



**STATE CAPITAL**  
*Highlights*  
**AND Sidelights**  
by Vern Sanford  
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AUSTIN. — Things are rather quiet around the state capitol these days.

For one thing, it's the "off season," the hiatus that regularly occurs between state elections and the convening of a new Legislature.

For another, it's vacation time with a part of almost every agency staff off to forget it all for a time.

But mostly, for this week, the Austin lull stems from most people's suspenseful interest in the activity of Texans in Los Angeles. Gov. Price Daniel, vice chairman of the Texas delegation to the Democratic national convention, and numerous others have been

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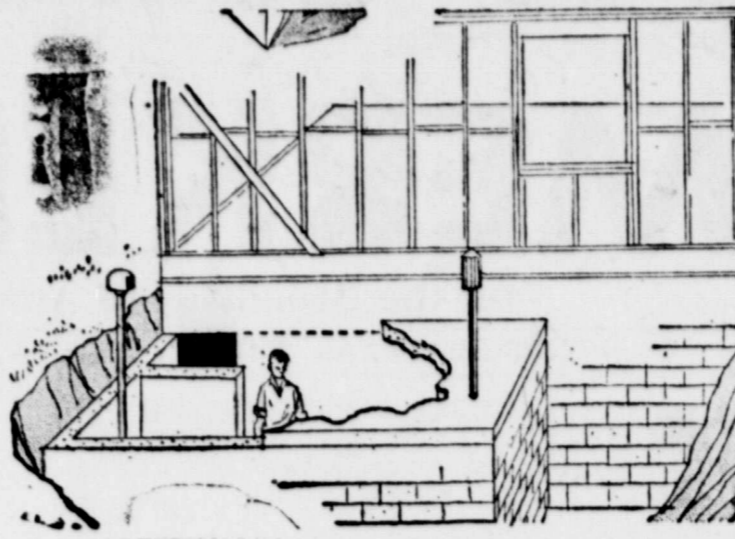
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away for several weeks working in behalf of Sen. Lyndon Johnson's nomination for the presidency.

Despite these distractions, state government goes on. Studies are under way on many subjects, on budgets, tax plans and other future legislation. It's important work, but quiet, during this digging and analyzing stage. It'll break into the news next fall as reports are made and trial balloons are run up on bills to be introduced in January.

Surest indication that state government is still on the job is that even now it's hard to find a parking place near the Capitol or the adjoining state office buildings.

During the summer a dozen or so parking slots by the Capitol's east entrance are set aside for tourists. As a rule, tourists don't keep them filled, and Capitol guards are regularly beset by the persuasiveness of local people who need a place "just for a minute."

NO TURNING BACK — Child adoption procedures, under Texas law, are about as final as a thing can be—more so than marriage or divorce.

Texas Supreme Court underlined this in a recent decision that denied the right to change her mind to a mother who had given written permission for her children to be adopted.

In the case at issue, the mother, a widow, gave written permission for her two children to be adopted. Two months later, having remarried, she sought to regain the children.

Lower courts held in favor of the natural mother, but the Supreme Court ruled that only fraud could be a basis for revoking of adoption consent.

Said the court opinion of the adoption laws: "The Legislature had the safety, education, care and protection of the children uppermost in mind and not primarily the contentment or welfare of either natural or adoptive parents."

NO MISUNDERSTANDING — In another ruling involving adoption, the Supreme Court held that an adopted child could not inherit a trust set up for a direct descendant.

As a result a four-year-old boy lost the chance to claim \$830,000. In the case originating in Dallas, lower courts upheld the child's claim to the money from his late grandfather's estate.

In his will, the grandfather had instructed that the \$830,000 trust be set up if "any child of my son is born after my death." High court ruled that this made it highly unlikely that the maker of the will intended the money to go to a child born to persons other than his son and daughter-in-law.

ROAD CLOSED — If Texas' truck licensing law had a loophole you could drive a truck through, the Supreme Court has, in effect, halted the traffic.

High court ruled that a motor freight line cannot register and pay license fees on its trucks in Texas and use Mississippi licenses on its trailers. Texas' fee for a truck trailer is \$226, compared to \$10 in Mississippi.

High court ruled that if the truck line is resident in Texas, it must pay the Texas fee for the

trailers, even if it pays in Mississippi, too. Result: \$20,000 more taxes owed by the line in license fees to the State Highway Department.

READING, WRITING AND DRIVING — State Board of Education took a jaundiced view of a proposal of state-supported driver education in public schools. Plea for driver education, one of the main planks in Gov. Daniel's program for increased traffic safety, was presented by Brad Smith, director of the governor's Highway Safety Commission.

