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Tell-Tale Fe-Mail

By M. L. G.

Flash! — Mr. and Mrs. Merkel Mail reader and all the boats on the lake — Father became a GRANDFATHER today, Wednesday. And if he's a grandfather, you know what that makes me. We forgot to tell our daughter-in-law that in this family you can't have a baby on press day, so she ups and gives birth to an 8 lb. girl at 8:55 a.m.

The young lady is well endowed with grandparents. Besides father and myself, there are the maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Johnson; and the following great-grandparents: Mrs. Margaret Ervin of Merkel, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Baca of San Angelo and Mr. and Mrs. George Gardner of Burlington, Vermont. Incidentally, the baby's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Terrance Roy Gardner.

The new father said that when his wife woke him up in the wee hours this morning, he got straight out of bed and headed for the front door in his pajamas and without his wife or the suit case. He remembered in time and went back for both and headed out once again, still in his pajamas. His wife finally got through to him and told him he could take time to dress.

Back to the baby. Her name is Crysti Ann and she has black curly hair. Well, it looks like it's going to be curly. She has little fat cheeks, tiny slender fingers and her father says, big feet. They can take my toes for it, if they would lower the age limit on the upcoming beauty contest, we'd enter her.

I guess I'd better get back to earth and remind you shoppers of another important event — Appreciation Day in Merkel on Thursdays. Ask your merchant for details and you'll see that the surprise they have in store for you is just one more reason you should do your shopping at home where it is appreciated.

A coincidence — Lt. Col. Karl Bonneau of Washington, D.C. visited here last week and in last week's 20 Years Ago column in the Merkel Mail it told of his being voted the best dressed male student at Hardin-Immons University. Mrs. T. E. Morrison, who called his attention to it, said he and his wife got quite a kick out of reading it. Like a typical man, he hadn't told his wife of the distinction.

I see where Taylor Electric gave some helmets to the Merkel Volunteer Fire Department. Maybe this will establish a precedent that other local businesses will follow. There are many things these men who fight our fires need to make their work safer. For more information on this anyone interested might contact Fire Chief Adcock.

We have had other additions to our family recently besides Crysti Ann. There is another dog, Tippy, to keep Phoebe company, a snake or two and an old hand lawn mower. We have also had a few losses, thanks to 'ole Dead-Eye. He fancied himself quite a big game hunter now that he has eliminated a few of our hopping friends and picked up a live snake by the tail.

About the hand lawn mower — I have looked at this yard several times and said sarcastically, "I wish I had a hand lawn mower or could start the power mower so I could keep this yard looking half way decent." What I really meant was, "You lazy slob. Here you have a power mower and you don't even keep the yard up." The sarcasm escaped him, or did it? Anyway, I am now the proud owner of a beaten up, rusty, loose-handled mower. It was a surprise gift — "something you've been wanting for a long time," he said. I was told to make this a full column (the nerve of them, after leaving me out completely a couple of times) but I'm afraid I'll have to sign off. I need to run to the hospital for another peek in the nursery.

Don't forget to come to Merkel on Thursdays. You'll be glad you did.

Jimmy Sledge is spending a two weeks' vacation in the home of his brother, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Sledge of El Paso.

Governor Signs False Wholesale Advertising Bill

Governor Price Daniel, on May 28, signed the Anti-False Wholesale Advertising H.B. 201. This bill makes it unlawful for any distributor of merchandise to misrepresent himself to the buying public as selling at wholesale unless the advertising is directed to retailers who are to resell the merchandise.

According to the author of the bill, Representative Bo Ramsey of Beckville, the new law does much to protect the public, who have many times in the past thought they were buying merchandise at wholesale when in reality they were not. Representative Ramsey said "It has been firmly established through court decisions as well as through common usage of the term, that wholesale is a sale made for the purpose of resale and not one made to the consuming purchaser. This being true, then it is reasonable to assume that no merchant would or could long stay in business selling merchandise to the buying public at the same price it cost him to buy it from the wholesaler. The new law does not in any way attempt to set the price of merchandise."

In the words of Senator George Parkhouse who sponsored the bill in the Senate, "this law does not keep anyone from selling anything at any price he chooses. Actually, he can buy an item for one dollar and sell it for a nickel if he wants to. It does, however, prohibit misrepresentation to the buying public that it is wholesale, in fact, they are buying it at retail."

The new law will become effective on August 11 of this year. Another section within the law provides that any merchant who advertises a going-out-of-business sale must include in such advertising, the name and location of the owner of the business.

Mrs. H. C. Foster, Former Merkelite Dies In Abilene

Mrs. H. C. Foster, 52, a former Merkel resident, died at 12:05 p.m. Monday at Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene where she was admitted Saturday. She had been ill since last September.

Born Nov. 26, 1906 at Buffalo Gap, she married H. C. Foster in 1924 in Abilene. They moved to Abilene from Merkel in 1941.

Funeral was held at 3 p.m. Tuesday in the Woodlawn Church of Christ with Paul Southern, minister, officiating, assisted by O. N. Proctor, minister of North Park Church of Christ. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery, Merkel.

