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Tell-Tale Fe-Mail

By M. L. G.

If you're waiting until Feb. 22 to celebrate Washington's birthday, you're too late. Washington was born on Feb. 11, 1732, when England and its colonies used the Julian calendar. When England adopted the Gregorian calendar in 1752, Washington's birthday fell on Feb. 22.

Speaking of presidents reminds me of something I read the other day. They have designed a new bathtub—the first since Grover Cleveland's White House model. It is a contour tub shaped to provide maximum bathing space plus wide edges that double as seats or shelves.

The vanity of two ancient Romans is responsible for shortening the month of February. It is reported that February had 30 days until Julius Caesar took off one day to add to the month of July named after him. The emperor Augustus took off another day from February to lengthen his namesake, the month of August.

Dreary weather isn't the only reason we have to grumble about this month of February. The income tax law became the Sixteenth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution on Feb. 24, 1913. Speaking of income tax, we are given all sorts of tips on how to file income tax forms. No tips, however, on where the money is coming from to make the payoff.

My "One And Only" gave me my Valentine gift early. Guess what? A month old peach that yelps all night. Isn't that nice? Especially since it is just the kind of dog he has always wanted—a boxer.

It is the oddest looking thing. A friend of our teenage daughter hit the nail on the head when he said, "It's skin is too large for it." We haven't named her yet. That is, we can't all agree on a name and at present we each call it something different. My favorites are the ones some of the family call it at night when we are trying to sleep.

Just a dab of paint and there and a dab of paint and the project at the front of our house will be finished, the "Pollyanna" says. I'll believe it when I see it. We do have new steps and that's something to be grateful for, I suppose.

I won't mention any names in this one but you probably know who I'm talking about. The indignant clergyman looked hard at one of his parishioners and said, "I hear you went to a football game Sunday instead of coming to church." "That's a lie," the man exclaimed. "And I have the fish to prove it."

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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Dear Editor:
In reading over a copy of the June 23, 1947, Merkel Mail I came upon the following sport section. Please print it so the persons involved may have some pleasant (or unpleasant) memories.

Thanks,
A Subscriber

Higgins Winner Of Merkel Golf Club Tournament

Dean Higgins, medalist in the Merkel Golf Club tournament play, continued true to form to cop the championship flight, when he bested Carroll Benson 3-2, in the final match. Benson was one up winner over Chester Collinsworth in the semifinals.

Frank Breaux defeated Clyde Eager in the first flight, and will meet the winner of the H. O. Boney-George T. Moore match, yet to be played.

Second flight winner was Andy Shouse, with two up over H. C. Reynolds. In the semi-finals, Shouse had beat Clarence Collins, one up.

Consolation matches in the championship and first flights are incomplete, but W. O. Boney captured the honor in the second flight.

H. C. Fronburger of Fort Worth was a weekend visitor in the home of his sister, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Boden.

43 On Honor Roll At Merkel High First Semester

Forty-three Merkel High School students were eligible for the honor roll for the first semester of the 1958-59 school year, according to Edwin Read, principal.

Statistics show the following percentage in each class on the honor roll: Juniors, 26.2%; Freshmen, 23.1%; Seniors, 20.4%; and Sophomores, 16.7%.

These percentages, Mr. Read said, are above the national norms which show 10-15 per cent of total number of students are usually eligible for the honor roll.

To be eligible for the honor roll a student must have an average in each subject, including citizenship, of not less than 90, and must be taking at least four regular courses.

"The students, teachers and parents are to be commended for the results of the first semester of school work," said Mack Fisher, superintendent of schools. "The results indicate an understanding and a close relationship existing between the home and the school," he said.

Students on the honor roll for the first semester of the 1958-59 school year are: Freshmen, Carolyn Anderson, Beth Dunagin, Penny Durham, Mary Jane Horton, Judy South, Elizabeth Tuckey, Del Davis, Kent Denton, Kenney Hogan, Tommy McAninch, Farris Neill, Kenneth Ray, Jeff Smith, Morris Smith and Larry Windham; Sophomores, Rutha Corder, Sharon Cypert, Penny Gardner, Bob Graham, Lola Loflin, Don Williams, and Carolyn Windham; Juniors, Edith Bagby, Mike Farley, Marie Foster, Connel Higgins, Lynda Jones, Mary McKeever, Carole Perry, Martha Perry, Kay Teaff, Bitsy West, and Janice Windham; Seniors, Ann Benson, Sherman Bradley, Shirley Brown, Dana Durham, Katy Hunter, Linda Leach, Jerry Don Reynolds, George Ann Rister, Sarah Salter and Don Wilson.

Jimmie L. Beard Dies Here at 43

Jimmie L. Beard, 43, owner of Jim's Duck Inn Grocery, died at 8:10 a.m. Monday at his home.

Funeral was held at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Calvary Baptist Church with the Rev. A. D. Smith, Baptist minister from Sweetwater, officiating.

Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery with Starbuck Funeral Home in charge.

Mr. Beard was born Sept. 15, 1915, in JoJnes County and moved to Titus County at an early age. He came to Merkel about 1935.

Surviving are one daughter, Sharon Sue; his mother, Mrs. Rosa Beard; four brothers, Homer of Abilene, Howard of Merkel, Lonnie of Merkel and Albert of Abilene; two sisters, Mrs. G. W. Isenburg of Abilene and Mrs. Henry Williams of Merkel.

Pallbearers were Roy Hewitt, Raymond Lawson, Forrest Black, Junior Salter, George Denman and Jake Massey.

SCHOOL MENU

MONDAY, FEB. 16
Sausage
Gravy
Green blackeyed peas
new potatoes with cream sauce
Home made rolls
Preserves
Milk

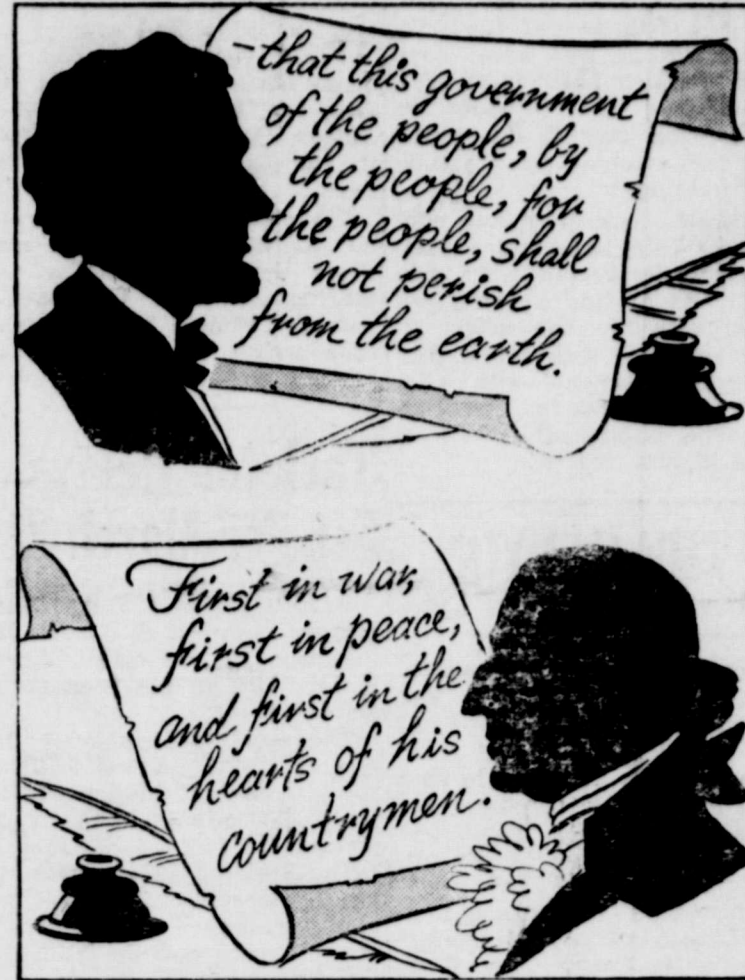
TUESDAY, FEB. 17
Hot dogs
Red beans
Vegetable salad
Apple pie
Milk

