



**Home Demonstration Notes**

By LORETA ALLEN

Taylor County Home Demonstration Agent



The 1961 spring look is the natural and at ease look with flaring hemlines echoing the early 1930's. You will find this new look in skirts through flares with emphasis on the bias and large soft pleats.

Necklines are boat shaped, slightly scooped or square. Collars will be seen in fewer numbers.

The waistline of the new spring dresses is still undetermined. Hips are unrecognized, generally.

The skirt length of our new spring style remains short and the high fashion just covers the knee.

Sleeves still have deep armholes but often dresses will be seen sleeveless both for daytime and evening wear.

Jacket lengths will vary from the hipbone to mid thigh. The straightline jacket still remains popular.

Watch your colors for this spring. They are similar to those we wore in 1930—the clear jade green, salmon, peacock, fuchsia and a soft range of pink.

You will find many interesting fabrics and one that is high fashion is crepe that is printed in a geometric design.

In buying a dress, consider the

color, style and fabric.

Before shopping for your new spring dress, I suggest you get a copy of L-395, Buying A Street Dress, which gives points to look for in buying a dress. This may be obtained from your county home demonstration agent Miss Loreta Allen, 317 Pecan Street, Abilene, Texas, telephone number OR 2-3286.

Milk will give you more food value per dollar than most any other food, according to extension foods and nutrition specialists of the A&M College of Texas. If you buy all your milk, your food dollar can be stretched even further by using evaporated and nonfat dry milk in cooking.

It's difficult to have a balanced daily diet without including some milk. Research shows, too, that regardless of age, we all need the food value milk offers. Studies show that women especially are not drinking the milk they need each day — neither are their teen-age daughters. This may be partly due to the fact that many people think milk is fattening. It isn't. A glass of whole milk has fewer calories than a serving of many other foods. There are only about 165 calories in a glass (eight ounces) of whole milk, and each ounce is packed with food value. A serving of lean beef has about 300 calories. Two buttered biscuits have about 350 calories and a slice of apple pie contains about 375 calories.

Drink skim milk, if you're trying to lose a few pounds. . . It has approximately half the calories of whole milk, but you will still be getting the important minerals, vitamins and protein.

When energy lags—in mid-morning or afternoon — try a cold glass of milk for a "lift that lasts."

**40 YEARS AGO**

Mr. H. H. Tittle, residing a short distance south of the city, was here Wednesday and informed us that he had the misfortune to lose a six-room residence on his farm, five miles southwest, by fire on the night before, and that a few days before that he lost considerable feed by fire. This is indeed hard luck and quite a loss to Mr. Tittle.

As per announcement made in these columns last week, the citizens of the Salt Branch community, assisted by their neighbors and many citizens from Merkel, put on perhaps one of the biggest rabbit drives ever taking place in this section of the country. It is said that by noon more than 700 of the pests had been killed, including one coyote wolf, and that when the drive had ended in the afternoon the estimate was made that from 1,500 to 2,000 rabbits had been killed.

We are informed that the 14th of this month Miss May Valentine died at Caddo, where she was engaged in teaching school. We also learn that the deceased was at one time a teacher in the Merkel schools and is an aunt of Mrs. C. S. Higgins of this city.

All work and no play makes even a basketball team dull, so on last Thursday evening at the home of their coach, Miss Josie Smith, at six o'clock, the basketball girls met for a party. They enjoyed music for a time then the "bunch" went to the "Cozy" where seats were reserved for them. The good play "Little Women" was enjoyed by everyone. The players and coach next enjoyed "set ups" given by the girls famous "rooter," John McDonald. After a few jokes and "stump" speeches, all departed for their homes.

Those who enjoyed this rare treat were Misses Alma Barbee, Hattie and Myrtle Harris, Nora Foster, Myrtle McDonald, Maurine Angus, Ethel Allen, Gladys Middleton, Jewell Burns and Coach Josie Smith.