Ice Cream Supper Set For June 18

The Woman's Society of Christian Service and the Wesleyan Service Guild of the First Methodist Church will sponsor an Ice Cream supper in fellowship hall of the church Thursday night, June 18.

Proceeds will be used to send delegates to the School of Missions in Lubbock later this year.

New Live Oak VBS Set For June 22

Vacation Bible school will be held at the New Live Oak Baptist Church for one week beginning June 22.

A city-wide parade is planned to begin immediately after registration at 2 p.m., Saturday, June 20, according to M. E. Randolph, pastor.

Eddie Jenkins will be the school principal.



DO IT LIKE THIS — Bitsy West, swimming instructor from Merkel, gives a dry-land demonstration of the crawl stroke to a group of South Taylor youngsters taking a learn-to-swim course at Abilene State Park. The course is being sponsored by the Taylor County Chapter of American Red Cross and the South Taylor Lions Club. M. S. Isom, park manager, donated use of the pool, and Marine Sgts. John Price and Howard Lawson are in charge of the classes, which began Monday. Students are, from left, Patsy Beaver, Lawn; Carol Wilder, Tuscola; Marlen McDonald, Cedar Gap; Kenneth Jones, Buffalo Gap; and Jackie Hancock, Ovalo. About 100 young people between 7 and 18 years of age showed up Monday for the opening of the course. (Photo Courtesy the Abilene Reporter-News)

Learn-to-Swim Registration Underway Here This Week

Registration for the Merkel Red Cross "Learn-to-Swim" program is being held this week at Mrs. Elma McFarland's office on Kent Street.

The program, sponsored locally by the Lambda Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, the Lions Club and the Red Cross, will get underway June 15 and last for two weeks. Use of Merkel Swimming Pool is being donated free for the program.

In order to register, each swimming student must secure a doctor's permit stating that the pupil is physically qualified for swimming.

Marine Sgts. John Price and Howard Lawson, of the Marine Reserve Training Center in Abilene, will direct the program. Classes will be from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, Mondays through Friday.

David Hendricks Dies Here At 78

Funeral for David Hendricks, 78, was held at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday at Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel, with Dwight Holland of the Merkel Church of Christ officiating.

Burial was in Stith Cemetery. Mr. Hendricks, a Merkel resident since 1903, died at 6 a.m. Monday at his home, having been critically ill the past six months.

A former cotton ginner and carpenter, he had been retired for several years.

Born Oct. 29, 1880 in Bluntsville, Ala., he married Judy Elizabeth Harkus and after her death, married Mrs. Ada Davis in April, 1943.

Survivors include his wife; three sons, Joe of San Antonio, Jack of Espanola, N.M., and Ernest of Merkel; four daughters, Mrs. Charlie Hargis of Floydada, Mrs. Bessie Bradford and Mrs. Noel Bradford of Stockton, Calif., and Mrs. Pete Harris of Merkel; two brothers, Jay of Corpus Christi and Jess of Pampa; two stepsons, Vernon Davis of Orlando, Fla., and Weldon Davis of Abilene; three step-daughters, Mrs. Maurine Moreland of Ropesville, Vivian Davis and Mrs. Ruth Pangle of Merkel; 15 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Ann and Gary Smith accompanied their sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Wood and Teresa, to Pampa where they will remain for a two-week visit.

Dr. and Mrs. Jno. B. Davidson and daughters, Donna and Suzy, of Waco were weekend guests in the home of Mrs. Davidson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Miller.

CEMETERY FUND

The following persons have contributed to the Merkel Cemetery Association fund: H. E. Seago, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Guitar Jr. and family.

Betty Lou Parker Enlists In Wacs

Betty Lou Parker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin C. Parker, Rt. 2, Merkel, enlisted for a three-year tour of duty in the Women's Army Corps on May 30.

A 1959 graduate of Merkel High School, Miss Parker chose as her initial assignment a clerical procedures and typing school, an eight-week school conducted at the WAC Center, Fort McClellan, Ala.

After being sworn in at the recruiting station in Abilene she left by train for Fort McClellan where she will receive eight weeks of basic training in military subjects. She will probably get two weeks leave prior to starting her technical schooling, said Sergeant Evans of the Abilene Recruiting Station.

Three Merkelites Attend 4-H Club Electric Clinic

Ann Tipton, Aleta Scott and Mrs. Ford Smith Jr. accompanied Loreta Allen, County Home Demonstration Agent, to Junction Wednesday, June 3, to attend the annual 4-H Electric Clinic sponsored by West Texas Utilities Co. The all-day meeting was held in the Junction High School.

The purpose of these electric demonstrations is to stimulate creative thinking among 4-H club members in developing a demonstration and to present it in such a manner as to pass this information on to others.

Twenty-three counties were represented. Curly Hays of the West Texas Utilities in Abilene, acted as master of ceremonies.

A barbecue lunch was served in the school cafeteria at noon and following the afternoon program the group was invited to go swimming.

Mr. and Mrs. Carvel Clark and children moved this week to their new home in Sweetwater.

Bathing Beauty Contest Draws 13; More To Come

Thirteen entries had been submitted by Tuesday noon for the bathing beauty contest to be held at the Merkel Swimming Pool Saturday evening, June 27.

