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CHAMPION FIDDLER — J. H. Deatherage celebrated the eve of his 81st birthday Friday by winning the Old-Time Fiddler contest for fiddlers over 50 from "anywhere" during the Taylor County old settlers reunion at Buffalo Gap. Deatherage lives at 2732 Victoria, Abilene. Listening in is J. M. Ballard, 82, of 749 Elm, Abilene.

THOUSANDS ATTEND OLD SETTLERS REUNION

BUFFALO GAP — Early morning cooling showers helped increase attendance at the Taylor County Old Settlers' Reunion Friday. President Rex Reddell estimated it at between 2,500 and 3,000 through the day.

All old officers were unanimously reelected.

Bryan Bradbury, Abilene attorney who was principal speaker, urged that sons and daughters of the pioneers who made possible this land of plenty, follow in their footsteps with faith in themselves, in their fellowman and in God.

"In this age of many problems and of many questions, it is well that we should be willing to go back and rely upon the basic principles given to us by our forefathers in an effort to find the solutions, he said.

"These can be summed up in two words: Faith and Adventure. Our pioneer forefathers were not afraid of the unknown. They were not afraid of the future. With the Bible in one hand, and a rifle in the other, they pushed on, ready and willing to meet whatever tomorrow might bring. They believed in the spirit of adventure. They were unafraid because they had faith. Faith not only in themselves, but faith in their fellowman and above all, faith in God. It is in this same spirit that we must face the world, its problems and the future."

Mrs. Rex Reddell, reunion secretary, reported approximately 500 old timers registered, though many did not.

A solemn memorial service honoring the memories of 123 old settlers who had died since the last reunion was conducted by the Rev. H. B. Terry, Tuscola Baptist pastor. The open-air crowds sang lustily "Amazing Grace" and "Blessed Assurance," led by Mrs. Herman Harper of Abilene. Ken Mayhall played the organ, furnished by D&W Music Co.

Memorial prayer was said by the Rev. Howard H. Ramsey, Mineral Wells Baptist minister. Mrs. Harper sang "Sunrise." In his memorial message Rev. Terry reviewed the evils of the day and urged people to live closer lives with God. Taps was sounded by Chris Atkins, Tuscola. Of the 123 whose names were brought to memory, 13 were 90 and over in age.

The nominating committee for reunion officers, consisting of chairman Bryan Bradbury and Jim Mayfield, both of Abilene, and Hawks Roberts, of Dudley, recommended reelection of all old officers. They were unanimously reelected.

They are Reddell, president; Floyd Tate, Buffalo Gap, and W. H. Free, Abilene, vice presidents; Mrs. Reddell, secretary; Elmo Jones, Tuscola, Treasurer; John Atkins, Tuscola, marshal.

Prizes were awarded. Oldest woman was Mrs. Della Reynolds, Abilene, 88; the oldest man, W. H. Scott, 1601 Walnut, Abilene, 91. The person longest married was J. H. Deatherage, Abilene, 61 years. The largest families present were those of Mrs. Elbert Young, Tuscola, and Mrs. Ara Simpson, Abilene. Those in these categories who had in previous years won prizes were ineligible in this contest.

Frank Latta came the longest distance. He is a former Tuscolan, who now teaches school in Sitka, Alaska.

In the Taylor County Old Fiddlers' Contest Ford Smith of Merkel won first award; B. F. Johnson, Tuscola, second; and Bob Hale, Abilene, was winner in the contest for old fiddlers living outside the county. In the contest for Champion Old Time Fiddler over 50 from anywhere J. H. Deatherage, 81, Abilene, was first; Johnson, Tuscola, second; and Luce, Big Spring, third.

Luther Marr was contest director. Judges, who were governed by audience applause, were E. H. Brown and Jess Anderson, both of Merkel.

Dan O'Connell, 87½, Abilene, and Tol Burford, 83, Ovalo, both of whom are the county's earliest settlers — in the 1870's — were present. O'Connell, in a wheel chair, was brought to the platform and addressed the large crowd.

Seated in the Boles Fry tent near the speaker's platform were Mrs. H. A. Newby, Abilene, who is 97 and who came to Taylor County in 1897. It was her first visit to the reunion in three years. Another was L. B. Ivey, 98, Tuscola who came to the county in 1885.

The reunion got under way after a shower had fallen. Invocation was by Ham Wright. Reddell presided. Ernest Wilson, who established the Wilson Museum of the Old West in Buffalo Gap, invited all visitors to see the historical collection in the old Taylor County jail here.

First to register was J. M. Ballard, 749 Elm, Abilene. He came to the county in 1907. Among other old timers who had handshakes were James D. Wright, Austin; John Astin, Spur; L. B. Sandell, Tuscola; Humphrey Bowen, Wilmeth; Bud Saylor, Abilene; W. J. Harrington, Tuscola; Tom Dorris, Sandia; Joe Higgins, W. R. Cox and F. B. Garner, all of Merkel; L. I. Burford, Ballinger; Knox Reddell, Tullia; Joe Albro, Tuscola.

LUBBOCK MAYOR AIDS THE CEMETERY FUND

The following letter was received recently by Mr. Booth Warren from the Hon. David C. Casey, mayor of the city of Lubbock.

July 8, 1960
Mr. Booth Warren
Farmers & Merchants Nat'l Bank
Merkel, Texas

Dear Mr. Warren:
The information I received from the "Open Letter to the Public" was certainly revealing. I appreciate very much your sending me this clipping from the Merkel Mail.

As you know, both my father and my mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Casey, are buried in Merkel. Since their deaths, occurring in 1956 and 1957, I have hired an individual to keep the lots clean. On frequent visits to the cemetery, I have noticed that their lots were clean, but some of those around their plot needed care.

Not until I read this open letter did I realize my obligation to the overall care of the cemetery. It has always been kept so nicely that everyone who has had a part in its appearance is to be congratulated.

Enclosed you will find my

Funeral Held for David Floyd, 69, On Friday, July 15

Funeral for David M. Floyd, 69, who died Wednesday, July 13, at his home here was held Friday at 10 a.m. in Merkel Methodist Church.

Officiating was the Rev. Alvis Cooley, pastor. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery under direction of Starbuck Funeral Home.

A native of Abilene, Mr. Floyd had lived in Merkel since 1908. He was employed as a painter with Lesli White Construction Co. He was a veteran of World War I.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Leon of 401 Larkin St., Abilene, and Jim of 2709 S. 27th St., Abilene; one daughter, Mrs. G. W. Brown of Killeen; five brothers, B. H. L. B., Hollis and P. R., all of Merkel, and Paul of Midland; three sisters, Miss Essie Floyd, Miss Lillian Floyd and Mrs. Dewey Garmany, all of Merkel; and five grandchildren.

TRENT YOUTH WINS SEARS PIG AWARD

Strawnie Seago of Trent, Taylor County 4-H Club member, has been announced as the winner of the Sears heavy litter pig contest of the Abilene stock area.

Young Seago's litter of nine pigs weighed 418 pounds at 56 days of age, said Norman Drake, assistant county agricultural agent.

Second went to a nine pig litter weighing 405 pounds produced by Eddie Joe McAnally of the Callahan County 4-H Club.

Linda McMeans of Haskell entered a nine pig litter weighing 360 pounds. Another Haskell 4-H member, Roger Moeller, placed fourth with a 10 pig litter weighing 358.

James Ford, 93, Dies; Funeral Rites Held Wednesday

Funeral for James Isaac Ford, 93, longtime Jones County resident who died at 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 12, in Sadler Clinic here, was held at 4 p.m. Wednesday in the First Baptist Church of Merkel.

Dr. Lindel Harris officiated, assisted by C. G. Sewell. Burial was in the Stith Cemetery, directed by Starbuck Funeral Home of Merkel.