"Driver education in the schools is the only way to reduce the flow of uneducated drivers into the stream of traffic," Smith declared. A statewide driver training program has been the goal of the huge Texas Federation of Women's Clubs for some years.

Board members said they felt the matter did not properly belong in a school curriculum. They declined to make a recommendation to the Legislature.

**Biologist Tells How to Start Ponds on Farms**

AUSTIN. — Preliminaries for farm pond management are fully discussed in the current issue of Texas Game and Fish magazine, in an article prepared by C. R. Inman, aquatic biologist of the Game and Fish Commission.

"The objectives of any good lake management program are to control the species of fish present and to provide conditions for good fishing," Inman said.

He then lists five requirements. They include the eradication of

of wild or rough fish; construction designed to avoid introduction of unwanted fish; installation of drain pipes; preparation of the lake bottom, and proper stocking.

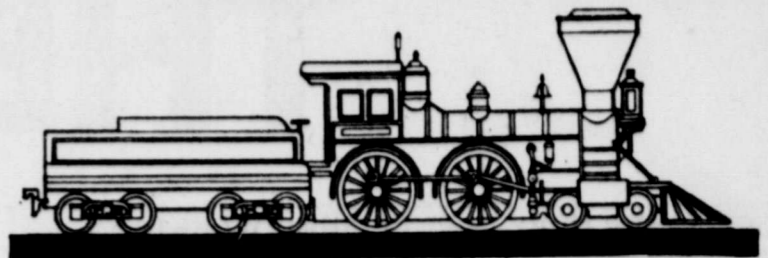
"The most common mistake made by lake owners is overstocking with fish," he cautions. "It is very important that the correct species and ratio of game fish be released in a new lake at the proper time."

"Since large mouth bass and channel catfish are the most popular pond game species, they should be stocked at a ratio of 150 bass to 50 catfish per surface acre of water. If at all possible, bass fry should be released in the spring or early summer to permit fast growth of the fish.

"If sunfish (bream) are to be stocked, not much more than 50 per acre should be stocked. These

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### County HD Agent's Column

By LORETA ALLEN

I know all of you were as proud of the rain as I was. The lawn had decided it needed to be watered and along came this good rain and saved me from that work and expense. The garden looked so much better the next morning. I was over toward Merkel and I noticed how the maize had perked up and looked so pretty and green.

I am so proud of the Merkel 4-H Club sign. Mrs. Ford Smith and the 4-Hers really worked and got a lot of other people to help them with the sign.

The 4-Hers sponsored Coke sales and a talent program to raise money. Mr. Bill Hays let them put the sign on his place. Mr. Ward painted the sign. Mr. H. W. Higgins made the sign and Mr. Smith put it up for them. The 4-H Club furnished the materials. If you have not seen it, look for it on Highway 80 three miles east of Merkel.

#### Home Economics Briefs

Iced milk beverages and sparkling fruit and vegetable juices offer a wonderful variety of thirst-quenching "coolers" for these hot summer days. Acid fruit juices are especially refreshing and cooling, as they contain less heat-producing sugar. Recipes for delicious milk drinks are given in the bulletin, "Good Milk for Good Meals." Get a copy from your county home demonstration agent.

To keep cool during this hot weather, avoid overcrowding your rooms with extra furniture and "knickknacks." Leave space for family living. It makes cleaning easier, too.

In selecting fabrics or garments be sure to check the labels for washability before buying. Extension clothing specialists remind us that much of the success or failure in laundering synthetic fibers lies in following directions given by the manufacturer.

The June market baskets are well filled with products for picnics and barbecues as well as every-day meals. Eggs are available at very low price levels. They are exceptional protein values so use them often for breakfast, lunch, dinner, for picnic fare and in cooking and baking.

In addition to locally grown vegetables which are now increasing in quantity, supplies from other areas coming to our markets make total supplies adequate to meet the demand. Green beans, yellow squash, black-eyed peas, red potatoes, celery, cabbage, carrots and cucumbers are good vegetable choices.

Fruit counters feature fresh pineapple, bananas, lemons and limes. Some fresh apricots, peaches, cherries and plums are available but they are selling at luxury prices in most areas.

Mr. and Mrs. Nath Maxwell visited Mrs. Oran Hodson and Mrs. Stella Manahan of Abilene, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Warren attended funeral service at Snyder Sunday for Mrs. R. E. Bratton, wife of a retired Baptist minister, who was a former pastor of the church attended by the Warrens.

Mr. and Mrs. Forest Harper and children, Katherine, Robert and Nancy, of Odessa were week end guests in the homes of Mrs. Harper's sisters, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Miller and Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Robertson.