Other entries are expected to be turned in by merchants later this week. Each merchant may sponsor one or more entries in the following age groups: 5-8, 9-13, 14-18, and 19 or over.

Names submitted and their sponsors are: Jil West, Palmer Motor Co.; Beth Hicks, Starbuck Co.; Donna Riney, Ben Franklin Store; Bronwyn and Karlen Gamble, Merkel Drug; Carole Sue McAnich, Lmns Butant; Carolyn Cuhar, Mellinger's; Brenda Barnett, Taylor Telephone; Virginia Criswell, Bill's Garden Shop; Suzi Wilson, Wilson Jewelry; Bitsy West, Hicks Auto Supply; Penny Gardner, Chamber of Commerce; and Latrelle Bright, Ann's Beauty Shop.

The contest, a fund raising project being sponsored by the Lambda Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, is in no way connected with the Red Cross "Learn-to-Swim" program which ends at the pool the same week-end.

The Merkel Swing Band, directed by W. G. Reed, will furnish music for the program. Price of admission is 50 and 25 cents.

E. H. Thompson Former Baptist Minister, Dies

Emmett Hayes Thompson, 82, retired Baptist minister, died at 8:30 p.m. Thursday in Sadler Clinic Hospital after an illness of three weeks.

Funeral was held at Merkel First Baptist Church at 2 p.m. Sunday with the Rev. C. G. Sewell, retired minister of Sweetwater, officiating, assisted by the Rev. J. Alvis Cooley, pastor of the Merkel First Methodist Church. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Born July 17, 1876 in Hempstead County, Ark., Mr. Thompson moved to Erath County at the age of 16. He married Mollie Ola King in 1898 at Arkadelphia, Ark. She died in 1918.

He moved to Merkel and married Mrs. Bersha Parker in May 1920.

Mr. Thompson was an ordained minister in the Baptist Church and had preached at Sait Branch, Stith and in Erath County. He was a member of First Baptist Church here.

He retired as an active minister in 1920 and later farmed near Merkel. He retired from farming about 17 years ago.

Survivors are his wife; two sons, Lloyd of Lamesa and Truett of Merkel; four stepsons, Martin Parker of Abilene, Mason Barker of Hodges, Melvin Barker of Cotton, Calif., and W. M. Barker of Anson; four daughters, Mrs. E. A. Mauldin of Hooks, Texas, Mrs. J. D. Samuels of Mentona, Calif., Mrs. Omer Bishop of Midland and Mrs. Curtis Clyburn of Stith; one brother, Ira Thompson of Huckaboe, Tex.; one aunt, Mrs. Julia Carroll of Texarkana, Tex.; 23 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Former Pastor's Mother Dies

Mrs. Mae E. Donlon, 62, mother of Father Aidan A. Donlon, associate pastor of St. Joseph Church, Lubbock, and former pastor of Our Mother of Mercy Catholic Church in Merkel, died suddenly at her home in Roscoe County, Tipperary, Ireland, Wednesday, June 3.

Survivors include her husband, James J. Donegan, an attorney in Roscoe; and four sons, Kevin of the Philippines, Brendan of England, Angus of Ireland, and Aidan of Lubbock, Texas. All are Catholic priests in the mission field.

Funeral mass for Mrs. Donlon, a school teacher, was conducted by her sons who reside in England and Ireland. Burial was in Roscoe.



TRY 'EM BOYS — Taylor Electric Cooperative, Inc. recently purchased four helmets for the Merkel Volunteer Fire Department. Norman Winter, sales co-ordinator for Taylor Electric is shown presenting the helmets to Fire Chief Waymon Adcock and Chester McWilliams and Clyde Wurst, firemen.

Home Demonstration Notes

By LORETA ALLEN

Taylor County Home Demonstration Agent



Mrs. Ford Smith, adult 4-H leader of Merkel Club, Ann Tip-ton, and Aleta Scott, Merkel 4-H girls, Pat Tarver, and I attended a 4-H Electric Clinic in Junction last Wednesday. West Texas Utilities sponsored this annual clinic to teach boys and girls more about electricity and how to better use it in the home and on the farm.

The nice rains have really made things in the garden grow. Mother put 19 pints of beans in the freezer last Friday.

For something different in picnic fare, try beef kabobs. You don't need a recipe. Just cut beef into inch-size chunks and stock an assortment of mushrooms, onions, tomatoes and what-have-you. Spear the ingredients alternately on metal skewers or long green sticks about one-fourth of an inch thick. Broil over hot coals until done. This way, everyone does his own cooking.

Want a low-calorie salad dressing for your spring green salads? Mix together 1/2 cup tomato juice, 2 tablespoons lemon juice or vinegar, 1 teaspoon salt, 1/2 teaspoon dry mustard, 1 teaspoon grated onion and 1/2 teaspoon grated onion and ETOIN SHD Worcestershire sauce. Store, cov-

ered, in the refrigerator. Shake well before using. One clove may be added if desired. The entire recipe contains 25 calories.