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 18
Roast cooked with vegetables
Lettuce and onion salad
Bread
Purple plums
Milk

THURSDAY, FEB. 19
Texas hash (4-H Club style)
Indian baked corn
Pickle beets
Lemon pudding
Rolls
Milk

FRIDAY, FEB. 20
Hamburgers
Potato chips
Home made cookies
Milk

J. D. Soinks Jr. of Tye was a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Amason Friday.



Davis To Manage Elevator, Operate Feed Store Here

Perry Davis, former Merkel Work Unit Conservationist, has been named the new manager of the Kimbell Grain Elevator here. He will assume duties in that capacity Monday, Feb. 16.

Davis will also be owner of the Merkel Feeders Supply store which will be located at the grain elevator. He will handle Kimbell and Purina feeds and will offer a custom grinding and mixing service for his customers. Home grown grain may be brought in for grinding with the desired amount of concentrates mixed in.

A 1955 graduate of A&M College where he received a BS degree in animal husbandry, Davis came to Merkel three years ago as soil conservationist in the local soil conservation office. He was work unit conservationist when he resigned to become a feed dealer.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis and their daughter, Cindy, 2½, live at 909 Ash Street. They are members of the First Baptist Church.

Accidental Shot Wounds Youth

Terry Gardner, son of Bob Gardner, editor of The Merkel Mail, accidentally shot himself in the leg with a .22 pistol Saturday afternoon about one mile west of here.

He was taken to Sadler Clinic-Hospital where the bullet was removed. The wound was not serious.

Terry and his wife, and another couple, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Wayne Johnson, were holding a target practice session and planned to go rattlesnake hunting Sunday.

The pistol discharged when Terry started to put it in the holster he was wearing. The bullet entered his right leg just below the knee and plowed through his flesh until it lodged near the ankle.

Terry was released from the hospital Monday afternoon.

Trent Ball Games To Aid Dimes Fund

Members of the Trent M.F.T. will sponsor two basketball games on Monday night, Feb. 16, in the school gym with all proceeds going to the March of Dimes fund.

The teams will be composed of men and women of the Trent community. Captains of the ladies' team are Marie Estep and Annazelle Bright. For the mens' team, Hollis Jones and Othell Okely are named as captains.

N-O-T-I-C-E

Band parents meeting has been set for Monday, Feb. 16, at 7 p.m. for an organizational meeting to discuss plans for the coming year.

Mothers of Merkel High Juniors will sponsor a bake sale in front of Mellinger's store Saturday, Feb. 14. Boxed Valentine candy will also be available.

Hospital Patients

Admitted

Mrs. Ray Wilson
Mrs. Billy Jones
Beryl Gilbert
Mrs. Roberta Kohner
Leonard Quattlebaum
Perry Johnson
Tammy Kay Watson
Mrs. Dicky Pack
Vestal Palmer
M. E. Perry
Mrs. Jerry Russell
Mrs. W. M. Loflin
H. J. Keggans
J. D. Spinks
Mrs. W. H. Webb
Mrs. S. Y. Reese
C. M. Adams
Donald Crawford
R. E. Dayton
Frank Woodrum
Terry Gardner
Mrs. Lee Swindle
Mrs. C. O. Tyler
Mrs. J. B. Donnelly

Dismissed

S. B. Thomas
Bill Teaff
Mrs. A. J. Hartley
Mrs. Billy Jones and baby girl
Beryl Gilbert
Mrs. Roberta Kohner
Leonard Quattlebaum
Perry Johnson
Tammy Kay Watson
Mrs. Dicky Pack and baby boy
Vestal Palmer
Mrs. Jerry Russell & baby boy
H. J. Keggans
Mrs. W. H. Webb
R. E. Dayton
Terry Gardner
Mrs. Lee Swindle and baby girl
Mrs. C. O. Tyler

WSCS Ends Study On The Near East

The Women's Society of Christian Service of the First Methodist Church met at the church Tuesday with Mrs. Alvis Cooley, president, in charge of the program.

Mrs. M. R. Hail led the opening prayer.

The study on the "Near East" was concluded with Mrs. W. R. Cypert presenting "The Nature of Islam" and Mrs. Don Loyd speaking on the topic "Is Christianity the Way."

Friday will be observed as World Day of Prayer with the church open from 9 to 11 a.m. for those who wish to come for prayer.

The free will offering will be used for interdenominational missions through the divisions of the home and foreign mission work of the United Council of Churches.

The Society will meet at the church Tuesday, Feb. 17, with Mrs. W. J. S. Brown leader for the program on "Christian Literature."

Mrs. O. B. Leach accompanied by her daughter, Linda, and Ann Benson spent the weekend in the home of Mrs. Leach's brother, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Baker Jr., of Slaton. They also went to Lubbock to inspect Tech College where the girls plan to enroll for the fall semester.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Alexander of Abilene visited their daughter, Sgt. and Mrs. Charles Gevren Sunday. They were accompanied by Mrs. Dela Jones, also of Abilene.

Trent FFA Chapter To Have Entries In Houston Show

The Trent FFA Chapter has entered four Duroc and two Yorkshire barrows in the junior division of the '59 Houston Fat Stock Show to be held February 25 through March 8.

The show, which is called "Texas' Greatest Livestock Show" is offering approximately \$216,500 in cash premiums and special awards to exhibitors and contestants.

Housing accommodations in the air-conditioned cattle barns will be improved this year due to a change of the site of the horse show. Quarter and Cutting horses will be stabled and shown at Pin Oak Stables, allowing more space for swine, sheep, poultry, rabbits and the eleven breeds of cattle that have been entered.

Official activities will begin with the three day Salt Grass Trail Ride which starts from Brenham, Texas on February 22. Nearly 2,000 riders & 100 chuck-wagons will make the ride. Every one in the Houston trade area is urged to "Go-Texan" in western dress during stock show days.

