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## Tell-Tale Fe-Mail

By M. L. G.

The boss is too busy to dictate to me this week so I'm free to fill up this space with the old nonsense. However, we should continue with the subject we were on last week — we received more response, and all favorable — to that one article than we have had on any one thing in the paper before. Seems we spoke for a lot of people. We only wish those of you who wrote would give us permission to print their letters. We will gladly withhold the name on request to protect you from the wrath of those you complain about.

Speaking of complaints — there are some people you just can't please. I'm speaking about the Great White Father who falls out of bed at our house one morning starving to death and the next morning saying, "I couldn't eat a thing." Now, this would be alright if I could guess which morning is which. If I do accidentally hit the morning when he might eat, and fry the eggs, he wanted them scrambled. If I scramble them he wanted them fried. One morning, striving hard to please at last, I tried one and scrambled one. Wouldn't you know, he looked at his plate, looked at me and said, "You scrambled the wrong one." That did it. I now no longer care if it's his hungry morning or not.

Did you hear the one about the Merkel telephone operator answering a call with the usual "Number, please?" who heard a voice reply "Dustin?"

"What number, Dustin?" asked the operator.

"No number. Just Dustin," replied the voice impatiently. And then, since the operator still obviously failed to understand, the voice added: "I'm Dustin" the telephone."

You've probably read about the little three and a half year old girl who is so smart that she is in the first grade at school. Well, the other day she and her parents were on tee vee and do you know they said she didn't say a word until she was 10-12 months old.

Why our little granddaughter could say three words when she was only seven months old and now, at ten months, has a vocabulary of about eight words. And she knows what she's saying and you can understand her perfectly. Of course, the little three and half year old started off making sentences at 10-12 months but who can tell what Crosby might be saying two weeks from now. She'll probably be in school before long.

Speaking of school reminds me of the teacher who sent a note home with Johnny asking his mother to see that he had a bath. The next day Johnny handed the teacher this note.

Dear Miss Smith: Johnny comes to school to get learnt not smelt. He ain't no rose."

Jerry Sadler, land commissioner candidate and cousin of Merkel's Dr. Sadler, was in the office the other day. He told the boss that Merkel made the Palestine name back in February when Dr. Sadler was named Outstanding Citizen at the C.C. banquet and the Merkel Mail came out with an "Extra." The story also appeared in The Texas Press Messenger, the official publication of the Texas Press Association. The story in the magazine was headed "Newspaper Almost Scoops Itself."

## Trent Seniors To Present Play

"Look Out Lizzie," a three-act comedy will be presented by the senior class of Trent High School at 8 p.m., April 25 in the school auditorium.

Members of the cast are Erban Bright, Gay Steadman, Sue Payne, Ida Mae King, Don Wilks, Liz Dorn, Marcus Drigger, and Buddy King.

Directors of the play are Mrs. Ruth Higgins and Mrs. Newt Goodwin. The stage crew is composed of Kenneth Douglas, Robert Williams, and Jim Lanring. Proceeds from the play will be used for the senior trip to New Orleans on May 13.

## Former Merkel Resident Dies In San Antonio

Funeral services were held Monday, April 11 in San Antonio for Mrs. S. A. Huskey, former Merkel resident, who died Saturday, April 9 after a long illness. Mrs. Huskey was a member of the J. R. Hester family, pioneer farmers of this area. She maintained a home here for 20 years while rearing her children. She moved from Merkel in 1940, and at the time of her death was living with daughters in San Antonio.

Born Ora Lee Hester on October 19, 1880, in Northern Louisiana, Mrs. Huskey moved to Texas with her family in 1901 and in 1903 they settled near Merkel. After finishing school in Waco, Mrs. Huskey worked for several years in business offices in Texas and Oklahoma. On June 5, 1913, she married Samuel Andrew Huskey in Jacksboro. He died in 1922.

She was a lifetime member of the Methodist Church.

She is survived by three daughters, Onal Huskey Nastos of Petersburg, Va., Elizabeth W. and Sammie J. Huskey, both of San Antonio; and grandson, Michael Andrew Nastos of Petersburg, Va.; four sisters, Mrs. Walter S. Bruner of Branch, La.; Mrs. Neil Vidrine of Phoenix, Ariz., Celia Hester of Sylvester, and Mrs. W. Hearne Harper of Shreveport, La.; and one brother, Henry W. Hester of Merkel.

## Merkel Co-Op Gin Annual Meet Set

The annual membership meeting of the Merkel Cooperative Gin will be held at the gin at 2:30 p.m., Saturday, April 23.

Morris Smith, manager said items of business to be taken care of at the meeting will include election of three directors, the annual report to members, and the distribution of dividend checks, in the amount of \$28,000.

## Julius Smith Of Azle, Dies

Julius M. Smith, 75, of Azle, Texas, died Feb. 8. He had been ill with flu and virus pneumonia.

Burial was at Prairie Cemetery in Parker County.

Survivors include his wife, Jessie; four sons, Alvin, Loyd, and Douglas Smith, all of Fort Worth, and Foy of Saginaw; four daughters, Mrs. Dorothy Fazio of Baton Rouge, La., Mrs. Bertie Hargrove of Lubbock, Mrs. Novis Mayhugh of Henrietta, Mrs. Willie Martin of Lubbock; 33 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

## 20 YEARS AGO

IN MERKEL.

With the election of Pat Davis as secretary of the chamber of commerce at Quannah, Merkel High school loses a very popular football coach. Coming to Merkel in the fall of 1937, Pat Davis has boosted football interest in Merkel to a high pitch and his work with the boys has made him their idol in training camp and on the gridiron.

Homer Patterson, whose bid for the contract to supply the stock for the 1940 series of free rodeos sponsored by the Merchants Trade Extension association of Merkel, left Sunday for Fort Worth, from where he was to go to South Texas to buy cattle for use in the shows here this coming summer. He was accompanied by John Shannon and Tom Linkens, the latter a member of the rodeo committee.

Unusual interest resulted in the casting of 245 ballots in last Saturday's election for school trustees, in which W. W. Toombs and Norman T. Hodge were elected members of the board over S. D. Gamble and Byers Payne, incumbents. The vote was Hodes 137, Toombs 134, Gamble 114 and Payne 104.

Merkel Volunteer Fireboys at their annual election held Monday night at the fire station re-named John Mansfield as chief for another year. Bob Fowler was elected assistant chief. New president of the association is Herbert Dunn, with Frank Breaux as vice-president, Ray Wilson was re-elected secretary-treasurer.

Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Allen of Los Alamos, N. M., are visiting in the home of his mother, Mrs. Pick Allen.

## PARENT AND TEACHER CONFERENCES SLATED

The last parent-teacher conferences of the current school year for grades 1-12 will be held Thursday and Friday afternoons, April 21-22.

All parents are urged to confer with their child's teacher either afternoon between 12:30 and 3 o'clock. Parents who are in doubt as to whether their children will be promoted or not are especially urged to attend.

## TWO TAYLOR ELECTRIC EMPLOYEES PROMOTED

Two Taylor Electric Cooperative Inc. employees received promotions last week, according to an announcement by Lester Doran, manager.

Mrs. Adelle Jones has been promoted from billing clerk to secretarial worker, and Mrs. Kenneth Purser has been transferred from Taylor Refrigeration to billing clerk at Taylor Electric.

