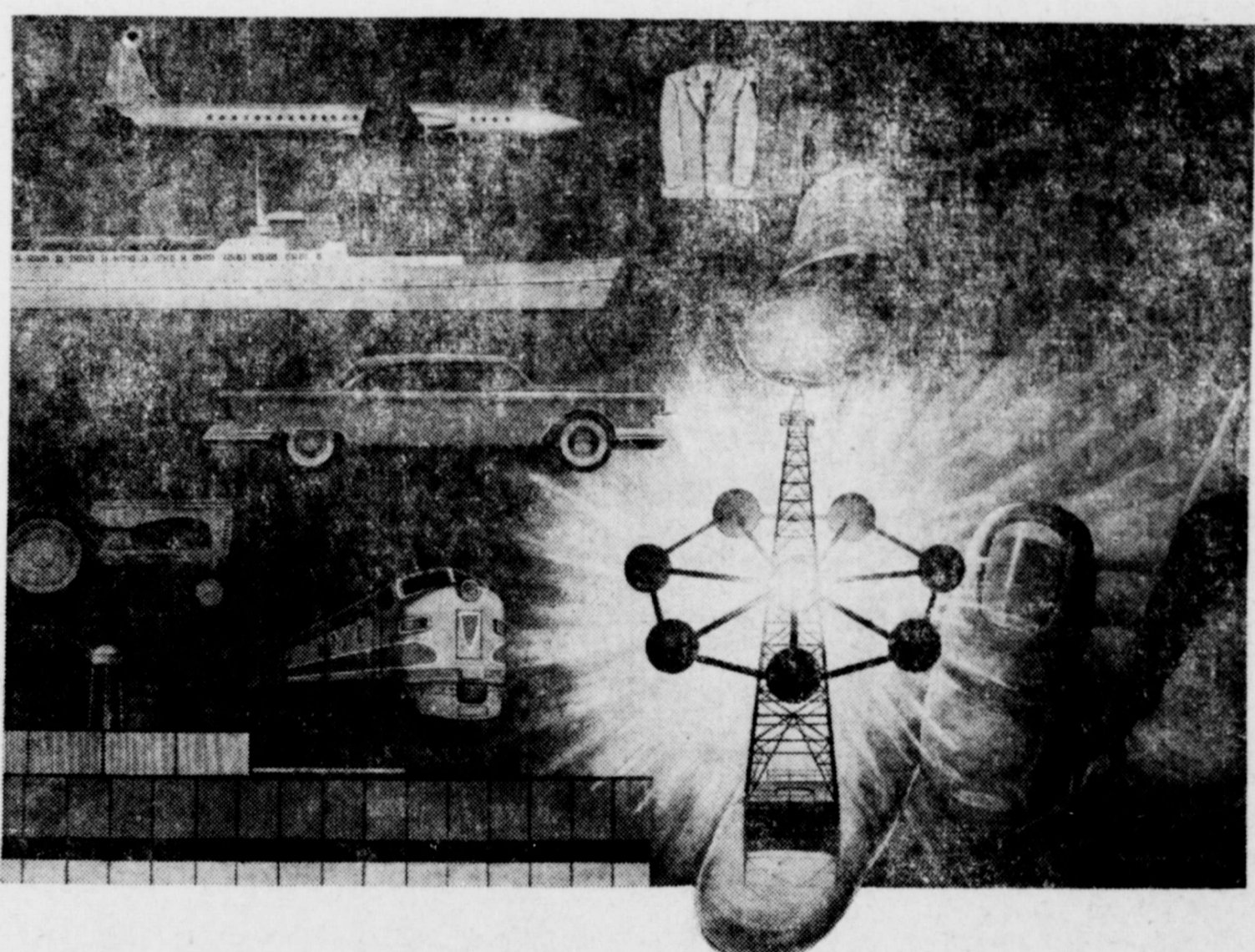
Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Miller visited their daughter, Mrs. Dave Johnson and children of Vivian, La., the past weekend. Rev. Johnson is on a mission tour in Alaska and plans to return to his home Oct. 23.

Mrs. May Douglas of Abilene was a visitor in the home of her brother, T. J. Amason Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Partain of Stamford are visiting her sister, Mrs. P. F. Harris.