Grandsons were pallbearers, and included W. B. Ford, L. E. Ford, Jerry Ford, T. J. Bird Jr., Alvin Wozencraft and Don Knight.

Mr. Ford was born in 1867 in Tennessee and moved to Texas in 1890, settling at Dallas. In 1907 he moved to West Texas and farmed in the Stith Community, eight miles northeast of Merkel.

He served two terms as county commissioner of Jones County before moving here. He first married Mattie Travis, who died in 1896. He later married Mattie S. Cline, who died in 1929. A son Walter, died in 1934.

Mr. Ford had been a deacon at the First Baptist Church here for more than 50 years.

Surviving are two sons, L. E. and Hoyt of Abilene; two daughters, Effie (Mrs. T. J. Bird) and Eunice (Mrs. Ray J. Massey), both of Merkel; a step-daughter, Annie (Mrs. E. F. Vantrees) of Abilene; and a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Lucy Ford of Merkel; 12 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

Little Leaguers To Play Hamlin

The Merkel Little League All-Stars meet the Hamlin All-Stars at Sweetwater Little League Field at 5 p.m. Friday.

To get to the field in Sweetwater Park, turn north at the Matheson Hotel on Elm St. Follow Elm direct to the field.

Jones-Taylor Set Lubbock Reunion Saturday, July 24

The annual Jones-Taylor Counties Reunion will be held Saturday, July 24, at Mackenzie State Park in Lubbock.

Basket lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m. Prizes will be awarded to the oldest person present, the youngest person present and to the person who traveled the greatest distance.

Persons planning to attend are asked to enter the park at the Ave. A gate where signs will direct them to the picnic site.

Further information on the reunion may be had by phoning PO 5-8680, or PO 3-0707, Lubbock. Dallas Whaley is president of the reunion.

J. H. Campbell Rites Wednesday

Funeral for J. H. Campbell, 79, longtime Merkel and Taylor County resident was held at 3 p.m. Wednesday at the First Baptist Church here with burial following in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Mr. Campbell died of a heart attack about 6 p.m. Monday at his home here.

Starbuck Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. Before moving here many years ago, Mr. Campbell lived in the Mount Pleasant Community.

He is survived by his wife; two sons, DeWitt of Merkel and Homer of Wilson, Texas; two daughters, Mrs. H. B. Clecker of Wilson, and Miss Laura Campbell of Merkel; one brother, Lee, of Snyder; four sisters, Mrs. Myrtle Scott of California; Mrs. John Meeks of Merkel; Mrs. Irie Thornton of Seymour; and Mrs. Grace Hodo of Quanah; 11 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

NOTICE

Social and membership drive of the Trent Garden Club will meet Monday, July 25th at 7:30 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Carl Edwards.

Each member is urged to bring guests.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Foster and daughter, Mrs. Paul Orsborn of Merkel and son, Clyde Horton, attended funeral services for Mrs. Foster's brother, John W. Mitchell of Alvarado Monday.

GOOD CONSERVATION PRACTICES BEING USED BY MERKEL WIDOW

'Never Really Moved in My Life, And It is too Late to Begin Now'

A number of women in West Central Texas have through their ability and success in raising registered cattle earned the respect and admiration of men.

There are few, however, who have done it through their ability as farmers. An exception is Mrs. Goldia Malone, a widow living 4.5 miles southwest of here.

As a bride in 1928, she moved with her late husband into an old house on a 505-acre farm. Except for a short period when they moved to a two-room house on the place while the old house was being torn down and replaced with a native rock structure, she has lived in the home her husband provided.

"I have frequently been asked why I do not move to town. I tell them I have never really moved in my life and it is too late to begin now."

Husband Died in 1947

Her husband died in 1947. From then until the fall of 1955 she leased the place out. She decided she could make more money operating it herself. She determines what crops she will plant and where. She supervises the plowing, cultivating and harvesting and most of the time she may be

found "piloting" one of the two four-row tractors she owns.

The Malones had no children. However, they practically reared a half dozen.

G. H. Williams, a Merkel farmer, lived with the Malones from the time he was 11 until he was called into service in World War II. He now has two sons, Robert, 17, a graduate of Trent High, and Loyd, 15, who are staying with Mrs. Malone.

Robert was an outstanding VA student in Trent High. He has a fine record in feeding calves and he also established quite a record as a "farm-shop" welder.

He now has about 10 good calves on feed now. He has a bunch of Jersey nurse cows that share sorghum alnum and blue panic pasture with some of Mrs. Malone's cattle.

The Malones were early cooperators with the "Middle Clear Fork SCD. She has, since her husband's death, seen to it that the conservation plan, as worked out for the place, was carried out. She has now started revising it and adding additional practices.

One of her aims is to establish permanent grasses on more than 100 of the 455 acres in cultivation. She has a good start.

She established 15 acres of sorghum alnum, 10 acres of blue panic which the cattle graze alternately during the growing season.

She has 30 acres of sorghum alnum established on the "northwest" place and "wishes it was in blue panic." She plans to divert much of the northwest quarter section of cultivated land into grass. In the spring, she seeded 18 acres of some of her better cultivated land on the "home place" to a mixture of sideots, grama, weeping love, blue panic and sorghum alnum using the SCD's grass drill.

Unfortunately, she did not get a good stand up.

She also has seeded 1.1 acres of grasses on a waterway that handles the discharge from 4.4 miles of old terraces she had revised in 1959 to meet new requirements.

In 1959 she had 7 of a mile of diversion terrace built to empty into a stock reservoir.

Mrs. Malone initiated a stubble mulching practice in 1955.

It has, she said, increased the productivity of the land, eliminated damage from wind erosion, improved the soil's permeability and improved its till.

Mrs. Malone's farm has a 1900 cotton allotment of 149.8 acres, which is about the same as last year when she produced a half bale of cotton to the acre.

She had 35 acres in wheat, which produced 18 bushels to the acre. "I was real proud of my wheat yield, considering that we let the cattle graze it right up to the time the crop started maturing."

Pattons Attend Family Reunion

Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Patton and children, Kenneth, Beth and Lucky attended a reunion in the home of Mrs. Patton's mother, Mrs. C. R. Peterson of Abilene, Sunday, July 10.

Other children present were Mr. and Mrs. Miller Patton, Linda and Mike of Odessa; Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Peterson, David and Diane of Crane; Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Siwert and Patricia, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Peterson and Dwayne, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Peterson, Vicki and Tommy, Mr. and Mrs. Royce Peterson, Gary and Jerry and Charles Peterson, all of Abilene; and Mr. and Mrs. Jarold Johnson, Becky and Christy of Dyess.

First Methodists Continue Week Of Special Meets

Special services at the First Methodist Church will continue through Sunday.

Dr. J. Edmund Kirby is bringing messages with 6:45 a.m. meetings through Friday morning. The 8 p.m. service will continue through Saturday night.

Vacation church school will continue through Sunday morning, except for no meetings on Saturday. A sharing period will be observed Sunday night.

FARMERS UNION WILL CONVENE JULY 22-23

Farmers Union members from all over Texas will convene Friday and Saturday, July 22 and 23, at Butman Memorial Methodist Camp in Mulberry Canyon southwest of Merkel, according to Alex Dickie Jr., Denton, president of Texas Farmers Union.

It is the annual two-day summer camp, one of the annual highlights of Texas Farmers Union activities, said Dickie, who was here last week making final arrangements for the camp.

"Not only the youthful members but their elders are eagerly anticipating this event," Dickie said. "It gives all of us an opportunity to learn more about our educational program. It affords us an opportunity to relax and enjoy good fellowship in the midst of fine recreational atmosphere."

"Under direction and guidance of qualified instructors, matters of great interest to those attending will be offered both junior and senior members," Dickie said.