Mrs. Jones was assistant bookkeeper in the business office of Abilene Public Schools and secretary to the superintendent of schools at Rotan for seven years.

## ESSAYS THAT WON FOR TRENT STUDENTS

Editor's Note: Trent students won both the first and second place awards in essay writing at the District 15-B literary meet recently. The eighth grade students both chose the subject, "What It Means To Be A Good Student." These are the prize winning entries written by Betty McAninch, who placed first, and Brenda Tittle, second place winner.

By BETTY McANINCH, Eighth Grade, Trent School.

Many people have the vague idea that a good student is the boy or girl who makes the highest grade in class. To me, a good student means one who tries his hardest at all times and who determines to never be slack or careless in his work.

Many students today think more of the grades they make than of the knowledge they can gain by honest endeavors. Seton once said, "Manhood, not scholarship, did not say, 'Grades are the first aim of education.' The craze for good grades has caused a nationwide epidemic of cheating. Are cheaters good students?"

Citizenship is an important deciding factor of a student's qualities. A student who is friendly, considerate of others, and understanding has many friends. A student is liked not only by teachers, but by his associates as well. A truly "good student" has these qualities of citizenship.

A good student realizes the importance of books and the part they play in his life. I am not implying that a good student is a "bookworm," but rather that he has formed a lifelong friendship with books; he knows the joys of companionship with books. Saint Francois once said, "I have sought repose everywhere and have found it only in a little corner with a little book." A good student can relax and concentrate freely with a book.

A good student uses his time well. He is aware of what his responsibilities as a citizen will be. He takes the words of Abraham Lincoln, "I will study and get ready and perhaps my chance will come," seriously. He prepares himself for the future and concerns himself with the affairs of the world.

A good student lives by the "Golden Rule." He places his trust in God and prays for guidance in his daily work. He sets a high aim and strives to attain it through the will of God.

A good student is not a gossip or a tattletale; he does not whimper or complain. He obeys without a remark; he studies diligently and willfully.

I think that all of us students' first aim should be to achieve the merits of a good student. I have long ago realized that to be a good student means hard work, but I am willing to sacrifice fun and folly to be a "good student."

By BRENDA TITTLE

To be a good student is the one desire of almost every student going to school. But to be a good student, takes hard work and the development of a pleasing attitude and personality toward teachers and classmates.

In order to be considered a



JERRY SADLER

... seeks Land Office

## Sadler Outlines 3-Point Program For Land Office

Jerry Sadler, candidate for Commissioner of the General Land Office, today laid down key points of his program for overhauling the mixed-up responsibility and management of State-owned lands.

Sadler, former Railroad Commissioner and now completing his sixth year as a State Representative from Palestine and Anderson County, said that responsibility for control and management of State Lands is now so divided that no one in authority knows precisely how much land is actually owned by the State.

"You can get estimates ranging anywhere from 8,000,000 to 9,000,000 acres," said Sadler. "There is lots of land in Texas, but not enough for the State to be juggling the property of the taxpayers around without proper accountability."

Sadler outlined three main points of his program as follows:

1. Require all records pertaining to State-owned lands to be deposited with the General Land Office for verification, inventory, and survey where necessary.
2. Make the General Land Office responsible for a perpetual inventory of all State Lands, showing the department or agency holding or controlling the lands, use and appraised valuations, and all other information necessary for a full and complete record of State-owned lands. Sufficient funds should be appropriated for the Land Office to keep this inventory completely up-to-date.
3. Make it one of the chief duties of the Commissioner of the General Land Office to report in detail every two years to the Legislature all changes in the inventory, including significant changes in land values.

"This program," said Sadler, "follows the recommendation of the Texas Legislative Council which were made to the Legislature late in 1958, after an exhaustive study of the State-owned land situation and which never received much attention. This was due largely to the lack of aggressive leadership had counsel which I feel should come from the General Land Office itself."

## 40 YEARS AGO

IN MERKEL.

F. J. Ferrier, formerly a business man in Merkel, but now traffic officer for the city of Abilene, was here yesterday shaking hands with old friends, and dropped in and had us send the Mail to him for the next year.

In the election held here last Saturday for Merkel Independent School Board Messrs. H. C. West, A. T. Sheppard and Walter Jackson were elected. These gentlemen are enterprising and progressive business men and with the other capable members of the Board, we predict a live school for Merkel next year.

Miss Loel Merritt went to Fort Worth yesterday where she will visit her brothers, Ben and Will. She will be gone for some two or three weeks.

Tom Toombs and Jim Moore of Merkel stopped off in Clyde Tuesday while on their way home from Cross Plains. While there they called at the Enterprise for a few minutes visit. Mr. Moore and the editor attended the same school in Dallas county back in the eighties and Mr. Toombs was a neighbor about the same time. They are prosperous farmers in the Merkel community. Clyde Enterprise.

In the city election held here Tuesday of this week Messrs. H. L. Propst, J. P. Sharp and T. G. Bragg were elected for the next two years.

## CHAMBER of COMMERCE SEEKS PROJECT NAME

The Merkel Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a contest to name the \$227,700 public housing project under construction in northeast Merkel.

The person submitting the winning entry will receive a \$25 Savings Bond, according to Mrs. Mary Hargrove C-C secretary. Out-of-town judges will select the winner.

Entries should be sent to the Merkel Chamber of Commerce, P. O. Box 768. Deadline for entering is May 15.

The 12-one-story duplex residences of brick and masonry construction, are expected to be completed by the middle or late summer. Alston Construction Co. of Sweetwater is general contractor for the project.

Here is an entry blank for your convenience.

**NAME THE HOUSING PROJECT CONTEST**

I think Merkel's Public Housing Project should be called \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

This form should be mailed to the Chamber of Commerce, P. O. Box 768, Merkel, before May 15, 1960.

## Mrs. Hartley Dies Here at 91

Funeral was held at 2:30 p.m. Saturday at First Baptist Church here for Mrs. Sarah Margaret Hartley, 91, Merkel resident almost 54 years. She died at 8:30 p.m. Thursday at Starr Rest Home here after an illness of several months.

The Rev. Mart Hardin, pastor, officiated. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery, with Starbuck Funeral Home in charge.

She was born in Collin County and married A. J. Hartley there. They moved to Merkel in September of 1906. He farmed in the area north of here.

Mrs. Hartley was a member of the Merkel Baptist Church.

Survivors include two sons, Dennis of Plainview and Joe of Merkel; two brothers, Jim Scribner of Melissa and Jack of Dallas; one sister, Mrs. Josie Duke of Dallas; three grandchildren, Raymond Hartley, and Mrs. G. A. Meador of Plainview; Mrs. Billy Gene Soelle of Lawton, Okla., and six great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Ernest Teaff, Preston Henry, Robert Higgins, Lloyd Robertson, Otis Foster, all of Merkel and Davis Hobby of Walnut Springs.

## CEMETERY FUND

The following persons have made contributions to the Merkel Cemetery Association fund: Mrs. L. M. Kegans

## Quail Hunting Depends Upon Work Done Now

AUSTIN — Landowners who expect to harvest a quail crop for the 1960 hunting season will do well to begin work immediately, according to the assistant executive secretary of the Game and Fish Commission.

"To have a good quail crop plenty of cover and feed are required," he said. "This can be developed, along with other crops. Many landowners planted multi-flora roses last fall. Others will provide food crops along fence rows, or suitable cover on their pasture lands."