### Low-Calorie Iced Tea Punch A Delight to Diet-Minded Guests



There's nothing more discouraging than to spend hours preparing refreshments for company—only to find that practically all of them are on a diet—or counting calories!

One way to beat the problem, and the heat as well, is to serve a low, low-calorie iced tea punch with fresh fruit. Fix a big platter of fresh fruit cut in bite size pieces such as oranges, fresh pineapple, and peaches, plus fresh berries. Those who are not diet-minded will enjoy the chilled fresh fruit, dipped in honey, then shredded coconut.

To make an iced tea fruit punch, to serve 25-30 people, bring 4 cups of cold, fresh water to a full rolling boil. Add 1/2 cup loose tea. Brew, uncovered, five minutes. Stir and strain. Add either liquid or tablet non-caloric sweetener to taste. Pour into a gallon jar. Add 1 cup lemon juice, 2 cups orange juice, 2 quarts ice water, 1 lemon

thinly sliced, 1 orange, thinly sliced, 1 cup sliced strawberries and a few crushed mint leaves. When ready to serve, pour over ice cubes or circles in punch bowl.

It's a good idea to remember that iced tea leads in low-calorie beverages, when you choose a summer beverage for your family. Unsweetened or sweetened with a non-caloric sweetener, iced tea contains only 4 calories per six ounce serving. What's more, iced tea is a real thirst-quencher—doesn't leave you thirsty because it doesn't have a sweet, cloying after-taste. Another good thing to remember about iced tea is that it's just about the most economical beverage you can serve.

Wednesday and Thursday of the past week with their children at Odessa.

### Engagement of Emma La Nora Cargill Announced

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Cargill of Hale Center are announcing the

engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Emma La Nora, to Aven Wayne Hook, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Hook, Naylor Route, Clarendon.

The marriage will take place at 8 p.m., Aug. 17 in the First Methodist Church, Hale Center.

Miss Cargill was graduated from Hale Center High School in 1959. Her fiance finished high school at Lella Lakes in 1958.

The Cargills are former Merkel residents.



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### Noodle HD Club Has Meeting July 5

The Noodle Home Demonstration Club held its regular meeting July 5 in the school cafeteria with President Carol Best presiding.

Mrs. Hubert Sullivan gave the opening prayer and roll call was answered with "Do you tell your

best friend her faults?" Mrs. Vessie Justice gave a demonstration on how to make tailored button holes.

The Lucky Lady was Mrs. Carol Best who received the hostess' gift.

Those attending the meeting were Mrs. Clayton Dillard, a new member, Mrs. Carol Best, Mrs. Justice, Mrs. Sullivan, Mrs. Cox, Mrs. W. Spurgin, Mrs. S. Spurgin, Mrs. Boaz, Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Dickerson, Mrs. Callaway, and Mrs. Maxwell and Patti.

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### STITH NEWS

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Mr. and Mrs. Lee Sims of Wichita Falls, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Berry of Byers and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Berry of Haskell visited in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Berry and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Vantress the past week.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hale and Sandra the past week were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stuard and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Derrell Moore and Mr. and Mrs. Jess Burk, all of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Burk of Tye and Mr. and Mrs. James Hale, Shirley and Mike of Midland.

Nora Kelso returned to her home the past week from the Sunshine Rest Home in Abilene,

where she had spent several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Mundy of Fort Worth visited the past week in the home of Miss Louise, Bob and Hollis Hudson.

Sandra Hale spent the weekend in Abilene with her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Derrell Moore. On Sunday she attended services at the University Baptist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Mashburn visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cannon in Merkel Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stearl and children of Lorraine were Sunday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Evans and Nancy.

Mr. and Mrs. Pick Payne attended funeral services for Nick Ray at the Anson Church of Christ Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Butler and grandson, Bill McDonald, of Anson were Monday visitors in the home of Mrs. Paul Bradley and Mrs. Nora McDonald.

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## Ted C. Connell, Hamlin, Former County Resident, in Line for Top VFW Office

A native of Hamlin and former resident of Taylor County is in line to become the national commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars when the VFW holds its national convention in Detroit Aug. 21-26.

He is Ted C. Connell, now of Killeen.

Connell, 35, has served through all the chairs of post, district, and department of Texas offices and as junior and senior vice commander on the national level. And if the VFW holds to tradition, he will be elevated from national senior vice commander to commander-in-chief at the organization's 1960 convention.

The big Texas delegation to the national meeting is laying plans to back Connell's candidacy with all the fanfare at the Texans' command, according to J. W. (Bill) Cole of Abilene, a former state VFW commander and now serving on the Texas delegation's arrangements committee for the 1960 convention.