TUNA AND RICE

2 cans (6 1/2 or 7 ounces each) tuna
2 tablespoons chopped onion
2 tablespoons butter or other fat, melted
2 tablespoons flour
1 1/2 cups milk
3/4 cup grated cheese
3 cups cooked rice
Cheese sauce
Paprika
Chopped parsley
Drain tuna. Break into large pieces. Cook onion in butter until tender. Blend in flour. Add milk gradually and cook until thick, stirring constantly. Add cheese and heat until cheese melts. Stir in tuna; heat. Serve over rice. Top with cheese sauce. Garnish with paprika and parsley sprinkled over the top. Serves 6.

CHEESE SAUCE

2 cups grated cheese
1 1/2 cup milk
6 drops tabasco
1/4 teaspoon prepared mustard
Melt cheese over hot water. Add milk gradually, stirring constantly until sauce is smooth. Add tabasco and mustard; blend well. Serves 6.

HOME-BAKED BREAD IS ITS OWN REWARD



The French have an expression "Eat a Meal of bread with your meal" They must have had in mind a freshly baked loaf of yeast-raised bread still warm from the oven. You'll find baking is rewarding as it is unlikely that any one will be able to resist slice after slice of home-baked bread.

WHITE BREAD

1 cup milk
3/4 cup warm, not hot water (lukewarm for compressed yeast)
2 1/2 teaspoons sugar
1 package or cake yeast, active dry or compressed
6 tablespoons shortening
6 cups sifted enriched flour (about)

Scald milk. Stir in sugar, salt and shortening. Cool to lukewarm. Measure water into a large mixing bowl (warm, not hot, water for active dry yeast; lukewarm for compressed yeast). Sprinkle or crumble in yeast. Stir until dissolved. Add lukewarm milk mixture. Add 3 cups of the flour. Beat until smooth. Stir in remaining flour. Turn dough out on lightly floured board. Knead until smooth and elastic. Place dough in a greased bowl. Brush top lightly with soft shortening. Cover with a towel. Let rise in a warm place, free from draft, until doubled in bulk, about 1 hour. Punch down and turn out on lightly floured board. Divide in half. Shape into loaves; place in greased bread pans (9x5x3 inches). Cover. Let rise in a warm place, free from draft, until center of loaf is slightly higher than edge of pan, about 1 hour. Bake at 400° F. (hot oven) about 50 minutes. Makes 2 loaves.

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NOODLE NEWS

W. R. Smith of ACC preached at the Church of Christ here Sunday in the absence of the pastor, Phillip Steyne. Mrs. Smith accompanied her husband here and they were dinner guests in the home of his nephew and wife, Mr. and Mrs. V. R. Justice.

Mr. and Mrs. Dock Callaway accompanied their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Lois Melton, to Cisco Saturday where they visited Mr. Melton's sister, Mrs. James Henderson and family. Mrs. Callaway spent some of the time with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Allen, former Noodle residents.

Mr. and Mrs. James Santablen are in Abilene for the summer. They spent a few days the past week here in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Spurgin and Clinton.

Mrs. Wayne Pistole attended funeral services last week for her grandmother, Mrs. C. R. Curlee, 79, of Ben Hur, Texas. Mr. Pistole was unable to attend as he was assisting Superintendent Everett Beaver of Anson in his office.

Karl Bonneaux Jr., and family of Falls Church, Virginia, near Washington D. C., are spending this week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Karl Bonneaux Sr. Two of his daughters, Mary Lu and Karen, are planning to spend the summer with their grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Rober tSpurgin, Sanda and Shirley of Colorado are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Spurgin and Mrs. Ed Martin.

PERSONALS

Miss Becky Ray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Ray, left the past week for Springfield, Mo., where she will remain for six weeks. She will attend college there and stay in the home of her sister and family, the Rev. and Mrs. Lucian Rudd.

Conya Leigh Thaxton, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Thaxton of Dumas, spent the past two weeks with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Thaxton, while her parents were on vacation. Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Thaxton, while

her parents were on vacation. The Johnny Thaxton's went to California where they visited Disney Land.

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1. More people are killed during the morning rush hour than during any other time of day. True or false?

2. The safest time of day to drive a car is from 4-8 a.m. True or false?

3. Sunday is the most dangerous day of the week to drive, largely because of "Sunday drivers." True or false?

4. Nearly half of the motor vehicle accidents in urban areas involve pedestrians. True or false?

5. In most rural auto accidents resulting in death, two cars collide with each other. True or false?

Answers:
1 False. Most dangerous time of the day is 4-8 p.m. — the twilight hours. Biggest reason for

this, the National Safety Council says, is because drivers, in a hurry to get home, often can't see well enough in the half-light, half-dark of twilight time and fail to adjust to the changing conditions.

2. True. This probably is so, the Council says, largely because fewer cars are on the road then to have an accident.

3. False. Most dangerous day is Saturday. Sunday is next most dangerous.

4. True. And, according to the Council, most pedestrians are killed crossing between intersections or coming from behind parked cars.

5. False. Collisions between motor vehicles are the No. 2 cause of death. On the open road, main causes are noncollisions in the roadway, such as overturning or running off a curve.