Assisting Dickie in carrying out the camp's program and activities will be Richard Alexander, secretary; Charles Deten, Amarillo; Pat and Doris Berg of Panhandle, Texas.



LT. CARROLL E. HAYS ...completes Infantry basic

Lt. Hays Completes Infantry Course

(AHTNC) — Army 2d Lt. Carroll E. Hays, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill E. Hays, 1401 Herring Dr., Merkel, Tex., recently completed the officer basic course at the Infantry School, Fort Benning, Ga. Instituted for officers who have not yet served with troops, the ten-week course is designed to familiarize each new officer with the administration and tactical responsibilities of an infantry unit commander. He is a 1955 graduate of Merkel High School and a 1960 graduate of Hardin-Simmons University.



FIRST PLACE WINNERS — Winners of the Merkel Windmill Little League season which came to a close last Friday night were the WTU Kilowatts. The roster, top row, left to right: Dewey Whisenhunt, manager; D. A. Bishop, Mike Walla, Phillip Beirra, Mike Hester, George English, manager; second row: Ronnie Ferguson, Bob Hammonds; Donnie Ledbetter, Ronnie McKeever, Jimmie Bonniehunt; third row: Almar Barnes, Jackie Whisenhunt, Johnny Thompson, Raymond Mereno and Raul Lerman.

STATE CAPITAL
Highlights
AND
Sidelights
 by Vern Sanford
 TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN. — Although budget balancing is the most discussed of the problems facing the legislature, many lawmakers expect redistricting wrangles may raise more blood pressures. Legislature is required by the Constitution to re-define legislative districts after each federal census. It used to put off this troublesome task, but a 1948 law provides that if it fails to act in the first session after a census, a legislature redistricting board shall take over. This insures, as it did in 1951.

that the Legislature will redistrict—somehow, some way. Battle will be between big city delegations who will demand more representation in line with their swelling populations and rural members who will try to hold on to as much as they can. In their election campaigns, many representatives promised their constituents they'd be in there pitching for the home area. Members from growth areas said they'd go after extra representatives, state senators and congressmen. A rural legislator told his people, "At least 12 rural districts will disappear in the next redistricting. I certainly do not want this district included in that 12." Incumbents cited their experience as an asset. Personal feeling often enters into redistricting, and lawmakers are notably reluctant to "squeeze out" a popular and respected senior colleague by erasing his district.

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HOME INSURANCE CUT — Beginning Aug. 1, premium rates on certain types of homeowner's insurance policies will be cut 10 per cent. State Insurance Board announced the new lower rates would apply to the "homeowner's package" policies which account for about 80 per cent of the home coverage sold in Texas. Reductions were made possible because insurance companies have had a relatively low loss ratio on the package policies, first introduced about three years ago.

CREDIT RATE EYED—Board of Insurance also is considering a further lowering of credit insurance rates. Many loan companies require borrowers to take out insurance payable to the loan company in case something happens to the borrower before he repays. Two years ago the board cut in half the rates that could be charged for credit insurance. It was charged that loan companies were making excessive profits on loans through the insurance. Board says that even now rates seem high, with losses running 27 per cent of premiums paid in. If losses run less than 50 per cent of the premiums, rates are considered too high.

NO ROAD PROBLEM—Stiffened federal road inspections pose no problem to Texas, says State Highway Engineer DeWitt Greer. New federal standards are no tougher than those Texas has insisted on all along. Scandals stemming from misuse of federal road building money in other states has caused the Bureau of Public Roads to tighten its inspection requirements. Greer said the new federal approach will necessitate no change in Texas procedure. Texans who have been motoring cross-country during their summer vacations will not find this hard to believe. So noticeably superior are Texas roads to those of surrounding states that returning Texans usually give a sigh of relief when they cross the state line.

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 3. TRUE BULBS ARE GREATLY ENLARGED BUDS... TRUE OR FALSE?
 4. MULCHES ARE USED ON ROSES IN WINTER TO DISCOURAGE INSECTS... TRUE OR FALSE?
 5. WHEN CUTTING BACK ROSES IN SPRING, CUT THE WEAKER STEMS BACK MORE THAN THE STRONG ONES... TRUE OR FALSE?
 6. CHEMICAL WEEDKILLERS ARE USUALLY SPRAYED OVER ENTIRE AREA... TRUE OR FALSE?



COLLEGE FUNDS SOUGHT—Texas Commission on Higher Education will ask the next Legislature for an appropriation of \$3,082,183 for the 1961-63 biennium. Bulk of the increase asked is for meeting expected enrollment increases in the 18 state-supported colleges and universities. In a discussion with members of the State Finance Advisory Committee, the commission considered recommending an increase in state college tuition charges—now \$100 for a nine-month term. Dr. Ralph Green suggested raising this by \$50. It would bring the state an extra \$5 million a year in new revenue, he said.

PRISON NEEDS CITED—Texas Board of Corrections also wants more money — a \$2,654,846 increase over their present allocation for the next two years. "If the amount is granted, Texas prisoners will cost the state \$1.89 per day per man," said the state prison director, O. B. Ellis. "This is just a little more than half the national average." Ellis and Corrections Board members regard prison needs as critical. Board Chairman H. H. Coffield of Rockdale reported that "the prison population trends indicate it will keep on multiplying."

Gen. Will Wilson has been named by the National Association of Attorneys General as the recipient of that association's award for outstanding service in 1960. He was cited as being the most outstanding attorney general in the nation when he received the Wyman Award at the annual meeting of the association recently in San Francisco. Award is given to the attorney general who "has done the most to advance the objectives of the association to help make the United States a better place in which to live for all." Wilson won the honor on the basis of his contribution in strengthening state anti-trust programs and in the field of interstate compacts, as well as through his service on the habeas corpus committee of the association. He also was chairman of the association's antitrust committee during 1960.

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In addition to the title which appears in art work, there is a gay panel of vegetable drawings along the entire left side. The overall chart is further enhanced by touches of ice green, a color that will add a fresh, cool touch to almost any kitchen color scheme.

Single copies of the chart are available without charge while the supply lasts to anyone who sends a request to: Fleischmann's Margarine, Room 750, 420 Lexington Avenue, New York 17, New York.

From the chart, here is the recipe for the French-style green peas:

GREEN PEAS A LA FRANCAIS

Select tender, young peas. Line bottom of a heavy skillet or sauceron with lettuce leaves that have been washed but not dried. Add 2 cups shelled peas, the white part of 3 scallions, sliced, 1 teaspoon sugar, 1/2 teaspoon salt, a dash of coarse black pepper and 1/4 cup boiling water. Cover with additional moist lettuce leaves. Cook, covered, over low heat 5 to 7 minutes, or until tender. Remove and discard lettuce leaves. Add 2 tablespoons Fleischmann's Corn-Oil Margarine to peas. Cover and shake pan until margarine has melted. Makes 4 servings.

Whether framed or merely pinned to the wall, the chart is not only a handy reference, but a decorative kitchen asset. It measures 9 by 15 inches and is printed in black on off-white parchment paper.

Curbing Farm Accident Problem Is Goal of 'Farm Safety Week' July 24-30

Farm accidents claim about 3,500 lives each year, more than any other industry. Some 11,000 farm residents die each year in all types of accidents and another million suffer accidental injuries.

To direct attention to this appalling problem, President Eisenhower has designated the week of July 24-30 as "National Farm Safety Week." In Texas, Governor Daniel has proclaimed the period "Farm Safety Week in Texas." The Texas Farm and Ranch Safety Council, together with the Texas Safety Association, Texas Agricultural Extension Service and the Texas Farm Bureau, is pushing a farm safety education program during the week.

Theme of the observance is "Enjoy Farm — Practice Safety." Objective of the education effort is to curb the soaring farm accident problem which hits one farm family in four each year.