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Home Demonstration Notes

By LORETA ALLEN

Taylor County Home Demonstration Agent



Last Thursday I had the pleasure of having lunch with the Union Ridge Club. They met at Mrs. Wynona Scroggins. The food was very tasty and as I helped my plate, I thought how much better food is when it is served as attractively as it was. At Mrs. Scroggins it was very nice. I just wonder how many of us let the mint and parsley remain in the garden when a sprig or two makes

the food so much more appetizing. She had even dressed up plain yellow squash in such a fashion we didn't recognize the common garden vegetable. I had to rush away for a meeting at Hamby, so Mrs. Cox called the meeting as soon as we had lunch and I gave a talk on your clothing problems. There were many questions.

Miss Mable McKee and Mrs. M. L. Douglas attended a meeting this afternoon and they will soon be giving a demonstration at their club on fancy stitches. Hope you can attend, because I know you'll enjoy it.

Sybie met the 4-H clubs in Merkel and Tye last week. She is very anxious to get the girls working. The Merkel officers elected were as follows:

Senior Club: President, Sherry Hull; Vice President, Malinee Seymore; Sec-Treas., Andy Adcock; Reporter, Pat Harris; Committee Delegate, Carole Sue McAninch; Committee Delegate alternate, Beth Patton; Bedroom Demonstrator, Barbara Gregory; Vegetable Leader, Sherry Hill; Bedroom Leader, Pat Harris; Junior Club: President, Ann Smith; Vice President, Ann Tip-ton; Sec-Treas., Lois Givens; Reporter, Nancy Watts; Committee Delegate, Cherry Davis; Bedroom Demonstrator, Jo Lynn Buntin; Vegetable Demonstrator, Karen Ray; Bedroom Leader, Jeanie Hock; Vegetable Leader, Ruth Coaley.

Mother Leaders: Mrs. Blake Davis, Mrs. Laverne Teaft, Mrs. Earl Watts, Mrs. Ford Smith.

The Tye Club officers are as follows: President, Carol Lynn Joiner; Vice President, Luella Mae West; Sec-Treas., Mary Elaine Joiner; Reporter, Luella Mae West; Committee Delegate, Mari Luanne Donaldson; Bedroom Demonstrator, Linda Sue Thate; Vegetable Leader, Gloria Dianne Mauldin.

Mother Leaders: Mrs. Randell A. Story, Mrs. R. J. Rudd. I'm enjoying the roses from my yard this fall. It is hard to beat the "Radiance" rose for growth, lots of blooms, and little care. Of

course, roses do have to be sprayed all along.

I visited Mrs. J. C. Walton last week and she had been making pear preserves using brown sugar. They're really good because she gave me a jar. They were so good I bought some pears and made some preserves Saturday. I added a lemon because I think it gives them such a nice flavor. You might like to try this tasty recipe:

Baked Pears With Cranberry Sauce

- 3 ripe pears or 6 halves canned pears
- 1/4 cup currant jelly
- 2 egg whites
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 2 cups cranberry sauce

Wash, halve, and core ripe pears, or drain canned pears. Fill each pear cavity with a spoonful of jelly. Beat egg whites until peaks begin to form, then add sugar gradually. Beat until stiff. Mound meringue on top of each pear half. Bake at 350 degrees F. for 15 minutes. Divide the cranberry sauce equally in six dessert dishes. Place the pears on top. Serves six.

Compere HD Club

Mrs. I. B. Ray brought the program on "care of clothing" to members of the Compere Home Demonstration Club at its meeting in the home of Mrs. W. S. Allred Thursday, Oct. 9.

Mrs. Ray suggested a piece of white velvet cloth be used to whisk away dust particles from velvet hats.

The meeting opened with prayer led by Mrs. Allred.

Mrs. J. E. Touchstone, vice-president, presided for the business session. Roll call was answered with "the best laugh I have had recently."

Mrs. Ray directed the group in a game after which secret pairs were revealed.

Next meeting of the club will be in the home of Mrs. H. R. Chancey of Merkel Thursday, October 23.

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Starr Rest Home

By MARY OUTLAW

We have a few colds in the Rest Home, otherwise everyone is O.K. Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Vantrese of Hawley visited Hettie West and Mrs. Mae Fields last week.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Hartley, Plainview, visited Mrs. Hartley last week.

We have a new patient, Mrs. Margaret Eason from Abilene. She is a bed patient and loves company. We hope she will be very happy with us.

We want to thank Mrs. Emmie Heron for the nice turnip greens she gave the home.

We want to welcome Isom Burks from Trent in our home. We hope he will like his new home for he certainly is a nice patient.