**LEGAL NOTICE**

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THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Hugh Hamilton Scott, 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 3 day of April A.D. 1961, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 10 day of Feb. A.D. 1961, in this cause, numbered 25,698-A on the docket of said court and styled BETTY SCOTT, Plaintiff, vs. HUGH HAMILTON SCOTT, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married on or about Aug. 18, 1953 and became separated on or about June, 1958. Plaintiff sues that Defendant showed Plaintiff harsh & Cruel Treatment and he deserted her and the minor children in June, 1958, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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Attest: R. H. Ross Clerk,  
42nd District Court  
Taylor County, Texas  
By Mrs. F. N. Carter,  
Deputy.

50-51-52-1

Mr. and Mrs. Baylor Amason and daughter, Lynda, of Graham

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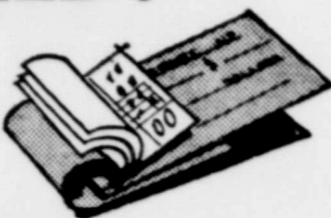
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## FORTNIGHTLY CLUB HAS PATRIOTIC TEA

The Fortnightly Study Club entertained 60 guests Tuesday afternoon with a Patriotic Tea at the Merkel Country Club. Hostesses were members of the social committee—Christine Collins, Mrs. Earl Hughes, Mrs. W. R. Cypert and Mrs. Clyde Bartlett.

In her welcome to the guests, Mrs. Ray Wilson, president, stressed the value of friendship as expressed through women's clubs everywhere.

Mrs. Brandon Wade introduced Mrs. Buddy Nail, who played piano selections, and Sherwood Suter, professor of art in McMurry College, who gave a lecture-demonstration on his life's work.

Mr. Suter showed copies of famous paintings, explaining the marked trends of the masters and the periods of history to which they belonged. He demonstrated today's art, known for its simplicity and beauty in style and design. He stressed the real purpose of studying art: to find enjoyment in expressing what one sees about him, rather than in painting a "masterpiece." The

lecturer showed one of Mrs. Wade's paintings as an illustration.

The patriotic motif was featured in table appointments, with George Washington hatchets as favors. Red candles formed the background for an arrangement of red carnations, blue mums and white stock.

Included among the guests were the artist Mary Eula Sears, and her mother, Mrs. Amy Sears, and sister, Mrs. W. H. Eysen, all from Abilene but formerly of Merkel. David Lewis and Presley Guitar of McMurry College.

## UP THE CANYON

By TOM RUSSOM

The rains came down again this week and started the feed wagons to rolling; going to town after more feed.

Cattle haven't fully gained their strength since the other cold weather, and stockmen just don't want to take a chance on cutting down on the feed at this time.

However, some of the wheat grazing is good enough to carry the cattle with a small amount of feed.

The Canyon received 3/4 of an inch of rain this week. It fell slowly and all went into the ground.

Farmers up the Canyon are very anxious to get in the fields to plow the land. This time of year the ground dries very slowly.

Most of the sheep in this area have been tagged and are ready for spring weather.

Due to difficulty in getting shearing crews, the sheep raisers

## Mrs. Seago Hosts Woodman Circle

The Woodman Circle Grove 563 met in the home of Mrs. Charley Seago Thursday, Feb. 16 with 11 members present. Mrs. Tommie Neill was co-hostess.

Plans were made for the district meeting which will be held here March 13.

The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. Fred Johnson on March 16 when all who have a birthday in March will be co-hostesses.

## Farm Facts

"Farmers must be getting rich," the city housewife too often complains when she goes to pay for her food at the supermarket check-out counter.

The facts are, however, that the farmer's part of her food dollar has actually declined, that an hour's pay will buy more food today than it would a few years ago, that the farmer is caught in a "cost-price" squeeze, and that his net income is much lower than that of the average non-farm person.

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During 1958, the hourly income for farm labor and management was 97 cents, while workers in manufacturing industries received \$2.13 per hour.

Average net income per person of the farm population from all sources was \$1,066. This included \$298 received for work off the farm, the value of products consumed on the farm, and the rental value of the farm dwelling. By comparison, the average non-farm person's net income amounted to \$2,066. This is \$1,000 a year more.

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## CONSERVATION NEWS

Conservation farming requires good planning. A farmer must decide on what crops to grow, what type of tillage to use, how often to rotate the crops and many other items. Once the plan is developed it should provide for maximum protection of the soil.