Texas is among the top ten states in the nation in accident rates associated with drownings, firearms, burns and electricity. The major cause of accidents across the nation is machinery, which accounts for about 35 percent of all accidents, followed by drownings, firearms, falls, blows, animals, burns, electricity and lightning.

In his proclamation designating National Farm Safety Week, the President noted that accidents "substantially reduce the productive capacity of our farming industry." Governor Daniel's proclamation urged farm families to "increase their vigilance against needless accidents." The Governor said the nation's economy is dependent upon the continued well-being and progress of its agricultural population, and accidents from farm work cause needless suffering and distress and loss of life each year among rural families.

The rate of accidental deaths from work and recreational activities on farms is increasing slightly each year. The death rates associated with machinery, drownings, firearms and electrical current are increasing, while those associated with animals, fall, lightning and burns are showing some decrease.

There are more than four times as many accidental deaths in farming than in manufacturing. Today's farms are becoming more like small industrial plants, and they have had some of the same safety needs.

Game and Fish Commission to Set Hunting Rules

AUSTIN — Setting up hunting regulations in counties under regulatory authority will occupy most of the time of the members of the Game and Fish Commission in their mid-summer quarterly meeting here July 15.

Biologists of the Commission will meet in Austin three days in advance, tabulating recommendations following public hearings held in nearly 100 Texas counties during the past two weeks.

Generally hunting and fishing regulations in those counties will be changed very little, according to Howard Dodgen, executive secretary.

"Biologists are recommending the regulations in a number of counties which will make the killing of spike bucks legal," Dodgen said. "Antlerless deer will include the killing of spike bucks as well as doe under the proposal. However, this will be just a recommendation of the field men and the actual administration must be done by the Commission."

Another important question will be liberalizing the dove season because of the increased number of birds apparent this year, he said.

It is possible hunters may get another 10 days of hunting in each zone, or an increase in the daily bag limit.

At a conference in Washington recently it was indicated there is a heavy crop of doves in practically every state. As a result, it was felt the law governing the killing of this migratory bird could be liberalized to permit extension of the season or increase in the daily bag or possession limit.

It also is expected the white-winged dove season will be set for three days in mid-September. Whether the hunt will be held on consecutive days or alternate days is still under discussion. Shooting would be permitted from 2 p.m. until sunset in the valley counties.

For the past three years shooting has been on alternate days, with a bag limit of 10 doves either of mourners or whitewings, or a combination of both.

The Commission also must set next year's annual operating budget. The budget committee has been busy on the details of next year's operation for several weeks and the report will be ready for submission at the next meeting.

Authority probably will be given by the Commission for setting up the waterfowl season within an agreed bracket date. This will be subject to recommendations of the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, on the basis of waterfowl counts now being made.

Chancey-Maddox Engagement Told

Mr. and Mrs. Albert L. Chancey of 408 Cherry St., Merkel, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Margaret Ann, to Mr. Douglas Pat Maddox, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Maddox of Dermott, Texas.

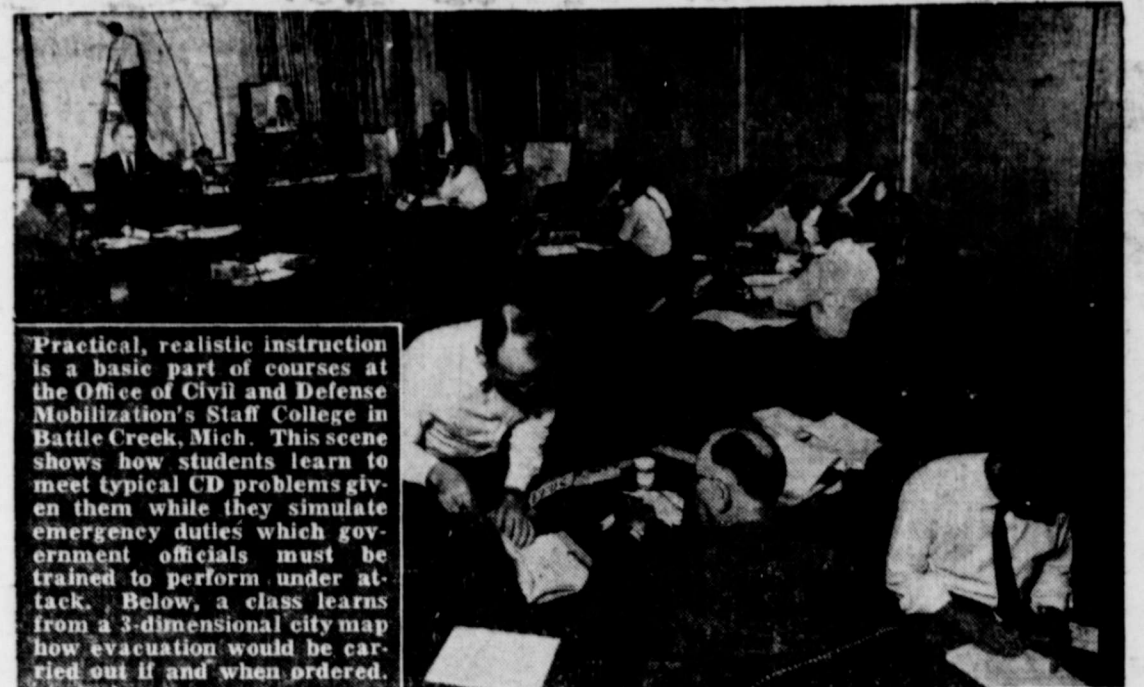
Miss Chancey graduated from Merkel High School and the School for Medical Record Technicians at Hendrick Memorial Hospital. She is presently employed at D. M. Cogdell Memorial Hospital in Snyder.

Mr. Maddox is a graduate of Snyder High School. He is presently a paratrooper in the Seventh SFG, U. S. Army, and stationed at Fort Bragg, N.C.

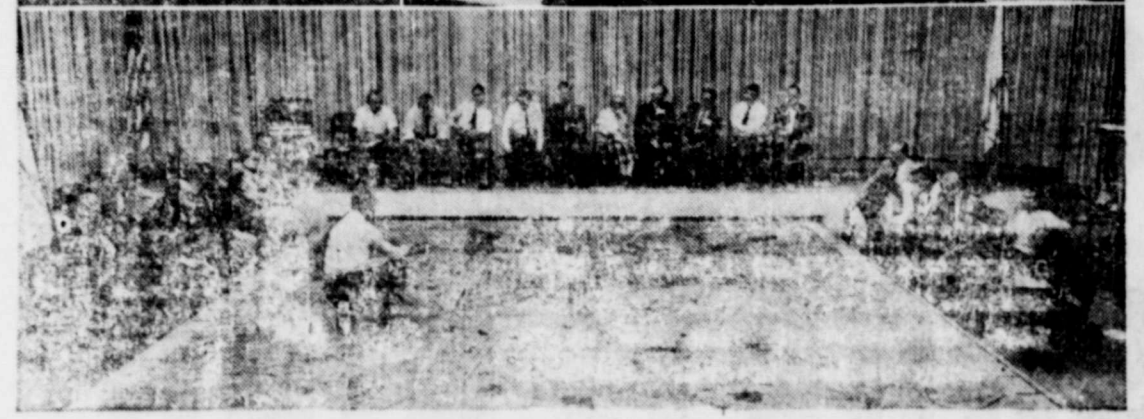
The wedding will take place on Aug. 30 at Fort Bragg.

Mrs. Mart Hardin and sons, Billy Mart and Robert, have returned to their home here after a three-week visit in the home of Mrs. Hardin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hagan of Stuttgart, Ark.

L. L. Murray left the past week for an extended visit with his son and family, Commander and Mrs. James G. Murray and children of Arlington, Va., and a daughter, Mr. and Mrs. James Benshoff and children of Ottawa, Canada.