If elected Connell will be the first Texan ever to head the big Veterans of Foreign Wars organization. He also will be the youngest commander in VFW history.

Connell has served as chairman of the Texas Veterans Affairs Commission and is active in numerous civic and service organizations in the Killeen area.

He and Edith Duty of Killeen were married in 1946. They have two children, Mark Stanley and Carol.

Serving with Cole on the Texas delegation's arrangements committee are John McKelvey of Electra, T. C. Selman of Freepport, Charles French of Killeen, Joe Vittek of West, and Cleo Clayton Jr. of Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Welch and son Porter, of Snyder visited Sunday in the homes of his sisters, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hartley and Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Tipton.

Guests of Marilyn Maxwell for the past two weeks were her cousins, Mary and Margie Kitchens of Ira. Marilyn returned home with them for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Cargill of Hale Center, who had been to Abilene to take their daughter, Louise, to Abilene Christian College where she is enrolled for the summer session, visited the past week with relatives and friends here.

## DOUBLE RITES AT TRENT

The Rev. Bill Swindler, pastor of the First Baptist Church at Trent, officiated at the double wedding ceremony for Sandra Lou Bishop and Billy John Holt, and Verl Dean Bishop and George Courtney Biggerstaff, which was read at 3:30 p.m. in the sanctuary of the First Baptist Church at Loop, Sunday.

The brides are daughters of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Bishop. Parents of the grooms are Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Holt of Seagraves and Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Biggerstaff of Loop.

Mrs. Holt and Mrs. Biggerstaff are the granddaughters of the late Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Bishop, who were residents of Trent.

Mr. Biggerstaff is a nephew of Rev. Swindler.

After a short wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. Biggerstaff will be at home in Abilene, and Mr. and Mrs. Holt will live at Lubbock.

## 40 YEARS AGO

IN MERKEL

Mrs. G. A. Guthrie and son, Preston, returned Tuesday night from their trip to Fannin County where they visited old friends and relatives.

Miss Dixie Howard, bookkeeper for the Merkel Dry Goods Company, is visiting her sister who lives at Hillsboro, Texas.

W. S. J. Brown and Warren Smith returned Wednesday from a trip by auto to Glen Rose and Fort Worth.

Miss Virginia Swofford has returned to her home at Big Spring

after a visit with relatives and friends here.

R. L. Bland left the first of the week on a business trip to points in Georgia and other Southern States.

George Brown and family, accompanied by Miss Lola Armstrong, left the first of the week for a fishing trip on the Llano.

Miss Mamie Moore left Monday for California where she will make her home.

Percy Jones and family and father-in-law, W. B. Farmer, returned last Friday from a fishing trip and visit down in Stephens County.

Our readers are familiar with the fact that owing to the death last January of Mr. H. C. Williams, our postmaster, there was held a civil service examination for the purpose of selecting a new postmaster and to Mr. Shirley King fell the appointment, Mr. King has considerable experience and is one of the best young men in all the whole country, is thoroughly capable and will no doubt make a very efficient and accommodating postmaster for Merkel.

Allen D. King, Jr. has returned to North Platte, Nebraska after being home for a two week vacation with his family, Mr. and Mrs. Allen D. King, Sue, and Buddy, Ida May, his other sister, was home for a week end from Texas Tech. Sydna Elms of Lubbock was also a visitor in the King home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Stockbridge visited her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Angie Glenn, of Breckenridge Sunday and were accompanied upon their return by Mrs. Stockbridge's mother, Mrs. Nannie Glenn, who will visit here for an indefinite time.

Mrs. Mary Carey visited with her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Walter, and new son, Bryan Lee, of Abilene, Sunday. This is the first child born to Mr. and Mrs. Walter, the former Alice Carey.

### VALUES

#### MEN'S UNDERWEAR

Your choice of sanforized broadcloth shorts — either "boxer" or "gripper" styles — and knitted cotton briefs. All sizes.