He said present indications point to a heavy carry-over of brood stock from last year. In many places the 1959 season was the best for quail in years. Although many were killed by hunters, there were no heavy freezes or bad weather to kill off a great number of the carry-over birds. Quail also will be available from the State hatchery this year, he said. Application should be made to the Austin office for these birds. They will be sold to landowners at 50 cents each, which is about half the production cost.

Before a landowner gets the birds (however, a warden must first inspect his place to see if he has sufficient cover and a good probability of feed.

"If we get a favorable weather season this year, we'll have another bountiful crop," he said.

Visiting in the F. T. Bartlett home over the week-end were Mr. and Mrs. Jay umphy and son, Jim, of Lubbock; Mrs. W. M. Dunagin, Dave and Tom, of Jacksboro; Mr. and Mrs. Lefty Court-nese of Odessa; Mrs. L. F. Young of Hamlin; and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Whisenant, Jeff, Cindy and Bart.

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## Little League Try-Outs Begin At Tye April 25

Little League try-outs for boys in the Butterfield, Caps, and Tye areas will begin in Tye on April 25.

Boys interested should contact Travis Smith at Tye School or Walter Webb, player agent.

The four Tye Little League teams will be sponsored by Taylor Electric Cooperative, Inc., Merkel, the Bank of Commerce, Abilene, Rister's Grocery, Tye, and El Tye-O Trailer Court.

Team managers are Elvin Tomlinson, John Yancy, Walter Webb, Travis Smith, Elmer Davis and L. W. Bird.

Officers of the Tye Little League, which is sponsored by Tye Lions Club, are Johnny Yancy, Lions Club, are Johnny Yancy, president; Lucian Gibbren, secretary; Mrs. John Yancy, treasurer; Glen Basinger, treasurer; and Mrs. Elvin Tomlinson, reporter and historian.

## Flower Show Slated in Anson

The Anson Garden Club will hold its annual flower show in the West Texas Utilities Co. building Saturday, April 23.

Theme of the show will be "Spring Roundup." It will be open to the public from 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

J. E. Touchstone is chairman of the event.

## Scout Cook-Out Thursday

All Brownie and Girl Scout Troops, and their leaders, will meet at the Scout Hut as soon as school is dismissed Thursday. From there they will go to Camp Boothe Oaks at Sweetwater for their annual cook-out.

## C-C Membership Meeting Slated

A general membership meeting of the Merkel Chamber of Commerce will be held in the Community Center at 7:30 p.m., April 28.

Members who have suggestions for the year's project are asked to present them at the meeting. Earle Watts, president, said.

All members and prospective members are urged to attend. Door prizes will be awarded.

## Mrs. Shouse's Room Elects New Officers

Larry Teaff was named president of the seventh grade students in Mrs. Shouse's room at an election on April 12.

Other officers are Diana Lewis, vice president; Dana Barbee, secretary; Ann Lawson, treasurer; and John Keifer, reporter.

At a room mother's meeting held the day before, it was decided that the class would go skating and have a picnic for their end of school party on April 23.

Mrs. K. E. Wilburn and children of Abilene and Richard Copeland of Sweetwater visited Easter Sunday in the home of Mrs. C. B. Wilburn.





**Home Demonstration Notes**

By LORETA ALLEN

Taylor County Home Demonstration Agent

How to step up the vitamin C in family meals is worth the consideration of many homemakers, because this essential vitamin, needed every day, is apt to be short in American diets. One family in every four was not getting enough vitamin C, according to a food consumption survey completed by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Knowing which foods rate high in this vitamin is very important. Most people know that citrus fruits are rich sources. An orange or a half grapefruit a day can supply the full daily quota. Strawberries, also rich in vitamin C, are now coming on the market. Later in the season there will be cantaloupes which rate high in this important vitamin. Many green leafy vegetables contain large amounts of vitamin C, especially the deep green leaves — spinach, kale and collards, if properly cooked. Canned tomatoes and tomato juice are notable inexpensive sources of this vitamin the year around. Potatoes, sweet potatoes and cabbage are good buys for vitamin C much of the year.

Vitamin C is the most fragile of vitamins. Because it can be destroyed by exposure to air and is soluble in water, careful preparation and cooking are neces-

sary to save it. As much as possible use vegetables raw in salads or relishes and serve them while they are fresh and crisp. A different way to prepare spinach is as follows.

**MUSHROOM CREAMED SPINACH**  
3 tablespoons butter or margarine  
4 tablespoons flour  
1 can condensed cream of mushroom soup  
1 (14-oz.) package frozen chopped spinach  
2 tablespoons lemon juice  
1/2 teaspoon grated onion  
Nutmeg or mace  
Salt and pepper  
1/4 teaspoon monosodium glutamate

Melt butter or margarine in top of double boiler over direct heat; blend in flour; add soup and cook slowly stirring constantly, until mixture boils. Place over boiling water. With a sharp knife, cut unthawed block of spinach into 6 to 8 chunks; add to mushroom mixture. Cover and cook over boiling water 25 to 30 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add remaining ingredients; mix well. Serves four.

This recipe is found in the extension bulletin "VEGETABLES B-923. If you would like a copy of this bulletin write for it or

come by my office at 317 Pecan Street, Abilene, Texas.

The style show was well attended last Friday night. Don't believe I've seen a better dressed group of women. They all looked ready for the Easter Parade. The following modeled: Mrs. Henry Ellinger and granddaughter, Connie Boyd, Mrs. Eldon Landers and daughter, Janet, Mrs. L. A. Groene, Mrs. Edgar Kendall, Mrs. Rex Reddell, Mrs. Bill Antilley, Mrs. Clayton Hardwick, Mrs. J. R. Childers, Mrs. E. F. Saling, Mrs. J. C. Pharris, Mrs. Bob Somerall, Mrs. Paige Baize, Mrs. J. H. Smith, Mrs. Riley Miller, Mrs. Rosco Vinson and daughter Sue, Mrs. Clint Stewart, Mrs. John Rice, Mrs. P. C. Hubert, Mrs. Charles Smith and daughter Linda, Mrs. Ira Manly, Mrs. Marcus Foster, Mrs. Harry Franklin, Mrs. W. H. Blackburn Jr., Mrs. Kenneth Drummond and daughter, Joy, Mrs. Robert Stephen and daughter, Jerry and Annita. Where were the rest of you women who attended the workshops?

Mrs. Edgar Holly, Mrs. Herman Hamon and Mrs. Riley Horton were Taylor Co. delegates to the District 7 Texas Home Demonstration Association meeting in Llano this week. Several home demonstration club women, Sybil and I also attended this meeting. Sybil went on to Kerrville for a 2-day landscape workshop. Things are really growing now since we've had some warm days. Several people have been asking about planting Caladium bulbs. A leaflet, L-323, "Caladiums Add Color to Homes & Gardens" tells about the varieties, when and how to plant, insects and storage of tubers. If you would like a copy, come by my office or write me at 317 Pecan Street for one.

**DISHMAN-FORD WEDDING PLANNED**

Mr. and Mrs. Wright Dishman are announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Patricia Kay, to Don Ford, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Ford, also of Merkel.

A May wedding is planned.

Miss Dishman is a senior in Merkel High School. Ford attended Merkel High School, and is now employed by Gulf Oil Products in Merkel.

**PERRY-CLOWDUS ENGAGEMENT TOLD**

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Perry are announcing the engagement of their daughter, Kay Lynn, to Don W. Clowdus, son of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Clowdus, 1233 Elm St., Abilene.