Practical, realistic instruction is a basic part of courses at the Office of Civil and Defense Mobilization's Staff College in Battle Creek, Mich. This scene shows how students learn to meet typical CD problems given them while they simulate emergency duties which government officials must be trained to perform under attack. Below, a class learns from a 3-dimensional city map how evacuation would be carried out if and when ordered.



15 Safety Pointers Listed for Farmers And Ranchers

You, Mr. Farmer and Rancher, can help reduce accidents on the farm!

Mental alertness, safety consciousness, the ability to recognize hazards and a determination to eliminate them, and efficiency in all farm operations are more essential to safety in agriculture than many rules or regulations, says Sam Whitlow, president of the Texas Farm and Ranch Safety Council.

However, for the sake of brevity, here are 15 good rules, which if followed, will help reduce the terrific toll of farm accidents, Whitlow points out.

- (1) Keep walkways and steps in good repair, unobstructed and well lighted.
- (2) Keep ladders in good repair and easily accessible in case of emergency.
- (3) Always stop a machine before unclogging, oiling or adjusting it. Keep all machine guards and safety devices in place.
- (4) Don't wear loose and floppy clothes around machinery.
- (5) Start tractors smoothly and turn corners slowly — avoid ditch banks and soft ground — always hitch to the draw-bar.
- (6) Speak to animals when approaching them. Keep THEM calm by acting with calm self-assurance

YOURSELF.

- (7) Always keep bulls in safe bull pens. Never handle bulls unless they are properly restrained.
- (8) Know and obey all traffic laws. Stop driving if you get sleepy. Never ride with a driver who has had a "drink."
- (9) Keep your back straight and lift heavy loads with your leg muscles. Don't try to lift anything that is too heavy for you.
- (10) Use the right tools for the job — make sure they are in good condition — keep them in a safe place.
- (11) Give prompt attention to even minor injuries.
- (12) Keep guns unloaded except when actually using them. Treat every gun as though it WERE loaded. And NEVER aim

at anything you don't want to shoot.

- (13) Don't use kerosene to start fires. Pour kerosene or gasoline outdoors to prevent the accumulation of treacherous vapors. Dry clean outdoors.
- (14) Don't smoke around the barn.
- (15) Never swim alone. Never dive into water without first determining the depth. And be careful around boats of any kind — never stand up in small boats.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bartlett Jr. and daughter, Nancy, and son, David, of Grand Prairie were visitors the past week in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bartlett Sr.

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Farm and Ranch Safety Council To Meet in Houston

HOUSTON — (Spl.) — Officers and committee chairmen of the Texas Farm and Ranch Safety Council will meet here July 21 at the Rice Hotel to plan the organization's activities for the remainder of the year, according to Sam Whitlow, president.

The Farm and Ranch Safety

Council is a non-profit, educational organization which was established to promote farm safety in Texas. Its officers and directors are usually professional agricultural workers.

President Whitlow of Dallas is Texas Editor for The Farmer-Stockman Magazine. Calvin Pigg, Fort Worth, WBAP farm director, is vice president for men; and Mrs. George Delany, Hitchcock, chairman of the Texas Home Demonstration Association's health and safety committee, is vice president for women. Sherman W. Clank, Houston, manager of the agriculture department of the Texas Gulf Sulphur Co., is secretary-treasurer.

Committee chairmen include: Awards — L. O. Tiedt, Houston, KTRH farm reporter; Youth — Monk Vance, Fort Worth, farm editor of The Star-Telegram; Home — Mrs. Delany; Work — Carl Hand, Houston, field supervisor, Borden Co.; Education — Dr. V. Walton, College Station, head of A and M. Agriculture Education Dept.; Civil Defense — Paul H. Walser, Temple, Assistant State Conservationist, Soil Conservation Service; and Information — Bill Hoover, Waco, information director, Texas Farm Bureau.

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Home Demonstration Notes

By LORETTA ALLEN

Taylor County Home Demonstration Agent

My, weren't the rains nice? I believe the moisture we received last week put a smile on everyone's face.

Leona and I attended a district meeting in Llano County last week.

The 4-H Dress Revue was held Tuesday night. Sixty-five girls participated. A complete report will be given next week.

4-H camp will be held Thursday and Friday, July 28-29, at Buffalo Gap Presbyterian Encampment. We will look forward to seeing all of you 4-Hers. A group met last week and made plans for the camp. They planned for us all to

have fun.

There's something about a sale that seems to arouse a sense of adventure in women—an expectant sort of feeling that has to do with "getting a real good buy."

Right now many stores are having sales—featuring fabrics, summer dresses and other items. Extension clothing specialists of Texas A&M College point out that as a careful shopper you can make the most of these special prices to fill gaps in wardrobes, or add some needed pieces.

Here are some tips offered by specialists for analyzing the situ-

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- 2 cups (1-pound can) tomatoes*
- 1 1/4 cups water*
- 1 package Minute Spanish Rice Mix
- 2 tablespoons butter

*Or use 1 cup (8-ounce can) tomato sauce and 2 cups water or 2 1/2 cups (18-ounce can) tomato juice and 1/2 cup water.

Bring tomatoes and water to a boil in saucepan. Remove from heat. Stir in packaged Spanish rice mix and butter. Cover and let stand 20 minutes. Fluff with a fork. Makes 3 or 4 entree servings; 4 to 6 servings as a vegetable.

4-Hers Learn Public Speaking

Not all 4-H Club work is centered around raising cows, chickens, corn and pigs as many 4-Hers show by becoming public speakers.

However, their agricultural and home economics projects do provide opportunities to learn the art of oratory. And the 4-H public speaking program spells out just how they can achieve this goal.

During the course of carrying on projects, the 4-Hers make oral reports at club meetings, fit words to actions in giving demonstrations, and get the feel of appearing before an audience in showmanship and exhibit events. Boys and girls most likely to succeed, as speakers are given special coaching by county Extension agents, teachers or qualified local leaders. Some receive tips on radio and TV techniques, and appear on home town programs.

The 4-Hers not only learn to give a talk, but also to write their own speeches. Subjects for the most part are related to 4-H experiences, citizenship and leadership.

An allied activity is community relations. In this 4-H program, club members undertake joint projects to promote 4-H and community improvement. The youth act as news reporters; give leadership to local civic, safety and health campaigns; plan and participate in recreational and social events.

Along with developing into public speakers and community leaders, these talented 4-Hers have a chance to gain materially. The Pure Oil Company provides awards in the public speaking program which include gold-filled medals of honor for the outstanding girl and boy in the county.

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Hardin-Simmons Cowboy Band To Be Official Convention Band of Texas VFW

The Cowboy Band of Hardin-Simmons University will be the official Texas band at the national convention of Veterans of Foreign Wars in Detroit, Mich., Aug. 22-26.

The Texas VFW has picked the famed band to lead its drive for the election of Ted C. Connell of Killeen as national commander-in-chief.

Connell, 35, is almost certain of election, as the VFW is expected to follow its tradition of naming its senior vice commander to the post of commander-in-chief. He has served as senior vice commander for the past year.

About 45 musicians and specialty performers will make up the Cowboy Band for the Detroit appearances, according to Marion B. McClure, director. Featured twirlers will be Griff O'Neil of Alamo and Lynda Lynch of McAllen, both former national baton twirling champions. The University Girls Trio, made up of Marilyn Myatt, Nancy Stevenson and Barbara Lunsford, all of Pampa, will accompany the band. Miss Lunsford also is vocal soloist.

In addition, George French of Angleton, bulwhip expert, and Billy Ray Johnson of Clinton, Ark., rope specialist, will perform with the band.

While in Detroit, the group will march in the big VFW parade, play for the Dixie banquet of 12 Southern states, stage numerous impromptu concerts in hotel lobbies and other public places in support of Connell's candidacy, and will escort the new commander-in-chief to the speaker's platform after his election.