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whistle blast of three to five minutes, would mean that an attack is probable. In such emergencies, you would be expected to take action as directed by your local government. Thereupon Conelrad radio stations would broadcast local instructions.

A warbling siren tone or short whistle blasts means "Take Cover," an attack is imminent. You would be urged to seek the best available shelter, underground if possible, such as a basement, or an interior room on the ground floor. Otherwise, it would be best to lie flat on the floor wherever you are.

You can do many things to prepare for disaster:

- Use your "Handbook for Emergencies" which was prepared by the Office of Civil and Defense Mobilization and de-



- Build or improvise a home fallout shelter. An underground shelter covered by three feet of earth is excellent. A basement shelter of concrete blocks is relatively inexpensive, and would provide substantial protection except in heaviest fallout areas.
- Stock the shelter with a two-week supply of food and water. Extra, uncontaminated drinking liquids are normally available for emergencies in hot water heaters, ice cubes and bottled drinks, fresh fruits, and water-packed fruits and vegetables in cans. Most food should be cellophane-wrapped or in cans or bottles. Allow at least seven gallons of drinking liquids per person in covered containers.
- Equip your shelter with a first aid kit, battery radio, flashlights, blankets and warm clothing. Desirable items are bunks, and longer-duration battery or hand-generator-operated lights.

Learn basic first aid from Red Cross or civil defense training courses in your community. At least one member of each family should have this training.

THE FALLOUT danger which would follow a nuclear attack could inflict casualties in the most remote areas. Civilians should learn the facts of self-protection. Anyone exposed to radioactive dust must wash it away promptly. Food protected by cans, bottles and even cellophane would be safe to eat if the exterior were cleaned of fallout dust. Unpeeled fruit and vegetables like potatoes, if cleaned, could be eaten safely.

STITH NEWS

This community has had a round 4 1/2 inches of rain this week. Which we were very proud of. The farmers would like to see some sunshine so they could get back in their fields.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Molesbee spent last week with his mother, Molesbee at Nocona.

Hollis Hudson is home after a three week stay in the Merkel Hospital. He is doing fine.

Sandra Sale spent Wednesday night with Pat Newman at Truby.

The Bible School at the Baptist Church closed Friday with a picnic at night.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Dunagin, Mary and Randy were in Abilene Friday night.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hals and Sandra over the week end were Mr. and Mrs. Hal Burk of Tye and Mr. and Mrs. Buttler Donnelly of Truby.

Several from this community attended the funeral of E. H. Thompson at the First Baptist church in Merkel Sunday afternoon. Mr. Thompson lived in Stith a number of years before moving to Merkel. We extend our sympathy to the family.

Visitors in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hudson and Miss Louise, Bob and Hollis Hudson the past week were: Mr. and Mrs. James Hudson of Donna, Tex., and Mr. and Mrs. Clark Mundy

of Ft. Worth. Sandra Hale attended Church at Truby Baptist Church Sunday and spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. John Jones at Truby.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Ledbetter attended the funeral of his eight year old niece Linda Ledbetter, at Albany Wednesday. She died Tuesday from injuries she received Monday when struck by a truck. Others from here attending the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. Rowen Finch and children.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Harris and boys enjoyed a picnic and boat riding at Fort Phantom Lake, Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Hub Evans of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Dedman of Tye visited their

Lueders Baptist Camp Rally Day To Be June 18

The Rev. LeRay Fowler, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Sweetwater, will be afternoon speaker for the annual Rally Day program of the Lueders Baptist Encampment, which has been set for Thursday, June 18.

The Rally day event is being combined with District 17 Day and will be held at the Lueders Baptist Encampment grounds on the Clear Fork of the Brazos.

Bill Page, choir director at the morning, at 9:30 a.m. and will provide the special music for the morning.

Rev. Avery Sullivan, pastor of the Trinity Baptist Church at Sweetwater, district stewardship chairman, will lead one of the conferences.

Rev. Calvin Bailey of Hamlin, vice president of District 17, will preside in the morning and Dr. Frank Royal, Abilene, will preside for the Rally Day program, which begins after lunch and will continue through the night service.

Recreation and swimming periods are scheduled for the afternoon. Dr. Fowler speaker at 3:45 p.m.

Featured speaker for morning and night services is Dr. Charles McLaughlin of Fort Worth, superintendent of Baptist missions of Tarrant county.

Summer camps will be promoted and will include Intermediate GA camp June 22-25; YWA, June 26-27; Junior GA, Cisco, Haskell, Knox, Callahan and Sweetwater Associations, June 29-July 2; Junior GA of Abilene, Jones, Fisher and Stoneham associations, July 6-9; Sunbeam, July 10; Intermediate RA, July 20-23; Junior RA, July 27-30; WMU, July 30-31; Brotherhood, August 3; youth, August 24-27.

Scouts' Parents To Meet June 11

The parents of all boys in the local Boy Scout Troop are requested to meet at the Community Center at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, said Assisat Scoutmaster Ike Turner.

The program will include a discussion of the Boy Scout camp at Tonkawa, reorganization of committees to help the boys with their scout work, and coffee and cookies, Turner said.

No strip crop, no cover crop—soon no peanut crop.