Sister, Brother Win County Honors

Sybil Brown of Barnhart was winner and her brother, Cadmus Irl, runner-up of the coveted Hargraves Trophy in the recent County 4-H Lamb Show at Mertzon.

The trophy is awarded to the 4-H member whose animal makes the most economical gain over a 100 day period.

Cadmus Irl was one of the top three in the county in the Record Book competition. Record books are judged for neatness and accuracy.

Sybil and Cadmus Irl are grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Irl Walker of Merkel. They are the children of Barnhart teachers, Mr. and Mrs. Cadmus Brown.

Church Organizes Basketball Team

New Live Oak Baptist Church of Merkel has organized a church sponsored basketball team. They are entered in the Abilene Church League sponsored by the YMCA of Abilene.

Second practice session will be against the Latter Day Saints team, February 14 at St. Paul gym. Third game is against Elmwood Methodist February 21 at YMCA gym.

The team consists of the following players: Fredlyn Farmer, Arthur Bagby, Tommy Lewis, Larry Dudley, Jerry Merritt and Eddie Jenkins.

Trent-Noodle

Jerry Williams bucketed a field goal with a minute of playing time remaining to give Trent a 50-49 victory over Noodle in District 17-B cage action here Tuesday night.

The victory gave Trent a 92 league record, tied for second place with Avoca and a game behind Hawley, with a 10-1 record.

Pacing Trent was Don Jones with 13 points, while high for the game was Lonnie Ueckert with 16. Rosemary Jones found the range for 38 points to pace Trent girls to a 73-52 victory. Marilyn Olney had 24 for Noodle.

Roscoe-Merkel

Roscoe, leader in District 6-A, slipped by Merkel, 10-A leaders, 51-48, Tuesday night.

The hosts were coasting along with an eight to 10 point lead until the Badgers hit a hot streak in the third quarter, pulling to within one, 40-39.

Hillman Kerby hit 16 for Roscoe, followed by Jimmy Bourland's 10. Patterson led Merkel with 19, while Manley Denton got 13.

Merkel won the B team game 59-46. Dorton led the Badger B team with 22. Berryhill's 12 was high for Roscoe.

Mr. and Mrs. Grover Carter, Given and Charles of Rotan visited recently with Mrs. Carter's father, J. D. Spink, a patient in the Sadler Clinic Hospital.

Davis Wins Award At Fat Stock Show

Del Davis of Merkel was one of the award winners in the junior Hereford heifer judging at the 1959 Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show in Fort Worth.

His entry, "Ed Zato Heires 18", won second place in the senior heifer calf class at the show.

The 1959 Stock Show was the biggest in the exposition's 62 year history. Attendance at the rodeos and entries in the various livestock classes ran well above previous years, President-Manager W. R. Watt reported.

Palmer Named New Merkel C-C Prexy

Nolan Palmer, local car dealer, was named president of the Merkel Chamber of Commerce at a meeting of the board of directors Tuesday morning. He succeeds Isadore Mellinger.

Other officers named are Mack Fisher, vice president, and Adele Elkins, secretary-treasurer.

Four new directors elected by C-C members are Booth Warren, Kent Satterwhite, Newt Logan and Adele Elkins. All members were mailed ballots to vote for the directors of their choice.

Retiring directors are Chester Collinsworth, Isadore Mellinger and Ray Wilson. The fourth new director was named to replace Charles Hogsett who moved from Merkel several months ago.

Other directors are J. W. Hammond, Clyde Bartlett, Earl Watts, Nolan Palmer and Mack Fisher. The new officers will be installed at the annual banquet in the school cafeteria on March 30.

Starr Rest Home

By Mary Outlaw

Everyone is O.K. at this writing.

Mrs. Hartley is improving. We hope she will soon be at home again.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Fowler of Stanford visited Mrs. Frankie Fowler Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert West of Stith visited Hettie West Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Andy Brown of Sweetwater visited Mrs. Hicks Sunday.

Mr. Tex Coates of Knox City visited Margaret Eason Sunday. Mrs. Irene Strawn and Mrs. Stella Williamson of Trent visited Mrs. Steen Sunday.

Frank and Ethel Carr filled their appointment at the Rest Home Sunday morning.

Rev. and Mrs. Dorn of Trent visited the patients last week. They are always welcome for they always bring sunshine in our home on every visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Burks of Trent visited Isom Burks last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cole and Carolyn Sue visited their aunts Jennie Joplin and Pearl Wiggins. Buddy Burks of Stanford visited his brother Isom Burks Sunday.

We want to thank Mrs. Treadwell of Anson for the nice cup cakes she brought the Rest Home. They were appreciated.

Rev. Alvis Cooley filled his appointment Sunday at 3 p.m. Mrs. Brandon Wade, Betty Jean Tittle, Mrs. Cyrus Pee, Mrs. Weldon Steen and Iva Standley help sing. The services were enjoyed by all. We will be looking for their next visit.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Steen of Abilene visited Mrs. Lutie Steen Sunday.

Those that came to the Rest Home Sunday and brought the Sacraments from the Church of Christ to Margaret Eason were Jerry Don Doan, Brean Allamon, Lester Dorton, CeVene Neill, Motlie Arnold, Farris Neill, Joe Neill, Jerry Miller, Mrs. T. J. Neill. They also brought a message in song. We appreciate their kindness.

We extend our sympathy to the Beard family over the passing of Jimmy Beard. He had several friends in the Rest Home.

We have a new patient from Abilene his name is William Bryant. He is a very nice patient and we hope his stay here will be a happy one. Thanks to uncle Jim for recommending our place.

Miss Bertie Agnew of Anson visited her mother Mrs. Dora Agnew Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tyne Perkins of Abilene visited his mother Mrs. May Perkins Friday.

Merkel Schools Will Receive Federal Funds

The Merkel Independent School District has been certified for immediate payment of federal funds under a law providing assistance in "federally affected areas," according to a telegram from Cong. Omar Burlinson.

Tye and Wylie schools also received certification for federal funds under the law.

The school districts are receiving the money as "federally affected areas" because youngsters of military and civil service personnel at Dyess Air Force Base attend the schools.

Burlinson said Merkel will receive \$2,317 out of tentative allotment of \$3,634.80. Tye will receive \$3,186 and \$1,206 will go to Wylie.

Mack Fisher, superintendent of the Merkel schools, said about 99 students enrolled here are children of Dyess personnel. Sgt. Aubrey McAuley said about half of the students in Tye are dependents of Dyess personnel, and Wylie has about 30 Dyess children enrolled, said Supt. R. H. Landers.

Irving Rites For Ex-Area Resident

Funeral services for M. K. Milner, former resident of the Commerce community, were held in Irving Thursday. Burial was in Irving Cemetery.

Mr. Milner, who had been seriously ill for several years, is survived by his wife of Irving and a daughter, Mrs. Johnson of Stephenville.

Mrs. Milner taught in the Commerce School and the daughter, Kathryn, attended Merkel High School when they lived here.

License Plates Are Issued Here

All types of vehicles may be registered at the County Tax Assessor-Collector substation in Merkel through February and March, according to Mrs. Flossie McKeever, city secretary.