Rev. Bill Williams, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Trent, filled his appointment Oct. 5. He brought some of his members who helped him sing. He brought a good message and we welcome him back again.

We want to thank Mrs. Parham for the big box of nice sheets she brought us. We were really in need of them for draw sheets and we appreciate them.

We want to thank Mr. and Mrs. Warren Price of Rowden for the peppers she brought us.

Mrs. Jennie Joplin had a birthday this month and she wants to thank the Garden Club for the nice flowers they sent.

Mrs. Hartley celebrated her 90th birthday by going home and spending the day. She enjoyed it but was ready to come back before bed time. We wish for her many more birthdays.

M. E. Smith was 95 years old the 8th of this month. He also appreciated the flowers the Garden Club sent him.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Crawford of Stanford visited M. E. Smith Saturday.

Rev. Jeral Thorn, minister of the Tye Methodist Church was unable to fill his appointment here Sunday so Rev. Orville Cox, Assembly of God minister who was visiting here filled his place. We appreciated this very much. Mrs. Agnew, Robert Smith, Mrs. W. T. Howard, Mrs. A. B. Gregory, Ora Vie Smith helped sing. Vivian Agnew played the piano.

Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Jarman of Snyder visited John Mansfield Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Brown of Sweetwater visited her mother Mrs. Hicks last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Joplin, Spur, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Joslin California visited their mother, Mrs. Jennie Joplin.

Mrs. Viva Carr and granddaughter of Van Court, Texas, visited her mother Mrs. Sarah Carr last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Smith of Sweetwater visited his father G. E. Smith Sunday.

Mrs. Anderson, Lawn and Allen Cade of Abilene, visited their mother Granny Cade Sunday.

Thanks to Mrs. Leon Harris and Mrs. Joyce Doan for the fruit jars. We are still canning pears and apples.

Mr. Tex Eason visited Mrs. Margaret Eason last week.

Mrs. Gene Cade of Abilene visited Granny Cade Sunday.

Mrs. Hartley wants to thank Mary Clea, Mrs. Sudler, for the nice flowers she sent for her birthday.

Clifford, Teddy, owner and operator of Leddy Boot Shop, Abilene, and president of District Brotherhood 17, spoke at the First Baptist Church here Sunday night. Subject of his message was "Our Day" with scriptures taken from Psalm 84:10-11 and John 9:4.

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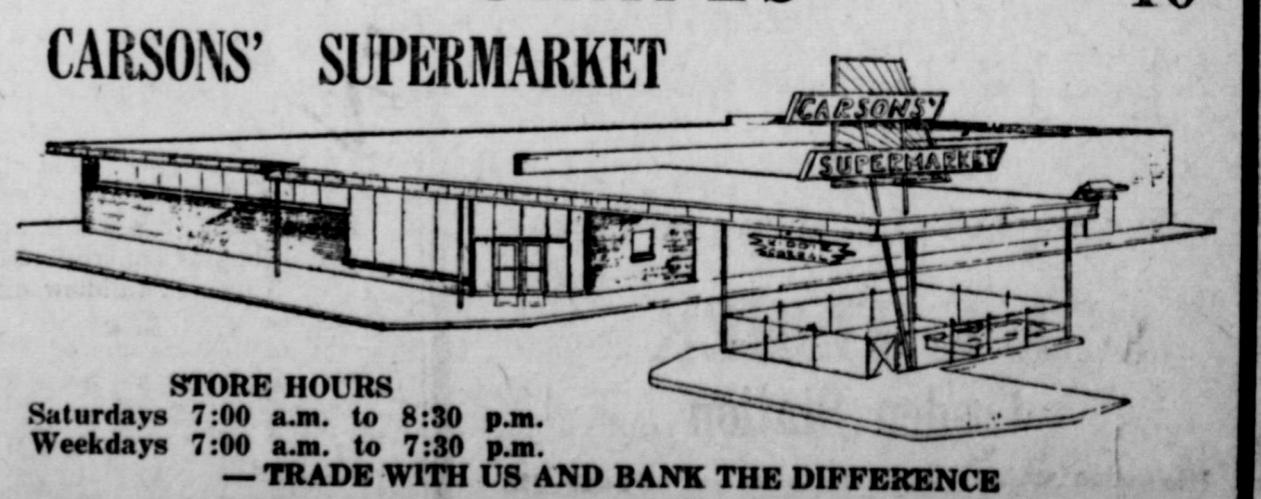
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