Men's Swiss ribbed cotton vests with Nylon reinforced arms and necks. All sizes. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

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13 3/4-ounce sanforized, tight-fitting blue jeans by "Dickie" for the men folks. All sizes. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

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Final close-out in the heart of the swim season. All to go at 1/2 price. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

WAS	NOW
\$1.25	63c
\$1.98	99c
\$2.98	\$1.49
\$3.50	\$1.75

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Your choice of our entire stock of this Season's sport shirts (short-sleeves) and knitted shirts. Sizes 1 through 18. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

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1/2 Price

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\$1.98	\$1.32
\$2.49	\$1.66
\$2.98	\$1.99
\$3.50	\$2.34
\$3.95	\$2.64

### CLOSE-OUT

One small assortment of "odds and ends" in boys' short-sleeve sport shirts. Broken sizes. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

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### MEN'S SUIT SPECIAL

A limited selection of "odds and ends" in Men's Rayon and Rayon-Blend dress suits. Most suits double-breasted models. Sizes broken. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY—

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Take your pick of our entire stock of Spring yard goods — lots of colors, prints, and contents to choose from. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

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Guaranteed to be FIRST QUALITY, 51-gauge and 15 denier. All summer shades and sizes 8 1/2 to 11. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY—

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Solid color cotton plisse crepe. Cool and easy to launder. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY—

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A big table of Ladies' and Girls' Shorts, Capri Pants, and Pedal Pushers to close out. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

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Yard wide, smooth quality, and good weight. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY—

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Take your choice of our entire stock of towels—hand towels, face towels and bath towels—and wash cloths. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY—

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\$ 7.95	\$ 5.30
\$ 8.95	\$ 5.97
\$10.95	\$ 7.30
\$12.95	\$ 8.64
\$14.95	\$10.00

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GROUP I

Consists of every pair of this Season's Summer styles in flats, casuals, and dress shoes. All drastically reduced 1/2 price. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

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\$2.98	\$1.49
\$3.95	\$1.98
\$4.95	\$2.48
\$6.95	\$3.48
\$8.95	\$4.48

GROUP II

Consists of every pair of Ladies' year-around flats, casuals, and dress shoes in Black or Brown. Arch-type oxfords and all school shoes excluded. A wonderful saving for you at 1-3 OFF. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

WAS	NOW
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### LADIES' DRESSES

Our entire stock of Ladies' Dresses must go. Every dress priced regularly from \$6.95 and up. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

**1-2 Price**

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Your choice of this Season's styles. Practically all sizes. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

**\$2.99 Each**

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#### BED SHEETS

"Garza" quality, double-bed size, and fine thread count. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

**\$3.50 Per Pair**

PILLOW CASES  
To match these sheets ONLY—

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Your choice of the favorite colors in Comal's checked gingham. All are 45 inches wide, sanforized, and mercerized. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

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**1-2 Price**

#### LADIES' BLOUSES

Choose from every Summer Blouse in our stock, including "Ship-n-Shore" and "Mac Shore Classics". All sizes. FOR DOLLAR DAY ONLY

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MRS. RICHARD DALE COPELAND  
... the former Sandra Sue Bond

## SANDRA BOND WEDS RICHARD COPELAND FRIDAY EVENING, JULY 8

Sandra Sue Bond and Richard Dale Copeland were united in marriage in double ring wedding rites Friday evening in the First Baptist Church of Merkel.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Norma Bond. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Copeland of Sweetwater.

The Rev. Mart Hardin, pastor officiated at the 8 o'clock ceremony. Mrs. Buford Welsh was organist and Homer Payne was soloist.

Given in marriage by her mother, the bride wore a waist length gown of white chantilly lace over satin and tulle. Seed pearls accented the sweetheart neckline of the basque bodice. The bouffant lace skirt was cut away at the front to reveal a satin and lace underskirt embroidered with lace medallions.

The bride's fingertip veil of illusion fell from a pearl-trimmed lace headress. She carried a white orchid on a pearl-covered Bible.

Carolyn Bond was maid of honor for her sister. Bridesmaids were Annette Bonev, Donna Scott and Virginia Criswell. Janice Copeland of Sweetwater, sister of the bridegroom, was the junior bridesmaid.

Bridal attendants wore pink cotton satin dresses designed with pink organdy underskirts. Their bouquets were of miniature pink carnations.

Ronnie Casbeer of Sweetwater was best man. Ushers and groomsmen were Leigh Brooks, Stephen Turpin and Roy Behnhauer, all of Sweetwater, and Delbert Copeland of Abilene.

Mary Jo English and Patsy English, both of Big Spring, were flower girls.

At the reception in the church parlor, members of the house party were Mrs. Norman English and Mrs. Jerry Gibson.

For a wedding trip to New Mexico the bride wore a coffee-brown cyelet sheath dress with matching jacket and bone-color accessories.

The bride attended Hardin-Simmons University. Her husband is employed at Stracener's Home and Auto Supply in Sweetwater.

The couple will reside at 503 E. New Mexico in Sweetwater.

Mrs. Inez Warren of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Warren and children of Dallas, and Mrs. Bill Maxwell and girls visited Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Kitchen and family on Ira Texas over the week end. Mrs. Kitchen is the daughter of Mrs. Inez Warren and the sister of Max.