Proper use of crop residues is one of the best ways a farmer has to protect the land. Residue left on top of the soil helps control both wind and water erosion. Surface residue protects the land without using any of the soil moisture. A good cover of residue actually helps to get more of the rain into the soil. This makes good residue management one of the most valuable conservation practices in this area.

The proper way to manage crop residue varies from one field to another. If the main problem is wind erosion then the crop residue should be left standing through the wind erosion season or until about the first of April. Residue such as sorghum stalks will give the best protection from soil blowing when left standing. The height of the stalks help reduce the speed of the wind on the ground. Any early tillage on sorghum land should be done with equipment that will leave the stalks standing.

On fields where the main hazard is water erosion, residue management will be slightly different. The object is to cover as much of the soil surface as possible. This can best be done by either chopping the stalks or undercutting them so they will lay over. Fields that have a good cover of crop residue will have less runoff than clean tilled fields. The residue acts as a sponge to help hold the rain. Modern equipment that will till the soil and leave the residue on top is becoming more popular each year with conservation farmers.

The local Middle Clear Fork Soil Conservation District encourages you to protect your land. Plan now to grow high residue crops where they are needed and keep the stubble on top.

## Lambda Betas Hear Program By Mrs. Wade

Mrs. Woodrow Wade presented a program on "Drama" when the Lambda Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met in the home of Mrs. Dale Litton Tuesday.

Mrs. Wade analyzed the vast difference in reading a play and seeing one. She gave four types of plays with examples of each: tragedy — Hamlet and MacBeth; comedy — Taming of the Shrew; melodrama — Phantom of the Opera; and farce — slapstick comedy.

She concluded with the following quotation from Shakespeare: "All the world is a stage and all men and women in it merely players. They have their exit and their entrance; and one man in his time plays many parts."

Members participated by pantomiming different facial expressions and gestures to show emotions and moods.

During the business session the following were named to serve on the nominating committee: Mrs. Glen Robertson, Mrs. Gerald Derrick and Mrs. Luther Reeger.



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## GARDEN HINTS

By Merkel Garden Club

Garden Therapy Is Recommended

Today we hear much about garden therapy among garden clubbers. As it is one of the wonderful works of garden clubs, we need to understand and know of the good it is and can do.

Garden therapy is bringing faith, hope, joy and pleasure into the lives of those in mental hospitals, to the blind, the aged, veterans, hospitals, prisons and shut-ins. In garden therapy we try to bring others the stimulation, renewal of spirit, the joy that we all at one time or another have experienced from our gardening activities. The healing effect of digging in the earth, watching a cutting take root, a plant grow, a bulb in a pot bloom, a flower arrangement placed to enjoy, is what we have to give. By giving a few hours of ourselves, we can accomplish for others the joy of growing things.

In some hospitals, classes are held to teach flower arranging to patients who are able to participate; workshops are conducted to make corsages, tray favors, decorations. Other interesting activities are teaching crippled children to make flower pictures, and dish gardens. Patients are taught plant identification and projects for the blind include "fragrance gardens" and "touch and smell gardens." Often beds are raised and plant labels are in Braille. Garden books are also being printed in Braille.

One club has taken on the project of giving birds to homes for the aged where they are loved and cared for, making long days a little shorter and happier.

Our club wants to share the joy we get from gardening, too. We have taken flowers and arrangements to the rest home and have potted bulbs for the patients who get pleasure from watching them grow. At Christmas we took each one a miniature Christmas tree which they enjoyed. There will be a bouquet of flowers or an arrangement of flowers brought each week and placed in their sitting room. Also, bud vases will be filled when fresh flowers bloom again and corsages will be made and taken to them.

There are so many things we can do through the medium of garden therapy for those who no longer can do for themselves. Their hands cannot dig and plant a garden, but their eyes and hearts can find joy in the rose, daffodil or tulip you and I as garden clubbers can grow. So, let's remember when we have flowers to share them. Let it be a way of saying "thanks" for all the many hours of fun, recreation and relaxation that our gardens and garden club activities have given us.

are planning to shear early this year.

The Roofing company has moved in to start replacing the roofs on the Pioneer Church and parsonage, which were so badly damaged by the big hail storm this past fall.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Ray and children met at the home of their son, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Ray of Abilene, Sunday for dinner. Two daughters, Mrs. Horace Steele of Houston and Mrs. Rudd from Missouri, were unable to attend.