The wedding will be June 4 at 7 p.m. in the First Baptist Church in Merkel.

Miss Perry, a graduate of Merkel High School, is employed by Onyx Refining Co. in Abilene. Her fiancé attended Abilene High School and Hardin-Simmons University. He is employed by DeLuxe Cleaners in Abilene.

**SMITH-SIMPSON WEDDING DATE SET**

Mr. and Mrs. Omar T. Smith of West Frankfort, Ill. are announcing the betrothal of their daughter, Carol Ann, to James Hugh Simpson, son of Mrs. Frank Simpson of Merkel and the late Mr. Frank Simpson.

The wedding will be in West Frankfort on May 7.

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FRIDAY—LOSER — Theresa Lewis	100.00
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**BADGER TALES**

By RUTHA CORDER

Friday, April 8, the track boys ran in the District 10-A Interscholastic League track meet. Five boys placed high enough to go to Regional, which is to be held at Denton this year. They were: James Bible, Mike Farley, Roger Moore, Dewell Burden, and Jeff Smith.

Saturday the literary events took place at Albany, Merkel did comparatively well carrying away two firsts, two seconds, and three thirds. Don Williams and Farris Neill took third place as a spelling team and would probably have done better had there not been so many pretty girls in the room with them; Penny Gardner rated a second in typing with Mike Barby taking third place; Carole Perry took second place in shorthand; Mike Farley a first in extemporaneous speaking; and Ruthie Corder a first in ready writing.

Tuesday the annuals were presented to the student body at a special assembly. They are exceptionally pretty this year. They have an ultra modern design on the cover which is a blue color. After the assembly very few classes were held; almost all of the teachers let the students just sign annuals. To an extent, Tuesday turned out to be a holiday for everyone.

Yesterday was report-card day — that terrible event which rolls around every six weeks. The usual screams of delight were accompanied by familiar moans as some student missed the honor roll by one point. — Or even worse — failed.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Horton and son of Abilene were Sunday visitors in the home of his mother, Mrs. Edna Horton, and grandmother, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Amason.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Toliver and children of Odessa were guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Toliver and Mrs. Edna Horton, and Mrs. Toliver's grandmother, Mrs. Sallie Moore, the past weekend.

Mrs. Bud Lilly and children of Abilene were visitors in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Berry, and helped celebrate her mother's birthday.

**SS Class Meets In McAden Home**

The Martha Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church met in the home of Mrs. L. H. McAden on April 7. Mrs. Louzo Peterson was co-hostess. Opening prayer was by Mrs. E. R. Foster. Mrs. Ernest Teaff gave the devotional on "Going a Little Further With Jesus."

Mr. and Mrs. Gibson led the closing prayer. Strawberry cupcakes topped with whipped cream and coffee were served to missus Ina Hunter, Lake Feniro, Charley Sherrill, Jewel Duragin, A. D. Fulton, Earl Baze, Zela Teague Gibson, Teaff and Foster.

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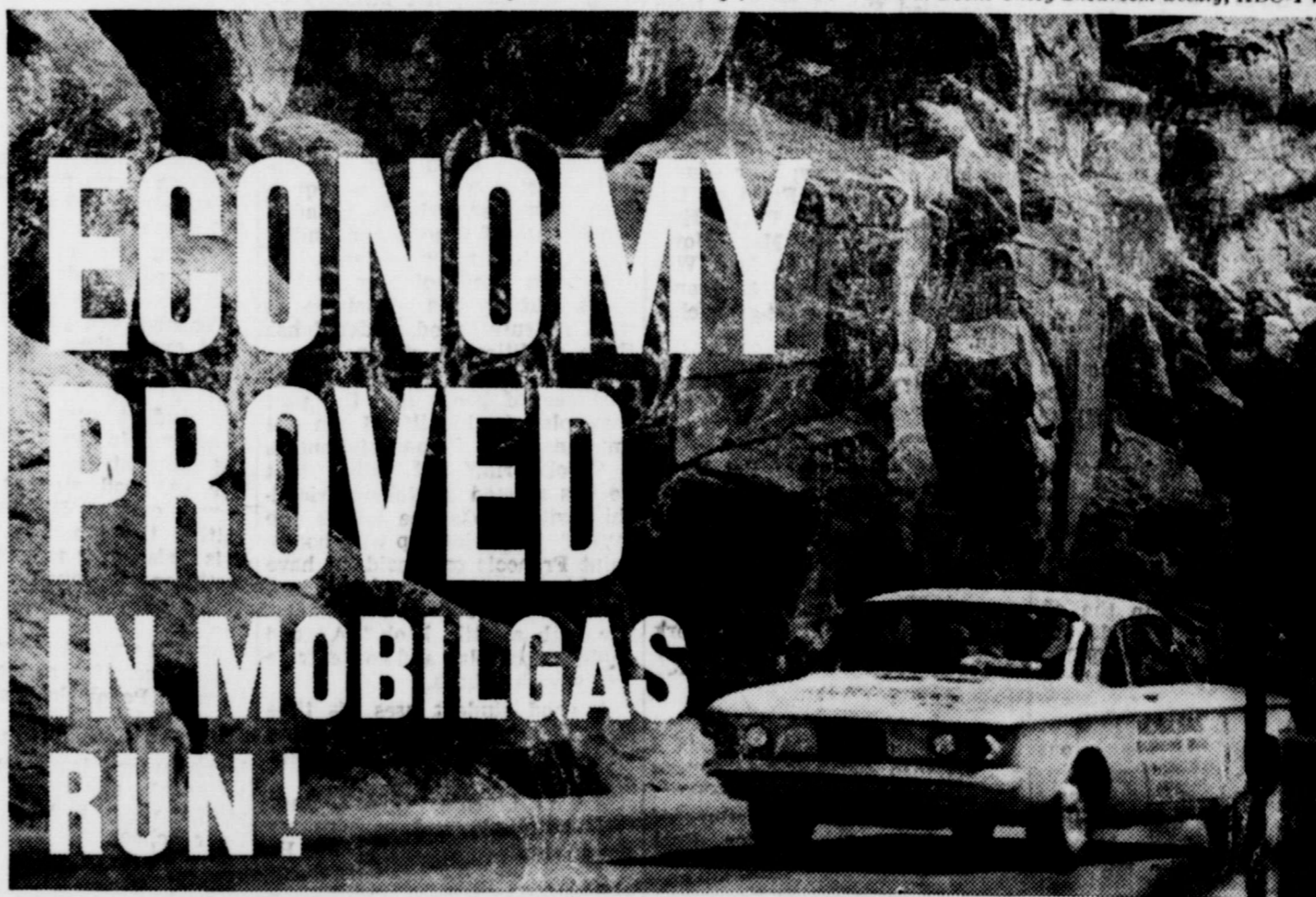
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gas Run are higher than the average driver can expect. But because the cars met every kind of driving condition—rugged mountain grades, long country straightaways, congested city traffic—those mileage figures prove Corvair's inherent ability to save. Operating costs take a nose dive the day you take delivery of a Corvair.