Merkel Lobos Blast C-C, 17-2

The Merkel Lobos blasted the Colorado City Indians here Sunday, 17-2, bringing the season record to six wins and three losses for the local team.

Merkel rocked out 15 hits. Leading the hitting at the plate were Manuel Ibarra with three singles in four trips, Lupe Ribera had a double and a single in four trips.

Juan Biera hurled five innings allowing only one hit, and picking up the victory. Kent Brown was the losing pitcher.

Next Sunday the Lobos go to Colorado City to play a game with the Lobos of that city.

Grass is Nature's coat to cover your soil and to protect it from the elements. If you think it can survive them, try removing your own coat for one year.

It's easy! Yes, it's easy to get information on social security. Just write the Abilene social security office and ask for booklet No. 35

No man who continues to add something to the rusted, bolted, leetred and -sical well-being of the place in which he lives is left long without prop- reward

—Booker T. Washington

Hall-Hargrove Engagement Told

Mr. and Mrs. Joe B. Hall of Lubbock, formerly of Abilene, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Janet Faye, to Gene Hal Hargrove, son of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Hargrove of Merkel.

The wedding will be July 20 in Aldersgate Methodist Church in Abilene.

Miss Hall is a 1958 graduate of Abilene High School and is attending Texas Technological College.

Here fiance is a graduate of Merkel High School and is a senior at McMurry College.

Toombs-McWilliams Marriage Plans Told

Mr. and Mrs. Deverl Toombs are announcing the betrothal of their daughter, Kay, to Jerry McWilliams, son of Mrs. Lena McWilliams of Trent.

The wedding is planned for July 10 in the Merkel Church of Christ.

Miss Toombs is a 1956 graduate of Merkel High School and is employed by the Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. in Abilene.

Her fiance is a 1955 graduate of Trent High School. He is a spring graduate of North Texas State College.

Mrs. Fay Knight of Abilene, district manager for Morris Plan Life Insurance Company of Fort Worth, was a dinner guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Amason Tuesday.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ford Smith Jr. last week were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jones of Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Wood and Teresa of Pampa.

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Trent Girl Wins Scholarship To Science Institute

Miss Gailyn Ann Steadman, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Foy Steadman of Trent, has been selected one of 30 promising science students from this area to attend the Summer Science Institute this summer at Howard Payne College in Brownwood.

More than 160 high school students completing their junior the scholarships to the school, year in high school applied for one of the scholarships to the school, sponsored by the National Science Foundation. Miss Steadman will receive a scholarship to the school, to be held July 13 through Aug. 7, which includes room, board and transportation.

She was informed of her selection in a letter from Dr. L. R. Daniel, director of the science institute at Howard Payne.

The school is designed to further the knowledge and understanding and increase interest in scientific subjects of high school students who show promise in that

field. The courses are offered each summer at various colleges throughout the nation. Miss Steadman completed her junior year at Trent High School last week. Her father is postmaster at Trent.

Hospital Patients

The following persons were admitted to the Sadler Clinic Hospital during the week ending June 2:

- Mrs. Buster Molder
- Mrs. M. H. Ely, Jr.
- Miss Peggy Watson
- Mr. Clarence Perry
- Don Dickerson
- Donna Dickerson
- Mrs. John V. Ferguson
- Mrs. Eula Sears
- Mrs. Jack McCright
- Mrs. J. O. Castle
- Mrs. Clayton Dillard
- Mrs. C. E. Mullins
- Miss Dawn Witt
- Mr. Award Perez
- Mrs. Alec Carter
- Mrs. Pick Allen
- Mr. Roy Largent
- Mrs. Harold Sloan
- Mrs. Mary Dunn

The following patients have been dismissed from the Sadler Clinic Hospital during the week ending June 2:

- Mrs. Buster Molder
- Mrs. M. H. Ely, Jr. and son
- Miss Peggy Watson
- Mr. Clarence Perry
- Don Dickerson
- Donna Dickerson
- Mrs. John V. Ferguson
- Mrs. Jack McCright
- Mrs. J. O. Castle
- Mrs. Clayton Dillard
- Mrs. C. E. Mullins
- Miss Dawn Witt
- Mr. Award Perez

Pat Patterson To Attend WTSC

CANYON, June 10. (Special) —Pat Patterson of Merkel has signed a letter of intent to attend West Texas State College at Canyon on a basketball scholarship this fall.

Patterson was signed by Metz LaPollette, who will begin his first season as head basketball coach at WT this fall.

Mrs. P. F. Harris attended graduation exercises at Texas Tech, Lubbock, Sunday and Monday nights when her grandson, Charles Stanley Harris, received his Doctor of Philosophy degree.

Union Ridge HD

The Union Ridge Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. Denzel Cox Thursday, June 5.

The program "How to Save Steps by Re-arranging" was presented by Mrs. O. E. Harwell and Mrs. Cox. Mrs. Harwell gave tips on the filing of patterns and Mrs. Cox displayed a well board on which to hang spools of thread and scissors.

Mrs. Cox, president, presided for the business session. Roll call by Mrs. Clyde Newton, secretary was answered with "My vacation plans."