The substation is located at the city hall and is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 8 a.m. to noon Saturdays.

As 'Old Abe' Saw It

Here is how Abraham Lincoln described the free enterprise system in his first annual message to Congress, in 1861:

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CEMETERY FUND

The following persons have contributed to the Merkel Cemetery Association fund:

Mel Peterson
J. K. Blair
Jennie Keny

Mrs. C. P. Stephens has returned to her home here after spending the past three weeks in San Antonio with her son and family. Mr. and Mrs. Silas Stevens, Mr. Stevens, who was confined to the Santa Rosa Hospital there for 2½ weeks following major surgery, is now at home and recovering satisfactorily. He expresses his thanks and appreciation to his Merkel friends who remembered him during his illness.

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Should Driver Education Be Taught In Public Schools?

What is Driver Education? Does it really have a place in the Texas' high school curricula?

The strongest arguments used against adopting state supported DE courses for public schools are: such courses waste student and teacher time, because they are, in actuality, frill or snap courses whereby the lazy student can pick up an easy grade; they are too expensive; parents, or other members of the family, can and should fill this gap in a young person's training.

Are these arguments valid? Numerous persons and groups of persons think they are not.

The proponents of DE courses answer these two charges in reverse order, with:

1. For the most part, even the best intentioned and educated parents, today, are not qualified driver-training teachers. This argument is drawn from the obvious fact that it has been the overall incompetent driving habits of adults which has brought about our present high toll of traffic deaths and injuries.

(Since January 1, 1950, nearly 23,000 persons have been killed in Texas traffic accidents and more than 925,000 injured, according to TSA records.)
Too, when a parent teaches a son or daughter to drive, all faulty habits as well as good habits are acquired by the youngster. This includes the all-important development of proper attitudes, which is as necessary as skill in training a safe driver. Also, someone less than a trained, objective teacher is seldom capable of instilling the attitudes needed for survival in our increasingly complex traffic.

As for costs, aside from humane values, DE advocates say that such courses are justified on this basis alone, because they provide the best long-range hope, in traffic accident prevention, to lower the staggering economic costs to Texans which now exceed \$270-million each year.

In addition, pro-EDers say that Texas insurance companies have found the accident rate of school-trained drivers is so much below that of non-school trained drivers as to make it possible to give them a 10 to 15 percent reduction in premium rates.

The cry of "frill" course is answered with the questions: Is it a frill to attempt to save the life

or limb of every second, pre-school child now in Texas? If the present trend is unchecked, we can expect 50 percent of this age group to be involved in a traffic accident before he or she has had a chance to fully mature.

Is it a frill to reduce a state-wide cost that runs to more than a billion dollars every four years? Is it a frill to ask the only state institution we have (our schools), which has the capacity to undertake this program for survival and give it its proper place and emphasis in a youngster's training?

Advocates look on driver education as being basically a modern science for keeping alive. One that should provide a young boy or girl with the knowledge, attitude and skill with which they can hope to compete with what is, at best, a hazardous environment. This is citizenship training of the highest order.

UP THE CANYON

By TOM RUSSOM

Everything is quite up the Canyon at this time. Still dry and all wishing for rain. The small grain is trying to live and grow.

The livestock boys had to feed a lot but, as the saying goes, "February is a short month and when we get through it we are getting into spring."

Since our last column was written we have lost another pioneer mother of the Canyon, Mrs. E. H. Cordill. She is about the last of that age group.

Uncle Allen Cook is not doing too good after breaking his hip two weeks ago. He is still a patient in the Sadler Hospital.

Uncle Bud Perry, a pioneer of the Canyon, is in the Sadler Hospital. He is reported to be doing very well at this time.

There were ninety-one Methodist church women from four districts and ten of our women from Pioneer church who attended the Spiritual Life Retreat at the Youth Camp this week. The meeting was held two days and nights. The women report a wonderful meeting.

It is good to see Jimmie Oliver, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Oliver, home. Jimmie was at church shaking hands with friends. He has just completed six years of service with the Navy.

The attendance was up at Pioneer Church Sunday.
Mrs. Perry, mother of Loyd and W. T. Perry, who now lives in Abilene, visited over the weekend in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Perry.
There were about four hun-

dred head of cattle rehomed up the Canyon this week. Owners are R. E. Clemer, Joe Swinney, Horace Miles and Tom Russom.
Joe and Tommie Swinney were in Abilene the past weekend on Army duty.

F. H. Horton was in town Saturday shaking hands with friends. He is gaining ground after several months of illness.

Mr. Cordill's brother and wife of California are staying awhile with him since the death of his wife the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Odell Anderson and son, Billy, and wife of Kansas were visitors the past week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Anderson and with Mrs. T. H. Russom. Mrs. Odell Anderson is the former Rosa Margaret Russom.

While attending the funeral of Mrs. Cordill several people mentioned the fact that they were missing our news Up the Canyon. Mrs. Melvin McCoy of Muleshoe writes that she has been missing the news from home.

Tarleton Relays Set For March 21

Athletic Director H. A. (Sandy) Sanford revealed this week that the date for the eighth Annual Tarleton Relays has been set for March 21.

The meet will include high schools in the 4A and 3A classification in one division and 2A, 1A, and B schools in the second division.

The Tarleton Relays have proven to be one of the most popular high school track events in central Texas and the TSC stadium has been the site of several outstanding performances in the schoolboy events. Last year hundreds of spectators and contestants watched John Cooper, Technical High School student run the mile in 4:30.7 to break his own record for the Relays at the same time clocking one of the fastest times ever recorded by a Texas high school runner. Cooper is now at North Texas State College.

Sanford, who has become something of a specialist in the scheduling and conduction of large-scale track meets, said this week that two special awards will be made this year. He said that a watch will be given to the winning coach from the high school scoring the most points in each division.

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This bank will observe Thursday, Feb. 12 as a legal holiday and will not be open for business.