I want to pass this on to my good friend, John Toombs of Abilene. John, I just thought you might have overlooked what President Kennedy said after he was elected.

So many were going to him applying for jobs, telling him they voted for him.

He said, "If all of you voted for me, why was the race so close?"

John won't overlook this because he is a long time reader of the Merkel Mail and has many good friends in and around Merkel.

If you should come out through the Canyon any time soon, notice at the corner of the George Anderson place the big bobcat, just recently caught on the Tom Russom place. A government trapper caught the mama cat, which measured four feet long when stretched out. Three of her kittens are still at large in the mountains.

Cattle testing which was to get under way this week, was postponed due to the rain.

The young people of Pioneer Memorial Church attended a sub-district of the MYF at Trent Monday night.

In observance of "Week of Prayer" the WSCS sponsored an inspirational program for members of the Pioneer Church. Sue King, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen D. King Sr., sang a solo. A salad supper was served following the program.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Martin and daughter, Pamelyn, of Sweetwater, visited in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ford Butman, Sunday. Mrs. Martin is the former Pat Putman.

Ida Mae King, student at Texas Tech, Lubbock, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Allen King Sr., and Sue the past weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Butman of Abilene were visitors Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Swinney.

Mrs. Dalton Pentecost of Merkel, the former Barbara Osborn, attended church here Sunday.

The name Texas was derived from the word Tejas which was the name of a tribe of Indians that lived in southern Texas. Tejas means friendly.



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### gabby doodle from noodle says:

DEAR MISTER EDITOR:  
It's a great pity some of them Washington column writers don't cover our sessions at the country store. They'd get more horse sense in one Saturday night than they get from a whole session of the Congress.

Doolittle unveiled a plan that would help get a heap of folks out of debt. He called to mind how them Federal income tax officials come out several year ago with colored stripes on envelopes to let the public know how much income tax a feller was paying. If he was reporting \$10,000 a year, for instant, he got a envelop with a yellow stripe on it, so's the folks in the post office, the mail man and all his neighbors would know about it. The politicians made the tax folks cut it out, but Ed allows as how the idea is sound as a 1910 dollar.

Take the merchants, for instant, said Ed. If a feller is a couple months behind on his bill, let the merchant send him a envelop with two big red stripes on it. If he's behind three months, send him one with three red stripes. And when he gets a whole year behind, send him one printed red all over with his name in black. Ed allowed as how people could tell just exactly how everybody else was getting along and that folks would start paying their bills a heap better.

Zeke Grubb allowed that the system was good, would cover about everything except a woman's age. Clem Webster said they ain't no system to cover this situation, that about the only way you can find out a woman's age for shore is to ask her mother-in-law.

Bug Hookum was lamenting that while Ed's system might help a little, they ain't no cure for debt in this country unless we do away with automobiles. Bug claims we got millions of people in this country that ain't doing nothing but supporting their automobile. Out this way for instant, Bug says most folks keep up the payments on their car and if they is anything left, they pay their taxes and get some groceries. Got any of them kind over in town, Mister Editor?

Well, I see by the papers where President Kennedy aims to get a team of folks and train 'em in the field of promoting peace and disarmament. Up to now, allows Kennedy, them that's been handling that department ain't had no more training in it than a hound dog has had pointing a covey of quail. But the Prime Minister of England says he ain't going to follow suit, is going to stick to the one-man system. I reckon he figgers that one man can handle about all the peace and disarmament we got at present.

Yours truly,  
Gabby

#### Karen Hood Joins H-SU Social Club

Karen Hood, a junior student at Hardin-Simmons University, was inducted into the Delta Social Club in a formal pledge presentation ceremony Feb. 15.

Miss Hood was one of 12 pledges to be granted membership in the H-SU women's social club.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Hood of Trent, she is a graduate of Trent High School. At Hardin-Simmons she is majoring in physical education and minoring in secretarial science.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Harris and Jimmy and the Rev. and Mrs. Ralph Miller Jr., and daughter, Stephanie, of Booneville, Ark., visited in the home of Mr and Mrs. Bob Harris and children of Blackwell, Thursday night.