Refreshments were served to Mmes. M. L. Douglas, Clyde Newton, Harwell, Cox and Miss Mable McRee and Youlinda Carey, Vickie Teaff and Jeanne Hook.

Wayne Reeves, a ministerial student of Baptist College of Deatur, visited here with his aunt, Mrs. Irl Walker. Wayne is the son of former Merkel residents, Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Reeves of Roby.

Students Sign For Summer Band, Twirling School

Nancy Jane Teaff of Merkel High School is one of the 150 students who have pre-registered for the annual summer band and twirling school to be held at McMurry College July 12-25.

The director of the school will be Raymond T. Bynum, director of the McMurry Band. Bynum is a veteran musician and has molded the college band into one of the top musical groups in the Southwest.

He will be assisted by a staff of 16 instructors, plus additional help from the "McMurry Maidettes," petite twirling artists of the college band.

In addition to concerts and other scheduled performances of the school, one other feature will be McMurry's new Band Hall. Recently constructed at a cost of over \$100,000, the band building will be used for the first time during the two-week band twirling school. It is one of the few permanent college band buildings in the nation.

Better fishing in one result of watershed protection.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Alma Collins and Mrs. Irl Walker have returned home after a trip to Denton where Mrs. Collins visited her sister and Mrs. Walker visited her son, Gaston, and his wife, Walker, a Plano Junior High coach is working on his doctor's degree at North Texas State College. His wife is an English teacher in the Plano school.

Mrs. Ruth Huffman and grandchildren, Sherri and Rick, of Fort Worth are visiting Mrs. Huffman's sister, Mrs. Ruby Grimes. Mrs. Grimes and Mrs. Huffman and children will spend the weekend in Big Spring as guests of their brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Choc Jones.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Stockbridge Thursday, June 4, were Mrs. B. T. Collins and Miss Nelda Glenn of Breckenridge, sister and niece of Mrs. Stockbridge, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mitchell of Pampa and Mr. and Mrs. Dwaine Mitchell and daughter, Sandy and Mrs. Helen Felix, all of Pittsburg, Penn., a niece and nephews of Mrs. Stockbridge.

Mrs. Nannie Glenn, who has spent five weeks here in the home of her daughter, Mr. and

Mrs. W. A. Stockbridge, returned to her home in Breckenridge Sunday accompanied by her daughter and husband.

Sunday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Byrd of Tye were Mr. and Mrs. James H. Hassey of near Bonham; Mr. and Mrs. John W. Hassey of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. J. Lee Hassey, Mrs. Modean Echart and Lula Hassey of Tye; Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Jones and sons of Hamlin; Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Holloway and children, Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Holloway and children and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Byrd and daughter, of Merkel.

Lt. Col. and Mrs. Karl Bonneau and daughters, Marliou and Carol, of Washington, D. C. visited last week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Karl Donneau of Noodle and in the T. E. Morrison home in Merkel. Marliou and Carol remained with their grandparents for a longer visit.

Mrs. Ida Wirt of Fort Worth is visiting in the home of her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Morrison.

Miss Jocille Thompson was a guest the past week in the home of her uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Murry Toombs and Tommy of Lubbock.

Dr. J. H. Chaney of Merkel is attending the annual Texas State Chiropractic Convention in Brownsville this week.

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Consists of our entire stock of Ladies' Summer Barefoot sandals. Available in Beige and White—both Neolite or Foam Rubber soles. Practically all sizes available. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

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GROUP III
Consists of broken sizes in odds-and-ends in Ladies' Summer Dress, Casual and flat heel shoes. If we can fit you this is a real value. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

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Truett Latimer Reports --

Dear Sir: It is my pleasure, at the start of this crucial special session, to give a brief report to you on the tax situation as it now stands.

Not since 1941, when the last "omnibus" tax bill was passed, has our State faced such a severe financial crisis. This is due in part to increased population and

in part to the increased cost of providing the services which the people of our State expect from the State Government.

The estimated cash deficit facing us on August 31 of this year is \$65,889,592. This means that in addition to finding additional taxes to cover our expenditure during the next biennium, we must retire this deficit. In all, it is expected that over \$150,000,000 in new revenue must be raised. Most of you are familiar with the above information, so my purpose in this letter is to discuss the tax bills which have been presented to the House during the first week of this special session.

There have already been twelve tax bills of major importance filed for the consideration of the Revenue and Taxation Committee. I shall list them numerically and discuss each briefly.

House Bill 2, by Winfree of Houston, provides for a one year increase of 75c per \$1,000 evaluation in the franchise tax formula . . . expected if passed, to provide \$13,400,000. House Bill 3, by Sadler of Palestine, places a 1% tax on the first sale of all imported manufactured items, and 1% tax on all first sales of Texas manufacturing over \$25,000.

House Bill 4, by Dewey of Brazos, places a 10% production tax on all natural gas produced and saved within this State. House Bill 5, by Slack of Pecos, is the "Bookkeeping Bill" and is expected to bring in \$28,000,000. House Bill 6, by Bates of Edinburg, is the well-known abandoned property bill which failed to pass during the regular session by a three vote margin. It would yield \$25,000,000 according to the Governor's estimate.