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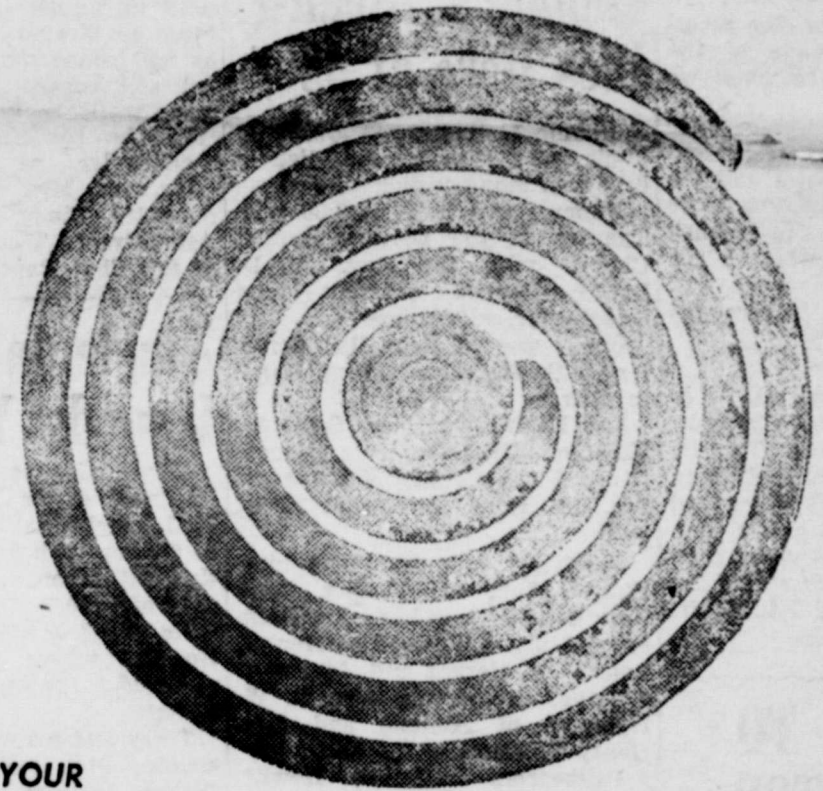
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Truett Latimer Will Introduce 'Freedom Of Information' Bill

One of three "Freedom of Information" bills aimed at prohibiting secret meetings of public bodies and giving free access to public records is being filed for introduction in the House by Rep. Truett Latimer of Abilene.

The bill sponsored by Rep. Latimer prohibits secret meetings of any "city council, county commissioners court, committees of the legislature and every board, commission and agency of whatever kind of state, city, country or other political subdivision of the state." It prescribes fines of \$100 to \$1,000 for any public official, elected or appointed, who "shall hold or participate in holding" the prohibited secret meetings.

Rep. Wesley Roberts of Lamesa is filing another of the bills, which provides fines of \$100 to \$500 for any public officials who shall "refuse to permit, or shall

hinder, impair, or prevent the examination, inspection or reading of by any person of any records of . . . governmental agencies, except those records which are prohibited by law from being open to inspection by the general public."

The third bill, filed by Rep. Carl C. Conley of Raymondville, along with Reps. Tom James of Dallas, Scott McDonald of Fort Worth and Franklin S. Spears of San Antonio, prescribes prison terms of three to seven years for taking, secreting or destroying public records. The bill provides venue for trial of such a case in the county where the violation occurred, in an adjoining county, or in Travis County.

All three bills have been endorsed by the Texas Press Assn., the Associated Press Managing Editors Assn., and Sigma Delta Chi, professional journalism fraternity.

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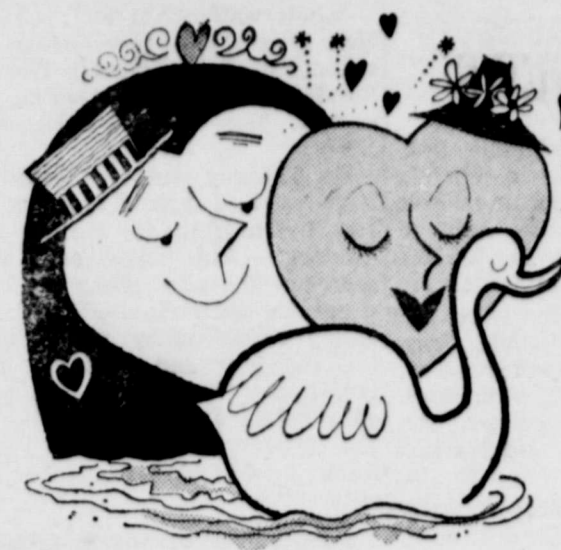
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Home Demonstration Notes

By LORETA ALLEN

Taylor County Home Demonstration Agent



Mrs. Roy Manahan, Sybil and I attended a T.H.D.A. Planning Meeting in Fredericksburg Monday. The district meeting will be in Ballinger April 16. The program sounds real interesting so make plans to attend.

It is time to plant tomato seeds and get your plant growing inside to set out in the garden when frosts are over. I've planted mine.

Miss Sue Hawthorn, Home Demonstration Agent in Nolan County gave me an African Violet

about a year ago. It bloomed constantly all year. I reset and divided it the other day.

African violets are easy to grow. The secret of success lies in proper control of their moisture, light and temperature requirements.

Available in a wide range of colors, African violets will bloom throughout the year. Popular varieties include several shades of blue, pink, violet, white and lavender. Mine is violet.

I used information on starting

new plants, on repotting techniques, temperature, light, moisture and insect control available in TAP-56, a reprint of "AFRICAN VIOLETS IN THE HOME," by A. F. DeWorth. Copies are available at my office.

Need some variety in your daily meals? . . . Exciting new dishes made from corn meal can give a special touch to the main course, the bread course and even the dessert course.

"Corn Dogs" is one example. Add a tossed green salad, milk and fresh fruit, and you have a quick easy meal ready.

Recipes for corn meal dishes such as Banana Corn Meal Loaf, Corn Meal Waffles, Dixie Brownies and others are found in B-269, "CORN MEAL AND GRITS — SELECTION AND USE." Get a copy from my office.

CORN DOGS

1 cup corn meal
1 cup flour
2 tablespoons sugar (optional)
2 teaspoons baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
1 egg, slightly beaten
1 cup milk
2 tablespoons melted fat
1 pound weiners

home of Mrs. Ray the agent will bring the program on "Accessories."

STITH NEWS

The Rev. Jesse Swindell's father died at his home in Wichita Falls Wednesday morning, Feb. 4. Funeral service was held in the Baptist Church in Wichita Falls on Thursday afternoon.

Attending from here were Mr. and Mrs. F. J. McDonald, Mrs. M. E. West, Mrs. Paul Bradley, E. L. Berry, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Harris, Johnnie and Lonnie, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Perry and Martha, and Fletcher Jones.

We extend our deepest sympathy to the Rev. Swindell and family.

Mrs. Clara Durggins of Anson and Mrs. Carl Edington of Abilene visited Wednesday of the past week with Miss Louise Hudson.

Mr. and Mrs. Orval Ely were surprised with a house warming Friday night. Everyone brought gifts and the refreshments of cookies and coffee.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Rister, Mr. and Mrs. Theo Kincaid, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Laney, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Warner and children, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mashburn and family, the Rev. and Mrs. Jarrell Sharp, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Ely Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Ted Hudson, Mrs. Jeff Hinds, Mrs. Weir Joiner and Mrs. Clifford Gildwell.

Mrs. Herbert Row and Kay Lynn of Whiteface and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Berry and children of Lubbock spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley. The Berrys' visited his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Berry.

Mrs. Wilber Loflin is in the Sadler Clinic Hospital. She is reported to be improving at this time.

Mrs. Grace Rogers and Lonnie Harris spent the weekend in Stephenville with her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ramsey and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Guner of Roaring Springs visited over the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Wilber Loflin and family.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hale and Sandra the past week were Mr. and Mrs. John Jones, Mrs. Al Newman and Pat and Mr. and Mrs. Butler, Donny and Jane, all of Truby.