The Cowboy Band has performed

as the official Texas band at several previous VFW conventions and also has played at Lions and Kiwanis International conventions. It has toured Europe and the major islands of the Atlantic on three occasions.

McM Church Music Study Will Begin Monday, July 25

Three Methodist annual conferences and McMurry College are sponsoring a new workshop in the church music field, July 25-29.

Not planned from the technical standpoint, the workshop is open to choir directors, choir singers, organists, ministers and music students.

The workshop is intended to give the members opportunities in the areas of choir development in all age groups, singing techniques, service playing, church music administration, pastor-music staff relations and a worship-centered church music program.

Dr. Richard C. von Ende, head of the McMurry Fine Arts Department, is director of the workshop. Other McMurry faculty members will be on the staff.

Arrangements for the workshop have been made through the executive secretaries of the boards of education of the conferences.

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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.

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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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I GIVE YOU TEXAS

By BOYCE HOUSE

It was a drizzling, gloomy day and a windshield, smudged with mud whenever another car passed, made driving a task. As I pulled into a service station the thought arose: Here is a man who is sheltered from the weather and safe from the hazards of the highway. The proprietor as he filled the gas tank, asked, "Do you drive around over the state a good deal in your work?"

"Yes," I replied.
 He continued, "I just stay here by the road and watch others go by. You have a job that is real living."

People who don't make speeches think that it is a simple matter for an experienced speaker to make one.

How mistaken this idea is! In the space of 11 months, this chronicler has made eight addresses in the Lower Rio Grande Valley. On an average, I use 20 jokes in a speech—that's about one per minute. For fear that someone at one of the meetings will be present at a later one, eight completely different speeches were made.

This required about 160 stories and that is about equal, in words, to one-third of the book, "I Give You Texas."

And it's not as simple even as that. You can't use just any stories; they have to have a purpose, an idea to emphasize and they must be fitted into a pattern; so, with the planning, the selection of material, going through it to get it in hand and the physical and mental effort of actual delivery — besides the worry as to whether the remarks will flop — this all adds up to a serious undertaking, even if it is a humorous speech.

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'Pain' of Rabies Shots Said Fallacy By Health Officials

You've heard it or read it dozens of times.

A youngster is bitten by a dog or cat which promptly disappears. A public appeal is made for help in locating the offending animal, lest the child has to unnecessarily take the "painful" rabies shots.

State health officials are the first to agree that such public appeals are highly beneficial. But those same officials do not mince words in denouncing the "painful" label as grossly inaccurate. They are no more painful than any other immunizing injection, and less so than some shots which are accepted with philosophical cheerfulness.

Ask Dr. A. B. Rich, director of the State Health Department's veterinary public health division, or F. W. Huff, a laboratorian who in his career of some 30 years has autopsied well over 97,000 animal heads for rabies. Both men can speak with the authority that comes only with first-hand experience.

Once while in private practice, Dr. Rich examined a dog for tonsillitis. The very next day the animal displayed typical signs of rabies. Since he had a scratch on his hand prudence demanded that Dr. Rich take the shots. He says he found them to be almost painless beyond the initial brief prick of the needle.

Huff echoes the same sentiment. He ought to know—since he has had to take a 21-shot course of treatment on four separate occasions. Anyone who handles his volume of autopsy work—from African lions to Alaskan wolves—is bound to be exposed on occasions.

Has the "pain" label dissuaded anyone from taking the shots when they should have? There is no way of knowing. But Dr. Rich says he can readily imagine how it could happen. From this point of view, the inaccurate label is dangerous since rabies is endemic over most of Texas—particularly among wildlife, primarily foxes and skunks. A total of 367 positive cases were reported last year, and for the first six months of this year 357 positive cases have been diagnosed.

Rabies vaccination carries a slight risk of reaction, so should never be given thoughtlessly. It of exposure to an apprehended animal known to be rabid, or an unapprehended animal in regions should always be given in cases where rabies is known to exist.

40 YEARS AGO IN MERKEL

John R. West and Luther Grimes have just returned from an extended pleasure (?) trip in the former's automobile. The trip included the Northern plains of Texas thence across New Mexico to Albuquerque. The return trip including the famous Elephant Butte dam, El Paso and the newly opened western oil fields. They report very little car trouble and excellent running times. Knowing these facts it is needless to add that they had an enjoyable trip.

It is said that a certain would-be "society" gentleman, who had been out-of-town for some time, wired friends that he would arrive in Merkel on a certain date via the Sunshine Special, and that the gentleman in question expected to be met at the station by a crowd of friends and brass band, but instead he found the night-watchman with a club and a bull dog.

Druggist H. A. Sanders recently purchased a beautiful Oakland sedan, which he presented to his better "three-fourths."

Miss Elsie Vencent left first of the week for Fort Worth where she will visit friends for a few

Mr. Thompson as his partner will continue the business.

W. D. Haynes, one of the community's best citizens, returned this week from a visit to his old home in Alabama, and where he was present at a family reunion honoring his father's 90th birthday.

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The Cherokees, we learn, are in arms. It is said that Evan Jones the abolitionist, and his son, have enlisted 2,500 full bloods for a raid. We hear that a requisition will be made upon the state of Arkansas to aid in quelling the insurrection. If a requisition is made upon the Choctaws and Chickasaws it will be responded. **A LADY'S DEFENSE OF VAILS**
An exchange paper recently found fault with the practice of wearing vails—averred that it was "mischievously prevalent" this year, and objected to it because "they are so terribly annoying and tantalizing to young men." To this a lady answers with truth as follows: "This is one of the best reasons that could be given for wearing them. Vails save some of them from a vast amount of annoying impertinence. It requires no small degree of resolution for a sensitive young girl to pass the

Asthmatic Children Attend Sahuaro School, Tucson, Under Scholarships

Tucson, Ariz.—The National Foundation for Asthmatic Children here provides scholarships to Sahuaro school for needy asthmatic children between the ages of 6 and 12, regardless of race or creed. There is no requirement for payment for care and treatment of the child, since these and all other services are made possible by public contributions to the foundation. Requests for admittance far exceed the physical capacity and financial resources. To meet the ever-mounting needs of chronically-ill asthmatic children, the foundation is planning an expansion program. "This expansion, made possible by contributions to the National Foundation for Asthmatic Children, will insure that more and more children can be cared for, given their chance to live happy, normal lives," R. W. F. Schmidt, foundation president, said.

corner of the street where a knot of these susceptible young men are congregated, knowing that all the curious eyes will be turned upon her, and that her eyes, walk, dress, size of shoes and gloves, will be marks of their close and impudent observation. Vails have a special sanitary use during the spring months, in the protection afforded from the disagreeable influence of the sun and wind; but if comfort did not call for them, we should advocate their use until young men acquired the first rules of politeness and good manners in their street deportment."

gabby doodle from noodle says:

Dear Mister Editor:
I been noting where some of them column writers for the big dailies uses the dot system ev'ry onct in a while. It looks like they got a heap of thinks on their mind but don't know how to put 'em together. So they just add a few dots and move on to sumpun else. I got a few items on my mind this week, ain't too shore I can put 'em together, so I'll just stick a few dots here and there and keep plowing. After all, them big column writers ain't got no copy-right on dots. I see by the papers where the Army is going to discharge 10,000 "incompetent soldiers." I reckon they're running the Army different now. When I was in it back during World War I they didn't discharge 'em, they just promoted 'em to second lieutenants. These political candidates is all running their campaign on what you might call the "one-two-three-period" plan. "No. 1—There ain't no truth to what my opponent, the distinguished gentleman, says. No. 2—He ain't distinguished and he ain't no gentleman. No. 3—He didn't say nothing in the first place. Period."