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### 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 each week for four consecutive weeks, the first publication to be at least twenty-eight days before the return day thereof, in a newspaper printed in Taylor County, Texas, the accompanying citation, of which the herein below following is a true copy.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: Michael Glenn Weaver, 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 6th day of June, A.D. 1960 to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court on the 18th day of April A.D. 1960, in this cause, numbered 24,887-A on the docket of said court and styled Shirley Cottrell Weaver, Plaintiff, vs. Michael Glenn Weaver, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows to-wit: plaintiff and defendant were married on or about Sept. 3, 1957 and became permanently separated on March 29, 1959.

Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of harsh and cruel treatment as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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

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

Issued and given under my

hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 18th day of April A.D. 1960.

(SEAL)

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

6-7-8-9

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hunt and sons, Randy and Terry, of Denver City, Mr. and Mrs. Corky Cox and son, Darel, of Abilene, and Mr. and Mrs. O'hell O'Kelly and children, Meinda and Owen, of Trent visited in the home of Mrs. Hattie Burden and son, Dewell, during the weekend.  
Anita Cotten of Denver City was a weekend guest of Sara and Sandra Hunter.

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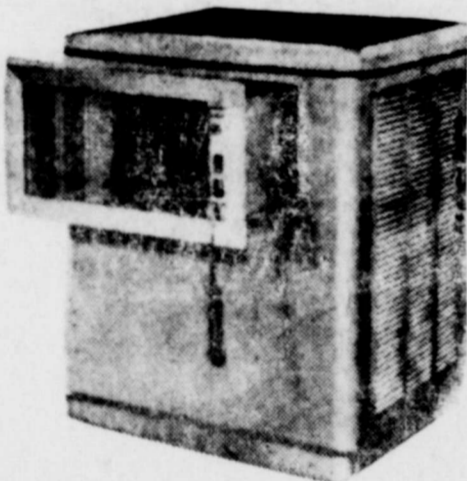
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APRIL 23, 2:30 p. m.

Three directors are to be elected.  
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Dividend checks will be handed out.

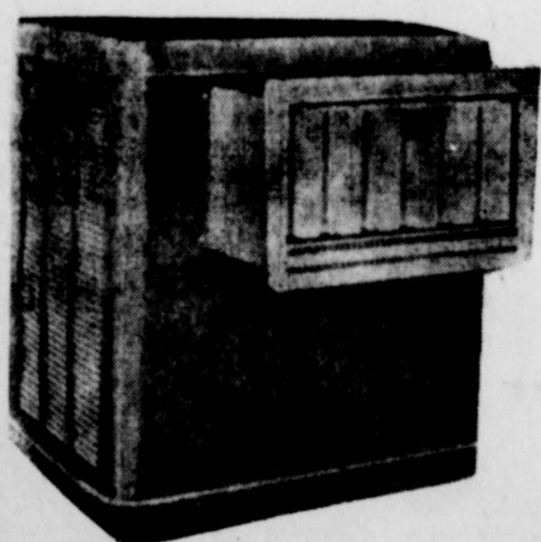
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## BYRD-NEILL ENGAGEMENT TOLD

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin J. Byrd of Tye are announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Joan Maxine to Jimmy Dyke Neill son of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Neill of Merkel Rt. 4.

The wedding will take place in the Tye Baptist Church at 8 p.m., June 18. The Rev. Jake Armstrong will officiate.

The bride-to-be is a senior at Merkel High School. The prospective bridegroom, a graduate of Merkel High School, is a senior at Texas Technological School at Lubbock where he is a member of the Alpha Zeta fraternity.

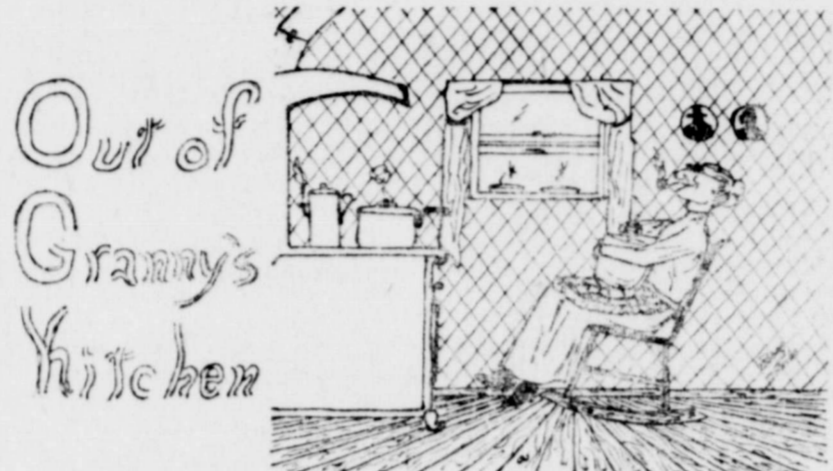
## EDWARDS-DAVIS WEDDING PLANS TOLD

Mr. and Mrs. Carl O. Edwards of Trent are announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Barbara Carlene, to Edgar Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Davis of Gilmer.

The couple will exchange vows in the First Baptist Church of Trent at 7 p.m., June 25.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Trent High School and Baylor University. She teaches school in Denver, Colo.

The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of East Mountain High School and Texas A&M College. He is stationed with the Technical Corps of the Army at Denver.



The recipe for a typically-Texas dish called "Chalupas" was released by the Texas Beef Council several years ago and it has since become a favorite meal for our family.

"Chalupas" is an easy-to-fix casserole combination of ground

beef, and "Mexican food" spices which Texans have adopted for their own. It is well adapted to casual Texas living — Chalupas and a salad make a good informal meal.

### Chalupas

- 1 lb. ground beef
- 2 medium onions, chopped
- 2 tablespoons cooking fat
- 1/2 cup water
- 2 tablespoons flour
- 2 or 3 tablespoons chili powder
- 10 1-2-ounce can tomato soup
- 1 13-ounce can evaporated milk
- 1 1/2 cups grated cheddar cheese
- Salt to taste
- 12 tortillas (canned or the packaged kind)

Saute beef and one chopped onion in cooking oil or fat until brown, sprinkling with flour and chili powder during cooking. Add sufficient water to cover and simmer for 3 minutes. Combine soup, milk, cheese, remaining onion, and tomato with salt. Slice tortillas into 1/2 circles. Cover bottom of greased baking dish with layer of tortillas. Alternate layers of beef and cheese mixture until all ingredients are used, ending with cheese mixture on top. Bake at 325 degrees for 40 minutes. Serves six.

## STITH NEWS

Mrs. A. M. Evans returned home after spending several weeks in the hospital. She is with her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Dedman this week.

Lelia Nicholas, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Nicholas, has had the measles this week.

Lonnie Harris has returned home after spending several weeks in the home of the Rev. and Mrs. Jack Bedford.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Chadwick of Anson visited Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hale Thursday.

The Rev. and Mrs. O. B. Tatum visited in the home of their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. John Browning, Friday.

Bernie Berry is visiting relatives in Clovis, N. M.

Elton Black who is stationed at Austin, is on leave and visiting here with his mother, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Nicholas and children.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley the past week were their daughters, the Rev. and Mrs. Hubert Row and children of Grand Prairie and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Berry and children. The Berrys visited his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Berry, Saturday.

Homer D. Payne of Lubbock spent the Easter holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pick Payne.

The Rev. Guthrie of Hamlin preached at the Stith Baptist church Sunday. He was accompanied by his wife and children and were dinner guests in the M. E. West home.

## TRENT GARDEN CLUB SETS FLOWER SHOW

"The Twenty-Third Psalm" is the theme of the Trent Community Garden Club's first flower show to be held in the school cafeteria Saturday and Sunday, April 23-24.