Mrs. Jerry Byrd was honored with a pink and blue shower in the home of Mrs. Hulan Hill Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Byrd received a number of gifts.

Refreshments were served to 15 guests.

Hostesses were Mrs. Babe Tarpley, Mrs. Billy Ray Browning, Mrs. Wilber Loflin and Mrs. Hulan Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dean spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Pick Payne.

Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hale and Sandra visited Sunday with her mother and sister, Mrs. Ellen Hill and Delia Ellison, of Pleasant Grove.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Rust and children of Merkel attended services at the Baptist Church here Sunday night.

Lola Loflin was a dinner guest of Sandra Hale Sunday.

The Rev. and Mrs. Jack Bedford of Colorado City were visitors in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Harris, Lonnie and Johnnie, Monday.

Mrs. J. A. Atkisson who had spent several weeks here with her sister, Miss Sally Orr, returned to her home in San Antonio the past week.

— SHOWTIME —

"Underwater Warrior", an entertaining "Frogmen" story is scheduled at the Queen Theater Sunday and Monday. Heading the cast is Dan Dailey and Claire Kelly.

On Tuesday and Wednesday of next week Danny Kaye can be seen by Merklites in "Me and The Colonel". The movigoer who searches for and seeks the unusual in entertainment will be amply rewarded by the delightful, engaging and satisfying movie. Danny Kaye plays the part of a Polish Jew who, in 1940 as the Nazis sweep toward Paris, finds it desirable to leave the city.

Elect Officers

Anne Lawson was elected president of Mrs. McLeod's sixth grade at a meeting Friday, February 6.

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Compere HD Club

The Compere Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. Ernest Dixon Thursday, Feb. 5, for a business meeting and social.

Mrs. Allred opened the meeting with prayer. Mrs. Ray, president, presided at the business session.

A demonstration for a child's TV seat was given by Mrs. Ray. Wall plaques were made from cardboard and jute and decorated with dried arrangements.

Members made plans to hold an auction sale, time and place to be announced later.

Mrs. J. E. Touchstone will bring a report at each meeting on the club paper, "The Messenger."

Plastic flowers made by Mrs. Stanley were given to Mrs. Dixon for her new home. The hostess gift went to Mrs. Hunter.

A covered dish luncheon was served to three visitors, one child and 7 members.

At the next meeting in the

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A CALLED MEETING of the Merkel Chapter No. 212, O.E.S. Tuesday, February 17, at 7:30 p.m. for the official visit of the Deputy.

A covered dish supper at 6:00 p.m. at the hall. Fern Windham, W. M. Estelle Humphreys, Secy.

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We wish to express our thanks and appreciation to our friends in Merkel and Trent for the many expressions of sympathy extended to us at the death of our mother, Mrs. Zedell Goodwin.

Sincerely,
Newton Goodwin

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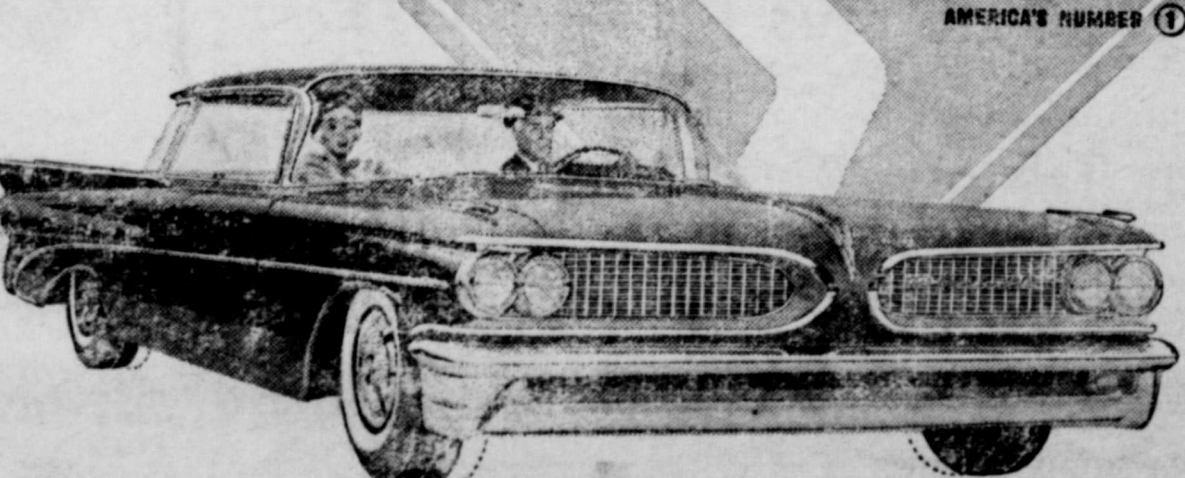
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DEAR MISTER EDITOR:

I see where some feller in Georgia that's been making and selling wood barrels for 50 years is going out of business. He says there ain't no sale now fer nothing but metal drums. I reckon sour kraut aged in a rusty tin barrel is another one of them post war improvements. We're going to keep on getting them improvements till tomain poison gits us all.

I hate mighty bad to see wood barrel makers go out of business. Besides losing all the useful things a wood barrel is good fer, what's going to happen to them annual cartoons showing a man walking home from the tax office in a barrel? It seems to me that them Congressmen, since they subsidize everthing else, should come to the aid of the wood barrel makers.

And a piece in the paper this morning says they're going to have a contest in some North Carolina town to see which can walk 25 miles the fastest, a man or a horse. It was the man, not the horse, that thought up this

contest. I think that illustrates in a nutshell the difference between horse sense and the kind some humans has got.

Well, our Congressmen is getting back in the political groove and it looks like the Democrats has took over fer the time being. Politics in Congress fer the next two years is going to be as one-sided as a drunk's hat. The Republicans ain't going to have no more say-so in the thing than a hog has at a hog calling contest. That's the way it goes, the Republicans run the country fer a spell, then the Democrats take over and I reckon as long as we keep swapping ends things will survive. In the meantime, life fer the voter is a everlasting struggle to keep his money coming in and his hair and teeth from coming out. Republican or Democrat Congress, it ain't the idea that the worst is yet to come that gits him down. It's the terrible uncertainty of when it's going to git here that keeps him awake at night. And the thing that worries me, Mister Editor, is that our problems git bigger

and bigger all the time. Fer in what, in the thirties you had to buy an apple to help the unemployed, but now you've got to buy an automobile.

That rich feller that died in Maryland a couple year ago and didn't leave no will and no family really started somepun. The papers said yesterday that more'n 26,000 has now filed claims fer his estate. I'm going to tear the top off my birth certificate and file my claim today. I'm going to mail it along with 50 words more or less on who I think I am. If I hit the jackpot I'm going to quit writing this little piece fer your paper and build me a broadcasting station.

Yours truly,
Gabby

NOODLE NEWS

Dinner guests in the A. J. Barbee home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Philip Steyn and children, Estell and Philip Jr., Marty Hooper, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Touchstone and children, Terry and Christi.