Almost everyone enjoys the cozy heat of a fireplace in winter and each of us prefers a certain kind of fuel wood for his fire. General preferences of long standing frequently lead to misconceptions regarding wood, such as the notion that oak and other heavy hardwoods have a higher fuel value than pine. Such is not the case. In fact, pound for pound, the wood of pine and other similar resinous species will generate more heat than the hardwoods. However, the heat from resinous woods produces a hot, quick fire which also consumes the wood and releases the heat quickly. As a result, it is difficult to maintain a uniform temperature when burning resinous woods, because the heat is intense at first and then quickly cools. The denser hardwoods take longer to ignite and when burning release their heat more slowly than pine. Long experience has taught us to start our fires with pine and to maintain them with hickory, oak, or similar hardwood species.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Toliver and children, Larry and Galasue, of Odessa spent the week end in the homes of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Toliver and Mrs. Edna Horton.

I reckon, after all, we got the best government in the world. They take it away from big business and give it to the little feller, then big business takes it away from the little feller and the government takes it back again. That way they keep it going round and round in circulation and when they run short they raise the public debt. In the last two year I've looked at 827 horse-tail hairdos these teenagers is wearing and have decided that a horse-tail looks better on a horse. If I had my life to live over I'd think up somepun that costs a dime to make, sells for a dollar and is habit-forming.

The year 1960 will go down in history as the year that the word "soap" disappeared from our language. By the end of this year TV commercials willing, janitors and livery stable help will speak only of the "detergent." On account of being such a good speller myself and not needing one, I ain't got no dictionary, but I went over to my neighbor's house and looked up the word. It means, the book says, somepun that "clears away foul matter." I hope they'll use a little of it on them TV commercials in 1960. Them brass hats in Washington now admits that Russia is "a little above us" in the production of space weapons. That could prove fatal, Mister Editor. I've knowed of many a feller that was drowned in water that was just "a little above his head." Yours truly, GABBY

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Harwell and daughter, Mrs. Frances Carey, and children, Youlanda and Wayne, have returned to their home here after a visit in the home of their daughter and sister, at Antioch, Calif. They also visited many places of interest while there and en route home.

Week-end visitors in the Pogue home were Mrs. A. J. Burks of Odessa and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Burks and son, Ronny, of Newark, Del. Mr. Burks is a chemical engineer at Thiokol Corp. of Elkton, Md.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Thaxton Sunday were his cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Rhodes of San Angelo.

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Quarterly Report of Taylor County Treasurer

On July 11, 1960, the Commissioners Court met in regular session, compared and examined the report of Mrs. Bob Haile, county treasurer, for the quarter ending June 30, 1960, and found same to be correct, and the respective amounts received and paid out to be correct since the preceding report.

FUNDS—

	Bal. Last Qtr.	Rec'd. This Qtr.	Paid Out This Qtr.	Bal. This Qtr.
Jury Fund	\$ 21,808.20	\$ 3,788.83	\$ 11,796.73	\$ 13,800.30
Precinct No. 1 Fund	40,556.78	55,851.34	24,332.61	72,075.51
Precinct No. 2 Fund	45,478.70	47,921.20	30,421.32	62,978.58
Precinct No. 3 Fund	49,460.55	37,532.32	25,708.77	61,284.10
Precinct No. 4 Fund	5,922.65	46,366.29	19,816.61	32,472.33
General Fund	207,892.78	57,250.53	94,238.52	170,904.79
Pauper Fund	od 3,592.67	25,331.38	23,561.58	od 1,822.87
Road Dist. No. 1 Fund	230.00	.00	.00	230.00
Highway 600 M. Skg. Fund	100.00	50.00	.00	50.00
Highway 275 M. Skg. Fund	659.15	.00	.00	659.15
Perm. Imp. Fund	13,362.53	2,206.43	.00	15,568.96
Spec. R. & B. Fund	1,236.00	.00	.00	1,286.00
Co. Wide Mach. Fund	2.70	.00	.00	2.70
Withholding Tax Fund	4,977.46	14,603.02	14,746.48	4,834.00
Officers Salary Fund	67,797.64	117,214.74	87,661.35	97,351.03
Rd. Dist. No. 1 Skg. Fund (47-53)	30,577.82	4,598.40	4,644.10	30,582.12
Perm. School Fund	502.27	242.50	242.50	502.27
Lateral Road Fund	77,480.72	300.00	17,030.08	60,750.64
F.I.C.A. Fund	10,486.20	7,007.33	7,571.19	9,922.34
Road Bond Series 1953	24,607.40	.00	.00	24,607.40
Library Fund	3,102.83	1,094.00	288.50	3,908.33
Perm. Imp. Skg. Fund	33,626.25	2,868.14	.00	36,494.39
Rd. Dist. No. 1 Bond Series 1955	2,186.40	.00	.00	2,186.40
Rd. Dist. No. 1 Skg. Fd. S. 1955	15,984.73	2,893.07	.00	18,877.80
Ref'd. Bond Skg. Fund	13,806.43	3,107.16	.00	16,913.59
Road & Bridge R.O.W. Fund	45,845.73	4,789.04	153.70	50,481.07
	\$714,149.25	\$435,015.72	\$362,214.04	\$786,950.93

BANK BALANCES AND TIME DEPOSITS

First National Bank	\$286,125.72	Total Deposits	\$786,950.93
Citizens National Bank	262,158.35	Time Deposits	212,027.31
First State Bank, Abilene	119,284.99	Total Checking Act.	\$574,923.92
First State Bank, Tuscola	119,386.87		
	\$786,950.93		

SECURITIES OWNED BY TAYLOR COUNTY

Precinct No. 3 Fund	\$ 5,000.00	Perm. School Fund	\$ 5,800.00
Jury Fund	10,000.00	U. S. Gov. Bonds	8,000.00
General Fund	24,000.00	Everman Ind. S. Bonds	1,000.00
Rd. Dist. No. 1 Skg. Fund	23,848.20	Buffalo Gap S. Bonds	4,700.00
	\$62,848.20		\$19,500.00

600 M. Skg. Fund	\$ 5,000.00	(Perm. Imp. Bonds)	
Highway 275 M. Skg. Fund	1,338.00	Gov. Bonds	
Highway 275 M. Skg. Fund	3,200.00	Buffalo Gap School Bonds	
	\$9,568.00		

BONDS AND WARRANT INDEBTEDNESS

ISSUE—	Original Issue	Bonds Redeemed	Bonds Outstanding
Bond Series 1947	\$ 350,000.00	\$310,000.00	\$ 40,000.00
Bond Series 1953	350,000.00	65,000.00	285,000.00
Bond Series 1954	850,000.00	185,000.00	665,000.00
Bond Series 1955	350,000.00	100,000.00	250,000.44
Ref'd. Bond Series 1957	397,000.00	96,000.00	301,000.00
	\$2,297,000.00	\$756,000.00	\$1,541,000.00

The requirements of Art. No. 401 P.C. have been complied with, and a tabular statement has been filed as required.

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Recreation Plays Important Role in 4-H Club Work

"All work and no play makes Jack a dull (4-H) boy," explains why recreation is one of the official 4-H programs among the half hundred available to club members throughout the state. Naturally it's popular with 4-Hers of all ages, and is one project that can be carried on in towns as well as in the country, the Co-operative Extension Service points out.

While the recreation program itself is no new in 4-H, the present national sponsor is. This marks the first year that John Deere of Moline, Illinois, will be

host to the top state and national winners during the National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago next fall.

Awards will include recognition certificates for four blue award clubs in each county plus gold-filled medals for four individual winners. On the state level, 10 blue award clubs will receive certificates, and the state champion will be a Chicago congress delegate with all expenses paid. In addition, each of six national winners will be presented with a \$400 John Deere college scholarship.