The show will be open to the public from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, and from 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday.

The Trent Club is trying for the state award. This is the first time a show has entered a religious theme in District 8.

Mrs. Cecil Green, first grade teacher in Trent schools, will have on display a collection of stones as mentioned in the 21st chapter of Revelations.

Entries in the artistic and horticulture division will be accepted between 8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Saturday. Potted plants must be entered by 4 p.m. Friday, April 22.

The show is free and the public is invited, according to Mrs. Odell Freeman, president.

## Mrs. Williams Named New Head Of Merkel WSCS

Mrs. Jarrett Williams was named president of the Women's Society of Christian Service of the First Methodist Church at a meeting Tuesday morning.

Other new officers elected were Mrs. Ray Wilson, vice president; Mrs. Lu Petty, recording secretary; Mrs. John Shannon, treasurer; Mrs. W. S. J. Brown, Christian social relations; Mrs. Tom Largent, literature and publications; Mrs. William R. Cypert, missionary education; Mrs. Bud Haley, promotions and student work; Mrs. J. A. Cooley, spiritual life; and Mrs. John Shannon, supplies.

Mrs. Ray Wilson presented chapters on "The Church's Mission in Town and Country," the current course being studied by the society.

Special mention was made at the business session of the Abilene District meeting to be held at Anson, Thursday, April 23.

The society will meet in the home of Mrs. J. S. Pinckley Tuesday, April 26 when Mrs. Wilson will continue the study.

## Attend Hartley Funeral

Out of town relatives attending the funeral of Mrs. A. J. Hartley were Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Meador, Larry and Vicki and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hartley, Kathy and Dennis all of Plainview, Sfc and Mrs. Billy So Relle, Vickie and Tommy, of Lawton, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. Jack Scribner, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Furr, Mr. and Mrs. Leland Scribner, Mrs. Josie Duke, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mulder and Joe Frank Mulder, all of Dallas; Mrs. Jess Scribner and Mrs. Barney Thompson, of Melissa, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nichols, Alvord, and Mrs. Lawrence Gilmer, Celina; the Rev. and Mrs. Leonard Hartley and Janith, Hamlin, and Boyd and Amos Scribner, McKinney.

Friends from out of town who attended were Mrs. J. W. Welch and Mr. and Mrs. Ross Welch of Sweetwater; Frank Welch, Snyder; Mrs. Alton Boone, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wittman and Mr. and Mrs. E. K. So Relle Jr. all of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Davis Hobdy, Walnut Springs; Mr. and Mrs. Britt Baker, Hamlin; Mr. and Mrs. Walnut Hart and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Martine, all of Plainview; Mr. and Mrs. Alvis Wilkins, Tulia, and Mrs. Wilkins, Amarillo.

## Mrs. Click Feted At Family Dinner On 83rd Birthday

Mrs. E. A. Click Sr. of Merkel was honored on her 83rd birthday Easter Sunday with a surprise dinner in the home of her son, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Click. Her daughters Mrs. Jay Greenfield and Mrs. Price Floyd of Merkel were co-hosts.

A blue, gold and white flower arrangement centered the dinner table, sharing honors with a decorated cake baked by Mrs. Greenfield.

Mrs. Click is a pioneer of the Merkel area, having come here with her parents as a young girl. She was married to E. A. Click Sr. in 1899. Their old home place, where they lived for 40 years, is in the Mt. Pleasant community.

Mrs. Click moved into Merkel about four years ago because of her health. Her husband died in 1947.

She is a lifelong member of the Methodist Church.

Children and grandchildren present to share the occasion with the honoree were Mr. and Mrs. Jay Greenfield, Mr. and Mrs. Price Floyd, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Click, Mrs. Pat Hunter and Mrs. E. A. Click Jr., Sue and E. A. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Click, Vickie, Laurena, and Terry all of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Billy Greenfield, Jr., of Odessa and Billy Greenfield of Big Spring; E. H. Cordill of Merkel, a brother-in-law, was also present.

Mrs. Billy Ray Browning visited Mrs. Billy Ray Browning visited Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Miller and children of Abilene were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Odie Filks Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Leman of Merkel were Sunday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Tyler.

Mrs. R. C. Tyler visited her aunt, Mrs. Mary Ferguson in Hendrick hospital Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Dunagin and children visited in Clyde with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Linecum.

## HD Club Formed In Noodle Area

The 14th home demonstration club in Jones County was organized last week, according to an announcement made by Mary Y. Newberry, county home demonstration agent.

The club, in the Noodle community, is composed of 20 women. Meetings will be held at the Noodle School lunchroom every first and third Tuesday at 2:30 p.m.

Officers elected were Mrs. Carl Best, president; Mrs. Troy Dickerson, vice president; Mrs. A. B. Farham, secretary-treasurer and Mrs. Robert Campbell, council delegate.

Mrs. Cullen Cranfill was appointed food demonstrator and Mrs. D. C. Calloway will serve as homestead improvement demonstrator.

Anyone interested in becoming a member of the new club should contact one of the officers or the home demonstration agent.

## San Angelo Club Sets Flower Show

The San Angelo Council of Garden Clubs, Texas Garden Clubs, Inc. will present its second amateur flower show "Fashions in Flowers," which will be open to the public from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m., April 22, and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., April 23.

The show will be held at the National Guard Armory, 451 Caddo St. and will feature two invitational sections.

A highlight of the two-day event will be a style show at 4:30 p.m. April 22 and at 3:00 p.m., April 23.

## Mrs. Ely Hosts Stith HD Club

The Stith Home Demonstration Club met April 13 at the Community Center with Mrs. R. D. Ely as hostess.

Nine members and the county agent, Mrs. Mary Newberry, were present.

Mrs. Francis Cox, president, gave a report of a two-day recreational school she attended at Graham recently. She also read a letter of recommendation from the Stith Club for Dr. Allen Andrus of Anson to be named "Doctor of the Year."

Mrs. Fletcher Jones gave the council report.

The program of "free foods" was presented by Mrs. Newberry. The next meeting will be April 27 when Mrs. Helen Ely will be hostess. The food testers will have a program of "vegetable for the family."

Barbara Whisenand accompanied Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Rister and Theda Mae of Abilene to Del Rio where they spent weekend guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Zeb Pittman.

Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Ryan and Mrs. Madra Eason and Kenneth of Paducah visited in the home of their daughter and sister, the Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Cooley and daughters, Ruth and Reba, the past weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Henderson of Tahoka spent the past week with her brother, Ed, and Mrs. J. P. Howard.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Amason were Sunday visitors in the home of his sister, Mrs. Mae Douglas, and Mrs. Amason's son, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Horton, all of Abilene.

## LEGAL NOTICE

### NOTICE OF SALE—

### HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF MERKEL, TEXAS

Scaled proposals will be received by the Housing Authority of the City of Merkel, Texas (hereinafter called the "Local Authority") at City Hall in the City of Merkel, Texas, until and publicly opened at eleven o'clock A.M. (C.S.T.) on May 10, 1960 for the purchase of \$250,000.00 Temporary Notes (First Series), being issued to aid in financing its low-rent housing project.

The notes will be dated June 7, 1960, will be payable to bearer on December 9, 1960, and will bear interest at the rate or rates per annum fixed in the proposal or proposals accented for the purchase of such notes.