Mrs. Waldo Cox was a guest of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lawlis, the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dois Melton and Mr. and Mrs. Dock Callaway visit-

ed Mr. and Mrs. Dock Van Huss of Wichita Falls Sunday. Mrs. Van Huss is the former Pearl Tarpley.

Mrs. Zenobia Lucas of Abilene was visiting in the Noodle community Saturday and looking after her farm.

Henry Dillard of Austin spent several days last week in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Dillard.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Caldwell recently were Mr. and Mrs. D. Wood, David and Lovea, of Big Spring. Mrs. W. D. Maurine, Jackie and George of Sweetwater, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Caldwell, Roy and Stella and Mrs. Lil Caldwell, all of Anson and Mr. and Mrs. Willie Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Nath Maxwell visited in the home of her brother, John Todd, and with other relatives in Anson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harve Dean have moved to the house vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Newel Lucas. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Boneaux have purchased the place vacated by the Deans, which was the property of Mrs. Fannie Goode.

Mrs. Ivy Jackson of Merkel spent the past week in the home of her son, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Jackson.

Blue McCoy and Jake accompanied the F.F.A. boys to the Ft.

Worth Fat Stock Show Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Stanley of Midland visited her mother, Mrs. Callie Williams, the past weekend.

Dale Moore Circle Meets Pattersons Visit In Laredo

Mrs. T. J. Amason was hostess to members of the Dale Moore Circle of the First Baptist Church in her home Tuesday.

Mrs. Sam Swann said the opening prayer. Mrs. G. D. McConnell brought the mission study. The Valentine theme was used in house decorations. Napkins were in red and white. Refreshments of chocolate covered hearts, cake and coffee were served to two visitors, Mrs. Mae Douglas of Abilene and Mrs. E.

M. McDonald, and Mmes. Josie Harris, Ted McAninch, P. F. Harris, A. D. Fulton, Howard Carson, T. J. Bird, Swann, McConnell and the hostess.

Mrs. Harris closed the meeting with prayer.

Pattersons Visit Laredo

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Patterson spent the weekend in Laredo visiting their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Townsend.

The Methodist Mission school where Mr. and Mrs. Townsend are teaching, is being rebuilt on a new location after having been destroyed in a flood a few years

ago. The 40-acre citrus grove, site for the new school, was a gift. Black lava rock from Old Mexico is being used in the architecture. Holding Institute was established in 1880. Junior High and High School classes are taught to Mexican boys and girls, most of whom enter colleges in the States.

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION
 THE STATE OF TEXAS
 TO: Belle Rose Glezman, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the issuance of this citation, same being the 16th day of March A. D. 1959, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 7th day of October A. D. 1959, in this cause, numbered 23-371-A on the docket of said court and styled Joseph William Glezman, Plaintiff, vs. Belle Rose Glezman, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: plaintiff and defendant were married on or about the 10th day of July, 1958, and became permanently separated on or about Sept. 20, 1958.

Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of excesses, outrages and cruel treatment. Plaintiff also sues for permanent custody of three minor children as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this 20th day of January A. D. 1959.

Attest: R. H. Ross Clerk, 42nd District Court Taylor County, Texas.
 By Irene Crawford, Deputy. 45-46-47-48

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION
 THE STATE OF TEXAS
 TO: William Ray Bond, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 9th day of March A. D. 1959, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 22nd day of January A. D. 1959, in this cause, numbered 23,618-A on the docket of said court and styled Nelda Jean Bond, Plaintiff, vs. William Ray Bond, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: plaintiff and defendant were married on or about July 18, 1950 and became permanently separated on or about January 5, 1957.

Plaintiff sues for divorce on ground of harsh and cruel treatment and alleges that there were two children born as issue of this marriage for which plaintiff sues for custody: is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date

of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

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

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this 23rd day of January A. D. 1959.

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

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION
 THE STATE OF TEXAS
 TO: Aubrey Watson Clendenen, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 104th District Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 16th day of March A. D. 1959, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 7th day of March A. D. 1958, in this cause, numbered 8417-B on the docket of said court and styled Mildred Marie Clendenen, Plaintiff, vs. Aubrey Watson Clendenen, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: plaintiff and defendant were married on or about April 2, 1955 and became permanently separated on or about Oct. 27, 1957.

Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of cruel treatment as of such a nature that it has rendered the further living with defendant insupportable.

Plaintiff alleges that there is no property to be adjudicated and no children of this marriage as is more fully shown by plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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

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

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this 28th day of January A. D. 1959.

(SEAL)
 Attest: R. H. Ross Clerk, 104th District Court Taylor County, Texas.
 By Irene Crawford, Deputy. 46-47-48-49

LEGAL NOTICE

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

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published, ONCE, not less than ten days before the return day thereof, exclusive of the date of publication, in a newspaper printed in Taylor County, Texas, the accompanying citation, of which the herein below following is a true copy—(but if there be no newspaper so printed in said county, then that you cause the said citation to be posted for at least TEN days before the return term thereof as required by law).

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
 THE STATE OF TEXAS
 TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF Gary Lynn Hart, Sherry Gail Hart, and Janice Carol Hart, Minors, No. 5764, County Court, Taylor County, Texas. Edna Smith Hart, Guardian in the above numbered and entitled estate, filed on the 30th day of January, 1959 her verified account for final settlement of said estate and requests that said estate be settled and closed, and said applicant be discharged from her trust.

Said application will be heard

and acted on by said Court at 10 o'clock A. M. on the first Monday next after the expiration of ten days from the date of publication of this citation, the same being the 16th day of February, 1959, at the County Courthouse in Abilene, Texas.

All persons interested in said estate are hereby cited to appear before said Honorable Court at said above mentioned time and place by filing a written answer contesting such application should they desire to do so.

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

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF SAID COURT at office in Abilene, Texas, this 4th day of February, A. D. 1959.

Mrs. Chester Hutcheson, Clerk of the County Court, Taylor County, Texas, by Louise Hurst, Deputy. (SEAL) 48 only

LEGAL NOTICE

Project 9008-2-6
 Parcel 13-C
NO. 1195
CITATION BY PUBLICATION
 THE STATE OF TEXAS
 VS. LARRY WILSON ET AL

TO: Larry Wilson and wife Johnnie Wilson, whose place or places of residence are unknown, and, if either or both be deceased, the heirs and legal representatives, if any, of either or both said Larry Wilson and Johnnie Wilson, whose names and places of residence are unknown.