The Rev. and Mrs. Ralph Miller Jr., and daughter, Stephanie, of Booneville, Ark., visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Miller Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Harris.



Governor Price Daniel proclaims FFA Week in Texas, February 18-25. L-R are: Dick Weekley, Executive Secretary, Texas Association FFA; Governor Daniel; Joe Penn, President of the Texas Association FFA; and George Hurt, State Director, Vocational Agriculture.

#### Stith News

By MRS. FRITZ HALE

Stith is receiving more moisture today in the form of rain and sleet.

Jim Burns and F. J. McDonald attended the funeral service for Fate Evans at Kiker-Warren Funeral Home in Abilene Monday morning.

Sam and Wesley Mashburn visited their brother, Dick Mashburn, who is reported in serious condition at a Temple hospital following surgery.

Wayne Mitchell of Merkel spent Thursday night with Johnie Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Harris, Lonnie and Johnie, Pat McDonald and Martha Perry attended a banquet at Avoca Wednesday night. The quartet appeared on the program.

Mr. and Mrs. Odell Newton and children of Monahans spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hale and daughter, Sandra.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Dunagin and children, Mary and Randy, were in Big Lake on business Saturday. Mr. Dunagin has been transferred there and the family will move soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hogan and children of Noodle spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and

Mrs. Wesley Mashburn.

Thirty-five students from ACC elementary school presented a program at the Hope Church of Christ Sunday night.

Mrs. Billy Dunagin visited Mrs. Ethel Canida at Merkel Friday night.

Penny Gardner and Ruthie Corder of Merkel visited Sandra Hale Tuesday night.

Mrs. Wilber Loflin, who underwent major surgery at Sadler Hospital, Merkel, the past week, is reported improving satisfactorily.

#### Mrs. Buchanan Hosts TEL Class

The TEL Sunday School class of the First Baptist Church met in the home of Mrs. R. Y. Buchanan Wednesday, Feb. 15. Mrs. T. J. Bird was co-hostess.

Mrs. Dave Anderson led the opening prayer. Mrs. Eunice Massey brought the devotional and presided for the business session. Closing prayer was by Mrs. Sam Hill.

Mrs. T. T. Earthman, a visitor, played selections on the piano.

Refreshments were served to Meses. Ira Moore, Clay Satterwhite, Lucy Ford, Myrtle Walker, John Mansfield, Jim Kuykendall, Sam Swann, E. W. King, Massey, Anderson, Hill, Earthman and Miss Selena Teaff.

#### YWA Marks Focus Week

The Y.W.A. of First Baptist Church celebrated Focus Week with a chili supper in the home of their counselor, Mrs. Clyde Bartlett, on Feb. 15.

The girls met early for a workshop when they made candy favors for the hospital and rest home.

Present were Cherry Hull, Beth Dunagin, Carolyn Anderson, Mary Jane Horton, Carolyn Bond, Donna Riney and Elizabeth Tuckey.

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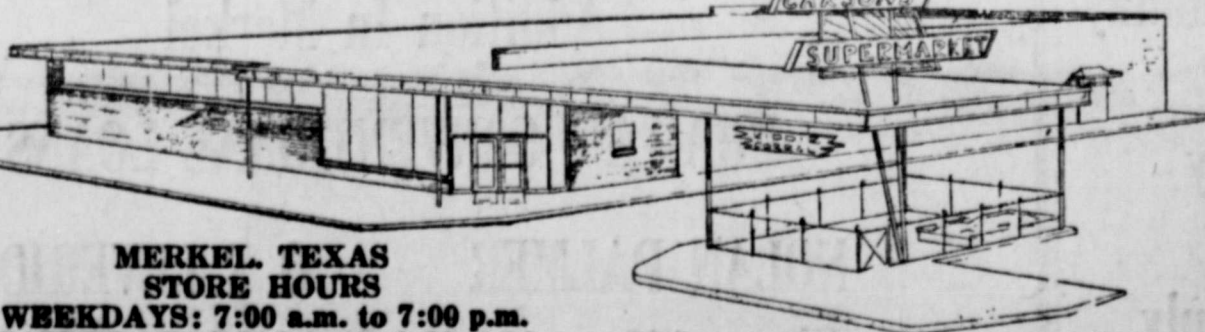
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