All proposals for the purchase of said notes shall be submitted in a form approved by the Local Authority. Copies of such form of proposals and information concerning the notes may be obtained from the Local Authority at the address indicated above.

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CARD OF THANKS  
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## POLITICAL Announcements

(The Merkel Mail is authorized to make the following announcements of candidates, subject to the action of the Democratic party primary May 7, 1960.)

- Congress From 17 Cong. District  
Roy Skaggs  
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- Constable Precinct 5  
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Our heartfelt thanks to all who extended comforting sympathy and help in our recent sorrow. For the beautiful service, floral offerings, and other kindnesses, we are deeply grateful.  
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With deepest gratitude we extend this word of thanks for the many kind acts of sympathy expressed by neighbors and friends in our recent bereavement. For the cards, letters, floral offerings and your prayers, we are sincerely grateful. May God bless and remember each of you.  
The J. L. White Family.

## LEGAL NOTICE

**STATE OF TEXAS: COUNTY OF TAYLOR:**

Notice is hereby given that the partnership lately subsisting between C. D. Carter and C. W. Carter, of Taylor County, Texas, under the firm name of North Park Nurseries was dissolved by mutual consent on January 1, 1955. All debts due to the said partnership are to be paid and those due from the same discharged on 2788 Pine Street, in Abilene, Texas, where the business will be continued by C. D. Carter under the firm name of North Park Nurseries.

**WITNESS OUR HANDS** at Abilene, Texas.  
(SIGNED)  
C. D. Carter  
C. W. Carter

## 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 each week for four consecutive weeks, the first publication to be at least twenty-eight days before the return day thereof, in a newspaper printed in Taylor County, Texas, the accompanying citation, of which the herein below following is a true copy.

**CITATION BY PUBLICATION**

**THE STATE OF TEXAS**

**TO: PHILIP JEAN GOSSETT, Defendant;**

**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 12th day of May A.D. 1960, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 21 day of January A.D. 1960, in this cause, numbered 24633-A on the docket of said court and styled Deryl Gossett, Plaintiff, vs. Billie Jean Gossett, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were duly and legally married in Humboldt, Tennessee on March 31, 1953 and lived together as man and wife until Defendant abandoned Plaintiff on or about November 21, 1958, and Defendants whereabouts are unknown. Plaintiff shows there were no children born to said marriage and there is no community property to be adjudicated. Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds that Defendant refused to provide a home for him and was guilty of excesses and mental cruelty so as his health was undermined 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 31 day of March A.D. 1960.  
(SEAL)

Attest: R. H. Ross, Clerk, 42nd District Court Taylor County, Texas By Mamie Betterton, Deputy 4-5-6-7

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**WHAT NO BILLS?** — Picking up the mail are Mr. and Mrs. Othell O'Kelly and children, Melinda, 9, and Owen, 6, who live about three miles northwest of Trent on a farm that lies in portions of Taylor, Jones, Nolan and Fisher counties. They were one of six families nominated for the West Abilene Kiwanis Club's annual award to the most outstanding young farm family of Taylor County. (Reporter-News Photo)

## OTHELL O'KELLY FAMILY PRACTICE 'MODERN' FARMING ON 301 ACRES

(Ed Note — The O'Kelly family was one of six nominees for the West Abilene Kiwanis Club "Outstanding Young Farm Family" award which was won by the J. D. Sanduskys of Merkel.)

Modern farming and home methods have added to profits and convenience for the Othell O'Kelly family, who farm 301 acres three miles northwest of Trent, 160 acres three miles north and 158 acres 10 miles north.

For instance, O'Kelly has not out a cotton sack in the field for three years, but his cotton grade has stood up to that of hand-pulled bales. His method for mechanical harvesting of cotton is to defoliate and gather before frost. Actually, O'Kelly believes he receives a bettor grade on his cotton last year than if he had used the spasmodic method of hand gathering.

He rents his entire acreage, most of which is terraced. He follows contour plowing, rotation, strip planting and chiseling practices where applicable.

His 1959 crops included 110 acres of cotton for 50 bales; 64 acres of wheat for 12 bushels per acre after grazing; 130 acres to three varieties of milo for an average of 1,800 pounds per acre; and the remainder of his crop land was planted to oats and sorghum for hay and pasture.

In the fall of 1958, he purchased 48 stocker steers at 350 pounds. These he fed out to an average of 800 pounds at selling time in February, 1959. He purchased 12 stocker cows last year to keep over as mother cows along with 14 heifers. He lacks three calves having his herd calved out this year. Last fall he bought 32 stocker steers that he presently running on grass.

The headquarters for this combined livestock and crop operation is the larger farm located in four counties. He is the last farmer residing in Taylor County in the northwest corner. Portions of the farm are in Nolan, Fisher, and Jones counties.

The family keeps accurate daily records of all income and expenses.

They are presently building a new home in Trent. Last year home improvements included putting in a deep freeze to store home produced meats and garden produce.

Farm improvements include rebuilding of five miles of fence.

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## Vaughn Family Meet For Reunion

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Vaughn hosted a family reunion in their home Sunday, April 19.

Present were Mrs. Tina Cobb of Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. J. R. Hughes Houston and Mrs. W. L. Forger of Wichita Falls, sisters of Mrs. Vaughn; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Watkins of Brownfield; Mr. and Mrs. Claude Watkins of Gruver; brothers and wives of Mrs. Vaughn, and Mr. and Mrs. Price Mitchell of Abilene, the couple's daughter and husband.

Others present were Edith Mosley, Melrose, N. M.; Wayne Forger of Dallas and Mrs. Henry Bullock of Merkel.

Afternoon callers were Mr. and Mrs. John Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Pee and Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Pee, all of Merkel.

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### Gabby doodle from noodle says:

MR. MISTER EDITOR:  
Spring of the year ain't too off and the sap rises in pollen it's election year. The Democrats and Republicans ising started to warm up prit-good. Both sides is advocating rthing for the pore man at pleale prices while he's here earth and a free tombstone. him when he is departed.

ing a slide in business if the other side wins. It'll never happen. We solved that problem when we come up with the dollar down plan. All a store has got to do these days is put a live elephant in the window and offer him for a dollar down and a dollar a week. He'll sell.

When I was a boy the candies rode around the country enting lies about their opents. Now they just set tight the television station and git detective to dig up the truth 'em.  
Most of the candidates has main planks in their platm. They talk about lower taxin a election year but as soon they git elected they start sing 'em. They handle the taxation like the feller that bob-off his dog's tail a inch at time, figgering it would be fier on the dog. When the elec is over, Mister Editor, you git set for the Congress to off another inch or two, redness of which side wins.

Speaking of Spring, there was one story of real disturbing news in the papers last week. A day a bad case of Spring fever was always cured by a dose of sulphur and molasses and acouple of fishing trips. Now this scientist comes out last week and diagnoses Spring fever as "Ver-ral Hyperpraxia." There ain't much cure, I reckon fer a thing with a name like that. The treatment, I'd guess, will be a few of them expensive "shots" and advice from the doctor to work harder and fergit about fishing. The fate of mankind, Mister Editor, gits worse in direct proportion to the increase in scientists—and political candidates.  
Yours truly,  
Gabby

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## ROGERS-MASON ENGAGEMENT TOLD

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Rogers of San Angelo are announcing the engagement of their daughter, Ginger Wyvon, to J. R. Mason of Denton, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Mason of Merkel.