You are hereby commanded to appear at the hearing before the Special Commissioners appointed by the Judge of the County Court at Law of Taylor County, Texas, to assess the damages occasioned by the condemnation of the channel easement upon and over the hereinafter described land to be held at the Courthouse of Taylor County in the City of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, at 10:00 o'clock A. M. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from the date of issuance hereof, that is to say at 10:00 o'clock A. M. on Monday, the 23rd day of March, 1959, and answer the Petition of the State of Texas, Plaintiff, in Cause No. 1195, styled: The State of Texas vs. Larry Wilson et al, in which the State of Texas is Plaintiff and Larry Wilson and wife, Johnnie Wilson, and if either or both are deceased, the unknown heirs and legal representatives, if any, of either or both said Larry Wilson and Johnnie Wilson, Roy E. Herring, Jr., and wife, Voncille Herring, and Estha Neva Cockerell, Individually and as Independent Executrix of the Will and Estate of E. E. Cockerell, Jr., Deceased, are Defendants, which Petition was filed with the Judge of the County Court at Law of Taylor County, Texas, on the 5th day of February, 1959, and the nature of which suit is as follows:

The suit is a proceeding in eminent domain for which the State of Texas, at the request of

the State Highway Commission, is seeking to condemn for highway purposes a channel easement upon and over a certain tract of land situated in Taylor County, Texas, said easement and land are more fully described as follows:

AN EASEMENT for the purpose of opening, constructing and maintaining a permanent drainage channel in, along, upon and across the following described tract of land, with the right and privilege at all times of having ingress, egress, and regress in, along, upon and across such tract of land for the purpose of making additions to, improvements on and repairs to said drainage channel or any part thereof, said tract of land being described as follows:

Being part of that certain one acre tract of land out of Block 11, of Steffen's Subdivision of the Merchant's Pasture in the James R. Shipman Survey 86 and the P. Cuerra Survey 27 in Taylor County, Texas, conveyed to Larry Wilson et ux, Johnnie Wilson, as shown by deed recorded in Volume 556, Page 608, of the Taylor County Deed Records, and being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point in the east boundary line of said one acre tract, said point being 74.85 feet south of the northeast corner, and also being North 22 degrees 41' West 600.37 feet from centerline chaining station 1156 plus 72.26 of a proposed highway;

THENCE SOUTH along said east boundary line a distance of 112.9 feet to a point 20.95 feet north of the southeast corner of said one acre tract;

THENCE IN a southwesterly direction along a curve to the left having a radius of 297.26 feet and a central angle of 90 degrees

00', a distance of 36.18 feet to a point in the south boundary line of said one acre tract a distance of 29.48 feet west of the southeast corner, said point also being 488.8 feet North 22 degrees 41' West of centerline chaining station 1155 plus 91.69 of said proposed highway.

THENCE WEST along said south boundary line a distance of 179.22 feet to the southwest corner of said tract, said point being 560.17 feet North 22 degrees 41' West of centerline chaining station 1154 plus 27.29 of said proposed highway;

THENCE NORTH along the west boundary line of said one acre tract a distance of 25.26 feet;

THENCE IN a northeasterly direction along a curve to the right having a radius of 4-7.26 feet and a central angle of 90 degrees 00' a distance of 247.32 feet to the end of said curve;

THENCE SOUTH 22 degrees 41' East a distance of 49.63 feet to the point of beginning and containing 0.573 of one acre of land, more or less.

If this citation is not served within ninety (90) days after its issuance, it shall be returned forthwith.

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS, at Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, this 6th day of February, 1959.
 Deay Reeves
 Clarence R. Collins
 E. E. Trawick
 Special Commissioners
 48-49-50-51

Visiting in the Irl Walker home are Cadmus, Sybil, Tommy and Marla Brown of Barnhart. They remained with their grandparents while Mr. and Mrs. Brown attended funeral services for Mr. Brown's brother-in-law, M. K. Milner in Irving, Texas.

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College, was one of the twenty-seven whose names appeared on the honor roll of the school the past term.

Joe Holmes left on the Sunshine Special Friday evening of last week to visit with his son, Joe Helmes and family at Wickensburg, Arizona.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sheppard left Monday for Odessa, where they will make their home. Bill has accepted a position as salesman for the Banner Creamery Company, with headquarters at Odessa. They returned Wednesday night to get their two sons, Billy and Rodney, who remained with their grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Sheppard. Merkel regrets to lose this family, but the Mail joins many friends in best wishes for their success in their new home.

Miss Billie Gardner and a friend, Miss Sue Marrow, of Stamford, left Thursday afternoon for Dallas, where they were to meet Mrs. Lou Farrow and the three expected to witness the

sentation of "Idiot's Delight" Thursday night.

Five honor students from the High school were special guests of the Lions Club at their Tuesday luncheon. They were: Ruth Bell, 8th grade; Becky Gardner, 9th grade; Mildred McLean, 10th grade, and Mary Jo Garland and Faye Walker, 11th grade. Becky Gardner's average for the last six weeks' period was 97, all the others having an average of 94.

Mrs. Tom Largent, accompanied by Mrs. C. B. Gardner, left Thursday morning to take her mother, Mrs. J. P. Sutphen, to San Antonio, where she was to meet a son, Vernon N. Sutphen, of Donna, and go home with him for a visit. Mrs. Largent and Mrs. Gardner will return home Friday.

40 YEARS AGO

IN MERKEL

Sam Swann, one of Merkel's most popular young bankers has accepted a position as auditor of the First National Bank of Wichita Falls, at a handsome salary.

Some one entered the Woodruff-Bragg Dry Goods Company place of business last Sunday night and purloined about 16 pieces of silk, the value of which could be in the neighborhood of \$150. Also six suits were missed. The thief or thieves prized up the back window and crawled in. Evidently they were trained in their nefarious occupation. No clue has been found.

Sunday morning it became necessary for J. M. Dry to go to the top of his windmill to get some water from the tank. A heavy frost was on and when he reached the top and took hold of the tank, he lost his balance in some manner and fell to the ground, landing on his feet. He is badly bruised up, swollen and sore all over. The full extent of his injuries can not yet be ascertained.

Last Sunday morning a 9 o'clock death came to Dr. G. M. Williams at his home. The doctor had been ill for some time and his death was not unexpected. The funeral was held at the Church of Christ. He is survived by his widow and two children, Dr. Chas. Williams and Mrs. Jno. Rice. It was only a month ago that death claimed Mrs. Eather Hendrix, a daughter.

The wedding of Sergeant Earl M. Richardson and Miss Sarah Estella Collins was solemnized at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Collins, Sunday at noon, Jan. 12, 1919. The guests gathered promptly and after the song "O Promise Me," the bride and groom entered together. The Rev. Dawson read the ceremony in the reception hall, which was decorated with red, white and blue.

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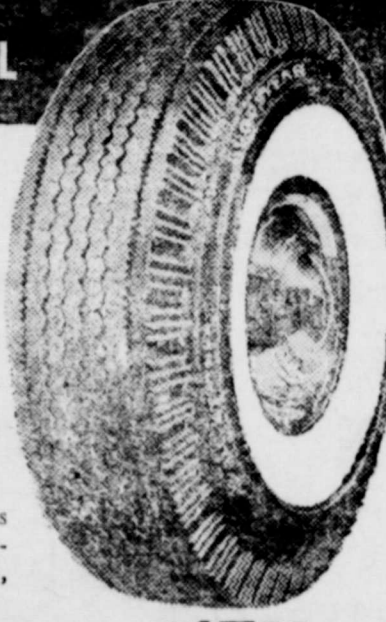
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