House Bill 7, by Hinson of Mineola, is the "omnibus" tax bill of this session. It encompasses most of the Governor's proposals including a 5% severance beneficiary tax on natural gas, a reduction of the production tax from 7% to 5% of the value, and the corporation franchise tax mentioned above. It also sets the gross receipts tax rate at 2.3% for public utilities.

The sales taxes included in House Bill 7 are: a 1c increase per pack of cigarettes, taxes on cigars and other tobacco products, and increase in the distilled liquor tax from \$1.408 to \$2.50 per gallon, an increase in the sales tax on new cars from 1.1% to 1.5%.

House Bill 9, by Hinson, provides for the severance benefit by Eckhardt of Houston, provides the graduated production tax on all oil produced within this State. The graduation scale is as follows:

4. 6c-bbl. up to 700,000 bbls. per month
5. 6c-bbl. 700,000 to 1,000,000 bbls. per month
6. 6c-bbl. 1,000,000 to 1,300,000 bbls. per month
7. 6c-bbl. over 1,300,000 bbls. per month

This bill also provides that any company producing less than 75,000 bbls. per month shall pay 4c per barrel. The royalty owner is exempt in this case, but pays the proportional share on all other production.

House Bill 13, by Johnston of Houston, taxes the net profit of Texas corporations at ETAO TI Texas corporations at 5% on all income over \$25,000 per year. House Bill 14, by Anderson of Midland, places a 1% sales tax on the retail sales of all personal property, and 1% income tax on personal income as well as a 3% tax on corporate income. House Bill 15, by Chapman of Sulphur Springs, puts a 5% tax on trading stamps.

House Bill 17, by Seeligson of San Antonio, makes several technical revisions in the "omnibus" tax bill of 1941. It leaves the gas production tax at 7%. It is unknown at the present time whether Seeligson intends to introduce his sales tax bill again this session.

Here is a summation of the Governor's proposal for erasing our deficit and providing for increased expenditures during the next biennium.

1. Clarify the estate comptroll-

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| er's bookkeeping | \$ 28,000,000 |
| 2. Act to seize abandoned property | 25,000,000 |
| 3. Corporation franchise tax increase per 1 year | 13,400,000 |
| Total revenue | \$ 66,300,000 |
| 1. Severance tax on natural gas 5% of value and reduce present 7% production tax to 5% | 36,514,095 |
| 2. Corporation franchise tax expansion to interstate organizations | 30,000,000 |
| 3. Public Utilities gross receipts 2.3 per cent tax. | 21,084,741 |
| 4. Cigarettes 1 cent increase to 6c per pack | 23,600,000 |
| 5. Cigars and other tobacco | 15,018,814 |
| 6. Distilled liquor increase from 1.408 to \$2.50 a gallon | 15,018,814 |
| 7. Motor vehicle sales—1.5% | \$161,477,963 |

The decisions which are made during these next few weeks will affect the economic welfare of all the citizens of our State for many years to come, so it is my fervent hope that our solution will be equitable and fair to everyone.

Sincerely yours,
Truett Latimer

Clemmer To See Duty In Bermuda

Major Woodrow W. Clemmer, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Clemmer of Merkel, will leave June 26 for a three year tour of duty with the Air Force in Bermuda. Clemmer's wife, the former Josephine Winter of Abilene, and two children will join him in the near future.

Major Clemmer has been in the Air Force since 1941. Prior to that time he attended Abilene Christian College.

Miss Jo Lane Reece of Hobbs, New Mexico is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Harry Bullock.

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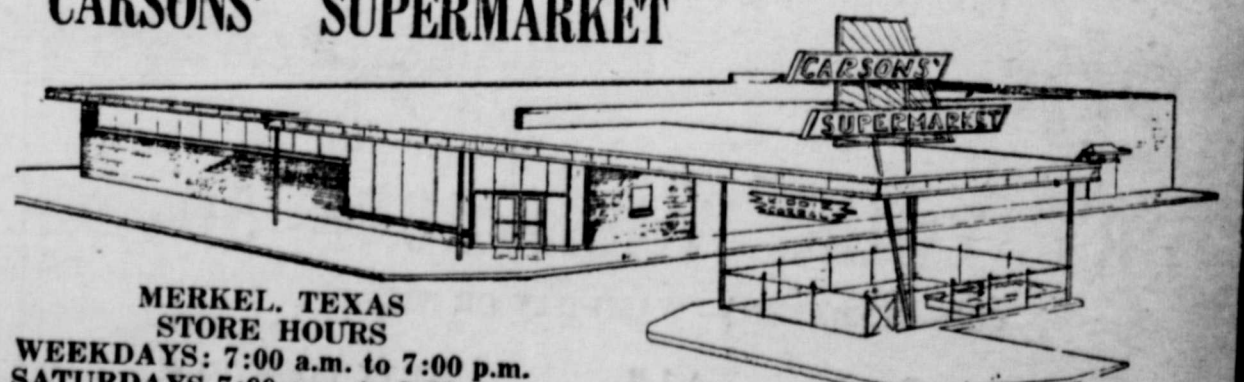
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