## gabby doodle from noodle says:

Dear Mister Editor:

Well, it looks like them Democrats is having theirself a ball at Los Angeles. Television has got my old lady all confused about how the country is run. She wants to know if somebody ain't satisfied with the count in November, can a feller demand that the vote be polled. I ain't got time right now to educate her in these matters, so I just got rid of her by saying yes.

With the Democrats now in session and the Republicans getting ready, the high brass of both parties is whooping it up about "deserving Democrats" and "deserving Republicans." This is bad stuff right at this stage of the campaign on account of so many people thinking that a heap of them deserve to be shot.

I don't think, Mr. Editor, we'll ever have a third party in this country. Two national political conventions ever four years is about all the American people can stand. Not to mention them that loses their health setting up all right watching the performance on television.

Incidental, if the income tax agent asks you how, based on my tax report, I ever managed to get a television set tell him I borrowed it for this special occasion from Clem Webster. If he wants to know how Clem got it, tell him his old lady won it at a church raffle.

Getting to more important things I see where they caught a policeman in Brooklyn making a speech in an empty church at 4 o'clock in the morning. I hope they raise his pay instead of firing him.

He said he climbed in the window looking for prowlers and did not find anybody, got carried away with the sight of the pulpit and all them rows of empty seats and just decided to try making a speech. He didn't know the pulpit was wired for loudspeakers outside and that he woke up the whole neighborhood.


I believe this pore feller was telling the truth. I'll bet half the people in this world wonders if they could make a speech, and this policeman just decided to try it. This thing could happen to anybody, and if I was in an empty church at 4 o'clock in the morning I think I'd try it. And the folks that was listening said he was making a pritty goo dspeech too. The only trouble was he was in a strong Republican ward and he announced the subject of his speech would be, "Down with Nixon." He just picked the wrong candidate fer that particular ward and fer that hour of the day. I reckon it'll git him fired, but I got a lot of sympathy fer him.

Anyhow, Mister Editor, fer them that likes a crazy world, this is the life.

Yours truly,  
GABBY

Mrs. E. C. Ray returned last week from a trip to Houston where she visited her daughter, Mrs. Horace Steele and family. Mrs. Ray reports a rainfall of 14 inches in the area she visited.

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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  
TO: Gary Dean Fittro, 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 24th day of August, A.D. 1960, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court on the 28th day of April, A.D. 1960, in this cause, numbered 24,881-A on the docket of said court and styled Billie Dorcille Fittro, Plaintiff, vs. Gary Dean Fittro, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married June 20, 1959, and became permanently separated February 1, 1960. Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of harsh and cruel treatment and alleges that no children were born as issue of this marriage and no community property accumulated to be adjudicated, 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 7th day of July, A.D. 1960.

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Attest: R. H. Ross, Clerk,  
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## Starr Rest Home

By Mary Outlaw

went walking with Uncle Jim Smith.

We want to thank Mrs. John Hughes for the nice wheel chair she gave the home. I am sure the patients will enjoy it very much.

We are sorry Isom Burk's mother, Mrs. Ed Burks of Trent, is in the hospital. We hope she will soon be well.

We were sorry to lose Pearl Massey, our evening nurse, but they had to go back to California so he could draw his check. All the patients really loved her for she had everyone of them spoiled.

Type Perkins of Abilene visited his mother, May Perkins, last week end.

Grandpa Smith visited Jim and family one Sunday and the past Sunday he visited his daughter.

Everyone is fair at this writing, only Mr. Ford, who is in the hospital suffering from a stroke. We hope he will soon be able to be back for we miss him very much.

Some of you may remember Mrs. Allie Milligan from Odessa, who was planning on coming back to the rest home and we got word that she had passed away with a heart attack. Her daughter had already reserved a room. We were very sorry to hear of her death, for there was never a dull moment when she was here. She was the little lady who always



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Mayde Hendrick. We were happy he could go.

Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Cross of Noodle visited her mother, Mrs. Kirby, last week.

We want to thank the ones who came to visit Wiley and me while we were in the hospital. Thank the church who sent flowers, also the staff, who sent flowers. We did appreciate their kindness. Thank Joyce, our daughter, for supervising the rest home. She did a good job of it.

We want to thank Mrs. Jim Smith for the nice bacon drippings she gave the home.

We would like to buy some corn to can. Anyone who has corn to sell please call the rest home.

We have a private room since Mrs. Moreno died. If anyone needs a room please contact the rest home.

We were sorry to lose Mrs. Moreno. She was a nice patient and her people were so nice to care for her in her last hours. We did appreciate that. We extend to her loved ones our sympathy.