The couple will wed in August in Park Heights Baptist Church in San Angelo.

Miss Rogers is a sophomore home economics major at San Angelo College, where she is a member of Sigma Alpha Chi sorority. Her fiance is a sophomore education student at North Texas State College. He is a member of Delta Sigma Phi fraternity.

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## I GIVE YOU TEXAS

By BOYCE HOUSE

Fort Worth, when I moved there in 1931, had a population of around 150,000. As a reporter on the Star-Telegram, I was often assigned to the police station and there was a period of a year or so when I attended the luncheon of some service club five noons a week—so that I knew all the detectives, half the patrolmen and nearly all the members of the downtown Lions, Kiwanis and Rotary clubs. Now the city has grown to such an extent that I can walk two blocks and not see a single face I know.

William P. McLean was the State's most renown trial lawyer. The Rev. Frank Norris was one of the best known ministers in the nation.

The city's most spectacular capitalist of that era was busy in various enterprises. Rated many times over a millionaire at that time, he was to die 20 years later as a guest in a hospital to which, in his days of affluence, he had given \$50,000.

W. T. (Tom) Waggoner, last of the old-time West Texas cattle kings, was living in Fort Worth. He was said to be the richest man west of the Mississippi because of the countless cattle and the oil wells on his vast

ranch. At this time, he was building Arlington Downs, which came to represent an investment of \$2,000,000. But, after a short period, the place was to stand deserted except for memories of pounding hoofbeats and cheering through. After years of desolation, the big grandstand recently was torn down so the land can become part of a great industrial development.  
Verily, time has brought changes since 1931.

Mrs. Elvie L. Clemmer and daughter, Myrna, of Imperial, Texas, spent Thursday night here with their mother and grandmother, Mrs. Josie Shanks. Mrs. Shanks accompanied them to Brownwood to attend the Texas Girl's Auxiliary Queen's Court, held at Howard Payne College. Myrna is a member of the G.A.A.

Automobile traffic was not a third of what it is today. There were no parking meters. The traffic signals were connected with bells which rang when the signal changed.

This was during the depression and national prohibition. Millions chuckled at Will Rogers' remarks in the daily paper. There was no air-conditioning; no TV and even radio was not yet so stabilized but one man operated a station without a license until federal officers walked in, in the middle of a program, and jerked the wires loose.

People were talking about a successor to "the great engineer in the White House" and a Texan and two former Texans were coming in for consideration—Speaker of the House John N. Garner of Uvalde, Gov. "Alfalfa Bill" Murray of Oklahoma, who had lived in Parker County, and Melvin Traylor of Chicago, who began his banking career in Malone, in Hill County.

Travelers visiting Fort Worth for the first time inquired the way to the Seibold Cafe, famed for its huge steaks; and gourmets said the specialty at the Virginia Ham Kitchen was better than the ham served in Virginia.

A certain hooded organization had faded, like a spectre, from the scene only a few years before, after having briefly exercised political power in Fort Worth and over the State. There was a rumor it was going to be revived so I was assigned by the city editor to report the meeting. The place of assembly was a hill-top overlooking the Fort Worth-Dallas pike a quarter of a mile east of the car-barns. This hill was said to have been the meeting place during the heyday of the organization. Several hundred men were there, none in robes and masks, and a few speeches were made but the old-time ardor was absent and the ghost returned to its tomb.

One week-end the Missouri-Pacific railroad ran an excursion to an Antonio. I went. The round-trip fare was \$3. (Years ago, the Missouri Pacific gave up passenger service between Fort Worth and San Antonio. Ten thousand was a good crowd for a T.C.U. football game. The Stock Show was held in the North Side Coliseum. Bowen Air Lines advertised that the fastest passenger planes in the world were in operation between Fort Worth and San Antonio.

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### Questions and Answers—

## NEW VA PENSION LAW

(How will it affect me? Many thousands of veterans and their dependents are asking this about the new pension law recently enacted by Congress. The Merkel Mail asked the Veterans Administration for answers to basic questions about this complex legislation. Here are the answers in the last of five installments.)

Q. If a veteran or a widow receiving a pension begins to receive additional income or acquires additional property, must this be reported to the VA?

A. Yes it must be reported to the VA promptly. Any increase in annual income must be reported to the VA under the present law. Under the new law any material increase in the size of the

pensioner's estate must also be reported.

Q. What about a change in the number of dependents?

A. A change in the number of dependents must also be reported promptly to the VA.

Q. Is there anything besides the amount of income, the size of estate, and the number of dependents that will affect the amount of pension paid to a veteran under the new system?

A. Yes. Under the new system the pension of a veteran hospitalized or maintained by the VA will be reduced to \$30 a month after two full calendar months of care. If the veteran has a wife or child, the amount of his pension in excess of \$30 may be paid to his dependents.

Q. Will the veteran who receives an additional \$70 for regular aid and attendance also be reduced to a pension of \$30 a month if he is hospitalized or domiciled by the VA?

A. Yes, unless he is receiving care or treatment for leprosy.

Q. If I am receiving a pension at present but I think it will be to my advantage to transfer to the new system next July 1, what should I do?

A. Nothing right now. After the VA has sent you all the information necessary for you to determine which system will be best for you, the VA will send you a form to fill out indicating your decision to transfer from the old system to the new. You will receive this form about March 1, well in advance of the deadline, next July 1. You may delay exercising your option to change systems, and you may make the change any time in the future. But once you change to the new system, you cannot return to the old system again.

Q. If I am not now on the pension rolls because I am not eligible under the present pension law, but I will become eligible under the new system, what should I do?

A. You may get the necessary assistance and application from any VA office and apply for a pension. A VA contract representative will be glad to help you.

## New Army Plan Permits Enlistee Service Area Choice

The US Army Recruiting Service offers travel to young men enlisting during the month of April, Sgt. Leonard M. Evans, local Army Recruiter announced today.

Your travel is guaranteed under a unique new Army program called "Choose it Yourself," which allows you to choose assignment to either of two major geographical areas covering most of the Free World. Under this program you can choose to serve in the Far East where we have units in Japan, Korea, Guam, and the Philippines; or you can choose Europe where personnel are stationed in Germany, France, and Italy. "No matter which area you choose the Travel experience you'll gain there is bound to be exciting," the Sgt. said.

Also under this program, young men may choose to train in Infantry, Armor, Field Artillery and be assured of schooling or on the job training in any of these three occupational fields will prepare you for a position in the Army's national defense program.

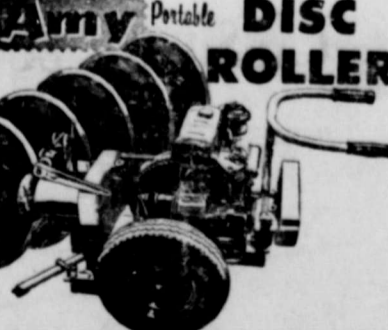
This program is offered in addition to the normal enlistment programs given by the U.S. Army Recruiting Service.

"Young men who enlist during April," the Sgt. said, "will be given eight weeks of basic training, then eight weeks of advance training before traveling to the overseas area of their choice."

Men who are interested in traveling under the Army's Choose it Yourself program may see Sgt. Evans at the Post Office each Friday, or they may call him collect at OR 2-5665, Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Owen of Eunice, N. M. and Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Harris of Plainview were guests Easter Sunday in the home of their mother and brother, Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Harris and Franklin Harris.

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