In summing up the year's participation, Bruce Lourie, vice president, says, "John Deere's sponsorship of the national 4-H recreation program is a most rewarding experience. Teaching boys and girls how to enjoy and constructively use their leisure time, and training them in lead-

ership is important to us. "Our contacts with the 4-H staff and with volunteer adult leaders throughout the country indicate that a splendid job is being done in guiding club members who are the future leaders of this nation," he adds.

The broad scope of activities include arts and crafts, sports, club and community social events, nature lore, music and dramatics. One outgrowth of the recreation shows which have become popular both in and out of 4-H.

Engagement Is Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Irven Thompson of Merkel are announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Mary Joelle, to Mr. John Charles Brady, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Brady of Waterloo, Iowa.

Miss Thompson graduated from Merkel High School in 1957 and has attended McMurry College for the past three years.

Mr. Brady attended school in Waterloo, where he graduated in 1955. He is presently employed in Waterloo.

The couple will be married on Aug. 31.

Cemetery Fund

The following persons made contributions to the Merkel Cemetery Association fund for the week ending July 18:

- Alvin Brown
- Mrs. Gillis Cox
- Mrs. E. M. McDonald
- Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilson
- Pee Brothers
- Mrs. Seth Morgan Estate
- Mrs. Pet Touchstone
- Miss Eula Sears
- H. A. Martin
- F. E. Allyn
- Mrs. Bill Stevens
- Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hughes
- Mr. and Mrs. Carl Carey
- Pee Insurance Agency

Gene Frazier of Breckenridge, son of Mrs. Walter Frazier, suffered a heart attack recently. His mother, who has just returned from a visit in his home, reports his condition much improved.

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STITH NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Verdie Filks and daughter returned to their home in Odessa Friday after a week's visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Odie Filks.

J. I. Ford was buried in the Stith cemetery Wednesday afternoon. He died at Merkel last Thursday. He and his family lived in this community several years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Goterd and family of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Vaughn and Mrs. M. J. Schwarz of Abilene visited Mr. and Mrs. Albert Evans and Nancy Sunday.

spent last week with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Harris had a social at their home on Sunday night for the young people of the Stith Baptist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hale had all their children home over the week end except Mrs. Charles Hale, Ronnie, David and Steve of Holyoke, Mass. They enjoyed a fish fry Sunday. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Odell Newton, Kathy and Royer of Monahans; Mr. and Mrs. James Hale, Shirley and Mike of Midland; Charles Hale of Holyoke, Mass., and Sandra Hale, and a sister, Mrs. Ethel Canida of Fort Worth.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hudson and Mrs. Jessie Lenoir for the past two weeks were Mrs. Evamae Baugh and Betty Caput of Burbank, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Willingham of Greggton, Ernie and Cathie Willingham of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Tom B. Lenoir and Bonnie Lee of Breckenridge, and Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Perry of Sweetwater.

20 YEARS AGO IN MERKEL

Four Merkel boys entered in the Abilene Soapbox Derby Sunday. They were E. A. Conley, Ben Speck, Curtis Holmes and Ikey Turney. E. A. Conley won first place in the B class and second place in the whole race. He was given a badminton set as a prize. Ikey Turney, who raced Jack Steger of Abilene for first place in A class was beaten, took second in that class. Curtis Holmes also won several heats, but did not get in the semi-finals. Ben Speck had a little bad luck and let his brakes drag on the first run.

Attendance at the annual Taylor County Old Settlers reunion at Buffalo Gap last Friday was probably over 10,000 persons, according to estimates of reunion officials.

Driving down from Lubbock, Miss Wanda Weyrick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Weyrick of Newhome, near Lubbock, and Ben Sublett, oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Sublett, were united in marriage Monday evening at the home of the groom's parents here, with the Rev. Cooper Waters, pastor of the First Baptist Church, read-

New Unwrinkled Grey Flannel



EVERY YEAR, grey flannel picks up the latest fashion points and makes the headlines as though it had only just been invented . . . which is why, no doubt, it is always in fashion. This 1960 tailored version with brass-buttoned blazer jacket, slim skirt and, just for variety, a ruffly cotton blouse, makes big fabric news. A dead ringer for the traditional-happy flannel, it's not flannel at all but a blend of 55% Zefran acrylic fiber and 45% wool, luxuriously soft, washable and ready for an infinitely long career in your wardrobe . . . dead set against wrinkles too!

ing the ring ceremony. They were attended by Miss Sudie Korney and Jack Sublett, brother of the groom. Also present for the wedding were the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Weyrick, and members of the immediate family of the groom.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Turner of Abilene returning from a vacation trip to Port Aransas, visited their parents here Saturday night and Sunday. They made a total catch of 70 pounds, including one 20-pound cat. Mr. Turner landed a 14-pounder.

RA Camp Set for Lueders July 25-28

The Royal Ambassador camp for junior boys will open Monday, July 25, at Lueders Baptist Encampment with registration beginning at 2 p.m. The camp session will close with the noon meal Thursday, July 28.

Dr. Morgan Beach, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Albany, will direct the camp and will be assisted by area pastors. Rev. M. D. Rexrode, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Haskell, will serve as camp pastor. Evangelist will be the Rev. A. D. Kyle, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Gorman. R. B. Hall, education and music director of the First Baptist Church of Eastland will direct the music.

Other personalities on the program include Harold Reeves, missionary to Thailand; and Dan Williams of Stephenville will direct the recognition service for the boys who have advanced in the ranks of Royal Ambassador chapters.

Mission study, ranking study, devotionals, recreation, swimming and handwork are included in the activities.

Mrs. C. V. Hewitt and son Vernon and daughter, Mrs. McKee and three children visited in the home of Mrs. May Johnson, Miss Delia Kuykendall and Mrs. Mattie Billingsley last Friday.

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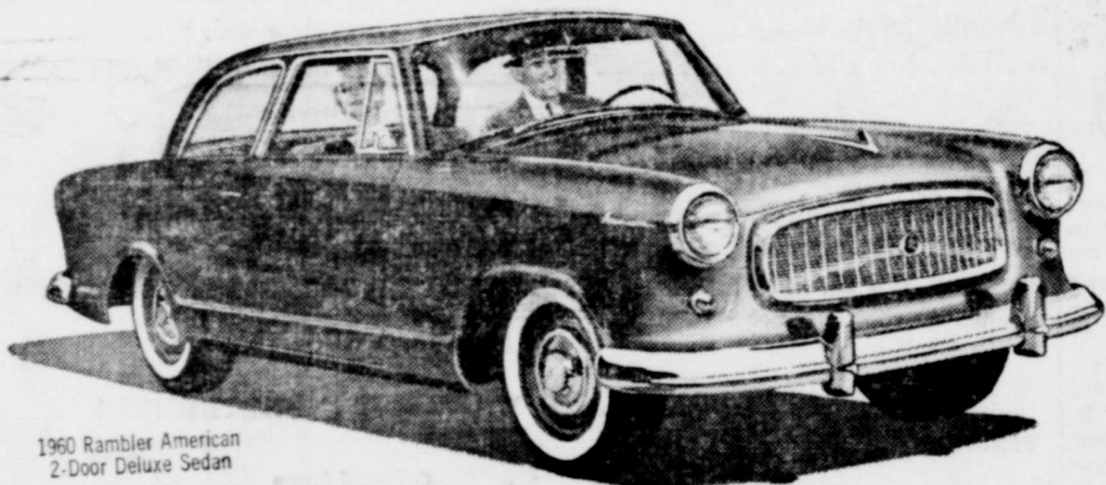
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1—Deluxe 4-Door Sedan

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1—Deluxe 4-Door Sedan

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Color festival rose. Equipped with heater, white tires, oil bath cleaner, reclining seats, heavy duty radiator. **\$181680**

1—Super 4-Door Sedan

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