We want to thank the members of the Calvary Baptist Church, who have been so faithful to come each Sunday and play and sing in the absence of Frank and Ethel Carr, who have been away. Thank you, Lawrence Hewitt, for leading the singing.

Rev. A. D. Smith of Sweetwater filled his appointment here on Sunday, July 3. Everyone enjoyed the good sermon and thank you, Miss Henniger, for playing the piano and the ones who came and sang.

Rev. Cecil Wagner, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church, filled his appointment at the rest home July 10. He brought a good message and there was good singing. Several old timers shouted. We appreciated the ones who al-

so came to help sing.

We have a new night nurse, Mrs. Ruby Sornson of Trent. We hope she will like her new job.

Thank you for the lovely flowers that came from Sherry Hobbs' wedding. Congratulations to the newly married couple. May their lives be one of much happiness.

Mr. Elbert West of Stith and Mrs. Jessie Dillian of Abilene visited their sister, Hettie West, last week.

Thank you, Jeffery and Jennifer Smith, for the cucumbers you brought the home.

Mrs. Birdie Pippin has just returned from her vacation, and Mrs. Emmie Herron is on hers now.

Mrs. Kelso and Mrs. Gertie Jones of Stith visited Hettie West last week.

Rev. C. C. Dorn, minister of Trent Methodist Church, visited the patients in the home last week. Everyone always looks forward to his visits.

We visited the Hugh Wimberlys in Abilene last week where we had a fish fry. Mrs. Deadmon (Mama Deadmon, as everyone calls her), said she always looks for

the rest home news when she gets the Merkel Mail. We do wish we were able to get the news in each week but sometimes we are unable to do so. The Wimberlys and Mrs. Deadmon used to live here until they sold their home and moved to Abilene.

Mrs. Van attended church Sunday. We were glad she was able to go.

Joe Bryant of Abilene visited his father, Mr. Bryant, last week.

Mrs. Anna Vanlandingham of Perry and Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Vanlandingham and children of Weatherford visited Mrs. Van on Sunday.

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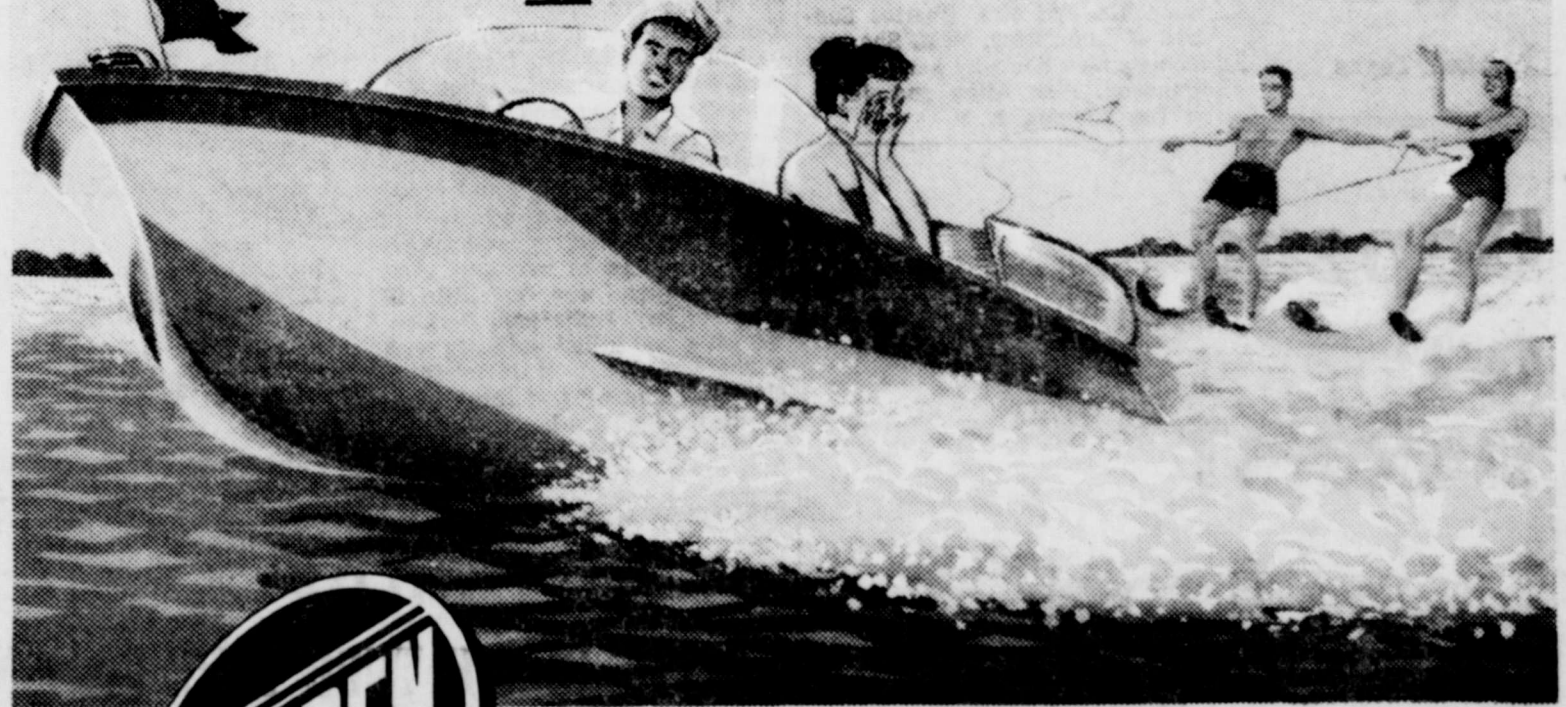


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A Merkel golfer, Clesby Patterson, was winner of the fourth flight in the Abilene tournament, defeating Ellis Grisham in the finals. Connor Robinson went to the semifinals in the consolation of the third flight.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Odell returned Thursday of last week from a month's automobile tour, during which they visited their son, Frank

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## UP THE CANYON

By TOM RUSSOM

You have heard that having a face-lifting helps the looks of anything. Well, the good rains lifted the face of the drought and things are really changed.

Some of the crops will be laid by after they are plowed out, while others are late, and still some to be planted. Any way we are in good shape.

Mrs. Will Butman's sister, the former Jackie Jones of California is visiting relatives here. She, Mrs. Butman and another sister, Mrs. Clovis Harrison, went to Oklahoma to visit another sister, the past weekend.

Mrs. Kathy Brown and son of Abilene were visitors at Pioneer Memorial church Sunday and were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Swinney.

Uncle Allen Cook, pioneer rancher just on top of the divide, was able to go to Merkel one day the past week. He broke his hip the past year and was in the hospital for several months.

Donnie Russom, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Russom, was accidentally shot in the eye Friday when a number of children were playing at the community center.

Some of the boys shot at a wasp nest with a BB gun, the shot bouncing back and striking Donnie in the eye. He was taken to Hendrick Hospital, Abilene, where he has remained. Dr. McGee, eye specialist, reports the shot did not enter his eye and he is able to see well. He will be home the last of the week. Take it from here, this writer don't, and never has, liked any kind of a gun.

We recall that several years ago right here in our own community, one of our fine little 12 year old boy, Billie Sam Perkins, was shot and killed instantly with a shotgun. When it happens so close to home we just think more about it, don't we?

Mrs. J. T. Blackburn of Sweetwater is the mother of Billie Sam.

She is a former resident of the Canyon and a subscriber to the Merkel Mail.

Joe Seymore is working for an oil drilling company. Work has been steady for some time and he says several wells have been brought in.

A drilling rig is being moved in on the John Jones place near Castle Peak. Several wells have been drilled in the area, so they are looking for more oil.

Joe and Tommie Swinney, who have returned from the West Coast where they were in training with the Marine Corps, said it was the best trip yet. This is their second trip there in two years.

Attendance was good at the pie and cake sale sponsored by the Bluebonnet Home Demonstration Club at the community center Saturday night. A good program was rendered.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Riney and Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Riney and sons attended the Riney reunion

at the State Park, Abilene Sunday.

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## Blue Bonnet Club Holds Election

The Blue Bonnet Club held a "Queen of the Years" election for ex-club members Saturday, July 9. Winner of the title was Mrs. F. E. Healer, and runners-up were Mrs. Beryl Brown, Mrs. Dewell McClain, and Mrs. D. I. Davis.

Other ex-members were Mes. Will Butman, Herman Jeffrey, Allie Toombs, and Houston Martin. Mr. Joe Seymore played the part of Jack Bailey in the program.

The 4-H girls modeled the skirts, blouses, and dresses which they made in sewing schools. They were Merty Davis, Aletta Scott, Mary Johnson, Katy Neil, Ann Riggan, Connie McCarthy, Jane Riggan and Sue King.

A pie and cake sale was also held which was auctioneered by Mr. W. T. Perry.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Foster and daughter, Mrs. Paul Orsborn, of Merkel, and son, Clyde Foster of



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Abilene, attended funeral service for Mrs. Foster's sister, Mrs. Minnie Meridith, at Alvarado Thursday. Mrs. Meridith had visited her sister here on several occasions, and was known by a number of Merkel people.

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